

Funding Insight



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National Lottery Community Fund Begins Review on Future Community Support (UK)

The National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF) has launched an 18-month Strategy Renewal process that will shape how it supports people and communities to prosper and thrive in the future.

The process is starting with a six-week anonymous survey which will enable diverse communities from across the UK to join in conversations about their hopes and ambitions and the challenges they face, as well as sharing their views on the best ways lottery funding might support their communities. The input gained will help shape how the NLCF invests in communities going forward as well as the wider support it offers.

Full details along with the survey can be found on the NLCF website.

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<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/news/press-releases/2022-04-07/the-national-lottery-community-fund-launches-a-strategy-renewal-process>

Open Call for Projects Researching Young People's Experience of Emotional Support (UK)

A new £750,000 programme has been launched to fund research into young people's experience of emotional support and the effect this has on their mental health outcomes.

The Health Foundation's Emotional Support for Young People programme will support four to six teams across the UK, with up to £200,000 funding each, to complete research projects over twelve to eighteen months. These will help develop the evidence base on what shapes the emotional support that young people experience.

Applications from teams combining expertise from a broad range of disciplines, including social psychology, sociology and other social sciences are encouraged.

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis until 12pm on the 6th June 2022.

The Foundation encourages potential applicants to attend an information call, on Wednesday 27 April 2022 at 13.00–14.00. This will be an opportunity to hear more about the programme and ask any clarifying questions. Email youngpeople@health.org.uk to sign up.

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<https://www.health.org.uk/funding-and-partnerships/programmes/emotional-support-for-young-people>

Equipment Grants for Disabled and Disadvantaged Young People (UK)

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.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

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.

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

Pink Ribbon Foundation Grants (UK)

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

Grants of up to £6,000 are available to UK charities:

- To relieve the needs of people who are suffering from, or have been affected by, breast cancer by providing, or assisting in the provision of, information, care or emotional, practical and financial support.
- To advance public education in the understanding of breast cancer, its early detection and treatment, in particular but not exclusively by commissioning, or conducting, research into the causes, detection and treatment of breast cancer and by disseminating the results of such research.

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

Any charity working in the field of breast cancer can apply for a grant.

Applications from general cancer charities must demonstrate that the grants requested will be applied to benefit those affected by breast cancer. Where applications relate to general services, details must be given of how many (and what proportion) of the total number benefiting from the charity's work are affected by breast cancer.

The closing date for applications is the 27th May 2022.

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

Grants of up to £5,000 Available to Support UK and International Social Relief Projects (UK)

UK Registered charities can apply for grants of up to £5,000 for international social relief projects. Didymus, the grant making charity, will award funding for projects that support work amongst disadvantaged communities in the UK, Africa, and Central and South America which fulfils one of the charity's five goals:

- Encouraging social inclusion
- Advancing education
- Developing the arts
- Advancing equality and diversity
- Promoting religious understanding.

Funding is also available for existing projects of smaller charities to ensure their long-term viability.

The next closing date for applications is noon on the 30th April 2022.

Useful Links:

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<https://www.didymus-charity.org.uk/>

Grants to Support Work which Improves Financial Wellbeing (UK)

Charities, voluntary organisations, think tanks, campaigning groups, research bodies and universities can apply for grants of between £10,000 and £200,000 for strategic work that improves financial wellbeing, especially for those on low-to-middle incomes.

The abrdn Financial Fairness Trust's grant programme invites proposals from organisations across the UK seeking funding for policy work, campaigning and research focused on three areas that influence financial wellbeing: income; spending; and assets. These areas might include wages, pensions and taxation, gambling, borrowing and repayment problems, and savings. Between fifteen and twenty grants are awarded each year and priority is given to work focusing on younger generations.

The deadline for applications is 1pm on the 3rd June 2022.

Useful Links:

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<https://www.financialfairness.org.uk/home>

New Initiative for Ideas that Solve Sustainability Challenges (UK & Worldwide)

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for ideas that solve sustainability challenges, both for the environment and for people, from around the world. A total of £20,000 is available.

Up to twenty microgrants will be awarded to help individuals aged over 18, charities and community organisations to transform their ideas for a fair and sustainable future into a reality. Ideas could be a digital tool, a physical product, an event, a campaign or a new technology.

Applicants must be based in the country where the initiative will take place and will need to demonstrate how it could help to solve an existing sustainability issue and accelerate progress towards sustainability targets.

The funding is being made available through the Chatham House Sustainability Accelerator.

Applications can be made at any time until the 30th April 2022.

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<https://accelerator.chathamhouse.org/article/microgrants>

Grants to Promote and Secure Better and Safer Roads (UK)

Grants and bursaries of between £5,000 - £25,000 are available for research, education and community projects with the aim of promoting and securing better and safer roads in terms of design, engineering and aesthetics including enhancements of the experience of road users. Funded activity includes courses leading to qualifications related to traffic engineering and transport planning, research projects and programmes or schemes to improve the highway network and the roadside environment, for example roadside parks and open spaces.

The Rees Jeffries Road Fund Grants awards grants that:

- Contribute to the cost of lectures, studies and scholarship calculated to foster the improvement of design and layout of public highways and adjoining land
- Promote schemes for the provision of roadside parks and open spaces
- Encourage the improvement of existing and provision of additional public highways, bridges, tunnels, footpaths, verges, and cycleways.... to secure the maximum of safety and beauty.

Priority is given to projects which lie outside the scope of other funders such as government agencies and research councils. The Fund also welcomes applications that include contributions from other funders.

Eligible applicants include educational institutions, charities and social enterprises. There is no upper or lower limit for grant applications although grants most commonly fall in the range £5,000 - £25,000.

Anyone considering applying to the Fund must, in the first instance, contact the Secretary at secretary@reesjeffreys.co.uk with a short outline of their proposal including the level of funding being sought to register their interest and obtain an application form.

The next closing date for applications is the 10th June 2022.

Grants awarded previously include:

- CIHT: £10,000 towards an exhibition to promote Women in Transport
- SATRO: £2,500 to support work to help young people to be inspired and enthusiastic about their education and their future careers especially in the area of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM)
- Plantlife: £18,233 to develop a new national 'best practice' standard for the management of roadside verges.

Useful Links:

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

Funding to Support Primary Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences (UK)

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to support primary research in the humanities and social sciences.

The British Academy/Leverhulme Trust Small Research Grants are available to postdoctoral scholars (or equivalent) across the UK to cover the cost of direct expenses incurred in planning, conducting, and developing research for a defined project of up to two years.

Applicants may seek support for any combination of eligible activity and cost for either collaborative or individual projects which might include, workshops, conferences, or visits by or to partner scholars, research assistance, travel, consumables, specialist software, and costs of interpreters in the field.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 1st June 2022.

Useful Links:

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<https://www.thebritishacademy.ac.uk/funding/ba-leverhulme-small-research-grants/>

New Fund Launched to Tackle Chewing Gum Litter (UK)

A new grant scheme has been launched to help local authorities across the UK to clean chewing gum off of pavements and invest in long-term behaviour change to prevent gum from being dropped in the first place.

The Chewing Gum Task Force Grant Scheme, administered by Keep Britain Tidy and supported by chewing gum producers, will award grants of up to £20,000 to fund street cleansing and/or the purchase of cleaning equipment. Larger grants of up to £70,000 are available for two or more councils working together.

Expressions of interest should be submitted in the first instance.

Full applications will be accepted between the 9th May 2022 and the 23rd May 2022.

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<https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/chewing-gum-task-force>

Society for Microbiology – Science Education and Outreach Grants (UK)

The Micro Biology Society has announced that the Education and Outreach grants programme has re-opened for applications. Through the programme, members of the Microbiology Society, residing in the UK or Republic of Ireland, including those working in schools, can apply for a grant of up to £1,000 for innovative Outreach Activities that support relevant science teaching or promotion initiatives.

Also funded are developments likely to lead to an improvement in the teaching of any aspect of microbiology.

Activities funded can include:

- Talks, workshops, demonstrations, posters, leaflets, broadcasts, activities at science festivals and audio-visual or computer-based packages;
- Activities that take place as part of a National Science and Engineering Week event at the applicant's place of work;
- Running a school or college-based science week activity (e.g. hands-on or programme of talks);
- Supporting microbiology activities in an out-of-school science club;
- Buying materials and equipment outside of normal department resources to support a microbiology activity (no more than £500 can be used toward large equipment such as microscopes and incubators);
- A class visit to a microbiology laboratory to carry out activities; and
- Organising a visit to or from a working microbiologist.

The next deadline for applications will be the 2nd October 2022.

Enquiries about this scheme should be made by email to grants@microbiologysociety.org or by phone: +44 (0)20 3034 4882.

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<https://microbiologysociety.org/grants/education-outreach-funds/education-and-outreach-grants.html>

Grants to Support Animal Welfare Charities (UK)

Charities registered in the UK and working to offer sanctuary, rehoming and rehabilitation to animals in the UK and/or internationally can apply for grants through the Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust.

Organisations involved with the conservation of wildlife, the rescue, rehabilitation and (where possible) release of animals are also eligible to apply. The funding supports general running costs or capital purchases.

The Trust encourages repeat applications from charities when further financial support might be given if funds allow.

In the past the maximum grant awarded has been £35,000

The next deadline to apply is the 1st May 2022.

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

Funding for Links with Japan (UK)

Grants of £2,000 - £7,000 are available to promote and support interaction between the two countries. Daiwa Foundation Small Grants can cover all fields of activity, including educational and other projects and events. New initiatives are especially encouraged.

Projects that have received funding in the past include:

- Beckfoot School (Bingley) which received a grant of £3,000 to support a two-week curriculum-based school exchange visit by ten students and two teachers to Hiroshima Kokusai High School;
- Dene Magna School which received a grant of £4,000 to support a school exchange visit by three teachers and nine pupils to enhance links established in 2002 with two partner schools in Okinawa and to consolidate Japanese as part of its curriculum.

The next closing date for applications is the 30th September 2022.

Useful Documents:

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<http://www.dajf.org.uk/grants-awards-prizes/daiwa-foundation-small-grants>

Overseas Development Grants for UK-based Charities (UK)

The Philip Henman Trust awards grants to major UK-based charities (with annual incomes of over £100,000) for long-term overseas development projects that require funding for between three and five years. These grants are split into annual payments (between £3,000 and £5,000 P.A.) with a maximum total of £25,000. Once the grant has been approved the organisation will be guaranteed an annual grant for the duration of the project, as long as receipts and reports are sent back to the Trust in the way that is specified

Successful applicants will have demonstrated that the project will provide lasting benefit for the people and communities supported.

Previous awards have been made to:

- Cool Earth to provide safe sanitation for indigenous rainforest villages in Papua New Guinea;
- Point Foundation to support community-based living for the disabled in Rwanda; and
- Just a Drop, a schools water and sanitation project in Kenya.

Applications are considered once a year. The next closing date for applications is the 10th September 2022.

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<http://www.djclark.com/pht/long.html>

Music Grants for Older People (England & Wales)

The registered charity, Concertina which makes grants of up to £250 to charitable bodies that provide musical entertainment and related activities for the elderly has announced that the next deadline for applications is the 30th April 2022.

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 nationwide 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.

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

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

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.

Applications can be made at any time.

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

Taking Teaching Further Programme Re-opens for Applications (England)

The Education and Training Foundation has announced that round five of the Taking Teaching Further programme is now open for applications.

Taking Teaching Further has been expanded beyond the 15 technical routes to include a 'core skills' element, which aims to support the recruitment of business and industry experts to teach English, maths or SEND to Technical subject students.

A part time delivery option for part time teachers is also available.

Colleges and Sixth Forms can draw down up to three Initial Teacher Education places with funding of £18,200 per place. Independent training providers, employer led providers, third sector training providers, local authority providers, and adult and community learning providers can register for the scheme but places will be available on a first come first served basis.

Round five will run until July 2024.

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<https://www.et-foundation.co.uk/professional-development/taking-teaching-further/>

£5 Million Fund to Develop Carbon Dioxide Utilisation Technology (Scotland)

In an effort to tackle climate change, a new two-year initiative has been launched to help develop emerging CO2 utilisation technology.

The funding will help businesses and organisations across Scotland to develop and make use of emerging technology to convert carbon dioxide into commercially useful forms, such as synthetic fuels and aquaculture proteins.

Grants are expected to be in the region of £150,000 to £500,000 and will cover up to 50% of incurred eligible costs. Priority will be given to projects that focus on products and processes with low carbon intensity.

The funding, which is being made available through the Scottish Government's CO2 Utilisation Challenge Fund, will be administered by Scottish Enterprise and match-funded by industry.

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<https://www.gov.scot/news/gbp-5-million-to-develop-carbon-dioxide-utilisation-technology/>

Funding to Alleviate Social Deprivation (Scotland)

The Volant Charitable Trust's Grants programme has re-opened for applications. The fund aims to support Scottish charities and projects that help alleviate social deprivation.

Specific themes the fund will consider for support include:

Women - Victims of sexual abuse, rape, domestic violence and those working in the sex industry; care for young mothers and those affected by postnatal depression, isolated and lone parents; community support for black and minority ethnic women and asylum seekers; support services for women prisoners and their families.

Children and young people - Counselling, support services and outreach projects for those who are disadvantaged or deemed to be at risk through neglect, emotional and physical abuse, alcohol or drug misuse.

Poverty and deprivation - Mental health projects for women and children; support for vulnerable families; promotion of healthy eating for families in areas of extreme deprivation.

Registered charities, community interest companies, community organisations and social enterprises can apply for grants of up to £15,000 per year for up to three years.

Funding is administered by Foundation Scotland and can be used for project and core costs.

Applicants are initially required to complete an enquiry form outlining their project. This must be submitted by 12pm on the 29th April 2022.

Useful Links:

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<https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/volant-charitable-trust>

Enovert Community Trust (England - Various Locations)

The Enovert Community Trust has announced that the next closing date for funding applications is the 25th June 2022.

The Trust is committed to supporting community and environmental projects, such as improving community halls, creating new children's play areas, restoring green spaces and habitats, and enhancing community sports and recreation facilities.

Funding is available to non-profit making organisations, constituted organisations or groups within 10 miles of a landfill site operated by Enovert Management Limited, or within ten miles of a waste facility managed by the company. These are:

- Bristol (BS16 9NN) (until 9 Sep 2022, after which ECT will be closed for applications in this area)
- Cheltenham (GL52 7RS)
- Southend-On-Sea (SS3 0NR)
- Cirencester (GL7 1YG)
- Colchester (CO3 0NN)
- Gloucester (GL2 5FR)
- Kingswinford (DY6 7JS)
- Lydney (GL14 4EJ)
- Walsall Wood (WS9 9AH)
- Weston-super-Mare (BS22 8NA)

Most grants are up to £50,000 but there are no maximum or minimum grant levels given.

To discuss the project before submitting it, please contact Angela Haymonds, Trust Secretary, Enovert Community Trust, PO Box 3138, Slough SL3 9ZH, or email: ahaymonds@enovertct.org

Useful Links:

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<https://www.enovert.co.uk/enovert-community-trust/funding/>

Co-op Community Dividend Fund Re-Opens to Applications (Central England)

The Central England Co-operative has relaunched its Community Dividend Fund to support good causes, groups and charities in central England.

Grants of between £100 and £5,000 (the average grant is £2,000) are available to members of Central England Co-operative for projects that aim to develop and improve communities by supporting access to food; health and wellbeing; inclusion of vulnerable, excluded, or hard to reach groups; and the environment.

Grants are available to full members of Central England Co-op in the following areas: West Midlands, Warwickshire, Worcestershire, Staffordshire, Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rutland, Nottinghamshire, Northamptonshire, Lincolnshire, West Yorkshire, South Yorkshire, Suffolk, Norfolk, Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire.

The deadline for applications is the 31st May 2022.

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<https://www.centralengland.coop/community-covid/>

Funding Available for Projects that Benefit the Local Community (North East)

Charities, community groups and social enterprises that can demonstrate that their aims have identifiable public benefit in Tyne and Wear, Northumberland and County Durham including Hartlepool can apply for funding to the Sir James Knott Trust. Special consideration will be given to charitable activities that are known to have been of interest to Sir James Knott including:

- Military and maritime organisations
- Youth clubs
- Projects to help the elderly
- Education and training

The Trust operates on a rolling grants programme. Applicants that miss a deadline, will be considered at the following meeting. The next deadline is the 31st August 2022 for the Autumn meeting.

Small grants (£1,000 and under) are processed outside of scheduled meetings and have an average turnaround of 6 weeks.

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<http://knott-trust.co.uk/>

Funding to Improve the Lives of People Living with Disabilities (Devon & Cornwall)

The Clare Milne Trust are inviting applications to their latest round of funding to support and improve the lives of people living with disabilities in or close to Devon and Cornwall.

The Trust award a small number of carefully researched one-off grants to small registered charities with good volunteer support working directly with people suffering from any physical or mental disability such as cerebral palsy, spina bifida, downs syndrome, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis or motor neurone disease.

Funding can be used for capital projects or core funding.

The deadline for applications for the next trustee meeting is the 20th June 2022.

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

Funding to Tackle Poverty and Improve Health (London)

London Catalyst is an independent grant making trust that provides funding for charities and not for profit organisations to deliver projects and improve their services. The trust aims to make a difference by acting as a catalyst for change, they aim to improve health and wellbeing; help to remove people from poverty; and raise awareness of poverty and ill-health in London.

The annual grants budget is £300,000 divided between three grant programmes:

- Project Grants - supporting new initiatives and service developments for disadvantaged people. Grants range from £1,000 to £5,000.
- Samaritan Grants - this is a hardship fund offering immediate help to people in an emergency, 70% of all these grants are for food and travel.
- Partners for Health - grants of between £3,000 and £10,000 for projects that can demonstrate:
 - positive outcomes for people experiencing significant barriers to health and well-being,
 - a new approach or a thoughtful development of service,
 - partnerships between health and community organisations.

Examples of the type of project that have previously been funded include:

- A programme of community-based art therapy workshops to extend a relationship with, and support clients of, a local Drug and Alcohol Service.
- A new structured support group for carers and people with Primary Progressive Aphasia caused by neurodegenerative disease.
- Health and wellbeing sessions for homeless and vulnerably housed adults which included health promotion workshops, specialist check-ups, counselling on-line, health appointments and group therapy.

To be eligible to apply, charities must be working with an expert health agency/provider and priority will be given to groups with an annual income of less than £500,000.

The next Grants Scrutiny Committee meetings for Project and Samaritan grant applications is the 6th September 2022. Grant applications must be received at the very least, four weeks before this date.

The Partners for Health programme operates a different application cycle and the closing date for applications is the 2nd June 2022.

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<https://www.londoncatalyst.org.uk/grants/>

New Initiative Launched to Improve People’s Experience of Temporary Accommodation (London)

A new programme of funding and other support is available for organisations that are working to make people’s experience of temporary accommodation (TA) as short, safe and healthy as possible.

Funded by Trust for London and the Oak Foundation, the three-year Better Temporary Accommodation for Londoners initiative aims to strengthen the voice, influence and connections of Londoner’s living in TA and ultimately improve their experience of TA.

Organisations can apply for grants of up to £150,000 to support activities including legal, frontline and community work, lobbying, campaigning or similar community organising activities.

Microgrants of up to £1,000 are also available for small, unincorporated organisations. Applications from frontline, smaller, BAME- and user-led organisations are particularly encouraged.

The deadline for applications is the 17th May 2022.

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<https://www.trustforlondon.org.uk/issues/housing/better-temporary-accommodation-initiative/>

Funding to Raise Cancer Awareness (Greater Manchester)

Voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations in Greater Manchester's 10 local authorities can apply for grants of up to £5,000 to help recruit Answer Cancer Champions to promote cancer screening amongst under-represented groups, such as the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, carers, and those with poor mental health.

The aim of the Greater Manchester Health and Social Care Partnership’s Answer Cancer Fund is to raise awareness of breast, cervical and bowel cancer screening, and possible symptoms and causes of cancer, as well as encouraging people to sign up as Cancer Champions by running local awareness-raising and recruitment events. This could include quiz nights, sporting events, craft activities, and making links with local faith communities.

The closing date for applications is 12pm on the 27th May 2022.

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<https://manchestercommunitycentral.org/news/answer-cancer-fund-0>

Business Mentoring & Financial Support Available to Strengthen Community Organisations (Liverpool)

The Women's Organisation, in partnership with Power to Change, is offering business mentoring and a financial contribution of up to £1,000 to help strengthen community businesses in the Liverpool City Region.

The support is being made available through the Financial Capability Improvement Academy, which aims to help organisations to maximise their impact within the community, build their financial capabilities and develop strong support networks. Up to three people from each organisation will benefit from a series of workshops, peer mentoring and one-to-one support over seven days. The programme will help participating businesses identify funders and revenue streams, focus on the needs of their communities post-Covid, and strengthen the opportunities for future collaborative working across their respective sectors.

For more information, or to apply, email hello@thewo.org.uk

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<https://www.thewomensorganisation.org.uk/social-businesses-in-liverpool-city-region-could-benefit-from-boost-of-up-to-1000/>

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Grants of up to £5,000 Available to Support the Performing Arts and the Conservation of Historic Objects (UK)

The Leche Trust has announced that the next closing date for applications is the 29th April 2022.

The Leche Trust is a grant making charity that provides funding of up to £5,000 to UK registered charities, public authorities or institutions in the areas of the Performing Arts and Conservation.

The priorities for Performing Arts are:

- Excellence in professional performance;
- The production and performance of new work;
- The development of young, professional artists aged 18 or over.

Through the Conservation funding stream, the Trust will support projects to conserve historic objects, collections and features of buildings and landscapes which date from the Georgian period or earlier, i.e. pre-1830s. Projects may include acquisition costs (for objects) and conservation surveys as well as remedial work.

Trustees are inclined to give grants to smaller projects, or specific elements of projects, where their contribution can make a greater impact. In the case of churches, Trustees will consider supporting the conservation of such features as monuments, wall paintings, stained glass, and historic furniture and fittings.

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

Funding for Projects that Combat Abuse and Violation of Human Rights (UK)

UK-registered charities that work towards combating abuse and violations of human rights can apply for grants of usually between £10,000 and £20,000 through the A B Charitable Trust. The A B Charitable Trust (ABCT) was set up in 1990 and supports unpopular causes that champion human dignity and to focus on small and medium-sized charities working close to the ground.

Applications are particularly welcomed from charities working to support:

- migrants and refugees
- criminal justice and penal reform
- human rights, particularly access to justice

The Trust generally makes one-off grants to charities registered and working in the UK with annual incomes of between £150,000 and £1.5m that do not have substantial investments or surpluses. Grants range in size, with most grants awarded being in the range £10,000 to £20,000. ABCT does not normally fund charities with large national or international links.

The next closing date for applications is the 30th April 2022.

Useful Links:

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<http://abcharitabletrust.org.uk/application.htm>

Funding for School Climate & Biodiversity Projects (UK)

The Royal Society is inviting applications to their Tomorrow's Climate Scientists Programme to give students across the UK the opportunity to take action to address climate and biodiversity issues. The Tomorrow's Climate Scientists Programme is an extension to the Royal Society's [Partnership Grants](#) programme.

Grants of up to £3,000 are available to UK primary or secondary schools to run a STEM investigation project for students aged between 5 and 18. There needs to be two project partners to the scheme with the lead applicant being a school and the second partner being a STEM professional from academia or industry. Funding should predominantly be used to buy equipment.

There is a two-stage application process and both stage 1 and stage 2 applications need to be completed before the end of April 2022.

Useful Links:

[Eligibility and judging criteria](#)

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<https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/partnership-grants/tomorrows-climate-scientists/>

Grants for Christian Books for Public Libraries, Schools, Prisons & Other Places (UK & Abroad)

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to libraries of all types to purchase Christian books and DVDs.

The funding is available through the Speaking Volumes' Grant Scheme which is to be used to buy books and DVDs which can be placed in public libraries, schools, universities, playgroups, care homes, hospitals, hospices, church and prisons etc in the UK.

Speaking Volumes have selected books on their list on the basis that they will be interesting and useful to borrowers even if they have no prior knowledge of the Christian faith.

Books must be able to be borrowed by a wide readership and cannot be used for personal gifts or re-sale.

The deadline for applications is the 30th April 2022.

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

Funding for Local Road Safety Pilots and Trials (UK)

Local Authorities, Police Forces, Fire and Rescue Services, UK-based registered charities, universities, not-for-profit social enterprises and community interest companies can apply for funding for local road safety pilots and trials.

The Road Safety Trust is making £180,000 in funding available for projects which have the potential for being brought to scale - with the ultimate goal of reducing deaths and injuries both locally and across the UK. Through the Trust's Small Grants Programme 2022 funding of between £10,000 and £30,000 over a maximum of two years are available for projects which are either a pilot, trial or evaluation of a practical road safety intervention.

All projects should have other sources of funding, either cash or in-kind.

The deadline for applications is the 26th April 2022.

The application form is available on the Road Safety Trust website (link below)

Useful Links:

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<https://www.roadsafetytrust.org.uk/small-grants>

Grants of up to £5,000 Available to Not-For-Profit Theatres to Carry Out Essential Works (UK)

The Theatres Trust has launched a £100,000 small grants programme for not-for-profit theatres across the UK to carry out essential works, particularly improvements to buildings that protect theatre use and remove barriers to participation and attendance.

The Small Grants Programme, supported by The Linbury Trust, will provide grants of up to £5,000 to support small projects that make a big impact to a theatre's resilience, sustainability or accessibility.

To be eligible to apply to the scheme, 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 performance, 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

Eligible projects include small capital works, the installation of key plant and machinery and works that make theatre buildings digital-ready. Applications are also welcome for projects that help theatres reopen as Covid-secure.

The deadline for applications in this round is 12pm on the 3rd May 2022.

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<http://www.theatrust.org.uk/smallgrants>

Grants of up to £5,000 Available to Increase Employment Opportunities for Disadvantaged Adults (UK)

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities to support projects that equip people (18 or older in order) from disadvantaged groups with critical life skills necessary for employment.

Priority will be given to projects that target people experiencing multiple deprivation or other groups facing major hurdles to employment, especially; women, people with physical, mental, or learning disabilities, refugees and asylum seekers.

The funding is being made available through the Thomas Wall Trust. and to be eligible the applicants must:

- Be a UK charity that has been registered with the Charity Commission for at least 3 years
- Be a project or running costs for a charity that equips people (aged 18 and over) with the skills ready for employment
- Have an annual turnover of less than £500,000

The deadline for stage 1 applications is the 2nd May 2022. Applicants successful at this stage will be invited to submit a stage 2 application.

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<https://www.thomaswalltrust.org.uk/grants-for-registered-charities-2/>

Schools Can Apply for £500 of Free Equipment to Deliver Outdoor Learning (England, Scotland & Wales)

Schools in England, Scotland and Wales can apply for up to £500 worth of free outdoor equipment and up to half a day of professional outdoor training to deliver outdoor learning and play.

The funding is being made available through the charity Learning through Landscapes' Local School Nature Grant Programme and is funded by the players of People's Postcode Lottery.

Funding will also be open to Early Year's settings which have their own building and more than five staff.

There will be four funding rounds throughout the year which will support a total of 900 schools.

Applications for round one will be accepted between the 22nd March 2022 and the 29th April 2022.

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<https://www.ltl.org.uk/news/local-school-nature-grants-to-return-for-biggest-year-yet/>

Two Major Forestry Funds Reopen to Applications (England)

The Forestry Commission, in partnership with Defra, has reopened two major forestry funds, with almost £4.5 million to be awarded to help futureproof trees and forests against impacts of pests, disease and climate change.

£3 million is available through the Woods into Management Forestry Innovation Funds to support new and innovative ideas that will help improve the ecological condition of woodlands and their resilience to climate change.

The deadline for applications is 23:55 on the 9th May 2022.

Over £1.4 million is also available through the Tree Production Innovation Fund to support the research and development of new technologies and ways of working that will enhance the quantity, quality and diversity of tree planting stock available for planting in England.

The deadline for applications is 23:55 on the 11th May 2022.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/tree-resilience-efforts-boosted-as-funds-to-improve-forestry-innovation-reopen>

Grants to Improve the Quality of Grass Football Pitches (England)

To prevent the cancellation of thousands of football matches in England each year, the Football Foundation is making funding available to help football clubs improve and maintain the quality of their grass pitches.

The Grass Pitch Maintenance Fund will provide eligible grassroots clubs, leagues, charities and National League System Clubs (Step 1-6) with six-year tapered grants of up to £2,500 to enhance pitches that are considered 'poor' or 'basic', or up to £750 to help them sustain pitches already at a 'good' level.

The funding must be used to carry out maintenance recommendations provided by the Foundation which can include contractor works, and the purchase of materials and equipment.

Clubs must complete a pitch inspection by the 31st March 2022 and submit a full application by the 1st May 2022.

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<https://footballfoundation.org.uk/grant/grass-pitch-maintenance-fund>

Sports Clubs Crowdfunding Campaigns for ‘Off-Field’ Improvements (Wales)

Sport Wales, in partnership with Crowdfunder, is making £300,000 of match funding available to sports clubs or community organisations looking to create, enhance, or redevelop sports facilities for the benefit of the community.

A Place for Sport is a crowdfunding initiative that can match fund successful Crowdfunder campaigns by up to £15,000.

Sports clubs, charities, community groups and other not-for-profit organisations delivering sport or activity in Wales are invited to run their own crowdfunding campaigns, fundraising for ‘off-field’ improvements such as:

- Changing rooms
- Clubhouse renovations
- Improved kitchen facilities to gain more income
- Bike racks and storage
- Lifts and ramps for better disability access
- Solar panels
- Generators
- Boilers
- New fencing

The pilot scheme will run until April 2022.

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<https://www.sport.wales/grants-and-funding/crowdfunder/>

Resilient Communities Fund Opens for Applications (North of Scotland)

Southern and Scottish Electricity Networks has announced that grants of up to £20,000 are available through its Resilient Communities Fund to support community groups in the North of Scotland network area.

Grants will be awarded to projects which enhance community facilities, services and communication specifically to support the local response in the event of a significant emergency such as extended power loss and protect the welfare of vulnerable community members.

In exceptional circumstances multi-year or multi-community funding of up to £50,000 can be considered.

A total of £1 million in funding is available and the deadline for applications is 5pm on the 13th May 2022.

Useful Links:

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<https://www.ssen.co.uk/RCF/Scotland/>

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