

# Funding Insight



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# New Funding Opportunities

## **Funding for Charities to Adapt Services to Respond to Covid-19 (UK)**

Charities, CICs and registered social and healthcare providers can apply for funding to develop new or adapt existing services that respond to the COVID-19 situation.

The funding is being made available through the Peter Sowerby Foundation's new Increasing Access Fund. The Fund is aimed specifically at ensuring or increasing access to key services and activities for beneficiaries who have struggled with access due to COVID-19.

The value of the Fund is £1.4million, which we will give to organisations nationally working within the Foundation's key domains:

- Healthcare Innovation – Organisations in the fields of disability, medical research, mental health and those supporting individuals with long-term health conditions.
- Community – Organisations working with young people, especially those considered disadvantaged, delivering support to those disproportionately affected by Covid-19 and/or those working to support isolated older people.
- Environment – Organisations working in the area of horticulture and conservation which have been significantly financially impacted by the closure of venues.
- Arts – Organisations working in the area of arts, health and well-being where services and programmes are being adapted to benefit communities impacted by Covid-19.

The programme is split into three distinct funding streams:

- Digital Breakthrough Grants to pilot new innovations or service delivery - The Foundation will fund five large grants of up to £100,000 to support charities (with a maximum turnover of £5million) in the area of innovation and transformation in health and social care.
- Digital Good Causes to transform or adapt new services digitally - The Digital Good Causes Fund is aimed at smaller charities (with a maximum turnover of £1million, but with a preference for smaller organisations with a turnover of around £500,000) within the area of Community, Environment and the Arts (although the Foundation may also consider applications from smaller organisations working within the area of healthcare innovation).
- Adapted Good Causes to pilot, test or launch new services in light of the COVID-19 situation. - is aimed at smaller organisations (maximum turnover of £1million, but with a preference for smaller organisations with a turnover of around £500,000) working within the areas of Community, Environment and the Arts. This includes organisations working with significantly hard to reach groups, such as those who are homeless, older people, or arts organisations that require face to face interaction and where programmes or activities need to be redesigned or reshaped.

The deadline for submitting an Expression of Interest is 5pm on 16th November 2020.

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<https://www.petersowerbyfoundation.com/increasing-access-fund>

## Funding for Organisations Tackling Food Poverty (UK)

Charities, community and voluntary groups, parish and town councils, parent-teacher associations and other not-for-profit organisations tackling food poverty can apply for a share of £1.5 million in funding raised through sales of the Co-op's summer picnic range and donated to the National Emergencies Trust.

The emergency funding will be distributed by forty-six community foundations across the UK.

The grant amount that organisations can apply for will be set at a local level so applicants will need to check with their local community foundation before applying. The vast majority of grants awarded will likely to be between £2000 and £10,000 but in some cases a community foundation might award a larger grant to an organisation that is covering a larger geographic area or leading on a coordinated partnership response.

Local organisations best placed to support people and communities affected by food poverty during the Covid-19 pandemic such as food banks, volunteer centres, food delivery services, programmes that tackle food waste, and holiday hunger schemes can all apply for support.

The deadline for applications is the 13th November 2020.

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<https://www.ukcommunityfoundations.org/our-programmes/coopfunding>

## Funding Support for Communities Affected by Covid-19 (England)

Clarion Futures, the Charitable Foundation of the Clarion Housing Group has announced that its Clarion Futures COVID-19 Recovery & Resilience Grants scheme is open for applications. Through the scheme, charities, community groups, PTA's and other not-for-profit organisations can apply for grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 for innovative projects to:

- adapted and/or reinstated activities that support Clarion residents and the wider community to improve lives and neighbourhoods.
- deliver essential services to residents, communities and vulnerable people impacted by COVID-19
- support projects and activities seeking to connect and support communities in response to COVID19 and its on-going impact

Clarion Housing Group owns and manages 125,000 homes across 170 local authorities.

Funding will be prioritised for projects which seek to support vulnerable people who have been disproportionately affected by COVID-19 in England, including, but not exclusive to, BAME communities, lone parents, young carers, low income families and people with disabilities.

The closing date for applications is 12 noon on the 12th November 2020.

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<https://clarionfutures.flexigrant.com/>

## Funding to Help Schools & Colleges Reduce Energy Usage (UK)

Individual academies, academy sixth forms, free schools and those in Multi-Academy Trusts are able to apply for funding to install energy efficient technologies to lower energy bills and create a more comfortable learning environment.

### Funding Criteria for 2020/21

- Each applicant may submit one application, which can consist of multiple projects. Multi-Academy Trusts can submit one application for each academy within the trust.
- The maximum loan value is £200,000, applications can be part-funded if they exceed this value.
- The minimum loan value is £8,000.
- The loan value must not exceed an 8-year payback. Projects exceeding this payback can be part-funded.
- Projects must cost no more than £222 per tonne/CO2e.
- To score maximum marks there will need to be an affordable contribution from other sources.
- No aspect of a project included in a SEEF application can be applied for as part of CIF or other Salix schemes, in the same financial year of applications.

The closing date for applications is 23.59 on the 11th January 2020.

### Useful Links:

[Guidance](#)

[Funding to Date](#)

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<https://www.salixfinance.co.uk/loans/SEEF>

## Funding Programme to Address Challenges in Migration & Integration to Re-open to Applications (UK)

Grants of between £30,000 and 400,000 will be available to enable not-for-profit organisations to explore opportunities and address challenges in the area of migration and integration across the UK.

The Paul Hamlyn Foundation's Shared Ground Fund will re-open to applications on the 30th October 2020 for work that influences migration system reform, improves access to support services, supports communities to live well together and thrive, and addresses challenges for people who have migrated, particularly those who are 'undocumented' or have irregular immigration status.

The programme will provide organisations with the financial support they need to test new approaches and explore ways of adapting existing work.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

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<https://www.phf.org.uk/funds/shared-ground-fund/#purpose-of-the-fund>

## Funding for Chemistry Clubs at Schools and Colleges (UK)

Schools and colleges can apply for grants of up to £1,000 to run chemistry activities. The funds which are made available by the Royal Society of Chemistry, are targeted at activities run at schools and colleges outside the normal science timetable. Activities should be focused on generating interest in chemistry in all ability levels or which may provide opportunities to stretch and challenge the already able and motivated students.

Applications from existing chemistry clubs looking to expand/ enhance activities would be welcome as would those from schools and colleges interested in starting a new club. An application would need to indicate how the longevity of the proposal was ensured and how best practice and experience from it might be shared within and between other (perhaps feeder) schools. The application must be made by a teacher at a primary or secondary school.

Applications are considered at quarterly meetings throughout the year and the next deadline for applications to be considered is the 15th November 2020.

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<http://www.rsc.org/Membership/Networking/InterestGroups/BMCS/education-support-group/chemistry-clubs.asp>

## Arts-Based Learning Fund to Re-opens for Applications (UK)

The Paul Hamlyn Foundation's Arts-based Learning Fund will re-open to applications on the 30th October 2020.

The Foundation will accept applications from arts organisations that are working with schools, colleges and other formal education settings to enhance the lives, development and achievements of children and young people through high quality arts-based learning activities.

Charities, community organisations, social enterprises and not-for-profit companies can apply for grants of between £30,000 and £400,000 for two to three-year projects. The Foundation is particularly interested in funding work for the benefit of primary-age children and work taking place in areas of social and economic deprivation and inequality outside of London.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

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<https://www.phf.org.uk/funds/arts-based-learning-fund/#purpose-of-the-fund>

## **The Foyle School Library Scheme Re-opens for Applications (UK)**

The Foyle Foundation has re-opened its Schools Library Programme.

State-funded schools and sixth form colleges across the UK that do not have or want to improve their libraries will be able to apply for funding of between £1,000 and £10,000. Priority is likely to be given to primary schools and to funding library books.

The Foundation do not consider applications to the Foyle School Library Scheme from nursery / early years only establishments.

Priority, and the majority of given funds, will continue to be awarded for physical library/reading books. In light of the current situation the Foundation will be more flexible when considering requests for e-readers and electronic reading resources, however a strong case for support and explanation of need will have to be made within the application.

The Foundation will also consider contributions towards library software, necessary IT equipment and furniture etc. in order to create a suitable library space, although ideally the majority of funding should be requested for books/reading materials.

Preference will be given to schools which can clearly demonstrate that their library can be maintained and renewed in the future. Local deprivation levels, the Ofsted report and current literacy levels at the school will be taken into account when assessing applications.

### **Useful Links:**

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<http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/how-to-apply/>

## Harold Hyam Wingate Foundation (UK)

The Wingate Foundation has announced that the next deadline to apply is the 22nd November 2020.

The Foundation supports projects, institutions and activities in the following areas:

- Jewish Life and Learning - applications are invited from academic institutions specialising in Jewish subjects and from bodies promoting Jewish culture, including museums, libraries and literary publications.
- Performing Arts (excluding music) - financial support for charities with a record of artistic excellence that require additional funding, not available from public sources or commercial sponsorship, to broaden their repertoire or develop work of potentially outstanding interest which cannot be funded from the usual sources.
- Music - support in those areas of music performance and education which do not readily attract backing from commercial sponsors or other funding bodies, or which are not eligible for public funding.
- Medical Research Travel grants - grants of up to £1,000 are available for visits to laboratories for the acquisition of new skills, and for setting up inter-institutional collaborative research

Applications are invited from smaller charitable organisations only; the Trustees will not consider approaches from large charities who are well represented on the High Street or their local branch offices.

### Previous projects supported include:

- £5,000 per year for 3 years to Little Angel Theatre as support for Little Angel Studios, a new building dedicated to education, community and outreach work.
- £3,250 to The Voices Foundation for 1-Year Foundation Programme in a cluster of five schools in Essex to ensure that every child irrespective of ability, means or background has access to high quality music education through singing and the use of equipment
- £6,000 a year for three years to Anne Frank Trust UK to fund educational work in three schools.

**Applicants need to detail how the funding they are seeking can be used under the constraints of the current HM Govt Coronavirus (COVID-19) guidance for the sector.**

### Useful Links:

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<http://www.wingatefoundation.org.uk/>

## Grants for Talented Musicians and Groups (UK)

The MOBO Help Musicians Fund has been created in partnership to support the career ambitions of exceptionally talented artists and groups with grants of up to £3,000 to support creative output as well as business advice and other support measures.

This year, the fund has expanded in investment and enhanced its support package, aiming to empower musicians to drive forward their businesses at a crucial time. This could include reshaping your current business plans in the context of the changing domestic and global situations.

Any solo artist, producer, songwriter or group working within any genre can apply but preference may be given to; R&B, Afrobeat, Soul, Hip Hop, Grime, Jazz, Gospel, Garage, Reggae and African music.

Eligible applicants will be:

- Aged 18 or over
- Based primarily in the UK and eligible to work here
- A resident in the UK for at least the last 3 consecutive years
- In financial need and without significant backing from labels, music publishing companies or management
- A track record of regularly performing, writing and releasing music for at least 12 months

Groups can also apply where at least half of the group members meet the criteria as above and if they have been established and playing together regularly for at least 12 months. Groups of up to 4 members can apply for up to £2,000; Groups of 5 or more people or those wanting to work with a larger ensemble can apply for up to £3,000

The closing date for applications is 9am on the 23rd November 2020.

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<https://www.helpmusicians.org.uk/creative-programme/current-opportunities/mobo-help-musicians-fund>

## **Funding for Methodist Church Building Development Projects (UK & Ireland)**

Methodist Churches in the UK and Ireland can apply for funding to run building development projects that focus on church growth, community engagement and improving disabled access and facilities.

Funded primarily by donations from Methodist Insurance PLC, the Allchurches Trust's Methodist Grants Programme will provide grants of up to £60,000, with more funding awarded in the most disadvantaged areas.

Projects previously supported under the programme include a church renovation which provided a larger and more flexible space for community groups and worshippers, and the expansion of a local church's outreach programme by offering a day centre.

Applicants must have already raised at least 30% of the project cost before applying.

Applications can be made at any time.

### **Useful Links:**

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<https://www.allchurches.co.uk/what-we-fund/methodist-grants/>

## **Funding for Community Support Initiatives (Great Britain & Ireland)**

The Ireland Funds Great Britain Grant Round has opened for applications.

The Fund aims to support initiatives that contribute to community development, peace and reconciliation, education, and the arts and culture. This could include positive mental and physical health projects, support for vulnerable members of society, new and equal opportunities in education, employment and personal development, and community arts initiatives.

This year, applications responding to the Covid-19 crisis are also welcome.

Charities and other not for profit organisations across Ireland and Great Britain with an annual income of less than €/\$1million can apply for funding of up to €/\$10,000.

Applicants are initially invited to submit a letter of enquiry by the 6th November 2020. Following a review of the Letters of Enquiry, successful organisations will be invited by the Grants Committee to submit a detailed application for funding.

### **Useful Links:**

[Guidelines](#)

[View previously supported projects](#)

[Letter of Enquiry](#)

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<https://irelandfunds.org/chapters/worldwide/great-britain/grants/>

## Grants for Older People on Low Incomes (England & Wales)

Small grants of up to £500 are available to support vulnerable older people living on low incomes in England and Wales.

Friends of the Elderly currently have four grant streams open for older people who are of/over state pension age, have savings of less than £4,000, and who do not fit the criteria for other funders:

- Home Essentials to help with the cost of replacing everyday items, small home repairs and mobility adaptations;
- Digital Connection to help older people get online;
- Financial Support to help with unexpected bills;
- Essential Living Costs including clothing, food, medicines and books.

Applications must be made via a third-party Referral Agent such as charities, local authority and social services representatives.

Applications can be made at any time, but resources are limited.

### Useful Links:

[Information for Older People needing a grant](#)

[Finding A Referral Agent](#)

[Guidance Notes for Referral Agents and Professionals](#)

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<https://www.fote.org.uk/our-charity-work/grants-2/>

## **Funding to Support Women's Sector Organisations Affected by the Covid-19 Pandemic (England)**

Grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 are available through the COVID-19 Frontline Women's Fund to women's sector organisations in England that are working with women most at risk of poverty and financial hardship due to the coronavirus pandemic. The funding has been made available by the National Lottery Community Fund and will be delivered by the Smallwood Trust.

The COVID-19 Frontline Women's Fund will help approximately thirty small organisations overcome any acute financial difficulties to enable them to continue providing support for women aged 18 and over. Organisations supporting and led by BAME women, women with disabilities and financially vulnerable LGBT+ women are particularly encouraged to apply.

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 in the north of England
- Newcastle, Middlesbrough/Tees Valley, other North East areas

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

The Trust is currently also seeking applications through its [Women's Sector Resilience Fund](#)

For any questions on the application process or guidance notes please email [frontline@smallwoodtrust.org.uk](mailto:frontline@smallwoodtrust.org.uk)

<https://www.smallwoodtrust.org.uk/covid-19-frontline-women%E2%80%99s-fund>

## Homelessness Winter Transformation Fund Opens for Applications (England)

Homelessness, faith, community and voluntary sector organisations can now apply for funding of between £10,000 and £100,000 to provide single room and COVID-19 secure accommodation for people experiencing homelessness this winter.

The £2 million Homelessness Winter Transformation Fund which is provided by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government and distributed by Homeless Link in partnership with Housing Justice will award grants to support traditional, dormitory-style night shelter provision and will seek to produce a legacy for the future of winter homelessness support.

The Fund is open to organisations in England directly working with people experiencing homelessness, and where more than 50 per cent of beneficiaries are people experiencing homelessness. Applicants must have an annual turnover of up to £5 million.

The funding will be distributed via two funding panels.

- The deadline for panel 1 is 1pm, Wednesday 4 November 2020, for Grants Panel on 26 November and funds received during December.
- The deadline for panel 2 is 1pm, Wednesday 2 December 2020, for Grants Panel on 17 December.

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<https://www.homeless.org.uk/connect/blogs/2020/oct/20/homelessness-winter-transformation-fund-launches>

## **IGas Community Energy Fund Opens for Applications (England)**

IGas Energy Plc is one of the UK's leading onshore hydrocarbon producers has announced that its Community Energy Fund has opened for applications.

Since 2018 the IGas has awarded over £1 million worth of grants to help local communities located close to the oil and gas production and exploration sites where they operate. The fund covers specific areas in Hampshire, West Sussex and Lincolnshire.

IGas support projects that make a difference to life in the mainly rural communities where they operate. Organisations that are eligible to apply include community and voluntary organisations that are charitable, educational or benevolent in purpose; as well as local schools. Applicants will need to demonstrate need for their project, real community benefits and value for money.

Grants were awarded to a variety of community projects ranging from renovation work and improvements to a popular Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) in the East Midlands, to a conservation project to stabilise a riverbank and improve biodiversity in the South.

Money has also been allocated for improvements to community buildings and recreation areas; for equipment for schools, sports clubs and centres for disabled young people; for innovative inter-generational projects; and for a pop-up Art gallery supporting people suffering mental health issues.

IGas need initial expressions of interest in order to register projects and then require submission of full applications by the 28th February 2021. The grants panel will make its decisions in April 2021.

### **Useful Links:**

[List of Areas that Qualify](#)

[Application Guidelines](#)

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<http://www.igascommunityfund.co.uk/index.html>

## Funding for Capacity Building and Organisational Resilience in the Heritage Sector (England)

Funding is available to support not-for-profit organisations that can help support digital development in the heritage sector across England.

Through the National Lottery Heritage Fund's £2.5 million Digital Skills for Heritage initiative, funding is available to organisations in three tranches:

- to answer the sector's most pressing and frequently asked digital questions;
- for digital business support, including help with designing new digital services;
- and to provide the sector with resources to build network capability and make use of technology for collaborative practice.

Project enquiry forms must be submitted by 12pm on the 13th November 2020.

One organisation will also receive Business Support Funding to deliver a programme of training and development to build skills in organisational leadership and management.

Project enquiry forms must be submitted by 12pm on the 24th November 2020.

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<https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding#outcome-6>

## Grants to Improve and Develop Cycling Facilities (England)

British Cycling and Sport England are making use of a £15 million investment from the UK Government to develop a national network of new cycling facilities.

The Places to Ride: small grants programme will provide funding of between £1,000 and £50,000 for the development of new or the improvement of existing cycling facilities in communities across England. Organisations including charities, clubs, community organisations, and education establishments including schools can apply for funding to develop cycling activity in their community.

Schools will need to open up their facilities to the wider community in order to be eligible. School please click here for additional information about what to consider when submitting their application.

Projects might include improvements to an existing cycling facility, developing a learn to ride area, providing cycle storage solutions or purchasing equipment to support those from the local community.

Match funding of between 25% and 50% will be required.

The deadline for applications is the 16th November 2020.

### Useful Links:

[Small Grants Advice and Support](#)

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<https://www.britishcycling.org.uk/about/article/20190827-Places-to-Ride--Small-grants-application-0>

## Funding to Support a Green Recovery from Covid-19 (Scotland)

Not-for-profit community-based organisations, as well as schools and nurseries in Scotland can apply for grants of between £1,000 and £100,000 to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support a green recovery from Covid-19.

The Community Climate Asset Fund is a £3.5 million Scottish Government fund, administered by Keep Scotland Beautiful, which provides capital funding for assets which tackle climate change such as:

- Energy efficiency measures in existing community buildings (new builds are not eligible)
- Equipment to support community food growing
- Electric vehicles and charging infrastructure for community-run car clubs, for running existing climate change projects and for delivering services that have been identified as a priority by the community as a result of COVID-19
- Bikes and facilities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Electric bikes and charging infrastructure for community groups running existing climate change projects
- Equipment to reduce waste in your community
- Equipment to support an established community wood fuel scheme

Eligible organisations include:

- Registered Charities
- Community Councils
- Development Trusts
- Schools and Nurseries (registered as not-for profit and are eligible to apply for food growing projects only, up to £10,000 maximum)
- Community-led housing associations (for food growing projects only)

Match funding is a requirement for grants depending on the size of grant requested:

- Up to and including £10,000 do not require match funding.
- Between £10,000 and £30,000 you will need to provide 10% of match funding.
- For £30,000 and over, you will need to provide 20% match funding.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 9th November 2020.

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<https://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/ccaf>

## **Business Support Programme for Heritage Organisations (Scotland)**

Museums Galleries Scotland is inviting applications for the National Lottery Heritage Fund Business Support Programme, 'Surviving to Thriving' to support heritage organisations to develop sustainable business models.

Delivered in partnership with Built Environment Forum Scotland and Greenspace Scotland, the programme will deliver a comprehensive resilience and leadership training programme for approximately forty heritage organisations across Scotland. Training will be tailored to the needs of participants, focusing on four main themes of:

- leadership,
- governance,
- business
- planning and community engagement.

The programme will run for eighteen months, and eligible organisations will be awarded a community grant to enable them to fully participate in the skills programme.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 3rd December 2020.

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[https://www.museumsgalleriesscotland.org.uk/projects/surviving-to-thriving-supporting-sustainable-scottish-heritage-businesses/?utm\\_content=buffer26e31&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=twitter.com&utm\\_campaign=buffer](https://www.museumsgalleriesscotland.org.uk/projects/surviving-to-thriving-supporting-sustainable-scottish-heritage-businesses/?utm_content=buffer26e31&utm_medium=social&utm_source=twitter.com&utm_campaign=buffer)

## **Emergency Funding for Unpaid Carers (Wales)**

The Welsh Government, in partnership with Carers Trust Wales, has announced a new fund of over £1 million to help unpaid carers cope with the financial pressures of Covid-19.

The fund will become available in the coming weeks and will provide grants of up to £300 to carers whose health, wellbeing and financial security has been significantly and negatively impacted by the pandemic. Funding can be used for a range of essentials, including food, household items such as furniture or white goods, or electronics such as a laptop for access to support and services.

Further details on the application process will be made available soon.

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<https://gov.wales/ps1-million-fund-carers-mark-launch-public-consultation>

## **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 2 applications is the 3rd December 2020.

Level 1 applications will not be going ahead for this round due to COVID-19

### **Useful Links:**

[BCPP Leaflet](#)

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[Level 1 Guidance Notes](#)

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

## Grants to Combat Fuel Poverty & Improve Energy Efficiency (London, the East and South East of England)

Round 4 of the UK Power Network's Power Partners Scheme is now open for applications.

Up to forty grants of between £2,000 and £20,000 are available to help charities and other not-for-profit organisations in London, the East and South East of England to combat fuel poverty, improve energy efficiency and support people in vulnerable circumstances, particularly those experiencing difficulties resulting from Covid-19.

This round will focus on support services such as income maximisation, energy efficiency advice and interventions, tariff switching, time of use tariff awareness, and new registrations for the Priority Service Register - provision of energy advice training and support for frontline workers.

All applicants need to show how funding will deliver new activity, particularly the following:

- Supports hard-to-reach or seldom-heard communities within the UK Power Networks areas (London, the South East and East of England).
- Supports people in vulnerable circumstances or living on a low income within the UK Power Networks area.
- Supports individuals or communities who are experiencing emerging vulnerabilities resulting from COVID-19 or entering into fuel poverty as a result of the pandemic within the UK Power Networks area.
- Supports people living in areas with high levels of deprivation within the UK Power Networks area.
- Helps to address fuel poverty, increase energy awareness, reduce energy demand and/or access the benefits associated with low carbon technologies and smart tariffs.
- Could be replicated or scaled up.
- Could be recognised as best practice or innovative.

The Fund is administered by the Centre for Sustainable Energy and the application deadline is 12pm on the 15th November 2020.

Submissions should be made by email to [powerpartners@cse.org.uk](mailto:powerpartners@cse.org.uk)

### Useful Links:

[Application Guidance](#)

[Application Form](#)

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<https://www.cse.org.uk/projects/view/1356>

## **Chronicle Sunshine Fund (North East)**

Parents and carers of a child under the age of 19 living with a disability in Tyne and Wear, Northumberland and County Durham can now apply for funding to purchase equipment such as specialist beds, wheelchairs, trikes, IT and sensory equipment, etc that is not available through the NHS, local authorities or any other sources.

Organisations and schools may also apply on the child's behalf. The funding is being made available through the Chronicle Sunshine Fund.

There are quarterly application meetings and the deadline for the current round is the 28th February 2021.

### **Useful Links:**

[Application Form](#)

[Application Guidance](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Data Release Form](#)

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<https://www.thesunshinefund.org/apply>

## **Funding to Support Food Programmes for Vulnerable Communities Affected by the Covid-19 Pandemic (Devon, Plymouth & Torbay)**

Charities, community and voluntary groups, social enterprises and other not-for-profit organisations which are supporting vulnerable communities across Devon, Plymouth and Torbay during the coronavirus outbreak can apply for funding of between £1,000 and £3,000.

Through the Community Food Programme, the Devon Community Foundation will administer funding raised by the Co-op to support food programmes with a focus on foodbanks and provision of emergency meals for people affected by the coronavirus outbreak. Priority will be given to rural, volunteer-led groups who have experienced an increase in demand for support as a result of the outbreak. Funding should be used for project costs, but core costs will be considered (e.g. rent, utility bills).

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 13th November 2020.

### **Useful Links:**

[Funding Criteria](#)

[Application Form](#)

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<http://devoncf.com/apply/community-food-programme/>

## **Wesleyan Foundation Small Grants programme (Leicestershire and Rutland)**

The Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation has announced that the Wesleyan Foundation Small Grants programme has opened for applications. Grants of up to £2,000 are available for a wide range of projects that respond to the to the pandemic.

These include projects addressing mental health, domestic violence isolation getting back to work and making changes so that services can be delivered outside.

Eligible applicants include charities, not for profit organisations and social enterprises.

The closing date for applications is the 4th December 2020.

For any questions or need help applying, please email the grants team at [grants@llrcommunityfoundation.org.uk](mailto:grants@llrcommunityfoundation.org.uk)

### **Useful Links:**

[Small Fund Fact Sheet](#)

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<https://www.llrcommunityfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-funds/wesleyan-foundation-small-grants-currently-open/>

## **Funding to Support Physical Activity to Improve Mental Health (London)**

The second and final round of the Active Londoners Fund – part of the Mayor of London’s Sport Unites programme – is now open for applications.

A further £340,000 in funding is available to individuals, charities, community groups, social enterprises, local authorities and other not-for-profit organisations who use sport and other kinds of physical activity to improve the physical and mental health of Londoners.

Grants of between £5,000 and £30,000 are available to support local projects which address the increased levels of inactivity that have been made worse during the coronavirus pandemic due to lockdown, social distancing restrictions and wider issues. Groups supported include those that support older people, people with physical or intellectual disabilities, and people in lower socio-economic groups.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 20th November 2020.

### **Useful Links:**

[Fund Guidance Notes](#)

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<https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/sports/sport-unites/active-londoners>

## Grants to Support the Wellbeing of Young Children (Manchester)

Voluntary, community and social enterprise groups/organisations can apply for grants for projects that aim to improve the health and wellbeing of children in North Manchester from conception to the age of two.

One grant of £100,000 and three grants of £50,000 are available from the First 1000 Days Fund for activities and opportunities that give mothers, fathers and families living in North Manchester the best start in life by developing emotional bonding and positive attachment, as well as healthy environments and relationships with families and friends.

Activities supported can include breastfeeding support, activities focused on fathers, peer support and local connections, and support for teenage parents.

The deadline for applications is 10am on the 16th November 2020.

### Useful Links:

[First 1,000 Days in North Manchester Prospectus 2020](#)

[First 1,000 Days in North Manchester Guidance Notes 2020](#)

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<https://manchestercommunitycentral.org/node/45336>

## Grants to Support Road Safety Awareness (Cumbria)

Grants of up to £2,500 are available to charities, voluntary and community groups, watch schemes, parish councils, and schools for projects designed to reduce the risk of death and injury on Cumbria's roads.

This round of funding from the Police & Crime Commissioner's Property Fund will focus on raising awareness of 'road safety'. Projects might include local road safety campaigns, training for young children, support interventions and re-education to target vulnerable drivers, projects that work with police to identify areas where dangerous driving and road safety is a reoccurring issue, and ensuring victims and families have access to the support they need to cope and recover.

The Fund will also welcome applications not linked to road safety.

The deadline for applications is the 30th November 2020.

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<https://cumbria-pcc.gov.uk/what-we-do/funding/property-fund/>

## Grants to Support the Wellbeing of Young People (Salford)

Salford-based voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE) organisations are encouraged to apply for the latest round of funding for projects supporting youth wellbeing and mental health.

Through the Youth Wellbeing Fund 2020/21, Salford CVS will provide funding of up to £2,500 for youth-led wellbeing projects, or up to £7,500 for co-led projects supporting youth emotional wellbeing and mental health. Projects must be inspired and developed by a group of at least three young people aged 8-21, or up to the age of 25 if the young people have additional needs. Applications need to be submitted by a school, college or host VCSE organisation which are members of Salford CVS.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 27th November 2020.

### Useful Links:

[Application Form](#)

[Terms and Conditions of Grant](#)

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

## Funding to Provide Health and Wellbeing Services for Disadvantaged People (North Somerset)

Local charities, and voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations providing health & wellbeing services for disadvantaged people in North Somerset can apply for grants of up to £20,000.

The North Somerset Community Partnership Grant has been set up by the Quartet Community Foundation and North Somerset Community Partnership to support small community-based organisations which help people disadvantaged by poverty, disability, age, location or culture.

The North Somerset Community Partnership Grant Programme particularly seeks to support local voluntary and community groups and organisations in North Somerset that:

- support people to improve their health or social and environmental wellbeing
- support early intervention and prevention around health and wellbeing, including mental health
- support health and wellbeing groups and their beneficiaries that have been affected specifically by the outbreak of Covid-19, including core costs
- support new ways of working that have emerged from Covid-19 outbreak
- support health and wellbeing organisations to plan for the future of their organisations, aiding long term sustainability
- support health and wellbeing initiatives, including sports facilities for schools

The deadline for applications is 2pm on the 7th January 2021.

### Useful Links:

[Application Guidelines](#)

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<https://quartetcf.org.uk/grant-programmes/north-somerset-community-partnership-grant/>

## **Funding to Support Vulnerable People Experiencing Food Poverty (Dorset)**

Grants of up to £7,500 are available to local charities, social enterprises and voluntary organisations assisting some of Dorset's most vulnerable people who are experiencing food poverty as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic.

The third and final phase of the Dorset Coronavirus Community Fund will support projects and services providing healthy food directly to the public at low cost for those who cannot afford it. Funding will be administered by the Dorset Community Foundation and can be used to cover costs such as staff costs, volunteer expenses and training, perishable and non-perishable goods, small capital items, protective equipment, and core costs.

Grants of up to £2,000 are also available to support start-up costs for new food initiatives.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 13th November 2020.

ONLY groups with annual expenditure less than £500,000 according to latest accounts, are eligible to apply.

### **Useful Links:**

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<https://www.dorsetcommunityfoundation.org/dorset-coronavirus-community-fund/>

## **Funding for Projects that Support Communities to “Be Safe and Feel Safe” (North Yorkshire)**

Organisations, groups or individuals can apply for grants of between £500 and £20,000 for new community safety projects or schemes in North Yorkshire and the City of York.

The Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire – Community Fund will invest in projects at a local level which can achieve positive outcomes for individuals and communities, helping them to “Be Safe and Feel Safe”. This might include:

- diversionary activities for children and young people,
- promoting safety and reducing the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour,
- support for victims,
- improving community cohesion,
- preventing crime and anti-social behaviour,
- and supporting the purchase of specific pieces of equipment in key community locations.

The deadline for applications in this round is 4pm on the 21st January 2021.

### **Useful Links:**

[Application Guidance Notes](#)

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<https://www.northyorkshire-pfcc.gov.uk/how-can-we-help/community-projects/apply-community-fund/>

## [Funding Reminders](#)

### **New £25 Million Fund to Support Cultural Organisations (UK)**

The Garfield Weston Foundation has established a new £25 million one-off fund to support mid to large scale cultural organisations that have been badly affected by the coronavirus pandemic.

Performing and visual arts organisations, arts centres, and accredited museums and galleries across the UK with a minimum income of £500,000 in a typical year, can apply for funding of up to £2 million each from the Weston Culture Fund to help them restart work, re-engage with audiences, adapt to changed circumstances, and generate revenue.

The Foundation is finalising details for the Fund which will open to applications on the 5th October 2020 and remain open until the 9th November 2020.

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<https://garfieldweston.org/new-weston-culture-fund-coming-soon/>

### **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](#)

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

## **Innovate UK Launches Fourth Round of Faraday Battery Challenge (UK)**

UK registered businesses can apply for a share of up to £10 million in funding for innovation in electric vehicle battery technology.

The ISCF Faraday Battery Challenge: Innovation R&D, Round 4, will work with Innovate UK, part of UK Research and Innovation, to support innovation in the design, development and manufacture of batteries for the propulsion of electric vehicles, building on the outputs of previous activity to move towards commercialisation.

Innovate UK is encouraging two types of projects:

- new projects building on the outputs and outcomes of previously funded Innovate UK projects or activities;
- and new projects building on internal activity within the organisation.

Projects must clearly demonstrate a significant value-add and exploitation from a preceding feasibility study, collaborative research and development project or previous non-grant-funded activity.

Total eligible costs for projects must be between £300,000 and £1,500,000.

The deadline for applications is 11am on the 9th December 2020.

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<https://apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/725/overview#summary>

## Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust - Rights and Justice (UK)

The next round of the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust's Rights and Justice programme is now open and will close on the 13th November 2020.

The Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust (JRCT) is interested in funding work which is about removing problems through radical solutions, and not simply about making problems easier to live with; that has a clear sense of objectives, and of how to achieve them; and is innovative and imaginative and where the grant has a good chance of making a difference.

JRCT makes grants to a range of organisations including registered, excepted or exempt charities based in the UK for work that seeks to make positive change across the UK as a whole, or across one or more of its member countries - England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland.

The Funding priorities for the Rights and Justice theme are:

1. Protection and promotion of human rights and their enforcement in the UK
2. Promoting rights and justice for minorities who face the most severe forms of racism
3. Promotion of rights and justice for refugees and other migrants by identifying and tackling structures and systems that may deny them their rights.

JRCT focuses on work at both a national and European level, although work at a European level is limited and must have direct relevance to communities living in the UK.

Whilst the focus is to support national advocacy and campaigning, JRCT is open to applications which aim to effect structural change at local and regional levels of policy-making, provided the applicant can demonstrate the wider significance of the work.

Across the policy, JRCT places an emphasis on supporting those who have direct experience of racism and oppression.

Applicants are encouraged to apply for a grant for unrestricted or core support, although support for specific programme or project funding is also available.

[Recent grants awarded](#) have ranged from £5,000 to £100,000+ including:

- £20,000 to the Barrow Cadbury Trust
- £59,365 to Citizens UK (Safe Passage)
- £16,400 to the Equality and Diversity Forum

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<https://www.jrct.org.uk/rights-and-justice>

## Teacher Development Fund Opens for Applications (UK)

The Paul Hamlyn Foundation has announced that the Teacher Development Fund (TDF) will open for applications in autumn 2020. Through the TDF, primary schools working in partnership with other primary schools as well as arts / cultural organisations can apply for grants of up to £150,000 to develop the necessary skills, knowledge and confidence to support the delivery of effective arts-based teaching and learning opportunities in the classroom, and to embed learning through the arts in the curriculum.

In response to Covid-19, this year the Fund will have a particular focus on exploring how blended approaches, combining digital and face to face delivery, can enhance teacher CPDL in arts-based learning.

Applications should focus on:

- Primary schools
- Supporting children and young people experiencing disadvantage
- Approaches which involve learning through the arts
- Long-term, inquiry-based projects which support teachers' professional development and learning
- Promoting effective and equitable partnerships between schools and arts/cultural organisations and artist practitioners
- The contributions of school leaders and artist practitioners as both professional learners and as supporters of embedding learning through the arts in the curriculum
- Approaches which involve any of the following art forms: crafts; creative writing, including poetry; dance; design; film; music; opera; photography; digital arts and media; theatre and drama; the visual arts; and cross-arts practices.

The Foundation expect to make around six grants to partnerships of arts/cultural organisations and up to ten schools, who will work together for two academic years.

Potential applicants are advised to read the fund guidelines and FAQs and to explore the films, blogs and links to further reading.

The closing date for applications is the 20th November 2020.

### Useful Links:

[TDF Blog](#)

[Funding Case Studies](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

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<https://www.phf.org.uk/funds/tdf/#how-to-apply>

## Funding for Hospices Affected by the Coronavirus Pandemic (UK)

In response to the coronavirus, The Sir Jules Thorn Charitable Trust has accelerated its annual Hospice Fund programme.

This is in recognition of the additional pressures many hospices are experiencing due to the pandemic and the associated restrictions on normal activities.

Charitable hospices that are registered in the UK and are members of either Hospice UK or Together for Short Lives can apply for one-off grants of up to £5,000 to support their core costs. The Trust will only make awards to hospices whose current level of free reserves is equivalent to 12 months or less of their operating costs. Previously funded hospices are also eligible to apply.

Applicants should contact the Trust, should they have any further questions on [donations@julesthorntrust.org.uk](mailto:donations@julesthorntrust.org.uk). More information about grants awarded under this programme can be found on the [Previous Awards](#) page of our website.

Applications for this round will open on the 28th September 2020 and close at 12am on the 11th October 2020.

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<https://julesthorntrust.org.uk/programmes/hospice-fund/>

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