

Funding Bulletin

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Information for the bulletin is compiled from a number of sources including Grantfinder, and direct from funders themselves. It showcases just a few of the hundreds of funding opportunities available for local community, voluntary and faith organisations.

Assistance and support is available with putting together your quality funding bid. Please find the details below of who to contact in your area and get in touch to see how we can work with you to help you achieve a successful application.

Contact details for support and further information can be found on the final page. Please also let us know if you are successful in securing funding as a result of spotting an opportunity in our bulletin!

Funding search engine

If you are looking for a funding

search engine to help you find funds which may be suitable for your project ideas, we recommend [My Funding Central](#) which is a free service for organisations with an income of less than £30,000. For organisations with a higher income, annual subscription starts from only £50.

My Funding Central

Helping charities and voluntary organisations identify funding opportunities

Sport England also provide a Funding Search tool which is free to use. You just need to register for an account to gain access.



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LOCAL

<p>Live Well Grant</p>	 
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>Grants of up to £5,000 for Bury VCSE groups to support improving the quality of life for Bury residents. Live Well is a community-led health and wellbeing movement in Greater Manchester, aligned with Bury's <i>Let's Do It</i> strategy to improve quality of life. Through this investment programme, grants of up to £5,000 are available for VCSE organisations in Bury working to tackle the wider determinants of health in line with the Anti-Poverty Strategy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Poverty – Strengthening sustainable food provision and community resilience. • Finance & Debt – Helping individuals manage finances and maximise income. • Work & Wages – Supporting employment, education, and skills development. • Childhood Poverty – Providing support for young children and families facing financial hardship. • Digital Inclusion – Ensuring access to digital resources to reduce isolation and financial strain.
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Applicants must be constituted as a voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE) organisation. You must also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be based in Bury OR have a proven strong track record of delivery in Bury • Have an organisational Bank Account with 2 signatories who are not related to each other OR have a supporting organisation that can provide a holding account • Be fully up to date with grant reporting to Bury VCFA for previous grants
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>Up to £5,000</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>There is an online application form that can be downloaded from the website.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>Sunday 30th March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Email: grants@buryvcfa.org.uk Tel: 0161 518 5550</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://www.buryvcfa.org.uk/grants/</p>

<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The GM Culture Fund: Collaborate is now open for expressions of interest. Submit your Expression of Interest for funding up to £100,000 to support innovative, collaborative cultural projects across Greater Manchester.</p> <p>This fund aims to support projects that align with and drive forward progress in the following key areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health & Wellbeing – Initiatives that promote physical, mental, and emotional health, improving quality of life and community wellness. • Economy & Innovation – Projects that stimulate economic growth, creativity, and new business models, driving forward regional economic development and innovation. • Education & Skills – Programmes focused on improving educational outcomes and skill development, empowering individuals and communities through learning opportunities. • Environment – Environmental projects dedicated to sustainability, conservation, and addressing climate change, aiming for a greener, more sustainable future. • Placemaking – Efforts to create vibrant, inclusive, and engaging public spaces that enhance the sense of community and local identity. • Safe Spaces – Initiatives that create environments of safety and inclusivity, ensuring that all individuals feel secure and supported within their communities.
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>The primary activity of the lead partner organisation must be within the cultural, creative or heritage sector.</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>£25,000 to £100,000</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Expression of interest followed by an invitation to complete the full application between 24th March and 18th April.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>17th March for expressions of interest</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>CultureTeam@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/what-we-do/culture/collaborate-fund/</p>

Foundational Economy Innovation Fund – Round 2	 GMCA GREATER MANCHESTER COMBINED AUTHORITY  ANDY BURNHAM MAYOR OF GREATER MANCHESTER
Aims/priorities:	<p>The Foundational Economy Innovation Fund is open for expressions of interest (pre-application stage).</p> <p>The foundational or ‘everyday’ economy supplies the essential goods and services we all rely on for our daily needs. It has a big effect on the levels of innovation and business sustainability, employment practices, the quality of work available, and income levels across Greater Manchester.</p> <p>In this second round of the fund, the focus is on supporting projects in the following areas of the foundational economy to trial new ideas and become more resilient:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and social care • Early education and childcare • The local high street (retail, hospitality, culture, leisure and tourism) sectors <p>GMCA are interested in funding projects that test new and emerging ideas across one or more of the following challenge areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting the workforce (developing, recruiting and retaining staff) • More effective services and products (innovations that help create or integrate new ways of delivering your current services or products to a higher standard by doing things more efficiently and effectively) • Localising supply chains, low carbon and net-zero (innovations that support local, sustainable and circular supply chains)
Who can apply?	Greater Manchester businesses and VCSE organisations
Grant amount:	Initial grants of up to £11,000 are available.
Application process:	Submit an expression of interest by 12 noon on 10 th March and the funder will respond with feedback and to confirm your eligibility to submit a full application
Deadline:	12 noon on Monday 10 th March for expressions of interest (not the full application)
Contact:	https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/contact/enquiries/
Website:	https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/what-we-do/economy/foundational-economy-innovation-fund/


ARTS

<p>Music for All - Community Project Funding</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The grants programme aims to give a helping hand to projects and initiatives across the UK that are seeking to bring music to their communities.</p> <p>The funding is for groups that need assistance to fulfil their potential in developing truly sustainable music programmes.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Groups, schools and organisations that are bringing music to their communities in the UK can apply.</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with primary school-aged children – grants of up to £2,000 are available for community-based groups providing music-making opportunities to young-people aged between 4–11. • Learning and cognitive challenges – grants of up to £2,000 are available for community-based groups providing opportunities to make music to those with learning and cognitive challenges. • Working with diverse communities from the Global Majority, in collaboration with Black Lives in Music – grants of up to £2,000 are available for community- • Guitars (electric) + amplifier + cable.
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>online application form from the website</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>27th March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 0140 362 8892 Email: help@musicforall.org.uk</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://www.musicforall.org.uk/</p>


Supporting Grassroots Music Fund




Aims/priorities:	The Supporting Grassroots Music Fund aims to help grassroots music venues and promoters in England with projects that bring live and electronic music to the public, and support the development of talent.
Who can apply?	This funding is available to grassroots music organisations including rehearsal and recording studios, promoters, music festivals, and venues for live and electronic music performance in England.
Grant amount:	Between £1,000 to £40,000
Application process:	Online application form from the website
Deadline:	31 March 2025
Contact:	Tel: 0161 934 4317 Email: supportinggrassrootsmusic@artscouncil.org.uk
Website:	https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/ProjectGrants/national-lottery-project-grants-guidance-library#t-in-page-nav-5

<p>The Arts Society Grants</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>This fund aims to support UK-based registered charities to deliver projects and activities that make a positive contribution to people’s lives through the arts.</p> <p>Funding will support projects and activities that engage people of all ages in the arts, skills development in the arts and heritage sector, and projects that support local and regional arts organisations and museums.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>UK-registered charities with an annual turnover of less than £3 million</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>Up to £ 2,000</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>There is a two-stage application process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants must first register their organisation with The Arts Society through an online portal on their website. • Applicants can then complete an online application form.
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>31st March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 020 7038 7590 Email: grants@theartsociety.org</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://theartsociety.org/grants</p>


CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

<p>ASDA Foundation- Young Futures Fund</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>Young Futures Fund is a new funding opportunity, with grants ranging from £500 to £1,000, to be used to specifically support young people aged from 13-21.</p> <p>This grant is for groups which meet at least one of the following objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide services that support, educate and empower. • Connect young people to their peers. • Support rehabilitation and recovery and provide shelter. • Deliver activities / programmes that improve physical health and wellbeing.
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Community groups that have the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An income of less that £250,000 • A constitution or governing document • Safeguarding policy • A bank account in the name of your group that accepts cheques
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>£500 to £1,000</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>There is an online application from which will be open from 27th February to 13th March.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>13th March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>The ASDA Community Champion for Bury who is based at the Pilsworth store Community_Pilsworth@asda.uk</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://asdafoundation.org/our-grants/young-futures-fund/?dm_i=6MG6,151F1,657L28,5DY2Y,1</p>


<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>Grow Wild Youth Project funding is a youth-led process for people aged 16-25 to deliver a creative project that celebrates and shares why UK native plants and/or fungi are so special.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Applications will be accepted from young people aged 16 to 25 years old who live in the UK.</p> <p>To be eligible, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a great project idea. • Find a supporting organisation, such as a school, university, youth club or a local community group, to help them deliver the project. <p>Supporting organisations must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An established and relevant organisation that is charitable in purpose or not-for-profit. In particular: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Voluntary, youth or community group. ○ Education body (excluding primary schools) ○ Arts charity ○ Local Authority, Health Authority or other council body • Able to provide a member of staff or volunteer to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Liaise with Grow Wild ○ Support the young person as required (eg, providing access to facilities and equipment, publicity of activities, advice and guidance.) • Financially responsible for the project with a bank account in the organisation's name or in the name of the local authority or other public sector body where relevant.
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>£500</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Online application form</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>19th March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 07824 104 632 Email: hellogrowwild@kew.org</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://growwild.kew.org/apply-grant/youth</p>

Henry Smith Charity - Holiday Grants for Children	
Aims/priorities:	<p>The Charity aims to provide children aged 13 years or younger who are disadvantaged, disabled or from areas of high deprivation with a short recreational holiday or outing they would not otherwise have the opportunity to experience.</p> <p>The trip must be in the United Kingdom (England, Northern Ireland, Wales, Scotland). The Charity is likely to fund trips that spend too much time travelling because the main focus should be on the children's experience.</p> <p>This fund is for one-off trips and will not cover the running costs of play or holiday schemes.</p>
Who can apply?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schools, youth groups, not-for-profit organisations and charities in the UK. • Organisations must provide a copy of their most recent audited or independently inspected annual accounts. If you are a school, this means your latest school inspection report. • Organisations (except schools) must have an income or expenditure of less than £2 million. • Organisations must have charitable aims.
Grant amount:	£500 to £2,750
Application process:	Online application
Deadline:	<p>Applications for the next round will open on 20th March 2025.</p> <p>It is recommended you apply early because the application period will close when all the funds for the period have been spent.</p>
Contact:	Tel: 020 7264 4970
Website:	https://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/explore-our-grants-and-apply/holiday-grants-for-children/holiday-grants-for-children-overview/

DIGITAL

WCIT – IT4Good Grant Programme	
Aims/priorities:	The IT4Good Grant Programme is provided and administered by the WCIT Charity, a charitable organisation that aims to use the power of technology for impact through digital inclusion, education, charitable, and public engagement initiatives across the UK. This fund aims to support IT projects and activities that relate to one or more of the following priority areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Education.• Inclusion.• IT for charities.• Public understanding of IT.
Who can apply?	The following can apply: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Registered charities.• Educational establishments.• Community interest companies.• Organisations with a formal not-for-profit constitution.
Grant amount:	£15,000
Application process:	Online via the website
Deadline:	7 th May 2025
Contact:	Email: charity@wcit.org.uk
Website:	https://wcitcharity.org.uk/

ENVIRONMENT

<p>British Ecological Society - Outreach and Engagement Grants</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The funding is for British Ecological Society (BES) members to deliver independent outreach, public engagement and science communication activities that engage public audiences with the excitement, importance and relevance of ecological science or enhance the experience and skills of others to communicate ecology with public audiences.</p> <p>The grant will support diverse formats that reach and engage public audiences in innovative, creative and impactful ways, whether through in-person events, digital formats, or physical resources.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>The lead applicant must have a BES membership.</p> <p>Awards are open to individuals, teams and organisations across all experience levels to organise ecological public engagement events. Collaborations between two or more people are also welcome.</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>Up to £2,000</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>The online application form can be found on the website.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>10th March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 020 3994 8289</p> <p>Email: hello@britishecologicalsociety.org</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/content/outreach-and-engagement-grants/</p>

**Imperial Polythene - Imperial Community
Impact Fund**




Aims/priorities:	This fund aims to encourage and empower local organisations working in the fields of environment, sustainability, creativity, and addressing local problems to deliver projects that enhance the well-being of communities and promote sustainable development.
Who can apply?	VCSE organisations
Grant amount:	£1,000
Application process:	online application form
Deadline:	20 th March 2025
Contact:	Email: grants@imperialpolythene.co.uk
Website:	https://www.imperialpolythene.com/community-impact-fund


**Learning through Landscapes
– Local School Nature Grant**



<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The aim of this fund is to promote outdoor learning among young children by providing schools and early years providers with outdoor resources and training.</p> <p>Successful applicants will include children in their decision making, whilst incorporating local communities.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>The following are eligible to apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nurseries and other early years providers. • Pre-schools. • Primary schools. • Secondary schools. <p>Please note that PTA's, Governors, 'Friends of' group are not able to apply.</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>£500 and a two-hour training session.</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Guidance and the application form are available on the website.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>4th April 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 01962 392932 Email: lsng@ltl.org.uk</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://naturegrants.ltl.org.uk/</p>

FAITH

<p>Wingate Foundation</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>In addition to its usual funding areas, the foundation will continue for the time being to accept applications which seek to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defuse tension and promoting peaceful coexistence between Arab and Jewish citizens of Israel. • Simultaneously tackle antisemitism and Islamophobia in the UK. • Promote peaceful co-existence and understanding between the UK's Jewish and Muslim communities (such as through joint cultural projects). <p>Funding is normally available under the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jewish life and learning • Performing arts (excluding music) • Music • Medical research travel grants
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Registered charities in the UK</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>Discretionary. Previous awards have been in the region of £3,000 to £15,000</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Download an application form from the website</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>25th March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 020 3701 7479 Email: admin@wingate.org.uk</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://wingate.org.uk/</p>


<p>The Al Tajir Trust</p>	 <p>AL TAJIR TRUST</p>
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The Al Tajir Trust is a UK-based charitable incorporated organisation, which supports exhibitions, publications, educational activities and other programmes related to Islamic culture and history and Muslim-Christian relations. The Altajir Trust was founded in 1982 by His Excellency Mohamed Mahdi Altajir, a former Ambassador of the United Arab Emirates to Britain and is financed through his charitable donations.</p> <p>The Al Tajir Trust's current focus is on a programme of grants and partnerships with other institutions to advance science, education, religious understanding, and research in the UK or any of the Arab or other Islamic states.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Organisations working on projects that promote Islamic studies by Muslim and non-Muslim scholars and the advancement of understanding and appreciation of Islamic culture and history.</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>Discretionary</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>An application form can be found on the website.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>On going</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 020 7581 3522 Email: richard@altajirtrust.org.uk</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://altajirtrust.org.uk/</p>

Benefact Trust – Building Improvement Grants



Aims/priorities:	This fund aims to provide essential support to protect and enhance Christian church and charity buildings, ensuring their continued use and viability, and the safeguarding of their heritage.
Who can apply?	This programme is open to churches, cathedrals, denominational bodies, and Christian charities.
Grant amount:	Discretionary
Application process:	Online application forms are available from the website.
Deadline:	Ongoing
Contact:	Tel: 01452 873189 Email: info@benefacttrust.co.uk
Website:	https://www.benefacttrust.co.uk/grants/building-improvement-grants/


GENERAL

<p>Army Benevolent Fund – Grants to Organisations</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The funding is intended to support charities and organisations with projects and activities that directly benefit the Army community in six key areas: independent living, elderly care, education and employability, mental fitness, families and housing.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>All registered charities and other organisations which support the Army community, which includes veterans, serving soldiers, their families and immediate dependants, may apply.</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>No maximum or minimum stated, but unlikely to be over £15k</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Any charity we have not supported in the previous 24 months must always contact us in advance by emailing externalgrants@armybenevolentfund.org before making a formal submission.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>June 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 020 7901 8900 Email: externalgrants@armybenevolentfund.org</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://armybenevolentfund.org/need-our-help/charity-grants/</p>

Shaping the Future: A Fund to Support Leadership in the Migration Sector



<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The Fund has three main objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting organisations and networks’ leadership development: Provide support to organisations and networks to develop their leadership capacity and capability. • Supporting holistic leadership development: Support approaches to leadership development which centre anti-oppressive practice, wellbeing and sustainability, build on the strengths and assets of field practice and support leaders to develop their knowledge and skill set in relation to systems change. • Creating impact beyond the initiative: Generate learning, insights, connections and shared action on leadership as well as the practice of participatory grant-making that ripple beyond the parameters of the initiative, informing wider funder and field practice.
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Organisations and groups working in the UK refugee and migration sector can apply. It is not a requirement to be a registered charity, however, all funding received must be spent on charitable purposes.</p> <p>Individuals, organisations and collaborative partnerships must be UK based, led by or be collaborating with leaders with lived experience of the UK refugee and migration sector.</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>Three funding pots are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individuals: Grants of up to £10,000 to support personal leadership development. • Organisations: Grants of £10,000 and £60,000 to strengthen leadership within organisations. • Collaborative partnerships: Grants of £60,000 and £100,000 to support collaborative initiatives that foster leadership across networks.
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Online application</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>12th March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 07494 152 877 Email: mex@global-dialogue.org</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://global-dialogue.org/shaping-the-future-a-fund-to-support-leadership-in-the-migration-sector/</p>


Weaver's Company Benevolent Fund	 THE WEAVERS' COMPANY
Aims/priorities:	<p>The funding is intended for registered charities working in the current priority areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting offenders and ex-offenders into work, specifically for those looking to build skills and capability to get into sustainable work. • Helping specific groups within the criminal justice sector that are less popular with funders than others. <p>The secondary funding area is focused on projects that work with young people (up to age 25 years) from disadvantaged and socio-economically challenged groups, such as immigrants, to ensure they are given every possible chance to realise their full potential and to participate fully in society.</p>
Who can apply?	<p>Applications will be accepted from UK registered charities and charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs). In exceptional circumstances Community Interest Companies (CICs) may be considered.</p>
Grant amount:	<p>There are two levels of funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small grants of up to £5,000. • Main Grants have no maximum amount.
Application process:	<p>The completed form must be printed, signed and posted to the Trust's office along with the supporting documents. It must arrive by midday on the closing date.</p>
Deadline:	13 th March 2025
Contact:	Tel: 020 7606 1155 Email: charity@weavers.org.uk
Website:	https://www.weavers.org.uk/


Help the Homeless Grant Scheme



Aims/priorities:	<p>It provides funding for charitable organisations with the aim of helping homeless people return to the community and enabling them to rebuild their lives.</p> <p>Funding is targeted at projects to find practical ways to help disadvantaged individuals return to the community through training or residential facility provision, rather than merely providing short term shelter.</p> <p>The reasons for being homeless vary enormously, but may include ill-health, those who are discharged offenders, addictions, family breakdown or other adverse circumstances. Homelessness is not just about the people that the public sees and thinks about – principally “rough sleepers” living on the streets – but a whole range of people who lack a stable home.</p>
Who can apply?	Registered Charities with a turnover of less than £500,000
Grant amount:	Up to £5,000
Application process:	Online application form via the website
Deadline:	15 th March 2025
Contact:	Via the website
Website:	https://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/applying-for-funding/

HEALTH & WELLBEING


Ulverscroft Foundation  Ulverscroft Foundation	
Aims/priorities:	The Foundation supports charities, community interest groups and social groups in the UK and worldwide with projects that help visually impaired people. Grants can only be considered if the VI element is significant.
Who can apply?	VCSE organisation
Grant amount:	Between £100 and £500,000
Application process:	<p>Applications can be made in writing by post or email and should include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Details of the current service, if any, that the applicant organisation provides to the visually impaired and how this will be improved or enhanced by the proposed project. • An estimate of how many visually impaired people currently use organisation's service, and how many will use it in the future. • Details of any other funding obtained and the names of other organisations that have been applied to. • A copy of the applicant's latest annual report and accounts. • Confirmation that the organisation has a safeguarding policy for vulnerable children and/or adults, as appropriate. • Confirmation that the organisation has an equal opportunities policy.
Deadline:	15 th March 2025
Contact:	Tel: 0116 236 1595 Email: foundation@ulverscroft.co.uk
Website:	https://www.ulverscroft-foundation.org.uk/


The Happiness Fund	
Aims/priorities:	<p>Funding is intended to build happy, strong, resilient communities by supporting grassroots, not-for-profit projects that enable sustainable outcomes in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health wellbeing and happiness • Inclusion • Learning and skills development <p>The fund is intended to help new groups and activities, to be successful. Applicants will need to indicate how the activity/group can become self-sustaining or able to attract funding from other sources in the longer term.</p>
Who can apply?	<p>Small VCSE organisations including CIC's. New groups or projects will be prioritised.</p> <p>To apply for the fund your project must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based in your local community. • Non-profit • Non-political • Focused on longevity.
Grant amount:	Up to £5,000
Application process:	Online application form via website
Deadline:	28 th March 2025
Contact:	<p>Tel: 0844 800 1701</p> <p>Email: stephw@laughology.co.uk</p>
Website:	https://www.laughology.co.uk/no-category/the-happiness-fund-2



Aims/priorities:	The funding is intended to support children and young adults under the age of 25 to take part in organised activities that allow them hands-on experience of photographic techniques. Activities must have the ultimate aim of achieving a beneficial therapeutic effect on the children's or young people's physical and/or mental health and wellbeing.
Who can apply?	Applications can be made by the artist or photographer who will be leading the project or by charitable organisations on their behalf.
Grant amount:	£ 1,500
Application process:	An application consists of: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The completed application cover form 2. A project description – one A4 sheet 3. A detailed budget - one A4 sheet 4. A brief CV of the project leader(s) – one A4 sheet 5. Up to 4 jpeg images at 72-120 dpi.
Deadline:	2 nd April 2025
Contact:	Email: info@cowardphotography.org
Website:	https://www.cowardphotography.org/photographic-art-therapy

HERITAGE

<p>Memorial Grant Scheme</p>	 <p>Department for Culture Media & Sport</p>
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The Memorial Grant Scheme is a VAT reclaim scheme which means the funding is intended to cover the costs of VAT already paid.</p> <p>The funding is intended for registered charities or faith groups excepted from registering as a charity to help with the cost of works like repairing and cleaning public memorials or installing a new memorial.</p> <p>The memorial can commemorate a person/people, an animal/s or event/s.</p> <p>The funding can only be provided for works that have already taken place. It cannot be used for future works. Part-funding is available for ongoing work for parts of the work which have been completed.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Charities and faith groups who are not registered for VAT can apply for funding on any VAT charged for eligible costs.</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>£1,000</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>the online application form, and a PDF version of the application form can be found on the website.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>31st March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 0800 500 3009 Email: grants@memorialgrant.org.uk</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/applying-for-a-memorial-grant</p>


<p>The Ironmongers' Company</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>Funding is intended to primarily support the conservation of historic ironwork or the creation of new decorative iron or steel work.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Applications are accepted from registered charities, churches and schools for projects in the UK.</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>The majority of grants awarded are under £5,000.</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Applicants should email charities@ironmongers.org with no more than four A4 pages, not including photos, giving details of the project including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A description of the property, the ironwork, its relevance and the work required • Conservation plan/craftsman's drawings/photographs as applicable • A full breakdown of the costs involved • The amount of money already raised for the project • The proposed dates for starting and finishing the work • Plans for ongoing preventative maintenance of the ironwork • Public access arrangements and visitor numbers where appropriate • The Company expects any conservation of historic ironwork to follow the National Heritage Ironwork Group's Conservation Principles. Your application should confirm that your project will meet these standards.
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>10th March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 020 7776 2311 Email: charities@ironmongers.org</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://www.ironmongers.org/supporting-iron-projects</p>


Heritage Crafts Association - Endangered Crafts Fund




Aims/priorities:	The funding is intended to support projects focusing on crafts listed as endangered or critically endangered on the Red List of Endangered Crafts. It provides opportunities for makers and trainees to develop or share their skills in these high-risk crafts.
Who can apply?	Applications will be accepted from individuals and voluntary and community organisations that can demonstrate that they are working the skills and knowledge that are listed on the Red List of Endangered Crafts.
Grant amount:	Discretionary
Application process:	Application information can be found on the website
Deadline:	25 th April 2025
Contact:	Email: info@heritagecrafts.org.uk
Website:	https://www.heritagecrafts.org.uk/ecf/


OLDER PEOPLE

<p>Woodroffe Benton Foundation</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The Foundation aims to support charitable projects in the UK that provide care for the sick and elderly.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>The Trustees prefer to support smaller charities.</p> <p>To be eligible, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a UK registered charity based in the UK with an annual income of less than £750,000. • Have at least one full set of Accounts following charity registration.
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>£2,500</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Online application form via the website.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>31st March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Email: secretary@woodroffebenton.org.uk</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://www.woodroffebenton.org.uk/</p>

Home Instead Charities	
Aims/priorities:	The funding is intended to support local community events that enhance and enrich the lives of people over the age of 55 to combat loneliness and sometimes isolation ensuring they stay fit, active, healthy and connected and contributing to their local communities.
Who can apply?	Applications are accepted from small community groups and charities in the UK.
Grant amount:	<p>There are two levels of funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants of up to £500 for small grass roots organisations. • Grants of up to £1,500 for small local registered charities. Larger grants can be considered for exceptional projects.
Application process:	Applicants should complete the online form on the website
Deadline:	Open between 1 st April and 30 th April 2025
Contact:	<p>Tel: 01925 730 273</p> <p>Email: charities@homeinstead.co.uk</p>
Website:	https://www.homeinstead.co.uk/charities/how-we-do-it/apply-for-a-grant/

<p>McCarthy Stone Foundation - Dementia Grants Programme</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The programme aims to support organisations providing services for people over 65 years old with dementia in areas of deprivation affecting older people in Great Britain. Memory cafes and dementia clubs are supported.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Community organisations, registered charities and other groups (including CICs limited by guarantee) working in England, Scotland or Wales may apply. Exempt charities will also be considered.</p> <p>Organisations must have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An annual income less than £250,000. • A governing document. • A registered bank account in the name of the organisation.
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>Up to £7,500</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>The online application form is available from the website.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>14th March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 01202 292480</p> <p>Email: Graeme.Marsh@mccarthyandstone-foundation.org.uk</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://mccarthyandstonefoundation.org/our-grant-programmes/</p>

SPORT & RECREATION

<p>Peter Harrison Foundation - Active Lives Grant Programme</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>Your project must meet all three of the following priorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Work with people living with disabilities in the top 10% of areas of deprivation (Indices of Multiple Deprivation decile 1) AND 2. From organisations with a track record of working with this population AND 3. Have a robust plan for wider impact of the project through dissemination, training etc
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Applications are accepted from UK organisations that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are either a registered charity or a registered CASC (Community Amateur Sports Club). • Have been registered with the charity regulator for two years or more (charity applicants). • Have been registered as a CASC for two years or more (CASC applicants). • Have produced independently examined or audited accounts for at least one full year of operation.
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>£5,001 to £30,000 over 1,2 or 3 years</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Applicants should first register online through the Peter Harrison Foundation's website and then complete an initial application. Successful applicants at this stage will be invited to complete a full application.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>1st April 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 01737 228000 Email: enquiries@peterharrisonfoundation.org</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://peterharrisonfoundation.org/about-our-grant-programmes/active-lives/</p>

<p>Dan Maskell Tennis Trust</p>	
<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>The Trust offers small grants to help disabled people to play tennis through the purchase of wheelchairs, tennis equipment and grants for coaching.</p>
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>Disability groups and programmes, clubs, schools and associations in the UK are eligible to apply. Individuals are also eligible to apply.</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>£ 1,600</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Application forms are available to complete online on the website.</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>13th April 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Tel: 01737 831707 Email: info@danmaskelltennistrust.org.uk</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://www.danmaskelltennistrust.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/grant-criteria-application-notes/</p>

<p>Aims/priorities:</p>	<p>This fund aims to support community groups in delivering sustainable walking, wheeling, and cycling activities to people in their local area.</p> <p>Successful applicants will receive a package of support including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant funding of up to £5,000. • Training and development opportunities. • Opportunities to participate in networking and knowledge sharing. • General support and advice. • Signposting to other opportunities.
<p>Who can apply?</p>	<p>VCSE organisations (including CICs with at least two unrelated directors), educational institutions</p>
<p>Grant amount:</p>	<p>Up to £5,000</p>
<p>Application process:</p>	<p>Application forms are available from the TfGM website</p>
<p>Deadline:</p>	<p>17th March 2025</p>
<p>Contact:</p>	<p>Email: wheelsandwalks@tfgm.com</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://www.beeactive.tfgm.com/wheels-and-walks/</p>

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 The logo for Bury Voluntary Community & Faith Alliance features a large green letter 'B' containing the white letters 'VG' and 'FA'. To the right of the 'B', the text 'BURY VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY & FAITH ALLIANCE' is written in a green, sans-serif font.	<p>Bury Voluntary Community and Faith Alliance First Floor, Castle Buildings, Market Place, Bury, BL9 0LD Email: fundinganddevelopment@buryvcfa.org.uk Website: https://www.buryvcfa.org.uk/</p>
 The logo for Bolton CVS features the word 'bolton' in a lowercase, rounded font with a multi-colored gradient (yellow, orange, red, pink). Below it, 'CVS' is written in a bold, pink, sans-serif font.	<p>Bolton CVS (Community and Voluntary Services) The Hub, Bold Street, Bolton, BL1 1LS Tel: 01204 546 010 Email: funding@boltoncvcs.org.uk Website: www.boltoncvcs.org.uk</p>
 The logo for Macc features a stylized graphic of vertical bars in green, yellow, and red to the left of the word 'Macc' in a purple, sans-serif font. Below 'Macc' is the text 'Manchester's local voluntary & community sector support organisation' in a smaller, purple font.	<p>Macc St Thomas Centre, Ardwick Green North, Manchester, M12 6FZ Tel: 0161 834 9823 Email: info@mcrcommunitycentral.org Website: www.manchestercommunitycentral.org</p>
 The logo for Salford CVS features a purple rounded rectangle containing a white stylized figure with arms raised. To the right of the figure, the text 'Salford CVS' is written in a white, sans-serif font, with the tagline 'Making a difference in Salford' in a smaller white font below it.	<p>Salford CVS The Old Town Hall, 5 Irwell Place, Salford, M30 0FN Tel: 0161 787 7795 Email: AnneMarie.Marshall@salfordcvcs.co.uk Website: www.salfordcvcs.co.uk</p>