

Funding Insight



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Urgent Funding to Support Vulnerable and Disadvantaged Communities Affected by Covid-19 (England)

The Charities Aid Foundation is offering £20 million in financial support to charitable organisations in England to enable the continuation of services supporting the people hardest hit by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Grants of between £10,000 and £100,000 are available for small and mid-sized charities, community interest companies, social enterprises and other not-for-profit organisations working with disadvantaged and vulnerable groups including:

- People living in poverty
- Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities
- Children and young people
- People with physical or learning disabilities
- People experiencing mental health conditions
- Older people
- Communities facing health inequalities
- Patient groups with unmet health needs (physical or mental)
- People facing domestic or other abuse
- Unemployed people
- Homeless people
- People experiencing loneliness and isolation
- People pushed into crisis because of Covid-19
- Refugees and migrants
- Other vulnerable people or communities

Funding can cover costs such as core costs, staffing, project running costs, supplies and equipment, and communications.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 10th November 2020.

Useful Links:

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<https://www.cafonline.org/charities/grantmaking/caf-resilience-fund>

Funding to Alleviate Mental Health Issues (UK & Global)

The Gamesys Foundation is a newly formed charity, set up by the Gamesys Group to alleviate Mental Health Issues.

Funding is available to charities and other not-for-profit organisations with an income of more than £50,000 who support individuals suffering from mental health issues, as well as those who focus on research in the mental health field. The Foundation will also consider funding for other types of organisation so long as they can be proven to have an impact with regard to mental health, support, and treatment. Funding comes from both corporate contributions and employee initiatives.

There is no minimum or maximum grant amount and applications can be made at any time.

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<https://gamesysfoundation.org/#intro>

Funding to Tackle Homelessness (UK)

The Isla Foundation supports grassroots organisations and individuals that provide vital help to the most vulnerable in society. This year, the Foundation will provide funding of up to £40,000 to community groups and small to medium user-led organisations for projects and activities addressing homelessness.

This might be tackling the root causes, tackling re-insertion in society or developing a response to the challenges which have arisen as a result of the coronavirus crisis. Funding from their Tipping Point Grants can be used for:

Capital costs (such as building and land improvements)

- Staff costs
- Activities
- Equipment
- Other core costs needed to support the project
- One time events

Organisations are encouraged to collaborate with others when submitting an application.

The deadline for applications is the 12th November 2020.

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<https://islafoundation.com/our-grants/grants-opportunities/tipping-point-grants/>

Funding for Women's Organisations Affected by the Covid-19 Pandemic (England)

Grants of between £20,000 and £30,000 are available to charities, social enterprises and other not-for-profit organisations that are supporting women who are experiencing poverty and low income as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Women's Sector Resilience Fund is open to organisations across England with an income of less than £1 million per annum; and will provide grants to cover costs including staff salaries, running costs/overheads, project costs, and goods and equipment to support the adaptation of frontline services to meet the challenges of the Covid-19 crisis.

Priority will be given to organisations supporting and led by BAME women, women with disabilities and financially vulnerable LGBT+ women.

Funding is open for organisations across England but will be prioritised for women's sector organisations and services where the pandemic has had the most impact including:

- Greater Manchester and Lancashire
- Liverpool and Merseyside
- West Midlands - Birmingham, Wolverhampton, Stoke-on-Trent and rural Staffordshire
- East Midlands, including rural Leicestershire and Derbyshire
- Hull and Humberside, Leeds, Bradford, Sheffield
- Deprived coastal towns and areas such as Blackpool, Hastings and Kent
- Newcastle, Middlesbrough/Tees Valley, other North East areas
- London boroughs such as Hackney, Newham, Tower Hamlets

Funding is made available by the Department of Culture, Media and Sport and will be administered by the Smallwood Trust.

Applications can be made at any time until 5pm on the 6th November 2020.

Useful Links:

[Guidance Notes](#)

[Application Form](#)

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

Grants of up to £50,000 Available for Community Projects (UK)

Aviva has launched the next round of its Community Fund. Aviva has teamed up with the fundraising platform Crowdfunder to offer funding of up to £50,000 to small charities, schools and community interest groups in the UK with innovative ideas that benefit their community. Every three months from January 2020 onwards, £250,000 will be split equally among Aviva's UK employees to donate to the projects that matter to them most.

Aviva wants to support projects that boost the resilience of communities in the face of uncertainty and will be supporting projects in two key areas:

- Community resilience: tackling inequality and improving environments by building inclusive and resilient communities; or
- Financial capability and inclusion: promoting financially inclusive communities, where people can better manage their finances and avoid problem debt

To take part the project must also be raising funds to develop a new approach, product or technology, pilot a new scheme, implement a new initiative, or expand existing services to a new area or beneficiary group. All beneficiaries must be in the UK.

Applications are open on a continuous basis and are reviewed every three months. The closing date for this round is the 19th January 2021.

Once applications have been submitted, applicants will need to create a fundraising page on Crowdfunder that Aviva employees can browse and donate funds to. Applicants can also showcase their projects to raise additional public donations.

Useful Links:

[Apply to the Aviva Community Fund](#)

[Eligibility Criteria](#)

[Explore Projects](#)

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<https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/>

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, and
- 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 24th November 2020.

Useful Links:

[Funding Guidelines](#)

[Grants Awarded](#)

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

Lord's Taverners Accessible Minibuses Grant Programme (UK)

The Lord's Taverners, the UK's leading youth cricket and disability sports charity, is accepting applications through its Accessible Minibuses grants programme. Special Education needs (SEN) schools and organisations catering for young disabled people in the UK can apply to the Lords Taverners for specially-adapted, wheelchair-accessible minibuses.

Last year the Lords Taverners delivered 40 specially-adapted, wheelchair-accessible minibuses. Examples of schools that received a specially-adapted minibus are:

- Lakeside School in Hertfordshire;
- The Garth School and the Priory School in Spalding (Lincolnshire); and
- Perseid School in Morden, Surrey.

These vehicles give young people with disabilities access to new places and experiences. Lord's Taverners minibuses are based on the current Ford Transit model, with a diesel engine. Please note that the Lord's Taverners are unable to support schools that cater for socially disadvantaged children, or mainstream schools for children with behavioural problems.

All approved applicants are required to pay a self-help contribution towards the minibus, the cost of which is dependent on the type of minibus and waiting list required.

Applications to the programme can be submitted at any time.

For further information please contact foundation@lordstaverners.org.

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<https://www.lordstaverners.org/accessible-minibuses>

Grants to Cover Running Costs for Small Charities (UK)

The Marsh Christian Trust was founded in 1981 with the sum of £75,000 by its current Chairman, Mr Brian Marsh OBE. His aim was to create a sustainable way to give something back to society by supporting organisations and people who are making a difference.

The Trust supports around 300 charities every year and focuses on providing funding which could help small organisations pay for various running costs, such as volunteer expenses, training days, equipment maintenance and other core outgoings. The Trust aims to build long-standing relationships with successful applicants and, subject to an annual review, continue its support over time.

Applicants must be a registered charity with the Charity Commission for England and Wales or the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator. This does not include Community Interest Companies (CICs). Charities will be working in the areas of:

- Arts and heritage
- Social welfare
- Environmental causes and animal welfare
- Education and training
- Healthcare

Charities must have been established for more than one financial year and able to provide a full set of their most recent Annual Report and Accounts, or the equivalent financial information if their annual income is under £25,000.

Grants are unrestricted and range from £300 to £2,000 with new applications at the lower end of this scale.

Applications are considered on the basis of the organisation's financial position, performance against charitable aims and objectives and the ratio of voluntary income against fundraising expenses.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

Examples of the support given include:

- Core costs for Compaid, a digital skills centre in Kent that supports people with disabilities and sensory impairments
- Glassdoor, an organisation that offers shelter to the homeless in London.

More information on the Trust and projects supported can be found in the [Annual Review 2017-18](#)

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<https://www.marshchristiantrust.org/grants/>

Grants to Help New, Innovative Visual Arts Projects (UK)

The Elephant Trust has announced that the next deadline for applications is the 25th January 2021. The Trust offers grants to artists and for new, innovative visual arts projects. It aims to make it possible for artists and those presenting their work to undertake and complete projects when confronted by lack of funds.

The Trust supports projects that develop and improve the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the fine arts. Priority is given to artists and small organisations and galleries making or producing new work or exhibitions.

The Trust normally awards grants of up to £2,000, but larger grants of up to £5,000 may be considered.

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<http://elephanttrust.org.uk/docs/intro.html>

Funding to Support Charitable Equine Welfare Organisations Affected by the Covid-19 Crisis (UK)

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to help small and medium-sized charitable equine welfare organisations which have experienced unprecedented financial and operational challenges as a result of the coronavirus crisis.

The Petplan Charitable Trust has joined together with World Horse Welfare and the National Equine Welfare Council (NEWC) to create a Covid-19 Equine Rescues Emergency Fund to help smaller equine welfare organisations whose primary focus is the rescue and rehoming of equines.

Priority will be given to NEWC members and those smaller organisations that have not received emergency funding from other emergency funds. The average grant is expected to be around £2,500-£3,000. The deadline for this round of applications is the 15th January 2021.

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<https://petplancharitabletrust.org.uk/covid-19-equine-emergency-fund/>

Community Partnership Programme to Tackle Food Poverty & Support the Elderly (England, Wales and Scotland)

Groundwork and One Stop Stores have teamed up to deliver the One Stop Community Partnership Programme to support groups and organisations who are working to tackle food poverty or supporting the elderly within the local community.

One Stop convenience stores will create partnerships with local community groups or charities across England, Wales and Scotland to provide support for local good causes which could include funding, volunteering, fundraising and awareness raising.

Applicants are encouraged to visit their local One Stop store for more information.

Useful Links:

[Find your local One Stop store](#)

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<https://www.groundwork.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/national-grants/one-stop-community-partnership/>

Digital Connectivity Programme for Councils Opens for Applications (England)

Local authorities in England are invited to bid for up to £20,000 of match funding for projects which enhance digital connectivity – both broadband and mobile – to ensure that all residents, local businesses and their workforce have access to reliable broadband.

With access to fast and reliable digital connectivity becoming even more necessary due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Local Government Association's (LGA) Digital Connectivity Programme will help councils to provide vital services for residents who don't have access or confidence to use digital platforms.

Funding will allow councils to connect with residents and employees to test and develop innovative technologies and services, become more efficient and share good practice.

Bids involving councils working in partnership are encouraged.

The deadline for applications is the 12th November 2020.

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<https://www.local.gov.uk/lga-digital-connectivity-programme-prospectus#appendix-a>

Funding for Community Businesses to Remain Financially Viable (England)

Power to Change, the independent charitable trust that supports and develops community businesses in England has announced that it will launch a new fund to support community businesses in England affected by the Covid-19 crisis.

Community businesses will be able to apply for grants of between £10,000 and £20,000 to adapt and evolve to the changing circumstances; and to remain financially viable. There are no restrictions on how the grants and they can be used to cover core staffing costs, contribute to meeting capital costs of adapting community businesses and ensuring that they can continue to provide the vital support to local people.

Priority will be given to applications from areas of England facing high levels of deprivation, organisations supporting and led by disabled people and Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME)-led or BAME-supporting businesses.

There is a very short applications windows (3 hours) as high demand is anticipated. The fund will be open for applications from 10am – 1pm on the 3rd November 2020.

Two further funding rounds will be made available:

Round Two – Tuesday 12 January 2021, 10am-1pm

Round Three – Tuesday 2 March 2021, 10am-1pm

Potential applicants can join [a free webinar on Tuesday 20 October at 1pm](#), where they will learn more about the fund.

Useful Links:

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<https://www.powertochange.org.uk/get-support/programmes/community-business-renewal-fund/>

Sport England Launches New £16.5 Million Fund to Support Sport and Physical Activities during the Covid-19 pandemic (England)

Sport England has launched a new fund that will support groups, clubs and organisations that have been impacted by restrictions brought in to tackle Covid-19 and is part of the organisation's overall response to the crisis that now includes more than £220m of government and National Lottery funding.

The Return to Play Fund is made up of three parts:

- a £10m [Small grants](#) which will provide grants of between £300 and £10,000 to help sport and activity groups, clubs and organisations respond to the immediate challenges of returning to play in a Covid-19-safe environment;
- a £5m [Community Asset Fund](#) that will provide grants ranging in value from £10,001 to £50,000 to help local sports clubs and organisations to adapt and open important places and spaces that can help them welcome back their local community safely;
- and a £1.5m Active [Together Fund](#) which is a crowdfunding initiative will help sports clubs and organisations set up their own campaigns to help sustain them through the crisis.

The Return to Play Fund will especially seek to support those groups and organisations working with audiences that Sport England have identified as finding it more difficult to be active at this time. These include:

- Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities
- People on lower incomes
- Those disproportionately affected financially as a result of the crisis
- Disabled people and people with long-term health conditions
- Those who are experiencing a greater burden of care responsibilities since the pandemic began

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

Useful Links:

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<https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/our-funds>

Funding to Promote Young People's Engagement with Care Homes (England)

My Home Life England and the Linking Network are delivering a national initiative to promote young people's engagement with care homes.

The Care Home Friends and Neighbours: Intergenerational Linking Project will link together young people aged 5- 14 years in schools or youth groups from deprived areas with older people living in care homes across England. Charities, local authorities and not for profit organisations can apply for funding of up to £31,000 for activities which could include:

- creating artwork,
- doing horticultural and agricultural activities,
- sharing life stories and experiences,
- developing life skills
- spending time socialising.

The project is funded through the #iwill Fund and managed by the Dunhill Medical Trust and expressions of interest should be submitted by 5pm on the 13th November 2020.

Useful Links:

[Essential Eligibility Criteria for Grants](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Project Information Sheet](#)

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<http://carehomefans.org/intergenerational-linking/>

Funding to Support the Creative Development of Individual Cultural and Creative Practitioners (England)

Arts Council England have reopened their Developing Your Creative Practice Fund to help individual cultural and creative practitioners explore new ways of working and to better respond to the changing environment as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Grants of between £2,000 and £10,000 are available to help individuals with their own creative development which could include research, time to create new work, travel, training, developing ideas, networking or mentoring.

Eligibility has been expanded to include practitioners such as DJs, performer/creators, arts and cultural educators, community practitioners/engagement specialists, movement directors, and creative technicians.

The programme is being supported with £18 million of National Lottery Funding.

There will be a total of four funding rounds between October 2020 and October 2021 and the deadline for applications for the current round is 12pm on the 5th November 2020.

Useful Links:

[Case Studies](#)

[Application Quiz](#)

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<https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/DYCP>

Funding for Youth Groups in Rural Areas (Scotland)

Youth Scotland has announced that the Youth Scotland Rural Action Fund has re-opened for applications. Supported by [The Robertson Trust](#) and [The Gannochy Trust](#), this fund aims to enhance and develop community-based youth work in Scotland's rural communities.

In its [first two years](#), the highly successful fund has enabled 5,866 young people to access opportunities in their local communities.

The fund has been created in response to the challenges which rural youth groups are facing in funding the delivery of community based universal youth work.

It will make small awards to enable youth groups operating in rural communities provide more and/or better youth work opportunities for young people.

In order to apply, organisations must be ineligible for support through Youth Scotland's Generation Cashback programme or other Cashback for Communities funding opportunities.

The minimum amount of funding is £100 and maximum amount per award is £750.

To be eligible the applicants must be a volunteer run youth groups who:

- Are based in Scotland
- Are volunteer-led and delivered in rural communities with a maximum of 2 FTE staff member (If you have more than 2 FTE staff members for fixed periods e.g. during holidays, please contact us to see if you are eligible)
- Are universal access for all young people
- Can demonstrate a lack of alternative universal access provision for young people in their community (as a result of their rural location)
- Work with young people aged between 8 to 25 years old
- Want to try new things, enhance existing provision or increase your capacity to deliver a specific project or programme
- Plan to spend the grant within 6-9 months of receiving it
- Can provide evidence of a low annual turnover
- Are applying for between £100 and £750. No match funding is required

There are several funding rounds over the next year and the next closing date for applications is the 29th November 2020.

Useful Links:

[Application Form](#)

[Terms and Conditions](#)

[Guidance Pack](#)

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<https://www.youthscotland.org.uk/programmes/youth-scotland-rural-action-fund/>

Funding to Support the Creative Sector During the Covid-19 Pandemic (Scotland)

Grants of between £1,000 and £100,000 are available to help the creative and culture sector in Scotland adapt and respond to the current challenging circumstances caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Creative Scotland's Open Fund: Sustaining Creative Development, has separate funding strands for Individuals and Organisations to help them to explore new ways of working, take creative risks, think about how to reach audiences in different ways, or look at ways to stabilise existing activity.

Freelance and self-employed artists and creative practitioners, and organisations in the arts, screen and creative industries can apply for funding to support activity for up to twelve months.

The overall budget for the Open Fund for Individuals and the Open Fund for Organisations totals £7.5million.

Applications can be made at any time.

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

Useful Links:

[Open Fund for Individuals Guidance](#)

[Open Fund for Organisations Guidance](#)

[Open Fund FAQs](#)

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<https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/open-fund-sustaining-creative-development>

Funding for Scottish Islands to Ditch Single-Use Packaging (Scotland)

£600,000 is being made available by the Scottish Government and European Regional Development Fund to encourage shops on Scottish islands to ditch single-use packaging and move to reusable options.

The Islands Green Recovery Programme Refillery Fund will allow small and medium-sized enterprises to gain funding of up to £100,000 to offer groceries to customers in packaging-free refill dispensers. This includes dispensers for dry goods such as cereals, spices, pasta and rice, liquid items such as milk, oils and vinegars, and other products such as laundry detergents, and liquid soaps. The Fund will be administered by Zero Waste Scotland.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 16th November 2020.

For any questions about the fund criteria or application process, please contact Lesley McMurtrie at IGRP@zerowastescotland.org.uk.

Useful Links:

[Application Form](#)

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<https://www.zerowastescotland.org.uk/funding/single-use-packaging-targeted-islands-green-recovery-programme>

Funding for Local Nature Projects (Wales)

The National Lottery Heritage Fund and the Welsh Government are seeking applications for the £2.3 million Local Places for Nature 2020 grant programme to enable communities in Wales to create, restore and enhance nature in their local area.

Grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations for community-based capital projects in towns and cities, in the marine environment, and where people live, work or spend their leisure time.

Funding must be used to create a natural asset, particularly in areas of deprivation or urban or peri-urban areas, such as flower rich meadows or verges, a community orchard, or removal of non-native species or other threats to nature to allow native species to recover.

Applications are open until further notice or until all the grant monies have been allocated.

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<https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding/local-places-nature-guidance>

Funding for Projects that Raise the Attainment of Disadvantaged School Students (North of England)

The Shine Trust which funds projects that help disadvantaged young people to realise their academic potential, has announced that the Let Teachers SHINE competition is now open for applications. The competition aims to find the country's best teachers and some fresh, imaginative and practical ways to raise attainment among disadvantaged students in literacy, numeracy and/or science. Grants of up to £25,000 over two years are available to teachers who have brilliant ideas to help disadvantaged children in the North of England to succeed in English, Maths or Science.

The Shine Trust is making £150,000 available to invest in early stage ideas, and will be looking to award up to 10 new grants dependant on grant size.

As well as funding, SHINE offers winning teachers' free access to a broad range of development workshops and coaching opportunities – helping teachers to get the best out of their ideas.

The competition is free to enter and open to any teacher working in England with students aged up to 18. Successful ideas might involve after-school programmes or innovative use of technology; etc.

Previous winners included:

Amy Hanna: Ark Academy, London for the Miss Hanna Loves Grammar project working with students from year 7 and 8, the large majority of whom have a reading age below their peers. Amy created 150 engaging and age-appropriate YouTube videos, covering basic grammar rules.

Andrew Otty: Exeter College, Exeter for Andrew's Write On! project aiming to produce a bespoke English curriculum for post-16 GCSE learners with very low prior attainment.

Elizabeth Hope: Children's Hospital School, Leicester to develop Science at the Bedside, a comprehensive set of teaching resources for specialist and non-specialist staff, both at her own hospital and others around the country. These resources will enable children of all key stages and abilities to have access to practical, stimulating and engaging science lessons whilst in hospital.

The closing date for applications is midnight on the 11th January 2021.

Useful Links:

[Previous Winners](#)

[Application Guidelines](#)

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<https://shinetrust.org.uk/what-we-do/let-teachers-shine/>

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;
- 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 2020 - grants 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, working in partnership with an expert health agency/provider. **This has currently been suspended due to the Coronavirus.**

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 9th February 2021. Grant applications must be received at the very least, four weeks before this date.

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

Funding Available to Schools to Raise the Attainment of Children from Disadvantaged Backgrounds (North East, North West and Yorkshire and Humber)

Schools in the North of England can apply for funding to help raise the attainment for children from low income homes. The funding is available to try out new ideas to improve teaching and learning in schools and help the best ideas grow to scale.

The funding aims to address the following priorities:

- [Ready for School](#): improving the school readiness of children during the reception year, with a priority focus on language and communication skills (age 4-5)
- [Bridging the Gap](#): supporting vulnerable children who may not meet Age Related Expectations at primary school to make better academic progress during Key Stage 3 (age 9-14)
- [Flying High](#): supporting high attaining students to build on their achievements at primary school and stay on a high attaining trajectory during the first few years at secondary school (age 9-14)
- [Let Teachers Shine](#): Backing passionate teachers to test new innovations in the classroom.

The funding is being made available through the educational charity Shine and funding decisions are made four times a year typically in March, June, September and December.

Any grants to non-school organisations, including to other charities, will need to involve a strong element of co-delivery and/or training for schools, with the aim of the project becoming sustainable without SHINE over time. On average, it takes 3-6 months between initial contact with the SHINE office to a grants decision being reached.

If you have an idea which you think may meet our funding criteria, please email info@shinetrust.org.uk with a basic outline detailing the following points, in no more than 3-4 paragraphs:

- An overview of the project and its aims, specifically related to academic attainment in maths, literacy or science;
- How it would meet SHINE's core priorities;
- The number of beneficiaries and schools it would reach; and
- The overall project budget and size of request to SHINE.

The normal range of SHINE grant funding for the full duration of a 2-3 year project is around £20,000-£100,000.

The deadlines for applications are usually around the end of January, the end of April and the end of October each year.

Useful Links:

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[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

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<https://www.shinetrust.org.uk/what-we-do/>

Green Health Grants to Improve Health, Wellbeing and the Environment (Hull, East Riding of Yorkshire, Knowsley, St Helens and Wigan or Leigh)

Voluntary and community groups and other not-for-profit organisations in Hull, East Riding of Yorkshire, Knowsley, St Helens, Wigan and Leigh can apply for grants of up to £10,000 for projects which contribute towards the conservation, protection and improvement of the environment whilst benefiting the health and wellbeing of local communities.

The City Health Care Partnership Foundation is offering funding for volunteer led activities, projects or one-off events which aim to:

- Reduce waste
- Reduction in use of plastics
- Reduction in CO₂ emissions (eg sustainable/green travel projects)
- Education projects for young people to encourage greener behaviour
- Wildlife preservation/protection projects
- Using less water – projects to preserve or reuse water

Applicants must have an annual income of under £30,000 to be eligible.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 1st November 2020.

Useful Links:

[Application Guidance Notes](#)

[Application Form](#)

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<https://www.chcpcic.org.uk/chcp-services/chcp-foundation/pages/green-health-grants>

Metro Mayor Launches New Environment Fund (Liverpool City Region)

A £500,000 Community Environment Fund has been launched by the Metro Mayor of the Liverpool City Region (LCR) for projects that will make a difference to the environment and to the wellbeing of the people who live there.

Charities, community groups, schools and colleges, faith groups, residents' associations and other not-for-profit groups can apply for funding to aid a green recovery after the Covid-19 pandemic by expanding their work and to support communities to engage in a range of environmental activities.

The fund will support a wide range of projects covering the following themes:

- Climate change and resilience
- Air quality and transport
- Water
- Accessible green spaces, habitats and biodiversity
- Waste and resources
- Health and wellbeing
- Carbon and environment literacy
- Energy reduction
- Food and agriculture

Funding is split into three streams which will provide grants of between £300 and £50,000. Applications for Streams 1 and 2 will close at 9am on the 2nd November 2020. Stream 3 applications will close at 9am on the 23rd November 2020.

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<https://www.groundwork.org.uk/metro-mayor-launches-new-environment-fund/>

Hate Crime Awareness Week 2021 Grants Programme (Manchester)

Awards of £1,000 are available to support projects across the city of Manchester that promote awareness of hate crime and how and where to report it.

Local voluntary and community groups, social enterprises, and public sector organisations can apply for one of ten £1,000 grants for projects that take place during Hate Crime Awareness Week between the 1st and 7th February 2021. Applicants should think up new ways of raising awareness which can be delivered with social distancing and other safety measures in mind, and can include activities that are a one-off or that may take place over several days.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 12th November 2020.

For general questions about this funding, please contact Oliver at Macc on 0161 834 9823 or email: oliver@macc.org.uk

Useful Links:

[Programme Prospectus](#)

[Application Form](#)

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<https://manchestercommunitycentral.org/hate-crime-awareness-week-2021-grants-programme>

Funding for the Rehabilitation of Young Offenders (Kent)

The NewColyer-Fergusson Charitable Trust's Investing in Rehabilitation programme will make grants to support the rehabilitation of offenders and to help reduce the collateral consequences of their imprisonment for their families, with the aim of reducing reoffending. This programme will support organisations that work to break the pernicious cycle of reoffending; helping offenders and their families move forward to build better lives, with real options for a meaningful and positive future within their communities.

Eligible organisations will be a registered charity, CIC, social enterprise or other properly constituted not-for-profit organisation with a management committee with at least three unrelated members; and be working with people living in, or in custody within Kent.

Extra priority will be given to groups that:

- Clearly explain the focus of their work and define its intended outcomes
- Demonstrate a commitment to service user involvement
- Demonstrate collaborative/partnership working

One-off and multi-year grants in the range of £7,500 to £75,000 will be awarded. However, organisations wishing to apply for a smaller or larger sum should write to the Chief Executive, Jacqueline Rae: jrae@cfct.org.uk with a brief summary of their application (no more than 300 words) before applying.

This is a rolling programme and applications can be submitted at any time.

Useful Links:

[Application Guidelines](#)

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<http://www.cfct.org.uk/investing-in-rehabilitation/#>

Healthy Schools Transition Fund Closing Date Extended (Salford)

Salford CVS has announced that the closing date for their Healthy Schools Transition Fund has been extended until 12pm on the 6th November 2020.

The Fund provides grants of between £25,000 to £40,000 to support vulnerable pupils who are due to transition from Primary School to Secondary School in Salford. It can also support pupils for whom need emerges after transition.

Applications must be led by the Secondary School with involvement of at least one feeder Primary School, up to a maximum of four feeder Primary Schools. All successful partnerships will include the involvement of a Salford-based voluntary, community or social enterprise organisation.

Useful Links:

[Guidance Notes](#)

[Salford Council's Schools Transition Policy 2020](#)

[Expression of Interest Form](#)

[Terms and Conditions of Grant](#)

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

Funding Reminders

Grants of up to £5,000 Available for Projects that Help the Homeless (UK)

Help the Homeless makes grants of up to £5,000 to small and medium sized charitable organisations (with a turnover of less than £1 million) whose aim is to help homeless people return to the community and enabling them to resume a normal life.

Typically, such organisations may operate small or medium-sized residential or training facilities to assist homeless people.

The grants are available for capital costs and examples of previously supported projects include:

- The Booth Centre, an advice and activity centre for homeless people in Manchester, where people undertake education and training courses as well as receiving advice and food, received a grant of £1,500 to transform the centre with new lighting, a new water heater and new decoration.
- A grant of £3,000 to the Amber Foundation to enable the Foundation to buy new bedroom furniture for their residential centre in Devon, where every year over 60 unemployed, homeless young people are able to rebuild their lives and gain the motivation, confidence, self-esteem and skills for independent living.

The closing date for the next round of funding is the 15th December 2020.

Useful Links:

[Download application form.](#)

[Previously funded projects](#)

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<http://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/applying-for-funding/>

New Fund Launched to Improve the Quality of Life for Serving Armed Forces Personnel (UK)

Army, Air and Naval units are encouraged to apply for funding for projects that improve the quality of life for serving personnel and their families living on or near an Armed Forces base or station in the UK or overseas.

Grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 are available through the NAAFI Fund for projects or activities that help bring people together and reduce boredom or isolation amongst single serving personnel living in Single Living Accommodation, and Armed Forces families.

Funding can be used to refurbish spaces for recreation and leisure, purchase equipment or run projects of up to a year.

The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust is administering the Fund on behalf of the Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes (NAAFI).

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 23rd November 2020.

Useful Links:

[Application Guidance](#)

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<https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/the-naafi-fund/>

Funding for Local Projects to Support the Armed Forces Community (UK)

Grants of up to £20,000 are available for projects supporting Armed Forces communities to become less isolated and engage more in their local area and the needs that have arisen as a result of Covid-19.

To be eligible to apply, the applicant organisation must be:

- An established registered charity or Community Interest Company (CIC) with substantial recent experience of supporting Armed Forces communities;
- An Armed Forces unit or base;
- A local authority;
- A school.

The funding is being made available through the Armed Forces Covenant Fund's Force for Change programme.

The Trust will fund a wide range of projects under this programme. However, applicants must be able to show that their project fits under one of these two main themes.

- Empowering Armed Forces communities to become more engaged in their local area.
- Providing opportunities for isolated members of the Armed Forces community to take part in activities that improve general wellbeing.

This year, in light of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Trust will be particularly welcoming applications for projects that help Armed Forces communities move to the 'new normal' while continuing to support local needs and reduce isolation. There will be a particular focus on ensuring volunteers can carry out local projects.

The closing date for applications for this funding round is noon on Monday the 30th November 2020.

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<https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/armed-forces-covenant-fund-force-for-change-programme/>

Funding Available to Redistribute Surplus Food (UK)

FareShare's Surplus with Purpose is a £3 million Fund that provides funding of up to £50,000 to food businesses in the UK to offset the costs of sending good quality surplus food to good causes, helping the people most in need.

The fund is open to companies seeking to unlock new or hard to reach surplus (or 'waste') food, as well as those that haven't previously worked with FareShare.

The type of foods eligible for support includes:

- Packaging / labelling errors
- Stock that's become surplus due to forecasting errors
- Stock below MLOR (48 hours minimum life on receipt by FareShare)
- Fruit & veg past BBE
- Stock past BBE (subject to manufacturer's extension letter)
- Quality rejections – 'out of spec'
- Unfinished products
- Bulk ingredients for manufacturing
- Lines no longer being retailed
- Samples and NPD's
- Foreign label stock
- Damages
- Seasonal stock
- Retailer branded food.

The funding can be used to cover the additional staff costs needed for packing and sorting edible surplus food, or in building, implementing and managing new processes. It could also cover packaging and transportation costs, or lost income from the sale of surplus to animal feed or anaerobic digestion.

Funding applications can be submitted at any time.

Useful Links:

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Eligible Foods](#)

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<https://fareshare.org.uk/giving-food/>

Funding for Community Based Food Initiatives (UK)

Not for profit groups and settings such as local community groups, nurseries, schools, care homes, community health and social care settings, housing associations, and charities can apply for grants of up to £150 to use good food to connect and bring together people of all ages and from different backgrounds.

The funding is being made available through Food for Life Get Together initiative and the aim is to get more people eating healthily, strengthen communities and reduce experience of loneliness and social isolation.

The funding is available in specific areas of the UK. These are:

- Birmingham, Stoke on Trent, Walsall
- Leicester City, Leicestershire, Nottingham City
- Hull, Calderdale, Kirklees, Sheffield
- Rochdale, Salford, Wigan
- Betsi Cadwaladr, Aneurán Bevan, Cardiff and Vale
- Belfast, Fermanagh and Omagh District, Newry, Mourne and Down District
- Glasgow, Inverclyde, Edinburgh

There will be three funding rounds during 2020 and the closing date for round 3 applications is the 13th November 2020.

Useful Links:

[Application Form and Guidance](#)

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<https://www.foodforlife.org.uk/get-togethers/get-involved/small-grants>

British Science Week Community Grant Scheme Opens for Application (UK)

The British Science Week Community Grant Scheme has re-opened for applications. The scheme offers £500-£2,000 grants to community groups that run their own science activities during British Science Week (5-14 March 2021) aimed at audiences who are traditionally under-represented and currently not engaged in science activity during.

This can include:

- people from ethnic minorities
- people with low socio-economic status, including people disadvantaged in terms of education and income
- people with a physical or mental condition or impairment
- people living in a remote and rural location, defined as settlements of less than 10,000 people
- girls and women

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 9th November 2020.

Note: community grants cannot be used for events or activities with school groups unless they are a special needs school. For school activities, the schools themselves, if they meet the eligibility criteria, should apply for the [Kick Start Grants](#).

For any questions, please contact the British Science Association: bsw@britishscienceassociation.org

Useful Links:

[2020 Community Grant Guidelines](#)

[Application Form](#)

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<https://www.britishscienceweek.org/about-us/grants/bsw-community-grant-scheme/>

British Science Week 2021 Kick Start Grants Are Now Open for Applications (UK)

The British Science Association has announced that applications for British Science Week “Kick Start” grants have reopened for applications. As part of the British Science Week (BSW), the British Science Association, with funding from UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), is providing grants for schools in challenging circumstances to organise their own science and engineering events.

British Science Week (BSW), which is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering, and maths.

There are four types of grant:

- Kick Start Youth grant: a grant of £150 for your school to run an activity during British Science Week organised and delivered by students aged 10-19.
- Kick Start grant: a grant of £300 for your school to run an activity during British Science Week.
- Kick Start More grant: a grant of £700 for your school to host a science event or activity which involves your students and the local community. The community can comprise of families/carers, members of local community groups, local businesses and local press.
- NEW! Kick Start grant + Youth grant: a grant of £450 for your school to run an activity during British Science Week and an additional activity organised and delivered by students aged 10-19.

To be eligible students must be from a school that fulfills one or more of the following criteria.

- Have a high proportion (over 30%) of pupils eligible for the pupil premium or equivalent;
- Have a high proportion (over 30%) of pupils from ethnic minority backgrounds;
- Be a small school based in a remote and rural location.

For any questions, please contact us at bsw@britishscienceassociation.org

The closing date for applications is 5pm on the 9th November 2020.

Useful Links:

[British Science Week Kick Start Grant Guidelines](#)

[Application Form](#)

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<https://www.britishscienceweek.org/about-us/grants/kick-start-grant-scheme/>

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

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

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

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

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 11th November 2020.

Useful Links:

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Scheme Guidance](#)

[Past Awards](#)

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

Lloyd's Register Foundation - Digital Innovations Grant (UK)

The Lloyd's Register Foundation, Heritage & Education Centre is inviting applications for grant funding to harness emerging technologies to develop its heritage and education resources.

The diversity of the Lloyd's Register Foundation's collection means that a variety of technologies could be used to further its educational reach and impact.

Technology start-ups, universities and data interrogation organisations can apply for a Digital Innovations grant. A total of £100,000 is available to cover the costs of appraising and using associated resources, from both HEC's own collections and other collections worldwide – ensuring the technology or software could be used in an open source format for use by other relevant institutions.

Potential areas of interest include the development of optical character recognition that can accurately capture handwritten text, 3D printing and mapping, data visualisation and augmented reality.

The successful applicant will be required to develop the technology independently.

The deadline for applications is 11:59pm on the 28th February 2021.

Useful Links:

To find out more about the Centre's research strategy click [here](#).

Additionally, you can read the Lloyd's Register Foundation's strategy [here](#).

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<https://hec.lfoundation.org.uk/get-involved/digital-innovations-grant>

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