



## FUNDING and GRANTS INFORMATION

December 2024

Welcome to your December 2024 Funding and Grants information bulletin, please see the **newest opportunities** at the top of the bulletin.

### \*\*\*NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES\*\*\*

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#### ***ONE STOP – Community Partnership Programme***

Community groups and other not for profit organisations within a two-mile radius of a One Stop shop can apply for grants of up to £1,000 through the One Stop Community Partnership programme.

This programme supports projects and initiatives that are:

- Tackling food poverty
- Supporting the vulnerable
- Supporting the elderly
- Supporting low-income families
- Supporting a healthier lifestyle, such as Youth sports teams

The programme provides partnership and financial assistance. Alongside a grant of up to £1,000, the One Stop Community Team and One Stop Store Team create a long-term tailored support programme for successful applicants. Grant recipients then partner with the One Stop Store Team at their local shop to deliver this programme.

Applications will be welcomed from various organisations including voluntary/community organisations, registered charities, schools, health bodies, Parish/Town councils, social enterprises, Community Interest Companies.

**The next funding round will be open between the 2nd of December 2024 and the 24th January 2025.**

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

Link: <https://www.onestop.co.uk/community-partnership-page/>

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## **WOODWARD CHARITABLE TRUST – To Support Core Costs**

UK charities and social enterprises supporting children and young people, disadvantaged families, prisoners, and ex-offenders can apply for funding to help cover their core costs.

Two types of grants are available:

- Small grants - up to £3,000, but usually £1,000 or less
- Large grants - over £3,000. However, only a few large grants are awarded each year and only to charities known to the Trust.

The funding will support small-scale, local initiatives that effectively use volunteers, encourage past and current users to participate, and ensure that funds awarded will promote community cohesion and the development of skills that will change the outlook and outcomes for their users.

The types of costs that could be supported include:

- staff salaries
- rent
- utilities
- general office costs
- accountancy and audit costs
- fundraising
- governance and compliance
- costs supporting the core programmes of the organisation

Preference is given to small to medium-sized charities (annual income of less than £200,000) where small grants can have more impact.

**Applications will be accepted until 12pm on the 13th of December 2024.**

**Link:** [https://woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk/general\\_applications/](https://woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk/general_applications/)

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## **LLOYDS BANK FOUNDATION – Specialist Programme Now open for small, local and specialist charities**

We are welcoming applications from small specialist charities with an annual income between £25,000 and £500,000 working with people facing complex issues. Under this programme, we have eight priorities:

1. Addiction
2. Asylum Seekers and Refugees
3. Care Leavers
4. Domestic Abuse
5. Homelessness
6. Offending
7. Sexual Abuse and Exploitation
8. Trafficking and Modern-Day Slavery

Successful applicants will receive an unrestricted grant of £75,000 alongside a [breadth of tailored support](#) aimed at helping strengthen charities and building the knowledge, skills and capabilities of their staff and trustees.

The application deadline is **Thursday 23 January 2025, 5pm**

[Find out more and apply](#)

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## ***BRITISH GAS ENERGY TRUST – Individual and Families Debt Write Off Fund***

Individuals and families with domestic gas or energy debts ranging from £50 to £1,700 on credit or pre-payment meter accounts can apply for support through the Individual and Families grants programme. Administered by the British Gas Energy Trust, this programme provides grants to British Gas and non-British Gas customers with pre-payment or credit accounts to clear outstanding arrears with their energy supplier.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Have energy debt up to £1,700 on a pre-payment meter or credit account in their main residence.
- Reside in England, Scotland, or Wales.
- Not have received a British Gas Energy Trust grant in the past two years.
- Be applying to clear outstanding debt on a current or active gas, electricity, or dual fuel account registered to their main residence.
- Be in or at risk of fuel poverty.
- Have received assistance from a money advice agency.

Customers of Eon, Eon Next, EDF, Scottish Power, Boost, SSE, and Octopus should apply to their respective suppliers' funds.

The fund will close once all funding has been awarded

**Link:** <https://britishgasenergytrust.org.uk/grants-available/>

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## ***BARCHESTER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION – Tackling Loneliness Amongst Older people and Adults with a Disability***

Small community groups, local charities and individuals can apply for grants of between £100 and £2,500 for equipment and to support projects that tackle loneliness amongst older people (65+) and adults with a disability (18+). The funding, which is being made available through Barchester's Charitable Foundation, supports actions that combat loneliness by connecting or re-connecting people with others in their local community.

The types of activities supported can include

- Activity projects
- Equipment and materials for use by members
- Member transport
- Day trips, outings and group holidays in the UK

The Foundation also makes grants of between £100 and £1,000 to help individuals, but please note that all applications for named individuals must be completed by a third party who knows the individual in a professional or community-based capacity, such as general practitioners, occupational therapists, nurses, social workers, or charity or support group representatives.

The grants can help individuals with:

- Manual and powered wheelchairs
- Mobility scooters
- Specialised trikes / e-bikes / bikes
- Car adaptations

There are no deadlines, and applications can be submitted at any time. The fund will close once all funding has been awarded

**Link:** <https://www.bhcfoundation.org.uk/>

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## **SCREWFIX FOUNDATION**

Small The Screwfix Foundation has re-opened for applications from charities and not-for-profit organisations for projects that will fix, repair, maintain, and improve the properties and community facilities of those in need due to financial hardship, sickness, disability, distress, or other disadvantages throughout the UK.

Grants in the region of £5,000 are available for a variety of projects, such as:

- Improved energy-efficient lighting & heating
- Installation of new kitchen, bathroom etc.
- Installation of a sensory room
- General painting & decorating
- Improving the safety and security of a building

Applications are reviewed every quarter and the next deadline for applications is the **10th of February 2025**.

**Useful Links:**

[Grants Awarded](#)

[Eligibility Criteria](#)

**Link:** <https://www.screwfix.com/help/screwfixfoundation/>

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## ***TURNING POINT – Community Innovation Fund***

Charities, community groups, and social enterprises in England can apply for up to £2,500 in seed funding to support sustainable initiatives aimed at reducing social isolation and enhancing the well-being of vulnerable people in their local areas.

The funding is provided by Turning Point, a health and social care organisation, through its Community Innovation Fund. Eligible activities should promote physical activity, foster social connections, teach new skills, encourage volunteering, and practice mindfulness.

Previously funded projects include a community crafting club, a sensory garden, a pottery course, and a storytelling club for men recovering from addiction.

Groups can apply through nominations from Turning Point teams in the areas where Turning Point operates.

Applications can be submitted at any time and will be considered in the next funding round in spring 2025.

**Useful Links:** [Information & Application Form](#)

**Link:** <https://www.turning-point.co.uk/about-us/community-innovation-fund>

## ***THE BAILY THOMAS – General Grants Programme***

UK charities, parent-teacher Associations, and schools can apply for grants to help children and adults suffering severe learning difficulties, including autism.

The funding is being made available through the Baily Thomas General grants programme and can be used to purchase equipment, support capital works, and cover project and core costs.

**Previous grants have been used to support:**

- capital building/renovation/refurbishment works for residential, nursing and respite care, and schools
- employment schemes including woodwork, crafts, printing and horticulture
- play schemes and play therapy schemes
- day and social activities centres including building costs and running costs
- support for families, including respite schemes
- independent living schemes
- support in the community schemes
- Snoezelen rooms

The Fund does not currently accept appeals from Community Interest Companies.

The next deadline for applications seeking funding over £9,000 is the 1st of December 2024.

Applications for £9,000 and below can be submitted at any time.

**Link:** <https://www.bailythomas.org.uk/grants/general-programme>

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## **THE KELLOGG'S BREAKFAST CLUB GRANTS PROGRAMME**

The Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants Programme has reopened for applications. The programme offers grants of up to £1,000 to primary and secondary schools in the UK to set up Breakfast clubs for those children (up to the age of 13) in most need.

To qualify for the programme:

- The breakfast club must be based in a school in England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland;
- A limited number of grants are available so priority will be given to schools that have **either**: 35% and above of children eligible for pupil premium funding (for England) and eligible for free school meals (Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales).

**or**

Schools based in areas classified as being in the 10% of most deprived areas according to the Index of Multiple Deprivation can find out if this applies to their school by following the instructions, which you can find [here](#).

- Additionally, if your school has received breakfast club funding from Gregg's or Magic Breakfast within the current academic year, your club will not be considered a priority for support.
- Only one grant per school in each academic year is available.
- Applications from fee paying schools cannot be accepted.

Schools can apply for an award at any date and will hear within one month if they have been successful.

For any queries please contact Forever Manchester on 0044 161 214 0940 or e-mail [kelloggs@forevermanchester.com](mailto:kelloggs@forevermanchester.com)

**Link:** <https://forevermanchester.com/funding/kelloggs-breakfast-club-programme/>

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## **EREWASH SMALL GRANT SCHEME**

The Erewash Small Grant Scheme is funded by Derbyshire County Council Public Health and Erewash Borough Council.

The scheme has three priority themes and **applicants must meet at least one of the themes to be eligible to apply. The three themes include:**

- Health Inequalities
- Community Wellness
- Building Resilience

**Applications can be made from the following groups:**

- Voluntary or community groups with a constitution

- Registered charities or charitable incorporated organisation
- Community interest company or social enterprise
- Other not-for-profit organisations

Statutory organisations and Parish Councils are not eligible to apply to this grant scheme.

The Erewash Small Grant Scheme provides funding up to £1,500. Applications may be made at any time, there are no deadlines.

**Information for applicants and application forms can be found here: [Erewash Small Grants \(erewashvoluntaryaction.org.uk\)](http://erewashvoluntaryaction.org.uk)**

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### ***Community Energy Resilience Grant.***

- ARE YOU A LOCAL COMMUNITY OR VOLUNTARY GROUP?
- ARE YOUR ENERGY BILLS TOO HIGH?
- ARE YOU LOOKING TO REDUCE COSTS AND HELP THE ENVIRONMENT?

You may be eligible for our Community Energy Resilience Grant.

Erewash Borough Council has a small pot of grant funding for local community and voluntary groups who own or long-term lease the premises they operate from. This funding is for energy-saving improvements to the building - such as solar panels or heat pumps - that will reduce carbon emissions and lower bills.

**To check your organisation's eligibility and to apply please email: [economicdevelopment@erewash.gov.uk](mailto:economicdevelopment@erewash.gov.uk)**



This grant scheme is funded by the Government's UK Shared Prosperity Fund.



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## ***Erewash Borough Council – Fast Funding Community Grants***

The council has received Shared Prosperity Funding (SPF) from central government, to support its revised Fast Funding Community Grant scheme. Qualifying community organisations, including registered charities, voluntary organisations and social enterprises, are invited to apply for a grant of up to £1,500 to deliver a project or activity that will provide benefits for Erewash residents.

All applications must show how their project or activity will achieve one or both of the Fast-Funding Community Grant scheme's outcomes:

- Increased engagement (of at least 10%).
- Increased volunteering (of at least 10%).

For detailed information and advice about how to complete the online application form read the Fast-Funding Community Grant guidance notes.

**Applications can be submitted until 16 March 2025**

For further information: [Community Grants \(erewash.gov.uk\)](https://erewash.gov.uk)

## ***Foundation Derbyshire***

Foundation Derbyshire is proud to be Derbyshire's local funder, who has been offering a wide variety of grants to community and voluntary groups working across Derby and Derbyshire for over 25 years.

Grants up to £2,500 are available, which can be used to support core running costs, equipment, resources or new ideas.

Foundation Derbyshire is a registered Charity and independent grant maker.

Foundation Derbyshire promotes and encourages local philanthropy, with funds set up by local philanthropists, families, individuals and businesses who want to put back into Derbyshire.

If you would like to apply for a grant, contact Foundation Derbyshire first. The grants team will offer advice and support, and talk you through our timeframes, fund matching service and give hints and tips.

**No closing dates, apply whenever you are ready.**

For further information: <http://www.foundationderbyshire.org/>

Contact the grants team 01773 525860 or email: [hello@foundationderbyshire.org](mailto:hello@foundationderbyshire.org)



## ***East Midlands Airport Community Fund***

Communities around East Midlands airport can apply for grants of up to £2,000 for projects that have a long-lasting community, social or environmental benefit.

Applications must meet at least one of the following objectives:

- provide help to community groups which are supporting vulnerable people during the Covid-19 outbreak.
- bring the community closer together through facilities for sport, recreation and other leisure-time activities.
- support young people to prepare for employment.
- offer environmental improvement and/or heritage conservation.
- improve awareness of environmental issues, and
- encourage and/or protect wildlife.

**The application process is now through the East Midlands Airport Community Fund web site and is now electronic and not paper based.**

**The next closing date for applications is the 6 January 2025**

For further information: [Supporting The Local Community | East Midlands Airport](#)

## ***Easy Fundraising***

[Free to sign-up and free to use](#), it is a fantastic opportunity to benefit from an additional funding stream from something you, your team, volunteers, and supporters are already doing anyway.

Three steps to getting off to a great start:

- [Set up a free easyfundraising page for your organisation](#) – this only takes a couple of minutes.
- Share your page with everyone associated with your organisation, so they can start supporting you every time they shop online.
- Every three months, receive a payment from Easy fundraising – easy as that!

Easy fundraising will give you lots of support to help you get up and running and raising as much as possible. You can even have a free 1-2-1 call with one of the team for a demo of the site, advice and fundraising.

Don't miss out on free funding; [register your organisation today](#).

## ***Derbyshire County Council Community Leadership Scheme***

All 64 of our councillors get funding through the members' Community Leadership Scheme to give to communities and organisations in their area.

Groups seeking funding should contact their local county councillor to explain the nature of the project, amount sought, what other funding is available and how it will benefit the community.

For further information: [Community Leadership Scheme - Derbyshire County Council](#)

## ***National Lottery Community Fund - Awards for All England***

Voluntary, community organisations and Schools, etc across the UK can now apply for grants of up to £20,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund – Awards for All programme. This represents a significant increase from the previous maximum grant size of £10,000. Projects can last for up to two years.

The funding boost is intended to support organisations in delivering new or existing community led activities. Eligible projects must achieve at least one of the following objectives:

- Bring people together to build strong relationships within and across communities
- Improve places and spaces that matter to communities
- Help individuals reach their potential by providing early support
- Assist individuals, communities, and organisations facing difficulties due to the cost-of-living crisis

Organisations eligible to apply include:

- Constituted voluntary or community organisations
- Constituted groups or clubs
- Registered charities
- Charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs)
- Not-for-profit companies
- Community interest companies (CICs)
- Schools (provided the project benefits and involves the surrounding communities)
- Statutory bodies (including local authorities, town, parish, and community councils)
- Community benefit societies

The application deadline is 16 weeks before the start of the project or activities.

**Applications can be submitted at any time. **

For further information: <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/under10k>

## ***The Ironmongers Company – Supporting Disadvantaged Children and Young People***

The Ironmongers' Company want to support projects that provide opportunities for disadvantaged children and young people to fulfil their potential. Grants are only given to registered charities and projects must meet all of the following criteria:

- For children and young people under the age of 25 who are disadvantaged.
- Consist of educational activities that develop learning, motivational and skills.
- Have clear aims and objectives to be met within a [planned timescale.
- Are within the UK.

Projects must deliver clearly defined educational benefits to a specific group of children or young people.

Grants range from a few hundred pounds to around £10,000. The average grant awarded is £4,000. Grants must be spent within 12 months from the date of award.

**The next deadline for applications is 15 December 2024**

For further information: [Charities | Ironmongers' Company](#)

## **UnLtd**

Grants plus business support are available to social entrepreneurs that are looking to start or grow an existing social venture. The funding is being made available through the UnLtd the leading provider of support to social entrepreneurs in and around the UK.

The grants are being made available through two funding streams:

- Grants of up to £18,000 to grow an existing social enterprise that has been operating between 1 and 4 years.
- Grants of up to £8,000 for social businesses not yet established or been running under a year.

UnLtd are committed to providing 50% of their awards to Black, Asian and minority ethnic social entrepreneurs, and/or disabled social entrepreneurs.

To be eligible applicants need to be:

- Aged 16 and over
- Living in the United Kingdom
- Willing to participate in a learning experience
- Working to benefit people living in the United Kingdom
- Have a real social impact
- Fulfil a clear need and demand
- Have clear outputs and goals

In addition to the Awards, UnLtd has two focus areas where they think social entrepreneurs can make a big difference. UnLtd has dedicated teams and specialist support available to social entrepreneurs with ideas to help people in the areas of:

- Healthy Aging
- Access to Employment

**Applications are currently open**

For further information: [UnLtd - Awards | Funding and support to grow your impact |](#)

## **Edward Gostling Foundation - Capital Grant Programme**

Capital grants of up to £250,000 are available to expand the capacity of UK registered charities and CIO's working to improve the quality of life for people in need, particularly those living on very low incomes who have a disability or long-term illness.

The funding is made available by the Edward Gostling Foundation through their Capital Grant Programme.

This programme encourages organisations to bring forward major capital projects costing £1 million or more that align with one or more of the foundation's funding themes.

The funding themes are:

- Health and wellbeing
- Independent living at home
- Respite
- Transition

These projects should build new capacity, promote sustainability, and bring about a step change in the way care is delivered.

Grants will vary depending on the size and scope of the project. Organisations must have at least 50% of the project's funding secured before submitting their application.

Applications are accepted from registered charities and charitable incorporated organisations with a minimum of 3 years filed accounts. Decisions can take 90 days.

**Applications can be submitted at any time**

For further information: [Capital Grants - The Edward Gostling Foundation](#)

## ***Peter Harrison Foundation - Opportunities Through Sport Grant Scheme.***

Charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) throughout the United Kingdom can apply to the Peter Harrison Foundation Opportunities Through Sport grant scheme. The aim of the grant scheme is to provide opportunities for sport and physical activity at a grassroots level that enable people who are physically, mentally, socially, or economically disadvantaged to develop personal and life skills to fulfil their potential.

The grants can be used for a variety of purposes, such as funding new sports programmes, improving existing sports facilities, or providing training and support for sports coaches.

The Trustees welcome applications for physical activity initiatives that:

- Provide a focus for skills development and confidence building
- Have a strong training and/or educational theme
- Provide specialised sporting equipment or facilities required to open opportunities
- Have a high degree of involvement from beneficiaries and those with lived experience
- Have a plan for sustainability and seek to deliver a lasting legacy

The Foundations provide two levels of funding:

- Major grants: between £5,001 and £30,000.
- Small grants: up to £5,000

Priority will be given to organisations with an annual turnover of up to £500,000.

**Applications are currently open**

For further information: [About our grant programmes | Peter Harrison Foundation](#)

## **Cooperative Bank - Customer Donation Fund**

Organisations such as Registered Charities, Community Interest Companies, Co-operatives and Credit Unions; etc. that have a Community Directplus account can apply for funding of up to £1,000 from the Customer Donation Fund.

Since 2003 the Co-operative Bank Donation Fund has donated over £1,000,000 to over 1,100 local good causes. The money can be used to support special projects and fundraising activities; and all Community Directplus account holders are eligible to apply.

**Applications are currently open**

For further information: [Customer Donation Fund | Community Banking | The Co-operative Bank](#)

## **AB Charitable Trust**

UK-registered charities that work towards combating abuse and violations of human rights can apply for grants of usually between £10,000 and £30,000 through the A B Charitable Trust. The A B Charitable Trust (ABCT) was set up in 1990 and supports unpopular causes that champion human dignity and focus on small and medium-sized charities working close to the ground.

Applications are particularly welcomed from charities working to support:

- migrants and refugees
- criminal justice and penal reform
- human rights, particularly access to justice

The Trust generally makes one-off grants to charities registered and working in the UK with annual incomes of between £150,000 and £1.5m that do not have substantial investments or surpluses.

Grants range in size, with most grants awarded being in the range £10,000 to £30,000. ABCT does not normally fund charities with large national or international links.

**The next closing date for applications is the 25 October 2024, 31 January 2025**

For further information: [The A B Charitable Trust, an independent grant-making organisation](#)

## **FCC Community Foundation**

Registered Charities, churches, Parish Councils, Local Authorities and CASC registered sports clubs can apply for grants of between £2,000 and £100,000 for the provision, maintenance or improvement of community facilities.

This can include:

- Village Halls and Community Centres
- Public Play Areas
- Publicly available Multi use games areas
- Skate parks and BMX tracks
- Sport and recreation grounds including pavilions and clubhouses with full public access
- Churches – community spaces only
- Nature Reserves
- Public gardens, parks, country parks and woodlands with at least dawn to dusk access
- Museums

The funding is being made available through the FCC Community Action Fund and is available to projects located within 10 miles of an eligible FCC Environment site.

Recent changes to its funding policy mean that the FCC Community Foundation will now accept applications for renewable energy projects based at community buildings, including solar panels. Applications for non-substantial extensions such as porches, storage areas and toilets/kitchens will in some circumstances will now also be accepted.

All grants require applicants to secure a contributing third party (CTP) payment. This is a very specific payment required to be paid to the landfill operator and should not be confused with match funding.

**The next closing date for applications is 5pm on 20 November 2024**

For further information: [FCC Community Action Fund / FCC \(fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk\)](https://fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk)

## ***The Matthew Good Foundation***

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

The Fund will share £15,000 between five shortlisted projects every three months, which will be voted for by John Good Group employees. The project that receives the most votes will receive a grant of £5,000, second place £3,500, third place £2,500 with fourth and fifth place both receiving £2,000.

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

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

**Applications are currently open**

For further information: [Grants for Good - Connecting businesses with high impact small charities | Matthew Good Foundation](#)

## ***Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust***

Refurbishment Grants programme The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust is delivering the Veterans' Capital Housing Fund on behalf of the Office for Veterans' Affairs. The Veterans' Capital Housing Fund supports projects that contribute to the wider aim of ending veterans' homelessness by providing affordable and viable homes for veterans.

Under this programme, the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust will award grants of up to £75K, on behalf of the Office for Veterans Affairs, towards projects that assist in the refurbishment or extension of rental accommodation that will offer high quality support for veterans with a housing need.

Eligibility – To be eligible for this funding, you must be one of the following:

- A registered charity that can show it works with veterans or
- A registered social housing provider that can show it works with veterans.

This is a refurbishment grant programme for capital projects that will support refurbishment and/or extension of accommodation for veterans. You can apply for grants of up to £75k for capital refurbishments projects lasting up to one year. We anticipate that most grants will be below £40k.

Themes and priorities – We want to support projects that need help to refurbish existing housing for veterans. This could be transitional or permanent housing. You can apply to this programme if your project will:

- enable refurbishments of existing affordable homes for rent to veterans
- enable refurbishments of sites that increase the availability of veteran housing
- ensure properties meet decent homes and energy efficiency standards

A strong application will show how the project will contribute to the aims of the government's ambition to reduce veteran homelessness and end rough sleeping, who you would work with to deliver the project and how the benefits of the work would contribute to the overall aims of this programme.

**The next deadline for applications is midday 3 January 2025** 

For further information: [Refurbishment Grants Programme : Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust](#)

## ***Bernard Sunley Foundation***

Grants are available to charities, specialist schools, CIOs, and other not-for-profit organisations including scout and guide groups, and housing associations, that are working to raise the quality of life for people in England and Wales.

The Bernard Sunley Foundation aims to provide greater opportunities for the young, elderly, disabled, and disadvantaged by supporting capital projects in the areas of:

- Community
- Education
- Health
- Social welfare

The types of projects that could be supported include:

- improvements to village halls
- supporting children and adults with special educational and learning needs
- improvements to hospices and treatment clinics
- supporting day centres for the elderly

The Foundation offers three levels of grants. These are large grants of £20,000 and above; medium grants of up to £20,000 and small grants of £5,000 and under. Large and medium grants are considered and agreed upon at Trustees' meetings. Small grants are agreed by Trustees monthly and form the majority of grants awarded.

**Applications can be made at any time** 

Further information: [Welcome - Bernard Sunley Foundation](#)

## ***Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust***

Charities registered in the UK and working to offer sanctuary, rehoming and rehabilitation to animals in the UK and/or internationally can apply for grants of up to £35,000. Organisations involved with

the conservation of wildlife, the rescue, rehabilitation and (where possible) release of animals are also eligible to apply.

The funding supports general running costs or capital purchases. The Trust encourages repeat applications from charities when further financial support might be given if funds allow.

**Applications are currently open**

For further information: [Home - Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust](#)

## ***Rowing Foundation***

Organisations, clubs, and schools involved in rowing can apply for grants of between £500 and £4,000 (up to 50% of the overall cost of the project) from the Rowing Foundation to support junior & student rowers, and adaptive rowing for all ages.

These grants are intended for groups who may have small funding requirements or be ineligible for other sources of funding such as the National Lottery.

The Rowing Foundation focuses on providing equipment such as boats, sculls, ergos, oars, and safety gear to encourage the participation of young people and the disabled in rowing.

The funding is being made available through two funding programmes:

- Equipment grants
- Refurbishment grants

To be eligible for funding, the projects or work must be non-elitist, for public benefit, and aim to benefit young people, those in education, or people with disabilities.

**The next application deadline for equipment grants is 12.00 on the 10th March 2025.**

**Applications for refurbishment grants can be made at any time**

For further information: [The Rowing Foundation](#)

## ***The Garfield Weston Foundation***

A charitable grant-making foundation, which supports a wide range of causes across the UK, donating over £90 million annually.

### **Operating/Core Costs**

Through the Operating/Core Costs grants programme the foundation provides funding towards the general costs of running an organisation. This means they can be used to help pay the organisations bills or rent and provide support towards salaries

### **Capital projects**

Through the Capital Projects grant programme the foundation provides funding of no more than 10% of a total project cost. However, for local community projects (e.g. village halls, community centres, places of worship, etc.), grants are unlikely to be over £30,000 regardless of the project size.

**Applications can be submitted at any time**

Further information: [What we fund - Garfield Weston Foundation](#)



## ***National Lottery Heritage Fund***

The Heritage 2033 strategy is centered around a simplified framework of four investment principles:

- Saving heritage
- Protecting the environment
- Inclusion, access and participation
- Organisational sustainability

The entry level has now been increased to £10,000. The application guidance and forms have been changed to reflect the new strategy and materials have been simplified proportionate to the amount of money you are applying for.

For further information: [What we fund | The National Lottery Heritage Fund](#)

## ***D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust***

Grants are available for UK registered charities seeking to enhance and improve people's lives through the advancement of the arts, health and medical welfare, and the environment.

The D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust typically awards grants of between £500 and £6,000 for projects and core costs, with a preference for small-scale, locally based initiatives.

The types of services provided to communities could include:

- Arts: Promoting access to the arts, providing performance development opportunities for early-career artists, and supporting charities that engage young people on the fringes of society through music and drama projects
- Environment: Conserving the countryside, encouraging voluntary work and active involvement in hands-on activities, particularly those that benefit young people, and supporting rural crafts and skills in heritage conservation
- Medical Welfare: Supporting charities that alleviate the suffering of adults and children with medical conditions, providing music and art therapy to improve quality of life, and providing breaks for carers without regular support

There are three grant-making meetings held annually which take place in March, July, and November.

Projects should have a start date of at least three months after the meeting date.

**The next deadline for applications is midnight on the 4 February 2025 **

For further information: [How to apply – The D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust \(doilycartecharitabletrust.org\)](https://doilycartecharitabletrust.org)

## ***Masonic Charitable Foundation Charity Grants***

Funding is available for registered charities that are working to support disadvantaged children and young people as well as vulnerable older people.

The Masonic Charitable Foundation awards small grants of between £10,000 and £60,000 to support projects focusing on:

- Children affected by domestic abuse
- Early years 0-5
- Children with special educational needs and disabilities
- People with dementia and their carers

Small grants are for those charities whose annual income is between £25,000 and £499,999 and are unrestricted.

Large grants are for charities whose annual income is between £500,000 and £5 million.

**Expression of interest can be submitted at any time**

For further information: [Grants to charities - The Masonic Charitable Foundation \(mcf.org.uk\)](https://www.mcf.org.uk/grants-to-charities)

## ***LoveReading4Kids - Funding for Schools Scheme***

UK schools and early years' settings can apply for grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 to buy books for their libraries and encourage more children to read for pleasure.

The LoveReading4Kids Funding for Schools Scheme will help schools to provide children with a range of non-curriculum books to improve their reading standards, particularly amongst children experiencing disadvantage or underrepresentation.

Areas for Consideration will include:

- Schools with income deprivation or cultural deprivation
- FSM
- IDACI
- Literacy levels
- Schools looking to improve standards

Any grant awarded will be made in the form of credit to be spent within six months on the LoveReading4Kids online bookstore.

**Applications can be submitted at any time, with decisions taking up to three months**

For further information: <https://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/the-lovereadings4kids-funding-for-schools-scheme>

## ***Allan Lane Foundation - Young People's Programme***

The Allan Lane Foundation is offering grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 to charities and not-for-profit organisations working with young people aged 12-21 who are socially excluded or marginalised, and who may have experienced significant issues within their lives.

The grants can be used to support a range of activities, including core costs, project work, and capital expenditure.

The Foundation is particularly interested in supporting organisations that focus their work on:

- Young people within the criminal justice system or those at risk of offending
- Looked after children or care leavers
- Those with significant mental health concerns or complex needs
- Young people who have been traumatised by challenging family backgrounds, neglect, violence or abuse
- Those that have fallen through the gaps in care and/or education
- Those already affected by, or vulnerable to, exploitation
- Whose experiences could seriously impact their transition into adulthood

To maximise the impact of its grants, the Foundation will only fund smaller organisations. Organisations that work across a local area, such as a village, estate, or town, must have an annual income of less than £100,000 to be eligible. Organisations that work across the entire UK must have an annual income of less than £250,000 to be eligible.

**Applications can be submitted at any time** 

For further information: [The Allen Lane Foundation | Young People's Programme](#)

## ***Foyle Foundation - Small Grants Scheme***

Grants of between £2,000 and £10,000 are available to support small, grassroots and local charities which are currently delivering services to the young, vulnerable, elderly, disadvantaged or the general community across the UK.

The funding, which is being made available through Foyle Foundation's Small Grants Scheme, can be used to cover projects, core costs, building projects, or essential equipment to enable ongoing service provision for charities with a turnover of less than £150,000 per annum that can show financial stability and a clear need for their services.

Competition for funding is expected to be strong.

**Grants applications are open until 31 January 2025** 

For further information: [Small Grants Scheme - \(foylefoundation.org.uk\)](#)

## ***Happy Days Children's Charity***

The Happy Days Children's Charity is inviting applications for funding towards trips, respite breaks and group activity holidays for disadvantaged children and young people with additional needs.

The charity awards funding for different types of activities to support families with children aged 3-17 who have a disability, a special need or have been abused.

Grants are available for the following activities:

- Family Day Trips - eligible trips include zoos, farm parks, theme parks, the seaside or the theatre
- Family Holiday Breaks - a short break family holiday by the seaside or in the countryside, usually in the United Kingdom. Other destinations will be considered according to cost.

- Group Day Trips and Visiting Theatre - a day trip to a wide variety of destinations, for example, the seaside, a theme park, the theatre, or for a theatre workshop to visit the applicants' premises. Items that can be funded are tickets/passes and transport costs
- Group Activity Holidays - a group activity holiday to a wide variety of destinations such as outdoor activity centres, holiday camps and sailing breaks
- Applications for family activities are accepted from parents, guardians, grandparents or siblings, as well as GPs, consultants, nurses or social workers.

Applications for group activities are accepted from organisations such as SEN schools and groups, young carers and women's refuges.

**Applications can be made at any time** 

For further information: [Happy Days Children's Charity UK - Apply for Funding \(happydayscharity.org\)](http://happydayscharity.org)

## ***Tesco - Tesco Stronger Starts Programme***

Tesco is introducing a £5 million grant programme to give children across the UK a stronger start in life. The grants will help schools and children's groups provide nutritious food and healthy activities that support young people's physical health and mental wellbeing, such as breakfast clubs or snacks, and equipment for healthy activities.

Priority is given to projects that provide food and support to young people.

Every three months, three local good causes/ projects are selected to be in the blue token customer vote in Tesco stores throughout the UK. Grants will be awarded depending on the number of votes their project receives.

Examples of eligible applications with a focus on food security, children and young people could be:

- A school providing pupils with food for breakfast clubs or snacks throughout the day.
- A school wanting to buy equipment for outdoor or indoor activities.
- A school wanting to develop a food growing area.
- A school supporting an after-school club.
- A voluntary organisation working with families to run a food bank.
- An organisation addressing holiday hunger.
- A healthy eating project that supports families to cook healthy meals on a budget.
- A Brownie or Scout group needing funding for new play equipment or activities.

The Tesco Stronger Starts Programme is managed by Groundwork across the UK.

**Applications can be made at any time** 

For further information: [Tesco Stronger Starts \(tescocommunitygrants.org.uk\)](http://tescocommunitygrants.org.uk)

## ***Football Foundation***

Grassroots football clubs, charities, community and voluntary groups, local authorities and other not-for-profit organisations are encouraged to apply for funding to improve the facilities of grassroots football clubs in England.

The Football Foundation, supported by funding from the Premier League, The FA, and the Government, provides grants of up to £25,000 for the purchase of:

- goalposts
- storage containers
- portable floodlights
- changing pavilions & clubhouses
- fencing
- 3g pitch maintenance machinery & equipment
- grass pitch improvement
- small-sided facility improvement
- 3G pitches
- creation of new grass pitches

Other opportunities include:

- a defibrillator fund
- an energy support funding programme
- the Premier League Stadium Fund, which awards capital grants to clubs to support improvement of their stadium facilities for players, supporters and officials

For further information: [What we fund | Football Foundation](#)

## ***Cosaraf Charitable Foundation - Hardship Grants***

Grants of up to £2,000 are available to charities, housing associations, schools and social services providing support for individuals and families across the UK who are in financial need.

The Cosaraf Charitable Foundation's Hardship Grants will support individuals and families who have exhausted all other sources of funding and are struggling with everyday costs, such as basic living expenses, household items and utilities, work- or education-related expenses, or rent arrears.

Priority will be given to:

- the most financially excluded people
- families over individuals
- those with caring responsibilities
- items that will make the most difference to the individual/family's long-term future

Other than in exceptional cases, Hardship Grants will only be made available for:

- Household items (white goods and occasionally other items i.e., sofas, wardrobes etc.)
- Basic Living Expenses (Utilities or food)
- Work- or education-related expenses (interview clothes, school uniforms, laptops)
- Rent arrears and Council tax arrears, but only where there is a clear and obvious risk of homelessness (for rent arrears involving a social landlord please outline what support has already been offered to your tenant)
- Contribution to immigration-related costs, where the current immigration status directly causes financial hardship to the applicant

**Applications can be made at any time and are assessed every six weeks** 

For further information: [Hardship Grants - COSARAF](#)

## **BlueSpark Foundation**

Schools, colleges and community groups in England can apply for grants to BlueSpark Foundation to support the education and development of children and young people through educational, cultural, sporting and other projects.

BlueSpark is particularly keen to support projects which will help enhance the self-confidence, team working skills and future employability of children and young people. In most cases, grants will be made on a relatively small scale.

The Foundation makes grants of up to £5,000. The majority of grants awarded however, are below £2,000.

The funding available can be for physical assets (such as iPads, sports equipment, or lighting for stage productions) or for services or facilities (such as sports coaching or music or drama tuition) or simply for the provision of experiences (such as theatre visits). These examples are intended to be illustrative and not restrictive as to the funding which BlueSpark may provide to support projects.

**Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis at approximately 8-week intervals**

For further information: [Home - Blue Spark Foundation](#)

## **Trusthouse Charitable Foundation - Small Grants Programme**

Charities and not for profit organisations in the UK can apply for small grants of up to £10,000 to address urban and rural deprivation in the UK. The funding is being made available through the Trusthouse Charitable Foundation's small grants programme.

To be eligible for a grant, eligible organisations must have an annual income of less than £250,000. They must also be able to demonstrate a clear need for funding and how the grant will be used to make a difference. In addition the applicants postcode must be located within the following areas on the Indices of Multiple Deprivation:

- For projects located in an urban area, the applicant must be in the bottom 15% most deprived areas
- For projects located in a rural area, the applicant must be in the bottom 50% most deprived areas
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The funding is available to support project/salary/core running costs.

Applicants need to match fund 50% of the project costs.

**Applications for the small grants scheme can be submitted at any time**

For further information: [Small Grants | Trusthouse Charitable Foundation](#)

## **BBC Children in Need Emergency Essentials Programme**

BBC Children in Need Emergency Essentials Programme supports children and young people who are facing exceptionally difficult circumstances and is delivered by Family Fund Business Services. The programme provides items that meet a child's most basic needs such as a bed to sleep in, a cooker to provide a hot meal and other items or services critical to a child's wellbeing.

All applications must be made by a registered referrer.

Applications must be completed by a registered referrer who is part of an organisation that is supporting the family or young person and capable of assessing their needs. The referrer's organisation should also be able to administer and supervise the grant on our behalf.

Family Fund Business Services has to work within specific criteria whilst aiming to provide a flexible grant programme to assist those most in need. Please read our guidelines before applying.

For Further Information: [BBC Children in Need Emergency Essentials Programme - Family Fund Business Services \(familyfundservices.co.uk\)](https://familyfundservices.co.uk)

## ***BBC Children in Need - Project Grants***

As part of its new grant-making strategy, BBC Children in Need is awarding grants of up to £40,000 per year for up to three years to support the projects costs of registered charities and not-for-profit organisations (including Special Schools) working with disadvantaged children and young people aged 18 years or under living in the UK, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

The funding will support the delivery of a specific piece of work (project) and could be spent on project staff costs, trips and outings, volunteer expenses and/or moveable equipment.

Groups requesting £15,000 or less will receive a quicker decision.

Expressions of interest should be submitted in the first instance.

**Applications can be made at any time**

For further information: [Project Costs Funding Stream - BBC Children in Need](#)

## ***Tesco Community Grants Programme***

The Tesco Community Grants Programme will use the money raised from the 5p bag charge in Tesco stores across England, Wales and Scotland to pay for a large number of local projects.

Tesco Community Grants fund thousands of local community projects across the UK, helping to fight holiday hunger, tackle mental health, support young people, host community events and much more. Since 2016 the scheme has supported over 40,000 community groups with more than £90 million in grants.

Tesco Community Grants is open to charities and community organisations to apply for a grant of up to £1,500.

Every three months, three local good causes are selected to be in the blue token customer vote in Tesco stores throughout the UK.

**This grant is open to applications**

For further information: [Tesco Community Grants](#)

## ***The Clothworkers Foundation***

Awards grants to charities and other not for profit organisations (including special schools) to support capital projects that support disadvantaged sections of the community. This can include the purchase or renovation of buildings and the purchase of equipment and vehicles.

To be eligible the projects must fit within one or more of the Foundation's specified programme areas. This includes

- alcohol & substance misuse
- disadvantaged minority communities
- disadvantaged young people
- domestic & sexual abuse
- homelessness
- domestic and sexual abuse
- older people

**Applications can be made at any time**

For further information: [What We Fund | The Clothworkers' Foundation \(clothworkersfoundation.org.uk\)](https://www.clothworkersfoundation.org.uk/what-we-fund)

## ***B&Q Foundation***

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to UK registered charities for projects that improve homes and community spaces for those most in need, such as those experiencing homelessness, financial hardship, poor health, disability, or other disadvantage or distress.

The funding is made available by the B&Q Foundation to decorate, renovate, or create spaces, both indoors and outdoors, where people can feel at home and have a sense of belonging.

Projects could include creating community gardens, redecorating properties, installing new boilers, and creating new buildings or rooms. Larger funding amounts are occasionally awarded depending on the strength of the application and project.

**Applications can be submitted at any time and organisations should submit an expression of interest in the first instance**

For further information: [Apply For a Grant | B&Q Foundation \(bqfoundation.org.uk\)](https://www.bqfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant)