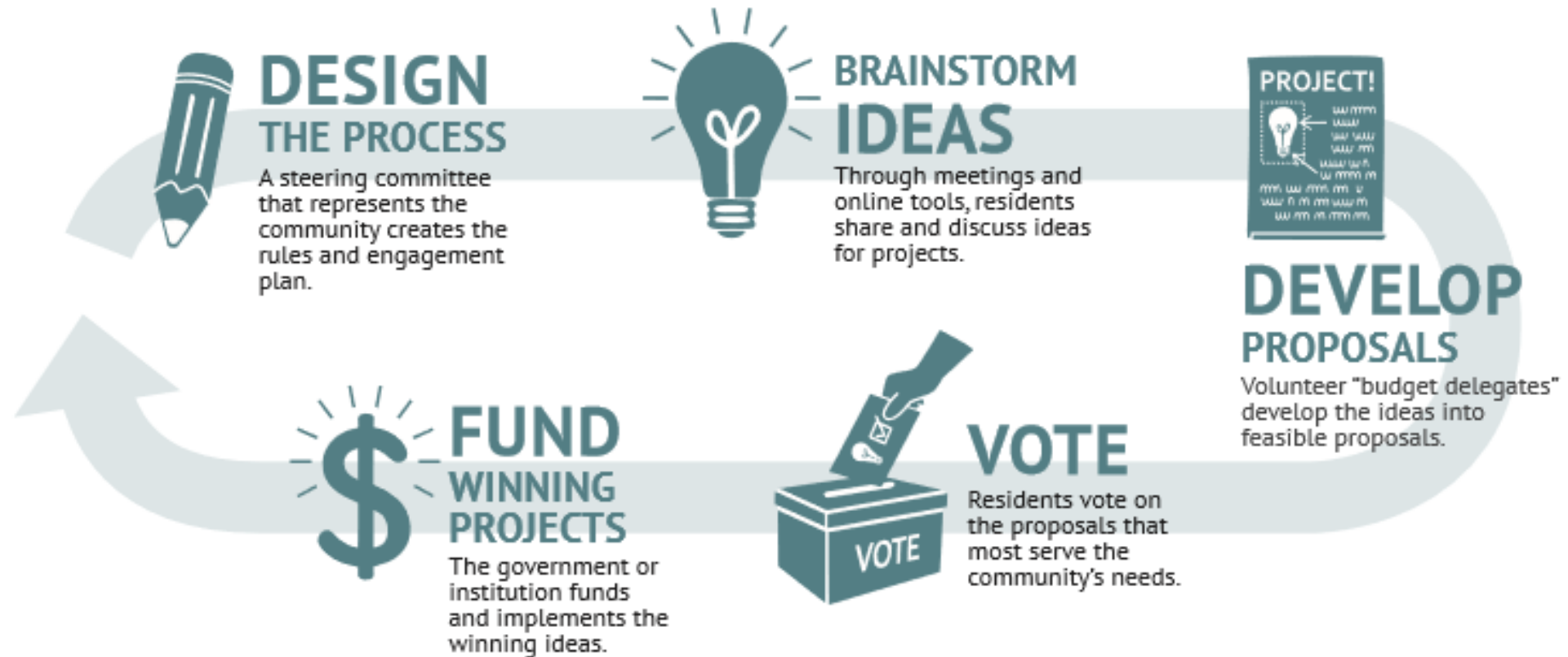




Craigshill Community Choices Information for Schools

Community Choices lets **you** decide how public money is spent.



£25,000 of public money is to be used to fund projects that help meet the needs of the Craigshill community.



A survey helped us identify 3 issues in the Craigshill community that this funding can help to address. These are:

Poverty

Digital Innovation and Inclusion

Community Collaboration



Groups and organisations in Craigshill have come forward with ideas for projects that help to address these issues and improve the Craigshill community.

The School Bank



The School Bank support all of the Craigshill primary schools by providing free school uniforms to children who need them.

This new project would involve providing casual clothing to young people up to 18 years.

This would include a basic set of clothing, such as joggers, hoody, t-shirts and trainers.

This project would support families who are currently struggling to provide clothing/shoes for their children.

Craigsfarm



Craigsfarm would like to carry out a project that helps adults in Craigshill with their mental health and wellbeing.

The project would help adults to build resilience and cope with vulnerability through two 5-week **relaxation and stress reduction programmes** of 3 hours per session to help relax the mind and body.

Craigsfarm also want to provide three progressive yoga classes of 7 one-hour sessions to prevent and reduce stress.

West Lothian Youth Action Project



The Youth Action Project is applying for funds to enhance the **Craigshill Community Fridge**.

During the pandemic, the Community Fridge delivered over 5,000 food parcels to people living in West Lothian.

The Youth Action Project plan to use the money to improve the organisation and promotion of the Craigshill Community Fridge so that it works well for the growing number of people who need food support.

West Lothian Youth Action Project



The Youth Action Project is applying for funds to begin running **an activity club** for the young people in Craigshill.

The club will run on a Friday and be open to those aged 10 and above. The activities provided at the club will include table tennis, pool, football, athletics, arts and crafts, music and much more.

This club will be open to all, but families living in poverty who may not be able to afford to pay for sports clubs will be targeted to make sure that all of the young people in the Craigshill catchment area have the chance to participate in these activities.

Spark/Almond Housing Association



Spark and Almond Housing Association are applying for money to create a Craigshill Community Cinema so the Craigshill community can enjoy the big screen movie experiences in the heart of the Craigshill.

People living in Craigshill with an interest in this area will be able to improve their skills on all things digital, from learning basic computer skills to film-making and social media.

Spark/Almond Housing Association



Spark and Almond Housing Association are also applying for money to deliver **Craigshill's first Story Festival** to be held as part of Scotland's Year of Stories.

This project would consist of a week of children's storytelling events from Monday 20th June, including an outdoor festival event on Saturday 25 June.

At the festival, inspiring stories will be told and many different activities will be offered to children and their families.

National Childbirth Trust



The National Childbirth Trust are applying for funding for a breastfeeding support group in Craigshill to support new mums.

This would involve pairing mums up with a local peer supporter who can help to support the mum in late stages of pregnancy until the baby is 4 months old.



And if you are 8 years old and
above,
we need YOU to vote!



So that we can gather some information about who is voting, you will be asked information about your postcode, age and gender.

You can then vote for **3 projects** that you think will benefit the Craigshill community.



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