Dear Members,

This week we have 48 pages of news and views and bids, grants and funds going out to over 3,000 people and Organizations. Thanks to our sponsor Richard at Net Security Training who can be contacted at richard@net-security-training.co.uk

Isa tells us:

Dear Colleagues, There’s just two weeks until nominations end for The Asian Apprenticeship Awards 2019!

I am delighted to share with you the impact report for The Asian Apprenticeship Awards 2018 in Association with the Royal Air Force,

This purpose of this impact report is to gather some insights from our audience on the state of apprenticeship diversity and to understand if enough is being done to address apprenticeship diversity.


To nominate a deserving apprentice, employer or training provider, please visit www.asianapprenticeshipawards.co.uk

Deadline is 1st July. Self-nominations are allowed.

If you have any questions, feel free to send me an email and I will be on hand to assist.

Many thanks

Isa Mutlib
Project Director
Next Meeting Professional Exchange Network Digital Skills Group
Thursday 20th June 2019 10.00 am - 1.30 pm
North Hertfordshire College (NHC) Monkswood Way, Stevenage SG1 1LA
This peer-led group is meeting for the 2nd time, welcoming all teaching practitioners to discuss, share and collaborate on digital skills in the learning environment.

Programme Outline Welcome
This group sits within the East of England’s Professional Exchange Network (PEN), which is managed by the Association for Accredited Learning (AAL) and commissioned by the Education and Training Foundation. Each PEN has a range of groups which are locally owned by those who attend, allowing individuals to agree the agenda.

Today’s meeting is kindly hosted by AAL’s education partner, NHC, and facilitated by Phillip Ruffell.

Introduction & Apologies
Notes from meeting 1 (29/04/19)

a. Please identify which ETF Professional Standards are relevant for the Digital Group and self-assess against these. Not everyone has to choose the same standards.
Suggested standards: 6, 10, 15 and 20
Action – please return individually completed spreadsheets emailed to Marcia

. Updates since last meeting
- Has anyone expressed an interest in the FE Future Colleges Programme?
- Did anyone attend the FE Good Practice Symposium: Wed, 19 June 2019?
- Has there been any college collaboration outside of the group meetings?

North Hertfordshire College: ICT at Hart Learning Group (Phill Ruffell, Elearning Coordinator) Open forum for group discussion

Next meeting: Group to confirm date/time and agree which organisation will host. To book or enquire please email: marcia@pen-aal.co.uk


No mega-merger for Cornwall College after securing £30m bailout https://lnkd.in/eGRK3iw
Underspend on AEB by Colleges https://lnkd.in/e8DFyj Also St Helens College handed financial
health warning [https://lnkd.in/ef_bEsd](https://lnkd.in/ef_bEsd) However no help for ITP starved of Non Levy funds and no news about shortfall of No devolved areas AEB for next year. Yet they say we should do more as ITP for Less cash please just think of how far you are putting back Adult Education. Crazy stuff from all areas of the education industry and they forget that it is an industry with productivity and outputs and profit required

South East London Training Provider for Sale more details next week.

The Education and Skills Funding Agency has officially begun inviting non-levy employers and providers to test its digital apprenticeship system. An expressions of interest went live yesterday and closes on 5 July, with the trial planned to get underway the following month. To apply to test the system’s functionality, small and medium sized employers must have an apprenticeship vacancy that will result in an apprentice starting, in September, August or October 2019.

The ESFA said as this is a test phase, the training provider should already have a contract with agency for supporting employers that do not pay the apprenticeship levy, and have money left in their non-levy funding allocation.

Currently, only big employers with an annual total pay bill of over £3 million who pay the levy can use the online apprenticeship service to access training funds generated through the policy. Small employers were originally expected to be added to the service in April 2019, but was delayed for another year to “ensure a more gradual transition”. After the delay was announced in August 2018 the ESFA extended contracts for providers delivering training for small employers until March 2020, which is how non-levy-payers train up their apprentices.

But as FE Week revealed in February, training providers’ non-levy funding is running dry and some have even had to turn apprentices away. Many fear the same will happen in 2019/20 as their allocations will not be big enough to meet demand.

From August to December, a small number of employers who do not pay the levy and their associated providers will be able to set up accounts on the apprenticeship service through the first test phase.

The ESFA said providers not involved in the initial test phase will “not be disadvantaged when we further roll out the service and no new funding is available through this functional test”. The trial will test a “modest volume” of apprenticeship starts.

The applicants who take part in the development will be allocated on a “first come, first served basis; the ESFA will not be able to guarantee an apprenticeship start until the selection has been made and applicants have been notified”. Applications should be submitted as a joint bid between employers and providers, the latter of which must be on the ESFA’s register of apprenticeship training providers.

A second window for employers and providers to submit an expression of interest to take part in the trial, who have starts in November and December 2019, will open “later in the summer”. Through the apprenticeship service employers can: manage their apprenticeship funding, select a suitable apprenticeship standard and an end-point assessment organisation, as well as advertise an apprenticeship and select a suitable provider to deliver their apprenticeship training.
They can also give real-time feedback on the quality of training provision they receive, have control over the amount of apprenticeship funding paid to their training provider on their behalf, and provide government with apprenticeship “demand data to ensure an valuable apprenticeship market place”.

Welcome to Sam’s Wall! I hope you’ve had a great week everyone!
Let’s launch straight into this. Radical Housing Network is a London wide alliance of 30+ groups who are dedicated to bringing London activists together for effective action for housing justice they are running events next week shared with Greater Manchester Housing Association which sees a full weekend of activities in respect of solidarity to the survivors, bereaved and local community around Grenfell.

On Friday 21st June there will be a Silent March taking place from 7pm from Notting Hill Methodist Church, Latimer Road, W11. On Saturday 22nd June there will be a Solidarity Protest taking place a 12 noon from Portland Place, W1A.

Also, on Saturday 22nd June 11 – 4pm at the Town Hall, Hornto Street, London, W8 7NX there will be a day of workshops, talks and film, looking at the housing crisis in the borough. Hosted by Save Earls' Court Supporters Club, Save Silchester. THINK, and Westway 23, supported by RHN. Tickets need booking below for this, they’re free and I’ve included the link.

Two miles from Grenfell Tower lies 22 acres of empty land that used to be the Earls Court Exhibition Centre. A venue that brought over £1 billion a year into the economy. Knocked down to make way for a luxury housing development. Public land given to private developers to build for the property speculators on and off-shore in a Borough where public land is constantly under threat from the council and private developers. A development with zero social housing planned whilst families from Grenfell still live in temporary housing. How is a council that has failed to react to the housing crisis going to deal with the climate crisis? All development and buildings now take place in the context of the climate crisis. This event asks the questions; how did we get into this situation? In the context of the climate crisis and Grenfell how should our land and housing be used? What does our community need?

Sessions Include:
The Attack on Public Housing
  · Safe Homes
  · Housing, Land and the Climate Emergency
  · Community and Co-operative Solutions
  · Older People Forgotten Victims of the Housing Crisis

Speakers confirmed so far include:
Stuart Hodkinson Academic, author of Save as Houses: Private Greed, Political Negligence and Housing Policy After Grenfell
Phil Murphy. Fire safety expert. Manchester Sustainable Communities
Danielle Majid, Tower Blocks UK
Richard Lees, Just Space
Land Justice Network
Alison Bancroft, Housing Association Residents Action
Joe Delaney
Lizzie Spring, Long term K&C resident who writes and campaigns on whole neighbourhood resident-led approaches to housing
Emma Dent Coad MP
Cllr Linda Wade
Melanie Wolfe
Tony O’ Brien, author: Tackling the housing crisis
Tickets here: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/housing-and-land-in-rbkc-tickets-62845738295?fbclid=IwARZQO-ddLfDrkXB90Xub4SJ5a4X9_2fmZnYLQEDc3Q4rwMOsP8dm93DSkxw

Now to an inspirational award ceremony taking place in Wolverhampton which I have mentioned numerous times is coming up in two weeks and there’s still time to grab tickets. THE NACHURAL SUMMER BUSINESS BALL AND AWARDS
Friday 28th June at Wolverhampton Racecourse!
This is one of the most influential business events in the West Midlands region!
The awards will be attended by over 500 of the most influential people and companies in the businesses sector!! This prestigious black-tie ball is run by Nachural, headed up by the incredible Ninder Singh Johal, Deputy Lieutenant of the West Midlands. The ball recognises the achievements of individuals and companies from across the West Midlands region.
The event welcomes a wide range of businesses and individuals from all industry sectors and promises to be an unforgettable evening of enlightening presentations and spectacular entertainment along with three courses of first-class Indian cuisine.

This really is one of the most important business events on the West Midland’s Calendar! Don’t miss this!!!! BOOK: Single tickets are available for £99.
VIP and normal tables can still be booked.

https://www.nachural.co.uk/tickets/?product_cat=nachuralsummerbusinessball

In the meantime, see you all next time and I hope you all have a great week!

Vacancies on the jobs board this week include: Service Manager with Nacro [North East], Sessional Worker with Changing Lives [Various Locations], Lecturer in PSD with Weston College (Offender Learning) [HMP Dartmoor], Early Years Practitioner/s with Oasis Project [Brighton], Funding Support Officer with AVA (Against Violence & Abuse) [London], Trainer Practitioner with Wales Restorative Approaches Partnership [Cardiff], Business Manager with Junction 42 [North East], Engagement Team Members with User Voice [Various Locations], Trainee Assessor with St Giles Trust [HMP Stoke Heath], Cluster Lead Nurse with Change, grow live (CGL) [West Sussex].

For more information about these vacancies, and many more, click here

Clinks' Chief Executive Officer, Anne Fox, has written a blog which reflects on our annual conference 2019 ‘Creating change together’ one month on. She writes, "The atmosphere in the hall was at times quite electric. It was warm, convivial, people greeted each other with hugs, nodded knowingly at one another’s comments and remarks in Q&A sessions and it felt that no matter how..."
sometimes we might feel isolated and crawling uphill, in fact we’re part of something bigger. A
movement for change.
https://www.clinks.org/community/blog-posts/ive-spent-it-good-company-clinks-annual-
conference-2019?utm_source=Light%20Lunch&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=lightLunch588

Tip of the week 1: Kent getaway with two course dinner – save 42%. Details
https://www.travelzoo.com/uk/hotel-booking/hotel/6941/hever-hotel/?=&pagid=f99ed65f-ad76-
4102-b41f-bf00f52fae69
Tip of the week 2: Full-day drawing class at The National Portrait Gallery – save 66%. Details
https://www.livingsocial.co.uk/deal/london/11705059/v-museum-art-class
Tip of the week 3: Two course meal for two at Harvester - £20. Details
https://www.groupon.co.uk/deals/harvester-restaurants-two-courses

All from me Steve and from all the team have a great week and keep training
Non-Executive Director at Five Companies and MD of EEVT Ltd
WWW.eevt.org
https://twitter.com/EevtSteve Linked In Group 2020 Vision Group 2020 Vision Training Days and
2020 Vision Newsletter
https://www.linkedin.com/groups/13583610
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/EEVTLtd/

Bids, Grants & Funds

Inspiration 2022: sport, leisure and creative skills provision in Greater Birmingham and Solihull LEP
area
European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF)

This call is for the More Developed region (made up of Birmingham, Solihull, Redditch, Bromsgrove
and Wyre Forest).

This call aims to address unemployment barriers and basic skills needs (required by employers, such
as IT, literacy and numeracy). The 2022 Commonwealth Games will be held in and around the city of
Birmingham and will be a key sector in enabling and driving economic growth in the GBSLEP area.
This call activity will support unemployed people and encourage inactive residents to move closer to
employment through participation in sports coaching and leadership, leisure and creative skills, as
well as volunteering, stewarding and marshalling; thereby increasing the confidence, skills and
employability of participants and empowering them to take full advantage of employment
opportunities created before, during and after the games.

Note activity to support young people NEETs (aged 16-29) has been targeted in the ESF call for the
GBSLEP Youth Employment Initiative (YEI) and the ESF call for NEETs and at risk of NEETs. Support for
young people in any proposals responding to this call should be therefore targeted at non-NEETs.

The preference is to award large funding agreements covering a range of activities. Applicants can
collaborate where appropriate to achieve synergy of operation and to avoid duplication across
similar areas in the LEP geography. The call is seeking project proposals that focus on one or more of
the following areas of work: The aim of this programme is to encourage growth and participation in
the sports and leisure and creative skills sectors through the development and expansion of an appropriately skilled workforce. This will allow the industry to respond to future business opportunities and major developments as they arise, as well as encouraging unemployed and inactive residents to consider the employment opportunities created by the 2022 Commonwealth Games and its' legacy.


Deadline: 02/09/2019

**FUNDING: prevent and tackle crime**
The Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner’s for Essex's Community Safety Development Fund 2019/20 is offering grants of up to £20,000 for community projects that help to prevent and tackle crime and anti-social behaviour in Essex. Applications must reflect at least one of the Police and Crime Plan's seven priorities, including tackling issues such as anti-social behaviour, domestic abuse, serious violence, gangs and organised crime, and protecting children and vulnerable people. The application deadline is 30th June. [Find out more here](#)

**FUNDING: keep vulnerable people safe**
The Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire is offering small Community Action Grants of up to £2,500 to community safety organisations that support the Police and Crime Plan priorities. Priorities include keeping vulnerable people safe, tackling drugs and alcohol, supporting people with mental health issues who come into contact with the criminal justice system, and working with young people. The application deadline is 1st July 2019. [Find out more here](#)

**FUNDING: make Suffolk safer**
Grants of between £250 and £20,000 are available from the Suffolk Police and Crime Commissioner's Fund to support the work of voluntary organisations that are delivering services that help make Suffolk a safer place to live, work, travel and invest in. It is looking for applications from organisations that are providing support in partnership/collaboration, and linking with the key areas of focus in the Police and Crime Plan, which are: vulnerable people, victims of crime, hidden harm, substance misuse, preventing reoffending, and reducing crime and anti-social behaviour. The application deadline is 5th July. [Find out more here](#)

**FUNDING: local housing projects**
The Nationwide Building Society Community Grants programme is offering grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 to support local housing projects that help the most vulnerable by preventing
people from losing their homes, helping people in to a home and supporting people to thrive within the home environment. This round is open to groups in Wales, West of England, North West, North Midlands and the North East of England. The deadline for applications is 5th July.

Find out more here

Adult Education - Functional Skills English and Mathematics
City of London Corporation
The City Corporation is seeking to appoint a training organisation to provide functional skills in English and mathematics training primarily to London residents who are disadvantaged and/or suffering deprivation arising from one or a combination of factors including, but not restricted to, poverty, health, housing or education. There may also a requirement to deliver functional skills in English and mathematics to a small number of apprentices employed by the City Corporation.

This Request for Quotation (RFQ) invites Training Organisations able to deliver demonstrably high-quality, highly successful, functional skills training in English and mathematics to the national Functional Skills Standards in English and mathematics at all levels from Entry 1 to Level 2 to quote for the provision of this service. Please note that learners registered before 1 September 2019 will work towards the legacy qualifications in these subjects whereas learners enrolled on or after 1 September 2019 will work towards the reformed qualifications in these subjects. Further information on the legacy and reformed qualifications can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/functional-skills-qualifications-requirements

This requirement will be on a subcontracting basis. A subcontractor as defined by the by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) is an organisation that is engaged in a contractual and legally binding arrangement with one or more main providers, to deliver education and training provision that the ESFA funds. The City Corporation is the Main Provider (UKPRN: 10008915)

The City Corporation invites quotations from training providers that satisfy the criteria in the ESFA Funding rules:

The City Corporation has a current requirement for up to 100 enrolments of English and mathematics functional skills across entry level to level 2 up to a maximum contract value of £75k. Learners can be enrolled from 1 July 2019 or the contract start date whichever is the later and must have completed their functional skills qualification(s) in full by 31 July 2020.

The contract is to have a duration up to 31 July 2020. Any training, testing or examinations undertaken by the Training Organisation after this date is outside the scope of this contract and the Main Provider will not be liable for any costs incurred by the Training Organisation after this date (at its sole discretion).

To bid for this tender opportunity, you must be registered on the Capital E Sourcing tendering portal (project code: prj_COL_13798).
If you require assistance setting up your account or accessing the tender, please email Commissioning@cityoflondon.gov.uk.

https://www.capitalesourcing.com/web/login.shtml

Deadline: 28/06/2019

Apprenticeships DPS
Places for People Group Limited
Places for People are seeking to appoint a number of providers for the supply and training of apprentices that consistently meet the standards required. The providers will need to be able to provide a range of services to meet the varying requirements of Places for People and other organisations. As such, Places for People wish to form and let an Apprenticeship Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) which will be utilised and owned by Places for People Procurement Hub. It is intended that this DPS will be capable of being used by other Procurement Hub members and contracting authorities in the United Kingdom.

The DPS will be not be divided into defined Lots. Instead contractors are asked to follow this link http://dpsapplication.procurementhub.co.uk?d=Apprenticeships DPS and enter your organisation’s details and the areas/services you are able to undertake. Suppliers can apply for as many Apprenticeship types as they wish. The scope will include all of the new current (and future) apprenticeship standards, and a selection of some of the outgoing apprenticeships frameworks.

In addition to providing details on the work that can be provided, contractors are also asked to provide details of the post code areas in which these works can be provided. Invitations to tender will be on a project by project basis and all suppliers who pass this SQ and meet the Client’s requirement in terms of apprenticeship type and geographical coverage will be invited to tender. Although the opportunity is not divided into defined Lots, the skills and postcode matrix will in effect create multiple virtual Lots.

https://www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/88M8RYM7CD

Deadline: 27/11/2027

Refugee Resettlement Programme
London Borough of Lewisham
Lewisham Council is seeking a provider to deliver a resettlement support service for refugee families as part of the Home Office's current refugee resettlement schemes.

The service will include, but is not limited to:

- Pre-arrival preparation with local services and community groups
- Initial reception services for the refugees including "meet and greet" at the airport, a welcome pack and an initial orientation
- Orientation services including support to register for local health, education, ESOL and benefits services
- Ongoing support over 12 months to integrate service users into the community and to build service users' skills, moving towards independence and step-down
- Support for families stepped down through a drop-in centre

https://procontract.due-north.com/Procurer/Advert/View?advertId=c0f8d736-2989-e911-80f7-005056b64545&fromAdvertEvent=True

Deadline: 05/07/2019

Provision of L3 Certificate in emergency response ambulance driving (LS CERAD)
University of Cumbria

The University of Cumbria has been actively developing students to HCPC registration as Paramedics for a number of years. We are successfully growing the existing pre-hospital medicine academic offering and have long term contracts in place with NHS ambulance services, and all branches of the military.

We are currently developing a cohort of twenty (20) Military Medical Technicians, who will qualify as Paramedics in October 2019. Subsequently they will require a driving qualification which will afford them the opportunity to work in an NHS Ambulance environment.

The contract will also cover future cohorts requiring training within the contract period.

Therefore, we seek to procure the services of a training organisation who can provide L3 Certificate in Emergency Response Ambulance Driving as set out in the Future Quals (accrediting body) standards, or equivalent and recognised by HCPC.

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/universityofcumbria.aspx

Deadline: 12/07/2019

Provision of End Point Assessments for Aviation Ground Operative Intermediate Apprenticeships
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

Please note that only suppliers who are on the Register of End Point Assessment Organisations for the Aviation Ground Operative Apprenticeship Level 2 standard can be considered for this opportunity.

The Naval Service (NS) intend to use NS personnel who are independent of the training and line management of the students, to carry out the assessments on behalf of an independent EPAO. The EPAO will be registered on the Register of End Point Assessment Organisations (RoEPAO) and will be used to train NS Assessors and co-ordinate EPAs to ensure the relevant quality assurance and
independent check procedures are in place.

https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/44e4779e-6ae4-415a-9d75-2eb40a4d790a?p=NFQxUlRRPT0=NjJNT08=UjINT08=U

Deadline: 24/06/2019

Behaviour Advisor
Department for Education
All schools should be safe, disciplined, positive environments in which pupils feel happy, are respectful of one another and are able to fulfil their potential free from low-level disruption. Schools also need to be safe and respectful workplaces to attract and retain teachers. Behaviour remains a significant challenge for many schools, but evidence suggests it can be improved.

On 4 May 2019 we announced a £10 million investment to establish 'behaviour support networks' so that schools with a track record of effectively managing pupils' behaviour can share what works with schools that need it. The first networks are expected to launch in September 2020 and will run for an initial period of 3 years.

Behaviour support networks will build on the principles of Tom Bennett's 2017 behaviour review 'Creating a Culture: how school leaders can optimise behaviour' and we have recently appointed Tom Bennett as the Department's lead Behaviour Adviser to help us set up and run this programme.

We are now seeking to recruit four behaviour advisers to work with the Department to successfully shape and deliver the behaviour support networks programme. We are looking for individuals who have demonstrable experience as leaders in the education system with a track record of having improved behaviour in schools.

This team of advisers will work closely with the Department and Tom Bennett to:

- Develop, shape and deliver the behaviour support networks programme;
- Provide strategic oversight of the programme;
- Develop the package of behaviour support that lead schools and the programme will deliver;
- Select lead behaviour schools and train them to work with other schools to improve behaviour;
- Diagnose the necessary support needed for schools participating in the programme and match them to appropriate lead schools, signing-off action plans and quality assuring support provided;
- Participate in behaviour conferences and deliver training and support as necessary;

In fulfilling this role, all appointed advisers are expected to:
- Have a comprehensive understanding of the Government's behaviour policy;
- Have a comprehensive understanding of the wider context and current work and research going on in the sector;
  - Have an in-depth understanding of the evidence that underpins excellent behaviour

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management and be able to articulate what that means for the way in which teachers and headteachers develop a whole school culture;
- Be able to make sound judgements about school behaviour management;
- Have experience of working in challenging schools and a proven track record for improving standards in behaviour;
- Be able to review resources developed for the programme to ensure that they are of high quality;
- Have extensive experience of supporting schools to improve their behaviour.

**Contact name**
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**Attachments**
n/a

- Behaviour Adviser Team Application Form updated.docx
- Standard contract behaviour adviser.docx
- Terms and Conditions of Tendering.docx

No one individual will be awarded the total value of this contract in its entirety (£180,000). 4 contracts of up to £45,000 for 3 years (£15,000 per year, up to £500 per day for approximately 30 days per year) may be awarded.

If an individual who applies for this role is working at a school or Trust, the school or Trust will be reimbursed by the Department to cover their absence.
Only individuals may apply; Organisations are ineligible to apply.

[https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/400e4752-8a43-4cbf-9b8f-edad6593de29?p=@FQxUIRRPT0=NjJNT08=U](https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/400e4752-8a43-4cbf-9b8f-edad6593de29?p=@FQxUIRRPT0=NjJNT08=U)

**Deadline:** 23/06/2019
Fast Track Digital Workforce Fund 2019-20
Greater Manchester Combined Authority

Greater Manchester Combined Authority are announcing details of a £3m Fast Track Digital Workforce Fund to help train the city region's digital workforce.

The aim of the 'Fast Track' Fund is to help employers in the Greater Manchester and Lancashire areas develop a diverse pipeline of talent for jobs that require specialist digital skills. The fund will be open for applications from 25th June 2019. Consortia of employers and training providers (including colleges and universities) can bid for between £50,000 and £180,000 to run innovative digital training schemes linked to skills shortage vacancies.

We are particularly looking for innovative creative projects that:
• Design training that addresses industry digital skills shortages aligned with the GM Local Industrial Strategy; which prioritises; cyber security, broadcasting, content creation and media, software development, digital telecoms, fintech and e-commerce.
• Test flexible delivery models to ensure a range of people are able to access training; supporting career progression and diversifying the digital talent pipeline.
• Test new partnerships between employers and training providers (including colleges and universities) that show the potential for longer-term sustainability and scalability.

Call to action:
• Employers and training providers should read the fund prospectus and start to consider what they would like to gain from the fund and what they can offer.
• Register to attend the launch event on Tuesday 25th June to find out more: https://fasttrackfundgm.eventbrite.co.uk

For queries about the fund please email: FastTrackDigital@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk

https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/b6894ea2-1e7b-4aba-9c6f-60a562aee1bf?p=@FQxUIRRPT0=NjJNT08=U

Approach to market date 25 June 2019

£3 Million Available to Fund Veterans’ Community Centres (UK)

A £3 million funding programme to fund renovations and improvements to veterans’ community centres has been launched by the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust.

Grants of up to £30,000 are available to fund renovations, refurbishments and improvements to existing community centres being used by veterans. A small number of grants of up to £150,000 will be made to more complex projects.

Items of expenditure that can be applied for include:

• General repairs – e.g. replacing flooring, windows, mending roofs, drainage, damp proofing,
pointing, cladding.
- Plumbing upgrades, including new boilers.
- Electrical work, such as rewiring, to meet safety standards.
- New fixtures and fittings to enable extended or new activities – e.g. kitchens, storage, recreational equipment.
- Updated technology – e.g. WiFi connectivity or a sound system.
- Building work and equipment, which enhances a user’s access requirements – e.g. toilets, car park, disabled ramps, etc.
- Cosmetic/aesthetic improvements, such as general decorating - but ONLY where you can show how this will make a significant difference to veterans’ use of the space, or in cases where redecorating is required as a result of damage caused, necessarily, as part of the refurbishment.
- Fees to architects, surveyors, engineers and local authorities, for planning permissions and adherence to building controls.
- Project management fees - related to the capital works only, not to the organisation’s activities.

Eligible organisations will be Charities or Community Interest Companies supporting the armed forces community that own or have a long lease on an existing community centre used by veterans that is in need of renovation, refurbishment or improvement.

There will be three rounds of funding; and applications for the next round need to be received by 4th November 2019.

Case study from a previous scheme:

The Royal British Legion Grangemouth Branch received a grant of £20,000 through the Armed Forces Covenant Local Grants programme, to refurbish the building, improve the electrics and make the building more accessible for people with disabilities.

Useful Links:
- Programme Guidance
- Apply Online
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http://www.covenantfund.org.uk/veterans-community-centres/

Support for Environmental Outreach Education for Disadvantaged Young People (UK)

Schools, colleges and youth groups can receive up to 80% towards the costs of providing environmental outreach education for groups of disadvantaged young people through the Field Studies Council’s Kids Fund. The Field Studies Council is an independent educational charity
committed to raising awareness about the natural world and works through a network of residential and day Centres in the UK to provide outreach education and training.

There are two types of Kids Fund course **Wildlife and Environment** focusing on wildlife habitats and the environment with team building activities and **Eco Adventure** which combines environmental and personally challenging activities.

Groups who meet one of the following criteria will be eligible:

- Disadvantaged young people aged 4-18 years (or up to 25 years for those with special needs)
- Voluntary youth groups (either run by voluntary leaders, managed by a voluntary organisation, a registered charity)
- OR
- School groups may apply if they are aiming to provide benefits which are additional to the statutory school curriculum or clearly show added value, depth and breadth to the taught curriculum. FSC Kids Fund will not pay for young people to attend standard curriculum-focused FSC courses.

All applicants must be based in the UK, Isle of Man, Channel Isles and Republic of Ireland.

One free staff/adult place is provided for every 12 young people; additional adults pay 20% +VAT. This includes all equipment, tuition and waterproof hire costs. Food and accommodation are included for residential courses.

The next closing date for applications is the 1st November 2019.

**Useful Documents:**
- Application Form
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**Funding for Rural Community and Education Projects (UK)**

The NFU Mutual Charitable Trust, which supports charities in the UK working in agriculture, rural development and insurance has announced that the next closing date for applications is the 1st November 2019.

Trustees are particularly interested in funding larger initiatives, which would have a significant impact on the rural community. The Trustees are particularly interested in initiatives in the areas of education of young people in rural areas and relief of poverty within rural areas.
Grants of between £1,000 and £50,000 are available. In 2016, the Trust made donations totaling £256,500 to a total of 15 organisations.

Projects supported in the past include:

Farms for City Children, which aims to expand the horizons of children from towns and cities by offering them a week in the countryside living together in one of their farms and the Royal Highland Education Trust which aims to create an opportunity for each child in Scotland to experience the countryside and to facilitate a wider understanding of the environmental, economic and social realities of rural Scotland. Its key activities include farm visits, classroom speaker visits and a number of high profile national competition.

The NFU Mutual Charitable Trust also provides small grants of up to £250 through the NFU Mutual's Community Giving Fund which supports worthwhile community events, charities, schools and community group activities that are local to their operations.

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https://www.nfumutual.co.uk/about-us/charitable-trust/

New Funding Programme from Power to Change (UK)

A major new funding programme to help communities save their local pub through community ownership is due to open in the Summer 2019. This funding programme will build on the success of the current More Than a Pub programme, which is led by Plunkett Foundation. To date, the More Than A Pub programme has supported 190 communities and seen 26 pubs open their doors under community ownership since 2016. Community pubs offer a range of services ranging from retail and post office, social clubs and volunteering opportunities.

Power to Change supports businesses that are incorporated organisations, for example; Charitable Incorporated Organisation; Community Benefit Society; Community Interest Company Limited by Guarantee; Community Interest Company Limited by Shares; Company Limited by Guarantee; Company Limited by Shares; Co-operative Society.

Previous grants have been awarded to a wide range of businesses including: community libraries, bakeries, pubs, farms, hubs, transport, energy schemes, art centres and construction organisations.

https://www.powertochange.org.uk/get-support/programmes/community-pubs-support-programme/
Grants for Families Facing Financial Hardship Whilst Caring for a Child with a Serious Illness (UK)

Marvelous Family Grants are awarded to families facing financial hardship whilst caring for a child with a serious illness. Grants of up to £1,000 per child can fund a variety of essential items and services including (but not limited to) specialist equipment, creative therapies, hospital travel expenses, everyday items to improve the child’s quality of life, attending medical/support group conference, social activities and memberships.

Marvellous Family grants are open to any family residing in the UK with a child who has a serious illness that could be life-limiting as described by the following criteria:

- **Group 1** - Life threatening conditions for which curative treatment may be feasible but can fail (e.g. epilepsy, irreversible organ failures of heart, liver, kidneys.)
- **Group 2** - Conditions where premature death is inevitable (e.g. cystic fibrosis.)
- **Group 3** - Progressive conditions without curative treatment options (e.g. Batten disease, mucopolysaccaridoses, muscular dystrophy.)
- **Group 4** - Irreversible but non-progressive conditions causing severe disability leading to susceptibility to health complications and likelihood of premature death (e.g. sickle cell disease, cerebral palsy, multiple disabilities such as brain or spinal cord insult.)
- **Group 5** - Syndromes without a name (SWAN) causing severe, chronic disability or illness.

Applications must be completed by health or social care professionals on behalf the family and are considered at monthly meetings. The application deadline for the next meeting is 5pm on the 28th June 2019.

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**Business and Academic Partnerships: Apply for Funding (UK)**

Up to £40 million of funding has been allocated to support businesses in collaborating with an academic or research organisation and a graduate on a Knowledge Transfer Partnership (KTP). The KTP scheme enables businesses in the UK to innovate and grow by linking them with an academic or research organisation and a graduate.

A KTP enables an academic or research organisation as a partner to a business to recruit a suitable graduate (an Associate) to work at the company for the duration of the KTP. The business is thus able to access new skills and the latest academic thinking to deliver a specific, strategic innovation project. KTPs can last between 12 and 36 months, depending on the project and the needs of the business.
The KTP 3-way partnership will consist of:

- A UK-based business of any size or a not-for-profit organisation
- An academic or research organisation i.e. university, college or research and technology organisation in the UK
- A suitably-qualified graduate with the capability to lead a strategic business project

The KTP can be part-funded by a grant from Innovate UK with the business partner contributing to the salary of the Associate plus the cost of a supervisor who will oversee the scheme. Contributions will depend on the scale and length of the project and the size of the company i.e.

- Small and medium-sized enterprises contribute around £35,000 per year, about one-third of the project costs
- Large businesses contribute around £55,000 per year, or half of the project costs

Applications may be submitted either via a KTP Adviser who will check the feasibility of the idea and find the right partner or, where there is already a partnership with an academic or research organisation, via that organisation’s KTP office.

The deadline for applications to this round is the 24th July 2019.

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https://www.gov.uk/guidance/knowledge-transfer-partnerships-what-they-are-and-how-to-apply#how-to-apply

Grants of up to £1,000 Available for Projects that Improve the Wellbeing of Children (UK)

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to registered charities and non-profit organisations who work to improve the education and physical and emotional wellbeing of children.

Applicants applying for funding may focus on one or more of these areas:

- Living in Poverty
- Physical & Mental Health Problems
- Health & Wellbeing
- Living With Disability

Examples of grants awarded in the past include:

- £500 Clydesdale Hockey Club – for coaching and equipment costs for primary school hockey competitions in Greater Glasgow
£1,000 Shadwell Community Project – to develop its outdoor play space which is used by children and young people from deprived areas in the local community

The next closing date for applications is 5pm on the 18th November 2019.

Useful Links:
- Grants application form
- Grant report template
- Grant guidelines for charities
- https://lesmillsfundforchildren.org.uk/apply/

Funding of up to £300,000 Available for Digital Vocational Training Projects (UK)

The UFI Charitable Trust (Ufi), which aims to help improve vocational skills in the UK’s workforce, has announced the VocTech Impact Fund is open for applications. The VocTech Impact Fund aims to raise the skills of the UK workforce skills through digital solutions in vocational learning. The fund offers grants of £150,000 - £300,000, for projects lasting up to 18 months.

The VocTech Impact fund is specifically aimed at projects that have already tested a prototype or early version of their solution, have a clear demand or route to market, and are looking to reach a large number of learners within the funding period.

This call is open to projects from all sectors and using any digital technologies. Ufi are not looking to support learning management systems or non-vocational skills such as CV writing or digitising of existing learning content. Organisations eligible to apply include employers, colleges and other existing learning providers, charities and trade bodies. All projects must show that there is a public benefit

The emphasis of the project must be on new learning tools which use genuinely innovative methods to raise the skills levels for a significant number of learners. Areas where Ufi are particularly keen to see projects, including automated and machine learning, analytic tools and hyper-local projects linking employers and learners.

There is a two stage application process. Stage 1 is open for applications until 5pm on 28th June 2019. Applicants successful at Stage 1 will be invited to submit a Stage 2 applications.

Useful Links:
- VocTech Impact 2019: Guidelines
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Veolia Environmental Trust Grants (UK)

The next closing date for stage 1 applications to the Veolia Environmental Trust is the 29th August 2019.

Grants of between £10,000 and £75,000 are available to constituted not for profit organisations and registered Environmental Bodies towards:

- Community buildings
- Parks and paths, play, Multi Use Games Areas (MUGAs) and recreational facilities
- Nature reserves
- Bio diversity projects.

To be eligible to apply, the applicant organisation needs to be within the vicinity of a qualifying Veolia site (please see post code checker below); the projects must have a total cost of under £250,000 (including VAT and professional costs); the applicant must have secured 20% of funding towards the project prior to submitting a full (stage 2) application.

Useful Link:
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http://www.veoliatrust.org/funding/

The Rank Foundation – Pebble Grants Programme (UK)

UK registered charities and recognised churches which are raising money for capital projects (building work, refurbishment or the purchase of long-term equipment) or a one-off short term activity (such as an annual respite break or holiday for disadvantaged young people) can apply for funding through the Rank Foundation – Pebble Grants programme.

To be eligible to apply the total project cost must be less than £1 million, the organisation must have an annual income of less than £500,000 and the organisation applying must already have raised a third of the total costs.

Applications can be submitted at any time and the Foundation is currently accepting applications for the July 2019 meeting of Trustees.

Organisations can only apply once every 12 months regardless of the outcome of their application.

Useful Links:
Capital Costs Application Form
School Grants to Promote Physics (UK)

The Institute of Physics has announced that UK schools and colleges can apply for grants of up to £600 for small-scale projects or events linked to the teaching or promotion of physics and engineering to pupils aged 5 - 19. Grants can be used to support a wide range of projects such as school based science weeks, extracurricular activities, science clubs, careers event or a visit from a working physicist or engineer. Grants may be used for the following project-related purposes: materials / resources; transport; marketing and publicity; other purposes deemed appropriate by the judges; and supply cover (in certain circumstances).

The Institute of Physics is particularly interested in proposals that look at:

- particle physics
- astronomy
- space and nuclear physics
- energy
- transport
- information and communications
- design and promotion
- built environment.

Previous projects to receive funding include:

- Ampleforth College for a visit to Jodrell Bank Radio Observatory.
- St John’s High School for a Practical Rocketry workshop to design a water propelled rocket.

The closing date for applications is the 1st November 2019.

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http://www.iop.org/about/grants/school/page_38824.html
The Classical Association Grants (UK)

The Classical Association (CA), which awards grants to support classical projects and conferences, has announced that the next closing date for applications is the 1st September 2019.

The Association will consider applications for summer schools and to institutions offering courses in Greek, Latin and classical civilisation; and bursaries for teachers attending courses abroad to support their professional development. The Association will also support school teaching and outreach work such as Greek and Latin reading competitions, regional Greek/Roman days and school conferences; etc. The Grants Committee meets four times a year.

Applications which exceed this amount are passed to Council for decision. Schools and other organisations that are applying for more than £2,000, must submit their application in time for either the March or September deadlines.

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http://www.classicalassociation.org/grants.html%20%C2%A0%C2%A0

£2 million Fund to Develop Horizontal Spaceflight (UK)

Potential spaceports can now submit applications to enable research into the market opportunities offered by new and emerging horizontal spaceflight technologies. Grant recipients will then be able to use this research to develop an individual business case for offering horizontal launch services from the UK in the early 2020s. Individual applicants can apply for up to £500,000 of funding for up to 75% of the costs of the project. Applicants must submit a notification of their intention to bid to the UK Space Agency by 12 noon, 21st June and submit an application by noon 17th July, 2019.

HM Government is enabling access to space from the UK and wants to help prospective horizontal spaceports (such as those already in development in Newquay, Cornwall, Glasgow and Prestwick in Scotland, and Snowdonia in Wales) in the UK build their business cases for offering small satellite launch, and sub-orbital flight and ancillary services. Funding from the UK Space Agency in the form of this £2 million development fund will be distributed as grants that will cover research to examine both the technical and commercial feasibility of spaceport operations, in particular how UK aerodromes could:

- Adapt current infrastructure to host horizontal spaceflight services and/or technology-based services related to horizontal spaceflight;
- Adopt successful business models to offer commercially sustainable spaceflight and/or technology-based services related to spaceflight.

The research outputs of the grant funding must, as a minimum, include:
• Services to be offered i.e. regulated services or other technology-based services
• Supplier and customer base i.e. an assessment of relevant technology developers (such as those developing new launch vehicles) and a route to commercialise their products
• Competitiveness i.e. likely business share relative to other proposed spaceports in the UK and globally.
• Costs, revenue and finance i.e. the initial and ongoing costs in developing and operating the proposed spaceport, anticipated revenue from the services offered, available sources of finance and return on investment

Applicants are required to notify their intention to bid by 12 noon, 21st June and submit a complete application by noon 17th July, 2019.

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Nature Grants for Schools (England, Scotland & Wales)

Infant, Primary and Secondary schools in England, Scotland and Wales are being invited to apply for up to £500 worth of free outdoor equipment and two hours of professional outdoor training as part of the third instalment of Local School Nature Grants.

Schools can choose from over 100 different products to deliver outdoor learning and play. These include:

• Den Building Kits
• Small Spaces Planters
• Insect Study Centres
• Litter Picking Kits
• Investigating Weather Kits

The funding is being made available through the charity Learning through Landscapes Local School Nature Grant scheme. The charity has been helping schools across Great Britain since 2017. Funded by the players of People’s Postcode Lottery, the grants have so far provided £900,000 worth of equipment to 800 schools. This year it will reach a further 500 schools.

This year, the scheme is also open to non-mainstream schools; including pupil referral units.
The programme is only open to schools. Nurseries, Playgroups, Pre-Schools and gardening groups are not eligible. Reception settings attached to a school (i.e. on the same physical site) are eligible to apply in partnership with a school, but the school must lead the application.

There will be four funding rounds throughout the year and the next closing date for applications is the 30th August 2019.

Interested schools can also email LSNG@ltl.org.uk for further information.

Useful Links:
- Product catalogue
- Application Guidance
- Apply Online
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https://www.ltl.org.uk/nature-grant/

Magic Little Grants 2019 (England, Scotland and Wales)

Small charities and community groups that are either in their first year of operation or have an annual income of under £250,000 are being offered the chance to apply for a grant of £500 to help them to deliver engaging physical activities which help to overcome barriers to participation. The cash can be used to help support the general costs involved in running new or existing activities that inspire people to participate in sports or exercise. The aim is to improve the physical health of the people who take part. Apply by midnight on the 30th November 2019 to the Magic Little Grants Fund offered by Localgiving.

Localgiving has once again partnered with the Postcode Community Trust and has a total of £550,000 to award as grants of £500 to its members. Non-members can still register and apply and, if successful, will receive a years membership (worth £96) as part of the award plus access to all of Localgiving’s wider online fundraising services, such as regular fundraising campaigns and training.

Grants will be awarded to projects that encourage people to participate in sports and exercise with the primary aim of improving the physical health and well-being of participants and can be used to support the general running costs of new and existing sports and physical activities. For example, this could include: Facilities hire; Kit & equipment; Coaching qualifications and other volunteer expenses.

The fund is open to Registered charities: Community Interest Companies: Charitable Incorporated Organisations: Social enterprises and other not-for-profit community organisations operating within Great Britain (excluding Northern Ireland) with an annual income of under £250,000 that are:

- In their first year of operation or have an annual income of under £250,000
Running or planning to run a project that will encourage people to engage in some form of physical activity to help to improve their physical and mental health and well-being.

Organisations that are not already a member of Localgiving are required to complete the registration process before completing the application. The closing date is the 30th November 2019.

Previous projects supported include:

- Leith Community Archers, who received a grant to help them purchase new archery equipment.
- Happy Wanderers Ambulance Organisation received a grant to provide free transport for older people and wheelchair users to access local physical activities.
- LEGS (London Exercise Group for Stroke), received a grant to increase access to physical activities for stroke survivors

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https://localgiving.org/magic-little-grants/

Masonic Charitable Foundation - Early Years Opportunities Grants Programme Re-Opens for Applications (England and Wales)

Charities in England and Wales can apply for Early Years Opportunities Grants through the Masonic Charitable Foundation. The Early Years Opportunities programme is open to charities that help disadvantaged children and young people (up to the age of 25 years) overcome the barriers they face to achieve the best possible start in life.

Grants can be offered to charities that provide:

- Mental and physical health support
- Learning and development, including language and communication skills, social and emotional etc.
- Parental support, including whole family approach
- Pastoral and advocacy support

The type of activities that could be funded include:

- Additional educational opportunities such as improving literacy and numeracy
- Individual interventions, i.e. parent education, home visiting or mentoring
- Encouraging healthy behaviours with regards to diet, activity and wellbeing
- Psychological interventions for domestic abuse and behavioural issues etc.
• Provision of vital adaptive technologies and equipment removing barriers

Alternative methods or specialist therapies to help children and young people integrate into the mainstream education system.

The programme offers both small grants of up to £15,000 to charities with an annual income of up to £500,000 for projects lasting up to three years; and grants of between £10,000 and £150,000 to charities with an annual income of above £500,000 for projects lasting up to three years.

The next closing date for the large grants programme is the 19th August 2019 (Stage 1 applications). The small grants programme is due to re-open for applications on the 17th June 2019 with a closing date of the 27th September 2019.

Useful Links:
Eligibility Guidelines: Small Grants
Eligibility Guidelines: Large Grants
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https://mcf.org.uk/apply-early-years/%C2%A0

Masonic Charitable Foundation Programme to Support Disadvantaged and Vulnerable Older People (England and Wales)

Local and national charities in England and Wales can apply to the Later Life Inclusions grants programme run by the Masonic Charitable Foundation. The Later Life Inclusion grants programme is open to charities working to reduce loneliness and isolation of vulnerable and disadvantaged people over 50.

Grants can be offered to charities that provide:

• Mental and physical health support
• Gateway and access to service, e.g. transport and technology
• Community based approaches, i.e. volunteering, positive ageing and neighbourhood support
• Advocacy, social and welfare support

The type of activities that could be funded include:

• Support for emotional and psychological planning for later life
• Digital inclusion sessions to enable older people to access services
• Activities and clubs enabling older people to remain active and make friends
• Providing companionship and befriending schemes for periods of transition
• Advice and information on options for those with health conditions
• Carers and respite support
The programme offers both small grants of up to £15,000 to charities with an annual income of up to £500,000 for projects lasting up to three years; and grants of between £10,000 and £150,000 to charities with an annual income of above £500,000 for projects lasting up to three years.

The next closing date for the large grants programme is the 19th August 2019 (Stage 1 applications). The small grants programme is due to re-open for applications on the 17th June 2019 with a closing date of the 27th September 2019.

Useful Links:
- Eligibility Guidelines: Small Grants
- Eligibility Guidelines: Large Grants
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https://mcf.org.uk/apply-later-life/

New £1 Million Fund to Diversify People Coaching and Volunteering in Sport (England)

A new £1 million Workforce Diversity Great Ideas Fund has been launched by Sport England to engage women and/or BAME communities in volunteering or coaching opportunities. The aim is to help ensure people working in sport and physical activity as coaches and volunteers are skilled, motivated, valued, equipped for their role, are enjoying a positive experience and are representative of their community. There is no expectation of how long the project should be, or how much it will cost – ideas and project outlines are welcomed.

Sport England are looking for ideas that will deliver sustainable impact – for the people involved, as well as the wider local community, and potentially beyond. This National Lottery funding has been allocated to address the fragmented workforce – partly comprised of coaches and volunteers – that is currently lacking diversity. Anyone with a great idea about how they can engage women and/or BAME communities into quality volunteering and/or coaching opportunities, is welcome to apply.

Applicants will need to have access to the target audiences and be looking to work in partnership with an organisation who can support with the provision of sports volunteering opportunities. Experience of the sport sector is not essential – it is more important that the applicant has a good understanding of the needs of the people in the area that they are trying to connect with and that they, or their partners, are trusted and respected by the people they want to reach.

There are no grant limits or project timescales specified.

The closing date for applications is the 3rd July 2019.

Useful Links:
- FAQs
- Apply
Grants of up to £100,000 Available for Digital Innovation in Education (England)

A new £4.6 million fund has been launched by Innovation Foundation Nesta and the Department for Education to help support the more effective use of technology in UK schools and colleges.

The EdTech Innovation Fund is available to a range of organisations, including:

- Social enterprises
- Charities
- Business

The aim is to develop their products and build the evidence base for what works across four challenge areas. These are:

- Formative assessment;
- Essay marking;
- Parental engagement;
- Timetabling

Grants of up to £100,000 are available for up to 20 projects.

Nesta and the Department for Education are particularly interest is supporting the development of digital tools that aim to improve teaching and learning through decreasing teacher workload and improving student outcomes.

The closing date for applications is 9am on the 15th July 2019.

Nesta also hosting three webinars for potential grantees to ask questions about the fund. [Sign up to a webinar.](https://www.nesta.org.uk/project/edtech-innovation-fund/)

**Useful Links:**
- [EdTech Innovation Fund selection criteria](https://www.nesta.org.uk/project/edtech-innovation-fund/)
- [EdTech Innovation Fund frequently asked questions](https://www.nesta.org.uk/project/edtech-innovation-fund/)
- [Back to Table of Contents](https://www.nesta.org.uk/project/edtech-innovation-fund/)
Grants for Games Developers (England)

Games companies based in any of the English regions outside of Greater London are invited to apply for an investment of up to £100,000 to help them grow. These repayable investments aim to help talented and individual games developers to overcome the hurdles of investment, marketing and discoverability and enable them to build a portfolio. Repayment options are flexible and may be a combination of loan and revenue share options that should be returned within 36 months. The deadline for applications is Sunday 11th August 2019, apply to Creative England for the Greenshoots fund.

Creative England’s Greenshoots is an investment initiative for independent game developers run in partnership with Xbox. Since 2013, Greenshoots has made 28 investments, providing finance of just over £1m in total. Successful and acclaimed games funded through the initiative include several ID@Xbox titles such as Q.U.B.E.2 from Toxic Games, and Aaero by Mad Fellows.

This investment round uncovers independent developers who are creating exciting, innovative games, and can demonstrate high growth potential.

The fund is open to companies that:

- Are a games company based in any of the English regions outside of Greater London
- Have previous, demonstrable game development experience
- Qualify as an SME and are registered at Companies House
- Can provide a £1 for £1 match to any investment received
- Have an innovative game idea to be developed for commercial release on any operating system and platform – but must include a dedicated version for Windows 10, distributed via the Windows 10 Store, and/or Xbox One
- Have not received over €200,000 worth of public sector support granted under State Aid, from whatever source in any three-year rolling period
- Have an ambition to grow the company, creating and/or safeguard jobs through the funding

Applications for this round close on Sunday 11th August 2019.

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http://www.creativeengland.co.uk/greenshoots/
Funding to Develop Indoor Tennis Facilities (Scotland)

SportsScotland will be investing a total of £15 million over the next 10 years to develop indoor tennis centres in Scotland. The Transforming Scottish Indoor Tennis Fund is being delivered through a partnership between Tennis Scotland, Sportscotland and the LTA.

The programme aims to work with organisations that are committed to developing indoor tennis facilities, and to ensuring that more people have the opportunity to enjoy the sport, all year round – whether they are a social player or a future champion.

Aiming to establish a network of regionally based indoor tennis centres across Scotland, funding will initially be focused on six priority areas: Dumfries & Galloway; Dundee; Edinburgh; Glasgow; Highland and the Scottish Borders. Projects outside these areas may still be considered.

Priority will initially be given to projects which involve a minimum of 3 indoor courts with funding of up to 66% project costs is available up to a maximum of £250,000 per court. The fund will be delivered through a series of funding rounds each year.

To discuss an indoor project further, complete the Expression of Interest Form.

For examples of indoor facilities, please see the TSIT case studies document.

The closing date for this funding round is the 1st September 2019.

Useful Links:
- Programme Guidelines
- Application Form
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https://sportscotland.org.uk/funding/othersources/the-transforming-scottish-indoor-tennis-fund/

Grants to Help Museums and Galleries to Achieve Accreditation (Scotland)

Any museum which has been assessed as eligible to apply for Accreditation and assigned a temporary Accreditation reference number can apply for between £150 and £1,500 to help them to achieve Accreditation.

The Accreditation Scheme is a voluntary scheme that sets nationally agreed standards for museums in the UK. It is a baseline quality standard that helps to guide museums to be the best they can be for current and future museum users.

Grants will meet total project costs as there is no match funding requirement and can cover, for example:
• Environmental monitoring equipment
• Documentation systems
• Training to develop staff skills
• Contracting someone to carry out documentation work (although you should ensure that you retain these skills in-house)
• Learning and Access resources
• Development of another form of interpretation, e.g. audio-visual displays

This is not an exhaustive list, queries as to whether other activities can be funded should be made to the Investment Manager at gillians@museumsgalleriesscotland.org.uk or by telephoning 0131 550 4115.

£1,500 is the maximum amount any one organisation can receive although this total may be achieved through more than one application of under £1,500.

Applicants are advised to identify carefully their greatest funding need bearing in mind that some activities could fit the criteria for other funds whilst others may be more difficult to fund through other sources.

This fund opens for applications at the start of the financial year and remains open throughout the year until the funds are used up.

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https://www.museumsgalleriesscotland.org.uk/funding/achieving-accreditation-fund/

£6.5 Million Fund Launched to Increase the Use of Recycled Materials (Wales)

The Welsh Government has launched a new £6.5 million fund to increase the use of recycled materials. The fund will offer grants to businesses of any size seeking capital investment funding to increase their use of recycled materials in manufactured products, components or packaging.

Eligible businesses may either apply for a ‘small scale’ grant from approximately £25,000 up to €200,000 or a ‘large scale’ grant from €200,000 and normally up to £750,000. The Circular Economy Fund will be administered by WRAP on behalf of the Welsh Government.

There will be several funding rounds over the next year. The next closing date for the small grants programme is the 30th August 2019. For large grants the closing date is the 7th June 2019 followed by a further closing date of the 30th August 2019.
For more information including eligibility criteria, guidance documents, FAQs, application forms and submission deadlines – please refer to the relevant page below:

Useful Links:
SMALL SCALE GRANTS (C. £25,000 TO DE MINIMIS)
LARGE SCALE GRANTS (€200,000 TO C. £750,000)
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http://www.wrapcymru.org.uk/grants

Funding for Early Intervention Support for Children at Risk (London, the City of Birmingham and the South of England)

Community-led organisations working to develop life skills and resilience among children who are vulnerable to involvement in violence can apply for a share of £350,000 to support their work. In particular the funding will support targeted prevention and early-intervention support work with 8-14-year olds at risk of exclusion. The aim is to support work that will equip children with the skills they need to make positive life choices. Smaller, community led organisations with a turnover of less than £1million can apply for up to £30,000. Small to medium sized organisations can apply for up to £90,000 for up to three years work. Apply by 3rd July 2019 to the Berkeley Foundation.

The Berkeley Foundation is an independent registered charity that supports young people, their families and their communities across London, the City of Birmingham and the South of England.

The Foundation recognises that that young people at risk of permanent exclusion from school are exceptionally vulnerable and many of the risk factors for both involvement in youth violence and school exclusion are related to young people’s social and emotional skills.

Through this funding programme, the Foundation is aiming to support community-based organisations to deliver targeted early-intervention support for children at risk of exclusion, equipping them with the skills to make positive life choices. Applications are welcomed from registered charities and community interest companies.

Small grants totalling £90,000 are reserved for smaller community-led organisations with a turnover of less than £1m as grants of up to £30,000 for three-year projects

Medium-sized grants totalling £270,000 are reserved for small to medium-sized voluntary sector organisations with a turnover of less than £2m (including those with a turnover of less than £1m) as grants of up to £90,000 for three-year projects.

The closing date for applications is the 3rd July 2019.

Useful Links:
Grants of up to £15,000 for Science and the Arts Projects (North West of England)

Organisations (preferably with charitable status) based in the north-west of England are invited to submit imaginative proposals for projects that encourage and promote the study, practice and appreciation of science and the arts. Awards of usually £500 to £15,000 are made 3 times a year (with the average award being around £3,000) to support a wide range of activities that have in the past included capital costs for buildings, work in schools and support for outreach projects. The next closing date for applications to the Granada Foundation is Monday 15th July 2019.

The aim of the Granada Foundation is to make the north-west of England region (including Cheshire Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Merseyside and Cumbria) a richer and more attractive place in which to live and work. Currently, applications for capital and revenue costs from projects that will engage and inspire people of all ages to take an interest in science are particularly welcome.

The Foundation is not currently accepting applications for large scale capital projects.

Awards are unlikely to cover 100% of project costs. Previous awards have been made to support a wide range of projects and have included, for example:

- The Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths Network (STEMNET) received a grant of £4,000 to purchase STEM Club boxes for use in after school science clubs across the region.
- Contact Theatre received £60,000 over three years to support the redevelopment of the theatre.
- Blackburn Cathedral Trust received £2,000 for a Music Outreach project.

Preference is given to new projects, festivals and other annual events are supported but there is no guarantee of year on year support.

If you would like to apply please email brief details in the first instance to enquiries@granadafoundation.org If the project meets the funding criteria a full application pack will be sent by email.

The next closing date for applications is Thursday 27th June 2019.

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https://granadafoundation.org/how-to-apply/
School Holiday Activity Fund (London)

The School Holiday Activity Fund has grants available to help charities and state schools deliver activities for children and young people during the school holidays in North West London. This includes all half-term breaks, Easter, Christmas and the Summer holiday.

The Fund will pay for the running costs of holiday programmes that provide young people with activities in supportive and accessible environments. Up to £4,000 is available for activities such as:

- Holiday drop-in activities
- Arts activities
- Sports projects
- Family activities
- Trips out of London
- Camping trips.

Grants could be used for:

- Equipment (not IT equipment)
- Sessional staffing costs
- Transport
- Venue hire

Applications must be made by various deadlines throughout the year. The next closing date for applications is the 21st September 2019 to run activities during the October half-term.

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http://jlc.london/grants/which-grant-fund-should-i-apply-to/school-holiday-activity-fund/

Kent Community Foundation (Kent)

Kent Community Foundation (KCF) grants support a number of primary issues in the county, contributing towards everything from specific projects to everyday running costs. In order to maximise the impact of KCF’s grant making to support the people in greatest need, four overarching grant making themes have been established:

- Employability, Skills and Enterprise: Projects which raise the aspirations and increase the skills and opportunities of people who are far from the labour market.
- Employability, Skills and Enterprise: Projects that help vulnerable adults stay well and independent, with a focus on early intervention projects to tackle disadvantage, deprivation and social exclusion.
- Elderly & Isolated: Local projects that address the challenges faced by elderly adults and support people to stay well, healthy and independent and, most importantly, combat social isolation.
- Children, Young People & Families: Projects that are making a real difference to the lives of disadvantaged children and young people in Kent and Medway.

Themed Programmes are open all year round and decisions are made every 3 months. To be in time for the next assessment date apply by the 31st August 2019.

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https://kentcf.org.uk/funding#Kent

Manchester Airport Community Trust Fund (Manchester)

The Manchester Airport Community Trust Fund is a registered charity and was established to promote, enhance, improve and protect both the natural and built environment in the community local to the airport. Each year Manchester Airports Group contributes £100,000 to the Fund; any fines levied at aircraft that have breached stringent noise limits are also paid in to the Fund. These funds are then used to support neighbourhood and community projects throughout an approximate 10-mile radius of the Airport, concentrating on the areas most exposed to aircraft noise.

Projects supported will be carrying out positive work in the community. Organisations eligible to apply will be established groups (or charities) of charitable nature with ‘Not for Profit’ status; Community, Social or Environmentally focused; and based within the area of benefit.

Grants of a maximum of £3,000 are awarded to projects that meet the following criteria:

- Improve, enhance, protect and conserve the natural and built environment
- Offer heritage conservation
- Promote or advance social welfare
- Provide better appreciation of the natural and urban environment
- Create a safe habitat for flora and fauna.
- Benefit all members of the community regardless of race, gender or religion.

Projects previously supported include:

- Sale Water Park Conservation Volunteers: £1202 towards materials to make log seating for an outdoor Amphitheatre
- Hazel Grove Brass Band Stockport: £1500 towards percussion instruments
- Budworth Sailing Club: £3000 towards jetties
The next deadline to apply is 5pm on the 30th August 2019.

Useful Links:
- Criteria and Application Information
- Annual Report with grants awarded in 2017/18
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https://www.manchesterairport.co.uk/community/working-in-our-community/community-trust-fund/

Funding Available for Community Health Projects (Hull, East Riding, Knowsley, St Helens, Wigan)

City Health Care Partnership Foundation provides a small grants scheme for local, voluntary and community groups and/or other not for profit organisations, to contribute to the health and wellbeing of people living in the areas in which CHCP provide services. Funding is available for volunteer led activities and projects or one-off events related to health or wellbeing such as dance, drama or football, etc.

To be eligible, applicants must be not for profit organisations, community or voluntary groups with annual incomes of under £30,000.

Grants or donations of up to £1,000 are available to towards activities, projects or one-off events requiring an element of sponsorship.

Examples of recently funded projects include:

- East Hull Rugby Club provides young children with three weekly training sessions and game time. The grant will enable the team to purchase kit and to support with a team building trip to Butlins.
- Brandesburton Scout Group’s grant will introduce a new and varied programme of indoor and outdoor physical activities for all ages.
- Creative Minds Organisation Ltd, a non-for-profit company in Hull will use their grant to support the group with their current sewing project.

The next closing date is the 1st July 2019.

Useful Links:
- Small Grants Application Form
- Small Grants Guidance Note
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https://www.chcpbic.org.uk/pages/small-grants
Building Resilient Local Economies (UK)

The next deadline for applications to the Friends Provident Foundation - Building Resilient Economies programme is 12 noon on the 7th October 2019.

The programme aims to build a more resilient, fairer and sustainable economic system. Organisations working within the UK who want to help transform financial systems into 'engines for social benefit' can apply for grants through the Foundation. Grants in the past have been up to £200,000 to cover capital or revenue funding, core costs or project costs. Activities funded will fit closely with the aims of the Foundation and deliver one of two key outcomes.

These are:

"System Change"

"Local Economic Resilience".

Under 'Systems Change' the Foundation will be looking to support projects that develop and demonstrate methods that will effectively change policy and corporate behaviours in pursuit of wider social objectives.

Under 'Local economic resilience' the Foundation is looking to support projects that share learning about effective ways for communities to create more sustainable economic systems and retain more of the value generated. This might include creating community assets or new approaches to local finance.

Previous organisations supported include:

- SUSTAIN, which received a grant of £75,000 for a concerted three-year campaign, drawing on the support of many people and organisations to achieve changes in government policy and industry practice to create a million good jobs though better farming and land-use.
- ECHO, a trading network of over 500 organisations in East London that uses time as the currency, rather than money. This project received a grant of £140,000 and aims to develop and refine the infrastructure for local, sustainable Echo systems at national scale.

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http://www.friendsprovidentfoundation.org/programme-overview/
Equipment Grants for Disabled and Disadvantaged Young People (UK)

Schools and not for profit organisations have the opportunity to apply for funding through the Wooden Spoon Society’s Capital Grants programme. Wooden Spoon is the British and Irish Rugby charity which supports projects help mentally, physically disadvantaged children. Each year the charity supports around 70 projects.

Through the programme funding is available for:

- Buildings and extensions
- Equipment & activity aids
- Sensory rooms and gardens
- Playgrounds and sports areas
- Soft playrooms.

Since being founded in 1983, Wooden Spoon has made grants of over £24 million to more than 500 projects in the British Isles.

Projects funded in the past have included:

- Ashmount School in Leicestershire, which received a grant of £13,500 towards a sensory room.
- Enfield Heights Academy in London which received a grant of £23,000 to improve its play areas.
- The Colehill & Wimborne Youth & Community Centre which received a grant of £8,000 towards a wheelchair lift.

Applications can be made at any time and applicants should contact their regional volunteer group. Subject to an application being approved by Wooden Spoon Trustees, the Society require a minimum of one Wooden Spoon membership to be taken out by a representative of the applicant organisation.

For more information on how to apply, please click on the link below.

Useful Documents:
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https://www.woodenspoon.org.uk/apply-for-funds
Funding to Mark the International Year of the Periodic Table (UK)

The Royal Society for Chemistry is making grants of up to £1,000 available to its Network Members to run a project for the International Year of the Periodic Table in 2019. To be eligible, applicants should demonstrate:

- that the project supports the celebration of the International Year of Periodic Table
- that the project has a significant aspect which is related to the chemical sciences
- that the project has a clearly identified target audience
- that the intended impact on the audience has been defined
- that projects are planned to take place during 2019, the International Year of the Periodic Table

Funding is open all year round and will considered at three checkpoints in the year with deadlines of Monday 15th July 2019 and Monday 14th October 2019. There are limited funds available and applications will be considered at each of these check points until all funds have been allocated.

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http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/PGPET/

Funding to Enable Disadvantaged Young People Reach their Potential (UK)

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 through the Ironmongers Company's grants programme. In particular, the company wants to support projects that provide opportunities for disadvantaged children and young people to fulfil their potential and educational activities that develop learning, motivation and skills.

Projects could, for example, support special educational needs; address behavioural problems or promote citizenship; and parenting or life skills. Preference will be given to projects piloting new approaches where the outcomes will be disseminated to a wider audience. Although the grants are available within the UK preference is given to projects in inner London.

The next deadline for applications is the 31st July 2019.

Useful Links:
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http://www.ironmongers.org/charity_organisations.htm
Funding for Music Making Activities (UK)

The Michael Tippett Musical Foundation, the charitable Trust established by the composer to encourage the music of the future, has announced that it is open for applications.

Funding of between £500 and £4,000 is available with the average grant being £2,000. Grants are awarded for the development of group music making, especially involving young people. Because of the Trust's link with a major composer, the Trustees wish to see composition as central to projects put forward for support. Projects in and out of schools or in community situations will be considered. The Trustees will consider applications for first-time initiatives as well as the development of existing projects.

Successful applications will have demonstrated that they:

- Involve young people and aim to open young people’s ears, to stimulate creativity in sound and provide a springboard for young composers to move forward with aspiration.
- Are aiming for music making of high quality within the project context which may take many different styles and forms.
- Take place in or out of school, college or university, or in community settings and where young composers are involved that the project will assist their professional development.
- Demonstrate artistic leadership i.e. that the artistic leader/s involved in the project (composer, musician, conductor, director, workshop leader etc.) should be clearly identified and named in the application.
- Show how the project will be planned managed and evaluated and who will be responsible for the management of the schedule, the participants, appointment of the leaders, evaluation and the budget.

In 2017, the Foundation awarded grants to the value of £15,000. The trustees generally hold one meeting a year, in the autumn and the closing date for applications is Friday 30th September 2019.

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War Memorials Grant Scheme (UK)

The War Memorials Trust is providing grants for the repair and conservation of free-standing war memorials in England.

These grants are intended to help those who are responsible for the upkeep of war memorials. The grants support the care and preservation of war memorials to a high standard, and to prevent the
decay of this important part of our built heritage. Grants will normally be for up to a maximum of 75% of eligible costs, with a maximum grant of £30,000.

The fund is open to anyone to apply; individuals or organisations, including councils.

The next closing date for applications is the 31st July 2019.

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http://www.warmemorials.org/grants/

Funding to Make Community Spaces More Sustainable (UK)

The Co-op Foundation is offering interest free loans for enterprising ideas to improve community spaces. Community organisations that manage community buildings and outdoor spaces such as parks and community centres; etc which are for the use of the whole community can apply for loans to grow their trading activities to generate more sustainable income.

The Co-op Foundation can offer:

- Interest-free loans of up to £50,000 towards viable business ideas that will benefit the whole community – particularly those facing greater challenges.
- No repayments for the first year, while your trading activities are developing.
- If you are based in a more deprived area, or your work mainly benefits more disadvantaged members of the community, we might also be able to offer some grant funding alongside a loan.

Applicants will need to fill out an expression of interest here.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

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https://blog.coopfoundation.org.uk/index.php/2018/05/17/community-is-everybodys-business/

Funding Available to Increase Engineering Knowledge Among Young People (UK)

The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) has announced that its Engineering Education Grant Scheme will re-open for applications from the 22nd June 2019.
The Engineering Education Grant Scheme (EEGS) supports UK-based educational projects that nurture and support the increase of engineering knowledge among young people between the ages of five to 19. The scheme also supports projects that improve wider engineering literacy.

Any organisation able to develop and deliver STEM activities to a local UK audience is eligible to bid for funding. This includes schools, science communicators, youth clubs, science festivals, museums, science centres, STEM based companies, FE colleges, Higher Education Institutions and members of the IMechE and IET.

There are two levels of funding available. Awards of up to £5000 are available for standard applications to the fund, and a small number of awards of up to £15,000 are available each year for projects that aim to make a bigger impact.

The deadline to apply will be the 14th October 2019 for projects taking place from 1st January 2020.

Projects funded in the past have included Dismantle and Discover, led by Loughborough University and Loughborough Secondary School, involving student role models who set up an engaging after school club giving children the skills, enthusiasm and confidence to take up STEM subjects.

Useful Links:
Engineering Education Grant Scheme guidance
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https://faraday-secondary.theiet.org/about-iet-faraday/funding/

Late additions

Sustainable Development Fund (Brecon Beacons)
Charities and community groups are amongst the organisations invited to apply for funding for sustainable development projects that build capacity and genuinely support or involve communities within the Brecon Beacons National Park. Grants of up to £10,000 for up to 50% of project costs are available. The Sustainable Development Fund (SDF) has been allocated £200,000 for 2018/19 to support projects which bring organisations together in partnership to improve quality of life for communities in the National Park.

Apply initially by Expression of Interest to the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority and submit a full application by the 21st August 2019.

The Open Fund For Music Creators (UK)
Songwriters, composers, and artists, bands, producers and performers who are writing their own music or commissioning other songwriters or composers can apply for grants of up to £5,000 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 is being made available through the PRS Foundation’s Open Fund for Music Creators and can support activities such as touring, music creator residencies, community projects and live performances featuring new UK music, etc.

The closing date for applications is the 1st October 2019.

**Funding for Financial Literacy Projects (UK)**

The MSE Charity has announced that its grants programme will re-open for applications on the 2nd September 2019. The charity gives grants to not for profit organisations that deliver activities which make a lasting impact on how people think, behave and manage their money. During this funding rounds grants will be made available to not for profit groups and charities assisting people experiencing bereavement, redundancy, retirement, relationship breakdown and homelessness, etc. Grants of up to £5,000 are available. Preference is given to projects that show innovation and that are replicable.

The closing date will be the 30th September 2019 or when 40 applications have been received.

**Grants for Community Projects (Lancashire)**

Community groups, charitable companies and charities can apply for a grant of up to £3,000 to support them in making where they live a safer and better place. This small grant scheme aims to assist groups in tackling local concerns such as protecting vulnerable people, tackling crime and reoffending, anti-social behaviour and re-offending, supporting vulnerable people and victims and developing safe and confident communities.

There are no deadlines, apply at any time to the Lancashire Police and Crime Commissioner’s Community Action Fund.

**Funding for High Quality New Music Projects (UK)**

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to support new music projects led by promoters, talent development organisations, venues, festivals, curators and large performance groups. Projects must involve the creation, performance and promotion of new music and enable songwriters, composers, or solo artists, bands, producers and performers of all backgrounds to develop creatively and professionally. The funding is being made available through the PRS Foundation’s Open Fund for Organisations and can cover activities such as touring, recording, promotion and marketing and commissions of new music by UK-based creators.

The closing date for applications is the 1st October 2019.
**Healthy Schools Fund Partnership Challenge (Salford)**
Salford CVS has announced that its Healthy Schools Fund Partnership Challenge is now open for applications. Grants of up to £15,000 are available to schools working in partnership with one Salford-based community or voluntary organisation to help improve the health and wider wellbeing of children in primary schools. These partnerships will work to engage families and communities in the life of schools to improve the health and wider wellbeing of Salford’s children. Applications must contain at least one Salford Primary School and one Community or voluntary organisation working in partnership.

School clusters can apply where a lead school from within the cluster takes responsibility for the activity and monitoring and evaluation being carried out across the schools. The closing date for applications is the 14th October 2019.

**Funding to Support Disadvantaged Pupils in State Schools (London)**
The John Lyon’s Charity has announced that its Schools in Partnership Fund is open for applications. Through the programme, the charity is making grants of between £25,000 and £50,000 to groups of state schools (in partnership with local voluntary organisations where appropriate) for projects aimed at supporting their most challenged pupils, strengthening links with home life and coordinating the support of other available professionals. The funding is available to schools in Barnet, Brent, Camden, Ealing, Hammersmith & Fulham, Harrow, Kensington & Chelsea and the Cities of London and Westminster.

Previous projects supported include St Anselm’s RC Catholic Primary School which received a grant of £38,000 for a play therapy project with four other schools and the Catholic Children’s Society (Westminster); and Kingsbury High School which received a grant of £15,000 for a psychotherapy project with Brent Centre for Young People.

The Schools in Partnership Fund has a two stage application procedure. The Trustee meets in March, June and November. Proposals should be received by the Grants Team at least four months before.

**The Avon and Somerset Police Community Trust - Commissioner’s Community Action Fund (South West)**
Community and other local voluntary organisations in the Avon and Somerset police force area can apply for grants of up to £3,000 through the Avon and Somerset Police Community Trust - Commissioner’s Community Action Fund. This grant is funded by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Avon and Somerset to enable communities to come together and tackle issues in their local area relating to the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan. These priorities are to protect the most vulnerable from harm; strengthen and improve local policing teams; ensure Avon and Somerset Constabulary has the right people, right equipment and right culture; and work together effectively with other police forces and key partner agencies to provide better services to local people.

The closing date for applications is the 1st September 2019.
**Society for Microbiology – Science Education and Outreach Grants (UK)**
Members of the Microbiology Society, residing in the UK or Republic of Ireland, including those working in schools, can apply for a grant of up to £1,000 for innovative Outreach Activities that support relevant science teaching or promotion initiatives. Also funded are developments likely to lead to an improvement in the teaching of any aspect of microbiology. Grants can cover, for example, talks, workshops, demonstrations, posters, leaflets, broadcasts, activities at science festivals and audio-visual or computer-based packages or activities that take place as part of a National Science and Engineering Week.

Apply by the 1st October 2019.

**Women Make Music Grants Programme (UK)**
Grants of up to £5,000 are available to support the development of outstanding women songwriters and composers of all genres and backgrounds at different stages of their career. The funding is available to support touring, recording, promotion and marketing, community projects involving high-quality music creators, music creator residencies and live performances featuring new UK music.

The funding is being made available through the PRS for Music Foundation’s Woman make Music Grants Programme and the closing date for applications is the 1st October 2019.

**Funding for the Provision of Free Legal Advice (London and the Home Counties)**
Grants of up to £5,000 are available to law centres, advice agencies and citizens advice bureaux, charities, etc in London and the South East of England that provide free legal advice services. The funding is being made available through the London Legal Support Trust, which is an independent charity that raises funds for free legal services. In particular, the Trust is looking to support new pro bono surgeries; pro bono surgeries that need time to regain sustainability; one off capital costs, particularly associated with capacity building or improving sustainability (i.e. reducing costs, increasing efficiency through new systems, technology or moving/altering premises); and the development of legal advice agencies where none currently exist.

The closing date for applications is the 6th October 2019.

**Grants for Human and Legal Rights Organisations (UK)**
Grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 are available to voluntary sector organisations whose work is related to the law and the legal profession. Projects supported will be working to promote human rights, provide access to justice or to provide legal education. Priority is particularly given to projects that promote the needs of excluded, under-represented or disadvantaged groups and minorities.

Applications are assessed at quarterly Trustee meetings, the next is on Tuesday 17th September 2019.
Grants to Improve Playing Fields and Sports Facilities (UK)
Grants of between £2,500 - £5,000 are available to local community groups, sports clubs and charities to increase opportunities for young people in disadvantaged areas of the UK to play outdoor sport. Grants can be used for the development and improvement of playing fields and other facilities; volunteer training including the provision of qualifications; purchasing specialist disability equipment; or the development of long-term sustainability, for example marketing and finance expertise. Applications for grant to help unlock additional funding from other funders are encouraged.

The funding is being made available through the Angus Irvine Playing Fields Fund and applications can be submitted at any time.

Grants for Welfare and Art Projects (South West of England)
Revenue grants of between £200 and £500 are available to not for profit organisations and schools in the counties of Cornwall, Devon, Somerset and Dorset in the South West of England for welfare and art projects which help to improve the quality of local life. Grants can cover the core running costs or project costs of small established organisations who have a proven record of making a significant difference. For example, Dartington Hall trust received a grant to support a bursary scheme that enables young musicians to take part their Summer School.

The funding is being made through the Elmgrant Trust and the closing date for applications is the 28th September 2019.

Community Grants for Housing Projects (Northern Ireland, Wales, West of England, North West, North Midlands and the North East of England)
Charities, Community Land Trusts and housing co-operatives can apply for grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 for local housing projects. The aim of the grants is support the most vulnerable members of the community by preventing people from losing their home or helping vulnerable people in to a home. The funding is being made available through the Nationwide Community Grant Scheme. New and innovative approaches to increasing the supply of housing as well as new ideas around ways of reinventing renting for both tenants and landlords are welcomed.

The funding is available for revenue expenditure such as core, staff and volunteer costs and some small-scale capital expenditure. The closing date for applications is the 5th July 2019.

New Funding Available to Develop Technologies to Help People Affected by Abuse (UK)
Not for profit organisations based in the UK with experience of working with people affected by abuse are being offered the chance to apply for funding of up to £50,000 (up to £75,000 for consortia bids) to develop digital solutions to improve the safety of people affected by abuse. The funding is for the development of digital tools, approaches, services and ideas at very early stages of development. The grants are being made available through Comic Relief’s Tech Vs Abuse Fund and...
will fund up to 12 projects. Bids submitted by two or more charities or not-for-profits in the domestic and sexual abuse sector in partnership or consortia are welcomed.

The closing date is 12 noon BST on the 4th July 2019.

**Grants for Community Music Projects (UK)**
Grants are available to UK based community groups and schools who would benefit from a “helping hand” to fulfil their potential in bringing music to their community. The funding can be put towards musical instrument costs, workshops/training, using music to break down barriers, providing a variety of educational opportunities as well as helping to find ways to integrate many diverse and minority groups positively into society. Grants of up to £2,5000 are available. The funding is being made available by the charity Music for All and applications are assessed three times a year in Spring, Summer and Autumn.

The next deadline for applications is the 1st November 2019.

**Grants for Good Causes (Leicestershire)**
Charities and constituted voluntary and community groups operating in Leicestershire and working to promote or improve health, education, innovation or social development have until 31st July 2019 to apply for a grant of between £2,000 and £10,000. Grants can be used to fund consumables, activities or project costs, salaries, equipment or volunteer costs with no more than 10% of the project costs being for operational/core costs. Applicant groups must have been running for at least 2 years and be requesting no more than 20% of the organisation’s annual income.

Apply via the Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation for the Wesleyan Foundation’s large grants scheme.

**Funding to Promote Awareness of Hate Crimes (Manchester)**
Community groups and other not for profit organisations in Manchester can apply for grants of between £250 and £500 to hold an event that promotes awareness of hate crime during the period July to December 2019. The funding which is being made available through the Hate Crime Awareness Grants programme has a total budget of £10,000 meaning 20 to 40 grants in all are potentially available. The main aims of these grants are to raise awareness of what hate crime is, and to increase the reporting of hate crime incidents. The funding is available to voluntary, community or social enterprise organisations or public sector organisations.

The closing date for applications is the 3rd July. There will be a further bidding round later in the year.
European Youth Programme

Grants are available for European youth activities which serve the promotion of peace, understanding and co-operation in a spirit of respect for the Council of Europe’s fundamental values such as human rights, democracy, tolerance and solidarity.

The European Youth Foundation (EYF) is a fund established in 1972 by the Council of Europe to provide financial and educational support for European youth activities.

The purpose of the fund is to encourage co-operation in young people throughout Europe by supporting European youth activities which promote peace, understanding and co-operation whilst adhering to the Council of Europe’s fundamental values such as human rights, democracy, tolerance and solidarity.

Financial support is available to non-governmental youth organisation or networks or other non-governmental structures involved in areas of youth work which are relevant to the schemes objectives.

The types of activities that are eligible for financial support are as follows:

- Educational, social, cultural and humanitarian activities of a European character.
- Activities aimed at strengthening peace and co-operation in Europe.
- Activities designed to promote closer co-operation and better understanding among young people in Europe, particularly by developing the exchange of information.
- Activities intended to stimulate mutual aid in Europe and in the developing countries for cultural, educational and social purposes.
- Studies, research and documentation on youth matters.

https://www.coe.int/en/web/european-youth-foundation/home