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Funding for Projects that Tackle the Root Causes of Social Inequity (UK)

The next closing date for grant application to the Scurrah Wainright Charity is the 14th January 2021.

The Charity supports a wide range of charitable projects with an emphasis on social reform and tackling the root causes of social inequity. The charity favours causes that are outside the mainstream, and unlikely to be funded by other charities. Typically, grants are between £1,000 and £5,000.

The charity runs three funding programmes:

- Yorkshire. Trustees give priority to applicants working in the Yorkshire region. Your organisation
 needs not be based in the region but the project itself must directly benefit the Yorkshire
 community. We fund national charitable organisations ONLY if the project is specifically working
 in the Yorkshire region, with clear evidence of local control and access to the grant.
- Southern Africa, particularly Zimbabwe.
- Projects that have applied to the Andrew Wainwright Reform Trust because they meet the AWRT's broad objectives to work for a just and democratic society and to redress political and social injustices, but have not been able to proceed with an application to that Trust because they are eligible for charitable funding.

Previous organisations supported include:

- The Boaz Trust a Christian organisation serving destitute asylum seekers in Greater Manchester which received a grant of £2,000.
- The Grandparents Association in Leeds which received a grant of £4,800.

Organisations applying do not have to be a charity, but its work must satisfy the Charity Commission's definition of charitable purposes and public benefit.

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http://www.wainwrighttrusts.org.uk/swc.html

Funding to Address Social Isolation Within the Armed Forces Community (UK)

The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust are making funding available to address social isolation in specific groups within the Armed Forces community who are traditionally harder to reach.

Through the Tackling Loneliness programme, the Trust are making grants of £70,000 available to Armed Forces units or bases, and charities and community interest companies with substantial recent experience of supporting Armed Forces communities. The programme seeks to target those who traditionally don't engage with available provision such as bereaved families, dual serving families, and veterans of any age and in particular, female veterans and older veterans.

Projects should also fit with at least one of the main themes of this programme.

- Building stronger social networks and friendships.
- Improving access to local activities and provision.
- Building emotional resilience to overcome the causes of loneliness.
- Empowering Armed Forces communities to become more independent.

Projects could include activities to improve mental health, arts and creative projects, outdoors activities, and military and civilian integration projects.

The closing date for applications is 12pm on the 9th October 2020.

Useful Links:

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https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/tackling-loneliness-programme/#:~:text=The%20Tackling%20Loneliness%20programme%20will,are%20traditionally%20harder%20to%20reach

Funding to Support Vulnerable Young Migrants (UK)

Not for profit organisations and private law firms that work with young migrants can apply for grants through the Strategic Legal Fund (SLF) for Vulnerable Young Migrants.

The maximum grant available is £30,000, however, limited funding is available and therefore lower applications are encouraged. The average grant size is around £12,000. Grants are available to undertake strategic legal work to benefit children and young people (under the age of 25) who are significantly disadvantaged by migration status. The fund will accept applications in any area of law that affects migrants or the children of migrants:

- Who are under 25,
- Who are living in poverty,
- Who face significant disadvantage or discrimination in connection with their (or their parents') migration status.

The SLF only funds two kinds of strategic legal action- pre-litigation research and "third party intervention" in an existing case. The maximum grant length is 12 months, and most grants are for around six months. For information on previously funded projects please click here.

The next closing date for applications is the 20th October 2020.

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http://strategiclegalfund.org.uk/about/

Funding to Projects that Promote Social Justice, Nonviolence and Environmental Sustainability (UK)

The next closing date for applications to the Polden-Puckham Charitable Foundation is midnight on the 5th February 2021.

Grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 per year are available to registered charities in the UK for projects that contribute to the development of a just society based on a commitment to non-violence and environmental sustainability. Grants can be for up to three years.

The Foundation's priority is to address systemic threats by seeking to change policy and attitudes at a national or European level. The Foundation also supports organisations or projects that are not UK registered charities if they can indicate a UK registered charity that is able to receive funds on their behalf. Priority will be given to small, pioneering organisations with an income of between 10,000 and £500,000.

Previous projects supported include:

- Conflicts Forum which received a grant of £24,000 over three years to promote understanding between the Western and Muslim worlds by challenging attitudes, values and ideologies that promote conflict.
- Airport Watch which received a grant of £15,000 over two years to educate UK policy-makers about the dangerously unsustainable growth and levels of air freight to the environment and communities, and the influences and interests that lie behind them.

Useful Links:

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http://www.polden-puckham.org.uk/index.php?option=com content&task=view&id=2&Itemid=35

Childs Charitable Trust (UK)

The Childs Charitable Trust is a grant-making trust, supporting Christian UK registered and excepted charities and organisations both in the UK and overseas. During 2017 the Trust awarded grants to 81 different organisations all based in the UK but operating in more than 100 different countries worldwide.

Projects will be considered that fall into the following categories:

- Youth the trust looks to support projects working in schools and with vulnerable and disengaged young people in the UK. Supported activities may include RE Lessons; School Assemblies; Lunchtime/After school clubs; Evangelism; Personal Development Programmes; Homelessness Prevention.
- Outreach the trust works to share the gospel of Christ by supporting all aspects of Christian outreach both in the UK and overseas and can fund, for example, Church Plants; Overseas Mission; Training in Evangelism; Chaplaincy.
- Society the trust believes people of faith bring a valuable contribution to social action and
 justice and support initiatives that have a positive impact in their society. Grants could support,
 for example: Counselling; night shelters; alcohol/drug rehabilitation; homelessness; or
 prison/ex-offenders work.
- Education the trust supports initiatives involved in all areas of Christian education including Bible Translation; Media Initiatives; Bible Colleges; Literature; Apologetics.

Applicants must be registered with the Charity Commission of England and Wales, the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator or the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland or be 'excepted' charities. Organisations with a turnover in excess of £5,000,000 should contact the office prior to submitting an application, to check eligibility.

No minimum or maximum funding amounts are specified, however in 2017, 16 grants of between £5,000 and £9,999, 18 grants of between £3,000 and £4,999 and 34 grants not exceeding £2,999 were made. Nine other grants ranging from £12,000 to £34,000 were also awarded.

Please note that in view of the present Coronavirus pandemic and international financial instability, the trustees are having to critically review all applications with regard to the financial viability of both the organisation and project. Applications for funding should not be made if the project in question has been postponed or is likely to be cancelled.

The next closing date for applications is the 30th November 2020.

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https://childscharitabletrust.org/

Grants to Enhance the Teaching of Mathematics (UK)

The London Mathematical Society has announced that Mathematics Teachers in the UK can apply for grants of up to £400 to attend specific one or two-day conferences/events organised by professional mathematical organisations.

The aim of the grant is to facilitate mathematical professional development to allow teachers in UK schools/educational institutions to develop their subject knowledge. The grant can contribute to the costs of registration for the course and a proportion of the travel and subsistence expenses of attendees.

Any application for a grant under this scheme must be made by a teacher of mathematics or ITE provider based in the UK. The grants are open to teachers of mathematics from primary school to A-Level or equivalent (inclusive of STEP/AEA).

The next closing date for applications is the 30th November 2020.

Queries regarding applications can be addressed to the Education Grants administrator, Katherine Wright, who can discuss proposals informally with potential applicants. Email education@lms.ac.uk or Tel: 020 7927 0801

Useful Links:

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https://www.lms.ac.uk/grants/teacher-cpd-grants

War Memorials Grant Scheme (UK)

The War Memorials Trust is providing grants for the repair and conservation of free-standing war memorials in England.

These grants are intended to help those who are responsible for the upkeep of war memorials. The grants support the care and preservation of war memorials to a high standard, and to prevent the decay of this important part of our built heritage. Grants will normally be for between 25% and a maximum of 75% of eligible costs. The maximum grant is £5,000 for non-freestanding war memorials while freestanding, non-beneficiary war memorials may be considered up to a maximum grant of £30,000.

The fund is open to anyone to apply; individuals or organisations, including councils.

The next closing date for applications is the 31st December 2020.

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http://www.warmemorials.org/grants/

Funding to Help Charities and Social Enterprises Become More Sustainable (UK)

The Fore's RAFT (Rapid Action by The Fore and Trusts) has launched its second phase to help organisations as lock-down restrictions are eased.

The RAFT Transition Fund will provide grants of up to £15,000 to small charities and social enterprises with an annual income below £500,000. Funding can be used for any purpose, including core costs, to enable grantees to strengthen their organisations, plan ahead, become more sustainable and refocus on the new needs of their beneficiaries.

Organisations, working with marginalised groups and led by people in the community that may have found it hard to access funding in the past are encouraged to apply.

The Fund opens to applications on the 21st September 2020 and will be run on a first-come, first-served basis.

Useful Links:

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https://www.thefore.org/applying-for-funding/

Veolia Environmental Trust Grants (UK)

The next closing date for stage 1 applications to the Veolia Environmental Trust is 12 noon on the 3rd December 2020 for projects that will start between the 22nd March and 23rd June 2021.

Grants of between £10,000 and £75,000 are available to constituted not for profit organisations and registered Environmental Bodies towards:

- Community buildings
- Parks and paths, play, Multi Use Games Areas (MUGAs) and recreational facilities
- Nature reserves
- Bio diversity projects.

To be eligible to apply, the applicant organisation needs to be within the vicinity of a qualifying Veolia site (please see post code checker below); the projects must have a total cost of under £250,000 (including VAT and professional costs); the applicant must have secured 10% of funding towards the project prior to submitting a full (stage 2) application.

Useful Link:

Post Code Checker

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https://www.veoliatrust.org/funding/

Funding for Projects that Support Disadvantaged and Disengaged Young People (England & Wales)

The Peter Cruddas Foundation provides funding for projects that benefit disadvantaged and disengaged young people in England and Wales.

Priority is given to programmes designed to help disadvantaged and disengaged young people in the age range of 16 to 30, to pursue pathways to Education, Training and Employment with the ultimate aim of helping them to become financially independent.

There is no minimum or maximum amount and projects can be funded for more than one year. Priority is given to applicants able to demonstrate that they can manage the amount they have applied for and how they intend to continue (if appropriate) after the funding has been spent.

Please note that the Foundation is not accepting applications for Capital Projects.

Eligible applicants will be charities registered with the charity commission in England and Wales benefitting people living in England and Wales.

Projects previously supported include:

- The Enterprise Bootcamp programme. This funding helps Bootstrap deliver the programme to young people and connect them with the Bootstrap community. The latest programme culminated in a pitching event at the end of 2016 where 15 young entrepreneurs pitched for funding. Collectively they were awarded more than £23,500 to start their own businesses.
- The Challenge pilot scheme where young people were taken out of their "comfort zones" and challenged to devise viable and workable community projects for their community. The Challenge aims to put teams of diverse 16-year olds through a one-year training and community service scheme starting with a three-week summer camp and then 50 hours of social action to tackle local civic and youth-related issues.

The next closing date for applications is the 1st March 2021.

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http://www.petercruddasfoundation.org.uk/how_to_apply.htm

Nature Grants for Schools (England, Scotland & Wales)

Infant, Primary and Secondary schools in England, Scotland and Wales are being invited to apply for up to £500 worth of free outdoor equipment and two hours of professional outdoor training.

Schools can choose from over 100 different products to deliver outdoor learning and play. These include:

- Den Building Kits
- Small Spaces Planters
- Study Centres
- Litter Picking Kits
- Investigating Weather Kits

The funding is being made available through the charity Learning through Landscapes Local School Nature Grant scheme. The charity has been helping schools across Great Britain since 2017. Funded by the players of People's Postcode Lottery, the grants have so far provided £900,000 worth of equipment to 800 schools.

This year, the scheme is also open to non-mainstream schools; including pupil referral units.

The programme is only open to schools.

Nurseries, Playgroups, Pre-Schools and gardening groups are not eligible. Reception settings attached to a school (i.e. on the same physical site) are eligible to apply in partnership with a school, but the school must lead the application.

There will be four funding rounds throughout the year and the next closing date for applications is the 13th November 2020.

Interested schools can also email <u>LSNG@ltl.org.uk</u> for further information.

Useful Links:

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https://www.ltl.org.uk/nature-grant/

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. The Trust awards a total of £25,000 as grants of between £3,000 and £5,000 per project per annum and expects this figure to represent 20 - 80% of the overall project costs.

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 2021.

Useful Links:

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

Project Development Funding for Churches (UK)

Grants of between £3,000 and £10,000 are available to listed and unlisted Christian places towards developing a church building project. This can include Churches, Chapels and Meeting Houses. The funding is being made available through the National Churches Trust's Gateway Programme.

Applications are accepted from listed and unlisted Christian places of worship, of any denomination, across the UK. The Trust particularly encourages applications from priority areas i.e. North East England, Northern Ireland and Wales.

The Gateway Grant Programme also offers grants of between £3,000 and £10,000 to local church trusts to fund projects that support organisational development, increase their capacity to support churches in their area or that deliver new ways of supporting churches in their area.

The first deadline to apply for a Gateway Grant is the 21st January 2021.

Useful Links:

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https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/gatewaygrants

Funding to Support Disadvantaged and Vulnerable Older People (England and Wales)

Local and national charities in England and Wales can apply to the Later Life Inclusions grants programme run by the Masonic Charitable Foundation. The Later Life Inclusion grants programme is open to charities working to reduce loneliness and isolation of vulnerable and disadvantaged people over 50.

Grants can be offered to charities that provide:

- Mental and physical health support
- Gateway and access to service, e.g. transport and technology
- Community based approaches, i.e. volunteering, positive ageing and neighbourhood support
- Advocacy, social and welfare support

The type of activities that could be funded include:

- Support for emotional and psychological planning for later life
- Digital inclusion sessions to enable older people to access services
- · Activities and clubs enabling older people to remain active and make friends
- Providing companionship and befriending schemes for periods of transition
- Advice and information on options for those with health conditions
- Carers and respite support

The programme offers both small grants of up to £15,000 for projects lasting up to 3 years to charities with an annual income of up to £500,000; and grants on average of between £20,000 and £60,000 to charities with an annual income of above £500,000 for projects lasting up to three years.

The next funding round for small grants will open on the 1st October 2020 and will close for applications on the 23rd December 2020. The large grants programme is currently open for applications with a closing date of the 31st October 2020.

Useful Links:

Eligibility Guidelines: Small Grants

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https://mcf.org.uk/get-support/grants-to-charities/later-life/

Religious Education Grants for Schools Scheme (England and Wales)

The Jerusalem Trust makes available to schools a number of grants to support the purchase of resources for teaching Christianity in Religious Education. The fund is open to secondary schools in the UK.

The scheme is open to state secondary schools in England and Wales, including middle deemed secondary and upper. There are currently no primary school grants available.

The maximum size of any grant is £600 and applications can be submitted at any time.

Grants can cover teaching resources including textbooks, teacher resources, artifacts, videos, tapes and CD-roms for use in RE lessons.

Applications are currently being considered for the Autumn term.

Recently purchased items include:

- 20 x NIV Bibles
- Lent and Easter artefacts collection
- Commentary on Paul's Epistles
- Illustrated Easter story books

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http://regrants.org.uk/

New Grants for Businesses Affected by Local Lockdowns (England)

Businesses in England that are required to shut because of local Covid-19 lockdowns or targeted restrictions will now be able to claim up to £1,500 per property every three weeks. Payments will be triggered by a national decision to close businesses in a high incidence area.

The largest businesses will receive £1,500 every three weeks they are required to close. Smaller businesses that have an annual rent or mortgage bill below £51,000, and pay less business rates will receive £1,000. Each new three-week lockdown period will trigger an additional payment.

The funding is available to provide a further safety net to protect jobs, and will be administered by Local authorities.

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https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ministers-announce-new-grants-for-businesses-affected-by-local-lockdowns

Government Launches Green Recovery Challenge Fund (England)

The government has launched the £40 million Green Recovery Challenge Fund, in a bid to support thousands of jobs across the UK. This could include ecologists, surveyors, nature reserve staff and education workers in environmental organisations. The fund also aims to support suppliers in areas such as agricultural engineering, horticulture, and equipment and seed supply.

The fund will be delivered by the National Lottery Heritage Fund in partnership with Natural England and the Environment Agency.

All projects must contribute to at least one of the following themes of the Green Recovery Challenge Fund:

- nature conservation and restoration;
- nature-based solutions, particularly focused on climate change mitigation and adaptation such as through tree planting and restoring peatland; and,
- connecting people with nature.

Projects will be favoured that create or retain jobs, creating opportunities and benefits for all ages, including young people. The fund is open to environmental charities and partnerships that include at least one environmental charity, while projects from both rural, urban and inshore marine areas are welcomed.

Environmental charities and their partners can apply for grants worth between £50,000 and £5 million from the new fund in a bid to restore nature, tackle climate change and build the economy back from the coronavirus pandemic.

Applicants for over £250,000 must submit expressions of interest by the 24th September and if successful full applications by the 26th October 2020. The deadline for applications under £250,000 is the 2nd October 2020.

Useful Links:

Application help notes £50k-£250k

Application help notes £250k-£5m

Expression of interest guide and questions

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https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding/green-recovery-challenge-fund

Funding for New Solutions to Youth Unemployment (England)

Voluntary or community-sector organisations working with unemployed young people can apply for funding to help them overcome barriers to finding meaningful work.

The funding which is being made available through the Youth Futures Foundation is looking to new solution to youth unemployment that can be tested, evaluated and, where proven to be effective, expanded to reach more young people.

Two types of grants are available:

- Development Grants of between £30,000 and £150,000 per year for the delivery and development of new approaches over a 1-2-year period;
- Impact Grants of between £100,000 and £1.2million per year for the delivery of new innovative projects over a 1-5-year period.

Statutory organisations applying individually or as a lead organisation on behalf of a partnership or consortia can also apply.

Applications can be made at any time.

Useful Links:

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https://youthfuturesfoundation.org/development-and-impact-grants/

Community Shares Booster Programme Re-Opens for Applications (England)

Funding is once again available from the £3million Community Shares Booster programme which is being managed by Power to Change. This is an independent charitable trust that supports and develops community businesses in England. The programme provides existing community businesses that are either planning to make or have recently launched community shares offers with match funding of up to £100,000 in equity investment made on equal terms with other community shareholders.

Development grants of up to £10,000 are also available to help societies get investment ready and meet standards of good practice. Applications are particularly welcome from areas in greater need (in the top 30% of Index of Multiple Deprivation).

Applications can be submitted at any time.

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https://communitysharesbooster.org.uk/

Music Education Hub Development Fund (England)

The Youth Music Network has launched round 2 of the Music Education Hub (MEH) Development fund. Grants of up to £50,000 are available to partnerships of at least three Music Education Hub lead organisations such as local authorities, schools, other hubs, art organisations, community or voluntary organisations.

Round two of the fund is an opportunity to respond to the life-shaping events of 2020 by encouraging Hubs to work together to adapt their practice and put the inclusion of young people in music education front and centre of current and future planning.

The grant duration can be between 12 and 18 months and all activity should start between January and March 2021. Projects should be finished by 31 August 2022.

The online application form will be available from the 12th October 2020, and must be completed by 5pm on the 13th November 2020.

Useful Links:

Download guidance document and application questions

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https://network.youthmusic.org.uk/music-education-hub-meh-development-fund

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

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

This can include:

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

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

The next funding round will be open between the 16th September 2020 and 5 pm on the 2nd December 2020.

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

Funding to Support Creative Freelancers Impacted by Covid-19 (Scotland)

As part of the Scottish Government's £59 million funding package to support the culture and heritage sectors during the coronavirus pandemic, £5 million has been allocated to support creative freelancers in Scotland who are experiencing financial hardship as a result of COVID-19.

Creative Scotland, who will be managing the funds, are looking to work with any existing organisations, charities, trusts or unions based in Scotland or the wider UK (for residents of Scotland) that already offer hardship or benevolent support to the creative sector, to enhance or extend the reach of this type of funding.

The deadline for expressions of interest is 5pm on the 25th September 2020.

The Expression of Interest form is available on the Creative Scotland website (link below)

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https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/hardship-fund-for-creative-freelancers

Funding to Support Cultural Organisations Severely Impacted by Coronavirus (Scotland)

The Scottish Government has announced details of its £15 million Culture Organisations and Venues Recovery Fund to support the sustainability of cultural organisations that have been severely impacted by coronavirus.

Grants of between £10,000 and £150,000, (and up to £250,000 in exceptional circumstances) are available to help protect jobs in the cultural sector, and to support organisations who are at significant threat of insolvency as a result of COVID-19 restrictions. This includes organisations that provide opportunities for audiences (including galleries, commercial theatres, and nightclubs) as well as those that enable and deliver cultural activity (including production facilities, and dance companies).

The Fund will be delivered by Creative Scotland, and will be open to applications from 12pm on the 17th September 2020 until 12pm on the 24th September 2020.

Useful Links:

Culture Organisations and Venues Relief Fund Guidance

<u>Culture Organisations and Venues Recovery Fund - Cashflow Template</u>

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https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/culture-organisations-and-venues-recovery-fund

Funding to Develop Indoor Tennis Facilities (Scotland)

Sportscotland will be investing a total of £15 million over the next 10 years to develop indoor tennis centres in Scotland. The Transforming Scottish Indoor Tennis Fund is being delivered through a partnership between Tennis Scotland, sportscotland and the LTA.

The programme aims to work with organisations that are committed to developing indoor tennis facilities, and to ensuring that more people have the opportunity to enjoy the sport, all year round – whether they are a social player or a future champion.

Aiming to establish a network of regionally based indoor tennis centres across Scotland, funding will initially be focused on six priority areas: Dumfries & Galloway; Dundee; Edinburgh; Glasgow; Highland and the Scottish Borders. Projects outside these areas may still be considered.

Priority will initially be given to projects which involve a minimum of 3 indoor courts with funding of up to 66% project costs is available up to a maximum of £250,000 per court. The fund will be delivered through a series of funding rounds each year.

To discuss an indoor project further, complete the **Expression of Interest Form**.

For examples of indoor facilities, please see the <u>TSIT case studies</u> document.

The next closing date for submitting a Stage 1 application Form is the 1st December 2020.

Useful Links:

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https://sportscotland.org.uk/funding/othersources/the-transforming-scottish-indoor-tennis-fund/

Independent Cinema Recovery and Resilience Fund (Scotland)

The Scottish Government has launched a £3.5 million Independent Cinema Recovery and Resilience Fund, alongside plans for further emergency funding for culture.

The Fund will cover a proportion of venue fixed costs until end of March 2021 to help Scotland's independent cinemas survive, re-establish, and adjust their business models in response Covid-19.

The Fund opens to applications at 12pm on the 14th September 2020 until 12pm on the 5th October 2020.

This Fund is the first of five new emergency funds to be delivered by Creative Scotland over the coming weeks: - the Culture Organisations and Venues Recovery Fund, the Creative Freelancer Hardship Fund, the Sustaining Creative Practice Fund, and the Youth Arts Fund. Details of these funds will be published shortly.

Useful Links:

Independent Cinema Recovery and Resilience Fund Guidance

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https://www.screen.scot/funding-and-support/screen-scotland-funding/independent-cinema-recovery-and-resilience-fund

Funding to Support the Welsh Cultural Sector (Wales)

Organisations in the culture and heritage sector are now able to bid for a share of £18.5 million from the Welsh Government's Cultural Recovery Fund.

A non-repayable grant of up to £150,000 (up to 100% of eligible costs) per organisation will be available via two application entry points:

- Under £10,000: quick process for smaller organisations based on eligible costs
- Between £10,000 to £150,000: more detailed process based on eligible costs.

Organisations that can apply include music venues; recording and rehearsal studios; heritage organisations and historic attractions; accredited museums and archive services; libraries; events and their technical support suppliers; independent cinemas and the publishing sector.

The latest funding is part of the Welsh Government's package to support the culture and arts sectors which are coping with a dramatic loss of revenue as a result of the pandemic.

The fund will close for new applications on the 2nd October 2020.

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https://gov.wales/cultural-recovery-fund-open-applications

New Emergency Funding Programme for Disabled People's Organisations (Wales)

A new Covid-19 Emergency Fund is now open to applications from grassroots Disabled People's Organisations (DPOs) in Wales to help them respond to disabled people's needs during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Disability Wales are looking to fund COVID-19 related work in the following broad three areas:

- Independent living: covering any COVID-19 related issues affecting Disabled people's choice
 and control over their lives for example: COVID-19 changes to the built environment,
 streetscape and transport, advice and advocacy support to help ensure health and social care
 needs are met, employment advice or advice to individuals about their rights if they feel they
 need to continue to shield
- **Isolation**: covering work to tackle isolation for example: providing IT equipment and support so people can access on-line support or setting up and running peer support networks
- **Income**: covering work to support Disabled people to access benefits and entitlements and manage debt issues

The Disabled Peoples Organisations Covid-19 Emergency Fund will provide grants of £1,000 - £25,000 to pay for equipment, running and staffing costs.

Some examples of work that could be funded:

- A DPO wanting funding to produce local COVID-19 related information in Easy Read, British Sign Language and community languages
- A DPO wanting to expand its information and advice service to deal with COVID-19 related issues by increasing casework capacity or opening hours
- A DPO wanting to set up a local group of Disabled residents to try and make sure the needs of local Disabled people are understood and addressed in local COVID-19 recovery planning
- A DPO wanting funding to cover the staffing, venue and running costs of setting up a peer support network or befriending service

Two webinars will be held in September and other support will be available for DPOs applying to the fund which will be administered by Disability Wales on behalf of the National Emergency Trust.

The closing date for applications is the 5th October 2020.

Useful Links:

Information for Applicants

Click here to register and apply

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http://www.disabilitywales.org/disabled-peoples-organisations-dpos-covid-19-emergency-fund-is-now-open/

Circular Economy Fund to Support a Green Recovery Re-Opens for Applications (Wales)

The Welsh Government has launched the second round of their £6.5 million Circular Economy fund for local authorities and publicly funded bodies, including town and community councils, which has been expanded to support the post-Covid response and green recovery in Wales.

Funding will support actions which encourage companies to recycle more plastic and thereby avoid waste. The Fund is an important part of a green recovery from the impacts of the pandemic which has brought an increasing awareness of the importance of resources and aims to help to shorten supply chains. Among the sustainable goods the fund will help produce are items to fight the coronavirus, such as personal protective equipment (PPE).

Organisations of any size, which are operating in Wales, may apply for a capital grant to invest in infrastructure and equipment for eligible circular activities. Small Scale grants are now available from £6,000 to €200,000 (the maximum de minimis threshold) and Large-Scale grants are available from €200,000 to £750,000.

The deadline for applying to the Small-Scale grants programme is the 18th December 2020. The deadline for completing and Online Questionnaire for the Large-Scale grants programme is the 18th December 2020. Applicants successful at this stage will have until the 1st March 2021 to submit a full application.

Useful Links:

Large Scale Grants Guidance Document

Large Scale Grant Programme FAQs

Small Scale Grants Guidance Document

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https://www.wrapcymru.org.uk/grants

Funding for Projects Which Support Children at Risk of Becoming Involved in Crime (Gwent)

Charities, voluntary and community groups, and other not-for-profit organisations in Gwent can bid for a share of £300,000 to support children at risk of becoming involved in crime.

The Gwent Police & Crime Commissioner's Police Community Fund will provide grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 to support organisations seeking to deliver projects and services working with children, young people or vulnerable adults under the age of 25 who are involved, or at risk of becoming involved, in crime and antisocial behaviour, or those who have been victims of crime.

Projects tackling community-based issues might include:

- creative projects, including arts, music, and theatre;
- · social and emotional support;
- · school exclusion projects;
- and training and education.

Applicants should submit a pre-qualification questionnaire for consideration for funding in 2021/22 by the 2nd October 2020.

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https://www.gwent.pcc.police.uk/en/what-we-spend/commissioning/tier-2-police-community-fund/#:~:text=What%20is%20the%20PCC%20Police%20Community%20Fund%3F&text=Through%20focusing%20on%20early%20intervention,safer%20and%20more%20inclusive%20communities

Funding to Support the Safe Re-Opening of the Arts and Culture Sectors (Northern Ireland)

The Arts Council of Northern Ireland has launched a £500,000 Health and Safety Capital Programme to support the safe re-opening of the arts and culture sectors after the Covid-19 lockdown.

The new Health & Safety Capital Program will help charities, community groups, and other small to medium scale organisations in the cultural sector to implement measures for the safe return of their staff, artists and audiences.

This might include the purchase of personal protective equipment (PPE), as well as helping to pay for physical or structural changes to help venues manage social distancing - which could include things such as one-way systems, signage and sneeze screens.

The deadline for applications is 4pm on the 1st October 2020.

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http://artscouncil-ni.org/funding/scheme/health-and-safety-capital-programme

Funding to Support the Maintenance and Sustainability of Historic Places of Worship (Northern Ireland)

The National Churches Trust have launched their Treasure Ireland Project which will provide a new community grants programme that aims to support an improvement in the maintenance and sustainability of historic places of worship in Northern Ireland.

Grants of between £500 and £10,000 are available for urgent and essential maintenance and repair projects costing up to £100,000 at listed and unlisted churches, chapels and meeting houses of any Christian denomination built originally as places of worship more than 30 years ago. This might include roof repairs, rainwater goods maintenance and repairs, lime mortar and masonry repairs, stonework repairs, and repairs to window and door structures.

The deadline for applications is midnight on the 5th October 2020.

Useful Links:

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https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/our-grants/grants-northern-ireland

Royal Victoria Hall Foundation (London)

Professional Theatre Companies in London can apply for grants of £250 - £2,000 through the Royal Victoria Hall Foundation.

Each year, the Foundation awards between twenty and thirty grants to smaller scale professional theatre projects based in London. There are two rounds of funding, with deadlines in February and August.

The Foundation has two major aims:

- To help professional productions in need of financial support.
- To introduce high-quality live performance to groups who are not traditional or regular theatregoers.

The next closing date for applications is the 5.30 pm on the 26th February 2021.

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http://rvhf.org/grants/

Funding to Support the Most Disadvantaged & Vulnerable Affected by Coronavirus During the Winter (Norfolk)

Charities, voluntary and community groups, churches, parish/town councils, and social enterprises can apply for funding of up to £5,000 to help the most disadvantaged and vulnerable in Norfolk affected by coronavirus during the coming winter months.

The Norfolk Community Foundation's Norfolk Winter Resilience Fund will support groups and activities that will help those facing very real challenges as the weather gets colder;

- including the frail and elderly,
- disabled people,
- people with chronic medical conditions,
- and the homeless.

Funding could be used to help reduce isolation, provide food supplies or warm clothing, and help vulnerable people access local services and information.

Areas covered by this fund are Breckland, Broadland, Great Yarmouth, King's Lynn & West Norfolk, North Norfolk, Norwich, and South Norfolk.

Funding must be spent by the 31st March 2021, and can also assist immediate community action where local outbreak restrictions are imposed.

Applications can be accepted on a rolling basis.

The online application form is available on the Norfolk Community Foundation's website (link below)

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https://www.norfolkfoundation.com/funding-support/grants/groups/norfolk-winter-resilience-fund/

Covid-19 School Holiday Activity Fund (London)

Grants of up to £4,000 are available to enable registered charities and mainstream state schools to deliver fun and accessible activities for children and young people during the school holidays.

The John Lyon's Charity's Covid-19 School Holiday Activity Fund (SHAF) will pay for the running costs of holiday programmes which provide activities in accordance with current Government Guidelines for young people in the boroughs of:

- Barnet,
- Brent,
- · Camden,
- Ealing,
- · Hammersmith & Fulham,
- Harrow,
- Kensington & Chelsea,
- Westminster,
- City of London.

Costs could include sessional staffing costs, transport for children with special needs and/or disabilities, digital delivery, equipment, and food during activities.

Applications for October 2020 half term must be submitted by the 21st September 2020.

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http://jlc.london/grants/which-grant-fund-should-i-apply-to/school-holiday-activity-fund/

Funding for Projects to Help Prevent Suicide (Salford)

Small grants of up to £10,000 are available to Salford-based voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE) organisations for projects which help prevent suicide amongst adults.

The 2020/21 Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Fund will focus on suicide prevention and economic adversity (e.g. relating to debt, housing advice, employment), and suicide prevention and isolation, particularly amongst frontline workers, males, bereaved people, and those falling between primary care and secondary care mental health.

Applications focusing on peer support, in addition to support outside of core working hours are especially encouraged.

Funding is made available by NHS Salford Clinical Commissioning Group and Salford City Council.

The closing date for applications is 12pm on the 30th October 2020.

Useful Links:

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https://www.salfordcvs.co.uk/live-grants

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Grants of up to £100,000 Available to Support People Living with Dementia (UK)

Engineers, designers, developers, innovators, entrepreneurs or anyone with an idea for a simple product that makes an everyday task easier for a person living with dementia can now apply for support of up to £100,000 of funding and business support.

The funding is available from the Alzheimer's Society Accelerator Programme to develop either products or services which during the 12 months will be developed and evaluated to ensure that they will improve the lives of people affected by dementia, and are ready to scale up to support larger groups of people.

The Alzheimer Society is looking for applications from teams or individuals at any stage of the product development journey, from an idea that needs testing through to proven products that need a push to maximise their reach.

As well as financial investment successful applicants will be supported by an expert innovation buddy from the Alzheimer's Society.

The closing date for applications is the 7th November 2019.

Useful Links:

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https://www.alzheimers.org.uk/research/our-research/accelerator-programme

Building Resilient Local Economies (UK)

The next deadline for applications to the Friends Provident Foundation - Building Resilient Economies programme is 12 noon on the 20th January 2020.

The programme aims to build a more resilient, fairer and sustainable economic system. Organisations working within the UK who want to help transform financial systems into 'engines for social benefit' can apply for grants through the Foundation. Grants in the past have been up to £200,000 to cover capital or revenue funding, core costs or project costs. Activities funded will fit closely with the aims of the Foundation and deliver one of two key outcomes.

These are:

"Systems Change"

"Local Economic Resilience"

Under 'Systems Change' the Foundation will be looking to support projects that develop and demonstrate methods that will effectively change policy and corporate behaviours in pursuit of wider social objectives.

Under 'Local economic resilience' the Foundation is looking to support projects that share learning about effective ways for communities to create more sustainable economic systems and retain more of the value generated. This might include creating community assets or new approaches to local finance.

Previous organisations supported include:

- SUSTAIN, which received a grant of £75,000 for a concerted three-year campaign, drawing
 on the support of many people and organisations to achieve changes in government policy
 and industry practice to create a million good jobs though better farming and land-use.
- ECHO, a trading network of over 500 organisations in East London that uses time as the currency, rather than money. This project received a grant of £140,000 and aims to develop and refine the infrastructure for local, sustainable Echo systems at national scale.

Useful Links:

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http://www.friendsprovidentfoundation.org/programme-overview/

£5 Million Available to Work with Partners in Africa on Innovative Agriculture and Food Projects that Alleviate Poverty (UK / International)

Organisations working with partners in Africa on innovative agriculture and food projects can apply to a £5million fund. Innovation in agriculture and food systems is low in developing countries, particularly in Africa where only 28% of farmland is planted with modern crops compared with 65% globally.

The funding is being made available by the Department for International Development and the Global Challenges Research Fund and is managed by Innovate UK. Funding is available for:

- early-stage feasibility studies,
- mid-stage industrial research
- late-stage experimental development.

Innovations must be sustainable, minimise pollution, food loss and waste, and promote safe, healthy and nutritious diets. They must also consider gender equality and animal welfare.

Projects must be led in the UK and include at least 1 UK and 1 African partner and 1 business. Briefing events will be held on the 24th October and the 6th November 2019.

The competition opens on the 14th October and the closing date for applications is the 8th January 2020.

Useful Links:

Find out more about the competition for early-stage feasibility studies and apply.

Find out more about the competition for mid-stage industrial research and apply.

Find out more about the competition for late-stage experimental development and apply.

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https://www.gov.uk/government/news/fighting-poverty-in-africa-with-agritech-apply-for-funding

The 2020 Applications for Nuffield Research Placements are Due to Open on Monday 14 October 2019 (UK)

Students in the first year of a post-16 science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) course studying at a state-maintained school or college in the UK will be able to apply for a bursary to develop their research and quantitative skills. Nuffield Research Placements (previously Nuffield Science Bursaries) provide over 1,000 students each year with the opportunity to work alongside professional scientists (including quantitative social scientists), technologists, engineers and mathematicians.

Nuffield Research Placements take place in the summer holidays after Year 12 (England) or equivalent, placements are typically for between 4 and 6 weeks and can be in a university, research institute, company or voluntary organisation.

Most projects are based in an office, but some include working in a laboratory or fieldwork. The funding will cover the travel costs of all students and depending on the family's circumstances some applicants may also be eligible to receive a bursary of £100 for each week of the placement.

Placements take place across the UK and are administered at a regional level by a network of <u>Nuffield Coordinators</u>.

Useful Links:

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https://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/nuffield-research-placements

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