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LOCAL FUNDING

➤ **London's Connected Communities Programme (London)**

The next application deadline will be in spring 2023.

Community organisations are invited to apply for funding to help tackle poverty and inequality in London.

The Trust for London's Connected Communities Programme will provide funding for initiatives which help disadvantaged and underrepresented people to access their rights and entitlements, and to speak out about issues which directly affect them.

There is no minimum or maximum size of grant, however, the average grant will be around £80,000 and can be spread over one to three years. Grants do not normally exceed £150,000.

Priority will be given to charities led by and for Black and minoritised groups and Deaf and Disabled people.

Useful Links:

[Funding Guidelines](#)

<https://www.trustforlondon.org.uk/funding/connected-communities/>

➤ **Funding to Support the Education of Disadvantaged Young People (London)**

Applicants should submit an online Initial Enquiry form in the first instance. There are no application deadlines.

Charitable organisations and educational establishments working to support the education of children and young people from disadvantaged or low-income backgrounds in inner London, are invited to apply for funding from the Portal Trust.

The funding will support young people below the age of 25 to access educational opportunities and help them realise their full potential.

The Trust work across 14 boroughs in Inner London: Camden, Greenwich, Hackney, Hammersmith and Fulham, Islington, Kensington & Chelsea, Lambeth, Lewisham, Newham, Southwark, Tower Hamlets, Wandsworth, Westminster and the City of London.

The Trust will also accept applications from individuals from a low-income or disadvantaged background. Grants to individuals are in the form of bursaries.

Projects should aim to widen access and participation in further and higher education; deliver initiatives that help them engage with, and stay in, education; reduce re-offending; influence and improve education policy and practice; and/or improve the learning experience for children at the Trust's partner schools.

There is no minimum or maximum grant amount that can be applied for.

<https://portaltrust.org/apply-for-funding/organisations>

➤ **Coach Trip Scheme**

Deadline: None Stated

The London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham will be running its popular Coach Trip Scheme again this year. This scheme enables local older people's groups to have a day out by helping with the cost of hiring transport. A contribution of up to £300 will be awarded to successful applicants.

To be eligible to apply:

- Applicants must be based in the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham and support people living in the borough
- Can show they support residents from all communities
- Should have a local management committee (of at least 3 members)
- Have their own bank account
- Have an income of less than £10,000

Application packs are available on the Council's website www.lbhf.gov.uk by typing in 'Coach Trip Scheme'. However, if you would like an application pack posted to you or have any other questions, please contact sacha.mortimer@lbhf.gov.uk or telephone 020 8753 5009.

<https://bit.ly/2U9tPy9>

GENERAL FUNDING

- **Grants for Organisations Tackling Injustice & Inclusion (UK)**
Deadline Alert: Applicants must complete a questionnaire in the first instance by the 26th February 2023.

Grants of up to £20,000 are available to local not-for-profit groups that are building power within their community and campaigning for long-term change on issues affecting peoples lives.

The Civic Power Fund's Community Action Fund aims to help community organisers who are tackling injustice and exclusion, to empower people to improve their lives and their communities and dismantle the barriers to racial, economic, gender, disability, migration, climate and LGBTQ+ justice.

All successful applicants will be offered additional support, including the Civic Power Fund Governance Hub and bespoke cohort and capacity building opportunities.

Priority will be given to organisations led by people with lived experience of the injustice they are trying to overcome.

<https://www.civicpower.org.uk/community-action-fund>

- **£900,000 Fund for Early-Stage Vocational Learning Projects (UK)**

Deadline Alert: Pre-funding workshops will be running in January and February 2023 to provide more information about the fund, and to provide support with the application process.

The UFi VocTech Trust has announced that grants of up to £60,000 will be made available through the VocTech Activate grant fund for early-stage projects that use technology to improve adult skills for work.

The funding will be made available for projects lasting up to twelve months which show how digital technologies can be used in innovative ways to improve vocational education.

Applications for the VocTech Activate Grant Fund will be open between the 11th January 2023 and the 8th February 2023 to organisations across the UK, including charities, trade bodies, learning providers, employers, private companies, community interest companies and other not-for-profit organisations.

<https://ufi.co.uk/latest/900k-voctech-activate-grant-fund-launched/>

➤ **Grants of up to £5,000 Available for Social Welfare Projects (UK)**
Deadline Alert: Applications must be received by the end of February 2023 to be considered at the Spring meeting.

The Inman Charity makes grants of around £350,000 per year. They support a wide range of UK Registered Charities.

The directors are particularly interested in supporting the following areas of charitable work: -

- Medical research
- Care of the elderly
- General welfare
- Hospices
- The Deaf and Blind
- Care of the physically & mentally disabled
- The Armed Forces

Useful Links:

[Grants awarded October 2021](#)

<http://www.inmancharity.org/>

➤ **Funding of up to £5,000 Available to Tackle Problems within Families (UK)**
Deadline alert: Grants are awarded twice a year and the next closing date for applications is the 1st March 2023.

Registered charities whose activities support and encourage the family to work as a cohesive unit in tackling problems that face one or more of its members can apply for grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 (but trustees will consider requests for higher amounts) through the Kelly Family Charitable Trust.

The Trust will consider both capital and revenue grants. The Trust is happy to support requests for core funding as well as project-based grants, and actively encourages applications from relatively new organisations to help them become established.

The three areas of activity that the charity wishes to support are:

- Interventions that support families and help them in ways that prevent the fracture of the family unit, eg. practical family support, relationship counselling, mediation.
- Families where sexual abuse, physical abuse, domestic violence, alcohol abuse and drug abuse threaten the integrity of the family unit.
- Prisoners and in particular their families, during and after the period of imprisonment.

The trust prefers to support charities whose income is below £500,000. However, larger charities with pioneering pilot projects will be considered.

Projects supported in the past include:

- "Mosac", a voluntary organisation that supports all non-abusing parents and carers whose children have been sexually abused.
- Westminster Befriend a Family, which recruits, trains and supports volunteers to befriend individual families under stress and visit them regularly in their homes. The charity's volunteers can help families where a parent is disabled or has mental health problems, or a child has special needs.

Useful Documents:

[Application Criteria](#)

<https://kfct.org.uk/>

<http://www.inmancharity.org/>

➤ **Grants of up to £75,000 Available to Charities Delivering Specialist Services (England and Wales) *New***

Deadline Alert: The deadline for applications is 5pm, 3rd March 2023.

Grants of up to £75,000 are now available for small, local, specialist charities through Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales. The three-year unrestricted grant is designed to support the development and growth of charities with an annual income between £25,000 and £500,000 that understand the complexity of the issues people face and are best placed to make a genuine difference in people's lives.

Eligible charities must address one of the foundation's open themes of addiction, asylum seekers and refugees, care leavers, domestic abuse, homelessness, offending, sexual abuse and exploitation and trafficking and modern slavery. To apply, charities must be registered as a charity or as a charitable incorporated organization with the Charity Commission.

<https://www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/funding/specialist-programme>

Ubele Initiative Launches Reclaim Black Heritage Fund to Support Black-Led Projects Commemorating 81 Acts of Rebellion (UK) *New*

Deadline Alert: The deadline for submitting full applications is on 2nd March 2023, which is also Black People's Day of Action, at 5pm.

The Ubele Initiative has announced the launch of the Reclaim Black Heritage Fund, offering a number of Black-led groups and Black individuals the opportunity to apply for funding to celebrate 81 acts of rebellion against inequity. The fund's priority is to support projects that commemorate these uprisings and benefit the Black community in the specified location.

According to the Ubele Initiative, the Reclaim Black Heritage Fund aims to "commemorate the 81 uprisings that have shaped our history, and to benefit and support the Black community in the stated location." The fund is open to Black-led groups and individuals who are developing projects that align with the 81 Acts Humanifesto.

Successful applicants can receive up to £4,000 in funding to complete their projects by 15th July 2023. Awards will be announced between 10th and 12th April 2023, and applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by 12th April 2023.

<https://www.ubele.org/news/launch-of-the-reclaim-black-heritage-fund>

➤ **Grants to Support People Experiencing Complex Social Issues (England & Wales)**
Deadline Alert: The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 3rd March 2023.

The Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales is making three-year, unrestricted grants of £75,000 available for charities providing support for people who are experiencing complex social issues.

The funding will support small, local charities that understand the complexity of the issues people face and give them complete flexibility to use the funding however they see fit, including to cover salaries, rent and utilities.

Eight themes will be supported by the programme:

- addiction,
- asylum seekers and refugees,
- care leavers,
- domestic abuse,
- homelessness,
- offending,
- sexual abuse and exploitation,
- trafficking and modern slavery.

Charities with an annual income between £25,000 and £500,000 are eligible to apply.

<https://www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/funding/specialist-programme>

➤ **LSE Launches £50 Million Initiative to Nurture High-Potential Social Enterprises and Create 'Social Unicorns''**
Deadline Alert: The deadline to apply for the first cohort is 10th March 2023.

The London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) has launched a new programme called the 100x Impact Accelerator.

The programme is designed to support high-potential social enterprises with the goal of maximising their impact. The £50mn global initiative is dedicated to creating a new generation of "social unicorns" and is currently accepting applications.

The programme will provide selected social enterprises with a £150,000 grant, access to LSE's expertise, and a 12-week programme of support from experts and social unicorn founders.

The programme will support two cohorts of ten social enterprises per year, with 70% of these coming from emerging markets, across eight sectors that align with LSE's research priorities.

<https://www.100ximpact.org/>

➤ **Final Round of Building Strong Communities Fund Opens for Applications (London) *New***

Deadline Alert: The deadline for applications is 1pm on the 13th March 2023, and interested organisations are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

The Mayor of London has announced the final round of the Building Strong Communities Fund to support communities as they recover from the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic. This round of funding is aimed at equity-led charities and voluntary organisations with an annual turnover of £50,000 or less, providing grants of up to £6,000 to support community-led activities and projects.

Equity-led organisations are organisations led and controlled by members of marginalised or underrepresented communities, such as people of colour, women, LGBTQ+ individuals, and people with disabilities.

The fund is designed to help those who have been most affected by the pandemic and cost-of-living crisis, including marginalised communities who already experience long-term inequality and disadvantage in areas such as health, employment, housing, and access to green space. The focus is on promoting community-led initiatives that address these challenges and empower these communities.

Previously funded projects include a lunch club for older residents, smart cooking workshops for asylum seekers, and a community food growing hub.

<https://bit.ly/3x50UkL>

- **£1 Million Fund to Boost Health in the Workplace (UK) *New***
Deadline Alert: Applications are accepted from businesses, research organisations, research and technology organisations, and the third sector until 11am on the 15th March 2023.

The UK Government, in partnership with Innovate UK, has launched a £1 million competition aimed at improving the health and welfare of employees within small and medium-sized enterprises and the self-employed.

The Fund to Stimulate Innovation in Occupational Health competition will provide up to £100,000 for research and development projects that will improve access to Occupational Health services, including new ways of delivering services and harnessing technology such as artificial intelligence and data collection, to improve health outcomes for employees.

<https://bit.ly/3jHECTa>

- **Funding for Projects that Have a Positive Impact on Communities, People or the Environment (UK)**
Deadline Alert: Funding is awarded every three months and the deadline for the next funding round is the 15th March 2023.

The Matthew Good Foundation has opened the next round of its Grants for Good Fund. The aim is to support small charities, not-for-profit groups and social entrepreneurs who are passionate about making a difference to people, their community or the environment.

The Fund will share £10,000 between five shortlisted projects, which will be voted for by John Good Group employees. The project that receives the most votes will receive a grant of £3,500, second place £2,500, third place £2,000 with fourth and fifth place both receiving £1,000.

As well as established projects and charities, the Foundation want to hear from people with innovative ideas that need some funding to get their projects up and running.

To be eligible, applicants will have to have had an income of less than £50,000 in the last 12 months.

<https://www.matthewgoodfoundation.org/grantsforgood/>

➤ **Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust - Power and Accountability Programme (UK)**

Deadline Alert: The deadline to register is the 14th March 2023 and the deadline to apply is 5pm on the 28th March 2023.

Funding is available from the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust (JRCT) to support projects that challenge how power is concentrated, shared and used and how it is changing through globalisation, new technology, new channels of communication, extreme inequality and other factors. Specifically, the Trust wants to support people to create a world in which power is more equally shared, and in which powerful institutions are responsive and accountable to wider society and aligned with the long-term public interest.

Applications should address the following:

- Strengthening corporate accountability
- Strengthening democratic accountability
- Encouraging responsible media.
- Responding to the dual harms of Covid-19 and systemic racism

In addition to the specific focus areas above, JRCT is open to occasionally supporting other work that furthers the vision of this programme, is highly innovative, with the potential to bring about systemic change and is exceptionally difficult to fund from other sources.

Projects can be UK-based or can be pan-European. Applications aimed at increasing the accountability of the UK government and other UK bodies for the impact of the policies and practices that they pursue within global institutions are also considered.

A broad range of organisations and individuals are eligible to apply – check eligibility [here](#).

[Recent grants awarded](#) have ranged from £1,000 to £100,000+ including:

- £34,500 to the Bevan Foundation
- £11,000 to the Centre for Crime and Justice Studies
- £1,000 to three 4 all theatre

To apply, organisations need to register with the Trust's grants management system.

<https://www.jrct.org.uk/power-and-accountability>

➤ **Funding for Charity Building Projects (London)**

Deadline Alert: During this funding round, applications can be made at any time up until the 31st March 2023.

The Rose Foundation has announced that its grant making programme has re-opened for applications. Through its grant making programme, the Foundation provides financial assistance to registered charities and exempt bodies undertaking building projects less than £200,000 in the London area. Grants awarded are usually between £5,000 and £10,000. Eligible projects involve anything involving the use of builders, it can be:

- A general refurbishment or a specific scheme
- A repair to a roof or windows
- The creation of a disabled access or the provision of new toilets
- To adapt or create a classroom or bedroom
- To extend a building or improve the landscaping
- The fulfilling of Health and Safety requirements or fire protection
- Just be a redecoration.

<http://www.rosefoundation.co.uk/>

➤ **Grants to Improve the Quality of Life for Disadvantaged & Vulnerable People (UK)**

Applications should be received at least 6 weeks before the next review meeting on the 26th April 2023.

The Hedley Foundation is inviting applications from small-to-mid-size registered charities helping to improve the quality of life of people in the UK, particularly those who are disadvantaged and vulnerable.

The Foundation typically makes around 250 awards of up to £5,000 each year for initiatives that benefit the lives of young people, disabled people, elderly people, the terminally ill and otherwise disadvantaged people and their carers. Occasional larger sums are given to charities where high impact can be achieved.

<http://www.hedleyfoundation.org.uk/apply-now>

➤ **Pink Ribbon Foundation Grants (UK)**

The closing date for applications is the 26th May 2023.

The Pink Ribbon Foundation has announced that it is currently accepting applications to its grant-making programme.

Grants of up to £6,000 are available to UK charities and constituted not for profit organisations to support practical projects and initiatives, which aim to deliver good physical and mental health to individuals with, and recovering from breast cancer.

Higher grants may be awarded if the trustees feel there is a special reason to do so.

Useful Links:

[Frequently Asked Question](#)

<https://www.pinkribbonfoundation.org.uk/getsupport-apply>

➤ **Special Call for Activities to Support Young People from Ukraine (UK / Europe)**

Applications to this call for EYF Pilot Activity Grants can be submitted at any time until the 31st October 2023, or until the funds are exhausted.

The European Youth Foundation (EYF) has launched a special call to support young people from Ukraine affected by the war. Non-governmental youth organisations in the UK and other Council of Europe member states can apply for grants of up to €15,000 to cover the costs of a pilot activity.

Activities must be designed for, support and involve young people, and could include peer to peer learning and support, training and workshops, information and counselling, youth workers and youth leaders, and meetings of young people from Ukraine.

Project applications will be assessed based on the EYF criteria for pilot projects. A successful project will:

1. be a youth activity prepared, run and managed by a local, regional or national non-governmental youth organisation and involving young people from Ukraine.
2. be an activity that supports young people from Ukraine affected by the war in their daily life, rights, and to navigate their challenges and access their rights.
3. be an activity related to a local need and that brings an added value to the lives of young people from Ukraine.
4. follow the basic principles of youth work, in particular the promotion of intercultural dialogue and understanding and the promotion and protection of human rights and democracy.
5. be in line with the values of the Council of Europe and its priorities in the field of youth.

<https://bit.ly/3AEtCLk>

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➤ **Funding to Develop, Expand & Improve Active Travel Options for Disabled People (UK)**

The funding is made available through the Active Travel Grant Programme which is open to applications at any time until March 2025.

UK charities and not-for-profit organisations can apply to a new funding programme from the national disability transport charity, Motability, to develop, expand and improve active travel options for disabled people.

Grants of between £100,000 and £4 million are available over three years to help charities and organisations, including universities, to ensure disabled people have equal opportunity to make decisions about how they travel in the UK by providing access to quality and affordable active travel equipment and journeys – whether by walking, cycling, push scooters, or use of wheelchairs and other mobility aids.

Useful Links:

[Guidance for Applicants](#)

<https://bit.ly/3yF4io3>

➤ **Grant Programme Launched to Encourage Disabled People to Travel Independently (UK)**

The programme will run until the end of March 2025.

Grants of between £100,000 and £1 million are available to UK charities and not-for-profit organisations for projects that help disabled people feel empowered and supported to travel independently on public transport.

The funding is made available through Motability's Travelling with Confidence Grants Programme, which has been designed to look at both the policy and practice to make the transport sector more inclusive as well as provide information, support and training to enable disabled people to use public transport.

There is a two-stage application process.

Motability aim to respond to all stage one applications within four weeks.

Useful Links:

[Guidance for Applicants](#)

[Stage One Application Form](#)

<https://bit.ly/3Kc0Ntq>

➤ **£5 Million Fund Launched to Support Youth Organisations Facing Higher Costs (UK) *New***

Applications can be made at any time until all funding has been allocated.

A new £5 million fund has been launched to support youth groups through the cost-of-living crisis.

Organisations with an annual income of up to £500,000 who are facing unprecedented demand or whose work is being hindered due to rising core costs can apply for three-year, unrestricted grants of approximately 10% of their current turnover.

The funding is being offered through the UK Youth Fund, established by UK Youth in partnership with the Pears Foundation, to ensure that as many youth services as possible are able to continue to support young people in their local community.

To be eligible, the applicant organisation must have a primary goal of providing services for young people. At least 70% of the organisation's beneficiaries must be between the ages of 8 and 25.

Organisations will hear the outcome of their application within 4-6 weeks.

Useful Links:

Frequently Asked Questions

Application Questions & Guidance Notes

<https://www.ukyouth.org/costofliving/>

➤ **Funding to Support Disadvantaged & Disabled People (UK) *New***

Charities working to improve the lives of socially disadvantaged and disabled individuals of all ages across the UK are invited to apply for funding from the Anton Jurgens Charitable Trust.

To be eligible, charities must be registered in the UK and have an annual income of less than £1 million. Funding amounts are determined by the Trustees and have typically been in the range of £1,000 to £6,000 in the past.

Applications can be submitted at any time, with review periods taking place twice a year in the spring and autumn.

<https://www.antonjurgensfonds.nl/en/applications/ajct/>

➤ **Comic Relief Launches Emergency Cost of Living Appeal (UK)**

Comic Relief has launched a cost-of-living appeal in partnership with the Evening Standard and the Independent, to raise urgent funds for people in need this winter.

Money raised through the On the Breadline Cost of Living Christmas Appeal will support community organisations working to get help to people across the UK who need it most. This could include supporting foodbanks, and providing help, advice and mental health support, along with warm winter clothes, electric blankets and water bottles, energy top cards, and food vouchers.

Comic Relief has donated £1 million to launch the appeal and help organisations tackle the cost-of-living crisis.

<https://www.comicrelief.com/news/comic-relief-launches-emergency-cost-of-living-christmas-appeal>

➤ **Grants of up to £10,000 to Support Grassroots Charities (UK)**

Applications can be submitted at any time.

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to support small, grass-roots and local charities which are currently delivering services to the young, vulnerable, elderly, disadvantaged or the general community across the UK.

The funding, which is being made available through Foyle Foundation's Small Grants Scheme, can be used to cover projects, core costs, building projects, or essential equipment to enable ongoing service provision for charities with a turnover of less than £150,000 per annum that can show financial stability and a clear need for their services.

Competition for funding is expected to be strong.

<http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/small-grants-scheme/>

➤ **Funding for Organisations Providing Support for the Windrush Generation (England & Wales)**

Funding is available to support small civil society groups and organisations providing advocacy support to victims of the Windrush scandal across England and Wales.

The funding is made available by Action Race Equality through the Windrush Justice Programme, to support organisations working directly with people affected by the scandal, to regularise their status and apply for compensation.

It could, for example, be used to help organisations pay caseworkers; cover admin costs; signpost applicants to other organisations offering support; and enable organisations to mobilise more case workers or volunteers to reach more people to support.

The Windrush Justice programme will run for up to three years. and no application deadline is given.

<https://www.actionforraceequality.org.uk/windrush-justice-programme/>

➤ **Tesco £1 Million Golden Token Giveaway for Local Charities (UK)**

Tesco are donating £1million to local good causes in a 'golden ticket lucky dip' version of its blue token scheme.

Starting at 12pm on the 15th October 2022, the Tesco Community Golden Grants campaign will see participating stores each give away a golden token worth £10,000. Shoppers who pick the golden tokens will be able to choose which of the three local good causes in that store's current vote will be awarded a £10,000 Golden Grant.

The prize draws will end on a store-by-store basis when the winning token in each store is drawn.

The £1million donation marks £100 million in Community Grants being given to good causes such as breakfast clubs, food banks, Meals on Wheels, playgrounds and green spaces, and counselling and support services for young people.

For a list of participating stores please click on the link below.

<https://bit.ly/3TbE8kG>

➤ **Esmée Fairbairn Foundation Re-opens Fairer Future Fund (UK)**

No application deadline has been indicated and applications can be submitted at any time.

The Esmée Fairbairn Foundation has announced that their Fairer Future grants stream has opened for applications.

The funding supports projects that tackle injustice and structural inequality to create a more inclusive society, with a focus on five priority areas:

- arts and creativity making change;
- children and young people's rights;
- racial justice;
- gender justice;
- and migrant justice.

The Foundation are keen to work with those with experience of the issues being addressed.

The majority of grants are for three years or longer and can cover project and core costs. Registered charities can also apply for unrestricted grants.

<https://esmeefairbairn.org.uk/our-aims/fairer-future/>

➤ **Grants to Support Individuals & Families in Need (UK)**

Applications can be made at any time and are assessed every six weeks.

Grants of up to £2,000 are available to charities, housing associations, schools and social services providing support for individuals and families across the UK who are in financial need.

The Cosaraf Charitable Foundation's Hardship Grants will support individuals and families who have exhausted all other sources of funding and are struggling with everyday costs, such as basic living expenses, household items and utilities, work- or education-related expenses, or rent arrears.

Priority will be given to:

- the most financially excluded people
- families over individuals
- those with caring responsibilities
- items that will make the most difference to the individual/family's long-term future

Other than in exceptional cases, Hardship Grants will only be made available for:

- Household items (white goods and occasionally other items i.e. sofas, wardrobes etc.)
- Basic Living Expenses (Utilities or food)
- Work- or education-related expenses (interview clothes, school uniforms, laptops)
- Rent arrears and Council tax arrears, but only where there is a clear and obvious risk of homelessness (for rent arrears involving a social landlord please outline what support has already been offered to your tenant)
- Contribution to immigration-related costs, where the current immigration status directly causes financial hardship to the applicant

<https://www.cosaraf.org/apply-for-funding/hardship-grants/>

➤ **Grants for Older People on Low Incomes (England & Wales)**

Applications can be made at any time.

Small grants of up to £400 are available to support vulnerable older people living on low incomes in England and Wales.

Friends of the Elderly currently have four grant streams open for older people who are of/over state pension age, have savings of less than £4,000, and who do not fit the criteria for other funders.

Whilst priority will be given to funding essential items including clothing, food, medicines, and books, the funding can also be used to help with the cost of replacing everyday items, small home repairs and mobility adaptations; help older people get online; and to help with unexpected bills.

Applications must be made via a third-party Referral Agent such as a charity, local authority, housing association, Information, Advice and Guidance provider or social services representative.

Useful Links:

[Information for Older People needing a grant](#)

[Finding A Referral Agent](#)

[Guidance Notes for Referral Agents and Professionals](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

<https://www.fote.org.uk/our-charity-work/grants-2/>

➤ **Cost of Living Support Fund Launched (England, Northern Ireland or Wales)**

No application deadlines have been indicated.

In response to the cost of living crisis in the UK, Sense, the national disability charity, has launched a fund to provide financial support to people with complex disabilities who live in the family home and are on low incomes.

The Sense Cost of Living Support Fund will award grants of £500.

All applications must be completed on the individual's behalf by a social care professional nominated by Sense.

This can be:

- a support worker,
- service manager
- or a social care worker.

There are no restriction on how the money can be spent.

Sense has partnered with the Turn2us charity to process payments.

For any questions please contact Turn2us on 0808 802 2000 or email them at sensegrants@turn2us.org.uk.

<https://www.sense.org.uk/our-services/sense-cost-of-living-support-fund/>

➤ **Grants Available for Capital Projects Benefiting Disadvantaged People (UK)**

Applications can be made at any time.

The Clothworkers Foundation awards grants to UK registered charities, CICs, and other registered UK not-for-profit organisations (including special schools).

Grants are awarded towards capital projects and may cover the cost of:

- Buildings: Purchase, construction, renovation or refurbishment.
- Fittings, Fixtures, and Equipment: Including (but is not limited to) office equipment/furniture, sports/gym equipment, digital/audio visual equipment, garden equipment, specialist therapeutic (excluding medical) equipment.
- Vehicles: Including a minibus, car, caravan, people-carrier, or 4X4 (new vehicles are unlikely to be funded).

Applicants must be able to demonstrate that the work of the organisation fits within one or more of the Foundations programme areas which are:

- Alcohol & substance misuse
- Disadvantaged minority communities
- Disadvantaged young people
- Domestic & sexual abuse
- Homelessness
- Older people
- People with disabilities
- Prisoners & ex-offenders
- Visual impairment

At least 50% of service users benefiting from the capital project must be from one or more of these groups. Application Guidance and a list of exclusions can be found on the website.

The Foundation aim to make a decision within eight weeks for grants and projects less than £10,000 or within six months for grants over £10,000.

Useful Links:

[FAQs](#)

[Guidance Document](#)

<https://www.clothworkersfoundation.org.uk/what-we-fund/#open>

➤ **The Prince of Wales's Charitable Fund (UK)**

Applications can be made at any time.

The Prince of Wales's Charitable Fund (PWCF) has re-opened its Small Grants Programme to registered not-for-profit organisations supporting grassroots projects in diverse and deprived communities across the UK.

Grants of up to £5,000 are available (the average award is £1,500) to organisations with an income of up to £1 million to support a wide range of good causes within the PWCF's core funding themes:

- Heritage & Conservation,
- Education,
- Health & Wellbeing,
- Social Inclusion,
- Environment
- Countryside.

Multi-year small grants will be considered.

Priority will be given to organisations of which HRH The Prince of Wales is Patron.

<https://www.pwcf.org.uk/how-apply-grant>

➤ **Masonic Foundation Announces Change to their Application Process (England & Wales)**

Applications can now be submitted at any time.

Following a review of its grants procedure, the Masonic Charitable Foundation has reopened their Children and Young People, and Later Life grants programmes on a rolling basis.

Charities in England and Wales can apply for small (up to £5,000) or large grants (up to £60,000) depending on their income to help disadvantaged children and young people to overcome the challenges they face or reduce isolation and loneliness for older people.

Applicants are invited to submit an enquiry and, if successful, will be invited to complete a full application. Final decisions are expected in around two to three months for small grant applications, and around three to four months for large grants.

<https://mcf.org.uk/get-support/grants-to-charities/application-deadlines/>

➤ **Grants for Older People on Low Incomes (England & Wales)**

Applications can be made at any time.

Small grants of up to £400 are available to support vulnerable older people living on low incomes in England and Wales.

Friends of the Elderly currently have four grant streams open for older people who are of/over state pension age, have savings of less than £4,000, and who do not fit the criteria for other funders:

- Home Essentials to help with the cost of replacing everyday items, small home repairs and mobility adaptations;
- Digital Connection to help older people get online;
- Financial Support to help with unexpected bills;
- Essential Living Costs including clothing, food, medicines and books.

Applications must be made via a third-party Referral Agent such as charities, local authorities, housing associations, community organisations, Information, Advice and Guidance providers and social services representatives.

Useful Links:

[Information for Older People needing a grant](#)

[Finding A Referral Agent](#)

[Guidance Notes for Referral Agents and Professionals](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Grants Application Form](#)

<https://www.fote.org.uk/our-charity-work/grants-2/>

➤ **Small Grants for Organisations with an Annual Income of Under £75,000 (London)**

The funding is being made available through the City Bridge Trust's Connecting Communities Small Grants Scheme and applications can be made at any time.

Small not for profit organisations working to improve communities and the environment in London can apply for grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 per year for up to five years for the following types of projects:

- Greening and growing projects which bring communities together and improve the local environment.
- A project which enables disabled people and/or older people who are disadvantaged to actively participate in the arts, sports and health and well-being opportunities.

Applications can be for Capital or Revenue or a mixture of the two. A revenue grant cannot be for more than 50% of the organisation's annual turnover, based on the most recent set of accounts.

This programme is open to groups working in London with an income of less than £100,000 (as shown in the organisation's latest annual accounts). Eligible organisations will be:

- Registered charity or Exempt or excepted charity
- Registered Community Interest Company or Charitable company
- Registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation
- Registered charitable industrial and provident society or charitable Bencom

Potential applicants are asked to complete an [Eligibility Quiz](#) prior to application.

<https://bit.ly/3yuYJsM>

➤ **Funding to Support the Work of Small Charities (UK)**

Applications can be made at any time.

Charities supporting sick and disadvantaged people across the UK can apply for grants of up to £2,500 from the Sir Jules Thorn Charitable Trust - Ann Rylands Small Donations programme.

Funding supports projects of a humanitarian nature or supplement core funding, with priority given to organisations supporting the elderly, people with disabilities or living with serious illness, or those facing challenges with mental health, social exclusion, homelessness or other difficulties in their lives.

Previous projects funded include the Scotts Project Trust which supports adults with learning disabilities, SERVE which supports independent living, and Alive Activities which enriches the lives of older people in care and trains their carers.

The online application form is available on the Sir Jules Thorn Charitable Trust (link below)

Useful Links:

[Application Guidelines](#)

<https://julesthorntrust.org.uk/programmes/ann-rylands-small-donations/>

➤ **Funding Available to Support Local Good Causes (England, Scotland and Wales)**

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis can be submitted at any time.

The Morrison's Foundation awards grants of up to £25,000 to community projects that improve people's lives.

Applicants must demonstrate how the project will deliver public benefit, who in the community will specifically benefit and how it will bring about positive change.

Grants may be applied for by any charity which is registered with the Charity Commission (England and Wales) or the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (Scotland). Applicants must also have raised some funding towards the project elsewhere.

Projects supported have ranged from support groups to children's hospitals and homeless shelters to hospices across England, Scotland and Wales. In 2018, a total of £9,717,536 was distributed to 807 organisations which included:

- Groundwork London received a grant of £11,578 to run a series of activities for people at risk of social isolation.
- Friends of East Preston School received a grant of £5,000 to replace their old and dilapidated outdoor trim trail.
- Forget Me Not Children's Hospice received a grant of £20,000 to buy a new minibus and run activity trips for young patients.

Useful Links:

[Application Form](#)

<https://www.morrisonfoundation.com/>

➤ **Grants to Help Older People Lead More Fulfilling Lives (England, Scotland & Wales)**

Applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis, with funds allocated to those who demonstrate greatest need.

Barchester's Charitable Foundation is a grant giving charity that helps older people and other adults with a disability across England, Scotland & Wales to lead more fulfilled lives and reach their full potential.

The Foundation's focus is on connecting or re-connecting people with others in their local community, helping combat isolation and loneliness and enabling people to be active and engaged.

Funding of between £100 and £5,000 is available for individuals and small community groups to help improve people's mobility, independence and quality of life. Individual applications must be completed by a third-party sponsor such as a health care professional, social worker or charity/support group representative.

<https://www.bhcfoundation.org.uk/>

➤ **Funding to Improve Online Digital Presence for Small Charities (UK)**

Applications are considered on a rolling basis at quarterly trustee meetings.

UK charities can apply for funding of up to £2,500 to help them improve their online digital presence. The Fat Beehive Foundation awards small grants to charities with an average income of less than £1 million a year to support hard-to-fund digital expenditure that other funders will often not cover.

Funding will help organisations to build websites and apps, digitise services, and purchase digital products. Priority will be given to projects which focus on

- environmental protection or climate change mitigation,
- human rights,
- international development,
- equality and diversity,
- social justice / refugees / housing,
- education,
- art and culture,
- health and wellbeing,
- prisoner rehabilitation.

Useful Links:

[Eligibility Checker](#)

<https://www.fatbeehivefoundation.org.uk/what-we-fund/>

➤ **Funding Available to Redistribute Surplus Food (UK)**

Funding applications can be submitted at any time.

FareShare's Surplus with Purpose is a £3 million Fund that provides funding of up to £50,000 to food businesses in the UK to offset the costs of sending good quality surplus food to good causes, helping the people most in need.

The fund is open to companies seeking to unlock new or hard to reach surplus (or 'waste') food, as well as those that haven't previously worked with FareShare.

The type of foods eligible for support includes:

- Packaging / labelling errors
- Stock that's become surplus due to forecasting errors
- Stock below MLOR (48 hours minimum life on receipt by FareShare)
- Fruit & veg past BBE
- Stock past BBE (subject to manufacturer's extension letter)
- Quality rejections – 'out of spec'
- Unfinished products
- Bulk ingredients for manufacturing
- Lines no longer being retailed
- Samples and NPD's
- Foreign label stock
- Damages
- Seasonal stock
- Retailer branded food.

The funding can be used to cover the additional staff costs needed for packing and sorting edible surplus food, or in building, implementing and managing new processes. It could also cover packaging and transportation costs, or lost income from the sale of surplus to animal feed or anaerobic digestion.

Useful Links:

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Eligible Foods](#)

<https://fareshare.org.uk/giving-food/>

➤ **New Fund Launches to Give House-Building Power Back to Local People (England)**

No deadline stated.

A new housing fund has launched, aiming to empower community groups to plan and build 1,000 affordable homes in communities across England.

The fund, led by CAF Venturesome, the social investment arm of the Charities Aid Foundation (CAF), is funded by a group of charities and benefactors including the Nationwide Foundation. The Community Led Housing Fund (CLH) is open for applications for loans, standby facilities and, in partnership with Power to Change, grants at every stage of the project.

The maximum amount of funding available is £150,000, including financial help in purchasing land.

<https://bit.ly/339BORX>

<https://www.trustforlondon.org.uk/funding/>

➤ **Funding to Support Leisure Activities for People with Physical Disabilities (UK)**

Trustees meet quarterly to consider grant applications.

The Bruce Wake Charitable Trust will consider grant applications relating to the provision of leisure activities for people with physical disabilities. The Trust was established to encourage and assist the provision of leisure activities for the disabled.

The Trustees particularly favour applications where the potential beneficiaries meet one or all of the following criteria:

- The potential beneficiaries are physically disabled wheelchair users
- Improved access for wheelchair users is proposed
- A sporting or leisure activity involving disabled wheelchair users is proposed

One donation in any 12-month period may be made to charitable organisations.

In 2018, 209 grants were made totalling £608,054. Of these 42 were for over £5,000, these included:

- Charity Link Leicester - £34,000
- Revitalise Respite Holidays - £6,000
- The Wheelyboat Trust - £5,000
- WhizzKids - £5,000

All applications should be submitted together with appropriate financial information. Charitable organisations should include a copy of their latest financial statements. Applications meeting the above criteria will be considered from charitable organisations. Applications on behalf of individuals will only be accepted through a charitable organisation or equivalent recognised body.

Useful Links:

[Preliminary Grant Application](#)

<https://brucewaketrust.co.uk/index.php/grants/>

➤ **Grants for Projects Focusing on Endangered Species (UK)**

There are no deadlines; applications will normally be processed within four months

Scientific researchers and those working in the field of practical conservation working within an NGO or a university research department can apply for a grant of between £3,000 and £10,000 per annum for up to two years conservation and/or research work. The People's Trust for Endangered Species are now inviting applications to the Conservation Insight Grant scheme.

Funds will be awarded for work that seeks to either:

- Find the critical scientific evidence that will facilitate the conservation of a species
- Provide the answer to a key conservation question, which will enable conservationists to undertake critical conservation action
- Undertake the implementation of a key local action which will result in a significantly, positive impact for an endangered species

High priority projects include:

- Gathering evidence needed to undertake necessary mitigation work
- Using scientific evidence to get changes made to local, national or international policy
- Devising and testing a new methodology for monitoring a species or group of species

Priority is also given to applications for conservation and research work on species classified as endangered, critically endangered and extinct in the wild by the IUCN.

Applications are welcomed from scientific researchers and those working in the field of practical conservation where the project leader is based either within an NGO or a university research department. Applications are only accepted from applicants already working and established in either the UK, UK overseas territories or any country NOT classified by the [World Bank](#) as high-income. See the World Bank web page to check eligibility. Priority is given to native project leaders working in their own country.

Useful Links:

[Application Guidelines](#)

[Apply Online](#)

<https://bit.ly/2z19b2p>

➤ **Funding Available for Community Projects for Vulnerable Women and Girls (UK)**

Deadline: None Stated.

Local community groups supporting women and girls with issues like period poverty, domestic and sexual abuse, mental health and long-term unemployment can to apply for a share of £3.5 million for their vital

work. Groups anywhere in the UK can apply to their local Community Foundation for grants of up to £10,000 and the funding can only be used for projects or services that directly benefit women and girls.

Priority will be given to grassroots organisations, organisations working with women or girls facing multiple challenges, user-led organisations and sustainable projects providing long-term solutions.

The funding is being made available through a new funding round of the Tampon Tax Community Fund.

Examples of the types of organisations that will be funded include the Young Women's Project, which encourages young women to make the transition back into education, employment or training. It's aimed at vulnerable women between the ages of 12 and 21 who experience various difficulties including low confidence, mental health issues, homelessness and teenage pregnancy.

To apply please contact your local Community Foundation by clicking on the link below.

<https://bit.ly/2Mwmhpi>

➤ **Grants to Cover Running Costs for Small Charities (UK)**

Deadline: None Stated.

The Marsh Christian Trust was founded in 1981 with the sum of £75,000 by its current Chairman, Mr Brian Marsh OBE. His aim was to create a sustainable way to give something back to society by supporting organisations and people who are making a difference.

The Trust supports around 300 charities every year and focuses on providing funding which could help small organisations pay for various running costs, such as volunteer expenses, training days, equipment maintenance and other core outgoings. The Trust aims to build long-standing relationships with successful applicants and, subject to an annual review, continue its support over time.

Applicants must be a registered charity with the Charity Commission for England and Wales or the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator. This does not include Community Interest Companies (CICs). Charities will be working in the areas of:

- Arts and heritage
- Social welfare
- Environmental causes and animal welfare
- Education and training

- Healthcare

Charities must have been established for more than one financial year and able to provide a full set of their most recent Annual Report and Accounts, or the equivalent financial information if their annual income is under £25,000.

Grants are unrestricted and range from £300 to £2,000 with new applications at the lower end of this scale.

Applications are considered on the basis of the organisation's financial position, performance against charitable aims and objectives and the ratio of voluntary income against fundraising expenses.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

Examples of the support given include:

- Core costs for Compaid, a digital skills centre in Kent that supports people with disabilities and sensory impairments
- Glassdoor, an organisation that offers shelter to the homeless in London.

More information on the Trust and projects supported can be found in the [Annual Review 2017-18](#)

<https://bit.ly/2W0Wals>

➤ **Funding to Enhance the Quality of Life for People in Need (UK)**

There are no application deadlines; applications can be submitted at any time.

Registered charities, Hospices and state schools catering wholly for students with additional needs, can apply for grants to support their work that enhances the quality of life for people in need, specifically the mentally and physically disabled. Priority is given to small and medium size charities making a significant impact in their community and who may lack the time and resources to be able to focus on their fundraising.

The Edward Gostling Foundation's grants are awarded to projects that have a significant impact across one or more of four life "themes" and priority is given to organisations that clearly demonstrate this within

their application for grant funding, these are: Health and Wellbeing; Independent Living at Home; Respite; and Transition.

Grants can support:

- Modifications to homes, state schools (wholly for students with additional needs), hospices etc
- The provision of specialist equipment such as the provision of specialised wheelchairs, other mobility aids and equipment including medical equipment to assist independent living
- Financial assistance towards the cost of short-term respite breaks at a registered respite centre.

Grants are awarded through two programmes:

- A fast-track Small Grants Programme for applications under £5,000
- A Large Grants Programme for applications of £5,000 or over.

Useful Links:

[FAQs](#)

<https://bit.ly/2T4qcdS>

➤ **£1 Million Available This Year to Support Good Causes (UK)**

Deadline: None Stated.

Wesleyan, the specialist financial mutual, aims to give up to £1 million a year to good causes throughout the UK.

Every quarter Wesleyan invites its customers and supporters of the chosen causes to vote for the cause they would most like to support. The more votes a cause gets, the bigger the share of support it receives. The Foundation supports both local community groups and charities nationwide. Its four core themes are:

- Health
- Education

- Social development
- Innovation.

Whilst the funding will come from Wesleyan, it is partnering with Heart of England Community Foundation, who will administer the fund and distribute it to organisations across the UK. Three levels of funding will be awarded, including small grants of £2,000 and under, medium-sized awards of between £2,000 and £10,000 and discretionary, large grants of more than £10,000. Charities that have received funding over the past six months include Brandwood Community Centre, Birmingham, which hired two new staff members to support a debt advice service, a Leeds Down's Syndrome group, which is set to open a new cafe and Nottingham-based Broxtowe Youth Homelessness, which used the funding to launch a drop-in service.

<http://bit.ly/2FT6SZc>

➤ **Free Funding Finder Database**

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

➤ **Funding to Address Inequality in London (London)**

Apply at any time for one of three grant committee meetings in February, June and October.

Trust for London works with and makes grants to voluntary and community organisations undertaking charitable activities (including those that are not Registered Charities) with the aim of creating a fairer London.

The Trust's Shared Wealth programme funds Advocacy work (including campaigning, organising, policy work and research). Organisations supported will include those that find it hard to gain support because of the challenging or risky nature of the work. Priority may be given to

organisations supporting people who need advice on related issues, such as welfare benefits, debt, employment, immigration or housing. There is no minimum or maximum grant level, however, the average grant will be around £80,000 and will not usually be for more than £150,000. Grants can be used for specific project or on-going costs and cover a maximum of three years work.

<http://bit.ly/2m7fWoy>

FUNDING FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

- **Funding of up to £5,000 Available to Tackle Problems within Families (UK)**
Deadline Alert: Grants are awarded twice a year and the next closing date for applications is the 1st March 2023.

Registered charities whose activities support and encourage the family to work as a cohesive unit in tackling problems that face one or more of its members can apply for grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 (but trustees will consider requests for higher amounts) through the Kelly Family Charitable Trust.

The Trust will consider both capital and revenue grants. The Trust is happy to support requests for core funding as well as project-based grants, and actively encourages applications from relatively new organisations to help them become established.

The three areas of activity that the charity wishes to support are:

- Interventions that support families and help them in ways that prevent the fracture of the family unit, eg. practical family support, relationship counselling, mediation.
- Families where sexual abuse, physical abuse, domestic violence, alcohol abuse and drug abuse threaten the integrity of the family unit.
- Prisoners and in particular their families, during and after the period of imprisonment.

The trust prefers to support charities whose income is below £500,000. However, larger charities with pioneering pilot projects will be considered.

Projects supported in the past include:

- "Mosac", a voluntary organisation that supports all non-abusing parents and carers whose children have been sexually abused.
- Westminster Befriend a Family, which recruits, trains and supports volunteers to befriend individual families under stress and visit them regularly in their homes. The charity's volunteers can help families where a parent is disabled or has mental health problems, or a child has special needs.

Useful Documents:

[Application Criteria](#)

<https://kfct.org.uk/>

- **Funding to Support Disadvantaged Young People and Offenders (UK)**
Deadline Alert: The Weavers' Company, a textile-related, charitable and sociable organisation, has announced that the next closing date for its grants programme is the 16th March 2023.

Small registered charities can apply for grants of up to £15,000 for projects working with:

- Supporting offenders and ex-offenders, particularly those under 30 years of age
- Helping disadvantaged young people

To be eligible for funding, local organisations such as those working in a village, estate or small town should normally have an income of less than £100,000. Those working in larger cities or across the UK should normally have an income of not more than £250,000. Grants are usually given for one year.

Applicants must show that they have investigated other sources of funding and made plans for the future, which should include replacement funding if appropriate.

For further advice and information about the Company's Charitable Grants or to receive an application form by e-mail, please contact Anne Howe, Charities Officer Tel: 020 7606 1155 / e-mail:

charity@weavers.org.uk

To apply for a grant, complete the application form online, then print the form and mail it to The Weavers' Company together with your supporting documents.

Useful Links:

[Application Guidelines](#)

[Examples of Projects Funded](#)

<https://weavers.org.uk/charity/charitable-grants/>

➤ **Funding Adventurous Activities for Young People (UK) *New***

Deadline Alert: The closing date for applications is the 31st March 2023.

The Pawprint Trust has reopened its annual grant scheme, allowing young people from across the UK to apply for funding for life-changing adventures that develop their skills, capacities, and capabilities.

The funding will support young people aged 11-25 who need a bit of extra help with their fundraising for projects and activities both locally and abroad.

Examples of projects and activities previously supported include international trips, camping adventures, personal development projects, providing equipment and community projects.

Each application should be accompanied by a supporting statement from someone who knows the young person well, such as a group leader or teacher etc.

Projects cannot be funded if they take place prior to 31st May in the application year.

<https://pawprintfamily.com/pawprint-trust/>

➤ **£1 million Fund to Support Vulnerable Families During the Cost-of-Living Crisis (UK) *New***

A new £1 million fund has been launched to support the UK's most vulnerable families during the cost-of-living crisis.

The Cash for Kids Cost of Living Fund will target families who have a genuine need for support and are suffering from disadvantage due to the crisis, allowing them to apply for grants of £50 per child which can be used for basic essentials such as food, heating, clothing, and school uniform.

Service providers who support vulnerable children, including schools, social services, health professionals and charities, can apply on behalf of the families they work with. Applications will close when all funding has been allocated.

Cash for Kids aims to get the funds to families as soon as possible.

<https://cashforkids.org.uk/grants>

➤ **Funding to Enable Disadvantaged Young People Reach their Potential (UK)**

Deadline Alert: The next deadline for applications is the 31st July 2023.

Registered charities (including Schools that are registered as charities for young people with disabilities) that work with disadvantaged children under the age of 25 can apply for funding of up to £10,000 through the Ironmongers Company's grants programme.

Projects must meet all of the following criteria:

- For children and young people under the age of 25 who are disadvantaged
- Consist of educational activities that develop learning, motivation and skills
- Have clear aims and objectives to be met within a planned timescale
- Are within the UK

The Company is particularly interested in enabling primary age children to develop a strong foundation for the future. Projects could, for example:

- support special educational needs,
- address behavioural problems

- promote citizenship, parenting or life skills.

Preference will be given to projects piloting new approaches where the outcomes will be disseminated to a wider audience.

Useful Links:

[Grant Application Form](#)

<https://www.ironmongers.org/helping-charitable-organisations>

➤ **BBC Children in Need Launches Core Costs Funding Stream (UK, Isle of Man & Channel Islands)**

As part of its new grant-making strategy, BBC Children in Need has launched a grants stream to support the core costs of registered charities and not-for-profit organisations working with disadvantaged children and young people aged 18 years or under living in the UK, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

Organisations can apply for grants of up to £40,000 per year for up to three years (most grants made are for much less) to support essential organisational and administrative costs such as HR and payroll, general office expenses, accountancy and audit, communications and outreach, and governance, regulatory, and compliance costs.

Groups requesting £15,000 or less will receive a quicker decision.

Expressions of interest should be submitted in the first instance and applications can be made at any time.

Useful Links:

[Cymraeg/Welsh](#)

<https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/grants/apply/core-costs/>

➤ **Tesco Community Grants (UK)**

The fund will be administered by Groundwork and applications can be made at any time.

Registered charities, voluntary and community organisations, schools, parish/town councils and other not-for-profit organisations can apply for grants of £500, £1,000 or £1,500 through the Tesco Community Grants programme to support local good causes that focus on helping children and families across the UK.

Every three months, three local good causes/ projects are selected to be in the blue token customer vote in Tesco stores throughout the UK. Grants will be awarded depending on the number of votes their project receives.

The scheme will give priority to projects that provide food security and support to young people.

Examples of eligible applications could be;

- a local school needing food for a children's breakfast club,
- a voluntary organisation working with families to run holiday clubs,
- a charity supporting young people with specialist advice to manage mental health,
- a brownie or scout group needing new tents,
- or a youth sports club needing new equipment,
- a family advice centre wanting to recruit more volunteers,
- or a local friends of a park group wanting to develop a new toddler area.

Useful Links:

[Previous Projects Funded](#)

[Application Guidance Notes and Frequently Asked Questions](#)

<https://tescocommunitygrants.org.uk/>

➤ **Funding to Provide Wheelchairs for Children with Disabilities (England, Wales & Scotland)**

Applications can be made at any time, and will be considered by the Wheelchair Committee which meets six times per year.

Parents, physiotherapists, and occupational therapists of a child or young person under the age of 18 living with a disability or long-term health condition, can now apply for funding to purchase a new wheelchair.

The funding is made available by children's charity Variety, which will fund bespoke wheelchairs for any purpose, including manual, powered and sports wheelchairs that are not available through local authority wheelchair services in England, Wales & Scotland.

Applicants, who can include the child themselves, will need to provide a letter of support for the item required from a relevant healthcare professional.

Useful Links:

[Application Guidance and Frequently Asked Questions](#)

<https://www.variety.org.uk/how-can-we-help/wheelchairs-for-children/>

FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS

(Including alternative & supplementary education)

➤ **Funding for Primary School Breakfast Clubs (UK)**

Grants are available for UK primary schools interested in opening free breakfast clubs. The Greggs Foundation will provide an initial start-up grant for equipment such as chest freezers to store food items or toys and activities for the club.

The average club costs £3,000 to set up and run for a year based on 65 children. Schools should be able to attract adult volunteers to help run the scheme which must be able to show that at least 40% of their pupils qualify for free school meals and that the school serves a disadvantaged community.

The breakfast club must be offered for free to ensure all pupils can attend

Payments are also made each term towards other food items and Greggs plc donates bread from the nearest shop.

Although applications can be made at any time, there is currently a waiting list for funding.

For more information please call a member of the Greggs Foundation team on 0191 2127830.

<https://www.greggsfoundation.org.uk/breakfast-clubs>

FUNDING FOR MUSIC, MEDIA & ARTS

➤ £1.5 Million to Support Grassroots Live Music Venues & Promoters (England)

Deadline Alert: We have a ring-fenced budget of £1.5 million until 31 March 2023 available within National Lottery Project Grants specifically to support the grassroots music sector.

Grassroots music venues and promoters in England can apply for a share of £1.5 million in funding to help them deliver and develop their work.

Organisations whose main function is to host and/or promote live music events of all types and genres, in particular those working with new, developing talent in small to mid-size venues, can apply for grants of up to £40,000 for projects lasting up to three years.

Funding can also be used for activities that put them in a better position to deliver their work in the long term, such as purchasing essential equipment, carrying out building work, or business planning.

The funding is made available through the final round of the Arts Council England's Project Grants: Supporting Grassroots Live Music.

Applications can be made at any time.

<https://bit.ly/3xYUVPD>

➤ Music Grants for Older People (England & Wales)

The next closing date for applications is the 30th April 2023.

The registered charity, Concertina makes grants of up to £250 to charitable bodies that provide musical entertainment and related activities for the elderly.

The charity is particular keen to support smaller organisations which might otherwise find it difficult to gain funding. Concertina has made grants to a wide range of charitable organisations in England and Wales. These include funds to many care homes for the elderly to provide musical entertainment for their residents. Some of the charities that have received grants from Concertina include:

- Theatre Chipping Norton to help fund high calibre music recitals in six Care Homes in the area.
- Sue Ryder Care, Lancashire to fund access to music therapy workshops at Birchley Hall near Wigan and St Helen's.

Useful Links:

[Application Form](#)

<http://www.concertinamusic.org.uk/Grants.php>

➤ **Grants Available to Celebrate Important National Events (England) *New***

The National Lottery has announced that this year, funding will also be available through the Awards for All England scheme to help communities celebrate important national events such as the Coronation of His Majesty The King, the Eurovision Song Contest and the 75th anniversary of Windrush.

Awards for All will also continue to make grants of between £300 and £10,000 for up to one year to local community and voluntary organisations for existing or new projects, events, and activities that aim to build strong relationships, improve community spaces, support personal potential, and assist with challenges caused by the cost-of-living crisis and the aftermath of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/national-lottery-awards-for-all-england>

➤ **Grants of up to £1,500 Available for the Professional Development of Musicians (UK)**

Applications can be submitted at any time.

Emerging and professional musicians of all genres and disciplines can apply for grants of up to £1,500 to help them access opportunities that will allow them to focus on developing their artistic and professional development at a crucial point in their career.

The funding, which is being made available through the Help Musicians UK Skills and Professional Development Fund, is designed to help emerging and professional musicians of all genres and disciplines to build their careers by supporting the costs of formal and time limited training and mentoring opportunities. Eligible artists may for example be a solo instrumentalist, composer, vocalist, singer songwriter or a multidisciplinary artist.

Bands or ensembles with 6 members or less can also be supported.

Group applicants must have 50% of their members meeting the criteria shown above and have been established and playing together regularly for at least 1 year.

Grants can support opportunities such as short courses, workshops, training and time limited periods of coaching with an expert in the artists chosen field both in the UK or internationally. Travel, accommodation and access costs can also be funded.

Useful Links:

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

<https://www.helpmusicians.org.uk/creative-programme/current-opportunities/transmission-fund>

➤ **Funding to Help Musicians Develop their Skills (UK)**

Applications can be made at any time.

Grants of up to £1,500 are available to support musicians to develop their skills or artistic practice.

The funding is available to help solo artists, composers, group members, songwriters, producers or multidisciplinary artists aged 18 and over with no significant backing to reinvigorate and sustain their careers as music creators through training, mentorship or other learning opportunities.

This could be a conference to learn more about the industry, an online course to enhance performance skills, or some time with a mentor.

Groups of six members or less can also apply.

The funding is being made available by Help Musicians, the independent UK charity for professional musicians of all genres.

Useful Links:

[Eligibility FAQs](#)

<https://bit.ly/3TdWHDR>

➤ **Funding Package to Help Musicians Record & Release Music (UK)**

Funding is available to help independent music creators of all genres and disciplines to record and release music.

The Record & Release strand of funding from Help Musicians offers a bespoke package of funding and expert advice, including wellbeing and development services, to support solo artists, composers, group members, songwriters, producers or multidisciplinary artists aged 18 and over with no significant backing.

Grants of up to £3,000 will fund the cost of recording and releasing a new body of work by music creators across the UK who are controlling one or more aspects of their career (e.g., self-managing, self-releasing, self-producing). Costs that could be supported include studio hire, merchandise, PR and marketing, and software.

In addition to the funding successful applicants will also receive:

- one-to-one business advice sessions tailored to the musician's needs and delivered via experienced music industry professionals, as coordinated by ThinkMusic
- one-to-one health consultation with British Association for Performing Arts Medicine (BAPAM) professionals, covering all aspects of a musician's health, including physical and mental health needs and specialist referrals where required

Applications should be made at least three months before the funding is required.

Useful Links:

[Application Guide](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

<https://bit.ly/3UIKv5Z>

➤ **Funding for Senior Mental Health Lead Training in Schools & Colleges (England)**

No application deadline is given.

State-funded schools and colleges in England can apply for funding to train a senior mental health lead to develop and implement a whole school or college approach to mental health and wellbeing.

Grants of £1,200 will be provided to cover (or contribute to) the cost of attending a quality assured course within the 2022 to 2023 financial year, and may also be used to hire supply staff whilst leads are engaged in learning.

The funding is made available by the Department for Education's Senior Mental Health Lead Training Grants.

Applicants should submit an application form to check eligibility and reserve a grant in the first instance.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/senior-mental-health-lead-training>

FUNDING FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE

➤ **Grants of up to £1,500 Available to Celebrate London's Resilience and Diversity (London) *New***

Deadline Alert: The closing date for applications is 12 noon on the 1st March 2023.

Voluntary and Community groups (including schools) in London can apply for grants of between £500 and £1,500 from the Mayor of London's Community Weekend fund. The Mayor's Community Weekend, which is taking place in London for the first time on the weekend of 23rd to 25th June 2023, provides an opportunity for communities to come together and celebrate the city's resilience and diversity; and to strengthen their bonds. The National Lottery Community Fund is working with the Mayor of London to offer grants from a total available fund of £250,000 to groups who want to run events or activities during the weekend.

The grants will prioritise events that focus on bringing communities together, celebrating the resilience and diversity of London's communities, particularly the role that young people can play, promoting volunteering, and increasing access to green spaces. The grants are open to all 33 boroughs in Greater London.

Potential events for the Mayor's Community Weekend include picnics, litter picks, sports, cultural events, street parties, and community barbecues.

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/mayors-community-weekend-london>

➤ **Grants of up to £100,000 Available for Community Facilities (England)**

Deadline Alert: The fund is currently closed but will re-open for applications from the 21st December until 5pm on the 8th March 2023.

Registered Charities, churches, Parish Councils, Local Authorities and CASC registered sports clubs can apply for grants of between £2,000 and £100,000 for the provision, maintenance or improvement of community facilities.

This can include:

- Village Halls and Community Centres;
- Public Play Areas;

- Publicly available Multi use games areas;
- Skate parks and BMX tracks;
- Sport and recreation grounds including pavilions and clubhouses with full public access;
- Churches – community spaces only;
- Nature Reserves;
- Public gardens, parks, country parks and woodlands with at least dawn to dusk access;
- Museums.

The funding is being made available through the FCC Community Action Fund and is available to projects located within 10 miles of an eligible FCC Environment site.

The application form is available on the FCC Community Foundation website (link below)

Useful Links:

[Application Guidelines](#)

<https://fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk/funds/fcc-community-action-fund>

➤ **Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust Sustainable Futures Fund (UK)**

The Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust recognises that climate change caused by human activity is threatening the well-being of humanity and that the wealthiest countries and individuals are responsible for a disproportionate share of emissions, whilst the poorest countries and sections of society are the most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change. In order to tackle this issue, the Sustainable Futures fund focuses grant making on:

- Identifying the true costs and risks of resource depletion, climate change and other environmental problems
- Campaigns, initiatives and work that promote alternatives to consumerism
- Campaigns and movements that give a voice to young activists and marginalised groups on issues of economic and environmental justice.

Grants are available from a few hundred pounds to over £100,000 and may be single payments or spread over up to three years.

Funding priorities are:

- Better economics – with grants funding work that explores sustainability rather than traditional forms of economic growth.
- Beyond consumerism – funded work will include that which engages people individually and collectively in moving culture away from consumerism and towards more sustainable ways of living.
- New Voices – funding for campaigns and movements that enable marginalised groups and young activists to have a voice in decisions which affect them.
- Responding to the dual harms of Covid-19 and systemic racism.

To apply, organisations need to register with the Trust's grants management system. The deadline to register is the 14th March 2023 and the deadline to apply is 5pm on the 28th March 2023.

Useful Links:

[Eligibility Check](#)

[Previous Projects Supported](#)

<https://www.jrct.org.uk/sustainable-future>

➤ **Funding to Support Community Transport Schemes for the Disabled (UK)**

Applications can be submitted at any time until March 2025.

Charities and organisations working in the Community Transport sector catering for disabled people can apply for grants ranging from £100,000 to £4 million to expand and improve community transport options. The funding is being made available through the charity Motability who are focusing their grant making on:

- Funding support for staff or volunteer training and costs.
- Funding to increase the number of vehicles available in the community to help organisations support disabled people.
- Funding local, regional, or national initiatives to increase awareness of community transport and influence its inclusion in transport strategy and policy.
- Funding to schemes, programmes and initiatives that already exist, and who provide best practice solutions, but need further support to remain operational or scale up the service they can provide to help more disabled people.

Useful Links:

[Community Transport Grant Programme - Guidance for Applicants](#)

[General Terms and Conditions](#)

<https://bit.ly/3MuAOgQ>

➤ **Equipment Grants for Disabled and Disadvantaged Young People (UK)**

Applications can be submitted at any time.

Schools and not for profit organisations have the opportunity to apply for funding through the Wooden Spoon Society's Capital Grants programme. Wooden Spoon is the British and Irish Rugby charity which supports projects help mentally, physically disadvantaged children. Each year the charity supports around 70 projects.

Through the programme funding is available for:

- Buildings and extensions
- Equipment and activity aids
- Sensory rooms and gardens
- Playgrounds and sports areas
- Soft playrooms.

The funding available is for capital items only and will not support revenue costs such as staffing and other ongoing costs. There is no maximum grant limit but projects under £5,000 are unlikely to be considered

Since being founded in 1983, Wooden Spoon Society has made grants of over £28 million to more than 1,000 projects.

If a project is educational or disability sports-focused, there must be a key rugby element to engage children and young people.

Projects funded in the past have included:

- Ashmount School in Leicestershire, which received a grant of £13,500 towards a sensory room.
- Enfield Heights Academy in London which received a grant of £23,000 to improve its play areas.

- The Colehill & Wimborne Youth & Community Centre which received a grant of £8,000 towards a wheelchair lift.

With the current situation, much of Wooden Spoon's fundraising has been put on hold and therefore the available funding for projects has been reduced. The Wooden Spoon Society suggest as a first step you complete their expression of wish form for an initial assessment.

<https://woodenspoon.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

➤ **Additional Funding as Places & Spaces Fund Goes Nationwide (England)**

Applications can be made at any time.

Sport England's Places and Spaces fund is to receive an additional £3.5 million of National Lottery funding to improve sporting facilities and level up access to community sport as part of a legacy from this summer's Commonwealth Games.

Originally supporting organisations from the West Midlands, the fund has been extended to help community sport and physical activity groups across other areas in England to make small-scale facility improvements that will help tackle inactivity in and engage underrepresented groups, such as people on lower incomes and disabled people.

Organisations in Merseyside, Greater Manchester, Tyne and Wear and Tees Valley have been selected to receive targeted support.

The fund, which awards up to £10,000 in match funding for Crowdfunder projects, is anticipated to remain open until December 2022.

<https://www.sportengland.org/news/funding-boost-places-and-spaces-fund-goes-nationwide>

FUNDING FOR FAITH GROUPS

FUNDING FOR SOCIAL INVESTMENT AND ENTERPRISE

➤ Funding to Help Develop Community Businesses (UK)

Deadline: applications can be submitted at any time.

Disadvantaged and under-represented communities that want to develop successful community businesses by issuing community shares, can apply for development grants of up to £10,000 and equity investments of up to £100,000.

The funding is available to both new and existing community businesses. The funding is however not suitable for newly formed community groups that are in the early stages of developing a community business proposal.

The funding is being made available through the Community Shares Booster Programme. The funding will be in the form of equity held on equal terms with other community shareholders.

The programme is run by the Community Shares Unit, a joint initiative between Co-operatives UK and Locality and applications can be submitted at any time.

Useful Links:

[Community Shares Booster Programme Guidance](#)

[Submit and Expression of Interest Form](#)

<https://bit.ly/2M15ITF>

FUNDING FOR SPORT

➤ Grants to Help Baseball & Softball Clubs Upgrade their Facilities (UK) **Deadline Alert: The closing date is the 24th February 2023.**

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to baseball and softball clubs and leagues looking to build and upgrade their facilities.

The funding is made available through BaseballSoftballUK's (BSUK) Facilities Fund which aims to support clubs and leagues by making them stronger, safer and more sustainable.

A total of £10,000 of funding is available in this round, which can be used for good such as:

- backstops
- dirt
- fencing
- dugouts
- pitching mounds
- 'permanent' storage, i.e. on-site shipping containers

The fund is open to any baseball and softball not-for-profit club, league or association in the UK officially registered to the BSUK Development Charter.

Match funding is required.

The successful applicants in 2021 were as follows:

- Birmingham Baseball Club - £2,000
- Bracknell Baseball & Softball Club - £2,000
- Bristol Baseball Club - £3,800
- Guildford Baseball & Softball Club - £3,000
- Wolverhampton Baseball Club - £1,250

<https://www.baseballsoftballuk.com/fund>

➤ **Funding for Sport & Physical Activities for Disadvantaged Young People (England)**

Deadline Alert: Applications will be accepted at any time until the 31st March 2023 or until all funds have been allocated.

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to charities, community groups, local authorities, clubs, and other not-for-profit organisations delivering sports and physical activities to improve the health and wellbeing of black, Asian and minority ethnic children and young people in England.

The funding is made available by BME Youth through the Together Fund, a Sport England initiative that helps people who are most in need of support to get and remain active, particularly those from culturally diverse communities, disabled people, lower socioeconomic groups and people with long term health conditions.

Funding can be used for equipment, coach fees and expenses, hire of facilities, promotion and publicity, staff costs, and transport.

<https://www.bmeyouth.org.uk/funding/>

➤ **Funding to Make Playing Football More Accessible at Grassroots Level (UK)**

Applications can be made at any time up until the 31st December 2024.

Barclays, in partnership with Sported - a UK wide charity promoting fairness and equity for young people through grassroots sport and physical activity - has launched a new fund to make playing football more accessible at grassroots level and deliver football to under-represented young people.

Through the Barclays Community Football Fund, 5,550 community groups across the UK wishing to start offering football or expand their existing provision, will receive grants of up to £500 and additional support to develop inclusive football activities.

The fund will primarily support girls and young people in deprived or underrepresented areas through local organisations to reduce inequalities in the participation of sport and physical activity. This includes culturally diverse communities, young people with disabilities, and young people from the LGBTQ+ community.

<https://sported.org.uk/barclays-community-football-fund-2/>

➤ **Grants to Support Cricket Clubs to Become More Welcoming & Inclusive (England & Wales)**

The scheme, which is administered locally by County Cricket Boards, will run until at least 2025.

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to support cricket clubs in England and Wales to improve their facilities to make them more welcoming and inclusive.

The funding is made available by the England and Wales Cricket Board through the ECB County Grants Fund to help affiliated cricket clubs create welcoming environments, provide enhanced facilities and playing opportunities for women and girls and those with disabilities, and to help clubs tackle the impact of climate change.

Clubs can apply for funding towards the purchase of relevant products or materials, and associated professional labour costs.

Useful Links:

[Guidance Notes](#)

<https://www.ecb.co.uk/be-involved/club-support/club-funding/county-grant-fund>

➤ **Grants to Improve Facilities for Grassroots Football Organisations (England)**

Applications can be made at any time, preferably not more than once per football season.

Grassroots football clubs, charities, community and voluntary groups, local authorities and other not-for-profit organisations providing men's football in England can apply for grants of up to £25,000 to purchase equipment and improve their facilities.

Funded by the Premier League, the FA and the Government's Football Foundation, the Small Grants programme will support smaller capital items and projects, and the maintenance/improvement of facilities.

This could include grass pitch maintenance, minor works to changing rooms, ball retention systems, fencing, goalposts, portable floodlights, storage containers, improvements to playing surfaces, and club house refurbishment.

<https://footballfoundation.org.uk/looking-for-funding>

➤ **£10 Million Loan Fund Available to Improve Gymnastic Clubs (England)** **New**

£10 million in affordable loans is being made available to fund new or improved gymnastics facilities that benefit children and young people in England.

Club Capital is offering unsecured loans of between £25,000 and £250,000 (up to £750,000 in exceptional circumstances) to enable British Gymnastics member clubs to move into new, or expand existing, dedicated gymnastics facilities that provide better access for children and young people.

Most loans will be over four years at an interest rate of 4%, and can be used to finance capital and operational costs.

Applications can be made at any time, with decisions expected to take two months.

<https://clubcapital.co.uk/>

➤ **Funding for Children's Sports Kit & Equipment (UK)**

No deadline is given.

Grants of up to £750 are available to local children's sports clubs or organisations in the UK to purchase new kits.

Applications will be considered for any kind of team sport, from football to netball, hockey to volleyball. The funding is being made available through the Poundland Foundation's Kit 4 Kids grant scheme, which is open to registered charities, community interest companies, and unregistered organisations with an income of under £10,000.

Last year the Foundation awarded 250 grants to provide equipment and kit to help children get active again after the Coronavirus pandemic.

Money for the Foundation comes from in-store fundraising, carrier bag donations and micro-donations through chip and pin machines.

<https://poundlandfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-support/>

➤ **Grants to Help Get People Back on their Bikes (England)**

Applications can be made at any time.

Cycling UK is inviting volunteer led-groups, local authorities, and other not-for-profit organisations to deliver cycling events in an effort to get people back on their bikes.

Grants of up to £3,000 are available to support organisations across England to deliver the Big Bike Revival Programme in the form of local events until the end of October 2022. The aim is to encourage people who do not currently cycle to consider either starting or returning to cycling, especially people experiencing social, economic and health deprivation, people from diverse backgrounds, and those facing multiple challenges.

The funding, which is made available by the Department for Transport, could be spent on equipment to expand delivery, venue hire for learning events, or instructors to lead bike rides.

<https://www.cyclinguk.org/bigbikerevival/current-programme>

