**Funding Bulletin**

**January 2025**

**Information for the bulletin is compiled from a number of sources 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 engines**

If you are looking for a funding search engine to help you find funds which may be suitable for your project ideas, we recommend [My Funding Central](https://www.myfundingcentral.co.uk/) 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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[Home | Sport England Funding Search](https://funding.idoxopen4community.co.uk/sportengland)

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# LOCAL

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| **Standing Together - Youth Led Projects** | **A green and white logo  Description automatically generatedA yellow and grey logo  Description automatically generated** |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Funding for youth led projects (age 13-25) from local schools and youth organisations that meet the priorities of local young people whether that it is increasing feelings of safety, celebrating and raising awareness of different cultures and community or raising awareness of hate crime.  Applications are welcome for projects that meet one or more of the priorities in the Bury Standing Together priorities.  Priority 1 - Developing Community Cohesion  Priority 2 - Strengthening Communities and Places  Priority 3 - Keeping People Safe and Supporting Victims  Priority 4 - Reducing Harm and Offending |
| **Who can apply?** | To apply for this funding all of the below must apply to your group:   1. Led by Young People (13-25 years) 2. have a mentor/worker aged 18+ 3. Be connected to a school / college, youth or community group with their own bank account |
| **Grant amount:** | Up to £1,000 |
| **Application process:** | [Application form](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.buryvcfa.org.uk%2Fwp-content%2Fuploads%2FST-Youth-Led-Grants-Application-Form-DRAFT.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK) to be sent via email to [grants@buryvcfa.org.uk](mailto:grants@buryvcfa.org.uk) |
| **Deadline:** | 19th January 2025 at 5pm |
| **Contact:** | [grants@buryvcfa.org.uk](mailto:grants@buryvcfa.org.uk) or 0161 518 5550 |
| **Website:** | [Grants – Bury VCFA](https://www.buryvcfa.org.uk/grants/) |

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| **Manchester Guardian Society Charitable Trust** |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | The funding is intended for a wide range of charities and other community organisations which provide charitable benefits for communities within Greater Manchester. The Trust is particularly interested in funding the following:   * Orgs for young people (e.g. scouts, guides, youth associations) * Support for sick and disabled people * Support for the elderly and disadvantaged members of society * Educational initiatives by arts orgs, particularly for children and young people * Community associations |
| **Who can apply?** | Registered charities and other community organisations providing charitable benefits for communities within Greater Manchester |
| **Grant amount:** | Grants up to £3,500 |
| **Application process:** | Online application |
| **Deadline:** | Ongoing |
| **Contact:** | [manchesterguardiansociety@gmail.com](mailto:manchesterguardiansociety@gmail.com) |
| **Website:** | <https://manchesterguardiansociety.org.uk/> |

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| **Onward Homes Community Fund** | | A blue and white logo  Description automatically generated |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Projects should aim to address one or more of the following themes:   * **Work** – supporting community-based employment, training, volunteering and enterprise opportunities * **Food** – supporting food resilience in communities during a challenging economic period * **Wellbeing** – improving wellbeing, particularly through access to and use of greenspace and youth engagement work * **Digital** – providing a digital skills and support offer | |
| **Who can apply?** | Applications must meet the following criteria:   * The project must benefit [Onward neighbourhoods](https://www.onward.co.uk/app/uploads/2019/09/Our-neighbourhoods.pdf) * Organisations must be constituted and have their own bank account | |
| **Grant amount:** | Up to £2,500 | |
| **Application process:** | There is a two-stage process starting with an expression of interest form which must be completed online. A member of the Social Investment Team will contact you to discuss your project in more detail and check your eligibility to our fund. If we decide to take your application forward, an application form will be emailed to you to complete. | |
| **Deadline:** | 7th February 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | [socialinvestment@onward.co.uk](mailto:socialinvestment@onward.co.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://www.onward.co.uk/community-fund/> | |

# ARTS

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| **Idlewild Trust** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | **Arts - Nurturing Early-Stage Professionals**  Aim: To support opportunities for professionals (working creatively) within the performing and visual arts, post training, and at an early stage in their careers. Our priority is to support organisations which offer high-level training to early career participants in the performing, fine and applied arts – for example, musicians, dancers, actors, writers, artists, composers, curators, and theatre-makers.  Eligibility: the programme should benefit participants aged 18 or over who have already completed their education to the highest available level in their chosen discipline. Organisations applying should be arts sector UK Registered Charities with a proven track record for excellence in their field. | |
| **Who can apply?** | * UK Registered Charities with two or more annual returns submitted on time to the Charity Commission. * UK Exempt Charites can also apply. * Organisations must have an income of above £5,000. | |
| **Grant amount:** | Up to £7,000 | |
| **Application process:** | Online application form  <https://idlewildtrust-applications.org.uk/arts/> | |
| **Deadline:** | Friday 14 February 2025 at midday | |
| **Contact:** | [info@idlewildtrust.org.uk](mailto:info@idlewildtrust.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://www.idlewildtrust.org.uk/apply-grant> | |

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| **Art Fund** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | **Student Opportunities**  The programme enables students to explore an interest in the arts alongside future career options, while providing organisations with extra capacity which is skilled and accountable.  The aim of this funding is to help museums, galleries and visual arts organisations provide paid opportunities for full-time university students to gain meaningful, developmental work experience that enables them to explore their interest in the arts, and related future career options, before they graduate.  We encourage applications that focus on facilitating public engagement with art – whether that be online or in real life.  We will fund the costs associated with paying students for the time they spend supporting your organisation in delivering projects. This is based on the current national and London living wage rates. | |
| **Who can apply?** | We will consider applications from UK public museums, galleries, historic houses, libraries, archives, agencies and other visual arts organisations that:   * have a public presence (e.g. a building open to the public) or a public outcome (e.g. a festival or public art programme) * can demonstrate that they operate to standards of best practice within the sector (e.g. through Arts Council England Accreditation) | |
| **Grant amount:** | Up to £10,000 | |
| **Application process:** | Online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | Friday 10th January 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | rdingle@artfund.org | |
| **Website:** | <https://www.artfund.org/professional/get-funding/programmes/student-opportunities> | |

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| **Music For All - Community Projects** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Music for All is looking to fund community projects in the flowing areas:   * Learning and cognitive challenges * For groups working with those facing financial hardship * Working with children in early years age group 0-4 * Physical mobility or accessibility needs * Choral Groups   Applicants will need to show how they nurture musical talent through their work and how they involve their beneficiaries in music making. Groups operating in caring and educational settings are welcome to apply. | |
| **Who can apply?** | People who have been resident in the UK for a minimum of three years and are either a British Citizen or a national of a member state of the European Economic Area. You do not have to be a registered charity to apply, anyone that fits into the above can apply for a Music for All grant. This includes but is not limited to: schools or any form of educational establishment, community projects, charities, organisations, companies and individuals. | |
| **Grant amount:** | Up to £2,000 | |
| **Application process:** | Online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | 13th January 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 01403 628892 Email:[help@musicforall.org.uk](mailto:help@musicforall.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://www.musicforall.org.uk/apply-for-funding/community-project-funding/> | |

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| **Theatres Trust Small Grant Scheme** | | C:\Users\SarahThornton\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.MSO\3BFD6E70.tmp |
| **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 | |
| **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.   Eligible projects include:   * Improvements and repairs to the building fabric. * The installation of key plant and machinery. * The purchase of key equipment (not software) to improve digital infrastructure.   This scheme will prioritise improvements to buildings that protect theatre use and remove barriers to participation and attendance. | |
| **Grant amount:** | Grants of up to £5,000 are available. | |
| **Application process:** | Application forms are available to download from the Theatres Trust's website. | |
| **Deadline:** | 17 January 2024, 12pm | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 020 7836 8591 Email: [grants@theatrestrust.org.uk](mailto:grants@theatrestrust.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://www.theatrestrust.org.uk/smallgrants> | |

# CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

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| **7 Stars Foundation - Project Funding** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Grants for charities to deliver a project for young people, aged 16 years old or under, aligned to our prioritised themes.  Our grants are targeted to further the potential and opportunity of children and young people who are surviving abuse, at risk of or experiencing homelessness, caring for a loved one, and challenged by addiction (either personally or through a member of their family). | |
| **Who can apply?** | * Applicants must be from a registered charity across England * Applicants must have a turnover of under £1.5m * Applicants must have delivered services pre 2020 * Applicants must not be volunteer led * Applicants must not have more than 30% free reserves (in comparison to income) * Grants are available up to £2,500 for each award * Grants are offered on a one-off basis | |
| **Grant amount:** | Up to £2,500 | |
| **Application process:** | Online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | 5th February 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | [info@the7starsfoundation.co.uk](mailto:info@the7starsfoundation.co.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://the7starsfoundation.co.uk/apply-for-funding> | |

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| **Tesco Stronger Starts** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Tesco Stronger Starts is open to charities and community organisations. Applications are open to all local good causes, but projects that support children’s food security and health and local store nominated good causes are being prioritised. Examples include:   * School Breakfast clubs * Holiday clubs * Play areas * Food banks * Counselling and support services for children * Equipment or non-statutory services for nurseries or schools e.g. forest schools, library books * Equipment for Brownie, Guide or Scout Groups e.g. * Services or equipment to support children and young people’s health * Equipment / kit for youth sports teams | |
| **Who can apply?** | Grants will be awarded to schools, voluntary or community organisations (including registered charities/companies), health bodies (e.g. Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), NHS Hospital Trust, Foundation Trust), Parish/Town Councils, local authorities and social housing providers. | |
| **Grant amount:** | Grants of up to £1,500 | |
| **Application process:** | There is an online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications can be submitted at any time.  Every three months, three local good causes are selected to be in the blue token customer vote in Tesco stores throughout the UK. | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 0121 236 8565  Email: [tescostrongerstarts@groundwork.org.uk](mailto:tescostrongerstarts@groundwork.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://tescostrongerstarts.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/> | |

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| **Foyle Foundation Small Grants Scheme** | | A blue sign with white letters  Description automatically generated |
| **Aims/priorities:** | The Small Grants Scheme is provided by the Foyle Foundation to support smaller, grass-roots and local charities in the UK with projects that have the potential to make a significant difference to their work:   * Single grants only (no multi-year grants) towards core costs (including supporting salaries), projects, essential equipment or building projects. * Priority will be to support local charities still active in their communities which are currently delivering services to the young, vulnerable, elderly, disadvantaged or the general community. | |
| **Who can apply?** | Registered charities with an annual turnover of less than £150,000 | |
| **Grant amount:** | Grants range from £2,000 to £10,000 | |
| **Application process:** | Online | |
| **Deadline:** | 31st January 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | [sgs@foylefoundation.org.uk](mailto:sgs@foylefoundation.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://foylefoundation.org.uk/how-to-apply/small-grants-scheme-guidelines/> | |

# DIGITAL

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| **Worshipful Company of Information Technologists Charity** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | As an IT charity, all projects we fund must make use of information technology, and must relate to one or more of our priority areas - education, inclusion, IT for charities, and public understanding of IT.  Projects need to demonstrate an innovative use of IT, be scalable for wider replication, and be sustainable over time. As all of our grants are restricted, we expect recipients to produce formal reports on their outcomes.  We are more likely to fund the development and delivery of innovative new services, solutions, training, apps, analytics, AI, robotics, or accessibility features/hardware; projects where we are a material or sole funder; projects where we are sole funder of the IT component of a larger project; and organisations that could benefit from our pro bono support. | |
| **Who can apply?** | You are eligible for our funding if you are a registered charity, educational establishment or organisation with a formal not-for-profit constitution such as a community interest company; CICs limited by shares may also apply. We do not fund individuals or private companies. | |
| **Grant amount:** | Up to £15,000 | |
| **Application process:** | Online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | 10th February 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | Phone: 020 7600 1992 Email: charity@wcit.org.uk | |
| **Website:** | <https://wcitcharity.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/> | |

# ENVIRONMENT

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| **Esmée Fairbairn Foundation** | | Communications about our funding | Esmée Fairbairn Foundation |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Esmée Fairbairn Foundation aims to improve our natural world, secure a fairer future and strengthen the bonds in communities in the UK. The grants support organisations’ core or project costs, including staff salaries and overheads in addition to unrestricted funding. The foundation is looking to support:   * Unusual collaborations and ambitious partnerships. * Work which makes connections across the aims: Our Natural World, A Fairer Future and Creative, Confident Communities. * Work that is driven by communities or the people most affected by an issue. * Work which uses a preventative approach. * Work that has practical plans to achieve and sustain change over the long-term. | |
| **Who can apply?** | Charities and organisations that are undertaking work that is legally charitable in the UK with a regular annual turnover of at least £100,000 can apply. | |
| **Grant amount:** | The minimum amount is £30,000 there is no maximum amount. | |
| **Application process:** | There is a six-step application process:   1. First, complete the online eligibility quiz. 2. Second, read the guidance notes. 3. Third, submit an online expression of interest. 4. Fourth, applicants will be invited to have a phone call to discuss 5. Fifth, applicants will be invited to submit a proposal within three months. 6. Sixth, upon receipt of the proposal a decision will be made. | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications can be submitted at any time | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 020 7812 3700 Email: [info@esmeefairbairn.org.uk](mailto:info@esmeefairbairn.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://esmeefairbairn.org.uk/applications/> | |

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| **Imperial Polythene - Imperial Community Impact Fund** | | | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | | The Imperial Community Impact Fund is an initiative designed to support local community groups and charities committed to making a positive difference.  This grant scheme offers between £500 to £1,000 per project to inspire and empower local organisations working in the areas of the environment, sustainability, creativity and local problem solving. By fostering imagination and collaboration, we hope to improve the well-being of communities and promote sustainable development. | | |
| **Who can apply?** | | Organisations must be one of the following types of organisations: Registered Charity, Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)or Community Interest Company (CIC).  You must also meet the following requirements:   * Organisations should have an annual income of £25,000 - £500,000 in your last set of accounts * A safeguarding policy must be in place (if the organisation supports children or vulnerable people) * You must have a bank account in the same name as the organisation you are applying for, with a minimum of two unrelated signatories. * A board of at least three unrelated trustees or directors. * Operating for at least 12 months and have published financial data available | | |
| **Grant amount:** | | £500 to £1,000 | | |
| **Application process:** | | Online application form | | |
| **Deadline:** | | Applications open on 30th January and close on 20th March 2025 | | |
| **Contact:** | | grants@imperialpolythene.co.uk | | |
| **Website:** | | <https://www.imperialpolythene.com/community-impact-fund> | | |
| **Matthew Good Foundation – Grants for Good Fund** | | |  | |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Grants for Good is funded by the John Good Group and is designed to direct funding only to small and growing local charities, voluntary groups or social enterprises that are making a big impact on communities, people or the environment. | | | |
| **Who can apply?** | Local community groups, charities, voluntary groups or social enterprises in the UK with an average income of less than £50,000 in the last 12 months are welcome to apply. | | | |
| **Grant amount:** | Every three months, £15,000 will be shared between five shortlisted organisations. Funding awarded will be based on the number of votes received by employees from John Good Group, in the following order:   * First place £5,000 * Second place £3,500 * Third place £2,500 * Fourth place £2,000 * Fifth place £2,000 | | | |
| **Application process:** | There is an online application form | | | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications can be submitted at any time | | | |
| **Contact:** | Email: [info@matthewgoodfoundation.org](mailto:info@matthewgoodfoundation.org) | | | |
| **Website:** | [www.matthewgoodfoundation.org/amplify-fund-grants-for-good/](http://www.matthewgoodfoundation.org/amplify-fund-grants-for-good/) | | | |

# FAITH

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| **Benefact Trust – Community Impact Grants** | | BENEFACT TRUST Trademark of Allchurches Trust Limited. Application Number:  018445501 :: Trademark Elite Trademarks |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Benefact Trust’s Community Impact Grants Programme supports projects that will make a positive and transformative impact on lives and communities. This programme empowers Christian organisations across the UK and Ireland, who are doing incredible work tackling major issues in society. At the same time, the Community Impact Grants help churches to grow their congregations and promote the Christian faith. The programme supports direct capital and/or revenue costs, and funding is available under the following programme areas:   * Growing congregations and Christian communities * Addressing social challenges facing communities * Enabling wider community use of church buildings * Empowering Christian education | |
| **Who can apply?** | Churches, cathedrals, denominational bodies, Christian charities, and schools and educational institutions with a clear Christian ethos. | |
| **Grant amount:** | When completing your application, you will be asked to present the total costs of your project and details of the match funding you have secured, rather than requesting a specific grant  amount. | |
| **Application process:** | There is an online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications are accepted on a rolling basis | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 01452 873 189 Email: [info@benefacttrust.co.uk](mailto:info@benefacttrust.co.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://benefacttrust.co.uk/which-grant-is-for-me/community-impact-grants/> | |

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| **Sir Halley Stewart Trust - Religious Grants** | | |  | |
| **Aims/priorities:** | The Trust is committed to advancing Christian religion, but also welcomes applications from other faith communities.  Applications must be for innovative projects that meet at least one of the following priorities:   * Encourage Christian people to uphold, engage and communicate their faith in the public domain. * Encourage dialogue between Christian faith and contemporary issues in a secular society. * Encourage closer working relationships between Christian denominations; and / or to improve inter-faith relationships by facilitating a better understanding between faiths. * Support and encourage the innovative education and communication of Christianity within the UK and also internationally. * Encourage specific groups of people to explore their experience of spirituality and their spiritual needs and strengths, and to help others to understand these. | | | |
| **Who can apply?** | Projects must be ground-breaking and inspirational, and likely to achieve demonstrable benefits that will then be disseminated widely. The Trust prioritises projects that:   * Break down religious and secular divides. * Are untested and have the potential to be ‘game-changers’. * Involve the vocational development of key people within relevant fields. | | | |
| **Grant amount:** | Main grants programme- £5,001 to £60,000  Small grants programme- up to £5,000 | | | |
| **Application process:** | There is an online application form. | | | |
| **Deadline:** | 10th March 2025 | | | |
| **Contact:** | [email@sirhalleystewart.org.uk](mailto:email@sirhalleystewart.org.uk) | | | |
| **Website:** | <https://www.sirhalleystewart.org.uk/apply-for-funding/grant-priority-areas/religious-grants/> | | | |
| **Westhill Endowment Trust** | | | |  |
| **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 their lives and the life of their 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 eligible to apply. | | |
| **Grant amount:** | | Grants are usually made between the values of £500 and £20,000. Larger grants may be considered for projects running over two years. | | |
| **Application process:** | | Applicants should email the Trust with a 100-word summary about their project. Those with eligible proposals will then be sent an application form to complete and be advised of the next submission deadlines. | | |
| **Deadline:** | | Applications can be submitted at any time | | |
| **Contact:** | | Tel: 0121 472 8000 Email: [info@westhillendowment.org](mailto:info@westhillendowment.org) | | |
| **Website:** | | [www.westhillendowment.org/funding](http://www.westhillendowment.org/funding) | | |

# GENERAL

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| **One Stop- Community Partnership** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | This programme is designed to support projects in the following areas:   * Tackling food poverty * Supporting the vulnerable * Supporting the elderly * Supporting low-income families * Running youth sports teams * Reducing / recycling waste * Improving the environment   If your application is successful, you will receive an initial grant of up to £1000 to support your project. Following this, the One Stop Community Team together with the Store team will work to create a long term plan of support for your group. | |
| **Who can apply?** | * community groups or organisations operating within two miles of a One Stop store * Applications will be welcomed from a wide range of organisations including: voluntary/community organisations, registered charities, schools, health bodies, Parish/Town councils, social enterprises, Community Interest Companies (please note, CIC’s must have been running for a minimum of two years and we can consider CICs limited by guarantee), community councils, local authorities and housing organisations. | |
| **Grant amount:** | Up to £1,000 | |
| **Application process:** | Online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | 24th January 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | [onestop@groundwork.org.uk](mailto:onestop@groundwork.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://www.groundwork.org.uk/one-stop-community-partnership/> | |

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| **SUEZ Community Fund** | | Green and blue text on a white background  Description automatically generated |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Grants are available for community projects delivering capital improvements to public amenities. Examples may include village hall improvements, nature reserves and conservation, village greens, community centres, public playgrounds, cycle paths, sports fields and facilities, country parks, historic buildings, structures or sites | |
| **Who can apply?** | To be eligible the project location must be within a two-mile radius of a qualifying SUEZ recycling and waste processing location. Please check the Postcode Checker, to confirm your eligibility, before you apply [via this link](https://grantscape.org.uk/fund/suez-communities-fund/postcodechecker/)  To be eligible to apply, an organisation must:   * Have secured all required consents for the project (such as planning permission, Faculty etc). * Have secured any other funding required for the project to proceed.   Eligible organisations, who can apply for funding include:   * Voluntary organisations, community groups / associations, sports clubs, local and national Charities * Parish Community Councils / Town Councils * Local Authorities * Social enterprises and Community Interest Companies operating on a non-profit-distributing basis. | |
| **Grant amount:** | Grants between £3,000 and £50,000 are available. | |
| **Application process:** | Online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | 19th February 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | Phone: 01908 247630 Email: [info@grantscape.org.uk](mailto:info@grantscape.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://grantscape.org.uk/fund/suez-communities-fund/suez-communities-fund-england/> | |

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| **The Baobab Community Fund** | | A close-up of a logo  Description automatically generated |
| **Aims/priorities:** | A fund dedicated to Black African/Caribbean and Global Majority collectives, organisations and individuals dismantling systems of oppression for our communities in their work.  Applications are welcome from black and global majority individuals, organisations and collectives (18+) who are working towards racial justice. The Baobab Community fund exists as a supportive response. It exists to resource the vital community work dismantling systems created to suppress our freedom, unity and justice. | |
| **Who can apply?** | The fund is open to both registered and unregistered groups and organisations, and individuals who are aged 18 or over working towards racial justice with a clear charitable purpose. | |
| **Grant amount:** | Grants range from £5,000 to £30,000 | |
| **Application process:** | Online | |
| **Deadline:** | 3rd February 2025  To meet the funder, join a ‘ask us anything’ session (follow website link underneath to register for one of these):  13th January - 1-2pm 22nd January - 10.30-11.30am  31st January – 12-1pm | |
| **Contact:** | [info@baobabfoundation.org.uk](mailto:info@baobabfoundation.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://www.baobabfoundation.org.uk/baobab-community-fund> | |

# HEALTH & WELLBEING

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| **The Charity Service- Grants for organisations in Greater Manchester** | | A logo for a company  Description automatically generated |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Our priorities are:   * **Preventing homelessness –** Since there are too many people either living on the streets or in temporary accommodation, we will support activities and services that tackle homelessness. * **Reducing social isolation –** Since social isolation is known to have a negative impact on individual health and well-being, we will support activities and services across the life-course that enhance social connectedness. * **Support for vulnerable families & children –** Since families and children may find themselves in difficult, precarious and unsafe situations, we will support activities and services that address their immediate needs. | |
| **Who can apply?** | We normally focus our support on organisations that are working within one of our priority areas and:   * are embedded within the local community; * encourage community participation; * involve volunteers; * have been registered or active for a period of at least 3 years; * have a track record of delivery; and, * have an annual expenditure of no more than £1m | |
| **Grant amount:** | £1,000 to £3,000 | |
| **Application process:** | Contact Pete Yarwood for an application form | |
| **Deadline:** | 4pm on Friday 4th February 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | Pete Yarwood on 07936 917679 or [pete.yarwood@charityservice.org.uk](mailto:pete.yarwood@charityservice.org.uk). | |
| **Website:** | <https://charityservice.org.uk/for-grant-applicants/#GreaterManchesterGrants> | |

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| **Army Benevolent Fund** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | The charity provides grants to charities and organisations that provide lifetime support to soldiers, veterans and their immediate families when they are in need.  The funding is intended to support charities and organisations with projects and activities that directly benefit the Army community in six key areas: independent living, elderly care, education and employability, mental fitness, families and housing.  If you are a charity or organisation providing mental health services to members of the Army family we would normally expect you to be a member or at least signed up to the Quality Network for Veterans Mental Health Services (QNVMHS). | |
| **Who can apply?** | All registered charities and other organisations which support the Army community. When appropriate we consider applications on a case-by-case basis from:   * Not-for-profit organisations & Community Interest Companies (CICs) * Community Projects * Housing Associations | |
| **Grant amount:** | Up to £15,000 | |
| **Application process:** | There is an [application form](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Farmybenevolentfund.org%2Fwp-content%2Fuploads%2F2024%2F12%2FFY24-25-Grant-Application-Form-version-3.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK) which needs to be returned via email. | |
| **Deadline:** | 17th January 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | [externalgrants@armybenevolentfund.org](mailto:externalgrants@armybenevolentfund.org) | |
| **Website:** | <https://armybenevolentfund.org/need-our-help/charity-grants/> | |

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| **Peter Kershaw Trust – Ordinary Grants** | | logo |
| **Aims/priorities:** | The grants are for registered charities operating in Greater Manchester to support a wide variety of purposes under the general heading of "social welfare", such as assisting people with medical conditions, disabilities, addictions, to help the aged, youth work etc. | |
| **Who can apply?** | Registered charities operating in Greater Manchester can apply.  The Trustees will primarily support local, smaller, Greater Manchester registered charities. | |
| **Grant amount:** | Funding is at the discretion of the Trustees. Most grants tend to be in the range of £1,000 to £3,000. | |
| **Application process:** | An application form can be downloaded from the website | |
| **Deadline:** | 31 March 2025 | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 01204 414 317 Email: [peterkershawtrust@gmail.com](mailto:peterkershawtrust@gmail.com) | |
| **Website:** | <https://peterkershawtrust.org/ordinary-grants> | |

# HERITAGE

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| **National Lottery Heritage Grants** | | A logo for a company  Description automatically generated |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Heritage can be anything from the past that you value and want to pass on to future generations. We fund projects that connect people and communities to the national, regional and local heritage of the UK. As examples, this could include nature and habitats, historic buildings and environments, or cultures, traditions and people’s memories. | |
| **Who can apply?** | * Is your organisation looking to care for and sustain heritage in the UK? * Will your heritage project run for no more than five years? * Do you require a grant of between £10,000 and £250,000? * Are you a not-for-profit organisation, a private owner of a heritage asset or a partnership? * Does your project take into account our four investment principles?   If you answered yes to these questions, then National Lottery Heritage Grants could be for you.  The four investment principles are:   * Saving heritage * Protecting the environment * Inclusion, access and participation * Organisational sustainability | |
| **Grant amount:** | £10,000 to £250,000 | |
| **Application process:** | There is an online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications can be made at any time | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 0161 200 8470  Email: [north@heritagefund.org.uk](mailto:north@heritagefund.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | [National Lottery Heritage Grants £10,000 to £250,000 | The National Lottery Heritage Fund](https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding/national-lottery-heritage-grants-10k-250k-0#anchor-1) | |

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| **AHF Transforming Places Through Heritage Programme – Project Viability Grants** | | The Architectural Heritage Fund |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Grants are to support the development of projects that have the potential to bring new life to high streets by creating alternative uses for redundant or underused historic buildings in town centres. Funding can be used for individual heritage buildings in, or transferring to, community ownership or that of charitable/social enterprise organisations. Projects must be located in England, in places that are or have the potential to be a hub for their community, providing services to a wide catchment population. | |
| **Who can apply?** | * Unincorporated organisations * Charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs) * Charitable companies limited by guarantee * Charitable community benefit societies * Community benefit societies * Not-for-private-profit companies limited by guarantee * Community interest companies (CICs) limited by guarantee * Co-operatives * Parish and town councils | |
| **Grant amount:** | Grants of up to £15,000 are available | |
| **Application process:** | Applicants are advised to initially complete the enquiry form on the AHF website to establish eligibility, then complete an online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications can be submitted at any time | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 020 7925 0199 Email: [ahf@ahfund.org.uk](mailto:ahf@ahfund.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://ahfund.org.uk/grants/england/> | |

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| **Historic England – Regional Capacity Building Programme** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Historic England offers funding support to third sector organisations in England that are working to promote the sustainable management and development of the historic environment. The funding is for projects that have a regional or local focus within England. | |
| **Who can apply?** | Applications will be accepted from third sector organisations that aim to maintain, manage and develop the historic environment whether regionally or locally in England. | |
| **Grant amount:** | No minimum or maximum grant levels are specified | |
| **Application process:** | There is an online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications can be made at any time | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 0370 333 0607  Email: [customers@HistoricEngland.org.uk](mailto:customers@HistoricEngland.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://historicengland.org.uk/services-skills/grants/our-grant-schemes/regional-capacity-grants/> | |

# OLDER PEOPLE

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| **Charles Hayward Foundation** | | A green and white sign with white text  Description automatically generated |
| **Aims/priorities:** | The Foundation has both a main and small grant programme, and awards grants for projects in the following four categories: Social and Criminal Justice; Heritage and Conservation; Overseas; Older People.  Projects supporting Older People:   * Programmes aiming to alleviate isolation and depression in older people, including informal day care or 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 older carers. * Programmes designed to meet the specific needs of people with dementia. | |
| **Who can apply?** | Registered charities | |
| **Grant amount:** | For projects supporting Older People – grants up to £7,000 | |
| **Application process:** | Downloadable application form from the website | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications can be made at any time | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 020 7370 7063 Email: [grants@charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk](mailto:grants@charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <http://www.charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk/older-people/> | |

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| **Home Instead Charities** | | Home Instead Charities Logo |
| **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:** | Applications can be submitted 4 times per year in: January; April; July and October. | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 01925 730 273 Email: [charities@homeinstead.co.uk](mailto:charities@homeinstead.co.uk) | |
| **Website:** | [www.homeinstead.co.uk/charities/apply-for-a-grant/](http://www.homeinstead.co.uk/charities/apply-for-a-grant/) | |

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| **Barchester Healthcare Foundation** | | A logo for a charity foundation  Description automatically generated |
| **Aims/priorities:** | The Foundation aims to make a difference to the lives of older people and other adults with a physical, learning or mental disability; supporting practical solutions that lead to increased personal independence, self-sufficiency and dignity. The focus is on connecting or re-connecting people with others in their local community. Applications that combat loneliness and enable people to be active and engaged will receive highest priority. | |
| **Who can apply?** | Small local groups and small local charities | |
| **Grant amount:** | Grants range from £100 to £5,000 | |
| **Application process:** | Application forms are available to complete online or to download from the website | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications can be submitted at any time | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 0800 328 3328 Email: [info@bhcfoundation.org.uk](mailto:info@bhcfoundation.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | [www.bhcfoundation.org.uk](http://www.bhcfoundation.org.uk) | |

# SPORT & RECREATION

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| **Angus Irvine Playing Fields Fund** | | A logo of a building and a football field  Description automatically generated |
| **Aims/priorities:** | The Angus Irvine Playing Fields Fund (AIPFF) exists to increase opportunities for young people in disadvantaged areas to play sport and enjoy its many benefits.  AIPFF distributes grants to local community groups and sport clubs that are committed to this mission. | |
| **Who can apply?** | Community groups and sports clubs based in a neighbourhood within the top 20% indices of multiple deprivation ([input the postcode here for the IMD score](https://findthatpostcode.uk/)) | |
| **Grant amount:** | Grants will typically be in the range from £2.5k - £5k although a larger grant may be possible in some circumstances. | |
| **Application process:** | Online application | |
| **Deadline:** | Ongoing | |
| **Contact:** | [aipff@accesssport.org.uk](mailto:aipff@accesssport.org.uk) | |
| **Website:** | <https://www.accesssport.org.uk/apply-to-aipff> | |

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| **Central Social and**  **Recreational Trust** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | Grants are available for sports clubs and organisations in England to provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation for the benefit of disadvantaged children who are under the age of 21 years. | |
| **Who can apply?** | Sports clubs and organisations that are affiliated to their governing body, i.e. Amateur Boxing Association of England, National Association of Clubs for Young People, Football Association, are eligible to apply. | |
| **Grant amount:** | Grants will generally be no more than £1,000 although the Trustees will consider applications above this figure in exceptional circumstances. | |
| **Application process:** | There is an online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications can be submitted at any time | |
| **Contact:** | Email: [beverleygold@btinternet.com](mailto:beverleygold@btinternet.com) | |
| **Website:** | [www.csrt.info/how-to-apply/](http://www.csrt.info/how-to-apply/) | |

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| **Sport England – New Movement Fund** | |  |
| **Aims/priorities:** | The Movement Fund offers crowdfunding pledges, grants and resources to improve physical activity opportunities for the people and communities who need it the most. These groups include:   * People living on low incomes * Disabled people or those with long-term health conditions * Older people * People from culturally diverse communities * Pregnant women and parents with very young children * Girls aged 5-16 * LGBTQ+ people * People who are in foster care * People who provide care without pay | |
| **Who can apply?** | The Movement Fund supports a variety of formally constituted not-for-profit organisation types, including:   * Sports clubs * Charities * Local authorities * Schools * Community Benefit Societies * Not-for-profit companies | |
| **Grant amount:** | Eligible projects could receive between £300 and £15,000 | |
| **Application process:** | There is an online application form | |
| **Deadline:** | Applications can be submitted at any time | |
| **Contact:** | Tel: 0345 850 8508 Email: [funding@sportengland.org](mailto:funding@sportengland.org) | |
| **Website:** | [www.sportengland.org/news-and-inspiration/new-movement-fund-set-revolutionise-funding-applications](http://www.sportengland.org/news-and-inspiration/new-movement-fund-set-revolutionise-funding-applications) | |

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