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NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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NB. I have categorised opportunities as best I can to reduce time hunting for grants but it's worth looking under other headings if you have time, since many funds can be difficult to categorise. Deadlines are shown in bold type where specified. Please read the eligibility, criteria, exclusions, etc. as per the linked websites very carefully before applying.

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Lottery Community Fund and The Ubele Initiative – The Phoenix Way Fund

The National Lottery Community Fund and The Ubele Initiative, on behalf of the Phoenix Way Partners, has announced a new £50 million partnership to boost funding and support to black and minoritised community-led charities and grassroots groups across England. The 'Phoenix Way' will create a series of national and regional panels from leaders from black and minoritised communities who will work with the National Lottery Fund to identify the challenges faced by those with lived experience of racism and racial disparities, and award funding to charities and grassroots groups best placed to help their communities thrive. The programme will be designed and developed over the summer, with the aim of awarding funding for the next five years from autumn 2021. Groups that wish to register an interest in the programme should email thephoenixway@ubele.org.

For details see: <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/news/press-releases/2021-06-30/new-50-million-partnership-aimed-to-boost-national-lottery-funding-to-black-and-minoritised-community-led-charities-and-grassroots-groups>



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UK Space Agency - Challenge Fund

The UK Government has launched a competition to inspire the next generation of British space scientists and engineers. The competition will call on young people aged 16 or above to design a nanosatellite to support the UK's decarbonisation drive. Entries are being welcomed from anyone in the UK, either individually or as part of a team, to compete for the £600,000 which will enable the winners to develop and manufacture their satellite design to subsequently launch from a UK spaceport and help monitor the impacts of climate change from orbit. Specifications, such as weight, size, and licensing requirements, will be outlined when the competition opens in the Autumn 2021.

For details see: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/launch-of-competition-for-young-people-to-help-make-uk-spaceflight-history>

Women & Girls in Surrey

A new initiative has been launched called Period Dignity. The initiative not only provides free period products, but it also provides education to eradicate the stigma and shame. Surrey County Council is the first in England to ensure everyone has access to products.

For details see: [Period Dignity Surrey — Binti \(bintiperiod.org\)](https://www.binti.org.uk/period-dignity-surrey)

2. ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE

Live Comedy Association/NextUp Comedy Ltd - #SaveLiveComedy Fund

Professional individuals within the live comedy industry in the UK who are in financial need as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic can apply for a hardship fund providing emergency grants of £500 for those most in need who have been without the majority of their work since March 2020, including comedians, promoters, producers, stage managers, technicians and off-stage creatives including directors, designers, and photographers. The Fund supports those in the industry who are self-employed, run organisations who have been ineligible for existing government support, or who are unemployed as a result of the pandemic. **The deadline for applications is 12th July 2021.**

For details see: <https://www.savelivecomedy.co.uk/apply-to-the-fund>

PRS Foundation - Open Fund for Music Creators

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to songwriters, composers, or artists, bands, producers and performers who are writing their own music or commissioning others to support the creation, performance and promotion of outstanding new music in any genre, and to enable the UK's most talented music creators to realise their potential. The funding can support activities such as touring, music creator time and fees, equipment or software costs for online content, and recording and release costs, etc. **The closing date for applications is 6pm on 18th October 2021.**

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For details see: <https://prsfoundation.com/funding-support/funding-music-creators/all-career-levels/the-open-fund-for-music-creators/>

Ragdoll Foundation – Grants

Not-for-profit organisations that are working with children and young people using the arts and creative media can apply for funding through the Ragdoll Foundation. The Foundation's vision is to support projects where the concerns of childhood can be heard. A variety of art forms can be supported including dance, drama, ceramics, creative play, film, music, puppetry and storytelling. Supported projects need to support equality of opportunity, can include families and take place in rural or urban settings and may be delivered, for example, in children's and community centres, nurseries, schools and hospitals. Funding is available through two programmes:

- **Main Grants Programme** – Grants of £1,500 to £50,000 are available for new, larger or longer-term projects. Projects can last for up to three years. There is a two-stage application process. Stage1 applications are assessed on a rolling basis **and can be submitted at any time**. Applicants successful at this stage will be invited to submit a stage 2 application.
- **Small Grants Programme**. Organisations can apply for up to £1,500 for small, one-off projects, pilot projects, or research and development projects lasting up to 6 months. **The deadline for applications is 27th August 2021.**

Preference will be given to those projects which have a deep commitment to listening to children and allow the perceptions and feelings of children themselves to be better understood. The Foundation is mainly interested in applications that involve children during their early years, but appropriate projects for older children (up to 18 years) will also be considered.

For details see: <http://www.ragdollfoundation.org.uk/portfolio/grant-giving>

The National Churches Trust - Gateway Grant Programme

Grants of between £3,000 and £10,000 are available to listed and unlisted Christian places of worship, of any denomination, across the UK towards developing a church building project costing up to £100,000 (including VAT and Fees). This includes Churches, Chapels and Meeting Houses. Funding can also be used for urgent and essential maintenance and repair projects. Grants are also available to local church trusts:

- To fund projects that support organisational development,
- To increase their capacity to support churches in their area.
- That deliver new ways of supporting churches in their area.

All grants will represent a maximum of 50% of the net project costs. **The deadline for applications is midnight on 9th September 2021.**

For details see: <https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/gatewaygrants>



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Theatres Trust - Small Grants Programme

The Programme will provide grants of up to £5,000 to support small projects that make a big impact to a theatre's resilience, sustainability or accessibility, particularly improvements to buildings that protect theatre use and remove barriers to participation and attendance. To be eligible to apply to the scheme, applicants must demonstrate that they:

- own or manage theatres with titles or signed leases of more than 5 years on buildings in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland
- run a year-round programme of live performance, of no less than 30 performances a year
- have a bona fide UK charitable or not-for-profit legal structure and be able to provide certified or audited accounts for at least two years

Eligible projects include small capital works, the installation of key plant and machinery and works that make theatre buildings digital-ready. Applications are also welcome for projects that help theatres reopen as Covid-secure. **The deadline for applications is 5pm on 8th November 2021.**

For details see: <http://www.theatretrust.org.uk/smallgrants>

Theatres Trust - Theatre Improvement Scheme

Theatre Operators can apply for grants of up to £20,000 to improve the environmental sustainability of their theatres. The Scheme can support a range of projects that consider different ways theatre buildings can reduce their environmental impact. This might range from building management systems to more efficient water heaters, or a green roof to new windows. To be eligible to apply to the scheme, applicants must demonstrate that they:

- own or manage theatres with titles or signed leases of more than 5 years on buildings in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland
- run a year-round programme of live performance, of no less than 30 performances a year
- have a bona fide UK charitable or not-for-profit legal structure and be able to provide certified or audited accounts for at least two years
- operate theatres that achieve excellence through their producing and programming or architectural significance

The closing date for applications is 12 noon on 6th September 2021.

For details see: <http://www.theatretrust.org.uk/how-we-help/grants-funding/theatre-improvement-scheme>

3. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION & TRAINING

Santander Foundation – The Financial & Digital Empowerment Fund



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Grants of up to £150,000 over a three-year period will be awarded to twelve projects which help to equip disadvantaged people with the tools, knowledge and confidence to make better, informed decisions about money, and to help them achieve new opportunities for employment and education. This could include lone parents, single pensioners, migrants and refugees, those with long term illnesses and disabilities, those struggling to find sustained employment, and households headed by students or part-time workers. To be eligible, the applicant organisation will have to have a minimum annual income of £75,000. **The deadline for applications is 13th August 2021.**

For details see: <https://www.santandersustainability.co.uk/the-santander-foundation>

Creative England – Business Planning Grants

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to support registered sole traders and small to medium-sized enterprises working in moving image for storytelling, including film, television, games and immersive media, to build meaningful connections and create opportunities for business growth. Grants can be used to subsidise the cost of working with an expert to support companies in the English regions outside of London with their business planning and strategy. This may include acquiring specialist expertise, knowledge and contacts. **This is a rolling fund and applications will remain open until March 2022 but may close earlier if all funding is allocated before this date.**

For details see: <https://www.creativeengland.co.uk/creative-enterprise/scale/business-planning-support/>

Royal Geographical Society - Ray Y Gildea Jr Awards Grants

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for projects to research, develop and/or pilot innovations in teaching and learning in any field of geography in higher or secondary education in the UK. Awards are available to teachers who are currently employed and actively teaching students either at secondary school level, or within the higher education sector. **The deadline for applications is 23:59 on 30th November 2021.**

For details see: <https://www.rgs.org/in-the-field/in-the-field-grants/teacher-grants/ray-y-gildea-jr-award/>

Primary Science Teaching Trust - Primary Science Teacher Awards 2021

Nominations are invited to recognise talented science teachers from early years education through KS1 and KS2 across the UK. The Awards are open to innovative and creative primary school teachers (full or part-time) who inspire colleagues, engage pupils in science, and contribute to developing science in their school and beyond. Winners will receive a package including £1,000 prize money, science resources for their school, and an invitation to join the PSTT Primary Science Teacher College as a College Fellow. Anyone involved in primary education can make a nomination. The form is usually completed by the nominee's Headteacher. **The deadline for submissions is midnight on 14th January 2022.**

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For details see: <https://pstt.org.uk/what-we-do/primary-science-teacher-awards/nominate>

Department for Education – T Level Industry Placement Scheme

Employers can claim £1,000 for every T Level student they host on an industry placement as part of a new incentive scheme. The technical qualifications, which have been created in conjunction with more than 250 employers and are equivalent to three A Levels, consist of a mixture of classroom study and industry placements. The scheme will aim to ensure employers impacted by the pandemic can continue to host these industry placements. To be eligible to claim for an incentive payment, employers need to have committed to working with their local school or college to deliver a high-quality industry placement and this placement must have an agreed start date between 27 May 2021 and 31 July 2022. Employers will be able to claim for a maximum of 20 students on placements lasting 45 days or 315 hours. **The deadline for applications is 31st July 2022.**

For details see: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/cash-boost-for-t-levels>

4. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Community Foundation for Surrey – Surrey Young People's Fund

SYPF provides grants to individuals (aged 16-25 inclusive) who are resident in Surrey. The purpose of the funding is to assist young people move towards an identified goal in education, training, apprenticeship or employment. They may be unable to pay the travel costs or lack the necessary clothing for example. Grants from the Fund are modest – typically up to £300. Applicants are likely to be financially disadvantaged and might typically be educational under-achievers, not in full time employment or be restricted by health conditions. They might also be carers, care leavers or ex-offenders. No deadline for applications. Please contact Nicola Bartlett at nicola@cfsurrey.org.uk if you wish to obtain further details.

For details see: <https://www.cfsurrey.org.uk/fund/the-surrey-young-peoples-fund/>

UK Youth Fund/ Julia & Hans Rausing Trust – Covid Resilience Fund

Grants of up to £50,000 are available to youth organisations in England which have not had access to the crisis funding they need to survive the Covid pandemic. The Fund aims to ensure that grassroots youth organisations that have struggled due to the pandemic have the resources required to reopen or bring their level of delivery back to pre-Covid levels and ensure they have the financial means to ensure resilience over the next 6 months. Grants are available to organisations that operate from a consistent space or venue where children and young people aged 8-25 years can meet regularly and participate in ongoing youth work activities. **The deadline for applications is midnight on 18th July 2021.**



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For details see: <https://doit.life/ukyouth>

Zinc - Venture Builder Programme

Funding and investments of up to £250,000 is available to UK entrepreneurs looking to set up new companies to improve children and young people's mental health. The programme aims to help tackle the biggest social challenges in the developed world. Each year the programme has a different mission and this year's mission is to ensure that every child and young person can develop and maintain good mental and emotional health. It consists of two six-month phases:

- Venture Builder will provide financial support in the form of a stipend of £12,000 during the first six months of the programme'
- Accelerate secures £75,000 for each venture chosen and around £150,000 investment for each venture which goes on to achieve full seed-stage investment.

Applicants will join the programme as an individual and create their team during the first stage of the programme. **The deadline for applications is 29th July 2021.**

For details see: <https://www.zinc.vc/venture-builder>

5. COMMUNITY

The Hodge Foundation - Grants

Grants of up to £100,000 are available to UK registered or exempt charities such as special needs schools and universities for projects that address the objectives of the Foundation. This includes supporting charities working with people who may be vulnerable or disadvantaged and who need assistance to improve their lives; education and learning, both within formal school settings and practical approaches to learning which support young people to fulfill their potential and thrive including those with special needs; medical related charities specialising in the treatment and support for specific illnesses and research; and providing funds towards projects such as facilities in church buildings and inclusive activities for the wider community. The majority of grants are for up to £10,000. Projects must address at least one of the following objectives of the Foundation:

- Welfare - support for charities working with people who may be vulnerable or disadvantaged and who need assistance to improve their lives. This includes a variety of causes and groups including the elderly, homeless, disabled, special needs and those with mental health issues.
- Education - Importance is placed on support for education and learning, both within formal school settings and practical approaches to learning which support young people to fulfil their potential and thrive including those with special needs. The Foundation continues to support arts projects for education that encourage and inspire audiences across the UK and bring a range of benefits to people of all ages and backgrounds.
- Medical - support for medical related charities specialising in the treatment and support for specific illnesses and research. The main focus has been on local hospices, children's care and university-based research in the fields of cancer and mental health.



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- Religion - supports projects such as facilities in church buildings and inclusive activities for the wider community.

Applications must be submitted by email and can be sent at any time.

For details see: <https://www.hodgefoundation.org.uk/about-us/>

YAPP Charitable Trust - Grants

The Trust makes revenue grants to small registered charities with a turnover of less than £40,000 pa whose work focuses on one of the Trust's priority groups; elderly people; children and young people aged 5 – 25; people with physical impairments, learning difficulties or mental health challenges; social welfare - people trying to overcome life-limiting problems of a social, rather than medical, origin (such as addiction, relationship difficulties, abuse, offending); and education and learning (with a particular interest in people who are educationally disadvantaged, whether adults or children). Grants are given for running costs for up to three years normally for a maximum of £3,000 per annum. The Fund prioritise:

- Work that is unattractive to the general public or unpopular with other funders
- Services that help to improve the lives of marginalised, disadvantaged or isolated people
- Applicants that can demonstrate an effective use of volunteers
- Charities that seek to be preventive and aim to change opinion and behaviour through raising awareness of issues, education and campaigning
- Applicants that can demonstrate (where feasible) an element of self-sustainability by charging subscriptions/fees to service users

Applications can be submitted at any time.

For details see: <http://www.yappcharitabletrust.org.uk>

The National Lottery – Reaching Communities Fund

The Fund provide grants to help improve local communities and the lives of people most in need, including hard to reach communities. There is a small revenue and a capital scheme and a larger buildings only fund:

- Revenue and small capital – funding from £10,000 to £500,000 for revenue projects and/or smaller capital projects up to £50,000;
- Buildings – funding of between £100,000 and £500,000 for large capital projects.

All projects must address one or more of the following outcomes:

- People have better chances in life, with better access to training and development to improve their life skills;
- Stronger communities, with more active citizens, working together to tackle their problems;
- Improved rural and urban environments, which communities are better able to access and enjoy; and
- Healthier and more active people and communities.



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Voluntary or community groups such as a charity, co-operative, social enterprise or community interest company, a not for profit company limited by guarantee or a statutory organisation such as a local authority or school are all eligible to apply. Please use the online application form available [here](#). **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

For details see: http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/program_reaching_communities?regioncode=-uk

6. DIVERSITY & EQUALITY

UFI Voctech Trust – Challenge Grant Fund

This Fund is seeking current and emerging technologies that could be developed or deployed to improve accessibility, create a supportive learning environment, and offer increased personalisation and motivation to start or keep on learning to obtain the skills people need for work. It has two parts:

- **Part A** - A funded and supported design thinking element – the 'Define Stage Gateway'
- **Part B** - Funding for delivery of a VocTech Activate or a VocTech Impact project

Access to part B is only available to projects who engage fully in the design thinking element and have a clear, user centred plan at the end of that phase that is ready for immediate development. The Trust are expecting to offer up to 10 / 12 VocTech Activate grants and 3 / 4 VocTech Impact grants. The fund is open to UK charities, private companies, community interest companies and other not-for-profit organisations already engaged with the target learner groups. **The closing date for applications is 5pm on 29th July 2021.**

For details see: <https://ufi.co.uk/grant-funding/voctech-challenge/about/>

Clothworkers' Foundation Grant Scheme - Main Grants Programme

UK registered charities with an annual operating income of less than £15m can apply for funding to improve the quality of life for people and communities that face disadvantage. The Programme offers capital grants for projects to tackle alcohol and substance misuse ; disability; disadvantaged young people; domestic and sexual violence, support for the elderly; homelessness; disadvantaged minority communities; helping prisoners and ex-offenders; visual impairment and textiles. Please take the online [eligibility quiz](#) to access the online application form. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

For details see: <http://foundation.clothworkers.co.uk/Open-grant-programmes/Main-and-Small-Grant-Programmes.aspx>

7. ENVIRONMENT

The NatureSave Trust – Environment Projects Fund



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Grants of between £500 to £2,500 are available to charities and voluntary and grassroots organisations for projects focused on nature conservation and biodiversity improvements. Previous projects which have been funded include an initiative to reduce the amount of running gear that ends up in landfill, a wood recycling service, a batcam, an owl nest box scheme, and a new electric heating system for an eco-activity centre. **The next funding round opens on 1st September and the deadline for applications is 31st December 2021.**

For details see: <https://www.naturesave.co.uk/naturesave-trust/>

Forestry Commission – Tree Production Innovation Fund

Grants of up to £200,000 are available to encourage the development and adoption of new technologies and ways of working that will enhance the quantity, quality and diversity of planting stock available for tree planting. The fund will be organised around a number of different challenges:

- **Challenge 1** - How can we make better use of available seed and vegetative planting material to maximise the quantity, quality and diversity of trees produced?
- **Challenge 2** - How can we develop growing systems to enhance their efficiency and resilience to change, whilst delivering improved quality and diversity of product? This challenge can include activities to promote biosecurity.
- **Challenge 3** - How can innovative environmentally sustainable weed control solutions be used to reduce reliance on herbicides?

Public bodies will be required to partner with private sector third party organisations, with lead applicants based in the UK. Projects can be standalone with output(s) that will be fully developed by March 2022 or pilot studies looking to establish the feasibility of longer-term projects.

The first round of the fund will open for applications in late July 2021. Further details to follow – register on the website for email alerts.

For details see: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tree-production-innovation-fund>

Ecosurety - Exploration Fund

The Fund will invest in projects that can reduce the environmental impact of packaging, batteries or Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment through innovation or research in the UK. It is looking to support ideas up to £150,000, with no minimum value set, that will go on to make a bigger impact beyond the initially funded project - especially those that may ordinarily struggle to get off the ground. Innovation could include an innovative awareness campaign, technology, initiative, process, trial or material, for example. Research could include academic or industry research into improving existing systems, processes, infrastructure, technology, consumer behaviour or material use, for example. The £1 million fund will be spread over three years and the application process is open to any UK registered company, charity, not-for-profit or academic organisation. Funds will be released in May 2020 and the project should be completed by the end of 2022. **The closing date for applications is 4pm on 24th August 2021.**



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For details see: <https://www.ecosurety.com/impact/exploration-fund>

8. HEALTH & HOSPICES

Alzheimer's Research UK – The Inspire Fund

A public engagement funding scheme has been launched to help tackle misconceptions around dementia and promote the importance of dementia research. The Fund will provide grants of up to £25,000 for innovative projects that engage the public with dementia and the progress being made in research into the condition. Networking opportunities will be an important feature in the application process, with the aim of creating and nurturing relationships between communities, researchers, creatives and other potential applicants. **The deadline to submit an Expression of Interest is 5th August 2021.**

For details see: <https://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/grants/inspire-fund-public-engagement-grant/>

9. HOUSING & HOMELESS

Help the Homeless – Grants

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to small and medium-sized charitable organisations (with a turnover of less than £1 million) whose aim is to help homeless people return to the community and enabling them to resume a normal life. Typically, such organisations may operate small or medium-sized residential or training facilities to assist homeless people. The grants are available for capital costs. **The closing date applications is 15th September 2021.**

For details see: <http://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/applying-for-funding/>

TDS Charitable Foundation - Tenancy Deposit Scheme (TDS)

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to improve private rented housing standards. Through its grants programme, the Foundation is looking to support bids that promote knowledge of inexperienced landlord's obligations or tenant's rights and responsibilities. Charitable organisations including housing associations and community interest companies (CIC's) can apply for projects that will help to educate inexperienced landlords about the obligations of being a private landlord and which will help educate tenants about their rights and responsibilities. The Foundation are particularly interested in receiving applications that seek to drive forward education and learning as well as dispute resolution, in light of the impact which Covid-19 has had on the Private Rented Sector. **The deadline for applications is 5pm on 27th August 2021.**

For details see: <http://tdsfoundation.org.uk/#apply-for-funding>



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Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government - The Homelessness Winter Transformation Fund 2021/22

The Fund will enable small-to-medium homelessness charities, community and faith groups and voluntary sector organisations to develop accommodation options that are self-contained, Covid-secure and dignified for people sleeping rough and will include capital and revenue funding. It will be managed by Homeless Link in partnership with Housing Justice. Complete a questionnaire on the website to see whether you are eligible to apply. **The Fund will close to applications by the end of July 2021.**

For details see: <https://www.homeless.org.uk/connect/blogs/2021/apr/07/homelessness-winter-transformation-fund-202122-is-announced>

Screwfix Foundation – Grants

Funding is available to charities and not for profit organisations for projects that will fix, repair, maintain and improve the properties and community facilities of those in need by reason of financial hardship, sickness, disability, distress or other disadvantage throughout the UK. Grants of up to £5,000 are available for all kinds of projects, from repairing buildings and improving facilities in deprived areas, to decorating the homes of people living with sickness and disabilities. Applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis. **The closing date for applications is 14th August 2021.**

For details see: [Screwfix Foundation | Help | Screwfix Website](#)

B&Q Foundation – Grants

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities across the UK & Ireland for projects that support people experiencing bad housing or homelessness, as well as community projects looking to improve their spaces. This could be a community hall or care centre, hostel or hospice. The Foundation provides funding to support people in need including those suffering financial hardship, sickness, disability, or other disadvantage or distress. Applicants are required to submit expressions of interest and funding will be awarded before the end of the year.

For details see: <https://www.diy.com/corporate/bandq-foundation/>
Charities Aid Foundation – The Community Led Housing Fund (CLH)

A new housing fund aiming to empower community groups to plan and build 1,000 affordable homes in communities across England is offering grants of up to £150,000, including financial help in purchasing land. The fund is open for applications for loans, standby facilities and, in partnership with Power to Change, grants at every stage of the project.

For details see: <http://www.nationwidefoundation.org.uk/projects-we-fund/current-funding/caf-venturesome-community-led-housing-fund/>



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10. OLDER PEOPLE

Asda Foundation – Bringing Communities Back Together Fund

The Foundation aims to transform communities and improve lives by providing independent grants and support to locally relevant community projects throughout the UK. Grants of between £250 and £1,000 are available to registered charities, not-for-profit organisations, CICs, and unincorporated clubs or associations to reunite communities, celebrate togetherness, and support groups as Coronavirus restrictions begin to ease during July, August and September. Funding can be used to get activities back on track such as gardening clubs, lunch clubs and recreational activities; a get-together event such as a welcome back party or community celebration; or a combination of the two. Applications forms are available from Asda stores. There are three funding streams available:

- Celebration Event: e.g. welcome back party, community celebration.
- Getting Activities Back on Track: e.g. gardening clubs, supporting groups and recreational activities, lunch clubs.
- Combination of the above for those wanting to apply for both celebration event and getting activities back on track.

The closing date for applications is 16th August 2021.

For details see: <https://www.asdafoundation.org/how-to-apply>

The Garfield Weston Foundation – Welfare Grants

The Foundation has a preference for supports UK registered charities and CIOs (Charitable Incorporated Organisations) directly delivering services and activities to those in need and are especially keen to see applications from charities in the Welfare, Youth and Community sectors and also in regions of economic disadvantage. It will also accept applications from some organisations that have 'exempt' status under the Charity Commission Guidelines. This programme supports charities that work with a variety of causes and groups including the elderly, homeless, disability and special needs and those in the criminal justice system. There are two grant programmes:

- Regular Grants - for applications below £100,000.
- Major Grants - for application of £100,000 or more.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

For details see: <https://garfieldweston.org/what-we-support/welfare/>

The Allen Lane Foundation - Older People Fund

The overall aims of the Foundation are to make a lasting difference to people's lives; reduce isolation, stigma and discrimination; and to encourage or enable unpopular groups to share in the life of the whole community. Funding is available to reduce loneliness and isolation, improve physical and mental wellbeing, help maintain independence and a quality of life for older people. The Foundation recognises the growing impact of dementia within the older population and on families, especially those who care



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for people with dementia and is keen to support projects that seek to develop community initiatives that offer sustainable, long term support for older people in communities. The maximum grant is £15,000 and the average grant size is around £5,000-£6,000. The Foundation funds registered charities and other organisations which are not charities but which seek funding for a charitable project. (Such as constituted voluntary groups or Community Interest Companies for example.) The focus is on supporting smaller organisations. Organisations that work across a local area such as a village, estate or town, to be eligible will need to have an income of less than around £100,000. Organisations that work across the whole of the UK will need to have an income of less than around £250,000. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

For details see: <http://allenlane.org.uk/older-people/>

Home Instead Charities- Grants

The Foundation makes donations in amounts ranging from £100 to £5,000 to not-for-profit groups, organisations and charities that can demonstrate their commitment to creating activities designed to improve the lives of the elderly. Bring Joy will fund events, activities or pastimes that bring the joy and fun back into ageing. Donation requests of more than £5,000 will be considered in special circumstances. Applications are made by Letter of Enquiry, which must be submitted by post. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

For details see: [Apply for a Grant - Home Instead Charities](#)

11.SPORTS AND LEISURE

Sport England – Return to Play Small Grants Fund

In response to the new Covid-19 lockdown measures, Sport England are making grants of £300 to £10,000 available to help sport and activity groups, clubs and organisations respond to the immediate challenges of returning to play in a coronavirus-safe way. Priority will be given to projects:

- Located in areas of high deprivation (decile 1-3 of the Indices of Deprivation)
- Organisations working with Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities, people on lower incomes, disabled people, people with long-term health conditions and people experiencing a greater burden of care because of coronavirus.
- Organisations that don't have a significant level of reserve funding available to utilise.

The funding can cover costs such as minor amendments to facilities, additional sports equipment, signage, sanitation and training courses for clubs in areas of high deprivation. The Fund will now also support ongoing running costs, for example rent, utilities and insurance, and will give flexibility over the start date for resuming activity. **Sports clubs, charities, community clubs, and other not-for-profit organisations can apply at any time until 31st December 2021.**

For details see: <https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/our-funds/return-play-small-grants>



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Football Foundation – Premier League Defibrillator Fund

The Premier League has announced that it will provide funding for the implementation of more than two thousand defibrillators at grassroots football clubs and facilities in England. The first phase will provide defibrillators in time for the start of the 2021/22 season to Football Foundation funded facilities that are currently without a life-saving device onsite. In the second phase, which is expected in September, grassroots clubs that own their facilities will be able to apply for funding for a defibrillator. The Football Foundation will contact previously funded facilities in the coming weeks, with further information to be provided shortly regarding the application process for the second phase.

For details see: <https://footballfoundation.org.uk/news/premier-league-launches-defibrillator-fund-for-grassroots-facilities>

12. WELFARE

UnLtd – Social Enterprise Fund

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 to social entrepreneurs through two funding streams:

- Grants of up to £15,000 to grow an existing social enterprise
- Grants of up to £5,000 to start a new social enterprise.

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

The closing date for this funding round is 30th September 2021.

For details see: <https://www.unltd.org.uk/awards>

13. GENERAL

Henry Smith Charity - County Grant Programme

Grants of under £10,000 per year with some for multi year grants for up to £20,000 in total are available for small organisations working in Surrey until Autumn 2021 when it will focus funds on other parts of the country. To be eligible to apply your annual income must be below £250,000, unless you are working



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county-wide, in which case your income must be below £1 million. Please use the online application form available [here](#). It is strongly recommended that Internet Explorer is used to complete the form.

Please note this Fund will no longer be available to charities in Surrey after 30th September 2021 and possibly earlier if funds run out.

For details see: <https://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/explore-our-grants-and-apply/county-grants/county-grants-overview/>

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