Dear Members.

This week we have a BUMPER edition of 55 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

Ok busy week with Two Ofsted Monitor inspections and another one on the way this week, both so far are making good Progress. Also last week a Matrix Assesment which on two hot days was indeed a test for all involved but went well.

Ok Employers lost access to £26 million of their apprenticeship levy funds in June, the skills minister has revealed. The figure, revealed in an answer to a parliamentary question from Catherine McKinnell, the MP for Newcastle upon Tyne North, means that a “staggering” £37 million has been clawed back by government after the first two months that levy funds can expire from employers’ accounts.

As per levy rules, big businesses with a payroll of £3 million or more who pay into the pot have a 24-month limit to spend their funds. Once that time is up, the funds will expire on a month-by-month basis. Last month, it was revealed that £11 million was lost in May – the first sun-setting period for the policy. https://feweek.co.uk/2019/07/12/levy-lockout-update-employers-lose-access-to-37-million-from-first-2-months/

The new prime minister will have to rise to the skills and productivity challenge, and make sure that everyone, no matter where they come from,
can get a chance to have a great job, says skills minister Anne Milton. Again she talks about the New Term
https://feweek.co.uk/2019/07/13/end-of-term-report-people-are-waking-up-to-the-need-to-rebalance-fe-and-he/

Some concerns this week with ESFA knocking on doors and saying we want money back as you have not been doing Prior Learning Checking properly. This concerns me as these ESFA experts do not appear to understand many items, just sent out like wolves.

Looking for an IQA in Health and Social Care South London areas. CV to me Steve@eevt.org

ESFA recognises that subcontracting has an important role to play in delivering quality learning to apprentices and adult learners. In recent years, we have strengthened our funding rules on subcontracting and we are continuing to do so. We expect providers to maximise the amount of funding that reaches front line delivery of high-quality learning. When subcontracting, ESFA will require providers to:

- clearly describe, before each subcontracting relationship is agreed the reason for subcontracting and all services they will provide and the associated costs when doing so. This will include a list of specific costs for managing the subcontractor, quality monitoring activities, and for any other support activities offered by the main provider to the subcontractor
- ensure all costs are individually itemised and describe how each cost contributes to delivering high-quality learning. Providers must also explain how such costs are reasonable and proportionate to delivery of the learning or apprenticeship training
- include a breakdown of all services and costs in each subcontract

ESFA will, ready for delivery from 1 August 2019:

- revise funding rules and associated compliance measures to incorporate the requirements set out above
- implement a risk-based approach for monitoring these rules
- impose compliance measures when appropriate

These expectations will be reviewed in 18 months.
The implementation of the revisions to the AEB and apprenticeship funding rules will apply to new learner, or apprentice starts from 1 August 2019. We realise there should be an implementation period to allow providers to adjust to the changes and to revise their contracts with their subcontractors.

The implementation period of the revised rules will apply as follows:
- From 1 August 2019 for new learner and apprentice starts where a new subcontract is yet to be agreed and entered into, and
  - By 30 November 2019 for new learner and apprentice starts where revised
This means that from 1 December 2019, these revised subcontracting rules apply to all new learner or apprentice starts.

**Subcontracting: for the first time**

If the funding rules you are working to require permission from the ESFA to subcontract for the first time, you must obtain the ESFA’s written permission before doing so. [Subcontracting for the first time: seeking written approval](PDF, 150KB, 4 pages) describes the process for getting permission to subcontract funding for education and training. Along with the request to subcontract, you must also provide a report from an external auditor.

**Subcontracting: second-level**

If the funding rules you are working to allow subcontracting to a second level (where a subcontractor further subcontracts to another legal entity), you must first obtain the ESFA’s written permission. You must obtain permission from the ESFA to subcontract to a second level every year. You can find the information we need in order to review requests from providers to subcontract to a second level: [Subcontracting to a second level: seeking written approval](PDF, 156KB, 6 pages).

**Providing external assurance on subcontracting controls**

The ESFA funding agreements contain a clause about an annual subcontracting assurance requirement. The clause requires lead providers that will subcontract more than a defined level of provision to obtain a report from an external auditor that provides assurance on the arrangements in place to manage and control their subcontractors. The clause requires lead providers in scope to supply us with a certificate confirming that the report provides satisfactory assurance. We’ve published [guidance on the clause](#) and the information we need from lead providers.

The list of declared subcontractors provides information about subcontractors that hold contracts worth at least £100,000 in aggregate with one or more ESFA-funded providers of adult education and training services, including apprenticeships and traineeships. Subcontractors are shown with their lead or main provider/s and the individual values of their contracts. Some subcontractors are ‘lead or main providers’ in their own right. We have used data taken from subcontractor declarations that lead or main providers submit each funding year. Last updated 10 July 2019 [show all updates](#).

This week a part of 10-year ambition to upgrade the nation’s skills and to encourage more lifelong learning and CPD. The plans build on the action already underway to transform technical and vocational education in this country. This includes the introduction of new T Levels from 2020 – technical alternatives to A Levels – and the creation of more high-quality apprenticeship opportunities.
Education Secretary Damian Hinds said: “Employers across the country are crying out for more computer programmers, engineers, electricians and technicians in fields from advanced manufacturing to healthcare. But the evidence shows that despite these qualifications putting people in prime position to take advantage of that demand and the opportunities for better wages and better prospects – not enough people know about them.

“That needs to change. To help that change we need to make sure these courses are high quality, lead to good jobs and that people know about them. We can’t legislate for parity of esteem between academic and technical routes, but we can make sure the options out there are clear and high-quality so students and employers know and trust that they will give them the skills they need.” This overhaul is part of Mr Hinds’ radical shake-up of technical and vocational education, so students and employers understand Higher Technical Qualifications and see them as high-quality and valued alternatives to a traditional academic route.

To boost uptake of these qualifications and ensure courses are high-quality the Government has outlined proposals including:

- Reviewing Level 4 and 5 qualifications – ensuring they are of a high-quality and lead to well-paid jobs – and awarding a new quality mark for all approved Higher Technical Qualifications so students and employers can be confident courses provide the skills they need
- Ensuring that approved Higher Technical Qualifications are only available with access to student finance at high-quality further and higher education providers - so that students know the qualifications they get from these institutions are prestigious and highly valued by employers
- A new public campaign working alongside employers and careers advisers to showcase the benefits and the wide range of career opportunities that studying a Higher Technical Qualification can open up.

The number of colleges led by a non-white principal has fallen to a low of less than 7 per cent, new FE Week analysis has revealed.

A number of initiatives to encourage and support Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) leadership have stalled in recent years and now four of the nine regions in England have no ethnic minority principals at all. When shown the figures, the Association of Colleges admitted “there are not enough BAME leaders in FE” and said it has set up an equality and diversity steering group in response.

https://feweek.co.uk/2019/07/12/less-than-7-of-college-principals-are-from-a-bame-background/

Participation levels in lifelong learning are tumbling, says Ewart Keep. Action is needed – and now

The return of lifelong learning as a policy issue has recently been building: reviews have been published and recommendations made to tackle the challenges facing the UK workforce. We now need action. Why?
First, automation and digital technologies are forecast to have a major impact on employees, from professionals in law and healthcare to retail workers. Besides those displaced as their jobs are automated, many more will see their roles change and will need new skills to do them. For example, Australian research suggests that workers now spend two hours fewer a week on physical and routine tasks than 15 years ago; retraining and upskilling will be essential to keep up with this change.

Second, more and better lifelong learning is vital to support in-work progression as people seek to move up the pay ladder or to change jobs. Lifelong learning also helps citizens to be better equipped to grapple with the challenges of the modern world. This realisation dawned on many other countries in the past century, but it is only now becoming apparent in England.

Finally, the case for more and better lifelong learning has coincided with a growing, if reluctant, recognition that current adult education and training in England is a policy car crash. Since 2010, the adult education budget has plummeted 45 per cent in real terms and the transfer of funding to the loans system has resulted in adult participation in level 3 courses tumbling from 283,000 in 2010-11 to 190,000 in 2016-17. This reflects falling general participation in learning by 25 to 64-year-olds across the UK, from 20 to 14 per cent between 2010 and 2016, the largest drop in Europe, and contrasts with significant increases in France, where participation rose from 5 to 19 per cent during the same period.

https://feweek.co.uk/2019/07/14/lets-hope-the-new-pm-puts-lifelong-learning-at-the-top-of-his-to-do-list/

Welcome to Sam’s Wall! I hope you’re all well and for those enjoying Wimbledon I trust you enjoyed the final this last weekend!?

Inspiring Women in Apprenticeships Conference.

Now, if you haven’t been to this before here is a little information, this is the third conference in September. INSPIRING WOMEN IN APPRENTICESHIPS CONFERENCE:

This takes place on 10th September at The Welcome Centre 47 Parkside, Coventry, CV1 2HG from 8.30am to 4.30pm.

This is an event where women from different backgrounds meet and empower each other through their stories and their experiences and, as we all know, when women support each other, incredible things can happen!

The conference serves as an educational platform for both men and women and also encourages ad recognises men who are committed to supporting women in the workplace.

We need an apprenticeship system that offers women of all ages the best opportunities and makes the most of their talents.

The Inspiring Women in Apprenticeships Conference will celebrate females and apprentices who work in the Apprenticeship Sector, but amongst other things, will discuss and debate how to increase females who are disproportionately absent from careers in engineering, construction and transport and how that balance can be redressed.
Male / Female - Apprenticeship / Career Research:
New research from British Gas shows that over 70% of girls thought they were most suited to careers in beauty, childminding, nursing or education and while these careers are rewarding in their own right, a recent report in The Independent highlighted that putting more women in ‘male’ apprenticeships could bridge the gender pay gap.
When it comes to careers advice, 52% of girls say their parents don’t mind what they do (compared to 35% of boys), while half of girls (51%) surveyed said the career advice they got wasn’t that helpful compared to boys (39%). Could this mean that young women aren’t getting a balanced view from an early age? Or that the benefits of an apprenticeship are simply less well known??

There are 50 men for every woman starting a construction apprenticeship in England and 25 men for every woman embarking on an engineering course. A YouGov poll for Young Women’s Trust found that three in five employers think that positive action – steps like encouraging more women to apply and actively choosing women over men where they are equally qualified – is needed to achieve workplace gender equality but just a quarter have taken steps to improve women’s representation.

Women from a BAME background are significantly less likely to apply for an apprenticeship than those from a White background. This corresponds with the under-representation of women from a BAME background in the labour market, who in 2015 had an employment rate of 55.0 percent compared with a rate of 71.2% for women from a White background.

Although women are not generally under-represented in apprenticeships, the overall figures mask significant gender segregation within sectors. Within engineering and manufacturing technologies (EMT), women account for just 6.7% (140) of successful applicants second only to ‘construction, planning and the built environment’, where women account for 3.8% (18) of successful applicants.
By contrast, women account for 89.6% (1,956) of successful applicants to ‘health, public services and care’, 72.7% (330) of successful applicants to ‘education and training’ and 66.1% (4,324) of successful applicants to ‘business, administration and law’, Over one half (53.1%) of all successful female applicants apply to the ‘business, administration and law’ sector, a further 24% to ‘health, public services and care’, and 11.7% to ‘retail and commercial enterprise’.

In total, these three sectors account for almost nine out of every ten (88.8%) successful female applicants.
This isn’t without its consequences. Because they are involved in typically lower-paying industries, female apprentices can receive an average 21% less per hour than their male counterparts in some roles. Meanwhile, 16% of young women reported being out of work after an apprenticeship, compared to just 6% of men. By isolating female applicants, certain sectors are missing out on half of their potential talent pool. Over time, this has led to a skills gap in a number of key industries. This year’s conference openly welcomes more men to attend as guests. Previously, there have only been around 15% male attendees but the feedback has been
great, a previous male guest has stated he found the conference the most informative and enlightening event he had attended in years.

**September Conference headline sponsor is NOCN.**
Conference Chair is Susanna Lawson, Co-Founder and CEO of Onefile.
In the FE sector, it’s not often you go to an event described as inspiring – but that’s exactly how attendees described the second ever Women in Apprenticeships Conference, here is a writeup from the last Conference to give you a taster of what's in store.

In September’s conference, the ladies sharing their stories and journeys are made up of strong, successful women who were or are apprentices, who recruit apprentices, or who support the apprenticeship movement and want to see more women succeed through an apprenticeship. These include: Lindsay McCurdy - Apprenticeships 4 England, Jan Richardson-Wilde - Deputy Group Managing Director NOCN, Charlotte Bosworth - Managing Director Innovate Awarding.

**SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES:**
The Conference provides excellent Sponsorship Opportunities and 10 exhibition stands at £499 each are available.
Other Sponsorship options:
- Exhibition Stand and Brochure Sponsorship £699
- Exhibition Stand and Badge Sponsorship £699
- Exhibition Stand Pad and Pen £699
- Exhibition Stand and Catering Sponsorship £699
- Exhibition Stand and Drinks Sponsorship £799

To take advantage of these opportunities contact events@apprenticeships4england.com

**TICKETS:**
Get your ticket whilst the early bird offer is still on!
1x ticket is £125. 2 tickets is £150.
There’s also an option to invite an inspirational male via the ticket link
https://www.inspirational-women-apprenticeships.com/tickets

**LEGAL AID CUTS DENYING JUSTICE TO VICTIMS OF UNLAWFUL DISCRIMINATION:**
Now, on a very different note, Greater Manchester Law Centre has been campaigning for access to justice since opening in 2016, recently they called on the government to take urgent action as official statistics showed how LASPO cuts had created “legal advice deserts”.
I’d like to encourage people to read this, and, if it’s possible to please get behind the campaign in any way you can.

Victims of unlawful discrimination are increasingly being prevented from enforcing their rights because of cuts to legal aid, according to an inquiry by the Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC), the report shows the predictable human cost of the government’s
willful neglect and demonstrates why their campaign is so urgent.

https://www.gmlaw.org.uk/2019/06/24/legal-aid-cuts-denying-justice-to-victims-of-unlawful-discrimination/?fbclid=IwAR3WpDleLU6J_gAhizi8br6jxqz8S_om7yfzuFCyzmVv7EJGfZuUlKsfg

Have a fabulous week everyone and if you’re taking your Summer holiday now, I hope you enjoy a well-earned rest! Sam

Jobs this week Service Manager with Waymarks [North East], Employment Coach (Prison Education IAG) with The Forward Trust [England – Nationwide], Curriculum Manager with Weston College (Offender Learning) [HMP Send], Knowledge & Policy Manager with User Voice [London], Claims & Compliance Officer with Changing Lives [North East], Maintenance Helpdesk Administrator with Engaging Nacro [Derby], Dawn Project Support Worker with Cambridge Women’s Resources Centre – The Dawn Project [Peterborough], Senior Administrator with Humankind (formerly DISC) [Leeds], Musician in Residence with Changing Tunes [Isle of Wight], Visits Services Play Worker with NEPACS [HMP Durham], Google Developer Intern with User Voice [Flexible], Housing Assistant with Nacro [Plymouth], Domestic Abuse Services Manager with The Hampton Trust [Ashurst].

For more information about these vacancies, and many more, click here https://www.clinks.org/voluntary-community-sector/vacancies?utm_source=Light%20Lunch&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=lightlunch589

Tip of the week 1 Blue Skies Helicopter Tour for 1 or 2. Half price. Details https://www.livingsocial.co.uk/deal/london/11661967/blues-skies-helicopter-tour

Tip 2 for this week Summer getaway in Yorkshire. Up to 57% off https://www.travelzoo.com/uk/local-deals/Northeast/Getaway/323634/Old-Golf-House-Hotel/?dlocId=13669

All from me Steve and from all the team have a great week and keep training
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Bids, Grants & Funds

Hackney Council

Hackney Council Main Grants
Voluntary and community sector organisations are once again being invited to apply for one or two year main grant funding for grants that will run from April 2020 until March 2021 or 2022.

Applications can be made for grants between £5,000 - £30,000 for a 1 year grant or up to £60,000 for a 2 year grant, for initiatives that will:
- promote social inclusion, encourage independence and develop personal resilience
- build positive relations between different groups and communities that will maintain the high levels of community cohesion in Hackney

For details of next year's grants programme, see our Hackney CVS grants prospectus 2020/21 [doc, 205.5KB] which provides information on the types of grants available, the eligibility criteria and how to apply.

For details of this year’s programme see our Hackney CVS grants prospectus 2019/20 [pdf, 316.49KB].

https://hcvs.org.uk/event/launch-of-hackney-councils-a-place-for-everyone-grants-programme/

The deadline for applications is 12 noon, Monday 16 September 2019.

Ready For Work Scheme Provider

Torbay Council

TDA is Torbay Council's economic development company responsible for the development and delivery of Torbay's economic strategy. In support of that strategy, TDA intends to commission improved outcomes for Torbay residents, primarily those from Torbay's most deprived areas, who are at the margins of the labour market, to become work ready in key local labour markets.

www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk

Deadline: 01/08/2019

Family Learning Service

Nottingham City Council

Nottingham City Council (NCC) on behalf of the Education Skills Funding Agency (ESFA), has received an award of 320 000 GBP (revenue only) for the period of 16.9.2019 to 31.7.2020 for investment into adult education with a focus on family learning.

In 2019/20, providers in receipt of an Adult Education Budget — Community Learning allocation will be expected to work in line with the ESFA policy objectives.
This specification is for the provision of a family learning service to include the following learning activities which will:

1. Demonstrate that the organisation will be targeting and focusing support on disadvantaged communities, whom are least likely to participate in learning opportunities, including those with low skills;
2. Support programmes that seek to widen participation and transform people’s destinies by supporting progression relevant to personal circumstances;
3. Support projects that demonstrate how learner’s participation can lead to or have a positive effect on developing stronger communities, with more self-sufficient, connected and pro-active citizens.

Lot 1 Health and Well-Being
Lot 2 Employability
Lot 3 STEM — Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics
Lot 4 Family English, Language and Mathematics (FEML)
Lot 5 Community Learning

The service will initially be contracted for 11 months (16.9.2019 to 31.7.2020), with an option to extend for a further 1 year, plus 1 year, plus a further 1 year, (years are academic) and all contract extensions are at the discretion of Nottingham City Council.

Deadline: 08/08/2019

The Growth Company ESF-AEB Provider Framework Opportunity

The Growth Company
We are pleased to invite you to submit a tender response to join our European Social Fund (ESF) and Adult Education Budget (AEB) Provider Framework. This framework will cover future opportunities around our current Prime ESF and AEB contracts across The North West and South Yorkshire. This framework will be for providers of Skills Support, Employee Support in Skills and Supporting those Not in Employment, Education or Training (NEET).

The framework will operate across Greater Manchester, Lancashire, South Yorkshire and Liverpool City Region, and will be made up of providers who can support GC deliver across one or more of the Contract Areas defined below:

Contract Area 1: Skills Support for the Workforce - Greater Manchester
Contract Area 2: Skills Support for The Work Force – Lancashire
Contract Area 3: Skills Support for the Workforce – More Developed (Lot 1) & Transitional (Lot 2)
Sheffield City Region
Contract Area 4: Skills Support for the Unemployed Greater Manchester
Contract Area 5: Skills Support for the Unemployed Sheffield City Region - More Developed (Lot 1) & Transitional (Lot 2)
Contract Area 6: Supply of support for individuals who are Not in Education,
Employment or Training (NEET) or at risk of NEET GM
Contract Area 7: Adult Education Budget (AEB) Liverpool City Region (LCR)

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/manchestergrowthcompany/aspx/ProjectManage/74

Deadline: 26/07/2019

Working Age Money Supporter - Offenders (England)
Money And Pensions Service
The Money and Pensions Service is inviting tenders from bidders to co-design and deliver money support training to practitioners working with offenders/ex-offenders in England (and may include their families too), and to embed this within and as a part of their holistic day-to-day service provision. The aim of the pilot is to enhance practitioners' confidence and competence to talk to offenders/ex-offenders and their families about their money issues, provide generalist guidance and signpost to sources of specialist guidance.

https://mas.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html

Deadline: 09/08/2019

Foundation Apprenticeships 2020-22
The Skills Development Scotland Co. Limited
SDS invites proposals to deliver Foundation Apprenticeships (FA) across Scotland for participants commencing in academic year 2020. On behalf of Scottish Government, SDS has an ambitious target of 5,000 FA starts. The estimated contract value for this notice is for 5,000 FA starts. SDS may contract for a higher volume to ensure achievement of the 5,000 target overall.

Delivery of each framework will require a partnership/sub-contractor or consortium approach to ensure delivery in line with regional demand. All arrangements will need to bring together Colleges, Local Authorities, Schools, Training Providers and Employers to support ambitions of FA delivery across regions and frameworks for academic years 2020/22 for a 2 year delivery and/or shorter duration delivery.

The target group is young people in senior phase of education in Scotland and there are currently 12 frameworks currently available for delivery.

Value excluding VAT: 22 400 000.00 GBP
https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA12862

Deadline: 09/09/2019
Adult Learning Provision
London Borough Merton

The LB of Merton is commissioning additional curriculum provision for the 2019-20 academic year. Allocations will be made according to the rules as set out in the Greater London Authority (GLA) latest version of the “Adult education budget: funding and performance management rules”.

The current cost of the service is approximately £165,000 per annum, made up as follows:

Lot 1 - Provision of courses leading to accredited qualifications
Lot 2 - Provision of non-accredited community learning courses

The Council will be awarding a maximum of 3 separate contracts under each lot (a maximum of 6 in total), each worth a maximum value of £27,500.

**AEB formula funded accredited provision**

The purpose of accredited provision is to:

- Enable learners to gain entry level awards/certificates in basic skills
- Ensure that learners with no or few qualifications are better equipped to compete for local employment opportunities
- Provide effective progression routes that move individuals on to higher level training and/or employment

Priority learner groups for accredited provision include:

- Unemployed in receipt of state benefits
- 19-23 year olds – with Level 1 or below (note: learners must be aged 19 as at 31st August 2019)
- People with English and maths skills below level 2

Whilst we are not prescriptive about the curriculum offer, we would expect to see a range of courses that cover the following:

Accredited provision including: English, ESOL, Digital Skills, Maths, and Vocational Skills.

Priority areas for Vocational Skills including: Health and Social Care, IT Skills, Office Skills, Accounting and/or Bookkeeping, Business Start-up or Improving Business Opportunities, Public Speaking or Presentation Skills.

Qualifications from Entry 1 to Level 2 must be listed as approved for funding on the Learning Aim Reference Service (LARS).
Qualifications should have sufficient approval time to enable completion of delivery, verification and final certification.

**Non-accredited, community learning provision**

The purpose of non-accredited, community learning provision is to develop the skills, confidence, motivation and resilience of adults of different ages and backgrounds in order to:

- Introduce them to lifelong learning in a positive and supportive way
- Improve skills and knowledge required for employment, including providing progression opportunities that can enhance employment chances
- Progress towards formal learning, employment or volunteering
- Improve their health and well-being, including mental health
- Develop stronger communities through community engagement, and understanding of the importance of community hubs
- Help people acquire positive behaviours and the interpersonal skills appropriate to both work and social situations

Community learning may include training in Employment Skills, Digital Skills, Basic Literacy, Numeracy and ESOL.

**Family Learning** can be to:

- Improve the English, language and maths skills of parents, carers or guardians and their ability to help their children.
- Learning to help different generations of family members to learn together how to support their children’s learning.
- Maximise the impact of learning on the social and economic well-being of individuals, families and communities.
- Provide effective progression routes that move individuals on to employment and/or higher-level learning, volunteering or more active participation in their communities and neighbourhoods.

Priority learner groups for non-accredited provision include those who are:

- Farthest from education and skills opportunities
- Least likely to participate in learning
- On low incomes with low skills
- Looking to improve their life chances in either work or social inclusion

And for Family Learning:
• Parents and carers that need to develop skills to be more involved in their child’s education
• Parents / carers that need practical skills and guidance to improve their families healthy living and lifestyle
• Parents and carers with English, maths and language needs
• Parents and carers with low and/or no skills
• Parents and carers who need to develop skills to be actively involved in their community
• Parents and carers who are farthest from education and skills opportunities
• Lone parents
• Parents and carers of children in receipt of pupil premium

Whilst we are not prescriptive about the curriculum offer, we would expect to see a range of courses that cover the following:

• English and Maths
• Vocational, including Digital Skills, First Aid, Health and Social Care, and Early Years
• Healthy lifestyles including Healthy Eating, Fitness and Well-being
• Volunteering
• Family Learning, including English, Maths, Healthy Eating, Healthy Lifestyle and Healthy Living, including Budgeting

For Family Learning courses, these should have a clear purpose of contributing to a culture of learning in the family, and the activities should be for both the children and adults and have learning outcomes intended for both.

**New £100 Million Heritage Horizon Awards Launched (UK)**

Not for profit organisations and partnerships led by not for profit organisations can apply for grants of over £5 million to support heritage projects. The funding is being made available through the National Lottery Heritage Fund’s new £100 million Heritage Horizon Awards. These awards will be made over the next three years.

The focus for this year’s awards are:

• Landscapes and nature (natural heritage)
• Revitalising heritage at risk.

The Heritage Fund is looking to support projects that are:

• transformative;
• innovative;
• collaborative.
There are two phases to the programme.

A development phase lasting up to 2 years and a delivery phase lasting up to 5 years.

The deadline for submitting an Expression of Interest is the 11th October 2019. Applicants successful at this stage will then have until the 31st August 2020 to submit their development phase application. Projects will have up to two years to submit their delivery proposals.

Applicants must contribute at least 10% of the costs of their development phase and 10% of the costs of their delivery phase.

**Useful Links:**

- [application guidance](#) - this is the application guidance for grants ranging from £250,000-£5m. It sets out who can apply, what the H are looking for, the application process, timeline and financial contributions. It also applies to grants over £5m, except for the differences outlined above.

- [application help notes](#)

- [preview of the questions contained within the Expression of Interest](#) - this is the form used for the £250,000-£5m grants programme. It also applies to grants over £5m.

- [good practice guidance](#)

- [standard terms for development phase grants](#)

- [standard terms for delivery grants](#)

**Funding to Recycle Plastic Packaging or Textile Materials (UK)**

Grants of between £200,000 and £1 million are available for projects that provide new infrastructure and technologies which significantly increase recycling capacity for difficult to recycle plastic packaging or textile materials. The funding is being made through the Environmental charity WRAP who are looking to support organisations that are creating new methods of recycling plastics or textiles in England.

The following activities are eligible for support under this grant:

**Lot 1 - Plastics recycling:**
• Wash plants
• Extrusion
• Innovative sorting / Segregation equipment
• Sorting software (Artificial Intelligence / NIR auto sort)
• Smart marker systems
• Conveyor systems
• Weighbridge and load equipment
• Infrastructure – bays, buildings
• Storage / containers / shelving

Lot 2 - Textiles recycling:

• Plant / Machinery
• Tools or technology/software that helps disassemble and sort textile materials
• Automated processes for removing unwanted items from clothing prior to recycling (e.g. zips, studs)
• Automated sorting processes for used textiles by fibre type, and/or by colour

To receive funding projects must demonstrate that they go beyond ‘state of the art’ i.e. beyond current industry norm, and they must have a measurable impact, e.g. in terms of quantity in tonnes, of plastics or textiles collected.

The closing date for applications for Stage 1 Outline Proposals is 13.00 on the 2nd August 2019.

Useful Links:

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http://www.wrap.org.uk/content/plastics-packaging-and-textile-recycling-grants

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 12pm on the 31st July 2019.

Useful Links:

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http://www.roalddahl.com/charity/family-grants?platform=hootsuite

**Funding for Research and Projects that Address Severe Learning Disabilities (UK)**

The Baily Thomas Charitable Fund is a registered charity which was established to provide both research and project funding in the area of severe learning difficulties, including autism for both children and adults.

Grants are made to cover capital projects and core costs to include staff costs, general running and office costs at charitable organisations, schools and centres.

Projects funded include:

• Capital works for residential, nursing and respite care, and schools
• Employment schemes including woodwork, crafts, printing and horticulture
• Play schemes and play therapy schemes
• Day and social activities centres including building costs and running costs
• Support for families, including respite schemes
• Independent living schemes
• Support in the community schemes
• Snoezelen rooms.

Applications will only be considered from voluntary organisations which are registered charities or are associated with a registered charity. Schools and Parent Teacher Associations and
Industrial & Provident Societies can also apply. Funding in the past has ranged in value from £250 to £150,000.

The next deadline for applications seeking funding in excess of £10,000 is the 1st January 2020.

Applications for £10,000 and below are considered under the Small Grants procedure and can be submitted at any time.

Recent awards have been made to:

- Rose Road Association, £30,000 towards capital costs and funding of short breaks.
- Stepping Stones Play and Learn Group, £25,000 towards core costs of Play Group.
- Willow Tree Garden, £30,000 towards refurbishment and development of buildings connected with the woodworking workshops.

Useful Links:

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http://www.bailythomas.org.uk/

**Funding to Support Integration with the Armed Forces Community (UK)**

Under the Armed Forces Covenant Local Grants programme, schools as well as other local organisations can apply for grants of up to £20,000 for local projects that support community integration or local delivery of services to the armed Forces.

Funding is available for community integration projects that create strong local links between the Armed Forces community, (current and former members of their armed forces and their families) and civilian communities. Projects supported will be able to clearly demonstrate how they will overcome barriers to better integration and improve perceptions, attitudes and understanding. For the project to be truly effective in achieving community integration there should be shared development, delivery and benefits for both communities.

Previous projects supported include:

- Cornbank St James Primary School which received a grant of £20,000 for a sports facility will enable the children to come together and enjoy safe play of a multitude of sports. Through sport and games, social and communication skills are developed, this is key to Armed
Forces Children entering a new school experience along side others who have established relationships.

* Priory Church in Wales Primary School which received a grant of £19,900 to bring the local and Armed Forces Community together allowing children, parents and local community to socialise with each other in a safe and central place within the community. Additionally, interventions can be carried out to help pupil extend their learning skills and provide them with confidence within themselves and their learning.
* Llantwit Major School received a grant of £18,650 to enhance community integration by providing team building, leadership and educational support opportunities for pupil from serving families, giving opportunities for the children to develop skills and confidence. They will experience fun and challenging activities with other civilian children so that they can meet new friends and be supported to integrate effectively.

Apply at any time up to the 2nd December 2019.

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**Whole House Retrofit Competition Launched (UK)**

The Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy has launched a Whole House Retrofit (WHR) competition. The WHR competition will make available approximately £9.4 million for a limited number of projects which demonstrate a cost reduction trajectory for whole house retrofit to the same standard as new builds by 2030.

The Department anticipate that successful projects will focus on upgrading social housing properties, given the comparative uniformity of the dwellings, and the ability to procure at scale. However, the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy would be interested to hear credible alternative proposals.

Key outputs include:

* demonstration of cost reduction through process innovation
* evidence of sources of cost reduction
* approximately 400 homes improved overall (at least 75 per project) and achieving at least a 30 kWh/m² performance figure as part of an appropriate ‘fabric first’ approach for the building type
  * development of retrofit plans, installation of whole house retrofits, commissioning
with residents, and post installation monitoring.

The funding is open to applications from:

- SMEs;
- Large enterprises organisations;
- Academic organisations;
- Financial organisations;
- Research organisations;
- Public organisations;
- Third sector organisations.

Successful bidders will need to have access to a large number of similar properties in which whole house retrofit is possible within the project timeframe. In practice, this is likely to generate bids from consortia of retrofit industry players and social housing providers.

Expression of Interest must be submitted by the 1st August 2019. Applicants successful at this stage will have until the 15th August to submit a full bid.

Useful Links:

Whole House Retrofit Innovation Competition: application form

Whole House Retrofit Innovation Competition: workbook (annex 3)

Whole House Retrofit Innovation Competition: finance form (annex 4)

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https://www.gov.uk/guidance/whole-house-retrofit-whr-competition

Grants for Projects Supporting Young People (UK)

Registered and exempted charities are able to apply for a grant of up to £1,000 to the Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust to help them to deliver projects that offer support for young people aged between 11 and 25 years that meet the following criteria:

- Child exploitation
- Mentoring and support
- Clubs and activities

Priority will be given to projects that address mental health.
Grants of up to £1,000 are available for revenue projects only.

Only Registered or exempt Charities may apply. For this Round, eligible charities will have an operating income of a minimum of £100,000 and maximum of £1,000,000.

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

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http://www.austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk/

Interest Free Loans for Enterprising Ideas that Improve Community Spaces (UK)

Community organisations that own or manage a building or outdoor space that’s used for a wide range of community activities can apply for interest free loans of up to £50,000 for up to 5 years to develop their trading activities and generate a more sustainable income.

The aim is to generate a regular income that allows community organisations to maintain and invest in community spaces. The funding is being made available through the Co-op Foundation. Organisations based in more deprived areas or who work mainly with more disadvantaged members of the community may also be eligible for grant funding alongside the loan.

Successful applicants do not make any repayments in the first year whilst there are developing their trading activities.

Applications can be submitted at any time via an Expression of Interest form.

Useful Links:

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https://www.coopfoundation.org.uk/blog/community-is-everybodys-business/
**Funding for Special Schools and Colleges (UK)**

Special needs schools and colleges can apply for grants of between £15,000 and £75,000 through the Wolfson Foundation’s Funding for Special Schools and Colleges grants programme. The funding is available for projects that are focused towards helping pupils to develop skills which would help them to gain employment or live independently after leaving school or college.

The funding covers capital costs such as buildings and equipment.

The applicant organisation should meet all of the following criteria:

- be a registered charity, local authority
- be registered with the relevant regulatory authority, where applicable, and have at least a good rating

The project should be for a new building, refurbishment work or equipment and aim to produce one or more of the following outcomes:

- Increased access to services for new and existing users
- Improved quality and range of services
- Improved financial stability of the organisation

**Previous projects supported include:**

- a grant of £16,000 to the Lindsworth School in Birmingham for the refurbishment of an on-site house for Independent Living Skills programme;
- a grant of £25,000 to BeyondAutism for the Redevelopment of Rainbow School’s Earlsfield Campus, South London; and
- Victoria School and Specialist Arts College in Birmingham which received a grant of £35,000 towards a Food Technology Room.

Projects requesting £50,000 or more need to have matched funding in place.

There is a 2-stage application process and the next stage 1 closing date is the 5th January 2020. Applications successful at this stage will have until the 1st September 2019 to complete the stage 2 application.

**Useful Links:**

- [Apply](https://www.wolfson.org.uk/funding/funding-for-places/funding-for-special-schools-and-colleges/)
Grants for Urgent Structural Repairs to Churches (UK)

National Churches Trust has changed its grant programmes in line with the new Building Resilience Strategy for 2019-2023 and now offers three grant streams.

The Cornerstone Grant Programme supports the conservation and sustainable use of church buildings, focusing on larger and more complex projects.

Grants are offered towards the cost of urgent structural repair projects costed at more than £100,000 including VAT. The Trust will also consider projects that introduce kitchens and accessible toilets to enable increased community use, costed at more than £30,000 including VAT.

Grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 are awarded to represent a maximum of 50% of the project cost.

Applications are accepted from listed and unlisted Christian places of worship, of any denomination, across the UK. The Trust particularly encourages applications from priority areas i.e. North East England, Northern Ireland and Wales.

The next deadline to apply for a Cornerstone Grant is 4th November 2019 for a decision in July 2019.

Useful Links:
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https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/cornerstonegrants

Grants to Protect Biodiversity and Ecosystems (UK / Worldwide)

Outdoor clothing company Patagonia has funding of up to $12,000 available for projects that address the root causes of environmental problems.

Small, grassroots, activist organisations around the world, working on action orientated and multi-pronged campaigns to preserve and protect biodiversity and the environment, can apply for grants to run projects that protect local habitats.

Applicants must be able to produce measurable project results, and Patagonia are particularly keen to support efforts that force the government to abide by laws. Creative methods to engage communities to take action, including film, photography and books will only be
supported if they are tightly linked to a direct-action campaign on the issue, with specific goals that go beyond education and awareness.

The deadline for applications is the 31st January 2020.

Useful Links:

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Grants to Promote Latin and Roman Studies and Activities (UK)

The Society for the Promotion of Roman Studies has announced the next closing date for applications is the 1st November 2019.

The Society makes grants to schools to help promote Latin and Roman studies. Most of the grants are awarded for the purchase of textbooks and other books on Roman topics. The Committee also makes awards to groups and schools and museums organising lectures or study days on Roman themes, and money has recently been made available for archaeology fieldwork bursaries.

Schools that have recently been awarded funding include:

- Hereford Cathedral School that received funding to run weekly Latin masterclasses;
- A grant from the Roman Society enabled Feniton C of E Primary School to buy books and extra resources to help their pupils have fun learning;
- A grant from the Roman Society enabled thirty pupils in Year 9 at Ysgol Brynhyfryd to study Classical Civilisation GCSE;
- The Sir Robert Hitcham CEVAP School Robert which received a grant to help Year 4 pupils study aspects of the Roman invasion and its impact.

Applications from schools planning to start courses in Latin are particularly welcome. Grants usually range from £50 to £600.

Useful Links:

https://www.romansociety.org/Grants-Prizes/Grants-for-Schools
Greggs Foundation Local Community Projects Fund (England, Scotland & Wales)

Not-for-profit organisations developing local community projects are being offered the opportunity to apply for a grant of up to £2,000. Any not for profit organisation working to reduce disadvantage experienced by the most deprived people in the community such as the disabled, those living in poverty, voluntary carers and isolated older people can apply. Larger organisations with a turnover in excess of £300,000 are unlikely to be successful with those located near to a Greggs shop most likely to receive awards.

The Greggs Foundation Local Community Projects Fund distributes around £1.8 million per year to organisations throughout England, Scotland and Wales. The Foundation supports projects that improve resilience within communities. This can include sessional activities/respite support, equipment for sessional activities, trips and residential breaks. New approaches and innovative ideas as well as sustainable approaches to supporting communities are welcomed. All projects must support a community of interest, i.e. people who are:

- Disabled or suffering chronic illness
- Living in poverty
- Voluntary carers
- Homeless people
- Isolated older people
- Other demonstrable significant need

Successful applicants will have demonstrated improvements against at least one of the following Key Performance Targets:

- Beneficiaries have decreased social isolation
- Beneficiaries report improved health and wellbeing
- Beneficiaries report improved resilience/coping mechanisms
- Beneficiaries have improved life skills
- Beneficiaries have improved opportunities

The fund will re-open for applications on the 8th July 2019 and will have a closing date of the 30th September 2019. Decisions will be announced on the 20th November 2019.

Use the shop locator on the Greggs website to find the nearest shop.

Useful Links:

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The Ouseley Trust (England, Wales & Ireland)

Cathedrals, choral foundations, parish churches, choir schools and other relevant institutions which promote and maintain to a high standard the choral services of the Church of England, the Church in Wales and the Church of Ireland have until the 28th February 2020 to apply for funding from the Ouseley trust.

Grants are available in the following areas:

- Courses for individuals or groups
- Endowment grants for scholarships or bursaries
- Fees for individual choristers having places at recognised choir schools
- Purchase of liturgical music
- Other projects (e.g. outreach) of an innovative kind that are likely to further the object of the Trust in a direct and effective way. In very exceptional circumstances, these may include music commissions.

No maximum grants size is specified.

http://www.ouseleytrust.org.uk/

Small Grants Available for Community Projects (Scotland)

The Scotmid Co-operative is offering small grants of up to £500 to assist and support community projects and initiatives throughout Scotland.

Last year Scotmid awarded grants totaling £235,000 to organisations ranging from parent and toddler groups to national campaigns. Funding is concentrated on the areas of:

- Children/Youth
- Health & Wellbeing
- Fair Trade
- Social Inclusion
- Arts & Culture
- Environment
- 65+ Groups (age)
- Active Lifestyles
- Community Group
- Co-operative
To be eligible for funding, applicants must be a group or individual acting for the wider benefit of the local Community; and live within the geographic boundaries of one of Scotmid Regional Committees.

Schools are also eligible to apply for activities that are not part of their statutory responsibilities. This could for example include funding for a breakfast club.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

**Useful Links:**

- [Apply Online](https://www.scotmid.coop/community-and-charity/supporting-local-communities/community-grant/%20%C2%A0%C2%A0)

**Funding for Projects that Support Disadvantaged and Disengaged Young People (England & Wales)**

The Peter Cruddas Foundation provides funding for projects that benefit disadvantaged and disengaged young people in England and Wales.

Priority is given to programmes designed to help disadvantaged and disengaged young people in the age range of 14 to 30, to pursue pathways to Education, Training and Employment with the ultimate aim of helping them to become financially independent.

There is no minimum or maximum amount and projects can be funded for more than one year. Priority is given to applicants able to demonstrate that they can manage the amount they have applied for and how they intend to continue (if appropriate) after the funding has been spent.

Please note that the Foundation is not accepting applications for Capital Projects.

Eligible applicants will be charities registered with the charity commission in England and Wales benefitting people living in England and Wales.

**Projects previously supported include:**

The Enterprise Bootcamp programme. This funding helps Bootstrap deliver the programme to young people and connect them with the Bootstrap community. The latest programme culminated in a pitching event at the end of 2016 where 15 young entrepreneurs pitched for funding. Collectively they were awarded more than £23,500 to start their own businesses.
The Challenge pilot scheme where young people were taken out of their "comfort zones" and challenged to devise viable and workable community projects for their community. The Challenge aims to put teams of diverse 16-year olds through a one-year training and community service scheme starting with a three-week summer camp and then 50 hours of social action to tackle local civic and youth-related issues.

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

Useful Links:

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http://www.petercruddasfoundation.org.uk/how_to_apply.htm

Funding for Community Projects that Tackle Knife Crime (England and Wales)

The Home Office has launched a new funding round of the government’s anti-knife crime Community Fund. The fund, now in its third year, was set up to support community projects in England and Wales delivered by voluntary sector organisations which tackle knife crime.

The Fund is intended to help communities to respond to the challenges around knife crime, and in particular support activities preventing young people from engaging in knife related offending.

Grants of up to £30,000 are available.

Bids will need to demonstrate a previous proven history of delivering anti-knife crime work, especially to young people, and will be assessed on the basis of the extent to which they demonstrate a proven track record of an organisation’s ability to deliver knife crime interventions in work with children and young people.

The Home Office is accepting applications from:

- Constituted voluntary and community sector groups that have a minimum of 3 management committee members
- Registered charities
- Social enterprises
- Co-operatives
- Community interest companies
  - Religious / faith groups
Companies limited by guarantee without share capital
Charitable incorporated organisations

The deadline for submitting applications is midnight on 24th July 2019.

Useful Links:
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https://www.gov.uk/guidance/knife-crime-community-fund

Funding to Help Young People Develop their Potential (England and Wales)

Registered charities and community interest companies in need of financial aid to support their overall mission or a particular project can apply for a grant from the Hays Travel Foundation. The main focus of the Foundation is to help to create a brighter future in the areas where Hays Travel operates especially for young people who need a bit of help to develop their potential. Projects supported will help young people (up to 25 years) develop in at least one of these areas:

- Education
- Prevention of poverty
- Health
- Arts
- Culture
- Sports

Grants can range from under £100 to £17,000 with the majority in the range of £1,000 to £10,000.

Previous projects funded include:

£6,000 to Hat-Trick, an organisation working to bridge the gaps between public services and young people living in deprived areas by providing a variety of sports activities and offering training, qualifications and leadership opportunities for young people to achieve their full potential.

£5,000 to Zoe’s Place Baby Hospice in Middlesbrough, a registered Charity providing palliative, respite and end of life care to babies and infants aged from birth to five years who have life-limiting or life-threatening conditions.

The next closing date is the 16th August 2019.

Useful Links:
Safeguarding Training Fund Opens for Applications (England)

The National Lottery Community Fund, together with the Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport have launched phase 2 of the Safeguarding Training Fund.

The first phase is currently supporting the ‘Safer Social Sector Partnership’ led by NCVO to design a national and generic online safeguarding training package, suitable for all charities big and small, to improve safeguarding/safe culture practice.

The overall objectives of phase 2 of the Safeguarding Training Fund are:

- To improve awareness of good safeguarding practice through the delivery of a national and generic safeguarding training package. This will improve access to safeguarding training and support to protect both children and adults at risk, and promote a safe culture within charities.
- To extend the reach of existing resources around safeguarding, and support engaging mechanisms to deliver safeguarding training which reaches both small and large organisations.
- To provide an insight into the impact of the safeguarding training, which helps to build a long term legacy for this work and embed good safeguarding practice and awareness into the sector.

Grants of between £50,000 and £115,000 are available to charities and other not for profit organisations that can demonstrate the capacity and reach to enhance the safeguarding culture within smaller organisations. It is anticipated that 5 - 10 organisations / partnerships will be supported.

Expressions of interest need to be submitted by the 21st July 2019. Applicants successful at this stage will have until the 22nd September 2019 to submit a full application.

Useful Links:

Expression of Interest Form

https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/safeguarding-training-fund-phase-1#section-1
Funding Available to Support the Adoption of Ebikes and Ecargo Bikes (Scotland)

Transport Scotland have made available £1.14 m for Round 3 of the eBike Grant Fund in 2019/20 to support the adoption of ebikes and ecargo bikes as an alternative to car journeys. Applications are now invited from public and third sector organisations based in Scotland to apply for grant funding to support the delivery of ebike and ecargo bike pools, public hire and loan schemes.

Applications are encouraged from local authorities, public sector agencies, further and higher education institutions, active travel hubs and community groups. The grant covers the purchase of ebikes, ecargo bikes, adapted bikes and associated safety equipment.

- Category A Fund for applications from community groups, third sector, and public sector organisations looking for up to £25,000 (per application) towards projects that will provide opportunities to trial ebikes.
- Category B Fund for applications from community groups, third sector, and public sector organisations and local authorities for the purposes of providing large scale fleets of pool bikes, bikeshare/hire schemes, and promoting large-scale uptake of ebikes as an alternative to car and van travel. Up to £200,000 towards project costs is available per application.

For further assistance or to request an application form, contact a member of the eBike Grant Fund team on 0131 555 8642 or email eBikeGrantsScot@est.org.uk

The closing date for applications is the 20th September 2019 for the Category A fund and the 12th August 2019 for the Category B fund.

Useful Links:
- Guidance and information for applicants - Round 3 - Category A fund
- Guidance and information for applicants - Round 3 - Category B fund
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- https://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/grants-loans/ebike-grant-fund

Wessex Water Money Matters Fund Opens for Applications (South West)

The Quartet Community Foundation has announced that the Wessex Water Money Matters fund is now accepting applications until 11.59 am on the 28th July 2019.

Wessex Water Money Matters grants of up to £5,000 are available for activities that support financial capability and money management projects for people who face financial difficulties. Not for profit organisations based in any part of the Wessex Water which includes: Bath &
North-East Somerset, Bristol, Dorset, North Somerset, Somerset, South Gloucestershire, most of Wiltshire, and parts of Gloucestershire and Hampshire can apply.

The grant programme will support activities that help people to improve their financial capability and encourage responsible payment behaviour for the services they receive. The activity must be distinct from debt advice. To be eligible for a grant from the Wessex Water Money Matters the activity must:

- Work to prevent people in vulnerable circumstances or those often missed by mainstream services from getting into debt; and/or
- Educate and support young adults to understand personal finances and avoid debt; and/or
- Educate and support children, young people and their parents/carers to take steps to build financial capability, money management and household budgeting skills.

Priority will be given to activities where applicants can demonstrate that the activity will make a long-term difference to the target beneficiaries.

Useful Links:

- Eligible Area
- Application Guidelines
- Apply Online
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https://quartetcf.org.uk/grant-programmes/wessex-water-money-matters/

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-profit company in Hull will use their grant to support the group with their current sewing project.

The next closing date is the 1st November 2019.

Useful Links:

Small Grants Application Form

Small Grants Guidance Note

https://www.chpcic.org.uk/pages/small-grants

**Grants for School Journeys and Trips (London)**

The London Diocesan Board for Schools has announced the next closing date for applications to its City and Diocese Voluntary Schools Fund is the 31st October 2019 for Spring term trips and journeys. This fund exists to give grants to individuals attending Church of England Schools in the diocese of London in need of financial help.

Priority is given to help with the cost of school journeys/daytrips, music tuition and maintenance costs that are not normally met from statutory funding. Schools can apply for funding on behalf of individuals who wish to go on school journeys.

The maximum annual grant for individuals is £500; for secondary schools applying for more than one individual the maximum grant is £2000 and £500 for primary schools.

When applying for school journey grants, please give as much information as possible to support the educational nature of the journey.

Further information is available from Dee Thomas on 020 7932 1168
dee.thomas@london.anglican.org

Useful Links:

FAQs
Tips for completing grants application forms

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https://www.ldbs.co.uk/grants-for-school-journeys/

Funding Available to Support Arts Culture and Heritage Projects (London)

Individuals, groups and organisations based anywhere in Greater London with an annual turnover of less than £50,000 can apply for funding of between £1,000 and £5,000 to fund arts, culture and heritage projects and activities in and for London’s communities.

Culture Seeds is a £1 million scheme which will run from May 2018 to March 2020 and aims to encourage more arts, culture and heritage activities at grassroots level. Priority will be given to small projects which have local people at their heart, that offer shared creative experiences and where the funding will make a big difference. The scheme is particularly keen to invest in projects that support people on lower incomes and connect communities that usually miss out.

The types of projects that are eligible for culture seeds funding include:

- visual and performing arts (like music, dance and theatre)
- filmmaking and film screenings
- heritage projects
- digital art
- cultural events/festivals
- literature, spoken word, reading groups
- craft and making activities
- choirs/singing groups
- creative writing.

There are no deadlines and you can apply at any time. However, applicants should allow a minimum of six weeks before their project start date.

In addition, the mayor of London and the British Council have allocated an additional £20,000 to the Cultural seeds Fund for a new Africa in London programme.

To be considered for Culture Seeds: Africa in London funding, your application must:

- Meet the Culture Seeds Funding Criteria
Grants of up to £5,000 to Improve Green Spaces (London)

Grants of £500 to £5,000 are available to Londoners of all ages and backgrounds, communities and schools working together to improve community open spaces to make them inclusive places for everyone to enjoy. Groundwork London’s Our Space Award is open to groups of 3 or more people who meet regularly to improve spaces that can include parks, housing estates, town centres, woodlands and school grounds. It will support Londoners of all ages and backgrounds, communities and schools in improving underused and neglected community open spaces, making them inclusive places for all to enjoy.

There are three tiers of grants:

- Small grants of £500 up to £1,000;
- Standard grants of £1,000 up to £3,000; and
- Flagship grants of £3,000 to £5,000.

In addition to the above, groups are able to apply for an additional £5,000 for removal of hard surfaces, such as tarmac, concrete or paving.

Projects supported will have sought permission from the landowner to work at the site; make a real difference to the current site; and encourage volunteering on the project and in the local community.

The closing date for applications is 9am, 5th August 2019.

For further information and advice contact Hannah Standen: hannah.standen@groundwork.org.uk or call her on 020 7239 1390

Useful Links:

Guidance Notes
Application Form

https://www.groundwork.org.uk/Sites/london/pages/our-space-award
Funding for Charity Building Projects (London)

The Rose Foundation has announced that its grant making programme has re-opened for applications. Through its grant making programme, the Foundation provides financial assistance to registered charities and exempt bodies undertaking building projects less than £200,000 in the London area. Grants awarded are usually between £5,000 and £10,000. Eligible projects involve anything involving the use of builders, it can be:

- A general refurbishment or a specific scheme
- A repair to a roof or windows
- The creation of a disabled access or the provision of new toilets
- To adapt or create a classroom or bedroom
- To extend a building or improve the landscaping
- The fulfilling of Health and Safety requirements or fire protection
- Just be a redecoration.

During this funding round, applications can be made at any time up until the 31st March 2020.

Useful Links:

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http://www.rosefoundation.co.uk/

Community Safety Development Fund (Essex)

The Community Safety Development Fund for 2019/20 offered by the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for Essex aims to ensure that safe and secure communities are the bedrock on which success and well-being for all are built. The Fund offers grants of up to £20,000 from a total pot of £300,000 to community projects that help to prevent and tackle crime and anti-social behaviour in Essex. All projects supported will meet one or more of the Police and Crime Plan priorities which are:

- More local, visible and accessible policing
- Crack down on anti-social behaviour
- Breaking the cycle of domestic abuse
- Reverse the trend in serious violence
- Tackle gangs and organised crime
- Protecting children and vulnerable people
- Improve safety on our roads
There is no match funding requirement, however, evidence of match-funding is likely to improve the likelihood of the bid being recommended as this demonstrates support for the project and improves value for money for the PFCC’s investment.

Grants can be awarded for continuation funding however, applicants need to clearly demonstrate that previous funding opportunities delivered against the Police and Crime Plan Priorities and demonstrate how further funding will develop the project further.

There will be three funding rounds with this first round closing on the 18th August 2019.

**Previous projects funded include:**

- Essex Boys and Girls Clubs provide safe environments for young people to gather, away from threats of drugs, alcohol and crime.
- Street Pastors - an inter-denominational Church engaging with people on the streets to care, listen and help.

**Useful Links:**

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**Funding for Projects that Encourage Youth Volunteering, Fundraising and Campaigning (Dorset)**

Local groups in Dorset can apply for grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 for youth social action projects which last up to a year through the #iwill programme. #iwill is a UK-wide campaign that aims to make social action part of life for as many young people as possible by the year 2020.

The definition of young people is between 10 and 20, and up to 25 for disabled young people.

The focus for this year is to increase participation from young people from less affluent social economic groups and young people who might not usually take part in volunteering, campaigning and fundraising activities. There is also particular interest to reach out and engage young people at the younger end of the spectrum (10-14 years old). This fund aims to develop opportunities rather than fund the ongoing costs of existing youth work.

Applications should demonstrate how they will apply all six principles of youth social action: reflective, challenging, youth-led, socially impactful, progressive, embedded.

The closing date for applications is the 31st July 2019.
Groups will be notified of the outcome of their application by the end of September and grants will be awarded to successful groups in October.

Useful Links:

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https://www.dorsetcommunityfoundation.org/funds/iwill-programme/

**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.

Useful Links:

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

**Funding for Projects that Support Vulnerable Migrants (UK with an emphasis on the West Midlands)**

Not for profit organisations that promote positive interaction between different groups in order to counter xenophobia, racism and Islamophobia can apply for funding through the Barrow Cadbury Trust’s Migration Programme.

Through its Migration Programme the Trust want to fund grassroots groups working with refugees, asylum seekers, undocumented migrants and other marginalised migrants. The Trust seek to enable grassroots groups to support the most vulnerable migrants as well as empower migrants and ensure they are not excluded from the public debate on migration. Organisations may apply for this programme from anywhere in the UK but most awards will be made in the West Midlands.

The Trust is particularly interested in:

- Work promoting positive interaction between different groups in order to counter xenophobia, racism and Islamophobia. This could include the identification of spokespeople, both Muslims and non-Muslims, to challenge extremism and promote a liberal, inclusive sense of national identity. It could also include highlighting promising practice and practical examples of where integration has worked within communities.
- Supporting migrant organisations, campaigners and others to influence national policy and promote the fair and dignified treatment of asylum seekers, refugees and migrants, particularly undocumented migrants.
- Ensuring a broad range of voices is heard in the debate about migration and integration, including those affected by injustice.
- Supporting work to deepen understanding of public attitudes and concerns about immigration and integration and develop appropriate responses.
- Funding research and policy work on discrete areas of public policy with a view to developing fair and workable solutions to policy challenges.

No minimum or maximum grant amount is specified.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

**Previous projects supported include:**
• The Bosnia & Herzegovina UK Network (BHN) to expand their work with young refugees, many of whom are experiencing conflicts with family members as they grow up in a culture different to the one of their parents.
• Refugee Youth to build networks and dialogue with young refugees and organisations working with young refugees in the West and East Midlands, many of whom have been funded by the Trust.

Organisations interested in applying should initially complete an enquiry form.

Useful Links:

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https://www.barrowcadbury.org.uk/what-we-do/programmes/migration/

£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:

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http://www.covenantfund.org.uk/veterans-community-centres/

Grants for Inter Faith Projects Organised by Young People (UK)

Small Grants of up to £800 are available from the Inter Faith Youth Trust for events and activities that promote understanding and co-operation between different faiths groups and are organised for and by young people aged 11-25 years. Applications are welcomed from non-statutory organisations e.g. youth clubs, scout and guide groups, local voluntary and community organisations. Bids can also be made by Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh and other faith groups and from those of no formal faith. Activities planned should take place around Inter Faith Week which in 2019 takes place between the 10th and 17th of November.

The Inter Faith Youth Trust, the only UK charitable trust solely to fund inter faith projects for young people. The Trust funds projects that bring together young people of different faiths to improve collaboration and understanding.

Priority is given to projects that:

- Actively involve young people in the planning, running and evaluation of the project.
- Promote positive action i.e. involve young people from different backgrounds coming together to address shared problems, for example, improving green spaces.
  - Are run by UK based non-statutory organisations, such as youth clubs, scout or guide
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How can we help you?

At 42 groups, local voluntary and community organisations.

- Focus on children and young people aged 11-25.

More information, examples of activities and tips on how to make the most of the event can be found in the Toolkit available to download from the Inter Faith Week website.

Activities funded in 2017 included:

Northern College for Residential and Community Adult Education, Barnsley, put on an Inter faith Weeks display.

Batley Grammar School organised a week of themed activities including a quiz and a whole school Sikhism Day with workshops and a visiting speaker.

Banbury and Bicester College served themed food in its canteens all week offering multi-cultural dishes including Kosher, Vega and Halal food.

Find out more about activities previously funded [here](http://www.ifyouthtrust.org.uk/?page_id=8)

The deadline for applications is the 24th August 2019.

Useful Links:

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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
• 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:

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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.

Useful Documents:

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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
- Projects supported in the past

**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:

- Post Code Checker
- Funding Case Studies

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[https://lesmillsfundforchildren.org.uk/apply/](https://lesmillsfundforchildren.org.uk/apply/)
**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
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- https://www.ltl.org.uk/nature-grant/
Funding to Develop Indoor Tennis Facilities (Scotland)

Sportscotland 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
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https://sportscotland.org.uk/funding/othersources/the-transforming-scottish-indoor-tennis-fund/

Late additions

BBC Children in Need Emergency Essentials Programme (UK)
The BBC Children in Need Emergency Essentials Programme which supports children and young people up to the age of 18 living with severe poverty as well as additional pressures such as domestic violence, disability or poor health in the family is currently open for applications from referral organisations that will be able to apply for grants on behalf of families or young people. The fund will cover the purchase of critical items such as gas or electric cookers and other essential
household items. The referrer’s organisation should also be able to administer and supervise the grant on behalf of the BBC Children in Need Emergency Essentials Programme.

**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 November 2019 meeting of Trustees.

**Funding Available to Enhance the Cultural Impact of Arts Organisations (England)**

Arts, cultural and creative organisations in England can apply to a £3.7 million loan fund to enhance their social impact. Repayable finance of between £25,000 and £150,000 is available. The Fund will pioneer the use of financial incentives to help organisations achieve their social impact targets. Organisations will be able to get a reduction in the headline interest rate for loans with terms between two and five years by successfully evidencing that they have achieved their social impact goals.

Applications to the fund can be made at any time.

**Grants to Enable Disabled People to Play Tennis (UK)**

Special schools as well as coaches, clubs, disability groups, associations and individuals can apply for grants from the Dan Maskell Tennis Trust for equipment and specialist wheelchairs to enable disabled people to play tennis. Funding of up to £1,500 is available for groups and clubs and up to £500 for individuals. Individuals can receive support for a sports wheelchairs, tennis rackets, coaching lessons with an Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) licensed coach or course fees for official LTA development/Coaching courses. Groups can apply for wheelchairs, court hire, coaching fees and equipment packages which will include, rackets, balls, mini net, and coaching aids such as cones and throw down marker lines. In the case of wheelchairs a deposit will be required; for individuals the amount of deposit required will depend on the wheelchair type requested, clubs will need to provide a deposit of around £250 per chair.

The next closing date for applications in this round is the 4th October 2019.

**ScottishPower Foundation Grant’s Programme Now Open (UK)**

The Scottish Power Foundation is now accepting applications from registered charities
and not-for-profit organisations for grants of £25,000 up to £250,000 for projects last up to 12 months. The Foundation is particularly interested in supporting projects that address three key areas - environmental programmes; tackling disadvantage; and addressing fuel poverty and/or energy efficiency. It is anticipated that the Foundation will support 20 projects over the next year. Examples of projects supported in the past include Young Enterprise Scotland which received a grant to fund their Circular Economy Challenge which involved young people making and marketing their own products.

Applications should be submitted by no later than 1pm on the 24th July 2019.

**New £3.5 Million Fund to Develop Data Access and Sharing Methods (UK)**

UK Research and Innovation has announced that it will invest up to £3.5 million to develop responsible data access and sharing methods in the accountancy, insurance and legal services sectors. The first part of this competition involves individuals participating in a 3-day residential Innovation Lab to develop their collaborative proposals. Applicants are invited across a range of disciplines and backgrounds to create project teams – consortia – that might not otherwise work together. Following the Innovation Lab, consortia will be able to refine and finalise their proposals with their consortium before applying to the £3.5 million funding. The Innovation Lab takes place over 3 days on 14-16 October 2019.

The closing date to join the Innovation Lab is the 4th September 2019, and applicants will be notified by the 4th October 2019.

**Funding to Protect Places of Worship from Hate Crimes (England and Wales)**

Places of worship and associated faith community centres in England and Wales that are vulnerable to hate crime can apply for grants of up to £56,000 to enhance their protective security measures. Applicants can submit bids for up to 3 protective security measures. The security measures must be specifically for hate crimes and cannot include measures for general improvements, lead theft, security upgrades or measures to tackle anti-social behaviour or other criminality unconnected with hate crime. Places of worship can include churches, gurdwaras, mosques, temples and associated faith community centres. Applicants will need to contribute 20% of the total cost of the security measures.

The closing date for applications is 23.59 on the 31st August 2019.

**Grants for Small Organisations Making Good Use of Volunteers (UK)**
Charities, social enterprises and community interest companies have until the 31st July 2019 to apply to the Woodward Charitable Trust to have their project considered at the next Trustees meeting. Grants from £100 upwards are awarded for projects covering the Arts; Community and Social Welfare; Disability and Health; Education and Summer Schemes. Preference is given to small to medium-sized charities with an income of less than £300,000 where small grants can
have more impact. Priority is given to projects that make good use of volunteers, encourage past and current users to participate and ensure that funds awarded are being well used.

Grants of up to £100,000 Available to Develop New Community Energy Business Models (England)
The Centre for Sustainable Energy (CSE) has announced that Round 2 of its Next Generation Fund has opened for applications. Through this fund, established and experienced community energy businesses in England have the opportunity to apply for grants of up to £100,000 and expert advice to develop local innovative business models in areas such as for example time-of-use tariffs, electric-car charging or battery storage; etc. Next Generation is designed to stimulate innovation in the community business sector and will be open to a wide range of proposals. In this round the CSE is looking to support five community energy businesses.

The closing date for applications is the 15th September 2019.

Grants of up to £5,000 Available for Local Community Projects (UK)
The Charities Aid Foundation has announced that the Tourle Foundation Fund is open for applications. The CAF Tourle Foundation Fund seeks to award grants of up to £5,000 to local charitable organisations delivering services for local people within the the UK. To be eligible to apply, organisations must be able to evidence that the project will be delivered to local people and have an annual income of below £100,000. Priority will be given to organisations that find it difficult to attract mainstream funding.

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

Grants to Support Action for Marine Conservation (UK)
Marine conservation charities and not for profit organisations based and working in the UK can apply for grants of up to £1,000 towards projects and research that address the root causes of marine conservation threats and challenges in the UK and increase the number of people taking action for marine conservation.

The funding is being made available through Sea-Changers and the next closing date for applications is the 30th September 2019.

Funding to Support Vulnerable Young Migrants (UK)
Not for profit organisations and private law firms working with young migrants who are significantly disadvantaged by migration status can apply for grants of up to £30,000. Grants will enable the organisation to undertake strategic legal work to benefit children and young people (under the age of 25). Applicants should note that the average grant size is around £12,000.

The funding is being made available through the Strategic Legal Fund (SLF) for Vulnerable Young Migrants and the closing date for applications is the 6th September 2019.
Grants Available to Support the Teaching of Physics in Primary and Secondary Schools (UK)
From the 1st September 2019, primary and secondary schools in the UK will be able to apply to become an Ogden school partnership and access funding to enhance physics teaching and learning. The funding is available to groups of schools working together to promote physics both with primary and secondary education. Partnerships of schools can apply for funding to support events, activities, trips and training. Partnerships can be a mix of maintained schools, academies, free schools and independent schools. Examples of these include trips to local museums or places of interest; careers events; extra-curricular physics or astronomy clubs; and physics fairs or competitions; etc.

The funding is being made available through the Ogden Trust and the deadline for submitting an expression of interest will be the 1st February 2020.

Funding for Projects that Promote a Better Understanding of the Environment and Countryside (UK)
UK based schools and not for profit organisations can apply for funding to the Nineveh Charitable Trust for a broad range of projects and activities that promote a better understanding of the environment and countryside, whilst facilitating improved access, education and research. Whilst the Trust does not specify a minimum or maximum grant amount that can be applied for, an analysis of previous grants would suggest a maximum of £5,000 per year for up to three years. Previous projects supported include Castlemilk Day Nursery which received a grant of £5,000 to build a multi-function shelter with provision for special needs teaching; and St Joseph's Specialist School & College, which received a grant of £4,000 towards a community garden expansion.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

Grants of up to £1,500 Available for the Professional Development of Musicians (UK)
Emerging and professional musicians of all genres and disciplines can apply for grants of £500 -£1500 to help them access opportunities that will allow them to focus on developing their artistic and professional development at a crucial point in their career. Support could include short courses, workshops, training and time limited periods of coaching with an expert in the artists chosen field. Eligible artists may be solo instrumentalists, composers, vocalists, singer songwriters or multidisciplinary artists. Bands or ensembles with 6 members or less can also apply.

The funding is being made available through the Help Musicians UK Transmission Fund and the closing date for applications is the 5th August 2019.

Grants for Musicians and Bands (UK)
Artists and bands that are at a crucial point in their careers have until the 28th August 2019 to apply for grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 to further develop their growth and progression. Activities eligible for funding include recording, touring and marketing. Applications can be
submitted by the artists themselves or those who are working on their behalf, for example, a manager, an independent label or publisher.

The funding is being made available through the PRS for Music Foundation’s Momentum Fund and priority will be given to those that haven't been funded by PRS for Music Foundation in the previous 12 months.

2020 GSK Impact Awards Now Open for Applications (UK)
The GSK IMPACT Awards provide funding, training and development for registered charities working to make a positive difference to community health in the UK. Funded by British pharmaceutical company GSK and managed in partnership with The King's Fund, the awards are open to registered charities that are at least three years old, working in a health-related field in the UK, with a total annual income of between £80,000 and £2.5 million.

The overall winner will receive 40,000 and up to 10 winners will receive £30,000, up to 10 runners-up will also receive £3,000. As part of the award, the winning charities are given the opportunity to take part in a training and development programme and join the Network of GSK IMPACT Award winners. This is valued at £8,000. Research bodies, advice agencies and groups focusing on broader social welfare work are not eligible. The assessment is based on the achievements of the whole organisation which must be focused on community health.

The deadline for applications is 5pm, 23rd September 2019.

Community Land Trust Launches Cohesive Communities Fund (England and Wales)
From July 2019, Community Land Trusts (CLTs) in England and Wales are able to apply to a new grant scheme and support programme to increase the number of active members in their group. The Cohesive Communities Fund will provide grants of up to £15,000 as well as 10 days technical support to provide advice and guidance. To qualify, the CLT must be in an urban (population over 10,000) area. The CLT is particularly wanting to encourage applicants from women, BAME, disabled and LGBTQ+ candidates.

The application deadline is the 14th August 2019.

£1 Million Available for Lifeboat Charities (UK)
Lifeboat charities across the UK can now bid for government funding for life-saving equipment. A total of £1 million is available. The fund is open to search and rescue teams in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland to buy new boats, engines or other equipment. So far, the £6 million scheme has paid for 82 new boats, more than 1,800 items of equipment for rescue operations and in excess of 5,000 items of crew kit to keep volunteers safe on missions. To be eligible Charities will need to demonstrate that they already operate a lifeboat or rescue boat that operates
inhore/inland and is used to respond in dangerous or difficult situations to rescue people and vessels in distress.

The closing date for applications is midnight on the 2nd September 2019.

**Funding for Sports Projects Targeted at Young People at Risk of Crime (London)**

Constituted not for profit organisations in London can apply for grants of between £100,000 and £200,000 for two-year projects that use sport to support young people aged 10-25 who are at risk of getting involved in crime. The funded projects will create employment and training opportunities for participants. Eligible applicants will have a minimum yearly turnover of £200,000 with a proven track record in using sport to support those at risk of crime. The funding is being made available through the Mayor of London’s Impact Partnerships Fund and is part of the Mayor’s Sport Unites programme and Young Londoners Fund.

The closing date for submitting an expression of interest is the 14th August 2019.

**Artistic Career Development Grants (UK)**

Emerging and professional musicians of all genres and disciplines can apply for grants of £500 -£1500 to help them access opportunities that will allow them to focus on developing their artistic and professional development at a crucial point in their career. Support may, for example, be needed several years after graduating from conservatoire or being on the road with a band. Eligible artists may be solo instrumentalists, composers, vocalists, singer songwriters or multidisciplinary artists. Bands or ensembles with 6 members or less can also apply.

The closing date for applications is the 5th August 2019.

**Funding for Major Capital Projects to Encourage Physical Activity (London & Surrey)**

Grants of between £20,001 and £150,000 are available for the renovation, modernisation or creation of significant sports and leisure facilities in London and Surrey. The funding is available to not for profit organisations (including Schools) that have already shown a commitment to encouraging and supporting people who are not physically active to participate in sporting activities. To be eligible, applicants must have in place robust business plans as well as strategies for increasing participation into the future along with plans for monitoring and evaluating their impact. The funding is being made available through the London Marathon Charitable Trust and the current funding priorities are to increase participation, especially among those who are currently physically inactive or who have low levels of activity.

The next closing date for applications is the 16th October 2019.
Community Grants for Housing Projects (South West, South East, London, Central and East of England)
From the 21st October 2019 charities, local Community Land Trusts and housing co-operatives will be able to 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 will be 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 will be welcomed.

The funding will be available for revenue expenditure such as core, staff and volunteer costs and some small-scale capital expenditure.

Wales for Africa Grant Scheme To Open Soon (Wales)
The Welsh Government Wales for Africa Grant Scheme is due to re-open for applications at the end of July 2019. The scheme will enable community groups and organisations throughout Wales to access funding for small-scale Wales-Africa projects. Up to £230,000 is available per year, with an annual minimum of £50,000 dedicated to health activities. Funding will be allocated under 4 thematic areas. These are Health; Sustainable Livelihoods; Lifelong Learning; and Climate change and Environment.

Funding for Children’s Disability Equipment (North East)
The Sunshine Fund has announced that the next closing date for applications is the 23rd August 2019. Individuals and organisations in the North East of England can apply to the fund for equipment that will help disabled children. This can include Trikes, IT equipment, Wheelchairs, Profiling beds, Specialised seating, Sensory equipment and Hydrotherapy equipment. Applications are open to both individuals and organisations.

To qualify the application must relate to a person aged 18 or under; the application is made by an individual child/siblings with disabilities or an organisation that supports children with disabilities; have not applied in the last 12 months and live in the following areas: Northumberland, Tyne and Wear, County Durham.

Funding to Support Community Businesses (England)
From the 6th August 2919, community groups in England will be able to apply for grants of up to £15,000 as well as tailored business support to help them develop their community businesses ideas. The funding will give community groups the early stage finance they need to carry out consultations with local people to develop a community business idea, and will also give them support and tools to start setting it up.
The funding is being made available through the Community Business Bright Ideas Fund and the closing date for applications is the 30th September 2019. Anyone interested in applying can join a free webinar on Tuesday 16 July at 11am.

To register for the webinar and access a recording of it, follow this link: [https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8304687590541627915](https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8304687590541627915)