

Funding Insight



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Funding to Support Disadvantaged Young People and Offenders (UK)

The Weavers' Company, a textile-related, charitable and sociable organisation, has announced that the next closing date for its grants programme is the 17th March 2022.

- Small, registered charities can apply for grants of up to £15,000 for projects working with:
- Supporting offenders and ex-offenders, particularly those under 30 years of age

Helping disadvantaged young people

To be eligible for funding, local organisations such as those working in a village, estate or small town should normally have an income of less than £100,000. Those working across the UK or in larger areas should normally have an income of not more than £250,000. Grants are usually given for one year.

Applicants must show that they have investigated other sources of funding and made plans for the future, which should include replacement funding if appropriate.

For further advice and information about the Company's Charitable Grants or to receive an application form by e-mail, please contact Anne Howe, Charities Officer Tel: 020 7606 1155 / e-mail: charity@weavers.org.uk

To apply for a grant, complete the application form online, then print the form and mail it to The Weavers' Company together with your supporting documents.

Useful Links:

[Application Guidelines](#)

[Examples of Projects Funded](#)

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<https://weavers.org.uk/charity/charitable-grants/>

Funding to Encourage Young People to Study Science Subjects (UK)

In response to the much-publicised skills gap in the British engineering industry, the Ironmongers' Foundation wishes to support initiatives that encourage talented young people under the age of 25 to study science subjects at school and go on to pursue STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) -related further education or vocational training.

STEM Grants are available to registered or exempt charities within the UK, with a preference given to projects engaging young people between the ages of 12 and 18 from disadvantaged backgrounds with a preference for urban areas outside London and particularly areas in the north and midlands with a manufacturing presence.

Applications will not be accepted from schools.

Activities must be additional to those funded by government or other sources e.g. covered by school budgets.

The Foundation prefers to support smaller projects where its contribution can make a real difference. Most grants are below £10,000.

The next closing date for applications is the 1st April 2022.

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https://www.ironmongers.org/charity_stem_projects.htm

Grants for Digital Vocational Learning Projects (UK)

Grants of between £15,000 and £50,000 will be made available for early-stage projects that use technology to improve vocational education.

The UFi VocTech Trust will provide funding for projects lasting between three to twelve months which show how digital technologies can be used in innovative ways to improve skills for work. This could include design, development and prototyping, refining learning design, small scale testing with users, planning a route to market, strategies for scaling, project management, and evidencing impact & what works.

Applications for their VocTech Seed grant will be open between the 12th January 2022 and the 9th February 2022 to all organisations across the UK, including charities, trade bodies, learning providers, employers, private companies, community interest companies and other not for profit organisations.

Useful Links:

[About the Fund](#)

[Background Information](#)

[Fund Criteria](#)

[How to Apply](#)

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<https://ufi.co.uk/grant-funding/voctech-seed/>

Funding for School Breakfast Clubs (UK)

Magic Breakfast which is a registered charity that aims to end hunger as a barrier to education in UK Schools has announced that its Magic Breakfast programme is open for applications. The programme provides funding and support schools that want to set up new; or improve an existing breakfast club.

For a school in England to be eligible, at least 35% of pupils should be recorded as eligible for Pupil Premium. A Primary School in Scotland qualifies for Magic Breakfast support when at least 55% of pupils are in SIMD Deciles 1 to 4 and/or at least 35% are eligible for FSM. A Secondary School in Scotland qualifies for support when at least 40% of pupils are in SIMD Deciles 1 to 4.

Magic Breakfast are planning to expand to Northern Ireland and Wales soon so welcome applications from all UK schools.

Applications can be made at any time. The charity does currently have a waiting list of schools but is committed to reaching each of them as soon as funding is available.

Useful Links:

[Expression of Interest Form](#)

[Case Studies](#)

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<https://www.magicbreakfast.com/apply-for-magic-breakfast-provision>

Automotive Transformation Fund Re-opens to Applications (UK)

UK registered businesses will be able to apply for a share of up to £1 billion for capital investment and R&D projects that help industrialise the electrified automotive supply chain at scale in the UK.

Funded by the UK Government, the Automotive Transformation Fund aims to establish a competitive and sustainable UK supply chain by providing support for projects involving the latest technology in batteries, electric motors and drives, power electronics, fuel cells, and recycling.

This round of funding will be open to single applicants and collaborations, with no restrictions on the number of applications a business can lead or collaborate on. (Previous applicants can submit a maximum of two applications).

The fund will be open to expressions of interest from 9.30am on the 6th December 2021 until 11:00am on the 12th January 2022.

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<https://www.ukri.org/opportunity/automotive-transformation-fund-expression-of-interest-round-17/>

Funding for Capital Projects in Secondary Schools and Sixth Form Colleges (UK)

Secondary schools and colleges can apply for a grant of up to £100,000 to improve the teaching of science, computer science, design & technology, art, languages, music and performing arts at GCSE and A-Level.

Grants are generally awarded towards new builds, refurbishment and technical equipment.

The funding is being made available through the Wolfson Foundation's Secondary Education Programme.

The school or college should meet all of the following criteria:

- be state-funded
- have at least two years of exam results available
- have been inspected by Ofsted / Estyn / HMIE / ETI and have an overall outcome of 'Good' or above
- be able to demonstrate an achieved level of excellence OR significant progress towards excellence through, for example, inspection reports and progress made by students
- if a predominantly denominational or faith based school, it should have a non-discriminatory entry policy in respect of religious allegiance or at least 10% of pupils must be of other denominations, faiths or none.

There is a two-stage application process. The closing date for stage 1 applications is the 5th January 2022. Schools and Colleges successful at this stage will have until the 15th February 2022 to submit their stage-two application.

Useful Links:

[View the list of questions asked at Stage 1](#)

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<https://www.wolfson.org.uk/funding/funding-for-places/funding-for-secondary-schools-sixth-form-colleges/>

Funding to Improve the Display & Interpretation of Nationally Significant Museum Collections (UK)

The Wolfson Foundation has launched a new funding round to support museums and galleries undertaking projects to improve the display and interpretation of nationally significant collections for the public.

Grants, usually in the range of £50,000 to £500,000 (minimum £15,000), are available to registered charities and local authorities for creating new galleries, refurbishment and equipment, or occasionally, education and learning spaces. Projects should aim to improve future sustainability, increase the numbers of visitors to museums and galleries across the UK, and help the conservation of architectural heritage.

There is a two-stage application process.

The deadline for applications for stage one is the 5th January 2022. Applications successful at this stage will have until the 1st March 2022 to submit their full application.

Useful Links:

To see the list of questions asked at Stage 1, click [here](#).

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<https://www.wolfson.org.uk/funding/funding-for-places/funding-for-museums-galleries/>

The Classical Association Grants (UK)

The Classical Association (CA), which awards grants to support classical projects and conferences, has announced that the next closing date for applications is the 1st March 2022.

The Association will consider applications for summer schools and to institutions offering courses in Greek, Latin, classical civilisation; and bursaries for teachers attending courses abroad to support their professional development. The Association will also support school teaching and outreach work such as Greek and Latin reading competitions, regional Greek/Roman days and school conferences; etc. The Grants Committee meets four times a year.

Schools and other organisations that are applying for a grant of over £2,500 should contact the CA before submitting an application.

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<http://www.classicalassociation.org/grants.html%20%C2%A0%C2%A0>

Science Grants for Schools (England, Scotland & Wales)

State-funded primary schools, nurseries and special schools in Blackpool, Bridgend; Fermanagh & Omagh; Knowsley; Neath Port Talbot; Newry, Mourne & Down; Sandwell; South Ayrshire; and West Lothian can apply for grants from the Edina Trust to run science projects.

The level of funding available is dependent upon the type of school applying:

- Full primary and Special schools can apply for grants of up to £600 per year for up to three years;
- Infant and Junior schools up to £300 per year for up to three years;
- Maintained Nursery schools and nursery classes within schools can apply for a one-off grant of up to £420.

The Science Grant Scheme runs in each area for three years, before moving on to a new area. The Edina Trust Science Grant Scheme (SGS) is a non-competitive grant scheme. Funding is set aside so that there is enough for every school and maintained nursery in eligible areas to get the full amount.

Grants can be used for science weeks, science related school trips, science equipment and science subscriptions; improving school grounds for science and gardening resources.

Examples of projects that received funding are:

- St Bede's Primary School, Sunderland that created a Forest School area in the school grounds. The school used the Edina Trust grant to purchase tools that the children can use, which has allowed them to get outside and learn about nature, as well as develop their self-confidence.
- Kersland School, Renfrewshire had a visit from Glasgow Science Centre's Bodyworks On Tour programme. The programme is all about our amazing bodies and offers an array of exciting workshops, live science shows and interactive exhibits. Everything is hands-on and designed to fit the needs of learners from pre-school through to primary and secondary school pupils.

There are no deadlines and applications can be submitted at any time.

Useful Links:

[Tips on Applying](#)

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<https://www.edinatrust.org.uk/science-grant-scheme>

New Legal Fund to Tackle Race Discrimination (England, Scotland & Wales)

The Equality and Human Rights Commission has launched a new fund to tackle race discrimination and help victims seek justice, including through legal proceedings where appropriate.

From December 2021, legal practitioners will be able to apply for a share of £250,000 in funding to seek advice and help to resolve complaints of race discrimination, harassment, and victimisation from individuals against organisations who may have broken equality law.

This may include, for example, cases in employment, housing, schools, shops, transport and leisure facilities.

Funding can be used to support pre-action work, funding legal representation in a court or tribunal, or funding disbursements.

The fund will be open for a minimum of two years.

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<https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/our-work/news/new-legal-fund-tackle-race-discrimination>

Funding to Support the Re-Opening of Hospice Day Care Services (England, Wales, Channel Islands or Isle of Man)

Grants of up to £35,000 are available to help adult hospices and children's hospices re-open day care services in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Through their 2021/22 Hospice Grants - Re-Imaging Day Hospice Services, the Masonic Foundation in partnership with Hospice UK, will award between eight and ten grants to support projects within hospices in England, Wales, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man that use new approaches to both virtual and safe face-to-face services.

Projects could include:

- Capital costs for redeveloping a Day Room to include use of technology
- Equipment, marketing/publicity material and resources
- Staff training
- Equipment for patients
- Telephone support

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 14th February 2022.

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<https://professionals.hospiceuk.org/what-we-offer/grants/open-grant-programmes/details/masonic-charitable-foundation-2021-22-hospice-grants---re-imaging-day-hospice-services>

£5 Million Fund Launched to Support Suicide Prevention Services (England)

The government has launched a £5 million fund to help suicide prevention services meet increased demand from the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Suicide Prevention Grant Fund will make £4 million in funding available to enable voluntary community and social enterprise organisations in England that support suicide prevention to set up new projects or expand or sustain current services. The fund will focus on high-risk groups who have struggled most during the pandemic, such as people with a pre-existing mental illness, children and young people, NHS and social care staff, and people in contact with the criminal justice system.

The remaining £1 million in funding will be used to support existing and ongoing suicide prevention programmes.

The fund will open to applications on the 2nd December 2021.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/5-million-launched-to-support-suicide-prevention-services>

£5 Million Fund for Creative & Cultural Activities Celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee (England)

Arts Council England is launching a new £5 million funding programme to support voluntary and community organisations in England to develop creative and cultural activities as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

Applicants will be encouraged to think about what creative activity would mean the most to their local communities and why, and to partner with established artists, creatives and cultural organisations to develop their activities. The Let's Create Jubilee Fund will award grants of up to £10,000, and will be administered by UK Community Foundations.

The fund will open to applications in January 2022 until the 28th February 2022.

Further details on how to apply will be made available in December 2021.

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<https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/our-open-funds/let%E2%80%99s-create-jubilee-fund>

Culture Recovery Fund: Emergency Resource Support Re-Opens to Applications (England)

The Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport's Culture Recovery Fund: Emergency Resource Support has re-opened for applications. The aim of the fund is to help cultural organisations at imminent risk of closure return to financial viability.

Round two will provide funding between £25,000 and £3 million to not-for-profit arts and cultural organisations in England which haven't received funding and face collapse within twelve weeks of their application date. Up to £1 million is available to commercial organisations.

Funding will be distributed by Arts Council England.

Organisations must submit a permission to apply request by 12pm on the 11th January 2022. Those eligible will then be invited to apply in full by 12pm on the 28th January 2022.

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<https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/culture-recovery-fund-emergency-resource-support-round-two#section-1>

Advanced Innovation Voucher Scheme - Follow on Funding (Scotland)

The Scottish Funding Council has announced that the Advanced Innovation Voucher Scheme is open for applications.

The awards are aimed at building sustained relationships between small and medium-sized companies and universities or Further Education colleges in Scotland who may have previously collaborated together or for those companies who are beginning their collaborative journey with a HEI / FE college partner.

Businesses in partnership with Higher Education Institutes can apply for funding of up to £20,000. The grant requested must be matched in cash and kind by the company. The minimum grant available is £5,000.

The next deadline for applications is the 15th December 2021.

Useful Links:

[Application Pack](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Step by Step Guide](#)

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<http://www.interface-online.org.uk/how-we-can-help/funding/advanced-innovation-vouchers>

Publishing Scotland Launches the 2022 Go-Digital Fund (Scotland)

Publishing Scotland has launched the 2022 round of the Go- Digital Fund. The fund supports Scottish based book publishers in bringing their books to a new digital audience.

The costs that will normally be funded are:

- For digital marketing purposes
- For the services of a specialist/consultant
- For attending a digital event or conference
- For equipment and software necessary in supporting the digital project
- For attending a training course, or arranging an in-house training course on a digital theme

The maximum grant that can be awarded is £1,500 per company.

The closing date for applications is the 25th February 2022.

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<https://www.publishingscotland.org/about-publishing/funding/go-digital-fund/>

Funding to Encourage Sustainable & Active Travel Choices for Everyday Journeys (Scotland)

To help achieve Scotland's target to reach net-zero carbon emissions by 2045, Paths for All has launched the Smarter Choices Smarter Places COP26 Legacy Fund to support projects which encourage sustainable and active travel choices for everyday journeys.

Grants of up to £50,000 are available to charities, community groups and other third sector organisations for projects that increase walking, wheeling, cycling, and the use of public transport to reduce emissions and protect the environment.

Activities could include climate change awareness events, holding car-free days, and cycling and walking activities. Partnerships are particularly encouraged. Funding is available for 50% of the total project cost.

There is no schedule of submission dates, but applicants are encouraged to submit their expressions of interest as soon as possible.

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<https://www.pathsforall.org.uk/active-travel/smarter-choices-smarter-places-1/grants-to-support-active-and-sustainable-travel-projects-with-environmental-outcomes>

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.

The next closing date for submitting a Stage 1 application Form is the 1st March 2022.

The application form is available on the Sportscotland website (link below)

Useful Links:

[Programme Guidelines](#)

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

Applications Open for Weston Charity Awards 2022 (Wales, Midlands, & North of England)

The Garfield Weston Foundation, in partnership with Pilotlight, are inviting applications to their Weston Charity Awards 2022 which celebrate and support small charities working in the fields of youth, welfare and community.

Grants of £6,500 are available to up to twenty charities in Wales, the Midlands, and the North of England, plus 10 months' free access to a leadership coaching programme run by Pilotlight worth an estimated £16,000. This can include advice in areas such as planning, finances, strategy development, fundraising, and expansion.

The Awards are intended to deliver long-term benefit and enable charities to become stronger, more effective, and sustainable.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 7th January 2022.

Useful Links:

[Guidelines](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[How to Apply](#)

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<https://www.pilotlight.org.uk/weston-charity-awards>

Support for Communities to Engage with the Impacts of Climate Change (Wales)

The National Lottery Community Fund is launching a new funding programme to help communities across Wales to engage with the impacts of climate change.

The new 'Sustainable Steps Wales: mentoring support for communities to engage with climate action' programme will make one award of around £2 million to support one applicant in delivering mentoring support for at least five years to community groups on how to take action on climate change and live in a more sustainable way.

Funding is made available from the Dormant Accounts Scheme.

The fund will be open to expressions of interest from constituted voluntary organisations or public sector organisations working in partnership with voluntary organisations from the 1st December 2021 until 5pm on the 1st February 2022.

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<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/sustainablestepswales-mentoring>

Wales and Africa Grant Scheme Re-Opens to Applications (Wales)

The Welsh Government's Wales and Africa Grant Scheme has re-opened for applications from community groups and organisations throughout Wales who work with partnerships in Sub Saharan Africa.

This funding round will award small grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 for projects which are responding to an identified need in the community such as physical and mental health, financial poverty, and climate change, and large Covid-19 grants of between £30,000 and £200,000 for projects responding to a need caused by the pandemic.

This can be a short-term intervention or action to facilitate recovery and aid resilience in the future.

The deadline for applications is the 16th January 2022.

Useful Links:

[Round 5 Wales Africa awardees](#)

[Round 6 Wales Africa awardees](#)

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<https://wcva.cymru/funding/wales-and-africa/>

Funding Available to Address Local Health Needs (Northern Ireland)

The Community Development and Health Network (CDHN) has announced that grants are available to promote and support local communities to work in partnership with community pharmacists.

The funding which is being made available through the Community-Pharmacy Partnership (BCPP) aims to promote and support local communities to work in partnership with community pharmacists to address identified local health and social wellbeing needs.

Projects could for example focus on addressing a wide range of health and social wellbeing needs in villages or in urban housing estates. The funding is available to pharmacists who have commitment and support from a pharmacy contractor or a constituted community group or voluntary organisation. Statutory organisations e.g. HSS Trusts, Councils etc cannot apply but can support applications and be involved in developing projects.

Two levels of funding are available:

- Level 1 funding (up to £2,500 for projects lasting up to 6 months)
- Level 2 funding (up to £12,000 for projects lasting up to 1 year).

The next closing date for Level 1 applications is the 17th February 2022.

The next closing date for Level 2 applications is the 24th March 2022.

Useful Links:

[BCPP Leaflet](#)

[Projects](#)

[FAQs](#)

[Level 1 Guidance Notes](#)

[Level 2 Guidance Notes](#)

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<https://www.cdhn.org/bcpp>

Funding to Support Safer & Resilient Communities (North Lincolnshire)

Charities, voluntary groups, CIC's, town and parish councils, neighbourhood watch groups, and other not-for-profit organisations can apply for grants of up to £20,000 for one or two-year projects that help to build safe, strong and resilient communities.

The North Lincolnshire Community Safety Partnership's Safer Communities Fund will support a wide range of facilities, events, activities and services that reduce crime and improve the lives and safety of vulnerable and disadvantaged people and their communities.

Since 2018, North Lincolnshire Community Safety Partnership (CSP) has given over £200,000 to community projects across the area. Projects supported include:

- dance clubs
- boxing clubs
- youth clubs
- therapeutic support for young people
- employment support for people looking for work
- scam prevention work

Applications can be made at any time until the end of December 2021.

Useful Links:

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Application Guidance](#)

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<https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/community-advice-and-support/community-funding-and-grants/#1596116047738-e59ade22-89e9>

Funding to Support the Dance Sector (Birmingham & West Midlands)

The Dance Hub Birmingham (DHB) has announced that its Investment programme is open for applications.

A total of £500,000 is available to support a diverse range of projects that make dance a vibrant and resilient contributor to the artistic and economic life of Birmingham and the West Midlands.

The DHB Investment Programme is seeking proposals over £30,000, with larger organisations encouraged to consult with local artists from a diverse range of companies working in dance practices and styles, which are representative of the wider cultural community, and have national and/or international significance. DHB welcome proposals which engage with partners outside dance but dance must be the focus.

Proposals are actively encouraged from one of DHB's four investment priorities and cross cutting themes.

At least 30% match funding is required and the deadline for applications is the 28th February 2022.

Useful Links:

[Four Investment Priorities](#)

[Cross Cutting Themes](#)

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<https://www.dancehubbirmingham.org.uk/proposals-call-out-investment-programme/>

Grants to Support Grassroots Community Groups (Greater Manchester)

Grassroots community groups in Greater Manchester can apply for grants of up to £1,000 to support their work in the community.

The Auto Trader Community Fund, run in partnership with Forever Manchester, aims to encourage and support small, community-based and locally controlled groups that manage themselves and encourage people to get involved as volunteers.

Applicants must be based in one of the ten boroughs of Greater Manchester and have an annual income of less than £50,000.

The deadline for applications is midday on the 14th January 2022.

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

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<https://forevermanchester.com/auto-trader-community-fund/>

Funding to Help Unemployed People Move Towards Employment, Training or Education (Thames Valley Berkshire)

Voluntary sector organisations and small businesses in the Thames Valley Berkshire region are invited to apply for grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 to support local initiatives that will enable unemployed people aged 16 years and over to move towards employment, training or education.

The Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) Community Training Grants will fund a range of innovative projects which help prepare participants for work by providing opportunities to learn and upskill in anything from industry-specific training to developing soft-skills.

Priority will be given to projects that support those aged 50 years and over, those with disabilities, ethnic minorities, and women. Groundwork is administering the programme on behalf of ESFA and the European Social Fund.

Expressions of interest should be submitted no later than 10am on the 14th January 2022.

Useful Links:

[ESFA Prospectus](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Application Questions](#)

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<https://www.groundwork.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/south-grants/esfa-grants-thames-valley/>

Funding to Tackle Poverty and Improve Health (London)

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

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

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

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

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

The next Grants Scrutiny Committee meetings for Project and Samaritan grant applications is the 8th February 2022. Grant applications must be received at the very least, four weeks before this date.

The Partners for Health programme has now closed. Details of the 2022 grants programme will be available in the new year.

Useful Links:

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

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

Funding to Create Opportunities for Young People to Engage with Arts (London)

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to state schools and arts organisations to create opportunities for young people to engage with Arts that have been curtailed by restrictions due to Covid-19, particularly those from backgrounds that typically do not engage in Arts activities.

Through their Cultural Capital Fund, the John Lyon's Charity will support high quality face-to-face arts activities which can run across Early Years, primary, secondary or special settings in Barnet, Brent, Camden, Ealing, Hammersmith & Fulham, Harrow, Kensington & Chelsea and the Cities of London and Westminster.

Activities could include:

- Trips to the theatre (Drama / dance)
- Visits to Art galleries or museums
- Workshops delivered by established Arts institutions in London e.g. museums, galleries, theatres etc.

Arts organisations that have previously received funding and schools can apply at any time up until at least eight weeks before their planned activity.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

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<https://www.jlc.london/grants/our-grant-funds/cultural-capital-fund-schools/>

Grants of up to £1,000 Available for Community Safety Projects (Avon and Somerset)

The Avon and Somerset Police Community Trust is currently accepting applications through its General Fund. Grants of up to £1,000 are available to local community and voluntary groups in the Avon and Somerset police force area for projects that improve community safety.

When reviewing your application, Trustees will look to ensure the Trust's aims and objectives are met:

- Protecting local people and property from crime
- Reducing anti-social behaviour
- Educating young people on the dangers of drug, alcohol and solvent abuse
- Increasing community safety for all but especially the young, vulnerable and elderly
- Diverting young people away from crime and anti-social behaviour, encouraging their growth into responsible young adults
- Building good community relations

The next closing date for applications is the 1st March 2022.

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<https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/apply/police-community-trust/police-community-trust-general-fund/>

Funding of up to £5,000 Available for Road Safety Projects (Avon and Somerset)

The Avon and Somerset Police Community Trust is currently accepting applications through its Road Safety Grant. Grants of up to £5,000 are available to local community and voluntary groups in Avon and Somerset for projects that improve road safety and prevent road traffic injuries.

When reviewing your application, Trustees will look to ensure the Trusts aims and objectives are met:

- To improve road safety in order to reduce accidents and casualty figures in the Avon and Somerset area
- To improve education and training for children, young people, learners and inexperienced and older drivers
- To support local communities in becoming safer and better places to live
- To reduce the economic and personal costs of fatalities and serious injuries
- To improve driving skills
- To improve awareness and educate drivers about non-vehicle road users, including horse riders and cyclists

The Road Safety Scheme does not cover funding for Community SpeedWatch. Find out how to apply for [Community SpeedWatch Scheme](#) funding.

The closing date for applications is the 1st March 2022.

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<https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/apply/police-community-trust/road-safety-fund/>

[Funding Reminders](#)

Funding to Encourage Diversity in University Engineering Departments (UK)

The Royal Academy of Engineering has launched a new funding programme for projects in UK university engineering departments that address the unequal outcomes experienced by students from minoritised groups.

Grants of up to £100,000 are available through the Diversity Impact Programme for bold, ambitious and transformative projects lasting 12-18 months that inspire change in university engineering departments and achieve equal outcomes for students irrespective of their diversity characteristics. This might include Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic students, disabled students, carers, LGBTQ+ communities, and those from lower socioeconomic backgrounds.

Applicants must have a formal affiliation with a UK Higher Education Institution, and require a letter of support from the dean of department (or equivalent).

The deadline for applications is the 14th December 2021.

Useful Links:

[Eligibility](#)

[How to Apply](#)

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<https://www.raeng.org.uk/diversity-in-engineering/diversity-and-inclusion-grant/grants-and-funding>

Funding for Projects that Have a Positive Impact on Communities, People or the Environment (UK)

The Matthew Good Foundation has launched a Grants for Good Fund to support small charities, not-for-profit groups and social entrepreneurs who are passionate about making a difference to people, their community or the environment.

The Fund will share £10,000 between five shortlisted projects, which will be voted for by John Good Group employees. The project that receives the most votes will receive a grant of £3,500, second place £2,500, third place £2,000 with fourth and fifth place both receiving £1,000.

As well as established projects and charities, the Foundation are keen to hear from people with innovative ideas that need some funding to get their projects up and running.

To be eligible, applicants will have to have had an income of less than £50,000 in the last 12 months.

Funding is awarded every three months and the deadline for this funding round is the 15th December 2021.

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<https://www.matthewgoodfoundation.org/grantsforgood/>

New £400,000 e-Cargo Bike Fund Launched (England)

A new £400,000 funding round has been launched by the Department for Transport and Energy Saving Trust for the purchase of e-cargo bikes, to support small businesses switching to a sustainable transport solution.

The eCargo Bike Grant Fund will give businesses in England an opportunity to introduce e-cargo bikes into their everyday transport operations and will cover up to 40% of the total cost, with a maximum of £2,500 for two-wheel models and £4,500 for three-wheel models.

Organisations can apply for funding for up to five bikes, with larger applications considered on a case-by-case basis.

Applications may include more than one organisation.

The closing date for applications is the 14th December 2021.

Useful Links:

[Eligibility Criteria](#)

[eCargo Bike Grant Fund Information Pack](#)

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<https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/grants-and-loans/ecargo-bike-fund/>

Financial Support for Social Enterprises Impacted by Covid-19 (England)

The National Lottery Community Fund has re-opened its Social Enterprise Support Fund to support social enterprises across England impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.

The fund, delivered in partnership with five social enterprise support agencies, will award grants of between £10,000 and £100,000 to help organisations rebuild and grow their income from trading, and help them to continue to support people facing increased social and economic challenges as a result of the crisis.

The fund particularly welcomes applications from groups led by people from Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities, disabled people, LGBTQIA+ communities, and leaders with lived experience.

The fund will be open to applications from 1pm on the 25th November 2021 until the 21st December 2021.

Useful Links:

[Application Guidance and Frequently Asked Questions](#)

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

£30 Million Waking Watch Relief Fund Now Open for Applications (England)

The Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government has announced that the Waking Watch Relief Fund has re-opened to applications using additional £5 million of funding.

The fund is targeted at high-rise buildings with unsafe cladding and is designed to protect lease holders from the high cost of Waking Watches by providing funding for fire alarms.

Responsibility for applying to the fund will rest with the Responsible Person (RP). Under the Fire Safety Order, the RP is the entity responsible for ensuring the safety of residents in their building from fire and assess the risk and identify suitable mitigating measures where they are needed.

To be eligible a building must:

- be in the private sector
- be over 17.70 metres in height
- have an unsafe cladding system
- have a waking watch in place where these costs have been passed on to leaseholders

Social sector buildings where the Registered Provider can evidence that waking watch costs have been passed to leaseholders and the costs of installing an alarm will fall on leaseholders will also be eligible.

The closing date for applications is the 10th December 2021.

Useful Links:

[Application Guidance](#)

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<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/waking-watch-relief-fund>

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:

[Hints and Tips Guide](#)

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

Grants of up to £10,000 Available for the Creation of Sustainable & Resilient Outdoor Spaces (Northern Ireland)

Charities, voluntary and community organisations, schools and other not-for-profit organisations in Northern Ireland will be able to apply for small scale capital grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 for the creation of sustainable and resilient outdoor spaces.

The Living Places and Spaces Fund will make approximately 80 awards for:

- Greening - planting more trees and plants in an area
- rewilding - allowing nature to take over an area
- water management - slowing rainwater before it gets to the drainage systems.

The types of projects that could be funded include:

- community gardens (a single piece of land gardened collectively by a group of people)
- pocket parks and forests (small urban or rural forests)
- allotments (an area of land used for growing fruit and vegetables)
- rain gardens (an area which is planted so that rainwater from roofs, driveways, etc runs into it and soaks into the ground, and therefore does not cause flooding or other problems)
- green roofs (a roof that is partially or completely covered with vegetation)
- ponds and living walls or vertical gardens (vertical structures that have living plants or other greenery attached to them).
- installation of outdoor furniture or features to encourage usage
- measures to encourage walking, wheeling and cycling.

Funding is made available by the Department for Infrastructure and administered by the National Lottery Community Fund.

A total of £500,000 is available and the closing date for applications is 5pm on the 17th December 2021.

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<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/living-places-and-spaces#section-2>

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