

Funding Insight



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New Funding Opportunities

Tesco Community Grants (UK)

The Tesco Bags of Help Programme has been relaunched as the Tesco Community Grants programme to support local good causes that focus on helping children and families across the UK.

Registered charities, voluntary and community organisations, schools, parish/town councils and other not-for-profit organisations can apply for grants of £500, £1,000 or £1,500. Three projects from each local area will be shortlisted to go to the public vote by Tesco customers every three months, with grants awarded depending on the number of votes their project receives.

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

Examples of eligible applications could be;

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

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

Useful Links:

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

Social Investment Business Recovery Loan Fund (UK)

In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, Social Investment Business has launched a loan fund to support UK charities and social enterprises impacted by the crisis.

Offering repayable and flexible finance, the Recovery Loan Fund will work under the terms of the UK Government's Recovery Loan Scheme, which supports access to finance for UK businesses as they recover and grow from the Covid-19 pandemic. The Fund offers loans of one to six years, worth between £100,000 and £1.5 million for all funding purposes including refinancing of existing debt to organisations that are improving people's lives, or the environment they live in.

BAME-led organisations and those based in Wales and Scotland can apply for loans upwards of £50,000.

Applications will be reviewed on a first come, first served basis until midnight on the 21st November 2021.

Useful Links:

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<https://www.sibgroup.org.uk/recovery-loan-fund>

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 10th January 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/>

Funding Extension of £3 Million to Help Vulnerable People Apply to the EU Settlement Scheme (UK)

The Home Office has announced a further £3 million of funding to help vulnerable and at-risk EU citizens apply to the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS), which allows them and their families to continue living and working in the UK.

The funding will support the network of seventy-two grant funded organisations, which includes charities, local authorities and community groups, to support people across the UK in applying to the EUSS who have vulnerabilities such as language barriers or limited access to IT.

The funding will ensure that provision remains in place for eligible EU citizens with reasonable grounds for missing the June 2021 deadline to access the support they need to make a late application, which includes face-to-face, online and telephone support.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/further-boost-for-people-applying-for-eu-settlement-scheme>

OneFamily Foundation Community Grants (UK)

The OneFamily Foundation has announced that the next round of Community Grants will open to nominations on the 9th November 2021.

Customers of OneFamily will be invited to nominate a local charity, group or cause for a Community Grant of up to £2,500 to support activities which benefit the local community.

Examples could include setting up a new club/group/class, or the development of an outside play area for a nursery. The Foundation has already helped more than two hundred good causes deliver projects such as helping disability charities invest in their resources, and community groups tackle isolation amongst the older generation.

Nominations for this round will close on the 23rd November 2021.

The Foundation also offers Young Persons Education Grants of up to £500 to help with the costs associated with further education and training. To be eligible the applicant must be a OneFamily customer.

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<https://www.onefamily.com/your-foundation/#our-grants>

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.

Applications may be made at any time until noon on the 31st December 2021 to be considered at the next Trustee's meeting in February 2022.

Useful Links:

[Grant Making Policy](#)

[Online Eligibility Quiz](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

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

Grants to Support the Teaching & Learning of Physics (UK)

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to schools, colleges and charities who wish to carry out projects or activities that support the teaching and learning of physics.

Through the Ogden Trust's Physics Education Grants programme, a small number of grants will be awarded for projects that are based around physics and developed with current evidence in mind – part-funding may be considered for general science projects where there is a clear physics component. All applicants must be based in the UK and working predominantly in England.

To apply for funding for a physics education project, you must register on [grant management system, Flexi-Grant](#). Once registered, select the Physics Education Grants from the available grants page. For more information on how to register, please see the [Flexi-Grant User Guide](#).

The closing date for applications in this round is the 5th December 2021.

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<https://www.ogdentrust.com/grants-funding/physics-education-grants>

Funding to Support Local Communities During the Winter Months (UK)

Charities, community and voluntary groups, CICs, CIOs, and social enterprises across the UK that have been significantly affected by the coronavirus pandemic can apply for funding of up to £1,000 to support local communities during the winter months.

The Arnold Clark Community Fund will accept applications from organisations working to support:

- food banks,
- toy banks,
- poverty relief,
- and housing and accommodation.

Only one application will be accepted per organisation and applicants will be randomly selected at the end of each month to receive funding. Applications that are unsuccessful one month will be kept in the draw for the following month.

The final deadline for applications is the 31st December 2021.

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<https://www.arnoldclark.com/community-fund>

Grants for the Planting and Care of Trees, Hedges & Orchards (UK)

Schools, community groups, parish and town councils, and tree warden networks within the UK can apply for grants of between £300 and £1,500 to get communities and young people up to the age of 21 involved in planting and caring for trees, hedges and orchards.

The funding is being made available through the Tree Council's Branching Out Fund and will cover the cost of trees, hedges and fruit trees, reasonable costs of non-plastic protection and supports, and other aids to establishment such as peat-free compost and/or soil improvers.

Ideally planting should take place within National Tree Week – 27 November to 5 December 2021 – but this is not essential.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 17th December 2021, but early applications are encouraged to ensure availability of stock.

All projects must be completed and payments claimed by 31 March 2021.

Useful Links:

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<https://treecouncil.org.uk/take-action/grants-for-trees/>

Funding for UK and International Collaborative Arts Projects (UK)

The British Council has launched a new £3.5 million programme to help arts and culture organisations develop and deliver creative and innovative projects in collaboration with international partners.

International Collaboration Grants will support organisations (including consortia, community-based and artist-led) to work together with international organisations on digital, face-to-face, and/or hybrid artistic projects.

To be eligible UK artists need to collaborate with artists in Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, China, Colombia, Egypt, France, Germany, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Korea, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Myanmar, Nepal, Nigeria, Norway, Occupied Palestinian Territory, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Romania, Russia, Saudi, Spain, South Africa, Sudan, Taiwan, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, UAE, Ukraine, and Vietnam

Small grants of up to £20,000 and large grants of £75,000 will support artists to make and develop creative artwork that:

- demonstrate new forms or content;
- that work with a new partner, or in a new country;
- or that approach audiences in a new way.

Projects are encouraged to address significant contemporary themes, such as climate change, gender, race, ethnicity, disability, inclusion, ageing and other areas of diversity.

The deadline for applications is the 4th November 2021.

Useful Links:

[International Collaboration Grants FAQs](#)

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<https://www.britishcouncil.org/arts/international-collaboration-grants>

Funding to Support Arts Projects (UK)

The Fidelio Trust has announced that the next closing date for applications is 5pm on the 24th January 2022.

The Trust offers grants of up to £5,000 in support of the Arts, in particular Music, including:

- Opera
- Lieder
- Composition
- Dance.

The Trustees aim to help individuals and groups such as:

- Colleges
- Arts Festivals
- Other arts organisations who would not be able to carry out a project or activity without financial support.

Funding is available towards:

- Tuition or coaching costs
- To participate in external competitions
- To be supported for a specially arranged performance
- To receive support for a special publication, musical composition or work of art.

Useful Links:

[Application Form](#)

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<http://www.fideliocharitabletrust.org.uk/index.php>

Funding to Strengthen Regional Museums and Galleries (UK)

Applications are now being accepted through the John Ellerman Foundation Museums and Galleries Fund 2021/22 which aims to strengthen regional museums and galleries in the UK.

A total of £500,000 in funding is available each year for applications that enable new ways of working both for established curators and those just starting out, and ensure organisations are able to safeguard and advance curatorial skills through a time of development or change.

The Foundation's focus is on visual and decorative arts, archaeology and social and natural history collections, and it expects to make five or six grants of around £90,000 for periods of two to three years.

There is a two-stage application process and the deadline for applications for stage 1 is 5pm on the 7th January 2022.

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<https://ellerman.org.uk/apply-for-funding/museums-and-galleries-fund>

Funding to Support Vulnerable Energy Consumers (England, Scotland and Wales)

The Energy Saving Trust has announced that the latest round of the Ofgem Energy Industry Voluntary Redress Scheme is now open to applications from charities in England, Scotland and Wales. The scheme supports projects that help energy consumers in vulnerable situations to reduce their bills by distributing payments from energy companies who may have breached Ofgem rules.

There are four funds open in this funding round totalling £5.75 million to enable charities to deliver a range of new and innovative energy related projects designed to tackle fuel poverty and support the transition to net zero.

- The **Main Fund** contains £3.5 million - aimed at projects seeking grants between £50,000 and £1 million that will support households in vulnerable situations.
- The **Small Project Fund** contains £500,000 – aimed at projects seeking grants between £20,000 to £50,000 that will support households in vulnerable situations.
- **Innovation Fund** contains £862,500 – aimed at projects that will develop innovative products or services to benefit households. Applicants can apply for grants between £50,000 to £650,000.
- **Carbon Emissions Reduction Fund** contains £862,500 – aimed at projects that empower householders to reduce their carbon emissions and engage positively with the transition to net zero. The fund awards grants between £50,000 to £650,000.

In addition, the Winter Energy Fund will provide up to £10 million which will be distributed through eligible charities this winter. It is dedicated to pre-payment meter customers who are at risk of self-disconnection. £5.75 million of that comes from the funding being announced today, with the remainder coming from the next funding round.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 15th November 2021.

Useful Links:

[Previously Funded Projects](#)

[Guidance for applicants to the Main Fund and Small Projects Fund](#)

[Guidance for applicants to the Innovation Fund and the Carbon Emissions Reduction Fund](#)

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<https://energyredress.org.uk/announcements/ps115-million-available-charities-aid-just-transition-and-address-climate-emergency>

Grants for Children to Connect with Nature and Learn Outdoors (England, Scotland & Wales)

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 to help children connect with nature, become more active, and learn outdoors. Schools can choose from hundreds of different products to deliver outdoor learning and play.

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

This year, 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. The closing date for applications for round 4 of the scheme is the 12th November 2021.

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

Bank of Scotland Foundation's Reach Programme to Re-open for Applications in December - Very Short Deadline (Scotland)

The Bank of Scotland has announced that its Reach Programme will reopen for applications at 12 noon on the 6th December 2021.

Grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 will be available to charities that can demonstrate they address disadvantage and social exclusion to ensure that the most vulnerable people are supported and provide them with opportunity and equality.

Examples include charities addressing primary disadvantage such as homelessness, abuse, mental health or poverty, or secondary disadvantage such as debt issues, learning disabilities, illiteracy, lack of employability skills or health issues; as well as charities addressing exclusionary challenges for minorities, people with disabilities, LGBT people, drug users, institutional care leavers, the elderly or the young.

The funding is being made available through the Bank of Scotland Foundation's Reach Programme and is available to registered charities in Scotland that have been operating for a year or more and have an income of less than £1.5 million.

The closing date for applications will be 12 noon on the 16th December 2021.

Useful Links:

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<https://bankofscotlandfoundation.org/funding-programmes/reach>

£15 Million Fund to Help Improve Mental Wellbeing (Scotland)

The Scottish Government has launched a new £15 million Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund to support adult community-based initiatives across Scotland that help tackle the impact of social isolation, loneliness and the mental health inequalities made worse by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Grass roots community groups and organisations will be able to apply for funding for activities and programmes that help people to re-connect and revitalise communities.

The fund will be managed by a range of charity-support bodies and social enterprises in partnership with local integrated health authorities and other partners including Community Planning Partnerships and local authority mental health leads.

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<https://www.gov.scot/news/gbp-15-million-to-help-improve-mental-wellbeing/>

Funding to Promote Active Travel (Scotland)

Paths for All are making grants of up to £3000 available for projects which promote active travel, and increase public knowledge of the sustainable travel options which are available in local communities across Scotland.

Community Active Travel Grants will help communities to improve paths in their area to make it easier for people to walk and cycle when making short every day journeys, for example to school and places of work.

Projects could include maintenance and signposting for active travel routes, and developing routes that make it easier to make short journeys on foot, by bike and in a wheelchair.

Community organisations and charities such as community councils, development trusts and community woodland groups have until the 7th of November 2021 to submit their applications.

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<https://www.pathsforall.org.uk/community-paths/cmp-grants>

Funding of up to £2,500 for Community Sports Projects (Glasgow and West Central Scotland)

Grants of up to £2,500 are available to organisations including sports clubs, schools, religious organisations and Scout and Guides groups in Glasgow and West Central Scotland to run sporting activities for the benefit of people in the local community.

The funding is being made available through the Aldi Scottish Sport Fund and to be eligible projects must be located where there is currently an Aldi store. Stores in the Glasgow and West Central Scotland area include: Glasgow High Street, Paisley Fulbar Road, Erskine, Glasgow Knightscliffe, Alexandria, Carluke, Cardonald Glasgow, Hamilton, East Kilbride, Queensway, Rutherglen, Paisley Printers Place, Bellshill, Greenock, Cambuslang, Renfrew Drumchapel, Strathaven, Auldhouse Glasgow, Glasgow, Newton Mearns, Port Glasgow, Shettleston, Robroyston Glasgow, Clydebank, Johnstone, East Kilbride Avon Drive, Milngavie, Glasgow Crown Street and Gallowgate.

There are three funding packages available per region: 1 x £2500, 2 x £1000, and 1 x £500.

Organisations supported will be:

- Local community focused sports-focused clubs
- Registered community amateur sports clubs
- A school or educational organisation
- A religious organisation
- A Scout Guide group
- A charitable service fund of the Armed Forces
- A Registered Community Interest Company

Previous projects supported include:

- Glasgow Panthers Wheelchair Sports Club, which promotes Rugby 7's to disabled and able-bodied players of all ages. With the help of the Aldi Scottish Sports Fund, the club was able to pay their hall hire fees for 10 weeks and set out a 5-year plan for the sport in Scotland.
- Special Olympics Grampian Area Ski Group, which provides weekly ski instruction to athletes with learning disabilities. The club used their Aldi Scottish Sports Fund contribution to subsidise travel costs for the yearly regional skiing competition in Birmingham.

The closing date for applications is 1st November 2021.

Useful Links:

[FAQs](#)

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<https://www.aldi.co.uk/scottishsportfund>

£750,000 Programme to Support the Arts & Culture Sector to Safely Reopen (Northern Ireland)

The Arts Council of Northern Ireland has opened a new £750,000 fund on behalf of the Department for Communities, to support arts and culture organisations as they re-open after the Covid-19 lockdown.

The Health and Safety Capital Programme will support the purchasing of equipment and/or minor works required to address any health and safety issues created because of the pandemic or that have been an outstanding maintenance issue. This could include Covid-19 equipment, reworking of an area to allow social distancing, IT equipment, and Covid-19 related signage.

Applications are welcome from any small to medium organisations in the arts and culture sector, including registered charities, community groups, and other not-for-profit organisations. Local authorities may also apply.

The deadline for applications is 12 noon on the 5th November 2021.

Useful Links:

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

Digital Skills Initiative to Support Employment & Financial Health (Bournemouth, East London, Glasgow and Edinburgh)

The Good Things Foundation, in partnership with JP Morgan, has launched the next phase of their digital skills initiative, Power Up, to help people gain the essential digital skills, confidence and motivation they need for work, business and managing money.

The Power Up 2.0 Fund will award funding of between £50,000 and £150,000 to up to ten organisations who are members of the Online Centres Network for projects run in Bournemouth, East London, Glasgow and Edinburgh which help people on low incomes to gain employment or progress within employment, and help them to maximise and stabilise their incomes.

Bids will be accepted from individual organisations and from consortiums. Match funding of £50,000 is required.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 12th November 2021.

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<https://www.onlinecentresnetwork.org/news-and-activity/news/power-up-fund-everything-you-need-know>

Funding of Up to £10,000 Available to Tackle Social Deprivation (North East)

Registered charities exempted or excepted organisations can now apply for up to £10,000 of funding for core costs and charitable activities that benefit the residents of Tyne & Wear, Northumberland, County Durham and Teesside. Priority will be given to projects that:

- ease social deprivation

and/or

- enrich the fabric of the local community and the quality of life of individuals within that community.

The funding is being made available from the 1989 Willan Charitable Trust which, with the help of the Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland, distributes up to £500,000 each year. The Trustees prefer to prioritise projects for which the funding will represent a significant contribution to the delivery of the project.

Examples of projects that the 1989 Willan Charitable Trust will fund include:

- Projects that meet the needs of communities experiencing high levels of deprivation.
- Self-help initiatives that improve local quality of life.
- Services for young people that address educational needs or offer diversion from crime and anti-social behaviour.
- Projects assisting local communities affected by crime and anti-social behaviour
- Art projects that help tackle deprivation or improve local quality of life.
- The work of youth organisations and, in particular, the Sea Cadets, Scouts, Guides, Boys' Brigades and other uniformed organisations. Grants here will not generally exceed £1,500.
- Projects that draw on the region's rich maritime tradition to deliver improvements in local quality of life or address deprivation.
- Gap year voluntary work through Project Trust. Grants are limited to a maximum of £500 towards expenses in undertaking a voluntary placement. Applicants must normally reside in the North East region.

The closing date for applications for this round of funding is the 15th November 2021 for consideration at the September meeting of Trustees.

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https://www.communityfoundation.org.uk/group_grant/the-1989-willan-charitable-trust/

Funding to Support Women Affected by Poverty (Birmingham, Manchester, Bristol, Middlesbrough / Teesside, Kingston upon Hull, Newcastle, Liverpool / Merseyside, and West Yorkshire)

Phase two of the Smallwood Trust Women's Sector Resilience Fund has been launched to support local networks of organisations working with and for women affected by poverty in Birmingham, Manchester, Bristol, Middlesbrough/Teesside, Kingston upon Hull, Newcastle, Liverpool/Merseyside, and West Yorkshire.

£1.5million in funding is available in this round to support approximately three networks over three years to reduce gendered poverty in their area, and to help the local women's sector become more sustainable.

Each network can apply for up to £500k to be spent over three years. This funding will be awarded to a lead organisation who be responsible for distributing the money to the rest of the network. This funding will pay for:

- Core costs for each of the organisations involved (70%) e.g. 350k
- Support to coordinate the network (20%) e.g. 100k
- Any advisory support / organisational development / capacity building that you might need (10%) e.g. 50k

Women's-led charities, CICs and other not-for-profit organisations have until 5pm on the 10th December 2021 to submit an expression of interest.

A short list of networks will then be invited to submit a full proposal.

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<https://www.smallwoodtrust.org.uk/organisations>

Funding to Support Community Activity for Young People (Greater Manchester)

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to grassroots community groups working with young people aged 11-25 years within the boundary of the M60 motorway.

The NOMA Fund, working in partnership with Forever Manchester, aims to encourage and fund a range of grassroot community activity for young people, including volunteering. The fund can support a wide range of activities and groups are encouraged to apply for funding to work with young people in their community in they feel is most appropriate.

To be eligible to apply groups should have an annual income of less than £100,000.

The deadline for applications is midday on the 12th November 2021.

For any questions please contact us at awards@forevermanchester.com or phone 0161 214 0940.

Useful Links:

[Click here for the map of the qualifying area](#)

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<https://forevermanchester.com/noma-community-fund/>

Funding to Increase the Number of Youth Workers (Cumbria)

The High Sheriff of Cumbria has launched a new initiative to increase the number of youth workers in Cumbria. The Better Tomorrows Fund, administered by Cumbria Community Foundation, will award grants of up to £25,000 to charitable, not-for-profit organisations setting up or providing new youth work opportunities for local people in Cumbria.

The three-year initiative will fund youth work salaries, with the ultimate objective of substantially increasing the number of young people having access to support from youth workers. Priority will be given to supporting disadvantaged young people who are facing barriers to accessing support in areas where there is limited or no youth work being delivered. The initiative will also offer fully funded training in youth work to around 150 people.

Multi-year funding may be considered.

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<https://www.cumbriafoundation.org/fund/better-tomorrows-fund/>

Funding for Clean Growth Projects (Devon)

Devon County Council has launched its Green Innovation Fund for clean growth projects that drive green innovation and help the county recover from the Covid-19 pandemic.

Grants of between £25,000 and £200,000 are available to businesses, charities, social enterprises and public-sector organisations in Devon (excluding Plymouth and Torbay) for innovative products and services which demonstrate economic benefits, generating new jobs, apprenticeships, training opportunities, or business creation as well as measurable environmental benefits, such as carbon savings.

The fund is accepting ideas from across a wide variety of business sectors, including agriculture, marine sciences, retail, renewable energy, manufacturing and hydrogen technologies, electric vehicles and hospitality. Projects with match funding will be looked upon favourably.

The deadline for expressions of interest is 9am on the 8th November 2021.

Useful Links:

[Download the Expression of Interest form and Guidance documents](#)

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<https://www.devon.gov.uk/economy/funding-and-research/green-innovation-fund/>

Funding to Help People Live Happier, Healthier Lives (Salford)

Grants of up to £15,000 are available for Salford-based voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations for social prescribing activities which improve health and wellbeing.

The Wellbeing Matters Community Asset Fund is seeking to award funding to local groups and organisations to help them establish themselves as providers of community activities and services that Salford CVS's Wellbeing Matters can connect people into, which in turn will support those individuals to lead happier and healthier lives.

Proposals should look to address needs such as tackling social isolation, poor mental health, and drug and alcohol dependency. Activities could include art or craft sessions, inclusive sports activities, 1:1 buddy support, and housing liaison support.

Funding is provided by NHS Salford Commissioning Group.

The deadline for expressions of interest is 12pm on the 29th October 2021.

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

Community Grants Programme Opens to Applications (West Ealing)

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for community projects that benefit Clarion Housing residents and the wider community in the West Ealing area.

Clarion Housing's West Ealing Community Grants Programme will award funding for projects that provide opportunities to people aged under 25, promote wellbeing and support older people, and provide positive activities to support families and communities.

Funding could be used to support costs such as remote delivery costs, resources/equipment to deliver in-person activities safely, venue hire, volunteer expenses, and some overheads.

Not-for-profit organisations including charities, community groups, PTA or Friends of School groups, social enterprises and CICs have until midday on the 11th November 2021 to submit their application.

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<https://www.myclarionhousing.com/my-community/community-life/community-and-digital-grants>

Funding to Improve Mental Health & Wellbeing (Somerset)

Charities, CICs, social enterprises, unincorporated groups and other voluntary sector organisations can apply for funding for projects which improve the mental health and wellbeing of residents in Somerset.

Open Mental Health Community Grants, delivered by the Somerset Mental Health Alliance, will award grants of up to £15,000 for projects which support those affected by moderate to severe mental ill health. Local groups/individuals who are not constituted can apply for grants of up to £2,000.

Projects could include suicide prevention support, hearing voices groups, and counselling.

Projects involving partnership and collaborative working are encouraged, along with applications from under-represented groups.

Funding will support both capital & revenue costs. Applications for grants of £2,000 and under can be submitted at any time.

The deadline for grants over £2,000 is the 12th January 2022.

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<https://www.sparksomerset.org.uk/open-mental-health-grants>

Grants of up to £20,000 Available to Help Young People (West Midlands)

Applications are invited from charities and community groups for a share of a new £200,000 pot of funding which is being made available to help young people (aged 15 – 24) in the West Midlands make-up for time lost during the pandemic. In particular, projects should help young people gain the qualifications they need, to build the skills that will help them get jobs, and help them develop constructive social networks outside of education or work.

The grants are being made available through the National Express Foundation to help young people. Applicants are asked to state what they could deliver for either £2,500, £5,000, £10,000 or £20,000.

Priority will be given to applications that address the needs young people with special needs – a group particularly affected by the pandemic.

The application process will involve two stages. Initially, groups will simply provide a single paragraph setting out the proposed activity. The deadline is the 29th October 2021. These applications will be assessed, and those which are considered most likely to succeed will be invited to submit a more detailed application.

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<https://www.nationalexpressgroup.com/national-express-foundation/>

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Funding to Support Challenged & Vulnerable Young People (UK)

Grants of up to £2,500 are available to charitable organisations supporting challenged and vulnerable young people under the age of 16 in the UK.

The 7stars Foundation will provide funding for projects which support young living in areas of deprivation and socioeconomic disadvantage who are challenged by abuse or addiction, who are young carers, or who are homeless. Projects should address a lack of provision, and provide immediate support.

Example of support could include recreational trips, mentoring programmes, and counselling sessions.

The next closing date for applications is the 31st October 2021 for a December funding review.

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<https://the7starsfoundation.co.uk/apply>

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, refugees and asylum seekers
- 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 31st October 2021.

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

School Grants to Promote Physics (UK)

The Institute of Physics has announced that UK schools, colleges or home school groups can apply for grants of up to £600 for small-scale projects or events linked to the teaching or promotion of physics and engineering to pupils aged 5 - 19. Grants can support a wide range of projects such as school-based science weeks, extracurricular activities, science clubs, careers event or a visit from a working physicist or engineer.

Grants may be used for the following purposes: materials/resources; transport; marketing and publicity; other purposes deemed appropriate by the judges; and supply cover (in certain circumstances).

The Institute of Physics is interested in proposals that look at:

- particle physics
- astronomy
- space and nuclear physics
- energy
- transport
- information and communications
- design and promotion
- built environment.

Previous projects to receive funding include:

- Ampleforth College for a visit to Jodrell Bank Radio Observatory.
- St John's High School for a Practical Rocketry workshop to design a water-propelled rocket.

The next closing date for applications is the 1st November 2021 (for projects taking place in the following spring term).

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<https://www.iop.org/about/support-grants/school-grants-scheme>

Asda Foundation - Bringing Communities Back Together Grant Phase 2 (UK)

The Asda Foundation has launched phase 2 of its Bringing Communities Back Together Fund. The fund aims to reunite communities, celebrate togetherness, and support groups as Coronavirus restrictions begin to ease across the UK.

Through the Bringing Communities Back Together fund, grants of between £250 and £1,000 are available to either get activities back on track such as gardening clubs, lunch clubs and recreational activities; or hold a get-together event such as a welcome back party or community celebration; or a combination of the two. In addition phase 2 has been expanded to include a new element 'Essential Support' which is aimed at helping groups who are supporting the immediate needs of people in their local area from October to December, including Christmas.

Applications forms are available from Asda stores.

The types of groups that can apply include PTAs, local community groups, charities, Community Interest Groups, and unincorporated groups such as sports groups, elderly clubs, lunch clubs, arts and crafts groups, or other hobbyist clubs, etc.

Applicants have until the 1st November 2021 to submit their applications instore to an Asda Community Champion.

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<https://www.asdafoundation.org/how-to-apply>

Grants to Promote Latin and Roman Studies and Activities (UK)

The Society for the Promotion of Roman Studies has announced the next closing date for applications is the 1st November 2021.

The Roman Society makes grants to schools to help promote Latin and Roman studies. Most of the grants are awarded for the purchase of textbooks and other books on Roman topics. The Committee also makes awards to groups and schools and museums organising lectures or study days on Roman themes, and money has recently been made available for archaeology fieldwork bursaries.

Schools that have recently been awarded funding include:

- Hereford Cathedral School that received funding to run weekly Latin masterclasses;
- A grant from the Roman Society enabled Feniton C of E Primary School to buy books and extra resources to help their pupils have fun learning;
- A grant from the Roman Society enabled thirty pupils in Year 9 at Ysgol Brynhyfryd to study Classical Civilisation GCSE;
- The Sir Robert Hitcham CEVAP School Robert which received a grant to help Year 4 pupils study aspects of the Roman invasion and its impact.

Applications from schools planning to start courses in Latin are particularly welcome. Grants usually range from £50 to £600.

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<https://www.romansociety.org/Grants-Prizes/Grants-for-Schools>

Grants for Urgent Structural Repairs to Churches (UK)

Listed and unlisted Christian places of worship, of any denomination, can apply for a grant towards the cost of urgent structural repairs.

Grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 are available for projects costed at more than £100,000 including VAT. Also considered are projects that introduce kitchens and accessible toilets to enable increased community use where the cost is more than £30,000 including VAT.

All grants will represent a maximum of 50% of the project cost.

Applications from the Trust's priority areas of the North East of England, Northern Ireland and Wales are encouraged. Funding is made available by the National Churches Trust under the Cornerstone Grant Programme.

The next deadline for applications is midnight on the 1st November 2021.

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<https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/cornerstone-grants-apply>

People's Postcode Trust Opens for Applications (Scotland)

The People's Postcode Trust has re-opened its grants programme and will award grants on a monthly basis until October 2021. Funded by players of the People's Postcode Lottery, the Trust makes grants to support smaller charities and good causes in Scotland under the following themes:

- Improving mental wellbeing
- Enabling community participation in the arts
- Preventing or reducing the impact of poverty
- Supporting marginalised groups and promoting equality
- Improving biodiversity & green spaces
- Enabling participation in physical activity
- Responding to the climate emergency & promoting sustainability
- Increasing community access to outdoor space

Registered charities can apply for grants of up to £20,000, other not for profit organisations can apply for grants of up to £2,000 to support both project and organisation core costs. The funding is available for 12 months.

To be eligible to apply, organisations will need to have an annual income of below £1 million with preference given to those with an income of below £500,000 per year.

The Postcode Community Trust will operate on a monthly basis. On around the 1st of each month, applications will open, and organisations will be able to submit their request for funding until the maximum number of 150 has been received until the 1st October 2021.

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

Apply for Grants of up to £20,000 for Community Arts, Sports and Physical and Mental Health Projects (Wales)

The Postcode Community Trust has announced that its grants programme has re-opened for applications. Funded by players of the People's Postcode Lottery, the Trust makes grants to support smaller charities and good causes in Wales under the following themes:

- Improving mental wellbeing
- Enabling community participation in the arts
- Preventing or reducing the impact of poverty
- Supporting marginalised groups and promoting equality
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<https://www.postcodecommunitytrust.org.uk/>

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