

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

A tip to help save money

Consider in-kind support to offset some running costs in lieu of cash funding. The Surrey Social Value Marketplace provides a place to advertise your needs, look for goods or services that might be of use to you and to offer goods or services to others. A local charity is currently using this website to ask for help maintaining and repairing their sewing machines. See: <https://socialvalue.supplytosurrey.co.uk/about/>

Corporate volunteers

Attached is a copy of Volunteer Woking's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) e-brochure sent out to local businesses by our CSR Officer. If your organisation has a specific need that corporate volunteers might be able to help with during normal office hours, contact us at volunteer@woking.gov.uk. If you have a regular need for a particular type of support and would like to be included in the Woking CSR brochure, please contact us at the same address to discuss how we might help.

Poundland Foundation – Kits 4 Kids Grants

These grants support local kids' sports teams to buy new kit to help keep thousands of kids become active. Local organisations are able to apply for a grant of up to £750 to buy new kit (clothing).



Applications will open again later this year. To register your interest please email foundation@poundland.co.uk.

BBC's Children in Need - New Funding Programmes

A new grant making strategy will begin launching in autumn 2022 which focuses on:

- Sharing power with children and young people
- Acting flexibly
- Using their voice to build awareness and empathy around issues
- Building partnerships to bring communities and investors together

For details see: <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/grants/apply/>

2. ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE

Music for All – Community Project Funding

To recognise the vital role music plays in uniting communities and improving wellbeing this Fund is aimed at community groups and schools that need assistance to fulfil their potential in developing sustainable music programmes. It seeks to support projects and initiatives across the UK and Ireland seeking to bring music to their community. Musical instruments or grants of up to £1,500 are available for five different types of project:

- electric guitars;
- acoustic guitars;
- projects supporting those with degenerative conditions;
- bass amps and cabs;
- and the BBB Trust School Orchestras Award, which will support music education through orchestras in schools. (Up to £8,000 is available for this award).

The deadline for applications is 25th November 2022.

For details see: <https://www.musicforall.org.uk/apply-for-funding/community-project-funding/>

National Lottery Heritage Fund - Dynamic Collections Campaign

This campaign aims to help organisations build on innovative ideas and trends developed over the past few years, particularly in digital engagement. Museums, archives, historic libraries and community organisations which hold collections across the UK can apply for grants of up to £250,000 for projects which make collections relevant to a wider range of people, actively involve the public in collections management and take a creative, sustainable approach to collections. There are three funding priorities for collections:

- engagement;



- re-interpretation; and
- collections management.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis until 31st March 2023.

For details see: [https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/our-work/dynamic-collections#:~:text=Our%20Dynamic%20Collections%20campaign%20will,\(COVID%2D19\)%20pandemic](https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/our-work/dynamic-collections#:~:text=Our%20Dynamic%20Collections%20campaign%20will,(COVID%2D19)%20pandemic)

PRS Foundation - Beyond Borders

This is a co-commissioning and touring programme that aims to stimulate and strengthen cross-border collaborations between music creators, performers and presenters. It supports the creation, touring and promotion of innovative and high-quality new music across all genres and encourages engagement with audiences across England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland through multiple performances and digital activity. Funding of up to £15,000 is available for projects that include new commissions, recordings and repeat performances of music written in the past five years. Support is given to up to 8-10 projects per year that represent:

- Innovation and quality within the music, programming and performances, and potential for national/international profile.
- Strength and depth of collaboration between cross-border organisations/ensembles/bands and potential for partnership legacy.
- Potential audience reach and impact and the strength of plans for public engagement.

The submission deadline has been extended to 29th September 2022.

For details see: <https://prsfoundation.com/funding-support/funding-for-organisations/beyond-borders/>

3. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION & TRAINING

The Ironmongers Company – Grants

Registered charities (including Schools that are registered as charities for young people with disabilities) that work with disadvantaged children under the age of 25 can apply for funding of up to £10,000.

Projects must meet all of the following criteria:

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

The Company is particularly interested in enabling primary age children to develop a strong foundation for the future. Preference will be given to projects piloting new approaches where the outcomes will be disseminated to a wider audience. **The deadline for applications is 15th December 2022.**

For details see: <https://www.ironmongers.org/helping-charitable-organisation>



Learning through Landscapes - Local School Nature Grant Programme

Schools in England, Scotland and Wales can apply for up to £500 worth of free outdoor equipment and up to half a day of professional outdoor training to deliver outdoor learning and play. Funding will also be open to Early Year's settings which have their own building and more than five staff. **The closing date for applications is 11th November 2022.**

For details: <https://www.ltl.org.uk/news/local-school-nature-grants-to-return-for-biggest-year-yet>

4. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Youth Music - Trailblazer Fund

Grants of up to £30,000 are available to organisations in England for projects that support children and young people facing barriers to make, learn and earn in music. The funding supports organisations who want to trial work for the first time, test a new way of working, or disrupt the status quo - or all three. To be eligible for support applications must meet one of the following themes:

- Early years
- Disabled, d/Deaf and neurodivergent young people
- Youth justice system
- Young people facing barriers • Young adults • Organisations and the workforce. A Trailblazer project could be:
 - A new community organisation testing out different ways of supporting nurseries to embed musicmaking into their day-to-day activities.
 - A Music Education Hub that wants to disrupt the status quo of their local music scene by setting up a Youth Board that has budget & power to make decisions about how the hub is run.
 - An established youth centre trialling a programme of music activities for the first time.
 - Music curriculum activity in a special school, Pupil Referral Unit or Alternative Provision setting.

Organisations less than one year old can apply for a maximum grant of £15,000. A minimum of 10% match funding is required. **The deadline for applications is 25th November 2022.**

For details see: <https://youthmusic.org.uk/trailblazer-fun>

Surrey Young Mayor's Youth Projects Fund

Surrey young people (11-25 years) can apply for up to £500 for a single applicant or £1000 for a business, charity or community organisation sponsorship, for projects that will benefit other young people and their communities in Surrey. **No specific deadline.**

For details see: [Surrey young mayor's youth projects fund - Surrey County Council \(surreycc.gov.uk\)](https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/youth-projects-fund)



5. COMMUNITY

Tesco - Community Grants

The scheme is open to all registered charities and not-for-profit organisations with priority given to projects that provide food or support young people. Tesco colleagues choose which of the eligible applications they would like to see go through to in-store voting then Tesco shoppers take a blue token to vote in store for a good cause. Projects with the most tokens get the most funding. Groups supported by the scheme are helping to fight holiday hunger, tackle mental health, support young people, host community events and much more. Projects are awarded grants of £1,500, £1,000 or £500. **Rolling programme every 3 months.**

For details see: [Apply for a grant – Tesco Community Grants](#)

Aviva - Community Fund

Funding of up to £50,000 is available to small charities, schools and community interest groups in the UK with innovative ideas that benefit their community. Aviva wants to support projects that boost the resilience of communities in the face of uncertainty and will be supporting projects in two key areas:

- Climate Action: Promoting healthy, thriving communities by preventing, preparing for and protecting against the impacts of climate change.
- Financial Wellbeing: Helping people to take control of their wellbeing by giving them the tools to be more financially resilient and independent.

To take part the project must also be raising funds to develop a new approach, product or technology, pilot a new scheme, implement a new initiative, or expand existing services to a new area or beneficiary group. All beneficiaries must be in the UK. Once applications have been submitted, applicants will need to create a fundraising page on Crowdfunder that Aviva employees can browse and donate funds to. Applicants can also showcase their projects to raise additional public donations.

For details see: <https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk>

Hubbub Foundation - Community Fridge Fund

Grants of £4,000 are available to support an additional one hundred not-for-profit organisations across the UK to establish new Community Fridge projects and help redistribute surplus fresh food within deprived communities. Donations are provided by local food businesses, producers, households and gardens, saving food from going to waste and bringing people together. Hubbub will also provide support, guidance and resources to help organisations establish their Community Fridge. **The closing date for applications is 30th October 2022.**

For details see: [Community Fridges | Hubbub Foundation](#)



6. ENVIRONMENT

National Lottery Community Fund - Climate Action Fund

Groups can apply for National Lottery funding of up to £1.5 million over two to five years to support place based and UK-wide partnerships that use nature to encourage more community-led climate action and help communities tackle climate change. Most projects are expected to be between £300,000 and £500,000. Development grants of £50,000 to £150,000 over 12 to 18 months are also available for those communities wanting to develop initial ideas. The Fund is interested in projects that can do at least one of the following:

- show how creating a deeper connection with nature will lead to changing people’s behaviours and greater care for the environment
- show how by bringing nature back into the places we live and work, we can help communities to reduce or adapt to the impacts of climate change.

Applications will be accepted from local partnerships and UK-wide partnerships which are delivered across at least two UK countries (England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales). **There is no deadline and applications are being accepted on an ongoing basis.** To find out more you can register to attend one of a series of events commencing on 27th September, see website for details on how to register.

For details see: <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/climate-action-fund>

7. HEALTH & HOSPICES

Alzheimer’s Society - Accelerator Programme

Grants of up to £100,000 are available for the development of new products and services that will improve the lives of people affected by dementia across the UK. The Programme will support ‘innovators’ such as engineers, designers, developers, and entrepreneurs to turn their products or services into a reality. This could include a simple product that makes an everyday task easier for a person living with dementia, or an innovative idea for a new service or way of working for care home staff. Applicants will also receive a year of business support from the Society’s innovation team, as well as being given the opportunity to test their product or service with people affected by dementia. **The deadline for applications is 11:59pm on 25th October 2022.**

For details see: <https://www.alzheimers.org.uk/research/our-research/accelerator-programme>

National Deaf Children's Society - Early Years Research Challenge Fund

Grants of between £25,000 to £50,000 are available through the Early Years Research Challenge Fund for initiatives, particularly those that:

- test an intervention to evidence an area of existing good practice
- develop strategies and resources parents need to build communication and language skills with deaf children at home
- improve information and practice sharing between practitioners, educators and families
- support teachers and practitioners to develop their skills and expertise with deaf children
- are co-produced with families
- focus on effective support for deaf children aged 0 to 2 and their families.

Anyone can apply for funding including researchers, practitioners, educators and parents. Collaborations are welcome. **The deadline for proposals is 18th November 2022.**

For details see: <https://www.ndcs.org.uk/blog/early-years-research-challenge-fund-call-for-funding-applications>

8. COST OF LIVING CRISIS

Ofgem - Energy Industry Voluntary Redress Scheme

Funding is available to charities that help households most at risk from cold homes and high energy bills. There are four funding streams open in this round:

- The Main Fund - aimed at projects seeking grants between £50,000 and £2 million that will support households in vulnerable situations.
- The Small Project Fund – aimed at projects seeking grants between £20,000 to £49,999 that will support households in vulnerable situations.
- The Innovation Fund – aimed at projects that will develop innovative products or services to benefit households. Applicants can apply for grants between £50,000 to £1 million.
- The Carbon Emissions Reduction Fund – aimed at projects that empower householders to reduce their carbon emissions and engage positively with the transition to net zero. The fund awards grants between £50,000 to £1 million.

Organisations that have not yet registered with the scheme must do so 10 working days before the closure of the relevant Fund to allow time for eligibility checks to take place.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on 6th October 2022.

For details see: <https://energyredress.org.uk/announcements/ps22-million-available-charities-and-community-groups-through-ofgem-energy-redress>

British Gas Trust - Energy Support Fund

British Gas customers with fuel debt of £250 to £1,500 may be eligible to apply for grants to help pay their energy bills over the coming months. The criteria to be considered for the individuals and families fund are:

- Applicants live in England, Scotland or Wales
- Applicants have not received a grant from the British Gas Energy Trust within the last 2 years
- Applicants must be seeking a grant to clear an outstanding debt on a current or open gas, electricity or dual fuel energy account in your name or be a member of that household. The energy account must relate to your main residence
- Applicants have electric and / or gas debt
- Applicants do not have savings above £1,000
- Applicants have received help from a money advice agency

The fund will remain open until all the money invested has been awarded.

The Trust also runs the **Individual and Families Debt Write Off Fund** which is open to British Gas and non-British Gas customers with an energy debt between £250 and £1500

For details see: <https://britishgasenergytrust.org.uk/grants-available/>

Aviva Community Fund - Cost of Living Boost

The Fund will support charities and social enterprises to deliver initiatives that help disadvantaged and vulnerable people take control of their wellbeing by giving them tools to be more financially independent. **Each donation given by the general public for causes supporting financial wellbeing in their communities across the UK, can be match funded up to the value of £250 between the 4th October 2022 and the 31st December 2022, or until the entire £2 million is allocated.** A maximum of £50,000 of match funding is available per organisation.

For details see: <https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/costoflivingboost>

Asda Foundation - Cost of Living Grant

Grants of up to £2,000 are available to support local charities, community groups and other not-for-profit organisations across the UK following increases in their rent, utility bills and food costs as a result of the cost of living crisis. The funding is to help organisations keep their buildings open, and/or to continue to support those most impacted through the provision of meals, community cafes, food parcels, delivered meals, and soup kitchens etc. Funds can be spent from September 2022 to February 2023. **Applications can be made through each local Asda store's Community Champion from 19th September 2022. The application window will remain open until the budget cap has been reached.**



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

Sense - Cost of Living Support Fund

Sense, the national disability charity, has launched a fund to award grants of £500 to people with complex disabilities who live in the family home and are on low incomes. All applications must be completed on the individual's behalf by a social care professional nominated by Sense who can be:

- a support worker,
- service manager
- or a social care worker.

There are no restrictions on how the money can be spent. **No application deadlines indicated.**

For details see: <https://www.sense.org.uk/our-services/sense-cost-of-living-support-fund/>

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