

# Funding Insight



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## **Funding for Projects that Provide Targeted Support for Veterans in Hospital Settings (UK)**

The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust are making grants of up to £120,000 available for projects across the UK that pilot better ways of supporting veterans and their families when they are in a hospital setting.

To be eligible for this funding, the applicants you must be:

- a Veteran Aware NHS hospital in England that is a member or aspirant member of the Veterans' Covenant Healthcare Alliance (VCHA) at time of application or
- a hospital in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland that can show support of the aims of the Veterans' Covenant Healthcare Alliance

The Supporting Armed Forces in Acute Hospital Settings programme will pilot innovative projects that provide targeted support for veterans.

The programme will provide funding towards the costs of employing the full time equivalent of an additional NHS member of staff to deliver the project for up to two years, as well as line management costs, a modest communications budget, and training materials.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 4th June 2021.

### **Useful Links:**

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<https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/supporting-armed-forces-in-acute-hospital-settings-programme/#eligibility>

## Support for Armed Forces Communities (UK)

The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust has launched a new funding programme to enable local authorities to continue to help people from Armed Forces communities access services and support in their local areas.

Through the Sustaining Delivery programme, local authorities that received funding under the [Strengthening Delivery of the Covenant programme](#) can apply for grants of £25,000 for up to one year:

- continue or finalise project activities;
- and/or to embed the work that was delivered with their initial grant to improve integration and engagement of the Armed Forces Community within the wider community.

Funding could be used to cover costs such as IT, staff, volunteers, costs for storing and transporting items, and overheads.

The deadline for applications is midday on the 11th June 2021.

### Useful Links:

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<https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/sustaining-delivery-of-the-armed-forces-covenant-programme/>

## Grants to Support Nature Conservation & Biodiversity Improvements (UK)

Applications are now being accepted to the latest round of the NatureSave Trust's grant programme. Each year the Trust donates 10% of their income generated from Naturesave Insurance and uses these funds to support environmental projects across the UK.

This funding round will provide grants of between £500 to £2,500 to charities and voluntary and grassroots organisations for projects focused on nature conservation and biodiversity improvements.

Previous projects which have been funded include an initiative to reduce the amount of running gear that ends up in landfill, a wood recycling service, a batcam, an owl nest box scheme, and a new electric heating system for an eco-activity centre.

The deadline for applications is the 30th June 2021.

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<https://www.naturesave.co.uk/naturesave-trust/>

## **Funding to Support Disadvantaged Young People and Offenders (UK)**

The Weavers' Company, a textile-related, charitable and sociable organisation, has announced that the next closing date for its grants programme is the 19th November 2021.

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

- Supporting offenders and ex-offenders, particularly those under 30 years of age
- Helping disadvantaged young people

To be eligible for funding, local organisations such as those working in a village, estate or small town should normally have an income of less than £100,000. Those working across the UK or in larger areas should normally have an income of not more than £250,000. Grants are usually given for one year.

Applicants must show that they have investigated other sources of funding and made plans for the future, which should include replacement funding if appropriate.

For further advice and information about the Company's Charitable Grants or to receive an application form by e-mail, please contact Anne Howe, Charities Officer Tel: 020 7606 1155 / e-mail: [charity@weavers.org.uk](mailto:charity@weavers.org.uk)

To apply for a grant, complete the application form online, then print the form and mail it to The Weavers' Company together with your supporting documents.

### **Useful Links:**

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

## Leeds Building Society Charitable Foundation Grant (UK)

UK registered charities working to help those at disadvantage in society can apply to the Leeds Building Society Charitable Foundation for support. Grants of between £250 - £1,000 are available to cover the costs involved in directly supporting those in need including those with disabilities, affected by homelessness, or with serious health issues.

Previous grants have gone to organisations supporting young people in applying for jobs and towards the purchase of a portable multi-sensory environment, that will turn any room into a sensory room.

Donations usually fund items of "capital expenditure" i.e. items must directly help those in need, rather than contributing to the charity's running costs.

The Foundation accepts applications from UK registered charities with a turnover of less than £1 million per year.

Applications are reviewed every quarter. The next deadline for applications is the 2nd August 2021.

Projects [previously funded](#) include:

- SASH, an organisation that provides guidance on creating CVs and applying for jobs to aid homeless 16 to 25-year olds, received £985.
- Byker Community Association received £500 to buy new books and build an interactive story hub designed by the children of Byker themselves.

### Useful Links:

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

## **The Co-op Local Community Fund Re-opens for Applications (UK, Isle of Man)**

The Co-op have announced a new funding round to support projects which benefit local communities in the vicinity of Co-op Food Stores and funeral homes across the UK and the Isle of Man.

The Co-op Local Community Fund will fund projects which help local communities come together to help those in need by providing access to essentials such as:

- enabling people to access food and co-operate together to feed everyone
- helping improve people's mental wellbeing
- offering young people opportunities to develop new skills and make a difference in their community

Preference will be given to organisations with an income of less than £1 million a year.

The fund is open to registered charities, locally-based voluntary and community groups and other not-for-profit organisations.

The closing date for applications is midnight on the 30th May 2021 to submit their applications.

### **Useful Links:**

[Local Community Fund terms and conditions](#)

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<https://causes.coop.co.uk/>

## **Grants to Support Projects in Horticulture, Plant Sciences, Fine Art & Art History (UK)**

UK charities and charitable organisations, including school Parent Teacher Associations, are eligible to apply for grants of up to £10,000 to support projects in the areas of horticulture, plant sciences, fine art and art history.

The Finnis Scott Foundation will award funding to cover capital or revenue expenditure, with preference given to smaller organisations where the grant will have a significant impact.

The Foundation also makes grants to individuals by means of bursaries, traineeships or apprenticeships, but only through a sponsoring educational establishment or registered charity.

The next closing date for applications is 4pm on the 4th June 2021, for the next trustees meeting in July.

### **Useful Links:**

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<https://www.finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

## Royal Society of Chemistry – Outreach Fund (UK)

Individuals and organisations such as researchers, museums, schools, community groups, not-for-profit organisations, arts groups and libraries can apply for grants of up to £10,000 to run chemistry-based events and activities for public audiences and in schools.

Applications for schools engagement activities should demonstrate how the proposed activities will:

- enrich student's chemistry education and not solely deliver the curriculum
- provide students with opportunities to explore chemistry through local contexts, AND/OR
- demonstrate career opportunities and develop employability skills, AND/OR
- provide opportunities which would not normally be accessible to the students taking part, e.g for hard-to-reach student audiences.

Applications for public engagement activities should demonstrate how the proposed activities will:

- increase chemists' visibility as approachable people AND/OR
- increase the public's confidence in discussing chemistry AND/OR
- demonstrate the relevance of chemistry to everyday interests and concerns.

The Outreach Fund is split into two categories: small grants - up to £5,000 and large grants - up to £10,000.

Previously funded projects include "Cool chemistry at the seaside" where the Society awarded a grant of £2,000 to volunteers in Ramsgate who transformed an empty town-centre shop into a makeshift theatre, delivering free chemistry demonstrations to anyone.

The closing date for applications to the small grants programmes is the 7th June 2021.

The closing date for applications to the large grants programmes is the 6th September 2021.

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<https://www.rsc.org/awards-funding/funding/outreach-fund/>

## **Funding for Schools to Work with International Partners and to Develop Global Learning Activities (UK)**

The British Council in partnership with the Department for International Development is inviting state funded schools to apply to the Connecting Classrooms through Global Learning Programme to enable UK schools to work with partner schools overseas; focusing on global themes. The programme provides grants to clusters of schools.

Fee paying schools can opt to join a [cluster group](#) with state-funded schools and still benefit from many elements of the programme. However, any fee-paying schools that want to organise a visit overseas would need to self-fund their trip.

Clusters of Schools can apply for grants of up to £35,000 to support a wide range of global learning activities. Whilst reciprocal visits are currently suspended due to the Coronavirus crisis grant funding is available to help schools collaborate virtually with your overseas partner school. Schools can still apply for funding for travel at a later date.

To apply for funding, a cluster must have a minimum of two UK schools and two schools from a [participating country outside the UK](#).

The next closing date for applications is the 14th June 2021.

### **Useful Links:**

[Apply Online](#)

[Participating Countries](#)

[Partner Finding Tool](#)

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<https://connecting-classrooms.britishcouncil.org/funding>

## Funding for Large Scale Built and Natural Environment Projects - Deadline Reminder (England, Scotland and Wales)

Biffa Award has launched a new funding round through its Biffa Award Partnership Grants scheme. Grants of between £250,000 and £750,000 are available for:

**Built Environment** projects that transform cultural, heritage or visitor centres. They should inspire and promote learning, creativity and participation on a grand scale. Previous projects funded under this theme include the redevelopment of a spectacular science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) experience at Winchester Science Museum.

**Natural Environment** projects that restore or improve the environment and the natural systems or habitats that support it. Previous projects funded under this theme include reintroducing Beavers to Knapdale Forest in Scotland, restoring 100 hectares of peatlands in the North Pennines and creating hundreds of acres of rich pollinator habitat and wildflower meadows across England and Wales.

Preference will be given to projects in which Biffa Award is the majority funder; which work in partnership with other organisations; and which engage with people through improving their knowledge of the asset.

To be eligible for funding the applicant organisation and project must be eligible for enrolment and registration with the scheme regulator, ENTRUST. This will be a condition of any grant approved. Each project site must be within 15 miles of a significant Biffa operation or active Biffa landfill site. A postcode checker is on the Biffa Award website.

The closing date for submitting an online Expressions of Interest is noon on the 1st June 2021.

### Useful Links:

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<https://www.biffa-award.org/partnerships/>

## **Grants to Promote Railway Arch Businesses (England & Wales)**

Match-funding grants of up to £2,500 are available to help tenants of The Arch Company run events and activities to promote their business.

Any individual tenant or group of tenants across England and Wales can apply for a grant to help run activities on Arch Day 2021, such as promotional offers for customers, branded decorations for the festivities, or live entertainment. Funding will help business owners that operate beneath the railway arches to attract new customers, support the local community, and promote their services for greater business awareness.

Applicants will need to match the funding that they are applying for. For example, a business applying for a grant of £500 will need to have raised matched funding of £500.

The Fund will be administered by Groundwork London.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 17th May 2021.

### **Useful Links:**

[Prospectus](#)

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<https://www.groundwork.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/national-grants/arch-day-2021/>

## **Capital Grants to Support Brownfield Land Release & Self and Custom-Build Projects (England)**

The One Public Estate (OPE) partnership has launched the Brownfield Land Release Fund to support local authorities across England to release brownfield sites for housing development and self and custom-build plots.

OPE partnerships are invited to coordinate applications to the £75 million fund from local authorities, of which, £25 million will be allocated for self and custom-build projects.

Funding is available for site levelling, groundworks and demolition, small scale infrastructure, highway works for access, addressing environmental constraints and providing services to plots.

The deadline for applications is 11:59pm on the 2nd June 2021.

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<https://www.local.gov.uk/ope-brownfield-land-release-fund>

## **Funding to Support the Creative Development of Individual Cultural and Creative Practitioners (England)**

Arts Council England have reopened their Developing Your Creative Practice Fund to help individual cultural and creative practitioners explore new ways of working and to better respond to the changing environment as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Grants of between £2,000 and £10,000 are available to help individuals with their own creative development which could include research, time to create new work, travel, training, developing ideas, networking or mentoring.

Eligibility has been expanded to include practitioners such as DJs, performer/creators, arts and cultural educators, community practitioners/engagement specialists, movement directors, and creative technicians.

The programme is being supported with £18 million of National Lottery Funding.

There will be a total of four funding rounds between October 2020 and October 2021 and the deadline for applications for the current round is 12pm on the 27th May 2021.

### **Useful Links:**

[Case Studies](#)

[Application Quiz](#)

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<https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/DYCP>

## Summer Schools Programme Opens to Applications to Help Students Recover Lost Learning (England)

Schools in England can now register to offer a summer school to help students recover learning they have lost during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Schools are encouraged to bid for a share of £200 million in government funding to support children who have experienced the most disruption by offering two-week summer schools that provide a blend of educational, sport, enrichment and wellbeing activities, with a focus on pupils making the transition into year 7.

The Summer Schools programme will provide schools with the flexibility to target the funding to whoever they think could benefit most. Schools can register for the Summer Schools programme [here](#). The deadline for registering is the 7th May 2021.

Schools will be expected to release plans of their summer schools to parents during May and June 2021.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-summer-schools-programme-funding/coronavirus-covid-19-summer-schools-programme-funding-sign-up-form-guidance>

## Funding for the Restoration of Historic Buildings (England)

Not-for-profit organisations, such as charitable incorporated organisations, community interest companies and parish and town councils can apply for grants of up to £350,000 towards the capital costs of restoring redundant or underused historic buildings in Town Centres for the benefit of the local community.

The funding is being made available through the Transformational Project Grants scheme which is administered by the Architectural Heritage Fund and is part of the wider £15 million Transforming Places Through Heritage Programme and support restoration projects that:

- will make a positive impact on the vitality and distinctiveness of the local area.
- include introducing new uses for the building and offering new
- opportunities for local people;
- bringing vacant floor space or whole buildings into use;
- having the potential to act as a catalyst for nearby owners to revitalise their property.

The deadline for applications is the 31st July 2021.

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<http://ahfund.org.uk/england>

## **National Lottery Project Funding Opens for Applications (Northern Ireland)**

The Arts Council of Northern Ireland has launched a new funding round to support organisations to develop and deliver future arts projects.

The National Lottery Project Funding Programme will provide grants of between £10,001 and £50,000 to a wide range of organisations for projects which contribute to the growth of arts in the community for new and existing audiences and which reflect the diversity of Northern Ireland's society and culture.

Under-represented groups as well as organisations working with children and young people, older people, and those with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Applicants will need to find a minimum of 10% partnership funding. For statutory bodies the minimum partnership funding needed is 50%.

The deadline for applications is 12 noon on the 1st June 2021.

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<http://artscouncil-ni.org/news/national-lottery-project-funding-opens-for-applications>

## **Grants for Projects that Have a Positive Impact on Communities & the Environment (North of England)**

Charities and other good causes in the North of England can apply for funding for projects that have a positive impact on communities and the environment.

Registered charities can apply for grants up to £20,000, whilst small organisations and community groups that are not formally registered as a charity can apply for up to £2,000 to support both project and organisation core costs.

Funded by players of the People's Postcode Lottery, the Postcode Neighbourhood Trust will award grants monthly until October 2021 to organisations with an annual income of below £1million.

This funding round is open from the 3rd May 2021 until 5pm on the 17th May 2021, or until 100 bids have been submitted, whichever comes first.

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<https://www.postcodeneighbourhoodtrust.org.uk/>

## Funding Available to Schools to Raise the Attainment of Children from Disadvantaged Backgrounds (North East, North West and Yorkshire and Humber)

Schools in the North of England can apply for funding to help raise the attainment for children from low income homes. The funding is available to try out new ideas to improve teaching and learning in schools and help the best ideas grow to scale.

The funding aims to address the following priorities:

- [Ready for School](#): improving the school readiness of children during the reception year, with a priority focus on language and communication skills (age 4-5)
- [Bridging the Gap](#): supporting vulnerable children who may not meet Age Related Expectations at primary school to make better academic progress during Key Stage 3 (age 9-14)
- [Flying High](#): supporting high attaining students to build on their achievements at primary school and stay on a high attaining trajectory during the first few years at secondary school (age 9-14)
- [Let Teachers Shine](#): Backing passionate teachers to test new innovations in the classroom. This is currently closed to applications.

The funding is being made available through the educational charity Shine and funding decisions are made four times a year. typically in March, June, September and December.

Any grants to non-school organisations, including to other charities, will need to involve a strong element of co-delivery and/or training for schools, with the aim of the project becoming sustainable without SHINE over time.

On average, it takes 3-6 months between initial contact with the SHINE office to a grants decision being reached.

If you have an idea which you think may meet our funding criteria, please email [info@shinetrust.org.uk](mailto:info@shinetrust.org.uk) with a basic outline detailing the following points, in no more than 3-4 paragraphs:

- An overview of the project and its aims, specifically related to academic attainment in maths, literacy or science;
- How it would meet SHINE's core priorities;
- The number of beneficiaries and schools it would reach; and
- The overall project budget and size of request to SHINE.

The normal range of SHINE grant funding for the full duration of a 2-3 year project is around £20,000-£100,000.

The deadlines for applications are usually around the end of January, the end of April and the end of October each year.

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<https://www.shinetrust.org.uk/what-we-do/>

## **Funding to Support Local Communities & the Environment (West Midlands & South West England)**

Charities and other good causes in the West of England can apply for funding for projects that have a positive impact on communities and the environment. Registered Charities can apply for grants up to £20,000 to support both project and organisation core costs.

Small organisations and community groups that are not formally registered as a charity can apply for up to £2,000. Funded by players of the People's Postcode Lottery, the Postcode Local Trust will award grants monthly until October 2021 to organisations with an annual income of below £1 million. Preference will be given to those with an income of below £500,000 per year. A limited number of applications will be accepted each month.

The next deadline for applications is the 17th May 2021.

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<https://www.postcodelocaltrust.org.uk/>

## **School Holiday Activity Fund (London)**

Grants of up to £4,000 are available to enable registered charities and mainstream state schools to deliver fun and accessible activities for children and young people during the school holidays.

The John Lyon's Charity's School Holiday Activity Fund (SHAF) will pay for the running costs of holiday programmes which provide activities in accordance with current Government Guidelines for young people in the boroughs of:

- Barnet,
- Brent,
- Camden,
- Ealing,
- Hammersmith & Fulham,
- Harrow,
- Kensington & Chelsea,
- Westminster,
- City of London.

Costs could include sessional staffing costs, transport for children with special needs and/or disabilities, digital delivery, equipment, and food during activities.

Applications for the Summer Holiday 2021 must be submitted by the 1st June 2021.

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<https://www.jlc.london/grants/our-grant-funds/school-holiday-activity-fund/>

## **Funding to Support the Unemployed into Employment, Training or Education (London and South of England)**

The Education and Skills Funding Agency and the European Social Fund has launched a new funding round to support local initiatives that will enable economically inactive or unemployed people aged 16 years and over move towards employment, training or education.

Grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 are available through the ESF Community Grants programme to voluntary and third sector organisations and small businesses across three Local Enterprise Partnership areas:

London North and East LEP: Barking & Dagenham, Bexley, Bromley, Enfield, Greenwich, Havering, Newham, Redbridge, Waltham Forest

Dorset LEP: Dorset, Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch

Thames Valley Berkshire LEP: West Berkshire, Reading, Bracknell, Wokingham, Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead

The programme is administered by Groundwork.

The deadline for applications is 9am on the 21st June 2021. Pre-application feedback is possible if submitted by 9am on the 14th June 2021.

Groundwork are offering two application workshops on the 11th and 20th May 2021. Use the link below to sign up to our upcoming workshops.

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<https://www.groundwork.org.uk/news-esfagrants-launched/>

## **Funding to Support Mental Health in Schools (Derby City & Derbyshire County)**

In recognition of concerns regarding the availability of mental health services for young people, the Foundation Derbyshire are making grants of up to £8,000 available to support mental health in schools.

The Rolls-Royce Fund 2021 will provide funding to any constituted Parent and Teacher Association or a similar organisation (friends of etc) in Derby City & Derbyshire County to support programmes and activities that focus on resilience, mindfulness, strategies for spotting and tackling mental health issues, exercise and techniques for better mental health.

Bids can focus on a certain year group or be open to the whole school.

The deadline for applications is the 28th May 2021. The fund may close earlier if too many applications are received before this date.

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<https://foundationderbyshire.org/funds/rolls-royce-fund-2021/>

## **Funding to Improve Parks & Green Spaces (Manchester)**

Manchester City Council are making £12.5 million available to support a range of capital investment opportunities to improve the city's parks and green spaces.

Local community and voluntary groups, Friends of groups, current parks operators, charities and companies can apply for two types of funding for projects that are based in, or will support the development of Manchester parks.

- Parks in Partnership is a one-year funding programme which will invest £960,000 directly into parks via local groups and organisations, with each Manchester ward receiving £30,000 for capital projects that raise standards.
- The four-year Parks Development Programme will support larger capital projects from £30,000 up to £2.5 million.

The deadline for applications is the 31st May 2021.

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[https://secure.manchester.gov.uk/info/200047/grants/8151/parks\\_improvements\\_funding\\_2021](https://secure.manchester.gov.uk/info/200047/grants/8151/parks_improvements_funding_2021)

# Funding Reminders

## **Phase 2 of the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme Opens for Applications (UK)**

Public Sector organisations can apply for funding of up to £5 million through the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme. A total of £75 million has been made available through the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy with a focus on heat decarbonisation that reduce that reduce non-traded emissions.

The following organisations are eligible to apply:

- Central government departments and their arm's length bodies (set out in Public Bodies as published by the Cabinet Office, see [here](#))
- For central government departments where their roles are reserved (i.e., not devolved Governments of Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland), funding may be used for estates located anywhere within the UK
- Emergency services
- Institutions of further and higher education
- Local authorities
- Maintained schools within the state education system, including academies, Multi-Academy Trusts and free schools
- Nursery schools maintained by a local authority
- NHS Trusts and Foundation Trusts

The funding can be used to install low carbon heating systems to replace a fossil-fueled heating system that are coming to the end of its useful life. A list of eligible technologies can be found [here](#).

Applicants can also use their own funds to top up a project which they wish to complete.

There is no application deadline, however, all projects that receive funding must be fully installed and completed before 31st March 2022.

### **Useful Links:**

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[https://www.salixfinance.co.uk/Phase\\_2\\_PSDS](https://www.salixfinance.co.uk/Phase_2_PSDS)

## **Sustaining Support for Armed Forces Communities (UK)**

In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust has launched a new £6 million programme to provide short-term support for existing charitable projects supporting Armed Forces communities in the UK.

The Sustaining Support to Armed Forces Communities programme will award grants of up to £100,000 to Armed Forces charities and charities with an existing track record of supporting Armed Forces communities.

Two funding tracks are available:

### ***Project Funding Track***

- Grants of up to £50,000 or up to £100,000
- For existing projects only that are well used by people from Armed Forces communities.
- Will fund up to 2 Full Time Equivalent staff to deliver your project or activity for a year; plus other reasonable costs.

### ***Core Funding Track***

- For Armed Forces Charities only
- Grants of up to £50,000 or up to £100,000
- Will fund up to two Full Time Equivalent core staff where that enables your organisation to keep delivering services.
- Can also apply for help for transformational costs to help your charity be in a stronger position to deliver services and support in future.

The deadline for applications is midday on the 4th June 2021.

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<https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/sustaining-support-for-armed-forces-communities-programme/>

## **Funding for Links with Japan (UK)**

Grants of £2,000 - £7,000 are available to promote and support interaction between the two countries. Daiwa Foundation Small Grants can cover all fields of activity, including educational and other projects and events. New initiatives are especially encouraged.

Projects that have received funding in the past include:

- Beckfoot School (Bingley) which received a grant of £3,000 to support a two-week curriculum-based school exchange visit by ten students and two teachers to Hiroshima Kokusai High School;
- Dene Magna School which received a grant of £4,000 to support a school exchange visit by three teachers and nine pupils to enhance links established in 2002 with two partner schools in Okinawa and to consolidate Japanese as part of its curriculum.

The next closing date for applications is the 30th September 2021.

### **Useful Documents:**

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<http://www.dajf.org.uk/grants-awards-prizes/daiwa-foundation-small-grants>

## **Funding to Build Stronger Connections Across Communities (UK)**

The National Lottery Community Fund is offering grants of up to £300,000 for community-led projects that brings communities across the UK together.

The Bringing People Together programme will support projects run by charities, voluntary and community organisations, CICs, CIOs and statutory bodies that build stronger connections across communities, and improve the infrastructure and conditions that are needed to strengthen these connections.

This is funding is from the National Lottery Community Fund UK Portfolio. The UK Portfolio is where the National Lottery Community Fund explores new approaches, experiments with how to do things differently, and look to fund work that is more future focused.

The Fund expects to make up to twenty awards over the next twelve months to enable organisations to deliver collaborative projects across at least two countries in the UK that focus on equality, diversity and inclusion, particularly amongst communities disproportionality affected by the pandemic such as people of colour, disabled people, LGBTQ+ people, and asylum or refugees seekers.

Applications can be made at any time.

### **Useful Links:**

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<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/bringing-people-together>

## **Funding for Charities that Support Black, Asian, and Ethnic Minority Communities (England & Wales)**

The Lloyds Bank Foundation has announced that its Racial Equity funding programme is open for applications. The programme supports charities with an annual income of between £25,000 and £1 million that are led by and support black, Asian, and ethnic minority (BAME) communities across England and Wales.

Two-year grants of £50,000 are available along with development support to help build organisational capacity, and improve resilience and sustainability. The funding will support initiatives which help people from BAME communities to overcome complex social issues such as:

- Addiction and dependency
- Asylum seekers and refugees
- Care leavers
- Domestic abuse
- Homelessness and vulnerably housed
- Learning disabilities
- Mental health
- Offending, prison or community service
- Sexual abuse and exploitation
- Trafficking and modern slavery
- Young parents

More than half of the trustee boards of those that apply must self-identify as Black, Asian or minority ethnic. This can also include Jewish communities, Gypsy & Traveler communities and some migrant communities.

Applications can be made at any time.

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[https://www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/we-fund/racial-equity?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=RE\\_2021](https://www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/we-fund/racial-equity?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=RE_2021)

## Taking Teaching Further Programme Re-opens for Applications (England)

The Education and Training Foundation has announced that round 4 of the Taking Teaching Further programme is now open for applications. The Taking Teaching Further programme is a national initiative to attract experienced industry professionals with expert technical knowledge and skills to work in Further Education (FE). The focus will be across any of the 15 technical teaching routes.

Round 4 will run from April 2021 until July 2023.

The programme's long-term aims are to:

- raise the profile and prestige of skilled FE teaching, particularly among industry professionals; and
- increase the overall number of skilled technical teaching roles by helping providers to support experienced industry professionals with the training that they require to become FE teachers.

Taking Teaching Further Round 4 funding is available for all FE providers with two routes to access the programme depending on provider type.

### Route 1

Route 1 of the programme is open to all FFE Colleges, Sixth Form Colleges, and Specialist Designated Institutions in England. Places will be made available to all colleges on a draw-down basis.

### Route 2

Route 2 of the programme is open to all independent training providers, employer led providers, third sector training providers, local authority providers, and adult and community learning providers. These places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis and it is strongly advised that providers register early for places.

For any questions or further information, please contact the Taking Teaching Further team via [takingteachingfurther@etfoundation.co.uk](mailto:takingteachingfurther@etfoundation.co.uk) or call 020 3740 8280.

### Useful Links:

[Route 1 Programme Guidance](#)

[Route 2 Programme Guidance](#)

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<https://www.et-foundation.co.uk/supporting/support-teacher-recruitment/taking-teaching-further/round-4-2021-23/>

## **Funding Available to Celebrate the Windrush Generation (England)**

Community groups, charities and grass root organisations across the UK can apply for funding to raise awareness of the Windrush Scheme, the Windrush Compensation Scheme or both.

The Home Office is making a total of £500,000 in funding available for phase two of the Windrush Community Fund. The fund is administered by Voice4Change England.

The funding is available to charities, community and grassroots organisations. Several organisations can work together on a project and apply as a consortium. There is no limit on the number of organisations that can be involved in a group bid. The maximum award for each application is £25,000.

Eligible organisations can apply for activities including:

- holding events
- producing and distributing marketing materials
- accessing and using communication channels
- securing support from partners

The closing date for applications is 11.59pm on the 30th June 2021.

### **Useful Links:**

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<https://voice4change-england.com/500k-windrush-community-fund-opens-for-bids/>

## **Funding to Restore Damaged Peatlands (Scotland)**

To further Scotland's aim of reaching net-zero by 2045, the Scottish Government has expanded the eligibility criteria to its £22 million Peatland Restoration Fund to restore damaged peatlands.

As well as smaller projects, this round will now include large-scale schemes over multiple years, enabling more flexible planning of projects and investment in people and machinery. NatureScot will administer some of the fund, with a portion going directly to national parks via the relevant National Park Authority.

Farmers, landowners and land managers have until midnight on the 30th September 2021 to apply for funding.

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<https://www.gov.scot/news/peatland-restoration-fund-tackles-global-climate-crisis/>

## **Funding to Prevent and Eradicate Violence Against Women & Girls (Scotland)**

Frontline organisations working to tackle violence against women and girls in Scotland can apply for a share of up to £13 million to help them develop and further their work over the next three years.

The Delivering Equally Safe Fund, has now re-opened to applications to support organisations and projects that broaden access to support survivors, with a focus on prevention and early intervention. Priority will be given to organisations supporting disabled survivors and working with those in remote or island communities.

It is anticipated that grants will range between £10,000 and over £1million per year, and can be used to cover core costs and project costs. Funding is provided by the Scottish Government and will be administered by Inspiring Scotland.

The deadline for applications is 12pm on the 28th May 2021.

To apply for funding, [please first register your interest here](#). Once registered, applicants will receive the online application forms and links to other supporting information required via email.

### **Useful Links:**

[Fund Guidance](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

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<https://www.inspiringscotland.org.uk/what-we-do/our-funds/delivering-equally-safe/>

## Grants for Projects to Help Prevent, or Reduce, the Risk of Heart Disease (Wales)

The Heart Research UK (HRUK) Healthy Heart grant scheme has re-opened for applications in Wales.

Not for profit groups, voluntary organisations are able to apply for up to £10,000 for projects that actively promote Heart Health and help to prevent, or reduce, the risk of heart disease.

This year, Healthy Hearts UK have adapted the criteria for their Healthy Heart Grants in response to the pandemic. They are now offering funding for projects that can be safely delivered during the pandemic, including:

- Funding for projects that can be delivered remotely or with social distancing measures in place that last up to 12 months. Although projects that last for several months may be preferable, Healthy Heart UK would consider shorter projects, such as one-off events that may last as little as one day or one week (e.g. a socially distanced or online workshop or community event; or a week-long training course).
- Grants for purchases of equipment only, such as exercise equipment, technology, blood pressure monitors, weighing scales etc). This will only be considered if the equipment can be safely used under current social distancing measures and the equipment should be used to promote heart health.

The closing date for applications is 5pm on the 18th May 2021.

### Useful Links:

[Other projects supported](#)

[FAQs](#)

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<https://heartresearch.org.uk/apply-for-grants/healthy-hearts/>

## **Funding to Enhance and Create Community Woodland Sites (Wales)**

Grants of between £10,000 and £250,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations for projects that will restore, enhance and in some instances acquire land to create new community woodlands in Wales.

Funding is available through the Community Woodlands Fund for community-led projects which create new blocks of woodland and improve existing woodland, such as street trees within an urban neighbourhood, or a broad corridor including a new footpath to link two existing woodlands.

Funding could be used for the installation of footpaths, and the adoption of a woodland by the local community. The Scheme is jointly funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund and the Welsh Government.

The deadline for applications is the 21st October 2021, but the Fund may close early if all money is allocated before this date.

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<https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding/community-woodlands>

## **Funding to Support the Maintenance and Sustainability of Historic Places of Worship (Northern Ireland)**

The National Churches Trust have launched their Treasure Ireland Project which will provide a new community grants programme that aims to support an improvement in the maintenance and sustainability of historic places of worship in Northern Ireland.

Grants of between £500 and £10,000 are available for urgent and essential maintenance and repair projects costing up to £100,000 at listed and unlisted churches, chapels and meeting houses of any Christian denomination built originally as places of worship more than 30 years ago. This might include roof repairs, rainwater goods maintenance and repairs, lime mortar and masonry repairs, stonework repairs, and repairs to window and door structures.

The deadline for applications is the 1st June 2021.

### **Useful Links:**

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<https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/our-grants/grants-northern-ireland>

## Grants Available for Community Relations Projects (Northern Ireland)

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to community development groups, cultural organisations, women's groups, church groups, tenants' associations and youth groups to help them to develop their capacity and confidence to engage in community relations work and to enhance the community relations potential of projects they undertake.

The Community Relations Council, with the support of Government, has established a fund of approximately £400,000 to spend each year on community relations projects. This grant scheme seeks to increase the ability and confidence of groups and organisations to identify and address issues that divide communities, to encourage the development networks of communication, trust and co-operation and to promote models of good practice for community relations work in Northern Ireland.

Grants may be awarded towards the cost of the following:

- Community events, festivals, residential activities.
- Seminars, workshops or discussion groups.
- Fees for trainers, speakers, artists or facilitators.
- Basic travelling costs within the North and South of Ireland.
- Venue hire and catering costs.
- Resource materials.
- Bursaries for community relations practitioners to attend conferences. (These are limited to one bursary per year for an individual from an applicant group).

The closing date for the CRCD Grant Scheme is the 1st November 2021. Funds are limited so early application is recommended.

Potential applicants that have any questions or would like to discuss a proposal prior to submitting an application please contact a member of the [Funding & Development Programme](#). Phone 028 9022 7500 or email [funding@nicrc.org.uk](mailto:funding@nicrc.org.uk)

### Useful Links:

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<https://www.community-relations.org.uk/community-relations-cultural-diversity#sthash.WyJYr0C0.dpuf>

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