Funding Bulletin

September 2025

Information for the bulletin is compiled from a number of sources including Grantfinder, and direct from funders themselves. It showcases just a few of the hundreds of funding opportunities available for local community, voluntary and faith organisations.

Assistance and support is available with putting together your quality funding bid. Please find the details below of who to contact in your area and get in touch to see how we can work with you to help you achieve a successful application.

Contact details for support and further information can be found on the final page.

Please also let us know if you are successful in securing funding as a result of spotting an opportunity in our bulletin!

Funding search engine

My Funding Central

If you are looking for a funding Helping charities and voluntary organisations identify funding opportunities search engine to help you find funds which may be suitable for your project ideas, we recommend My Funding Central which is a free service for organisations with an income of less than £30,000. For organisations with a higher income, annual subscription starts from only £50.

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LOCAL

Manchester Pride – Community and Superbia Grants Programme



Aims/priorities:	The Manchester Pride Community Fund, provides ample		
	opportunity for the community to apply for funding and play		
	their part in helping to shape a future where every LGBTQ+		
	voice is heard and celebrated.		
	Prioritised issues		
	Mental Health		
	Wellbeing		
	Sexual Health		
	Addiction and Substance Misuse		
	HIV Stigma		
	Prioritised communities		
	Disabled LGBTQ+ people		
	Queer, Trans and Intersex People of Colour (QTIPoC)		
	Wider trans communities		
	Prioritised organisation types		
	Grassroot community groups and networks		
	Local LGBTQ+ charities		
	Local HIV charities		
	Small, independent LGBTQ+ organisations		
Who can apply?	Priority will be given to the following:		
	Grassroot community groups and networks		
	Local LGBTQ+ charities		
	Local HIV charities		
	Small, independent LGBTQ+ organisations		
Grant amount:	Up to £1,000		
Application process:	There is an online application form		
Deadline:	30 September 2025		
Contact:	info@manchesterpride.com		

Website:	https://www.manchesterpride.com/grants

National Lottery- Million Hours Fund



Aims/priorities: This funding is for organisations to give extra support to young people in areas with higher rates of anti-social behaviour. We'll fund extra hours of youth work to give these young people more places to go and positive things to do. To apply, your project must: • benefit young people aged 10 to 18, or up to 25 if they have special educational needs or disabilities (SEND) • effectively engage with young people at risk of taking part in anti-social behaviour • deliver more hours of youth work than you provide now • involve young people in deciding how you work • deliver youth work that is open to as wide a range of young people as possible (known as 'open access') • be run by trusted adults Who can apply? You can apply if you are a: • not-for-profit company limited by guarantee • charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) • community interest company (CIC) • registered co-operative or community benefit society • school • statutory body check the eligible ward areas for the Million Hours Fund (2025 to 2027).	National Lottery- Million Hours Fund		COMMUNITY FUND	
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Contact: 0345 410 2030 general.enquiries@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk	Contact:	0345 410 2030 general.enqui	ries@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk	
Website: https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/mi	Website:	https://www.tnlcommunityfund	d.org.uk/funding/programmes/mi	
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Vernon Building Society- Community Stars Fund



Aims/priorities:	If you're a part of a not-for-profit organisation, group or charity	
	within the Greater Manchester and Cheshire area, that	
	benefits the local community then you can apply for the	
	Community Stars Fund.	
Who can apply?	Entries will only be accepted from organisations and groups	
	based in, or for the benefit of, people in the following	
	postcode areas: BL, CH, CW, M, OL, SK, WA or WN	
Grant amount:	Up to £2,000	
Application process:	There is an online application form.	
Deadline:	Applications can be submitted until 14th November 2025	
Contact:	info@thevernon.co.uk	
Website:	https://www.thevernon.co.uk/community-hub/community-	
	stars/	

Greater Manchester H Wellbeing 2026 Progr	amme	assura	CHESHIRE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	Macc Baradowa Nod Ward Sward on water suggest opproaction	A jaint venture to support the local vocal sector in Greater Manchester
Aims/priorities:	The aim of this funding	ng is to im	prove the	health a	and wellbeing
	of unpaid carers from	global m	ajority eth	inicities i	n GM.
Who can apply?	VCSE organisations	with the fo	ollowing:		
	• An income or turnover of between £50,000 and £250,000 in				
	the last financial repo	rting perio	od (see fo	otnote 1	on page 3)

	A constitution or governing document which sets out the
	rules of your group
	A minimum of three directors/trustees who are unrelated to
	each other
	Its own bank account (or links to a named charitable entity
	that has agreed to hold the funds on your behalf
	 At least 50% of your board, management committee or
	senior leadership represent the community that you serve
	through their personal (lived) or professional (learned)
	experience
	Public, employers and product liability insurance cover
	Key policies relating to health & safety, safeguarding, data
	protection and financial risk management
Grant amount:	Up to £5,000
Application process:	An application form will be sent to you once you complete the
	online eligibility checker.
Deadline:	30 th September 2025
Contact:	grants@macc.org.uk or 0161 834 9823
Website:	https://manchestercommunitycentral.org/assura-community-fund

GM	Walking	and	Wheeling	Fund



A joint venture to support the local VCSE sector in Greater Manchester

Aims/priorities:	The GM Walking and Wheeling Fund (GMWWF) Grants
	Programme is offering grants to deliver projects to get more
	people walking and wheeling this autumn and winter. The
	fund aims to improve the health and wellbeing of
	communities in Greater Manchester by encouraging people
	who are less active or inactive to walk or wheel regularly. By

	wheeling, we mean using a wheelchair, mobility aid or
	pushing a pram. Sorry, cycling is not included.
	One or more of the following priority groups must be targeted
	through your project:
	People with a disability and/or long term health
	condition
	People from lower socio-economic groups
	Asian, Black and Chinese people (particularly adults of
	Muslim faith)
	Women (and particularly pregnant women and those
	with a child or children under one year old)
	Adults aged 65 and over
Who can apply?	Constituted Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise
	sector organisations (read Guidance doc for full requirements
	regarding social enterprise)
Grant amount:	Up to £7,000 (small grants up to £2,000 and medium size
	grants up to £7,000)
Application process:	Downloadable application form to be submitted by email or
	post to Salford CVS
Deadline:	Midday on Friday 26 th September 2025
Contact:	grants@salfordcvs.co.uk or 0161 787 7795
Website:	https://10gm.org.uk/10gms-work/gmwalkinggrants/

ARTS

Scops Art Trust



Aims/priorities:	The goal of Scops Arts Trust is to help people to		
	understand, participate in and enjoy the arts, particularly the		
	performing arts. We are keen to find projects which widen		
	access and have a lasting cultural impact on the		
	community.		
	For round 3, the priority is:		
	Children's and young people's instrumental music		
	education (choirs are excluded)		
Who can apply?	The types of organisation we support are generally registered		
	charities, but we will consider applications from social		
	enterprises, community groups, etc, if they are formally		
	constituted and have clear charitable purposes. Whilst we do not		
	exclude large charities, applications from small to medium sized		
	organisations will be looked on more favourably.		
Grant amount:	Up to £30,000		
Application process:	There is a two stage application process.		
Deadline:	The deadline for round 3 is 9 th December 2025		
Contact:	info@scopsartstrust.org.uk		
Website:	https://www.scopsartstrust.org.uk/		

JERWOOD Jerwood Foundation Aims/priorities: Jerwood Foundation supports excellence and emerging talent in the arts in the UK and welcomes funding applications from organisations with focus on making art available for public benefit and working with our collection. Who can apply? Organisations only. **Grant amount:** There is no maximum or minimum award amount specified. Grants of up to £180,000 have been awarded, although most grants range between £1,000 and £25,000. **Application** Your application should be a maximum of 10 sides of A4 (excluding audited accounts which can be sent as a separate process: document) and include: a one-page covering letter with a summary of your project; requested grant amount and payment date; a short description; start date and project timeline; and number of direct beneficiaries and projected audience figures. any additional information about your project or organisation that is relevant to your application your budget and fundraising plan a copy of your organisation's latest audited accounts or if you are a small charity and not required to produce audited accounts, please provide your annual budget (with income and expenditure detail). Applications should be sent either by email to info@jerwood.org or by post to PO Box 186, Ludlow, SY8 9DX. Deadline: 2 pm on 15th October 2025

info@jerwood.org

https://jerwood.org/funding/

Contact:

Website:

Bagri Foundation



Aims/priorities:	The Foundation offers grants to non-profit arts organisations				
	actively engaged in the cultural sector, supporting artistic				
	projects. While our primary focus is on projects in London, we				
	also support initiatives across the UK.				
	Projects must fulfil all the requirements below to be eligible:				
	Be hosted by established organisations with a track				
	record of delivering artistic projects.				
	Promote the sharing of traditional or contemporary Asian				
	culture.				
	Include established or mid-career level artists from Asia				
	or the diasporas.				
	Result in a tangible public outcome.				
Who can apply?	Not-for-profit arts organisations that are actively engaged in the				
	cultural sector can apply, including:				
	UK-registered charities.				
	Charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs).				
	 Exempt charities (such as national museums). 				
	Community interest companies (CICs).				
	Not-for-profit organisations.				
	Creative collectives with a proven track record and public				
	profile.				
	Groups should also have a track record of delivering artistic				
	projects.				
Grant amount:	Up to £150,000				
Application process:	There is a two-stage application process.				
Deadline:	3 rd October 2025				
Contact:	enquiries@bagrifoundation.org				
Website:	https://bagrifoundation.org/funding-opportunities				
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Theatres Trust Small Grants Scheme



Aims/priorities:	The scheme aims to fund small capital improvements to	
	theatres run by charities and not-for-profit groups that will make	
	a big impact to a theatre's resilience, sustainability or	
	accessibility, or to improving the diversity of audiences. Eligible	
	projects include small capital works, the installation of key plant	
	and machinery and works which make theatre buildings digital-	
	ready. This scheme will prioritise improvements to buildings that	
	protect theatre use and remove barriers to participation and	
	attendance.	
Who can apply?	To be eligible, applicants must meet the following requirements:	
	Own or manage theatres with titles or signed leases of more	
	than five years on buildings in England, Scotland, Wales or	
	Northern Ireland	
	Demonstrate that they run a regular theatre programme of	
	professional, community and/or amateur work presenting no	
	less than 30 performances a year	
	Have a bona fide UK charitable or not-for-profit legal	
	structure and be able to provide certified or audited accounts	
	for at least two years. This can include local authorities or	
	Town and Borough Councils that own and/or operate a	
	venue.	
Grant amount:	Grants of up to £7,500 are available	
Application process:	There is an online application form	
Deadline:	16 January 2026, 5pm	
Contact:	Email: info@theatrestrust.org.uk	
Website:	www.theatrestrust.org.uk/smallgrants	
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CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Hays Travel Found	dation Hays Travel	
Aims/priorities:	To be eligible, organisations must be working to help young people (up to 25 years) in at least one of the following areas:	
	Education.	
	Prevention of poverty.	
	Health.	
	Arts, culture or sports.	
Who can apply?	Registered charities operating in areas where Hays Travel have	
	a branch may apply.	
	A list of all Hays Travel branches can be found on the Branch	
	Locator on the Hays Travel website.	
Grant amount:	Up to £ 15,000	
Application	There is an online application form.	
process:		
Deadline:	28 th September 2025	
Contact:	enquiries@haystravelfoundation.co.uk	
Website:	https://www.haystravel.co.uk/foundation/charity-funding/	

Children's Alliance



Get children into water safely to learn, develop and purposefully		
play for the benefit of children's physical and mental wellbeing.		
We are looking to support grass roots initiatives delivering water		
based projects for disadvantaged children. This support will be		
through financial grants and through leveraging our unique		
position within the aquatic industry in the UK.		
Applications must support children under the age of 18 years		
We support non-profit organisations including schools,		
registered charities, community interest companies and		
registered community groups.		
Your organisation must have a safeguarding and/or a child		
protection policy that can be shown as part of the application. •		
Your organisation must have their own bank account and be		
able to submit proof of the account name, sort code and account		
number.		
Up to £15,000		
There is an application form that can be downloaded from the		
website.		
30 th September 2025		
info@childrensalliance.org.uk		
https://childrensalliance.org.uk/our-work/community/		

Henry Smith Foundation - Holiday Grants for Children



Aims/priorities:	The Holiday Grants Programme offers one-off grants for schools,		
	youth groups and non-profit organisations to take children aged 13		
	and under on recreational day trips or short residential trips.		
	We know that memorable experiences can have a lasting impact,		
	boosting wellbeing, building confidence, and offering a break from		
	daily pressures. This programme helps provide these opportunities		
	for children who face financial hardship, systemic inequity or		
	disability.		
	We prioritise groups supporting disabled children and those with		
	limited access to funds to go on holiday		
Who can apply?	Schools, youth groups, not-for-profit organisations and charities in		
	the UK are eligible to apply.		
Grant amount:	Up to £2,800		
Application	There is an online application form.		
process:			
Deadline:	19 th November 2025		
Contact:	Henry Smith Foundation		
	Caledonia House		
	3rd Floor		
	223 Pentonville Road		
	London, N1 9NG		
	<u>020 7264 4970</u>		
Website:	https://henrysmith.foundation/grants/holiday-grants/#how		

DIGITAL

Fat Beehive **Fat Beehive Foundation** Aims/priorities: The Fat Beehive Foundation awards small grants of up to £2,500 to help charities improve their digital presence. Who can apply? UK Charities with a turnover below £1 million. **Grant amount:** Up to £2,500 There is an online application form. **Application process:** 30th September 2025 Deadline: Contact: Fat Beehive Foundation 10a Lant Street London SE1 1QR Tel: 020 7739 8704 https://www.fatbeehivefoundation.org.uk/application/ Website:

The Access Foundation- Digital Divide



Aims/priorities:	The Access Foundation awards grants to support charities and	
	CICs to mitigate the digital divide by making IT facilities, support	
	and learning available to disadvantaged and vulnerable people.	
Who can apply?	Applications may only be made by bona fide charities, not for	
	profit organisations (including Community Interest Companies	
	("CICs") that are limited by guarantee but excluding CICs limited	
	by shares), but not individuals.	
Grant amount:	Grants between £10,000 and £50,000	
Application	There is an online application form.	
process:		
Deadline:	Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.	
Contact:	office@theaccessgroupfoundation.com	
Website:	https://theaccessgroupfoundation.com/apply/	

ENVIRONMENT

National Lottery Awards for All England – Environment



Aims/priorities:	The climate and nature emergency affects us all, but local		
	action can make a real difference. The National Lottery fund		
	community-led projects that improve the environment and help		
	people connect with and enjoy nature where they live.		
	You can use the funding to:		
	Start a new activity or continue an existing one		
	Help your organisation adapt to new challenges		
	Run one-off events that have a clear environmental benefit		
	The National Lottery are looking to fund projects that:		
	Help people connect with and care for nature in their area		
	Make a positive difference to the environment		
Who can apply?	Voluntary, statutory or community organisations		
Grant amount:	£300 to £20,000 for up to two years		
Application process:	There is an online application form		
Deadline:	17 December 2025		
Contact:	Email: general.enquiries@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk		
Website:	www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/national-		
	lottery-awards-for-all-england-environment#section-4		





Aims/priorities:	The Tree Council is pleased to reopen our Branching Out small	
	grants fund to support a new season of community tree planting.	
	Over the past 20 years, we have supported community groups,	
	volunteer Tree Wardens and many others to plant hundreds of	
	thousands of trees across the UK, thanks to generous Tree	
	Partners and other supporters.	
Who can apply?	Branching Out is designed for community groups, schools, not-	
	for-profits, residents associations, Tree Warden Networks,	
	charities and many more.	
Grant amount:	Grants of between £250 and £2,500 are available per application	
Application	There is an online application form.	
process:		
Deadline:	Midnight, 14 November 2025	
Contact:	geraldine.creaven@treecouncil.org.uk	
	020 4582 9940	
Website:	https://treecouncil.org.uk/grants-and-guidance/our-	
	grants/branching-out-fund/	

Veolia Environmental Trust



Aims/priorities:	The funder is looking for projects that:	
	Protect and enhance biodiversity and natural habitats	
	Inspire the creation of a sustainable carbon neutral space.	
	Promote community action and wellbeing.	
	Are inclusive and accessible to everyone and anyone to use.	
Who can apply?	Community grant applications will be accepted from:	
	Constituted not-for-profit organisations with governing	
	documents that state members or directors receive no	
	financial benefit, have a minimum of two directors, and have	
	been established for a minimum of two years	
	Local authorities	
	Applicants must use the Postcode Checker to check that their	
	project is located within the proximity of a qualifying Veolia site.	
	For Bury it seems to be just Prestwich postcodes which are	
	eligible for this funding round, but use the Postcode	
	Checker to double check.	
Grant amount:	Three different grants are available:	
	Community grants of between £10,000 and £75,000 for	
	Habitat and Biodiversity Grants of between £10,000 and	
	£75,000 for	
	Environmental Improvement Grants start at £75,000. There	
	is no upper limit	
Application process:	There is an online application form	
Deadline:	Applications will be accepted 21 August 2025 to 2 October	
	2025, 12pm with a decision by 2 December 2025	
Contact:	Tel: 0203 567 6820 Email: <u>UK.Trust@veolia.com</u>	
Website:	www.veoliatrust.org/funding/	
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	Link to Postcode Checker for eligibility: Postcode Checker	

FAITH

Benefact Trust- Methodist Grants



Aims/priorities:	Benefact Trust's Methodist Grants programme seeks to		
	enhance the mission and ministry of the Methodist Church in the		
	UK and Ireland. The programme provides grants to Methodist		
	organisations to run building development projects and repair		
	and maintenance projects that are essential for ongoing mission		
	and ministry.		
	The programme focuses on:		
	Church growth (both numerically and spiritually).		
	Community engagement.		
	Improving accessibility.		
	Environmental benefits.		
Who can apply?	The Methodist Grants programme is open to applications from		
	Methodist Districts and Circuits, individual Methodist churches		
	which are part of the Methodist Connexion and organisations		
	associated with the Methodist Church in Britain or the Methodist		
	Church in Ireland. The Programme also supports some heritage		
	sites which are deemed by the Connexion to be important in		
	telling the story of Methodism.		
Grant amount:	When completing your application, you will be asked to present		
	the total costs of your project and details of the other funding		
	you have secured, rather than requesting a specific grant		
	amount.		
	Applicants are required to have raised at least 30% of the		
	project cost before applying.		
Application process:	There is an online application form.		
Deadline:	Rolling application.		
Contact:	info@benefacttrust.co.uk		
Website:	https://www.benefacttrust.co.uk/grants/methodist-grants/		

Congregational and General Charitable Trust Grants



Aims/priorities:	 The Trust's objectives are: To make grants for the overall care, upkeep and extension of churches To make grants towards the capital costs of church community projects To promote the Christian religion and, in particular, the United Reformed and Congregational denominations, and other churches of the Protestant tradition. We are also able to consider applications from church community projects for funding towards capital costs (but not for ongoing work). Grants approved will normally be for capital projects involving building work such as repairs, improvements or extensions. 	
Who can apply?	Applications are accepted from all churches of the Protestant tradition in the UK, but particularly those of the United Reformed and Congregational denominations.	
Grant amount:	From £1,000 to £25,000	
Application process:	An application form can be downloaded via the website which must be returned via email.	
Deadline:	24 October 2025 - 10:00 AM	
Contact:	admin@candgtrust.org.uk	
Website:	https://www.candgtrust.org.uk/apply	
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Westhill Endowme	ent Trust	WESTHILL make it happen	
Aims/priorities:	Grants and other resources are available to support formal and informal religious education projects and faith-motivated activities		
	that enable people to transform		
	communities in the UK.		
Who can apply?	Not for profit organisations, churches and cathedrals, hospitals		
	and hospices, and higher and further education institutions both		
	in the UK and overseas are eli	gible to apply.	
Grant amount:	Grants are usually made between the values of £500 and		
	£20,000. Larger grants may be	e considered for projects running	
	over two years.		
Application	Applicants should email the Trust with a 100-word summary		
process:	about their project. Those with eligible proposals will then be sent		
	an application form to complete	e and be advised of the next	
	submission deadlines.		

Applications can be submitted at any time

www.westhillendowment.org/funding

Tel: 0121 472 8000 Email: info@westhillendowment.org

Deadline:

Contact:

Website:

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B&Q Foundation G	Bao FOUNDATION	
Aims/priorities:	The funding is intended for registered charities working with	
	people in need (by reason of financial hardship, sickness,	
	disability, other disadvantage or distress) in the UK and who	
	need funding for the following:	
	Projects that provide, maintain, repair or improve housing or community space	
	Supporting people experiencing poor housing or	
	homelessness	
Who can apply?	UK registered charities based and working in the UK can apply.	
Grant amount:	There are two levels of grants:	
	Up to £5,000 for garden projects	
	Up to £10,000 for building or indoor projects	
Application process:	There is an online application process.	
	Please note groups will need to create a profile on the	
	Neighbourly platform as part of the B&Q Foundation application	
	process. The profile can also be used to access other types of	
	support on the Neighbourly platform.	
Deadline:	The next round opens on 20 October and closes on 7 November	
	2025 at 6pm	
Contact:	Email: bandq@neighbourly.com	
Website:	https://bqfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/	

One Stop Community Partnership



Aims/priorities:	This programme is designed to support community groups or		
	organisations operating within two miles of a One Stop store		
	and which are:		
	Tackling food poverty		
	Supporting the vulnerable		
	Supporting the elderly		
	Supporting low-income families		
	Running youth sports teams		
	Reducing / recycling waste		
	Improving the environment		
	Please note we cannot support food bank/breakfast club		
	projects that are requesting funding to purchase food items.		
	However please contact your local One Stop store manager as		
	it may be possible to discuss setting up food bank donation		
	point at your local store. Funding can be awarded to food banks		
	for equipment such as fridges, freezers or to purchase storage		
	units.		
Who can apply?	Community groups and not-for-profit organisations		
Grant amount:	Up to £1,000		
Application process:	There is an online application form		
Deadline:	Applications open on 1 st September and close on 29 th		
	September		
Contact:	onestop@groundwork.org.uk		
Website:	https://www.groundwork.org.uk/one-stop-community-		
	partnership/		
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Warburtons Community Grant



Aims/priorities:	Warburtona Community Cranta provides amall grants up to	
Aims/priorities:	Warburtons Community Grants provides small grants up to	
	£400 to support charitable organisations towards broader	
	activities which improve Health, Place or Skills for families in	
	their community.	
	Based on our localism approach, our community investment	
	funds are allocated to our local bakeries and depots. This helps	
	our Community Champions to make the best decisions for our	
	local communities. We will use your postcode to understand	
	which of our sites is closest to you and they will then receive the	
	application and make a decision.	
Who can apply?	Not for profit organisations with charitable purposes.	
Grant amount:	Up to £400	
Application process:	There is an online application form.	
Deadline:	4 th November 2025	
Contact:	grantmaking@cafonline.org	
Website:	https://www.warburtons.co.uk/goodstuff/financial-giving/	

HEALTH & WELLBEING

The Pixel Fund		The Pixel Fund	
Aims/priorities:	Our focus is the mental health and well-being of children and young		
	adults; we will not grant to projects or organisations that are not core-		
	focused on mental-health and well-bei	ng.	
	Young adults mean those <i>under</i> 26 ye	ars old at the start of any	
	granted project or work stream. Where	a project includes over 25s,	
	we would consider granting an approp	riate percentage of the total	
	costs.		
Who can apply?	Charities registered in England & Wales, Scotland or Northern		
	Ireland.		
	Charities with an income under £2m will be prioritised.		
	Charities must have submitted a least one set of accounts to		
	the Charity Commission.		
Grant amount:	Up to £5,000		
Application process:	There is a multi stage application process with the first step		
	being to attend an online Q&A sess	sion.	
Deadline:	Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.		
Contact:	admin@pixelfund.org.uk		
Website:	https://pixelfund.org.uk/		

Armed Forces Covenant Fund- Hidden Voices Programme



Aims/priorities:	Under the Hidden Voices Programme, The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust will award grants of £3,000 to £25,000 for projects that enable accessible, bespoke mental health and wellbeing support for those with seldom heard needs in the armed forces community. We want to support projects that address the unique mental health and wellbeing needs of marginalised groups focusing on prevention and early intervention. Your project will need to meet both of the following outcomes: • Those who are underrepresented, or whose voices are seldom heard, within the armed forces community, have equitable access to mental health and wellbeing support which meets their specific needs. • Awareness of the needs of underrepresented groups within the armed forces community has been raised among organisations supporting them, through mutual learning and knowledge exchange to embed best practice.	
Who can apply?	Open to registered charities, CICs and local authorities	
Grant amount:	Grants between £3,000 and £25,000 are available.	
Application process:	There is an online application form.	
Deadline:	1 st October 2025	
Contact:	info@covenantfund.org.uk	
Website:	https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/hidden-voices-	
	programme-2024-25/	

Skipton Building Society Charitable Foundation



Aims/priorities:	The Charitable Foundation has identified two focus areas through		
	which it aims to drive social impact. These focus areas align with		
	our sole funder Skipton Building Society's charitable giving		
	framework, and more information can be found here Charitable		
	giving - Skipton Building Society.		
	Helping people experiencing hardship and/or underserved groups		
	to:		
	access a place to call home.		
	and improve financial wellbeing.		
	The trustees will select charities based on their alignment with		
	one or both focus areas. The Foundation has committed to fund		
	UK registered charities, where successful, up to a maximum of		
	£10,000.		
Who can apply?	UK Registered Charities only.		
Grant amount:	Up to £10,000		
Application	There is an online application form.		
process:			
Deadline:	Applications open on 1st September and close on 31st October		
	2025		
Contact:	charitablefoundationmailbox@skipton.co.uk		
Website:	https://www.skiptoncharitablefoundation.co.uk/		
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HERITAGE

Vinehill Trust- Heritage		VINEHILL TRUST	
Aims/priorities:	We help fund historic building restoration projects that provide		
	employment and training in building crafts, from stonework,		
	joinery and ornamental plasterwork to niche crafts such as		
	carving, marbling, graining, stucco and scagliola work, mural		
	and fresco work, leadwork, thatching, gil	ding, stained glass	
	conservation and encaustic tiling and tile	e restoration. The term	
	'historic building' includes twentieth cent	ury buildings of	
	architectural interest.		
	Alongside buildings, we welcome applica	ations for the restoration	
	of historic fixtures and fittings, curtilage s	structures and	
	structures in designed landscapes, especially where		
	opportunities for heritage skills training are provided.		
	We are particularly interested in projects in less affluent areas		
	that can act as a catalyst for socio-economic improvement.		
	Before confirming an offer of funding, we will require information		
	on the proposed restoration methodology and evidence that		
	necessary permissions (such as planning and listed building		
	consents) have been obtained.		
Who can apply?	Not-for-profit organisations may apply as	s long as they are well	
	governed and managed, have good final	nce and risk	
	management systems and the necessar	y skills and expertise to	
	deliver their objectives.		
Grant amount:	One-off grants of £10,000-£100,000		
Application process:	There is an application form that can be downloaded via the		
	website which needs to be returned via	email.	
Deadline:	Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.		
Contact:	info@vinehilltrust.uk		
Website:	https://vinehilltrust.uk/heritage/		





Aims/priorities:	Seed Corn Grants offer between £500 and £5,000 to support		
	early-stage, exploratory projects that spark new ideas and		
	approaches to community engagement with heritage. These		
	grants are designed for community groups and GLAM		
	(Galleries, Libraries, Archives, and Museums) organisations		
	looking to test concepts, build partnerships, or pilot activities.		
	With a high tolerance for experimentation and learning, Seed		
	Corn Grants provide a flexible and low-barrier entry point into		
	the Community Hub programme, encouraging innovation and		
	inclusion from the ground up.		
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Who can apply?	Eligible applicants include community groups and GLAM		
vino dan appry.	(Galleries, Libraries, Archives, and Museums) organisations		
	across the UK, specifically those that are not Independent		
	Research Organisations (non-IROs).		
Grant amount:	£500 to £5,000		
Application process:			
Application process.	There is an online application form that will be open in		
Deadling	September.		
Deadline:	Applications open on 15 th September		
Contact:	sophie.ansteedemas@nationalarchives.gov.uk		
Website:	https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/community-hub/seed-corn-		
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Lloyd's Register Foundation - Small Grants



Aims/priorities:	The ethos of the Lloyd's Register Foundation small grants		
	scheme is "a little can go a long way". Through this scheme the		
	Foundation is making funds available to projects which can:		
	Initiate, build, or consolidate partnerships with		
	organisations in the relevant sectors.		
	Test out ideas through pilot studies, proof of concept		
	projects or activities targeting the heritage, maritime and		
	public sectors.		
	We will only consider applications related to the charitable		
	mission of Lloyd's Register Foundation.		
	Projects or activities should demonstrate the potential to		
	lead to future collaborations, clear knowledge exchange,		
	or create/accelerate impact.		
	We are additionally interested in receiving applications		
	related to our <u>Heritage Centre</u> .		
	Please note grants are not normally awarded		
	consecutively and can be no more than 12 months long.		
Who can apply?	Charitable organisations and universities whose work benefits		
	the public.		
Grant amount:	Up to £10,000		
Application process:	There is an online application form.		
Deadline:	24 th November 2025		
Contact:	grants@Irfoundation.org.uk		
Website:	https://www.lrfoundation.org.uk/news/small-grants-scheme		
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OLDER PEOPLE

Charles Hayward Foundation- Older People



Aims/priorities:	We fund predominantly small, local projects which improve the		
	physical and emotional health of older people.		
	We only fund projects exclusively for the benefit of older people		
	(over 60s) in the following sub-categories:		
	 Programmes aiming to alleviate isolation and 		
	depression in older people, including informal day		
	care, or regular social, physical and recreational		
	activities.		
	 Programmes which give practical help, assistance 		
	and support for older people living in their own		
	homes.		
	 Programmes addressing the emotional and 		
	practical needs of people with dementia and their		
	carers.		
Who can apply?	UK registered charities that have an annual income of less than		
	£350,000.		
Grant amount:	Up to £7,000		
Application process:	There is an application form that can be downloaded via the		
	website. This must be returned via email.		
Deadline:	Applications can be submitted at any time.		
Contact:	grants@charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk		
Website:	https://charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk/grants/older-people/		
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Dowager Countess Eleanor Peel Trust - General Grants



Aims/priorities:	The Trustees only support applications from charities operating		
	in the "Preferred Locations" of Lancashire (especially Lancaster		
	and District including all LA postcodes), Cumbria, Greater		
	Manchester, Cheshire and Merseyside.		
	The funding is intended to support the following:		
	Medical care charities - care specifically aimed at		
	benefiting older people, including Alzheimer's, Macular		
	Disease, Prostate Cancer, and Parkinson's disease, etc.		
	Charities in connection with older people - old age,		
	homes, and carers.		
	Charities for people fallen upon hard times - disabled,		
	hospices, ex-services, natural or man-made disasters,		
	mental health and homelessness.		
Who can apply?	Registered charities only. Preference is given to smaller to		
	medium sized charities where grants will make a difference.		
	Applications for general grants from large well-funded charities		
	(income in excess of £1.25million per annum) will be rejected		
	automatically if the application is for anything other than a		
	capital project.		
Grant amount:	Discretionary. Charities receiving a grant in excess £10,000 will		
	be required to provide a written report on the progress of the		
	project supported. Ordinarily grants of in excess £50,000 will not		
	be supported without a presentation to the Trustees.		
Application process:	There is an online application form.		
Deadline:	Applications can be submitted at any time and are reviewed on		
	a quarterly basis.		
Contact:	secretary@peeltrust.com		
Website:	https://peeltrust.com/general-grant-application/		

Home Instead Charities



Aims/priorities:	The aim of the grants scheme is to support small local	
	community groups that are addressing social isolation and	
	loneliness in the over 55s. Funding can be used for:	
	Regular weekly or monthly events and activities such as	
	weekly cinema club, weekly knit and natter or Thursday	
	lunch club	
	One off activities such as a day trip or a Christmas lunch	
	Activities such as yoga or a guest speaker for your group	
	such as a local historian	
Who can apply?	Applications are accepted from small community groups and	
	charities in the UK	
Grant amount:	Small grass roots organisations can apply for up to £500. Small	
	local registered charities can apply for up to £1,500. Larger	
	grants can be considered for exceptional projects. The charity	
	will only fully fund a grant request where the organisation holds	
	no more than three months operating costs in reserve. For	
	organisations that have more than this, up to 50% of the project	
	costs will be funded.	
Application process:	There is an online application form	
Deadline:	Open for applications for funding 4 times per year: January;	
	April; July and October.	
Contact:	Tel: 01925 730 273 Email: charities@homeinstead.co.uk	
Website:	www.homeinstead.co.uk/charities/apply-for-a-grant/	
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SPORT & RECREATION

Parkinson's UK- Grants for physical activity providers



activity providers				
Aims/priorities:	Being active can have a significant impact on living well with			
	Parkinson's, regardless of symptoms or time since diagnosis.			
	The Parkinson's UK Physical Activity Grants Programme			
	supports activity providers, o	communities, networks,		
	organisations and others to	develop opportunities for people		
	with Parkinson's to become	with Parkinson's to become and stay active.		
	We are looking for innovative and new projects that will:			
	Help people with Parkinson's become and stay active, or			
	Help people with Parkinson's who are already			
	active to significantly increase their levels of			
	physical activity.			
Who can apply?	Applications will be accepted from activity providers, national			
	governing bodies, Parkinson's groups and branches, and			
	sports and healthcare professionals.			
Grant amount:	£500 to £3,000			
Application process:	There is an online application form.			
Deadline:	2 nd October 2025			
Contact:	physicalactivity@parkinsons.org.uk			
Website:	https://www.parkinsons.org.uk/information-and-support/grants-			
	physical-activity-providers			
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BlueSpark Foundation



BlueSpark provides funding for projects which aim to improve
the education and development of children and young people by
means of educational, cultural, sporting or other activities.
The Foundation aims to help children and young people reach
their full potential by supporting projects that have the following
objectives:
Encouraging independence.
Developing team working skills.
Developing self-confidence.
 Promoting creativity and individuality.
Encouraging aspiration.
Enhancing educational achievement.
Widening educational horizons.
Projects must be for children or young people over the age of 5
or under the age of 22.
Schools, community groups, clubs, societies and other not-for-
profit organisations based and working in England can apply, as
can individuals.
Up to £5,000
There is an online application form.
Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.
contact@bluesparkfoundation.org.uk
https://bluesparkfoundation.org.uk/

The Primary Club



Aims/priorities:	The Primary Club is the cricketers' charity for the blind and
	partially sighted.
	The funding is intended to support projects that are either
	The funding is intended to support projects that are either
	innovative (in the sense of enabling support to be provided in
	new ways, or to a wider community) and/or collaborative (for
	example enabling schools and other organisations to deliver
	support together which they could not achieve alone).
	The Trustees generally prefer to:
	Support 'grass roots' and 'start up' activities rather than,
	for example, international teams of visually impaired
	sportsmen and women.
	Fund the whole of the cost of a project, even where this is
	spread across two or more years, rather than to be one of
	a number of contributors.
	Support running costs or the purchase of equipment, as
	distinct from items which will significantly increase the
	recipient's long-term asset base.
Who can apply?	Clubs and organisations in the UK.
Grant amount:	Discretionary
Application process:	An application form is available to download via the website.
Deadline:	30 th November 2025
Contact:	honsec@primaryclub.org
Website:	https://www.primaryclub.org/funding/

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