

Monthly Funding Information January 2025

This document includes information about current grants and funding opportunities primarily for Voluntary & Community Sector Groups and Organisations, Charities and Social Enterprises. Where the Grant title includes an asterisk (*), Local Authorities and other partner organisations may also be eligible to apply for the funding.

Please also note the grants that are **NEW** to the bulletin.

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Funding for projects which support Adults

[Army Benevolent Fund – NEW GRANT](#)

Summary

Charities and organisations that support soldiers, veterans, and their immediate families can apply for funding to provide support in six key areas:

- Independent living
- Elderly care
- Education and training
- Mental wellbeing
- Helping army families
- Housing

Key Criteria

Priority is given to member organisations of the Confederation of Service Charities although applications from CICs, community projects, and housing associations will also be considered.

If you are a charity or organisation providing mental health services to members of the Army family we would normally expect you to be a member or at least signed up to the Quality Network for Veterans Mental Health Services (QNVMS)

Amounts available: Not disclosed but where an application is made from an organisation with which the fund has no established relationship, any award is likely to be below £15,000

Application deadlines: 17th January 2025

[Concertina Charitable Trust – Music Grant for Elderly](#)

Summary

Grants are available for charitable bodies, including care homes, that provide musical entertainment and related activities for the elderly. The charity is particularly keen to support smaller organisations which might otherwise find it difficult to gain funding.

Key Criteria

- Applicants must include a set of accounts or a financial statement with the application
- Applications are in writing only (hard copy by post only)

Amounts available: Maximum £250

Application deadlines: 30th April 2025

[Pink Ribbon Foundation](#)

Summary

Grants are available to UK charities and constituted not-for-profit organisations to support practical projects and initiatives that aim to deliver good physical and mental health to individuals with and recovering from breast cancer.

For the 2025 grant period and with requests for assistance growing, the Foundation has decided to focus in the main on organisations with limited financial resources to deliver their services.

Key Criteria

- All applicants must be prepared to inform the Foundation of their projects progress at least twice in the year of the grant, unless it is to be used for a specific event then only one report is required.
- The Pink Ribbon Foundation will only accept one application per organisation for each year
- The Pink Ribbon Foundation does accept partnership bids

Amounts available: Maximum £6,000

Application deadlines: 30th May 2025 (Grants are awarded annually in late July).

[Charles Hayward Foundation – Small Grants](#)

Summary

Grants are available to charities in the UK to support preventative and early community-based intervention programmes that focus on helping older people stay in their own homes and maintain their independence.

The scheme is looking to support projects that:

- Address isolation and depression in older people through activities like informal daycare or social and recreational programmes
- Provide support and assistance for older individuals living in their own homes
- Cater to the emotional and practical needs of older caregivers
- Meet the specific requirements of people with dementia.

Key Criteria

- The Foundation favours projects that offer a consistent and sustained benefit rather than one-off events or short-lived activities.
- Applying charities income must be less than £350,000
- Charities that have previously received a grant are asked to wait two years from the date of the grant payment before re-applying.
- Charities that have applied unsuccessfully must wait one year from the date of declination before re-applying.

Amounts available: Maximum £7,000

Application deadlines: Open

Wolfson Foundation - Hospice Care Home Training Programme

Summary

Hospices across the UK are invited to apply for funding to deliver courses and study days specifically focused on dementia care for people nearing the end of life.

Grants are available to a hospice to run a training course at no cost or heavily discounted cost to local care home staff to raise the level of dementia care, knowledge, and skills in the hospice's area of operation.

Key Criteria

- Funding will be allocated on a first come, first served basis until the budget is fully allocated.
- Courses need to be CPD accredited.
- A hospice may submit more than one application during the year and may apply for funding to run repeat sessions of courses that have taken place before – or that have received funding previously.
- Hospices are eligible for a maximum of two grants per year
- Applications must be received at least one month before the training takes place as funding will not be awarded retrospectively.

Amounts available: Maximum £2,000 per course

Application deadlines: Open

Funding for projects which support Children and Young People

[The Steel Charitable Trust – Under 26 Fund](#) – NEW GRANT

Summary

UK-registered charities can apply for grants to enhance educational and access opportunities for children and young people in challenging circumstances under the age of 26.

The Trust considers funding for various projects, including contributions to salaries, IT upgrades, building renovations, and both new and ongoing project costs.

Key Criteria

Eligible charities must have had a minimum income of £50,000 in the previous financial year.

Amounts available: Between £10,000 and £25,000 (Grants awarded could be one-off or multi-year)

Application deadlines: 15th January 2025

Universal Music UK Sound Foundation – School Awards

Summary

The Universal Music UK Sound Foundation (UMUKSF) has launched a new funding round to enable schools across the UK and Ireland to apply for grants to improve their pupils' access to music.

The UMUKSF School Awards will fund schools teaching the national curriculum to improve their music departments by purchasing or upgrading musical instruments and equipment.

Key Criteria

The Foundation will not fund retrospectively and you are not eligible for financial assistance if you have already purchased your resources or if you buy them after you submit your application, but before an offer of funding is made.

The Foundation is unable to accept applications on behalf of Trusts/Academies for multiple schools, each school must submit their own application form.

If you have applied for funding in the past, please wait for 2 funding rounds (which take place in March and October) to pass before re-applying

Amounts available: Maximum £1,000

Application deadlines: 22nd January 2025

7 Stars Foundation

Summary

Grants are available to charitable organisations supporting challenged and vulnerable young people under 16 in the UK.

The programme provides funding for projects which support young people living in areas of deprivation and socioeconomic disadvantage who are challenged by abuse or addiction, who are young carers, or who are homeless.

The programme will fund projects aligned with selected awareness days, including Human Rights Day, Race Equality Week, PRIDE Month and Children's Mental Health Week. The full list of awareness days is on the web page.

Key Criteria

- A maximum of three charities will be shortlisted for each award linked to one of the selected awareness days.
- Applying charities must have an annual turnover of under £1.5m

Amounts available: Maximum £1,500

Application deadlines: 5th February 2025

Youth Music – NextGen Fund – NEW GRANT

Summary

The fund supports emerging musicians and behind-the-scenes creatives aged 18-25 (and under-30s who identify as d/Deaf or Disabled) from across the UK to launch a creative project, idea or business.

Grants are available to help people, including singers, songwriters, producers, DJs, managers and agents who do not have the financial means to invest in themselves, to start a record label, launch a single, or provide a platform that supports underrepresented voices. Funding can also cover costs linked to career development, audience development or marketing, equipment and software, and business development.

Key Criteria

The scheme will not fund signed artists, people in full time employment in the music industries already, groups and collectives

Amounts available: Maximum £2,500

Application deadlines: 7th February 2025

Kelly Family Charitable Trust

Summary

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 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, e.g. 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.

Key Criteria

The Trust prefers to support charities with an annual income below £500,000

The Trust will consider repeat funding requests, on receipt of satisfactory progress reports

Unsuccessful applicants must wait for 1 year before resubmitting an application

Amounts available: Maximum £5,000

Application deadlines: 1st March 2025

Active Together - Young People Physical Activity & Sport Hardship Fund – NEW GRANT

Summary

Active Together is looking to support young people from Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland, in the greatest financial need, to access physical activity and sport. The Fund is aimed at helping young people overcome financial constraints affecting their continued involvement in physical activity and sport in the following categories:

- **Participant** – for young people who are not able to access sport or physical activity due to the cost of membership fees/subs or who may need support with the purchase of kit or equipment required to participate.
- **Coach/Official** – for young people who have a passion for coaching or officiating in sport but are unable to access coaching or officiating courses/qualifications due to the cost of training.
- **Volunteer** – for committed young people who would like to give their time to volunteer in sport or physical activity, however they may face barriers such as the cost of transport to access the activity.
- **Talented sportsperson** – for young people who compete at a Regional, National or International level however cost is a barrier to travelling to competitions, purchasing equipment

Priority will be given to:

- A young person's financial need, including (but not limited to) household income, free school meal eligibility, nature and cost of the sport or activity.
- Applications from young people from low socio-economic backgrounds, ethnically diverse communities and those with a disability or long-term health condition.
- Young people who have not received funding from other organisations.

Key Criteria

- Young people should be aged 21 years or under on 31 March 2025, or up to the age of 25 for young people with special educational needs and disability (SEND).
- Young people must live in Leicestershire, Leicester or Rutland (i.e. pay council tax here).
- For young people under the age of 18, applications must be completed by a parent or guardian on their behalf.
- The scheme won't fund clubs/groups/organisations - this fund is aimed at individuals
- If your application is unsuccessful in the first round, you will not be eligible to resubmit an application for the second round.

Amounts available: Not disclosed

Application deadlines: Round 2 closes 2nd March 2025

Youth Music - Trailblazer Fund – NEW GRANT

Summary

Grants are available to organisations in England for projects that support disadvantaged and disabled children and young people under 25 years of age in making, learning, and earning in music.

The funding supports organisations that want to trial work for the first time; test a new way of working; or disrupt the status quo, or all three.

To be eligible for support, applications must meet one of the following themes:

- Early years
- Disabled, d/Deaf and neurodivergent young people
- Youth justice system
- Young people facing barriers
- Young adults
- Organisations and the workforce

Key Criteria

- A minimum of 10% match funding is required
- Voluntary groups not registered with Companies House or the Charity Commission must have a constitution and management committee
- Schools and academies can't apply to this fund. This includes primary, secondary, PRUs, and special schools

Amounts available: Between £2,000 and £30,000 (Organisations under one year old can apply for a maximum grant of £15,000).

Application deadlines: 11th April 2025 (for projects starting between September and November 2025).

BRIT Trust Grants

Summary

Funding is available from the BRIT Awards and Music Industry Trust Awards for organisations that use the power of music and the creative arts to improve the lives of young people of all backgrounds across the UK.

This funding supports music and arts initiatives that promote education, wellbeing, and community engagement, helping individuals realise their full potential, regardless of ability, ethnicity, gender, or sexuality.

Key Criteria

- The BRIT Trust it is not able to consider grants for individuals/scholarships nor make grants for any activity outside of the UK.
- Applicants must be a Registered Charity or a Charity Incorporated Company and have the support of a Music Industry contact to apply.

Amounts available: Not disclosed

Application deadlines: 30th April 2025 (NB the decision process completes in November 2025)

Youth Music – Catalyser Fund – NEW GRANT

Summary

Grants are available to organisations in England that want to support children and young people facing barriers to make, learn and earn in music. Organisations should look to sustain work, scale-up delivery, or create change in sector practice. Children and young people should be involved in the planning and development of programmes that must focus on at least one of the following themes:

- Early years
- Disabled, d/Deaf and neurodivergent young people
- Youth justice system
- Young people facing barriers
- Young adults
- Organisations and the workforce.

Key Criteria

- Applications are for activity which will start between December 2025 and February 2026 and must last between 24 and 48 months
- Organisations must be legally constituted and providing activity for at least one year before applying.
- Voluntary groups not registered with Companies House or the Charity Commission, must have a constitution and management committee.
- Schools and academies can't apply to this fund

Amounts available: Between £30,001 and £300,000

Application deadlines: 2nd May 2025 (deadline for expressions of interest)

BlueSpark Foundation – NEW GRANT

Summary

Schools, colleges, and community groups in England can apply for grants to support the education and development of children and young people, aged 5 to 22 years, through educational, cultural, sporting, and other projects.

The Foundation is particularly keen to support projects that will help enhance the self-confidence, teamwork skills, and future employability of children and young people.

The funding available can be for a range of costs including physical assets (such as iPads, sports equipment), services or facilities (such as sports coaching or music or drama tuition), or simply for the provision of experiences (such as theatre visits).

Key Criteria

- Grants will only be awarded for the amount requested in the application and will not be scaled back to a lesser amount. Please do not apply for more than the amount you require as this will reduce the chances of your application being successful.
- Grants are awarded for support specific projects. It does not provide funding to support the running costs or general activities of an organisation.
- Funding requested for a project must constitute a significant proportion of the costs of that project rather than being marginally incremental to its funding.

Amounts available: Maximum £5,000

Application deadlines: Open (Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis at approximately 8-week intervals).

Funding for projects which support broader community outcomes

[Woodland Trust – Free Trees](#)

Summary

Hundreds of thousands of trees are being given away to help the UK reach its 2050 carbon net-zero target.

Schools, nurseries, colleges, universities, outdoor learning centres, and other groups such as resident associations, sports clubs, parish councils, scouts and guides from across the UK are among the organisations eligible to apply for up to 420 saplings to improve their local environment. There are a range of tree packs available including hedging, copse, wild harvest and urban trees.

The scheme is currently taking applications for tree packs to be delivered in March 2025.

Key Criteria

Applicants need to:

- Know the six-digit grid reference for the land you wish to plant using OS Maps
- Have permission from the legal landowner
- If you're applying as a school your trees should be planted on either the school grounds, land the school has arranged regular access to or in an area that is publicly accessible.
- If you're applying as a community group, the land needs to be accessible to the public. You should also make sure your local community are aware of your plans to plant and are happy for you to go ahead.
- The site must have genuine public access

Amounts Available: The scheme supplies young trees for free

Application deadlines: 13th January 2025

[Do It Now Now - Make It Big with Pathway Fund](#)

Summary

Grants are available to support Black and Global Majority-led charities and social enterprises in England, helping them scale their impact in tackling poverty and advancing racial equity.

The programme will support organisations to build their financial resilience and operational readiness, raise social investment and, in some instances, prepare for asset acquisition.

It aims to address the pressing needs intensified by the cost-of-living crisis, helping organisations enhance their impact within their communities.

The fund will focus on two impact areas:

- Poverty Alleviation
- Racial Equity

Key Criteria

Please note that funding will be prioritised for organisations active in Indices of Multiple Deprivation areas 1-3

Applying organisations must:

- Be a legally incorporated non-profit (not limited by shares).
- Have a clearly stated mission to support issues impacting Black and Global Majority Communities
- Be generating an annual income between £150,000 and £500,000 as evidenced by accounts submitted to Companies House or Charity Commission.
- At least one of the organisation's leaders must become a Do It Now Now member

Amounts Available: Maximum £25,000.

Please note, the funder uses a **Repayable Grant Model**. If you don't raise any social investment within the grant period, you don't have to pay back any money. But if you do, it asks that you pay-it-forward by repaying up to £8,500 of the grant.

Application deadlines: 14th January 2025

Arts Council England – Creative People and Places 2026-2029

Summary

The goal of the Arts Council's Creative People and Places programme is to ensure that everyone can access culture and express creativity, fostering thriving communities through inclusive and collaborative cultural approaches.

Funding is available to partnerships of organisations for a three-year period (from 1st April 2026 to 31st March 2029) for projects in the following eligible geographical areas:

- Leicester
- Hinckley & Bosworth
- North West Leicestershire
- Oadby & Wigston

Applications must be submitted by a consortium of partner organisations. Individual organisations cannot apply.

Key Criteria

Projects will need to achieve the following aims and outcomes:

- Engage more people from eligible places in a wide range of arts and cultural experiences as audiences and/or participants.
- Empower communities to lead and shape local cultural provision.
- Excellence and relevance in both the engagement process and the creative and cultural experiences on offer.
- Encourage partnerships between publicly funded, amateur, voluntary, community and commercial sectors, as well as collaboration across various cultural institutions.
- Take an Action Research approach to community engagement in arts, creativity, and culture; learn what works best and share that learning.

Amounts available: Minimum £750,000, Maximum £1 million

Application deadlines: Closes on 16th January 2025

The Big Give - Green Match Fund

Summary

The Green Match Fund is a seven-day match funding campaign run by the Big Give in partnership with the Environmental Funders Network and offers non-profit organisations an opportunity to enhance their funding for environmentally-focussed projects.

Eligible organisations can apply for grants to support projects that aim to restore, protect, and enhance the natural environment, addressing critical ecological issues such as biodiversity, pollution reduction, and climate resilience.

The purpose of this initiative is to enhance the impact of environmental charities by matching public donations, allowing selected organisations to effectively double their fundraising through this match-funding scheme.

Successful charities are awarded a sum of match funding which is ring-fenced for their organisation. This match funding is unlocked by public donations given through Big Give's online fundraising platform during the week of the campaign (22nd to 29th April 2025).

Key Criteria

Eligible organisations:

- Are UK-registered charity with the Charity Commission or have a tax-exempt status that are working on environmental issues as part of their core mission (i.e. that the environment is mentioned in the organisation's charitable objects). This may include: biodiversity & conservation; climate change; agriculture & food; sustainable communities; energy; transport; trade & finance; consumption & waste; toxics & pollution.
- Have an annual income of at least £25,000

Amounts available:

- Up to £10,000 in match funding through the 1:1 Model
- Up to £50,000 in match funding through the Pledge Model

Application deadlines: 17th January 2025

The Theatres Trust – Small Grants Programme – NEW GRANT

Summary

Grants are available for not-for-profit theatres across the UK to carry out essential works. Priority will be given to building improvements that protect theatre use and remove barriers to participation and attendance.

Projects should significantly improve a theatre's resilience, sustainability, or accessibility.

Eligible projects include small capital works, the installation of key plant and machinery and works that make theatre buildings digital-ready.

Key Criteria

Applicants must demonstrate that they:

- Own or manage theatres with titles or signed leases of more than 5 years on buildings in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland
- Run a year-round programme of live performances, of no less than 30 performances a year
- Have a bona fide UK charitable or not-for-profit legal structure and be able to provide certified or audited accounts for at least two years

Amounts available: Maximum £5,000

Application deadlines: 17th January 2025

Market Harborough Building Society – Community Fund

Summary

The fund aims to empower local initiatives, support grassroots projects, and foster a spirit of togetherness. Through the Community Fund, the Market Harborough Building Society aims to tackle the challenges faced by the community head-on and create lasting change where it matters most.

The grant can be used for things like equipment, staff costs, training, rent, or volunteer expenses.

The main need the fund will support is Poverty and Disadvantage (which includes):

- Food and fuel poverty
- Housing/homelessness
- Debt relief and financial resilience
- Antisocial behaviour/crime/gangs
- Rural issues/transport
- Abuse/violence/exploitation
- Ex-offenders/at risk of offending

Key Criteria

This funding prioritises projects addressing Poverty and Disadvantage within the eligible areas of Market Harborough, Kibworth, Corby, Kettering, Desborough, and Rothwell.

The grant must be used within one year.

Applying organisations will need to have:

- At least three management members who are independent and unrelated, with no more than 50% control by any one person.
- Adherence to Charity Commission guidelines where relevant.
- At least two bank signatories.
- Local branches of national charities must show local activity and be able to ringfence funding awarded for use only for the purposes set out in the grant offer

Amounts available: Between £2,000 and £5,000

Application deadlines: 19th January 2025 (decisions in March 2025)

Leicestershire & Rutland Community Foundation – Making Local Life Better Fund – NEW GRANT

Summary

The Making Local Life Better Fund is made up of money from private donor grant-giving funds that the Community Foundation manages.

Donors choose different charitable aims, but all support local communities, and many particularly want to support smaller grassroots community, voluntary and charitable groups improving the lives of local people, particularly who are vulnerable, under-represented or disadvantaged.

The grant can be used for a range of costs including staffing, training, rent and core costs,

Key Criteria

- Grant monies must be spent within 1 year of the award
- Charities with large free reserves, surplus income, or over £1M income may be considered lower priority

Amounts available: Between £1,000 and £3,000

Application deadlines: 20th January 2025

Lloyds Bank Foundation – Specialist Programme

Summary

The Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales has re-opened its Specialist Grants programme. The Grant is available alongside a range of tailored development support.

The grants support the development and growth of specialist charities 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:

- Addiction
- Asylum seekers and refugees
- Care leavers
- Domestic abuse
- Homelessness
- Offending
- Sexual abuse and exploitation
- Trafficking and modern slavery

Key Criteria

Eligible Charities must:

- Have an annual income between £25,000 and £500,000
- Have at least one set of annual accounts showing as 'received' on the Charity Commission website
- Have a bank account in the name of the charity
- Have a track record of delivering services for at least one year, mainly to people aged 18 and over. If you are applying under Care Leavers, you must have a track record of working with people aged 16 – 25 years old
- If you have a live grant with Lloyds Bank Foundation, it must end before 23rd January 2026

Amounts available: Maximum £75,000 (over three years)

The Foundation can also fund up to £500 of accessibility support to enable you to apply for this programme, including: BSL interpreters; Language translation; Scribes and Dyslexia software.

Application deadlines: 23rd January 2025

One Stop – Community Partnership Programme

Summary

Community groups and other not for profit organisations within a two-mile radius of a One Stop shop can apply for a grant to support projects and initiatives that are:

- Tackling food poverty
- Supporting the vulnerable
- Supporting the elderly
- Supporting low-income families
- Supporting local sports teams
- Improving the local environment
- Reducing Waste in the community

Alongside a grant, the One Stop Community Team and One Stop Store Team create a long-term tailored support programme for successful applicants.

Key Criteria

- Applications will be welcomed from various organisations including voluntary/community organisations, registered charities, schools, health bodies, Parish/Town councils, social enterprises, Community Interest Companies.
- Each One Stop store is able to create a partnership with one group only. Before you start your application, please use the [Store Locator](#) to check the distance from your local store and whether funding is currently available there.

Amounts available: Maximum £1,000

Application deadlines: Applications open between 2nd December 2024 and 24th January 2025

The Angling Trust – Fisheries Improvement Programme * – NEW GRANT

Summary

Grants are available for projects to improve habitat and facilities for anglers on course or trout fisheries. Two types of project are eligible:

- Sustainable and resilient fisheries: maintain, improve and develop fisheries to address impacts and pressures
- Accessible angling: providing better angling access and safe facilities for all

Key Criteria

- Proposals are welcomed from angling clubs, fisheries, NGOs, local authorities or other community organisations involved in angling.
- The Trust welcomes proposals from river, canal and still water fisheries. If you do not own or manage a water, you may still apply but should obtain in advance the permission of the organisation who leases the venue.
- The scheme will not pay for replacement fish stocks
- It is expected that all applicants provide a degree of match funding

Amounts available: Maximum £5,000 (The East Midlands has been allocated £50,000 in total).

Application deadlines: 31st January 2025

AB Charitable Trust – Human Rights Funding

Summary

Grants are available for UK-registered charities working to defend the human rights of marginalised and excluded people and which work in the following priority areas:

- The Human Rights Framework
- Access to Justice
- The Criminal Legal System and Penal Reform
- Migrants and Refugees

Both core and project funding are available

The funding will support organisations to deliver activities that protect and promote human rights through:

- Campaigning
- Advocacy
- Narrative change work

Key Criteria

Eligible organisations must:

- Be registered as a UK charity, delivering work in the UK
- Have an annual income between £150,000 and £1.5 million are eligible
- Have a mission, aims and objectives aligned with one of the four priority areas.
- Have operated for at least a year and be able to provide a full year's audited or independently examined accounts.

Amounts available: Maximum £30,000 (over three years)

Application deadlines: 31st January 2025 (Decisions in April 2025)

Charles Hayward Foundation – Main Grants – NEW GRANT

Summary

UK-registered charities working in the areas of Social and Criminal Justice can apply for grants to prevent people from entering the criminal justice system and to support those already in it to rebuild their lives.

The programme supports:

- Targeted early intervention programmes aimed at reaching the most troubled and vulnerable families in a community
- Preventative and diversionary projects for young people at risk of offending including tailored interventions identifying and addressing the particular needs of girls and young women
- Programmes, particularly those with a focus on young offenders, combining prison based and community interventions dealing with rehabilitation of offenders, accommodation and support on release, helping with maintaining family relationships, mentoring, and mapping and creating pathways to employment
- Schemes offering viable alternatives to custody, in particular for women and young people
- Programmes of support directed towards rehabilitating the victims of domestic abuse

Key Criteria

- Charities should have an income of between £350,000 and £4 million
- Charities that have previously received a grant are asked to wait two years from the date of the last grant payment before re-applying
- Charities that have applied unsuccessfully must wait one year from the date of declination before re-applying. Unsuccessful applicants may not re-apply with the same project.

Amounts available: Between £15,000 and £25,000 (for between 1 and 3 years)

Application deadlines: 31st January 2025

CABWI – Lifelong Learning and Development Fund – NEW GRANT

Summary

Registered charities can apply for funding to promote learning and development that enables young people and adults to gain additional skills and qualifications and confidence to enter the labour market.

The Fund supports applications that:

- Work with individuals with complex barriers to employment, enabling them to move closer or into employment, including but not restricted to ex-service personnel and ex-offenders.
- To work directly with young people and adults who are either not in employment, education, or training (NEET), or with young people who are at risk of becoming NEET, to improve their access to employment and the labour market.
- Increase the life skills of people so that they may further develop their careers, with a particular focus on the water, utilities, and construction industries

Key Criteria

- Organisations with a turnover of £231,000 or less, can only apply for a maximum of 15% of the last year's turnover
- Organisations with a turnover in excess of £1m are not eligible for funding.
- Grants are for a period of one year

Amounts available: Maximum £35,000

Application deadlines: 3rd February 2025

UFI VocTech Trust – Activate Grant – NEW GRANT

Summary

Funding is available for early-stage projects that use technology to improve adult skills for work. The funding will support projects lasting up to twelve months which show how digital technologies can be used in innovative ways to improve vocational education.

Pre-funding workshops will be running in January 2025 to provide more information about the fund, and to provide support with the application process

Key Criteria

- Focus in on learners aged 16+ years of age
- Especially interested in supporting learners or users in sectors and locations that have not been well served by mainstream provision. Projects will need to show why the learners or users being targeted have been overlooked.
- Ufi funds projects involving charities, private companies, community interest companies and other not for profit organisations. As a charity itself, UFi must ensure that any grant given to any organisation that is not also a charity demonstrates public benefit.

Amounts available: Between £30,000 and £60,000

Application deadlines: 4th February 2025 (deadline for submission of Stage 1 applications)

[The D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust](#)

Summary

Grants are available for UK-registered charities that seek to enhance and improve people's lives by advancing the arts, health and medical welfare, and the environment.

The services provided to communities could include promoting access to the arts, conservation activities, music and art therapy to improve mental health and wellbeing and providing breaks for carers.

The fund can be used for project or core costs.

Key Criteria

- Charities that have been unsuccessful in their application must wait 2 years before re-applying
- The majority of grants are one-off grants for one year
- The Trustees seldom join in major fundraising campaigns or capital projects, preferring to direct their donations to those charities where their contribution will make a major difference. The Trustees favour small-scale, locally based initiatives

Amounts available: Between £500 and £6,000

Application deadlines: 4th February 2025 (There are three grant making decision meetings per year. Applications by 4th February will be considered in March 2025)

[Esmée Fairbairn Foundation – Communities and Collections Fund](#) – NEW GRANT

Summary

Following a funding review, the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation has launched the Communities and Collections Fund in conjunction with the Museums Association. This new fund is an evolution of the Collections Fund, with a broader focus on both collections and inclusion.

The fund now offers:

- Core grants to museums that have established strategic aims for diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI); and that are ready to use their collections and the funding to support social and climate justice, in ways that are relevant to local contexts and relationships
- Partnership project grants to museums and community organisations that work equitably together, and share aims for DEI; with ambitious and compelling ideas for inclusive project work with collections

Key Criteria

Museums that have previously received project funding are welcome to apply again to the Communities and Collections Fund for work that builds on earlier experience.

We ask that applicants speak to a member of Communities and Collections Fund staff at the Museums Association (MA) before submitting an EOI to ensure that the fund is a good fit for you, and to help draw out the strengths in your application

Amounts available: Maximum £100,000 (over up to three years)

Application deadlines: 5th February 2025 (submission of expression of interest)

Royal Botanic Gardens Kew – Grow Wild Community Programme – NEW GRANT

Summary

Grants are available to community, youth and voluntary groups from across the UK that want to bring local people together to transform urban areas by sowing and growing UK native wildflowers and/or plants. The grant can be used for a range of costs including seeds, plants, soil, materials, events and specialist fees. The programme also offers tailored online training sessions and opportunities to connect with other participating groups.

Successful groups will receive their Community Grant funding in April and projects need to be completed by the end of October 2025.

Key Criteria

- Grow Wild can only fund projects in urban locations
- School and Local Authorities, including Parish Councils, are not eligible to apply.
- Independent groups can apply for projects on Local Authority land (with the appropriate consent)

Amounts available: Maximum £2,000 (in addition there is the opportunity to apply for a £500 follow-on grant for spring 2026, to help support ongoing activities).

Application deadlines: 13th February 2025

Harborough District Council – Community Grant Fund

Summary

The Community Grant Fund is a capital grant scheme for town and parish councils/meetings and community organisations in the Harborough district.

A share of the £1m Grant has been allocated to parishes and towns based on the local plan. This gives more resource to the areas which were allocated greater growth in the last local plan.

The fund can be used to support other grants offered by the council, such as Section 106.

Key Criteria

- All applications outside of Market Harborough need to be submitted or supported by the Parish Council or Parish Meeting.
- The funding can only go to groups that are constituted and have held a bank account in the name of the group for three years – this relates to the group delivering the project. Although many Parish Meetings will not meet these criteria, they can support an application on behalf of another group who does meet the criteria.
- More than one application can be submitted subject to applications not exceeding the allocated grant amount for that parish or town.
- Grants must be spent within one year of receipt

Amounts available:

The amounts have been apportioned to give some relative recognition of scale of growth but also spread to ensure as many communities as possible have access to some funds without a bidding process. [There is a document available which sets out the allocation.](#)

Application deadlines: 16th February, 25th May and 24th August 2025

[The Royal Countryside Fund](#)

Summary

Voluntary and community organisations can apply for funding which delivers transformative, community-led initiatives in rural areas along the themes of:

- Keeping young people in the countryside
- Powering up rural communities
- Increasing environmental sustainability
- Building emergency resilience in rural areas

Key Criteria

- Applying organisations must have an income of less than £500,000 a year
- Schools, Youth Clubs and Local Authorities including Town and Parish Councils are not able to apply

Amounts available: Maximum £25,000 (over 24 months)

Application deadlines: 21st February 2025 (deadline for expression of interest)

[The Hedley Foundation](#) – NEW GRANT

Summary

Funding is available for small- to medium-sized registered charities that benefit the lives of young people, disabled people, elderly people, the terminally ill and otherwise disadvantaged people and their carers.

Key Criteria

Applicants should:

- Be a registered charity with an annual income below £1million
- Not apply for core salaries, building construction, general running costs, transport, financial deficits or overseas projects
- Not have received a grant from The Hedley Foundation, or submitted an unsuccessful application to the Foundation, within the last two years

Amounts available: Typically up to £5,000

Application deadlines: 26th February 2025

[Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council – Warm Welcome Grant](#)

Summary

Voluntary Community Sector (VCS) or not for profit organisations based in Hinckley and Bosworth Borough can apply for a grant to support the costs associated with providing a Warm Welcome provision during the winter of 2024 to 2025.

Key Criteria

The grant must be spent before 31st March 2025.

The Warm Welcome provision must:

- Operate within the Borough of Hinckley & Bosworth.
- Be offered for a minimum of 8 hours a month, for a minimum of 4 months during the period October 2024 and March 2025.
- Be open to the general public and not refused on grounds of gender, race, disability, sexual orientation, occupation, religious, political or other beliefs.
- Parish and Town Councils are not able to apply

Amounts available: Maximum £1,500

Application deadlines: 28th February 2025 (unless all the funding allocated has already been used, in which case it will close sooner).

[Bailey Thomas Grants](#) – NEW GRANT

Summary

UK charities, parent-teacher associations, and schools can apply for grants to help children and adults experiencing severe learning difficulties, including autism. Grants can be used to purchase equipment, support capital works, and cover project and core costs.

Key Criteria

The Fund does not currently accept appeals from Community Interest Companies

A further application from an organisation will not normally be considered for a period of at least two years after consideration of a previously successful grant (if your previous application was unsuccessful, this period is one year).

The Fund does not give grants towards anything considered to be statutory, if you are applying on behalf of a School or PTFA, it would have to be for something such as an extra-curricular club.

Amounts available:

Small grants between £250 and £5,000

Main grants over £9,000

Application deadlines: 1st March 2025 (Main Grants) for consideration in June 2025. Small grants can be applied for at anytime.

[Crowdfunder - Energy Efficiency Sharematch Fund](#)

Summary

Community organisations in England can apply for funding to reduce energy usage and carbon footprint. It can be used to install on-site energy generation measures like solar panels and heat pumps, improve building energy efficiency through insulation and LED lighting, and upgrade operational equipment to more energy-efficient alternatives.

The application process requires an initial expression of interest, followed by a formal application through the Crowdfunder platform for eligible projects.

To receive match funding eligible organisations must run a community share issue through the Crowdfunder platform.

Key Criteria

Applying organisations must:

- Be a Community Benefit Society, Charitable Community Benefit Society or Co-operative Society
- Own their buildings or have long (>10 years) tenancies in place.

Organisations can only access funding from the Energy Efficiency Sharematch once.

Amounts available: Between £5,000 and £30,000 (the final grant award would be based on 25-33% match of the total raised through the Crowdfunding platform).

Application deadlines: Closes March 2025

[Turning Point – Community Innovation Fund](#)

Summary

Charities, community groups and social enterprises in England can apply for seed funding to support initiatives aimed at reducing social isolation and enhancing wellbeing for vulnerable people in their local areas. Eligible activities should focus on promoting physical activity, fostering social connections, learning new skills, support people to volunteer or mindfulness activities.

Key Criteria

Projects should be:

- Connected to one of Turning Point services as a member of staff, peer mentors and volunteers or a community group that is local to a Turning Point service. (community organisations need to be nominated by the local Turning Point service)
- Able to demonstrate a legacy beyond the fund
- Supporting one of the 5 ways of wellbeing
- A new project idea – (the fund cannot support ongoing activity costs)

Amounts available: Maximum £2,500

Application deadlines: 24th March 2025

Assoc of Independent Museums – Collections Care and Conservation Grants * – NEW GRANT

Summary

Small and medium-sized museums can apply for grants to improve the care of their collections. The following schemes are available:

- The Collections Care Audits grants are provided to help smaller museums conduct professional collections care audits. The grants cover the cost of a three-day audit. The grants are paid retrospectively and serve as a good starting point for museums that have not received professional conservation advice before applying to the Collections Care or Remedial Conservation schemes.
- The Collections Care Scheme grants are intended for small to medium AIM member museums that seek to improve the sustainability of their collections' conservation and management through better collections care. The grants enable museums to receive tailored, specialist advice, purchase equipment, implement advice and train staff and volunteers. The projects must enable a significant improvement in the quality of collections care provided by a museum.
- The Remedial Conservation Scheme grants are available to museums to finance the conservation of objects in their collections.

Key Criteria

Eligible organisations must:

- Have Association of Independent Museums (AIM) membership
- Be a UK registered charity or an organisation with exempt charitable status or recognised public body i.e. Local Authority Museum
- Be a small or medium sized museum (fewer than 50,000 visitors p.a.)

Amounts available:

- Collections Care Audits Grants - maximum £1,200
- Collections Care Scheme Grants - maximum £10,000
- Remedial Conservation Scheme Grants - maximum £10,000

Application deadlines: 28th March 2025

Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust – NEW GRANT

Summary

Funding is available for Charities registered in the UK that work to provide sanctuary, rehoming, and rehabilitation for animals both domestically and/or internationally. Organisations involved with wildlife conservation, the rescue, rehabilitation and (where possible) release of animals are also eligible to apply.

The funding can be used for general running costs or capital purchases.

Key Criteria

The Trust favours smaller animal welfare charities registered which:

- Have independently examined up to date annual accounts
- Demonstrate an active re-homing and rehabilitation policy for animals taken into their care, unless the animals are endangered species
- Are involved with conservation of wildlife, where the rescue, rehabilitation and (when possible) the release of animals is their main aim

Amounts available: Maximum £35,000

Application deadlines: 1st April 2025

Peter Harrison Foundation – Active Lives Grant – NEW GRANT

Summary

Funding is available for Charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) to provide opportunities for sport and physical activity at a grassroots level that enable people who are physically, mentally, socially, or economically disadvantaged to develop personal and life skills and fulfil their potential.

The grants can be used for a variety of purposes, such as funding new sports programmes, improving existing sports facilities, or providing training and support for sports coaches.

The Trustees welcome applications for physical activity initiatives that:

- Provide a focus for skills development and confidence building
- Have a strong training and/or educational theme
- Provide specialised sporting equipment or facilities required to open opportunities
- Have a high degree of involvement from beneficiaries and those with lived experience
- Have a plan for sustainability and seek to deliver a lasting legacy

Grants can be over one, two or three years.

Key Criteria

- Priority will be given to organisations with an annual turnover of up to £500,000.
- Eligible applicants must have been registered either with the charity regulator or CASC for two years or more
- Due to high demand in the grant Trustees have decided to focus the limited resources on those who live in the top 40% of areas of deprivation (Indices of Multiple Deprivation - IMD - deciles 1 to 4)
- Applications for work in deciles 5 -10 are NOT ELIGIBLE to receive funding unless they are disability focussed. Disability projects in deciles 5 – 10 are eligible but a lower priority for funding.
- [Applicants can check the IMD for the areas they plan to work in](#)

Amounts available:

Major Grants between £5,001 and £30,000

Small Grants maximum £5,000

Application deadlines: 1st April 2025

Sport England – Movement Fund Emergency Relief Fund

Summary

Grants are available to not-for-profit organisations, including community clubs, charities, and public bodies, to restore sports facilities damaged by Extreme Weather. The fund aims to assist in the swift restoration of sports facilities and activities.

The type of costs the funding can be used for include:

- skip hire to remove sediment and rubbish
- minor electrical works to restore power
- decontamination works or clearing of blocked drains
- cleaning work to get showers and changing rooms back up and running
- securing buildings.

Key Criteria

- The [Movement Fund](#) eligibility criteria will apply to organisations seeking emergency relief funding
- Funding will be prioritised to support sports and activities that need to recover quickly, with spring and summer sports, or where activity is not scheduled to take place for several weeks, being a lower priority.
- Applications should submit evidence of damage which is directly attributable to the recent extreme weather. This should be in the form of photographs or reports of the damage that has occurred.

Amounts available: Maximum £15,000

Application deadlines: Open (no deadline provided)

Moto in the Community Trust – Community Grants

Summary

Charities, schools and community organisations operating within a 15-mile radius of a Moto Motorway Services site can apply for funding for projects and activities that deliver benefits to local communities.

Moto in The Community Trust will fund different types of projects provided they directly benefit the communities where Moto is present or where it has a significant staff catchment.

Key Criteria

Please note that any application that is submitted should have the endorsement of a Moto colleague; that is someone directly employed by Moto Hospitality Ltd.

Amounts available: Average grant is £1,000

Application deadlines: Open (The application to approval process can take up to 8 weeks to complete).

British Gas Energy Fund – Energy Support Fund

Summary

The British Gas Trust has reopened its Energy Support Fund to help British Gas customers in England, Scotland and Wales struggling to pay their energy bills.

The fund, set up in response to the rising cost of living and inflation, will provide eligible customers with grants to help clear outstanding arrears. Applications take up to four weeks to be assessed.

Key Criteria

Applicants must meet all the following criteria:

- Be British Gas credit or pre-payment meter customers living in England, Scotland, or Wales
- Have not received a grant from the British Gas Energy Trust within the last 12 months
- Be seeking a grant to clear an outstanding debt on a current or open gas, electricity or dual fuel energy account in their name or be a member of that household. The energy account must relate to their main residence
- Have a minimum debt of £50 as a pre-payment meter customer, or £250 as a credit account customer
- Have a maximum £2,000 gas and/or electricity debt
- Be in or facing Fuel Poverty
- Have received help from a money advice or guidance agency within the last 6 months

Amounts available: Maximum £2,000

Application deadlines: Open - will remain open until all available funds have been awarded

British Gas Energy Trust – Individual and Families Fund

Summary

The fund, set up in response to the rising cost of living and inflation, will provide eligible customers with grants to help clear outstanding arrears. Applications take up to four weeks to be assessed.

The fund is available to British Gas and non-British Gas customers with credit or pre-payment meter accounts.

Several suppliers have their own support fund which is restricted to their customers only. These are: OVO, Boost, Eon, Eon Next, EDF, Scottish Power, Octopus, Shell Energy, SSE and Utilita. If you are a customer of one of these companies, please apply to them directly.

Key Criteria

Applicants must meet all the following criteria:

- Pre-payment meter customers must have between £50 and £1,700 of energy debt
- Credit customers must have between £250 and £1,700 of energy debt
- You live in England, Scotland, or Wales
- You have not received a grant from the British Gas Energy Trust within the last 2 years
- You must be seeking a grant to clear an outstanding debt on a current or open gas, electricity or dual fuel energy account. The account must be in your name and relate to your main residence
- The trust does not consider awarding grants to closed accounts (e.g., if you have moved home)
- If your application is successful, your energy account will be credited with the grant. Please note the British Gas Energy Trust does not award cash payments
- You must be in or facing fuel poverty
- You have received help from a money advice agency or used our trusted partner's self-help Benefit Calculator tool within the last 6 months

Amounts available: Maximum £2,000

Application deadlines: Will remain open until all available funds have been awarded

Social Investment Business – Energy Resilience Fund

Summary

The fund offers unrestricted loans and grants to help charities and social enterprises in England improve their energy resilience.

Eligible uses include installing energy-saving measures or generation technologies for buildings and land (including new builds), and purchasing energy-efficient or environmentally friendly vehicles and equipment. If required, energy audit support will also be provided.

Key Criteria

To be eligible, organisations must:

- Demonstrate that they are unable to access mainstream bank lending for this purpose.
- Have a minimum of 2 years' operating activity.
- Have a minimum turnover of £100k in your last set of end of year accounts.
- Have fewer than 250 employees and either an annual turnover not exceeding £40m or an annual balance sheet total not exceeding £35m.
- Have Freehold ownership or a suitable written lease agreement with a minimum of 12 years remaining on it if you are applying to install energy saving/ generating measures to buildings/ land
- Note that vehicles/ equipment (any non-property related assets) should be intended to be purchased and owned by the applicant organisation and to therefore sit on the financial balance sheet of the applicant organisation

Amounts available: Between £25,000 and £250,000 (40% grant 60% loan) Loans are repayable over ten years at a fixed rate of 8.5% per annum.

Application deadlines: Not disclosed

Support available for Voluntary, Community & Social Enterprise Sector organisations in Leicestershire

Voluntary Action Leicestershire



Leicestershire County Council has a contract with [Voluntary Action LeicesterShire](#) (VAL) to provide support to voluntary and community sector organisations in Leicestershire, including help with identifying and securing funding.

If you are a VCS organisation who is seeking to apply for funding, or bid for contracts, please contact VAL's Sector Support Team for assistance, advice, and guidance. VAL can provide assistance with searching for funding opportunities, checking the relevance of the fund to your funding aspirations, and a read and review of your bid.

You can also [sign up for further e-bulletins from VAL](#), including news, events, funding opportunities and updates from the Government and Charity Commission. There are currently two newsletters which you can select to receive by ticking the appropriate box. At present funding and commissioning items are included in the voluntary sector support newsletter.

Events:

[Take Charge of Your Finances 16th January - a Free On-line Financial Wellbeing Workshop](#)

[Ask VAL Blaby Pop Up Event 30th January at Cosby Library](#)

If you are a VCSE organisation based in Blaby District, and you need help with anything from starting up a new group to securing large bids, collaborating with other organisations or effective governance.

If you are interested in volunteering or you are an organisation looking for volunteers, VAL can help you get started.

[Meet the Funders – Leicester City Thursday 27th February 2025 - Booking is required](#)

An opportunity for **Leicester City based** Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise organisations to come along and meet local and national funders who are actively investing in community groups in your area.

Contact Details:

[VAL website](#)

Tel: 0116 2575050

Email: helpline@valonline.org.uk

CASE – Support for Social Enterprises in Leicestershire

CASE

Co-operative and Social Enterprise Development Agency (CASE) is a social enterprise and co-operative which provides advice, guidance, and support to existing and emerging co-operatives, social enterprises and community enterprises in Leicester and Leicestershire. CASE supports co-operatives and social enterprises to develop and grow, through the promotion of co-operative ways of working.

Leicestershire County Council has a contract with CASE to provide support to people currently running (or thinking of setting up) social enterprises in Leicestershire.

Contact Details:

[CASE website](#)

Tel: 0116 222 5010

Email: enquiries@case.coop

Leicestershire & Rutland Community Foundation



The Leicestershire & Rutland Community Foundation is a charity which helps local individuals and companies to give money, in a tax efficient way, directly to local needs. It does this by helping set up new local family and company charitable funds and then supports those donors to give grants to local charitable groups of their choice through the Making Local Life Better Fund (previously the Donor Matching Scheme).

The Community Foundation also administers local and national grant schemes on behalf of those organisations. These vary throughout the year, please check the website for the funds currently available.

Contact Details:

[Leicestershire & Rutland Community Foundation Website](#)

Tel: 0116 262 4916

Email: grants@lrccommunityfoundation.org.uk

Commissioning Opportunities



VCSE organisations are encouraged to explore opportunities to receive income through delivering contracts for services commissioned by the public sector. You can register to receive details of commissioning opportunities through the following websites:

[Source East Midlands](#)

[Due North](#)

[Gov UK Contract Finder](#)

Easy Fundraising



This is a leading fundraising platform that gives organisations access to an unlimited fundraising source, that helps you to raise FREE cashback donations through online shopping. Register your group/organisation as a good cause with easyfundraising to receive free cashback donations when anyone connected to that organisation shops online with 4,200 retailers including Argos, Amazon, Just eat and Booking.com. It doesn't cost the shopper a penny more so it's an easy way for your community to support your organisation just by shopping online as they usually would.

[Easy Fundraising Website](#)

Leicestershire Communities Website



The Leicestershire Communities website contains a range of useful information to help local people to actively participate in their communities, including information for people involved in community groups, charities and social enterprises. This section of the website provides a range of support, information and resources related to Grants and Funding, including Monthly Funding Bulletins, information from a range of funders, along with details of support provided to voluntary and community sector groups, charities and social enterprises, by other relevant organisations.

[Leicestershire Communities Grants and Funding Webpage](#)