



FUNDING and GRANTS INFORMATION

September 2023

Erewash Voluntary Action CVS – Erewash Small Grant Scheme

Derbyshire County Council Public Health, Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Services and Erewash Borough Council fund the Erewash Small Grant Scheme.

Community groups and organisations can apply for up to **£1,500**.

The Erewash Small Grant Scheme has three priority themes and applicants must meet at least one of the themes to be eligible to apply. The priority themes include:

- Health Inequalities
- Community Wellness
- Building Resilience

Applications can be made by voluntary or community groups with a constitution, registered charity or charitable incorporated organisation, community interest company or social enterprise and other not for profit organisations.

The grant scheme is not open to statutory organisations. **From 1 August 2023 this includes Parish Councils.**

For further details about the Erewash Small Grant Scheme including an application form and scheme guidance contact the Development Worker at Erewash Voluntary Action – email: catriona@erewashcvs.org.uk or Telephone 0115 9466740

If you are thinking of making an application, contact the Development Worker to discuss your ideas.

Applications can be made at any time there are no deadlines.

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

Derbyshire County Council – Recovery from Alcohol and Drug Dependence Grant

Grants will be available to organisations and groups within Derbyshire which support people to achieve and sustain recovery from drug or alcohol dependence. This grant will be for two years.

The aim of the grant is to financially support organisations who can provide meaningful activity and positively increase social connections amongst people in or working towards recovery.

Innovative ideas are encouraged, and support could include activities such as:

- Improve physical and mental health and wellbeing
- Provide purposeful activity
- Help develop social networks
- Connect people in recovery
- Develop financial capability
- Develop positive thinking
- Build self confidence and self-esteem

Applicants must demonstrate good value for money.

The Council would encourage applications from the voluntary and community sector that have a presence in Derbyshire and demonstrate an understanding of the opportunities and potential issues that may arise in a geographically diverse county.

To make an application email ASCH.substance.misuse.grant@derbyshire.gov.uk

The closing date for applications is Thursday 19 October 2023

For further information: [Recovery Grants 2023/24 Application Window Opens \(growingrecoveryinderbyshire.co.uk\)](https://growingrecoveryinderbyshire.co.uk)

Rosa - Voices from the Frontline

Rosa's Voices from the Frontline fund offers on year grants of between £500 and £7,000 to support campaigning and influencing work that enables women's and girls to use their voice to achieve change.

There is a critical need for funding for women and girls' organisations to deliver activism and campaigning particularly at the grassroots and to raise awareness of the issues they face.

The deadline for applications is 4.00 pm on 11 October 2023

For further information: [Voices from the Frontline - Rosa \(rosauk.org\)](https://rosauk.org)

Derbyshire Environmental Trust

This year the trust has up to £80,000 in total available for distribution to a number of projects with the maximum award level set at £25,000 and the minimum at £2,500

Examples of the type of project that would be eligible include the provision and maintenance and repair of:

- Children's play area
- Skate parks
- Multi-use games areas
- Sport fields and other recreations facilities
- Nature reserves
- Community outdoor spaces and centres

The closing date for applications is 6 October 2023

For further information: [Derbyshire Environmental Trust – Derbyshire County Council](https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk)

Youth Music – NextGen Fund

The Youth Music NextGen Fund offers young creatives grants of up to £2,500 to make their ideas happen. The Youth Music NextGen Fund is for early-stage musicians and wider music adjacent creatives to invest up to £2,500 in their own projects and make their ideas happen.

The fund is especially aimed at those whose lack of finance holds them back from pursuing their goals. It is open to 18–25-year-olds (and up to 30-year-olds who identify as d/Deaf or Disabled) who live in England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland. We want to support the future of the music industries. Singers, Rappers, Songwriters, Producers, DJs, A&Rs, Managers and Agents, right through to roles that have yet to be defined.

The deadline for applications is 29 September 2023

For further information: [NextGen Fund | Youth Music](#)

[Royal Countryside Fund - Supporting Rural Communities Programme](#)

The Royal Countryside Fund (RCF) has announced that its Supporting Rural Communities programme has re-opened for applications. The programme was launched in 2010 to help remote and disadvantaged rural communities address challenges and build a more sustainable future.

The Supporting Rural Communities programme is one of the RCF's flagship grant programmes and has supported over 480 rural community-led projects to date. Each year, the fund awards a total of £500,000 to community groups, charities, and social enterprises that are working to improve the lives of people in rural communities.

Grants of up to £25,000 are available for projects lasting up to two years.

Successful projects will achieve one or more of the following programme aims:

- Support people to resolve existing and emerging community issues, circumstances, and priorities in their locality
- Build rural community resilience
- Develop innovative and replicable projects
- Enable leadership and community planning
- Improve the economic or social resilience of a rural community
- Reduce isolation for people living in rural areas through improving service provision
- Create a self-sufficient rural community fit for the future.

To be eligible for funding, organisations must be constituted, not-for-profit, and community-led, with an annual turnover of less than £500,000.

The closing date for applications is 12 noon on the 20 October 2023.

For further information: [Rural Communities - The Royal Countryside Fund](#)

[Ocado Foundation for Good](#)

The Ocado Foundation, the charitable arm of Ocado Group, is working with BizGive, to support community projects across the UK.

The Foundation will provide grants of up to £1,000 to charities, community organisations, community interest companies, academic institutions, and local authorities for community projects which focus their efforts on the following core areas:

- Skills for the Future: Improve Basic Life Skills
- Skills for the Future: Improve Skills for Future Learning

- Natural Resources: Reduce our Impact on the Planet
- Responsible Sourcing: Support Ethical Products & Supply Chains

For volunteering, only applications for digital volunteering will be accepted.

Applications can be made at any time until the 31 December 2023.

For further information: [BizGive](#)

[Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust - Children and Young People in Care and Care Leavers](#)

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to UK-registered charities or organisations that are exempt from registration, providing support for children and young people in care and care leavers.

The funding will be awarded by the Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust to charities that have an operating income and expenditure of more than £1 million per year. The Trust will continue to prioritise charities that work in BAME communities, in light of Black Lives Matter.

The closing date for applications is the 30 September 2023.

For further information: [Home - The Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust \(austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk\)](http://Home - The Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust (austin-hope-pilkington.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.

Funding is awarded every three months.

The deadline for applications is 15 December 2023.

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

Hospice UK - Dying Matters Community Grants Programme

Funding is available to support innovative community arts and culture projects that open up conversations about dying, death and grief in new and creative ways.

Hospice UK's Dying Matters Community Grants Programme will award grants of between £5,000 and £8,000 to hospices working in partnership with local groups/community organisations for projects that support hard-to-reach groups including:

- ethnic minorities
- homeless people
- prisoners
- people with learning disabilities
- LGBT+ people
- those living in remote and rural areas
- people living in poverty, deprivation and with lower socioeconomic status

Funding can be used to cover:

- artist fees
- exhibition / installation costs
- materials
- translation & marketing
- refreshments
- craft materials
- venue hire

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 24 November 2023.

For further information: [Dying Matters Community Grants | Hospice UK](#)

Aviva - Save Our Wild Isles Community Fund

Aviva, in partnership with the RSPB and WWF, is making £1 million available to support community groups and schools in deprived areas of the UK to protect and restore nature in their local area.

The Save Our Wild Isles Community Fund is a crowdfunding initiative that will give £2 for every £1 raised by each project. Community groups can apply for an initial £500 to kick-start their project and up to £15,000 in match funding.

To apply for the Save Our Wild Isles Community Fund, projects need to be focused on taking action for nature in one of the following three ways:

1. Nature restoration – activity that boosts local biodiversity, by protecting or restoring habitats, creating space for nature, connecting green spaces and/or addressing activities that directly impact biodiversity.
 2. Nature connectedness and pro-environmental behaviours – action that supports greater connection to nature and promotes pro-environmental behaviours at the community level that will benefit nature.
 3. Community cohesion and connection – nature positive activity that encourages collaboration in the local community, by connecting people of diverse backgrounds, generations, and abilities to nature and one another
- A wide range of nature projects can be supported, from creating community gardens and replanting wildlife meadows, to protecting wildlife and promoting community connection to nature.

Applications can be made at any time until all funding has been allocated.

For further information: [Save Our Wild Wild Isles Community Fund launches | WWF](#)

Triangle Trust 1949 Fund

Registered charities, not-for-profit social enterprises, and community interest companies in the UK can apply for funding for projects that support young people on the edge of the criminal justice system (aged 11-25).

The Triangle Trust 1949 Fund will award grants of up to £80,000 over two years (£40,000 per year) for projects that use a Sport 4 Development approach to work with young people (11-25) who are already in contact with the police and who are at risk of being, or who have been, arrested for a crime. The aim of the funding is to help them avoid a future conviction by supporting them to change their offending behaviour.

Sport 4 Development interventions have proved to be effective in engaging with hard to reach and vulnerable young people and helping them to achieve specific social development objectives. These projects differ from those that play sport for fun as learning is built into the project activity.

Priority will be given to proposals supporting young people from Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities, young women and girls, and young people who have been looked after.

The deadline for applications is the 29 October 2023.

For further information: [About our funding - The Triangle Trust](#)

Suicide Prevention Grant Fund 2023-2025

This is a £10m Grant Fund to support suicide prevention activities delivered in England by non-profit organisations. The funding period is from financial year 2023 to 2024 to the end of the financial year 2024 to 2025.

The closing date for applications is 1 October 2023 11:59pm

For further information: [Suicide Prevention Grant Fund 2023-2025 - GOV-UK Find a grant \(find-government-grants.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/find-a-grant)

Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities - Community Ownership Fund

Communities across England, Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland are being invited to apply for funding to save important community assets.

The funding is being made available through the Community Ownership Fund. This is a £150 million initiative from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and is designed to help community groups take ownership of assets that are at risk of being lost, such as pubs, community halls, gardens, and sports clubs.

The maximum grant available per project is £2 million although it is expected that most awards will be for up to £250,000 of capital funding. Applicants will need to provide at least 20% of match funding.

To be eligible for funding, applicants must be incorporated voluntary and community organisations, or parish, town, and community councils. They must also have a clear plan for how they will use the money to save the asset.

The application deadline is 11:59am on the 11 October 2023

For further information: [Community Ownership Fund: prospectus - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/prospectus)

MSE Charity

The MSE Charity has re-opened its grants programme. The Charity supports projects that help adults affected by life-changing transitions to develop their financial capability skills.

The MSE Charity is a UK-based charity that provides grants to not-for-profit organisations that deliver activities that make a lasting impact on how people think, behave, and manage their money. The charity was founded in 2006 by Martin Lewis, the founder of MoneySavingExpert.com, and has since awarded over £1 million in grants to organisations across the UK.

This round of funding will focus on projects that help adults who are affected by life-changing transitions, such as bereavement, retirement, relationship breakdown, homelessness, offending, and resettlement. These transitions can have a significant impact on people's finances, and the MSE Charity wants to help organisations that are providing financial support and advice to those affected.

Grants of up to £7,500 will be available. The funding will be available to not for profit organisations with an annual income of up to £750,000 and have less than six months free reserves. The funding can only be used to support project costs.

The funding round will close on the 29 September 2023 or after the first 40 applications have been accepted, so early applications are encouraged.

For further information: [How to Apply \(msecharity.com\)](https://msecharity.com)

Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust - Armed Forces Families Fund: Early Years Programme

The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust, which is a grant-giving charity that supports projects that help improve the lives of Armed Forces families, has announced that it is offering grants of between £5,000 and £80,000 to support early years education for children from Armed Forces families. The funding is being made available through the Armed Forces Families Fund: Early Years Programme.

The grants are available to early childhood education and childcare providers, as well as Local Authorities and organisations that provide training for childminders.

To be eligible for a grant, projects must:

- Clearly show why children from Forces families will benefit from the proposal.
- Offer good value for money.
- Be sustainable and have the potential to deliver long-term change.
- Be co-produced with people from Armed Forces communities.

The grants can be used to:

- Create and /or improve the outdoor learning environment.
- Access specialist equipment and or training.
- Help you to meet additional costs to enable more Armed Forces families to access childcare
- General training to enable more people to access qualifications to work with young children from Armed Forces families; including SEND and SENCO training and resources

There will be two application deadlines this year:

Applications received by 5pm on 11 October 2023, will receive a decision before the end of November 2023.

Applications received by 5pm on 12 January 2024 will receive a decision before the end of February 2024.

For further information: [Armed Forces Families Fund: Early Years programme \(covenantfund.org.uk\)](https://covenantfund.org.uk)

[KFC Foundation](#)

Grants of up to £2,500 are available for projects which empower disadvantaged young people in the UK to fulfil their potential.

The funding is being made available through the KFC Foundation and is available to local charities, registered community interest companies, unincorporated clubs and associations that have a turnover of less than £300,000 and have a local KFC restaurant in their community.

The KFC Foundation welcomes funding applications from organisations which:

- Benefit young people aged 11-25 years old.
- Supports those in a position of social disadvantage (i.e. care leavers, those experiencing homelessness, young carers, young parents, young people at risk of or with experience of the criminal justice system).
- Empower young people to fulfil their potential and build a positive future by providing spaces that allow young people to feel safe and secure, helping them to unlock talent, build life skills, provide mentoring and improve their chances to gain meaningful employment.
- Are local to a KFC restaurant? ([Find Your Local KFC](#))
- Will demonstrate positive results from their project within 12 months of our funding being received.

Expressions of interest must be submitted via a two-minute video and a short expression of interest form by the 24 September 2023.

For further information: [The KFC Foundation Community Grants | Applications Now Closed](#)

[Linnean Society - Our Local Nature Grant](#)

The Linnean Society is inviting applications for projects to help young people in the UK take the lead on projects that involve their local nature and natural spaces.

The Our Local Nature Grant scheme is open to individuals and organisations who are linked with a group of young people within the UK. This could include but is not limited to school staff, student groups, home education groups, community groups and small charities.

The maximum award is £1,000 per proposal, and the Society is happy to co-fund projects with other organisations.

The grant can be used for a variety of activities, such as:

- Running a school festival about nature
- Painting community murals showcasing biodiversity
- Building a community garden
- Creating a nature walk
- Hiring a speaker to come and talk about local foraging

The closing date for applications is the 22 October 2023.

For further information: [Our Local Nature Grant Scheme | The Linnean Society](#)

Laughology - Happiness Fund

Funding is available to community-based projects that aim to build happy, strong, resilient communities across the UK.

Individuals and small, not-for-profit businesses can apply for funding to set up projects and activities that:

- improve mental health and wellbeing,
- inclusion,
- learning and skills development in local communities.

The funding is made available through Laughology's Happiness Fund, which makes one award of £5,000 twice a year, allowing up to two projects per year to be supported.

To be successful, applicants will need to indicate how the activity/group can become self-sustainable or be able to attract funding from other sources for the longer term.

The next closing date for applications is the 6 October 2023.

For further information: [The Happiness Fund | No Category \(laughology.co.uk\)](#)

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 \(happydayscharity.org\)](https://happydayscharity.org)

Asda Foundation - Empowering Local Communities Fund

Grants of between £400 and £1,600 are available for grassroots community groups and organisations to support a broad range of activities that contribute towards transforming communities and improving lives across the UK.

The funding is available through the Asda Foundation's Empowering Local Communities Fund to support projects and activities that address local issues which are important to a community and which benefit local people.

This can include:

- Funding for the basic essentials to address an immediate need and/or situation
- Funding to bring people together, encouraging community connections.
- Funding for projects to transform or improve spaces or activities,
- Funding to bring people together for a festive celebration, who otherwise would not be able to celebrate

Applications should be made through each local Asda store's Community Champion by the 3 November 2023.

For further information: [How to Apply | Asda Foundation](#)

Rewilding Britain - Rewilding Challenge Fund

Rewilding Britain is offering a £100,000 grant to support one large-scale rewilding project.

The Rewilding Challenge Fund encourages community groups, farmers, landowners, and land managers to work collaboratively and 'Think Big, Act Wild'.

Rewilding is a conservation approach aimed at restoring and revitalizing ecosystems by reintroducing native species, reestablishing natural processes, and reducing human intervention in order to create self-sustaining and biodiverse environments.

The fund will nurture innovative and pioneering initiatives that show maximum potential for upscaling rewilding on land and at sea and demonstrate the extensive

economic and social benefits of rewilding to local communities, as well as to biodiversity.

Projects must be:

- based in Britain (England, Wales or Scotland)
- part of/eligible to join Rewilding Britain's Rewilding Network
- at least 1,000ha/10 km² in size (the majority of which is contiguous and proposed for rewilding)

Expressions of interest should be submitted by the 12 October 2023.

Shortlisted projects will be invited to submit a full application.

For further information: [Rewilding Challenge Fund | Rewilding Britain](#)

Commonweal Housing - New Ideas Partnership Programme

Frontline organisations across the UK are invited to apply for funding of up to £10,000 to conduct short-term studies to assess the feasibility of housing and support models for vulnerable individuals who have been in contact with the criminal justice system.

The funding is part of Commonweal Housing's Call for New Ideas partnership programme, which aims to support innovative projects that address social injustice. Commonweal Housing is a UK-based charity that focuses on finding innovative solutions to address various social issues through housing interventions.

The feasibility studies will be used to determine if there is scope for the proposed ideas to be developed into housing projects, which Commonweal would look to support by providing bespoke property for the pilots to run over several years.

Applications by and for Black, Asian, and Minority Ethnic organisations are particularly encouraged.

Organisations do not need to be experts in housing or have experience in delivering projects involving housing before.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 29 September 2023.

For further information: [New funding from Commonweal | Homeless Link](#)

Leeds Building Society Charitable Foundation

The Leeds Building Society Charitable Foundation is seeking applications for projects that support vulnerable people in need of a safe and secure home.

Registered charities in Yorkshire/Humberside and the North East regions can apply for large, multi-year grants of between £25,000 and £100,000. Small capital grants of up to £1,000 are also available to charities with a turnover of less than £1 million for projects across the UK.

The funding is for projects that will support the Foundation's new purpose, and one or more of the following themes:

- Sustainability
- Health
- Financial stress
- Accessibility
- Education and advice
- Security and refuge

The types of projects that could be supported include:

- Sustainability - projects that help with fuel poverty, energy efficiency or climate action relating to homes and housing
- Health - projects that help those with health needs with housing, adaptations or advice
- Financial stress - projects that help with bills or debt stress
- Accessibility - projects that reduce loneliness, provide supported living services or adapt homes to make them safer for those with accessibility needs
- Education and advice - projects that support money management or provide advice services

Security and refuge - projects that support emergency accommodation
This list is not exhaustive.

Applications are reviewed every quarter. The next application deadline is the 23 October 2023.

For further information: [About Charitable Foundation | Leeds Building Society](#)

[National Churches Trust - Gateway \(Medium\) Grant Programme](#)

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to listed and unlisted Christian places of worship, of any denomination, across the UK towards project development and investigative work up to RIBA planning stage 1, to support churches preparing for a major project, and in developing their project to the point at which they can approach a major grant funder. Grants will never exceed 50% of the net project costs for this phase.

The National Churches Trust's Medium Grants Programme is also now able to offer grants of up to £10,000 for urgent and essential maintenance and repair projects costing between £20,000 and £80,000. Grants will never exceed 50% of the net project costs.

The deadline for applications is midnight on the 11 December 2023.

For further information: [Medium grants | National Churches Trust](#)

[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

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](#)

[Primary Club - James Fund](#)

The Primary Club, a registered charity and membership organisation that provides financial support for a wide range of recreational and sporting facilities for the blind and visually impaired (VI), has launched a new funding initiative.

The Primary Club is the major supporter of the thriving network of VI cricket clubs in the UK. But, while its origins and heart are in cricket, the Club also supports VI futsal, goalball, golf, skiing, swimming, tandem cycling and Braille chess.

The James Fund, which has been made possible by a significant legacy from the late Kenneth G James, will provide grants of up to £25,000 for new projects that meet the following criteria:

- They must relate clearly to the sporting and/or recreational needs of the blind and partially sighted.
- They must be "grass roots" or "start up" activities, rather than supporting international teams of visually impaired sportsmen and women.
- They must fund the whole of the cost of the project, rather than being one of a number of contributors.
- They must support running costs or the purchase of equipment, rather than items which will significantly increase the recipient's long-term asset base.

In addition to these criteria, the Trustees of the Primary Club are keen to support projects that are either innovative (in the sense of enabling support to be provided in new ways, or to a wider community) and/or collaborative (for example enabling schools and other organisations to deliver support together which they could not achieve alone).

The James Fund is open to applications from any organisation or individual that meets the eligibility criteria. A total of £75,000 is available through the Fund.

The closing date for applications is 31 October 2023

For further information: [Trustees launch James Fund – The Primary Club](#)

EasyFundraising

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

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

[Derbyshire County Council Public Health Covid Community Fund 2023-2024](#)

The COVID-19 Community Fund aims to support voluntary and community sector organisations by providing much needed funding. This allows them to continue to play a key role in the local response to COVID-19 and to improve the health and wellbeing of Derbyshire residents.

The funding is for organisations and projects that meets at least one of the criteria below:

- support to increase COVID-19 vaccination uptake
- protect people most vulnerable to COVID-19
- increase mental health and wellbeing and support individual and community resilience
- promote safer behaviours to reduce future risk of infection
- directly address health inequalities arising from, or made worse, by the pandemic

Constituted organisations and groups can apply for up to £2,000 in funding, and non-constituted organisations and groups up to £250.

If you have previously received a grant from the COVID-19 Community Fund, you are eligible to reapply. However, the second application must not be a duplication of the original request. An Organisations could re-submit an application that has previously been rejected if it meets the new criteria.

The fund closes on 31 March 2024 applicants are advised to apply early.

Find a copy of the application form on the Derbyshire County Council website: www.derbyshire.gov.uk/community/lottery-funding/covid-19-community-fund/covid-19-community-fund.aspx

Derbyshire County Council Members Community Leadership Scheme

Each County Councillor usually has £3,860 to give to local groups, this year an additional £3,860 has been allocated bringing their total to £7,720.

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: [Local groups urged to contact their county councillor to support local activities - Derbyshire County Council](#)

National Lottery Community Fund – Cost of Living Fund

The National Lottery Community Fund are delivering a new funding programme called the Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund on behalf of DCMS. This funding is for organisations that support people and communities under severe pressure because of the increased cost of living.

By community NLCF mean people living in the same local area. The main priority is to fund organisations supporting low-income households and individuals.

You can apply for between £10,000 and £75,000. To apply your organisation must already run critical services around at least one of the following:

- food and emergency supplies – like food and baby banks or the provision of hot meals, clothes or toiletries
- emergency shelter – like night shelters or other accommodation for people experiencing homelessness
- safe spaces – like domestic abuse services and youth services
- warmth – like warm rooms and spaces
- financial and housing advice – like giving people advice because of the increased cost of living.

Your organisation must also be facing both:

- increased demand for these critical services
- increased costs of delivering these critical services

The NLCF is more likely to fund small and medium-sized front-line organisations with an annual turnover of between £10,000 and around £1 million.

Larger organisations can also apply if they do both of the following:

- show that they work closely and effectively with local communities
- fill a gap in essential local services.
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You can get funding to pay for:

- costs of delivering, expanding or adapting your existing critical service(s) from the date you are funded until 31 March 2024.
- The date you are funded will be around 12 weeks from the time you submitted your application.
- retrospective costs of running the existing critical service(s) you are applying for between 24 July 2023 and the date you are funded.

The deadline for applications is 16 October 2023 at 12 noon.

NLCF will start funding organisations in October 2023, and finish in January 2024. If you get funding, you must spend it by 31 March 2024.

For further information: [The Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund | The National Lottery Community Fund \(tnlcommunityfund.org.uk\)](#)

National Lottery Community Fund - Awards for All England

Awards for All will also continue to make grants of between £300 and £10,000 for up to one year to local community and voluntary organisations for existing or new projects, events, and activities that aim to build strong relationships, improve community spaces, support personal potential, and assist with challenges caused by the cost-of-living crisis and the aftermath of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

For further information: [National Lottery Awards for All England | The National Lottery Community Fund \(tnlcommunityfund.org.uk\)](#)

Derbyshire County Council – Community Grants

Grants are available to voluntary and community groups, clubs, local charities and not for profit organisations. Individuals and businesses are not eligible to apply for this scheme.

This programme is unable to support projects or activities that are taking place in Derby.

The grant funding allocation for 2022 and 2023 will total £1.5 million. We will be looking to grant fund projects or activities which meet the following 5 priorities and support residents and communities to:

- feel safe and included in their local community

- promote positive behaviours for young people and residents
- be green and sustainable
- increase civic participation and deliver community identified priorities
- be physically active and make positive lifestyle choices

Grants will be available for 4 scaled categories of awards as follows:

- small grants up to £1,000
- medium grants between £1,001 to £20,000
- large grants between £20,001 to £50,000
- exceptional grants above £50,000

Small grants are an open application process with no deadlines so you can apply at any time.

All the other grant categories will be subject to application rounds.

The deadline for submission of medium, large and exceptional grants is 31 October 2023.

The October 2023 round is the final round for the Derbyshire Grants Programme at present.

Due to the finite funding envelope for the whole programme, there will be approximately £200,000 remaining in the funding scheme for panel to allocate.

Organisations should consider this position when they make their application.

For further information: [Derbyshire grants - Derbyshire County Council](#)

[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.

Subject to funding remaining available applications can be submitted until 17 March 2024.

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

National Lottery Grants for Heritage

Grants of between £3,000 and £10,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations and private owners of heritage across the UK for projects connecting people and communities to UK heritage.

As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and the cost-of-living crisis, the National Heritage Fund will prioritise heritage projects that:

- promote inclusion and involve a wider range of people;
- boost the local economy;
- encourage skills development and job creation;
- support wellbeing; create better places to live, work and visit;
- and improve the resilience of organisations working in heritage.

All projects must also consider long-term environmental sustainability.

The Heritage Fund has launched its new 10-year strategy, , [Heritage 2033](#) and applications under this programme will be accepted until December 2023.

For further information: [National Lottery Grants for Heritage – £3,000 to £10,000 | The National Lottery Heritage Fund](#)

[Funding Reminders](#)

[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.

There are no deadlines and applications can be submitted at any time.

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

[Derbyshire MIND – Mental Health and Activity Projects](#)

Funding is available to enable groups to deliver a range of physical activity and wellbeing-based sessions across Derbyshire with the aim of improving mental wellbeing.

Small to medium voluntary, community or social enterprise groups working within Derbyshire can apply.

Groups can apply for up to £5,000.

The application will open on 18 September 2023.

The deadline for applying is 15 October 2023.

This is the second (and last) phase of the grant project.

For further information: [How To Apply - Derbyshire Mind](#)

[Arts Society - Charity Grants](#)

The Arts Society has announced that it is now accepting applications from UK-registered charities with an annual turnover of less than £3 million for initiatives that make a difference in people's lives through the arts.

The Arts Society is looking for applications for arts projects or programmes that support a wide range of activities to introduce people of all ages and backgrounds to and engage them in, artistic experience and practice. Projects and programmes that

further the development and training of skills in the arts, crafts and heritage are also welcome. This might include bursaries for individual students, and sponsorship for craft apprentices.

The Society also welcomes applications where there will be more emphasis on localism and projects and organisations that support the arts and heritage at grass roots level and achieve greater impact for local communities.

The closing date for applications is the 30 September 2023.

Organisations applying for the first time need to register with the Arts Society. The registration link is available on their website

For further information: [Charity Grants | The Arts Society](#)

[LEGO Foundation - Community Play Fund](#)

Community groups, schools, parents, and caregivers across the UK can apply for grants of £500 to £5,000 per new project from the Community Play Fund, which was introduced by ChangeX and the LEGO Foundation to support the development of playful experiences for children in communities across the UK.

Play is essential for children's development, and the fund aims to help communities create more opportunities for children to play and learn.

Examples of eligible groups include schools, universities, colleges, daycares, churches or other faith-based organisations, hospitals and hospital rehabilitation centres, mental health facilities, community gardens, neighbourhood groups, senior centres, and community centres.

Individuals are eligible to apply but need to be part of a team.

The Community Play Fund can be used to support a variety of projects that promote play, such as:

- building new playgrounds,
- creating after-school play programmes,
- providing training for play leaders,
- and developing new play resources.

To apply, applicants choose the project they want to start based on their community's needs, from a portfolio of ideas on the ChangeX site. Once the applicant has demonstrated their commitment and ability to start the community project by successfully completing a 30-Day Challenge on the ChangeX website, ChangeX will provide funding, information guides and support to give the applicant the best chance of success.

There is no application closing date for the Community Play Fund and applications can be submitted at any time.

For further information: [Community Play Fund \(changex.org\)](#)

[Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy - Heat Network Efficiency Scheme](#)

Public, private and third sector organisations in England and Wales can apply for funding to improve the performance of existing heat networks.

The £32 million Heat Network Efficiency Scheme (HNES,) funded by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, will provide funding to heat network operators to make improvements to existing heat networks or communal heating projects that are not performing to their maximum efficiency, resulting in better outcome for customers and operators. The scheme will provide up to 50% funding for capital works, and up to 100% funding for Optimisation studies.

The scheme will run until 2025.

The next closing date for applications is the 22 September 2023.

For further information: [Apply for the Heat Network Efficiency Scheme \(HNES\) Round 4 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

[LUSH Charity Pot](#)

Grants of ranging from £100 to £10,000 are available to organisations working in the areas of animal protection, environmentalism, and social justice. The grants are funded by Lush, the British cosmetics company, and are made possible by sales of the Charity Pot hand and body lotion.

To be eligible for a grant, organisations must be run entirely or predominantly by volunteers and have an annual income of less than £350,000. They must also be not-for-profit and aligned with Lush's values and ethics.

Since its inception in 2007, the Charity Pot grant has funded over 13,000 projects in 37 countries. Some of the organisations that have received grants include the Sea Shepherd Conservation Society, the Rainforest Action Network, and the Women's Environmental Network.

The grants can be used to fund a wide range of projects, such as:

- Animal rescue and rehabilitation
- Environmental conservation
- Social justice initiatives
- Educational programmes

Applications can be made at any time.

For further information: [Charity Pot Funding Guidelines - We are Lush](#)

Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust - Armed Forces Families Fund

A new grants programme has been launched to support research into the complex challenges facing Armed Forces families, particularly in relation to educational attainment for Service pupils, child welfare and the welfare needs of Service families.

The Armed Forces Families Fund: Research Grants programme is funded by the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust and will award grants of up to £60,000 for projects delivered over 18 months.

The programme is open to charities and universities in the UK, and applications must address at least one of six key challenges:

- The impact of Service life for children with SEND
- The impact of separation of Service personnel from children in their key early years development
- How service families access information
- The impact of Service life on the mental health of adult family members
- The impact of Service life on the educational attainment of Service children
- The impact of Service life on the financial wellbeing of Service families

The closing date for applications is 9am on the 6 October 2023.

For further information: [Armed Forces Families Fund: Research Grants programme : Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust](#)

Veolia Environmental Trust

The Veolia Environmental Trust, which provides grant for community and environmental projects, has announced that the next funding round will open on the 31 August 2023.

The Trust makes the following grants:

- Community Grants: These grants are open to constituted not-for-profit organisations and local authorities. They provide funding ranging from £10,000 to £75,000, aimed at creating or improving buildings or outdoor spaces for the benefit of the community. The maximum project size eligible for funding is £350,000.
- Habitat and Biodiversity Grants: Projects focused on conserving, restoring, or enhancing threatened habitats and/or protecting and increasing biodiversity can apply for grants between £10,000 and £75,000.
- Environmental Improvement Grants: For landscape-scale improvement projects, such as habitat creation/management and species protection, grants exceeding £75,000 are available.

The closing date for applications is 5 October 2023

For further information: [The Veolia Environmental Trust \(veoliatrust.org\)](https://veoliatrust.org)

Central England Co-operative - Community Dividend Fund

The Central England Co-operative has re-opened its Community Dividend Fund to support good causes, groups and charities in central England.

Groups can apply for grants of between £100 and £3,000. The grants are available to members of Central England Co-operative for projects that aim to develop and improve communities by supporting access to food; health and wellbeing; inclusion of vulnerable, excluded, or hard to reach groups; and the environment.

Grants are available to full members of Central England Co-op in the following areas: West Midlands, Warwickshire, Worcestershire, Staffordshire, Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rutland, Nottinghamshire, Northamptonshire, Lincolnshire, West Yorkshire, South Yorkshire, Suffolk, Norfolk, Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire.

The next deadline for applications is the 29 September 2023.

For further information: [Community | Central England Co-operative \(centralcoop.co.uk\)](https://centralcoop.co.uk)

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 £20,000 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 £20,000. ABCT does not normally fund charities with large national or international links.

The next closing date for applications is the 27 October 2023.

For further information: [The A B Charitable Trust, an independent grant-making organisation](https://www.abct.org.uk)

East Midlands Airport Community Fund

An area map is available so applicants can identify if they are eligible to apply. The fund is to bring lasting benefit to those areas most affected by the East Midlands Airports operation.

The maximum grant available is £2,000.

The next deadline for applications is 18 October 2023.

For further information: [Charitable Giving | East Midlands Airport](#)

Barchester Charitable Foundation

Small community groups, local charities and individuals can apply for grants of between £100 and £2,000 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 the 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 £600 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 and social workers or charity or support group representatives.

The grants can help individuals with:

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

There are no deadlines and applications can be submitted at any time.

For further information: [Homepage | Barchester Charitable Foundation \(bhcfoundation.org.uk\)](#)

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 \(tescocommunitygrants.org.uk\)](https://tescocommunitygrants.org.uk)

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](#)

NFU Mutual Charitable Trust

Grants of between £1,000 and £50,000 are available through the NFU Mutual Charitable Trust for initiatives that support charities in the UK working in agriculture and rural development. The Trustees are particularly interested in initiatives that:

- Advance the education of the public by means of research and dissemination of information in relation to agriculture

- Advance the education of young people within rural areas
- Relieve poverty within rural areas
- Promote the benefit and social welfare of inhabitants of rural communities by associating together with the inhabitants and local authorities, voluntary and other organisations to advance education and leisure
- Promote research into agriculture associated activities
- Advance the education of the public by means of research and dissemination of information in relation to insurance provided that the charity may also promote, facilitate and support any such other purposes as are exclusively charitable according to the laws of England and Wales.

The Trust focuses on providing funding to larger initiatives, which would have a significant impact on the rural community.

The next closing date for applications is the 27 October 2023.

For further information: [NFU Mutual Charitable Trust: What do we do | NFU Mutual](#)

Sport England - Small Grants Programme

Sport England has widened its Small Grants programme to provide support for projects that deliver environmental benefits for local communities.

The programme will not only provide funding to encourage greater participation in sport and physical activity, but it will also award grants of up to £15,000 for projects that benefit the environment.

This could include:

- Reducing energy use by installing energy meters or measures to improve insulation/ventilation to help reduce your energy usage; automatic controls to switch lights and electrical equipment off; using LED bulbs; or staging lower impact events and competitions.
- Encouraging responsible travel. This could include encouraging people to walk or cycle where possible and providing safe cycle/scooter/buggy storage options; promoting accessible and safe public transport routes and lift sharing; and using local community assets to minimise travel.
- Reducing waste and resource efficiency. This could include encouraging people to repair, recycle or re-use sports equipment or starting a kit and equipment donation scheme; offering more environmentally sustainable food and drinks packaging; reducing use of single-use plastics, for example by providing water-refill stations at your venue and encouraging participants to bring reusable bottles.

Eligible organisation that can apply include voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations, schools and local authorities.

The closing date for applications is the 31 March 2024.

For further information: [Small Grants Programme | Sport England](#)

[**Lloyds Bank Foundation - Local Collaborations Programme**](#)

Lloyds Bank Foundation has launched the Local Collaborations Programme, a grant initiative designed to support small charities leading collaborations aimed at driving local or regional change. This programme specifically targets three critical areas:

- improving the functionality of the social security system for those facing the greatest challenges,
- ensuring access to suitable accommodation for individuals dealing with complex issues,
- enhancing support and services for asylum seekers and refugees.
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Small local charities can make a substantial difference in communities and this programme aims to enhance their work by promoting partnerships with other charities, grassroots organisations, community groups, and local entities to support those facing formidable barriers and challenges.

Grant applications are open to collaborations seeking £100,000 in funding over a two-year period, with the possibility of extending for an additional year and an extra £50,000.

It is important to note that the grant funding cannot be utilised for direct service delivery but is exclusively designated to support partnerships focused on local and regional influence.

The closing date for grant applications is 5 pm on 22 September 2023.

For further information: [Apply for funding under our local collaborations programme \(lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk\)](https://lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk)

[**Adamson Trust**](#)

Families, as well as groups of children, schools, organisations, and other registered charities, can apply for financial assistance from the Adamson Trust for the cost of holidays or respite breaks for disabled children with physical, mental, or emotional impairments.

To be eligible, the child must be a resident in the UK, between the ages of 3 and 17, and the Trust requires evidence of their disability or illness from a medical or social services professional. Grants from the Trust usually only cover a portion of the holiday expenses.

The next closing date for applications is the 30 September 2023.

For further information: [The Adamson Trust - Disabled childrens holiday charity](#)

[**Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities Programme**](#)

Grants of between £20,000 and £70,000 per year for up to three years are available to community-led charities and not-for-profit organisations working to support communities in the most deprived areas of the UK.

The Henry Smith Charity's Strengthening Communities programme focuses on supporting the running costs of organisations working at grass-roots level, to ensure that funding reaches the most disadvantaged areas.

The Charity is looking to fund established organisations with a track record of delivering services directly to beneficiaries and want to fund work that enables:

- People from across the community to participate in activities that improve connectedness, opportunities and wellbeing
- People who are excluded, vulnerable or facing other forms of hardship to have access to community-based services that support positive lasting change
- A stronger, active, more engaged community

Funding could be used to increase existing service provision, take on a new staff member, improve sustainability or cover small capital costs.

Applications can be submitted at any time and decisions are usually made within 6 months.

For further information: [Strengthening Communities Grants from The Henry Smith Charity](#)

[**Wolfson Foundation - Hospice Care Home Training Programme**](#)

Hospice UK has announced that the Wolfson Foundation Hospice Care Home Training Programme has re-opened for applications.

The Hospice Care Home Training programme consists of courses and study days, focused specifically on dementia care for people approaching the end of life, run by a hospice (or group of hospices). Courses would be for local care home staff in order to raise the level of dementia care, knowledge and skills in the hospice's own area of operation.

Grants of up to £2,000 are available per course to a hospice to run a training course at free or heavily discounted cost to care home staff. The aim being to make education and training as inexpensive and widely available as possible to care home staff. The total funding available is £50,000.

The programme aims to encourage greater collaboration and interchange of ideas amongst staff in hospices and in care homes. As such, the funding may not be used to subsidise in-house training.

The funding can be used towards:

- Teaching Costs
- Travel Costs
- Administrative Costs
- Venue Hire / Training Facilities
- Catering Costs

Funding will be allocated on a first come, first served basis until the budget is fully allocated.

For further information: [Wolfson Foundation Hospice Care Home Training Programme | Hospice UK](#)

[The Fat Beehive Foundation – Digital Funding for Small Charities](#)

Improving your digital presence can be transformational, but it is really tough to secure funding in this area. The Fat Beehive Foundation exists to change that, offering small grants of up to £2,500 to charities with a turnover of less than £400,000.

The first step for prospective applicants is to check eligibility via the eligibility quiz and then, if appropriate, apply online.

Applications are considered on a rolling basis considering eligible grants at quarterly trustee meetings (April, July, October and January) and will notify successful applicants shortly after.

For further information: [The Fat Beehive Foundation](#)

[Magic Little Grants](#)

After successfully distributing £500 grants to 2,650 charitable organisations in 2022, we are incredibly excited to announce that 2023 is going to be even bigger

With a simple 20-minute application process for a £500 grant and an outcome within six weeks, the Magic Little Grants fund reduces the work required for grass-roots organisations to access the funding they need to launch or strengthen their services.

The following criteria apply:

- Organisations must either be in their first year of operation or have an annual income under £250,000.
- Funding can be used to launch new projects, support existing ones, or cover core costs associated with ongoing work

- Organisations and the projects for which they apply must be located within England, Scotland, or Wales.

Schools are eligible to apply if they are a registered charity.
Groups may only apply once in 2023 for a grant.

- Applicants may apply for funding for projects under one of the following themes: Providing support to improve mental health.
- Enabling participation in physical activity.
- Enabling participation in the arts.
- Preventing or reducing the impact of poverty.
- Supporting marginalised groups and tackling inequality.
- Improving biodiversity and responding to the climate emergency.

Improving green spaces and increasing access to the outdoors.

Applications are now open and will be until 31 October 2023

For further information: [Magic Little Grants | Localgiving](#)

[The UK Youth Fund in Partnership with Pears Foundation](#)

This new fund is a three-year unrestricted grant programme aimed at mitigating the devastating impact the cost-of-living crisis is having on the youth sector.

The UK Youth Fund in partnership with Pears Foundation will provide targeted funding to youth organisations delivering high quality youth work to ensure doors stay open, bills get paid and youth workers receive the salaries they deserve. This will help to ensure young people continue to be supported at this most difficult of times by the youth organisations and youth workers on whom they have come to depend.

The Cost-of-Living grant programme is open to youth organisations based and delivering high quality youthwork in the UK, with an annual turnover of £500,000 or less. The grant programme will offer 3-year unrestricted grants of approximately 10% of current turnover of applicant organisations to reflect the current rate of inflation. However, applicants will have an opportunity to explain why they might need funding above and beyond this.

We are looking to identify and support youth organisations delivering high quality youth provision whose work is being hindered, curtailed or cut back due to rising core costs or a need to address unprecedented demand.

The application process is now open – and will stay open whilst funds remain to be distributed.

For further information: [The UK Youth fund in partnership with Pears Foundation - UK Youth](#)

[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 \(familyfundservices.co.uk\)](#)

[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](#)

[Groundwork - One Stop Community Partnership Programme](#)

Groundwork is working with One Stop Stores Ltd to administer the One Stop Community Partnership programme. Successful applicants will receive an initial

grant of up to £1,000 and begin a partnership with their local One Stop store. This programme is designed to support community groups or organisations operating within two miles of a One Stop store and which are tackling food poverty; supporting the vulnerable; supporting the elderly; supporting low-income families; and running youth sports teams.

Applications can be made at any time and applicants are encouraged to visit their local One Stop store for more information.

For further information: [England-only grants - Groundwork](#)

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. Applications can be submitted at any time.

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)

B and 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)

Defibrillator Fund

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) is inviting community organisations from across England to bid for funding for an automated external defibrillator (AED) for their area.

The £1 million fund which is not yet open for applications is expected to provide around 1,000 new defibrillators in community spaces across England.

Local community organisations, such as sports clubs, local theatres, community halls, etc., may register their interest now.

To be eligible, applicants must demonstrate that defibrillators will be placed in areas where they are most needed, such as places with high footfall, vulnerable people, rural areas or due to the nature of activity at the site.

For further information: [Bids invited for £1 million defibrillator fund - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

[**Friends of the Elderly**](#)

Grants up to £500 for vulnerable older people living on low incomes in England and Wales. For individuals and couples who are of or over the state pension age, have savings of less than £5,000, and do not meet the criteria for other funders. Grants for essentials, including digital connection

For further information: [Grants For Older People | Grants for the Elderly | Friends of the Elderly \(fote.org.uk\)](#)

[**Hedley Foundation**](#)

The Hedley Foundation is inviting applications from small-to-mid-size registered charities helping to improve the quality of life of people in the UK, particularly those who are disadvantaged and vulnerable.

The Foundation typically makes around 250 awards of up to £5,000 each year for initiatives that benefit the lives of young people, disabled people, elderly people, the terminally ill and otherwise disadvantaged people and their carers. Occasional larger sums are given to charities where high impact can be achieved.

Applications should be received at least 6 weeks before the next review meeting on the 8 November 2023.

For further information: [The Hedley Foundation - A Grant Giving Charity](#)

[**Barclays - Community Football Fund**](#)

Barclays, in partnership with Sported - a UK wide charity promoting fairness and equity for young people through grassroots sport and physical activity - has launched a new fund to make playing football more accessible at grassroots level and deliver football to under-represented young people.

Through the Barclays Community Football Fund, 5,550 community groups across the UK wishing to start offering football or expand their existing provision, will receive grants of up to £500 and additional support to develop inclusive football activities.

The fund will primarily support girls and young people in deprived or underrepresented areas through local organisations to reduce inequalities in the participation of sport and physical activity. This includes culturally diverse communities, young people with disabilities, and young people from the LGBTQ+ community.

Applications can be made at any time up until the 31 December 2024.

For further information: [Apply to the Barclays Community Football Fund 2023 | Sported](#)

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