

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

Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs - Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Improvement Grant

The grants will provide funding over three years for capital improvement projects to create bigger, brighter, contemporary spaces that encourage more people to make use of their village halls, and bring people together. This could include installing Wi-Fi, extending buildings and modernising facilities. Further details will be announced in due course.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/platinum-jubilee-fund-creates-boost-for-village-halls>

Gov UK - Find a Grant Pilot

The first release of the [Find a Grant pilot](#) which is designed to make it easy to look for, and apply for, government grants, is now open to all. [Find out more about Find a Grant](#), and what you can expect to come over the year ahead. It doesn't have every government grant on it - yet. They have started with

23 schemes so that they are able to co-create, test and develop - and keep on co-creating, testing and developing between now and March 2023. The team are working across government to get more grants added during this pilot phase. To browse a list of available government grants and see if you're eligible to apply for them see: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/find-government-grants>

Simple guides to Reserves Policies and Risk Management

Ian McLintock, the founder of Charity Excellence, offers free resources to the voluntary sector including a Funding Finder. He is also working on simple guides to explain issues that affect charities which I am passing on. They have published a guide on Reserves policies which includes a simple explanation of why charities need them and how to set one up [Charity Commission Financial Reserves Policy Template \(charityexcellence.co.uk\)](https://charityexcellence.co.uk/charity-commission-financial-reserves-policy-template).

Ian has also set up a guide on Risk Management which includes explanations, advice and templates you might find useful, see [Charity Risk Management Register Policy Template \(charityexcellence.co.uk\)](https://charityexcellence.co.uk/charity-risk-management-register-policy-template).

2. ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE

National Churches Trust - Foundation Grants Programme

Churches across the UK can apply for grants of between £500 and £5,000 towards the cost of urgent maintenance works and small repairs. Project costs should be up to £10,000 excl. VAT and awards will never exceed 50% of the costs. Applications are accepted from listed and unlisted Christian places of worship, of any denomination. **Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis until 31st October 2022.**

For details see: <https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/get-support/grants/foundation-maintenance>

Arts Council England Project Grants - Supporting Grassroots Live Music

Grassroots music venues and promoters can apply for funding to help them deliver and develop their work. Organisations whose main function is to host and/or promote live music events of all types and genres, in particular those working with new, developing talent in small to mid-size venues, can apply for grants of up to £40,000 for projects lasting up to three years. Funding can also be used for activities that put them in a better position to deliver their work in the long term, such as purchasing essential equipment, carrying out building work, or business planning. **Applications can be made at any time until 31 March 2023.**

For details see: <https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/arts-council-national-lottery-project-grants/project-grants-time-limited-priorities#section-3>



Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport – Arts & Culture Grants

1. Museum Estate and Development Fund Round 2

Local and regional accredited museums and local authorities in England are invited to apply for funding to enable them to undertake vital infrastructure and urgent maintenance backlog work which is beyond the scope of day-to-day maintenance budgets. The funding will support capital expenditure from £50,000 to £5 million for work that improves their core infrastructure, and reduces the immediate risks to buildings, visitors, staff and collections. Up to 10 per cent of the total project costs must come from other sources. **The deadline for submitting expressions of interest is 12pm on 17th June 2022.**

For details see: <https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/museum-estate-and-development-fund-mend-round-2#section-1>

2. Cultural Development Fund Round 3

This fund aims to increase access to arts and culture in areas of low engagement. Local partnerships led by a local authority, Local Enterprise Partnership, or other appropriate body are eligible to apply for grants between £2 million and £5 million. Applicants can apply for capital (asset) activity with a limited proportion, a maximum of £700,000, for supporting resource activity (project activity) within their total budget. **The deadline for submitting Expressions of Interest is 12pm (midday) on Friday 29 July 2022.**

For details see: [Cultural Development Fund](#)

3. Libraries Improvement Fund Round 2

A local authority can apply to fund capital expenditure between £50,000 to £499,999 on behalf of a library service in England to facilitate investment in a range of projects to upgrade buildings and technology enabling libraries to respond to the changing ways people are using them. **The deadline for submitting Expressions of Interest is 12 pm (midday) on 27th June 2022.**

For details see: [Libraries Improvement Fund](#)

3. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION & TRAINING

Thomas Wall Trust - Grants

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities to support projects that equip people (18 or older in order) from disadvantaged groups with critical life skills necessary for employment. Priority will



be given to projects that target people experiencing multiple deprivation or other groups facing major hurdles to employment, especially; women, people with physical, mental, or learning disabilities, refugees and asylum seekers. To be eligible the applicants must:

- Be a UK charity that has been registered with the Charity Commission for at least 3 years
- Be a project or running costs for a charity that equips people (aged 18 and over) with the skills ready for employment
- Have an annual turnover of less than £500,000

The deadline for stage 1 applications is the 19th September 2022.

For details see: <https://www.thomaswalltrust.org.uk/grants-for-registered-charities-2/>

Creative England - New Ideas Fund

This Fund is open to applications from individuals, sole traders and small to medium sized registered companies working on screen-based storytelling including film, television, animation, games, immersive media or technology that supports these industries. Grants of between £1,000 and £25,000 are available to support the development of new and innovative ideas to help business growth in the English regions outside of London. Applications for funding of between £10,000 and £25,000 can only be made by registered limited companies but grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 can be awarded to individuals and sole traders. Examples of ideas which could be funded include:

- developing/prototyping new technology for storytelling;
- building new storytelling platforms;
- testing new markets; and
- experimenting with new formats of content creation.

The deadline for applications is 9am on 23rd of July 2022.

For details see: <https://www.wearecreative.uk/support/creative-enterprise/learn/new-ideas-fund/>

4. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

High Sheriff Youth Awards

This Scheme gives grants between £500 to £5,000 to projects for young people in Surrey - with the aim of helping young people make Surrey safer. They are particularly keen to support a project or initiative where young people, normally between the ages of 9 and 18, are actively involved in planning and running it. **No deadline.**

For details see: [funds youth groups](#)



The Leslie Sell Charitable Trust - Peter Sell Annual Award

Awards of up to £5,000 are available to Scout or Guide groups in the UK for projects to widen engagement and involvement in Scouting and Guiding. The Trustees invite applications which seek to do the following:

- Widen engagement and involvement in Scouting and Guiding – in particular, the Trustees welcome applications that will encourage people to engage with scouting or guiding who have not previously done so.
- That will have a legacy beyond the initial expenditure of the grant – e.g. through a focus and engagement in environmental projects or by encouraging engagement of people in such projects, some of whom may then remain involved in the long term.

Send applications by email to admin@lesliesellct.org.uk **The deadline for applications is 16th Sept 2022.**

For details see: [The Peter Sell Annual Award – LSCT \(lesliesellct.org.uk\)](http://lesliesellct.org.uk)

The Weavers' Company – Grants

Small registered charities can apply for grants of up to £15,000 for projects working with:

- Supporting offenders and ex-offenders, particularly those under 30 years of age but will also support ex-offenders of all ages; and
- Helping disadvantaged young people.

To be eligible for funding, local organisations such as those working in a village, estate or small town should normally have an income of less than £100,000. Grants are usually given for one year. Applicants must show that they have investigated other sources of funding and made plans for the future, which should include replacement funding if appropriate. To apply for a grant, complete the application form online, then print the form and mail it to The Weavers' Company together with supporting documents. **The closing date is 14th July 2022.**

For details see: <https://weavers.org.uk/charity/charitable-grants/>

Little Lives UK - Children's Community Support Programme

Grants of up to £2,200 are available to children's groups and organisations such as play groups or sports classes. The Programme is also open to applications from other projects, as long as their primary objective focuses on providing services to disadvantaged and disabled children. There is no monetary minimum that groups can apply for, and Little Lives UK will additionally support the work of successful applicants through their social media channels and on our website. **The deadline for applications is 30th June 2022.**



For details see: <https://www.littlelives.org.uk/our-campaigns/childrens-community-support-programme/>

5. COMMUNITY

Asda Foundation - Empowering Local Communities Fund

Grants of up to £1,500 are available for community groups and organisations to support a broad range of activities that contribute towards transforming communities and improving lives across the UK. The focus of this funding round is to address the impact the rising cost of living is having on communities and to support refugees arriving in the UK. **Applications should be made through each local Asda store's Community Champion by 19th August 2022.**

For details see: <https://www.asdafoundation.org/foundation-grants>

Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust - Force for Change Programme

Grants of up to £10,000 are available for projects to support Armed Forces communities to become less isolated and engage more in their local area, and to address needs that have arisen as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. To be eligible to apply, the applicant organisation must be an established registered charity or Community Interest Company (CIC) with substantial recent experience of supporting Armed Forces communities; an Armed Forces unit or base; a local authority; or a school. **The deadline for applications is 8th August 2022.**

For details see: <https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/armed-forces-covenant-fund-force-for-change-programme/#guidance-and-resources>

Volant Trust - Covid-19 Response Fund

The Trust is accepting applications from registered charities, community interest companies, community organisations or social enterprises in the UK and internationally that demonstrate a strong focus on alleviating social deprivation and helping vulnerable groups who have been particularly impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. The level of grant awarded is at the discretion of the Trustees. **The final closing date for applications is 31st July 2022.**

For details see: <https://www.volanttrust.org/how-to-apply-covid-19/>



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

This Fund, which is part of the government's strategy to build back better from the pandemic and to foster a sense of community, is now open for expressions of interest. It will make grants (on a matched funding basis) available to help communities across the UK take ownership of local facilities, community assets and amenities such as at-risk local pubs, theatres, post offices, sports grounds, parks and corner shops, etc. Expressions of Interest will be accepted from all communities across the UK. In most circumstances, bids should be made from community and voluntary organisations with formal governance in place. Applicants can apply for of up to £250,000 match funded capital funding. Revenue funding of up to £50,000 or 20% of total capital funding applied for is also available. **Full applications will need to be submitted by 12pm on 19th August 2022.**

For details see: [New levelling up and community investments - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-levelling-up-and-community-investments)

Power to Change - Community Business Trade Up Programme

The programme is open to community businesses in England that exist to improve their local neighbourhood, village or town and who want to start or build their income from trading and sales, and become more sustainable. It will provide businesses with mentoring support and a Match Trading grant worth up to £5,000 which is designed to challenge them to grow their income by matching 'pound-for-pound' an increase in income from trading. All types of community businesses are eligible to apply however, priority will be given to those that are BAME led, by mostly young people (aged 16-35), and located in and giving support to very deprived or disadvantaged local communities. **The deadline for applications is 1pm on 28th June 2022.**

For details see: <https://www.the-sse.org/courses/community-business/#CBTU-apply-now>

6. DIVERSITY & EQUALITY

David Solomons Charitable Trust - Grants

One-off revenue grants of £1,000 are available to UK registered charities supporting people with learning difficulties and their carers in the UK. The Trust does not maintain a website. **Applications may be made at any time in writing**, addressed to:

The David Solomons Charitable Trust
2 Highfield Road
Collier Row
Romford
RM5 3RA



Tel: 01708 502488

Email: [davidsolomonscharitabletrust\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:davidsolomonscharitabletrust(at)gmail.com)

Leeds Building Society Charitable Foundation - Grants

Grants of between £250 - £1,000 are available to UK registered charities with a turnover of less than £1 million pa. that are working to help those at disadvantage in society. The Foundation primarily provides funding towards practical items that directly support those in need including those with disabilities, affected by homelessness, or with serious health issues. Grants usually fund items of "capital expenditure" i.e. items must directly help those in need, rather than contributing to the charity's running costs. **The deadline for applications is 8th August 2022.**

For details see: <http://www.leedsbuildingsociety.co.uk/your-society/about-us/foundation/>

Big Issue Invest - Growth Impact Fund

This new social investment fund is focused on applications from diverse-led social enterprises looking to grow their impact. Organisations that are legally registered in the UK and have more than 75% representation at Board and at least 50% representation at Senior Leadership Team of individuals who fall into one or more of the following categories are eligible to apply:

- Black, Asian or Minority Ethnic
- Disabled
- Women
- LGBTQIA+
- Lived experience of a social challenge
- Experience of socio-economic disadvantage

Solo founders, and organisations that demonstrate a clear commitment to improving diversity, equity and inclusion are also eligible to apply. The Fund offers between £50,000 and £1,500,000 in investments to support early-stage founders of social businesses from under-represented groups who have previously been excluded from investment. **No deadline is given but the first investments are expected to take place in July 2022.**

For details see: <https://growthimpactfund.org.uk/>

Paul Hamlyn Foundation - Shared Ground Fund

Grants of between £30,000 and £400,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations in the UK to address racism and structural inequalities within the immigration system, for projects lasting between



12 months and 4 years with an option to extend for a further period. The funding supports organisations working towards the following long-term objectives:

- Influencing migration system reform: helping to build a policy and legal framework based on the principles of fairness, accessibility, due process, efficiency and respect for human rights.
- Improving access to support services, to ensure systemic exclusion which forces individuals into poverty is addressed and the needs of people who migrate are met, so that they have the longer-term support they need to settle, integrate and thrive in the UK.
- Strengthening civic participation so that people who have migrated to the UK have a stronger voice and are represented and meaningfully involved in the structures and services that affect their lives.
- Informing public understanding and countering the polarisation of migration and integration narratives.

The Foundation also has a particular interest in the lives of young people who lack permanent status in the UK, including those who are undocumented. **Applications accepted on a rolling basis.**

For details see: <https://www.phf.org.uk/funds/shared-ground-fund/#purpose-of-the-fund>

7. ENVIRONMENT

Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities - Neighbourhood Planning Grant Scheme 2022/23

Local communities can apply for funding to help shape the future of their local area through the development of neighbourhood plans or neighbourhood development orders. This can include issues such as the location of new homes, schools, businesses and green spaces, how they should look and what infrastructure is needed to support them. All groups undertaking a neighbourhood plan or neighbourhood development order (NDO) are eligible to apply for up to £10,000 for a basic grant. Groups facing more complex issues may be eligible for an additional grant of £8,000 (in addition to the £10,000 Basic Grant), see website for details. To apply, applicants will need to complete an Expression of Interest (EoI). Once completed applicants will automatically be directed to the application form. No deadline given but assume it is in line with the government's financial year which will end on 31st March 2023.

For details see: <https://www.groundwork.org.uk/mhclg-neighbourhood-planning/>



8. HEALTH & HOSPICES

The Elaine & Angus Lloyd Charitable Trust - Grants

The Trust offers grants to charitable organisations working in Kent and Surrey. The grant is intended to support general charitable activities in the areas of advancement of health or saving of lives, disability, and people with disabilities. Average grants range from £1,000 to £3,500, although larger amounts have been distributed in exceptional circumstances. **The Trust does not maintain a website and there is no deadline for applications.** Contact Ross Badger by email: ross.badger@hhllp.co.uk; telephone: 020 7930 7797 or write to:

Elaine and Angus Lloyd Charitable Trust
 Ground Floor
 45 Pall Mall
 London
 SW1Y 5JG
ross.badger@hhllp.co.uk

The Albert Hunt Trust – Grants

The Trust supports UK registered charities that:

- Provide Hospice Care – core funding of hospices is a priority and typical grant sizes range from £10,000-£20,000. Will consider capital projects in addition to core funding.
- Provide support for the Homeless – typical core funding grant sizes range from £5,000-£10,000.
- Promote Health and Well-Being but not projects for the able-bodied – Grants range from £500-£5,000. Projects of interest include physical and learning disability, physical and mental health, plus social challenge and deprivation. Organisations eligible to apply must have an annual income of below £250,000. In certain circumstances capital projects, such as significant equipment purchases or building works, may be considered irrespective of the income levels.

Grants may be considered for a range of purposes and could include:

- Single awards for capital projects (building / equipment / renovation)
- Grants for core funding to include staff costs.
- Ongoing running costs for specific projects

There is no deadline for applications.

For details see: [Our Grant Making Philosophy at The Albert Hunt Trust](#)

9. HOUSING & HOMELESS

B&Q Foundation – Grants

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities for projects that support people experiencing bad housing or homelessness, as well as community projects looking to improve their spaces which could be a community hall or care centre, hostel or hospice. Projects can include creating community gardens, redecorating properties, and converting rooms at hostels to additional bedrooms. The Foundation provides funding to support people in need including those suffering financial hardship, sickness, disability, or other disadvantage or distress and has previously awarded grants to charities ranging from homelessness and abuse charities, to children's hospices and rehabilitation centres.

Applicants are required to submit expressions of interest and funding will be awarded before the end of the year.

For details see: [B&Q Foundation | Neighbourly](#)

10. OLDER PEOPLE

Edith Murphy Foundation - Grants

The Foundation's purpose is to support other organisations (predominantly, but not exclusively, other registered charities) that:

- carry out research;
- support individuals who by reason of their age, youth, infirmity, disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances are suffering hardship, distress or are otherwise in need;
- relieve the suffering and care for unwanted animals.

The value of grants made is normally between £500 and £5,000 although larger grants are made in some circumstances. **Applications can be submitted at any time but the next meeting of trustees is expected to be in July, then October.**

Written applications can be sent to the following address:

c/o Ludlow Trust Company Ltd,
1st Floor,
Tower Wharf,
Cheese Lane,
Bristol,
BS2 0JJ

Online applications can be emailed to charitabletrusts@ludlowtrust.com

For details see: <https://edithmurphy.co.uk/how-to-apply/>



Family Action – Welfare Grants Programme

The programme is open for applications for people over the age of 60 with grants for essential personal and household needs to assist individuals with low incomes, particularly those living on benefits. All applications must be made, on-line, by a suitable referring agency. Suitable referring agencies include: statutory agencies or charities that provide health or social care; housing associations; probation services and GP's. No maximum or minimum grant amount has been specified. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

NB. The Fund for people who have a diagnosed mental health condition or who have recently experienced domestic abuse will be reopening for applications on Tuesday the 21st of June at 11am.

For details see: <https://www.family-action.org.uk/what-we-do/grants/welfare-grants/>

Friends of the Elderly - Grants for Older People

The programme provides grants of up to £400 to older people who are of/over state pension age and have savings of less than £4,000. Funding is currently being provided through four schemes:

- Home Essentials to help with the cost of replacing everyday items, small home repairs and mobility adaptations;
- Digital Connection to help older people get online;
- Financial Support to help with unexpected bills; and
- Essential Living Costs including clothing, food, medicines and books.

Applications must be made via a third-party Referral Agent such as charities, local authority and social services representatives. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

For details see: <https://www.fote.org.uk/our-charity-work/grants-2/>

11.SPORTS AND LEISURE

Whirlwind Charitable Trust – Grants

Funding is available to registered charities for maritime activities and outdoor pursuits which “make a difference” to young, disadvantaged and disabled people up to 25 years of age in England, Wales and Scotland. The Trust will fund projects which encourage individuals of all races, religions and gender who could not otherwise participate in these types of activities, to grow in confidence, ambition and achievement, so that they can fulfil their own potential and make a positive contribution to society. The Trust favour applications providing a positive educational element, particularly with regard to the coastal and marine environment, with longer term contact, mentoring and support. **The deadline for applications is 18th July 2022.**

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



RLWC2021 - CreatedBy Small Grants Programme

Organisations and clubs that are developing Rugby League activity in their community can apply for grants of up to £15,000 to improve the environment where Rugby League takes place. The funding can be used to invest in kit, equipment and facility improvements that make rugby accessible and welcoming, and encourage more people from a range of different backgrounds to engage with the game and get active. This could include refurbishing club houses, and purchasing new lawn mowers, ball-stop netting, and equipment to deliver after-school sessions. The RLWC2021 is particularly keen to fund environmentally sustainable improvements that reduce a club's financial outgoings, or projects that increase participation from girls, women, and disability sport. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

For details see: <https://www.rugby-league.com/article/36953/rlwc2021-createdby-small-grants-programme-re-opens-for-applications>

12. WELFARE

The Abrdn Financial Fairness Trust - Grants

Charities, voluntary organisations, think tanks, campaigning groups, research bodies and universities can apply for grants of between £10,000 and £200,000 for strategic work that improves financial wellbeing, especially for those on low-to-middle incomes. The Trust invites proposals from organisations across the UK seeking funding for policy work, campaigning and research focused on three areas that influence financial wellbeing:

- income;
- spending; and
- assets.

These areas might include wages, pensions and taxation, gambling, borrowing and repayment problems, and savings. Priority is given to work focusing on younger generations. **The deadline for applications is 1pm on 4th February 2023.**

For details see: <https://www.financialfairness.org.uk/home>

EA Animal Welfare Fund - Grants

Not-for-profit animal welfare organisations can apply for grants of up to \$50,000 from the EA Animal Welfare Fund which supports advocacy, research, and movement-building work aimed at improving the wellbeing of animals, primarily farmed and wild animals, in relatively neglected geographic regions around the world. The fund has historically supported many different interventions, including research that improves understanding of relevant issues, and campaigns that push large corporations to improve



their farm animal welfare policies. Funding could be used to support projects such as: promoting alternative proteins in order to reduce demand for animal products; researching ways to improve the welfare of farmed fish; and advocating against the use of some cruel practice within the industrial agriculture system. **The closing date for applications is 2nd October 2022.**

For details see: [Apply for Funding from EA Funds | Effective Altruism Funds](#)

13. WOMEN & GIRLS

Big Give - Christmas Challenge Match Funding Campaign

The Big Give has launched this year's Christmas Challenge match funding campaign which supports charities working to improve the lives of vulnerable, disadvantaged or underrepresented women and girls in England and Scotland. Up to £25,000 is available in match funding to enable charities that are led by and for women and girls to run their own match funding campaign between the 29th November and the 6th December 2022. Eligibility is restricted to UK-registered charities with at least one year of filed accounts and an annual income of at least £25,000 but less than £1m (as per last filed accounts), or organisations with tax-exempt status for charitable purposes. The Big Give will also provide resources, training and guidance for all participating charities. **NB. Applicants will need to register on the Big Give website. The deadline for applications is 5pm on 1st July 2022.**

For details see: <https://www.thebiggive.org.uk/s/women-and-girls-match-fund>

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