



Are you looking for funding?

Developing your ideas and applying for funding

We can help you when you are developing your funding applications. We offer one to one surgery sessions to help you as you progress your application. We can also help you identify different sources of funding so contact Tariq on 01324 692000 or email info@cvsfalkirk.org.uk

Sources of funding

There are a number of different sources of funding that groups and organisations can apply to, some are open to any type of group, others are restricted to, for example, registered charities or particular areas of work or geographical area.

FUNDING HOTLIST

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THOMAS WALL TRUST

Registered charities with an annual income between £10,000 and £500,000 can apply to the Thomas Wall Trust. The Thomas Wall Trust believes that communication skills are critical capabilities for people who want to improve their employment prospects, self-confidence, resilience, and life chances.

The Thomas Wall Trust will fund projects that equip disadvantaged people over 18 with the necessary communication skills ready for employment. The Grant can help meet the costs of specific project or core activities that develop these critical skills.

The Grant available is up to £5,000 towards specific project or core activities that develop critical life skills for people from disadvantaged groups.

For further information, please visit the [Thomas Wall Trust](#) website.

TREFOIL

Registered charities with an annual turnover of less than £500,000 can apply to Trefoil. Trefoil will prioritise organisations who are direct service providers. Trefoil will not normally consider applications from agencies which should be supported by statutory funding.

Trefoil will in particular consider funding for: projects promoting education, health and social welfare; team building activities; recreation with an educational element; therapeutic activities not core funded by the statutory authorities; new development and start up project costs. Trefoil will not cover core costs.

The Grant can only be used to support persons under the age of 25 years old.

For further information, please visit the [Trefoil](#) website.

THE PEOPLE'S POSTCODE LOTTERY

The People's Postcode Trust is a grant-giving body funded by players of the Peoples Postcode Lottery. The small grants scheme distributes funds to small organisations, community groups and registered charities in Scotland, through grants ranging from £500 - £20,000. Funding is prioritised for organisations with an annual income of £250,000 and below; those who support communities ranked as being within the top 15% on the SIMD; organisations that are led by and provide services to people from minority/marginalised groups.

The Trust funds projects that:

- Provide support to improve mental health.
- Enable participation in physical activity; or the arts.
- Prevent or reduce the impact of poverty.
- Support marginalised groups tackling inequality.
- Improve biodiversity and respond to the climate emergency.
- Improve green spaces and increase access to the outdoors.

The Trust offers Project funding and Unrestricted funding:

- Project funding is for programmes which are limited in scope and seek to achieve a particular outcome.
- Unrestricted funding can be used for anything within an organisation's charitable objectives.

For further information, please visit the [People's Postcode Lottery](#) website.

THE ROBERTSON TRUST

The Robertson Trust is an independent Scottish grant-making Trust which exists to improve the lives of people and communities experiencing poverty and trauma. The Trust provide funding for organisations and initiatives that address:

- Financial wellbeing – tackling the financial and material effects of poverty on people and communities
- Emotional wellbeing and relationships – ensuring people have emotional wellbeing, and confidence and strength in their relationships with others
- Educational and work pathways – equipping people for the future by supporting learning and skills.

Both the Large and the Small fund can be used for Revenue Funding to cover the costs of running day-to-day services, Unrestricted Funding to cover core costs, and Restricted Funding which can only be used for a specific project.

- [Large Grants](#) – for registered charities with an annual income between £100,000 and £2million
- [Small Grants](#) – for registered charities with an annual income between £25,000 and £15,000
- [Wee Grants](#): for constituted groups and registered charities with an annual income of less than £25,000; funding of up to £2,000 for one year only, which can be used to cover revenue or capital costs to support your work.

For further information, please visit the [Robertson Trust](#) website.

FOUNDATION SCOTLAND - THE VOLANT CHARITABLE TRUST

In response to the current cost of living crisis, the Volant Charitable Trust is prioritising the focus of its awards on charities and organisations who are particularly addressing poverty and deprivation, helping to support vulnerable groups who are most affected, **with an emphasis on women, children and young people.**

- Support for vulnerable families facing extreme poverty.
- Food provision and promotion of healthy eating in areas of extreme deprivation
- Mental health projects for vulnerable groups living in poverty.

Organisations can apply for up to £15,000 per year, for a maximum of 3 years (maximum total grant is £45,000). Organisations can apply for core costs. There is an income cap of £1 million, as reflected in the organisations most recent annual accounts.

The fund will re-open for applications in mid-January 2024; organisations are encouraged to prepare their applications in advance.

For further information, please visit the [Foundation Scotland](#) website.

FOUNDATION SCOTLAND - PF CHARITABLE TRUST

The London-based PF Charitable Trust has been using Foundation Scotland to distribute funds in Scotland since 1997, distributing over £800,000 in its name during this time. The PF Charitable Trust's funding policy is to support work at community level and the Foundation provides a valuable service in targeting appropriate groups:

- Disability
- Health
- Children and Families
- Youth work
- Elderly

The fund can support core costs as well as project costs. However, it can only support applications where the grant request is at least 25% of the total costs. Please do not apply if the project, as a whole, costs more than £20,000.

This fund is only open to Registered Charities with an annual income of under £250,000.

For further information, please visit the [Foundation Scotland](#) website.

THE ALBERT HUNT TRUST

The Albert Hunt Trust supports UK registered charities that:

- Provide Hospice Care – core funding of hospices is a priority. Typical grant sizes range from £10,000-£20,000.
- Provide support for the Homeless – typical core funding grant sizes range from £5,000-£10,000. The Trust looks to support organisations in this category with an annual fundraised income (non-statutory) of below £500,000.
- Promote Health and Well-Being – areas of support under this heading include mental health of children and young people, carers, cancer support, prisoner support and rehabilitation, social challenge, and deprivation. Typical grant sizes range from £500 – £5,000. They look to support organisations in this category with a total annual income of below £250,000.
 - As this is a broad area, charities interested in applying are encouraged to contact the Trust prior to applying, for further guidance.

Grants are considered for a range of purposes and can include core funding to include staff costs, and ongoing running costs for specific projects. They are currently closed to capital funding.

The Grant cannot be used to support Adult Mental Health, air ambulances, medical research, or NHS Charities.

For further information, please visit the [Albert Hunt Trust](#) website.

THE D'OYLY CARTE CHARITABLE TRUST

The Trust was established in for the advancement of the arts, health and medical welfare and environmental protection or improvement. Through the Medical Welfare programme, the Trust aims to support a wide range of projects that improve the quality of life of children and adults, carers and young people on the fringes of society.

The Trust makes grants which are usually in the range £500 - £6,000 to registered charities, and will consider applications for core costs and services.

The Medical Welfare Programme aims to help organisations through:

- Music and art therapy and non-clinical interventions that use singing, drama, and musical techniques to aid recovery from illness and improve quality of life and mental wellbeing.
- Support for charities concerned with alleviating the suffering of adults and children with medical conditions who have difficulty finding support through traditional sources.
- The welfare of those who care for others through the provision of breaks for carers, with an emphasis on projects and schemes assisting young carers.

The Trust will not fund capital projects, counselling and psychotherapy services, or medical research.

For further information, please visit the [D'oyly Carte Charitable Trust](#) website.

THE NEWBY TRUST

The Newby Trust funds local, regional or national charities registered and operating in the UK within the broad categories of education, health and social welfare.

The Trust is more likely to fund smaller or medium-sized charities with an annual income of less than £1,000,000. In general, only charities that are invited to apply will be considered for a grant. Through the Social Welfare programme, the Trust provides grants of up to £10,000 to improve people's quality of life in disadvantaged communities.

The current aims of the Trust's Health programme are to maintain and improve the mental health of children and young people, support the mental and physical health of older people, and fund medical research.

The current aims of the Trust's Social Welfare programme are to:

- improve people's quality of life in disadvantaged communities by providing small grants for short-term emergency relief
- improve social support for disadvantaged groups
- support cultural and physical activities to improve wellbeing

Grants can be made for one, 2, or 3 years. The grant can also be used to cover core costs.

For further information, please visit the [Newby Trust](#) website.

THE ALLEN LANE FOUNDATION

The Foundation aims to fund work benefitting people affected by mental health problems – lessening their isolation and feelings of stigma, improving wellbeing and promoting recovery, and enabling people to feel included in their local communities.

The focus of the Foundation is on funding mental health charities that support people with moderate or severe mental health issues, rather than more general wellbeing or wellness projects. They fund organisations that provide general services and activities to people with moderate/severe mental health conditions; as well as groups working with people affected by specific or particular issues – such as bipolar disorder, or depression, or self-harm, or eating disorders, for example.

The total amount they offer is £15,000. This can be over 3 years, 2 years, or a single year. Most grants are made for much less than this amount, with the average grant size being £5,000 – £6,000.

The grant will not cover capital grants, general health or healthcare, medical research, or one to one counselling or therapy.

For further information, please visit the [Allen Lane Foundation](#) website.

THE HODGE FOUNDATION

The Hodge Foundation provides grants of up to £100,000 to UK registered or exempt charities such as additional needs schools and universities for projects that address the objectives of the Foundation.

This includes supporting charities working with people who may be vulnerable or disadvantaged and who need assistance to improve their lives; education and learning, both within formal school settings and practical approaches to learning which support young people to fulfil their potential and thrive including those with special needs; medical related charities specialising in the treatment and support for specific illnesses and research; and providing funds towards projects such as facilities in church buildings and inclusive activities for the wider community.

Welfare – support for charities working with people who may be vulnerable or disadvantaged and who need assistance to improve their lives. This includes a variety of causes and groups including the elderly, homeless, disabled, special needs and those with mental health issues.

The Foundation supports medical related charities specialising in the treatment and support for specific illnesses and research. The main focus has been on local hospices, children’s care and university-based research in the fields of cancer and mental health.

For further information, please visit the [Hodge Foundation](#) website.

THE HAYS TRAVEL FOUNDATION

Hays Travel Foundation was created in 2015. The foundation works with organisations that support people, who for one reason or another need help to achieve their potential.

The foundations focus is on the following objectives: Education, Poverty, Health, Arts and Culture, and Sport. Support is provided to registered charities working with young people under the age of 25 years old, in an area where Hays Travel operates.

To apply for a grant, the organisation must be a registered charity. There are 2 main criteria that Foundation judges applications on:

- Does the project help young people (up to 25 years old) develop in at least one of these areas: education, prevention of poverty, health, arts, culture, or sports?
- Does the organisation operate or have an impact in an area in which Hays Travel has a branch?

The Hays Travel Foundation funds specific projects that will make a difference to young people’s lives with clear expected outputs and outcomes, which can be evaluated to demonstrate value. If the application for funding is to cover solely staff salaries or core running costs, it is unlikely that this will be approved. However, if the project cannot take place without accounting for some staff costs, the trustees will review the application and it will be awarded on merit following their review.

For further information, please visit the [Hays Travel Foundation](#) website.

OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING

Some of the most popular funding sources include:

Bank of Scotland Foundation	http://bankofscotlandfoundation.org/
Corra Foundation	http://www.corra.scot
BBC Children in Need	http://www.bbc.co.uk/corporate2/childreninneed
Comic Relief	http://www.comicrelief.com/
Esmee Fairbairn Charitable Trust	www.esmeefairbairn.org.uk/
Henry Smith's Small Grants Programme	www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/grant-programmes
Robertson Trust	http://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/
Scotmid Community Grants	http://www.scotmid.coop/community-and-charity/
Tudor Trust	www.tudortrust.org.uk