



Seed Corn Funding and Support for New Research Development - *Call for applications*

Deadline for receipt Monday 20th October 2025

<https://www.crimeinmind.co.uk>

Crime in Mind is seeking to support development of new research.

This call for applications for support is for people who want to build new research and/or new research skills.

Up to £2,000 will be offered for preliminary or preparatory work to inform substantive research into a topic relevant to forensic mental health research.

This may be in any form, but with sufficient rigour that a publication would be feasible.

Examples include a systematic or scoping review, or qualitative research to inform hypothesis generation or analysis of an already established and available database.

In addition to financial support, **Crime in Mind** will support dissemination and discussion of findings, for example through webinars and expert commentaries on the completed project.

It may be helpful to view examples of previously funded projects:

- **Alexis Theodorou:**
<https://www.crimeinmind.co.uk/homicide-followed-by-suicide-and-mental-disorders/>
- **Matthias Burghart and Sophia Backhaus:**
<https://www.crimeinmind.co.uk/long-term-consequences-of-family-violence-victimization/>

The research must be by individuals, but conducted within the framework of a professional organisation used to administering research, such as a university department, a healthcare trust or similarly established body. If ethics approval is required for the work, this must be obtained before the grant is released.

Proposals should include the applicant's/applicants' name(s), qualifications, work affiliations and address(es), including email(s) and brief, relevant biography/biographies. The core proposal should be anonymised on a separate sheet, about 1000 words long (excluding titles and references, or tables/figures if required). It should cover the rationale for the study, a clear research question, proposed methods for the project and a statement of what the applicant(s) consider their work will add to what is already known and likely next steps. It should also supply an indication of how the funds will be spent.

Undergraduate applications will be considered providing an appropriate supervisor signs support for the application.

The deadline for applications to research@crimeinmind.co.uk is
20th October 2025.