

Other Funders

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Please note we update this list regularly, but it's there to help as many organisations and groups as possible, so if you find a new fund that's not on this directory, please do let us know so we can update it. Equally if you notice any changes, or a fund has closed, please do let us know. This is not an exhaustive list, but we hope it is helpful in your search for funding.

Arts Council England – Open Funds for a range of artistic, creative and cultural projects and activities.

<https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/our-open-funds>

Asda Foundation – Supports small, grass roots organisations in several ways throughout the year via a range of measures including grants and emergency donations. Providing support to empower communities, activities for children which contribute towards transforming communities and improving children's lives, cost of living grants, investing in Spaces and Places etc. <https://www.asdafoundation.org/foundation-grants>

BBC Children in Need – With a relatively new grant making strategy, BBC CiN provides funding for projects, core costs and emergency essentials that tie in providing better opportunities for children and young people who are experience disadvantage and challenges in their lives. In Spring 2023 they opened a new strand of funding for smaller or emerging organisations. Full details on their website <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/grants/apply/>

Big Local Fund - Big Local is an exciting opportunity for residents in 150 areas around England to use at least £1m to make a massive and lasting positive difference to their communities. <https://localtrust.org.uk/big-local/>

City Bridge Foundation – Provide grants to help communities foster connections, become more resilient and build a more equal London. <https://www.citybridgefoundation.org.uk/>

King Charles III Charitable Trust – The fund is primarily a grant making organisation, running both large & small grants programmes. The Trustees oversee all grantmaking, awarding grants across six funding themes. <https://www.kccf.org.uk/grantmaking/>

(The) Community Chest – Aims to support community organisations, social enterprises, and charities to deliver activities that benefit areas across London. Recommendation: Do a google search for your specific area e.g. type in Community chest Hillingdon, Community Chest Richmond etc. If nothing comes up it generally means a local fund is not open, but do keep looking. <https://www.communitychest.co.uk/>

(The) Conservation Foundation – Working to Inspire, Enable and celebrate positive environmental action in the UK and abroad. They create and manage environmental projects, awards schemes, awareness campaigns, publications and events covering wide ranging issues and aimed at difference and diverse audiences.

<https://conservationfoundation.co.uk/about-us/>

Ernest Cook Trust – Grants for registered charities, schools and not-for-profit organisations wishing to encourage young people's interest either in the countryside and the environment, the arts, or in science, or aiming to raise levels of literacy and numeracy. <https://ernestcooktrust.org.uk/grants/>

FareShare – Helps charities and community groups to access the free, unsold, surplus food from the local supermarket and food industry. <http://www.fareshare.org.uk/>

Finnis-Scott Foundation - UK charities and charitable organisations, including school Parent Teacher Associations, are eligible to apply for grants to support projects in the areas of horticulture, plant sciences, fine art and the enhancement, conservation and study of art. 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. <https://www.finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

Greggs Foundation Breakfast Club - Schools that are interested in applying for funding to open a breakfast club at their school <https://www.greggsfoundation.org.uk/breakfast-clubs>

John Lyon's Charity School Holiday Activity Fund (London) - Grants 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. Primarily focused on projects delivered in Barnet, Brent, Camden, Ealing, Hammersmith & Fulham, Harrow, Kensington & Chelsea, Westminster, City of London. <https://www.jlc.london/grants/schools/school-holiday-activity-fund-shaf/>

Landfill Tax Funding

Landfill funding has strict criteria, and you may need to be registered with ENTRUST to apply. We advise you read funding guidance information before applying, and talk to the organization(s) below about your project to check eligibility. They may be able to nominate an ENTRUST registered organisation that you could partner with on your project.

Biffa Awards - Awards grants to projects which provide or improve biodiversity, community spaces, cultural facilities, and places for outdoor recreation. You can apply for between £10,000 and £75,000, and the total cost of the project must be less than £200,000. <https://www.biffa-award.org/about-us/>

GrantScape Suez Community Fund – The Suez Communities Fund supports community and environmental improvement projects through the Landfill Communities Fund and Scottish Landfill Communities Fund, distributing funds contributed by SUEZ recycling and recovery UK. Grants of up to £50,000 for non for profit organisations in England and up to £40,00 for non for profit organisations in Scotland - <https://grantscape.org.uk/fund/suez-communities-fund/>

WREN - WREN helps benefit the lives of people who live close to landfill sites by awarding grants for community, conservation and heritage projects. Main Grants Scheme and Small Grants Scheme available. www.wren.org.uk

Veolia Trust – Awards grants towards projects which make improvements to community facilities and the natural environment. <https://www.veoliatrust.org/>

Leapfrog - Pure Leapfrog is dedicated to ensuring that community energy becomes a significant part of the sustainable energy mix in the UK. Their Community Energy Fund offers low interest loans for community renewable energy projects. www.pureleapfrog.org

Leathersellers - Small Grants Programme for Charities Supporting Vulnerable & Disadvantaged People (UK). They are seeking applications from small charities that are providing vital services for vulnerable people in deprived communities across the UK. <https://leathersellers.co.uk/small-grants-programme/>

One Stop – Community Partnership – Grants available for good causes within two miles of a One Stop shop. Grants of up to £1,000 will be available to support projects that benefit local communities – helping improve lives and local places. <https://www.groundwork.org.uk/carriers-for-causes/>

Paul Hamlyn Foundation – 5 UK grant strands focused on arts/access, education, migration and integration, young people and nurturing ideas and people – all with rolling deadlines, varying grant amounts and funding length. <https://www.phf.org.uk/our-funding/>

RHS Campaign for School Gardening – They run a range of initiatives and projects all year round i.e. gardening awards, training courses, resources. <https://schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk>

Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts – a number of independent grant making trusts and charitable companies. See their links for details: <https://www.sfct.org.uk/about.html>.

The National Lottery Fund – various funding streams links

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/thinking-of-applying-for-funding> - including:

- **Awards for All England** - for smaller amounts of funding between £300 and £20,000. The climate and nature emergency affects us all, but local action can make a real difference. We fund community-led projects that improve the environment and help people connect with and enjoy nature where they live. They fund projects that meet one of the following priorities: help people connect with and care for nature in their area / make a positive difference to the environment. **Recommendation:** Chat with a grants officer and outline the project before drafting the application form.
<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/funding-programmes/national-lottery-awards-for-all-england-environment>
- **Reaching Communities England** - programme offers a larger amount of funding (between £20,001 to £20,000,000) for organisations that work with their community to help them thrive.
<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/funding-programmes/reaching-communities-england>
- **The National Lottery The UK Fund** – for funding between £500,000 to £5,000,000. The UK Fund offers larger amounts of funding to help you develop work that’s already making a difference. To get funding you’ll need to show what’s working, how you know it’s having a proven impact, and why it’s ready to scale. We do not fund brand-new projects or services. Your work should also benefit communities across the UK, by working in different places or sharing learning between countries. Your project should go beyond delivering a service. It should help change how systems work, leading to lasting benefits for communities.
<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/funding-programmes/the-uk-fund>
- **The Solidarity Fund** - Funding in England for projects tackling root causes of inequality. We support lasting change led by people with lived experience, with projects that can grow and last.
<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/funding-programmes/the-solidarity-fund>
- **Climate Action Fund – Food Systems** - For funding between £2,500,000 to £7,000,000 - They want to fund projects that strengthen our food system and reduce food insecurity for people and communities. To support ways of producing enough healthy, affordable food without harming the planet. They will do this by supporting work that: works with nature to create resilient, sustainable and equitable food systems (this is called agroecology) or addresses the root cause of long-term problems, not just the symptoms (this is called systems change). <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/funding-programmes/climate-action-fund-food-systems>

Please note the National Lottery are planning to make changes to their grant giving in 2024 as part of their new strategy: [The National Lottery Community Fund Strategy 2023 – 2030 | The National Lottery Community Fund \(tnlcommunityfund.org.uk\)](#) <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/about-us/our-strategy>

The Peoples Postcode Trust - The Trust funds projects that: Improve mental health; Enabling participation in physical activity; Enable participation in the arts; Preventing or reducing the Impact of Poverty; Supporting marginalised groups and tackle inequality; Improving biodiversity and responding to the climate emergency; Improving green spaces and increasing access to the outdoors. <https://www.postcodesocietytrust.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant>

Tesco Stronger Starts – Local community grant scheme from the money raised from the 5p bag charge. Fund community projects across the UK, helping to fight holiday hunger, tackle mental health, support young people, host community events and much more. https://www.groundwork.org.uk/grants_tesco-community-grants/

Forte Charitable Foundation – Both small and large grants available for small to medium sized local organisations with a demonstrable track record of success working to address local issues in communities of extreme [urban deprivation](#) and [deprived rural districts](#). For more information see <https://www.trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/our-grants>

Woodward Charitable Trust – Makes grants for core costs rather than specific projects. They have three target groups (children and Young People up to 25yrs, Disadvantaged Families and Prisoners and Ex-Offenders) particularly look to fund projects which help families and young people and that are aiming to improve the life chances of their beneficiaries. http://woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk/general_applications/

London Grants – Groundwork London administers a range of grant schemes. <https://www.groundwork.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

LOCAL GRANTS AND FUNDING SUPPORT:

Berkshire Community Foundation: Funds community groups/ charities working in Berkshire, making a measurable difference to Berkshire residents suffering from disadvantage. <http://www.berkshirecf.org>

Community Foundation for Surrey: They have Surrey wide funds for community and voluntary groups which make a difference to the lives of people in Surrey. Their mission is to make a lasting difference to Surrey by being a catalyst in the county; through connecting people, ideas and resources to local need. They fund core and project costs. Priorities are: Communities facing disadvantage, Local and small grassroots organisations; Medium organisation who lack capacity to attract support from national funders; Larger organisations providing particular capability or services in Surrey; Particularly organisations with and who support people with lived experience; Underrepresented groups. <https://cfsurrey.org.uk/guidance>

Note: They also run the Runnymede Community Fund detailed below

Ealing Community Chest Program: <https://thegreenquartercommunity.co.uk/community-chest-programmes/>

London Borough of Hounslow:

https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/info/20047/community_and_voluntary_sector_services/1200/council_grants_funding_and_commissioning

London Borough of Richmond:

https://www.richmond.gov.uk/services/voluntary_and_community_sector/voluntary_and_community_sector_support/grants_and_funding/cost_of_living_grant_fund

Slough Borough Council: <https://www.slough.gov.uk/community-development/grants-funding-support>

South Bucks Council: <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/environment/climate-change-and-sustainability/tree-planting/get-funding-and-advice-for-planting-your-own-trees/>

Spelthorne Borough: <https://www.spelthorne.gov.uk/article/16740/Community-Grants>

Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead: <https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/community-and-living/community-grants/grants-voluntary-organisations>

Runnymede Borough Council: <https://www.runnymede.gov.uk/community-facilities/Grant-funding>

Runnymede Community Fund makes it easy for local residents to support the breadth of needs in the Runnymede community. <https://www.cfsurrey.org.uk/apply>

Freshwater Foundation: funder supporting smaller organisations in Ealing and Hounslow

<http://freshwaterfoundation.org.uk/>

ONLINE CROWDFUNDING PLATFORMS:

The funding process can also be facilitated by dedicated websites or online platforms. Here is a selection of the best known ones in the UK:

- **Crowdfunder**
A donations and community shares based crowdfunding platform which is open to a broad range of projects from community groups, businesses, charities and social enterprises.
- **CrowdPatch**
A donations and rewards based crowdfunding platform which allows people to raise money for worthy projects, while also helping people meet people who live in the same community or have common interests.
- **Spacehive**
A donations and rewards-based crowdfunding platform specifically for civic projects in public spaces, such as events, infrastructure, and installations.

- **ActionFunder**

A simple way of getting your project seen by lots of potential funders, regardless of project type. Easy to complete or add a video.

FUNDING SEARCH ENGINES:

Funding Finder: <https://www.getgrants.org.uk/funding-finder/>

Government Find a Grant: <https://www.find-government-grants.service.gov.uk/>