## **MOD Education Support Fund 2022**

## **Additional Guidance for Scottish applicants**

prepared by the ADES National Transitions Officer in partnership with MOD AFFS

The 2022 ESF has £3 million to award, available across the UK. Applicants will be asked to provide evidence of exceptional impact of mobility and/or separation and how the funding would help mitigate the effects. Funding will be targeted towards creative and realistic projects with the greatest possible collective impact across the school/local community. It is critical that the funded development work be sustained beyond this year, providing a legacy of good practice. Please refer to the ESF application pack for further information.

Resources and case studies will be welcomed for inclusion on the NTO Forces Children's Education website www.forceschildrenseducation.org.uk

<u>ESF process</u>: All bids will be reviewed and scored by a Regional Panel in Scotland, with recommendations made to MOD Armed Forces Families & Safeguarding (AFFS) Funding Panel who has the final decision.



AFFS will inform all applicants of the outcome of their application by early 2022 (or before). Payment will be made no later than 5 April 2022 but will be available to incur during the academic year 2022-23.

Applicants are **strongly encouraged** to discuss their bid ideas with the ADES National Transitions Officer early in the process. Carolyn MacLeod at <u>nationaltransitionsofficerades@gmail.com</u> (m) 07931565961

Projects and development work that engage in more joined-up, Scotland-wide, approach across education and the Armed Forces community for both those delivering and those receiving support are being encouraged. As well as those that,

- build on existing school or local authority improvement plans (as aligned with Scotland's Improvement Framework) to take specific account of and improve outcomes, for Armed Forces pupils, given that such applications are likely to be particularly sustainable and good value.
- through collaboration, will have a wide impact for high numbers of Armed Forces children and their peers across schools / clusters / local authorities and Regional Improvement Collaboratives experiencing exceptional levels of transitions (mobility or deployment). This will promote shared practice and exchange of knowledge.
- > show how the benefits will be measured and that the project / development work will clearly continue to provide: long term, value for money and benefit after the fund has been spent.
- > demonstrate the longer-term impact of the activity on children's learner journeys.

Remember to contact your Armed Forces sponsor as soon as possible, to discuss engagement and support.

For more details please refer to the ESF application pack on gov.uk.

The closing date for ESF applications is 30 September 2021 to <a href="People-AFFS-ESF-Mailbox@mod.gov.uk">People-AFFS-ESF-Mailbox@mod.gov.uk</a> NOTE: any application submitted after this date cannot be accepted.

## MOD Education Support Fund (ESF): in-year bids

Schools and local authorities which can provide evidence of exceptional impact linked to service mobility and deployment as well as an immediate need of funding from the ESF, can submit an in-year funding request (<a href="In-year guidance gov.uk">In-year guidance gov.uk</a>)