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Participatory Research Bridging Communities Fund Awardees Winter 23/24

Congratulations to the successful applicants, here are
some details about the successful projects!

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Lucy Kirkland (UoE), S. Bailey (UoE), T. Martins (UoE), & S. O. Odewunmi (RCCG)

We have been building a relationship with the Redeemed Christian Church of God community in Exeter, acknowledging the under-researched ethnic disparities in cancer and Black African, Caribbean and Asian heritage communities' underrepresentation in cancer research. This funding helps us develop this relationship and work towards reducing ethnic inequalities in cancer diagnosis in primary care together.



Dr Safi Darden (UoE), M. Kuziwa Jombe (UoE), & C. Searle (SJSE)

Our project seeks to address a severe deficit of Black role models in the U16 education sector in Devon through an ongoing partnership with a local high school. The funding will provide logistical support to enable partner members to carry out an on-campus enrichment programme for Black and Black heritage pupils hosted by Black academic staff at UoE and to engage in research activities, including peer research by pupils on the programme.



Dr Catherine Leyshon (UoE), M. Leyshon (UoE), I. Jones (VC), & E. Rowse (VSF)

The project will primarily involve scoping and mapping the current size and shape of the voluntary sector in Cornwall, in collaboration with our partners Volunteer Cornwall and the Voluntary Sector Forum. This will allow us to determine future research priorities and support Cornwall's voluntary sector, specifically its involvement with the public health, care, and wellbeing sectors.



Peter Lefort (UoE) & M. Bissett (ED)

The Exeter Doughnut group formed in May 2023, with a common aim to bring together people from across the community, academia, business and local government to implement the ideas of Doughnut Economics. Funding will support group members to dedicate capacity to the data collection, relationship building and convening that is required to advance this work.



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Dr Susan Greaney (UoE), **C. Lodge** (NT), & **O. Bayer** (HE)

The UoE Archaeology department has a longstanding partnership with National Trust staff and volunteers, collaboratively researching the pre-estate history of Killerton. Funding will enable us to run a training course in analytical earthwork survey for staff, students, and volunteers to enable us to conduct archaeological survey together through classroom and field-based exercises.



Dr Tim Hughes (UoE) & **F. Halsall** (Loveland)

This award will support ongoing collaboration with Loveland, a community growing project near the Penryn campus. Loveland brings together local community members, students, and staff, in an accessible and open environment, to learn together through: growing food in ways that respect nature; studying wildlife and soil ecology; and hosting creative and fun events to engage the local community more broadly. Funding will enable us to employ a volunteer co-ordinator and community researcher to organise a weekly community session and to explore opportunities for participatory research.



Dr Hugh Roberts (UoE), **H. Vassallo** (UoE), & **O. P. Brown** (MT)

Collaboration began with the Devon Ukrainian Association in July 2023, for our project 'Translating Cultures with UNESCO Cities of Literature', which focused on Ukrainian war poetry. The award will allow us to continue to explore translation as a means of providing further opportunities for support, integration, and recognition of Devon and Exeter's Ukrainian community.



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