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NORTH CARRICK COMMUNITY BENEFIT COMPANY (NCCBC)

North Carrick Community Benefit is a community-based company (No: SC480121) with charitable recognition (No: SC045947). It has been distributing funds from Scottish Power Renewables' Dersalloch windfarm since 2015. The company focuses on the roughly 9,500 people living in the 5 community council areas in North Carrick: Crosshill, Straiton and Kirkmichael as 1, Kirkoswald, Maidens and Turnberry as 1, and then Dunure and Minishant and Maybole as the other 3 areas.

NCCBC is a membership organisation with membership open to anyone who lives in the area. It has around £300,000 available to spend on improvements in North Carrick each year.

Applications can be submitted by any constituted group that delivers benefits for people in North Carrick. Applications will be considered where they deliver new and innovative projects which promote one or more of the following priorities:

- Regeneration of our built environment for general public benefit
- Environmental Protection and improvement
- Provision, maintenance, or improvement of Public Open Space
- Projects which reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions
- Projects which promote more efficient use of scarce global resources
- Education for local residents
- Recreational activities/facilities
- Protection, preservation, or enhancement of important or significant local buildings
- Alleviating poverty





- Providing training or employment opportunities for unemployed individuals or groups
- Health benefits
- Alleviating hardship caused through health, disability, isolation or other disadvantage
- Citizenship, capacity building, engagement, volunteering and support for individuals and communities
- Arts, Heritage, or culture

HOW TO APPLY

For more information on how to apply please contact admin@nccbc.org.uk. Or visit the website at https://nccbc.org.uk/about/

CARRICK FUTURES

Carrick Futures supports community projects in Carrick, South Ayrshire.

The fund supports projects primarily located within or directly benefiting one or more of the six community council areas of Ballantrae, Colmonell & Lendalfoot, Barr, Barrhill, Pinmore & Pinwherry and Girvan & District.

Some funds are also available for projects located within or directly benefiting the wider Carrick area. Priority will be given to applications which also benefit one or more of the main beneficiary communities listed above.

What Can Carrick Futures Fund?

Carrick Futures can support charitable activities that support the rural regeneration and sustainability of Ballantrae, Colmonell & Lendalfoot, Barr, Barrhill, Pinmore & Pinwherry, Girvan & District and Carrick.

Awards can support a wide range of costs and activities.

The Board has agreed four strategic aims, which it will use to prioritise proposed projects. These are:

- Improving access to services (in particular public transport)
- Enabling a diverse and sustainable population mix (services for young people and older people, but also activities that help create opportunities for families and working age people to live in the area).
- Improving equality of opportunity (including tackling poverty and disadvantage).
- Contributing to a climate smarter world with sustainability at its core

Applicants must normally fulfil the following conditions to apply to the fund:

- The proposal is for projects or activities consistent with the charitable purposes of Carrick Futures;
- Applicants have a constitution (governing document or set of rules) and are set up on a notfor-private-profit basis. However applicants do not need to be registered charities to apply.





 Applicants must provide their latest set of accounts, signed by an independent third party, and a copy of a recent bank statement.

HOW TO APPLY

They welcome pre-application enquiries. For further advice or information on Carrick Futures or to discuss your project proposal informally, please contact the Foundation Scotland team on grants@foundationscotland.org.uk before applying, to confirm the project is eligible.

Jerwood Foundation

Funding body:	Jerwood Foundation
Maximum value:	Discretionary
Application deadline:	19/03/2025

Grants are available for arts organisations across the UK to support a variety of projects and activities that make the arts available for public benefit.

Background

Jerwood Foundation was established in 1991 to support visual and performing arts and education in the UK as part of a family of autonomous philanthropic organisations dedicated to the same mission. These are the Jerwood Foundation, Jerwood Arts, Jerwood Space, and Jerwood Collection.

From 1 January 2024, Jerwood Foundation has merged with Jerwood Charity (Jerwood Arts) to create a single UK Charitable Foundation.

Objectives of Fund

This fund aims to support organisations with a focus on making art available for public benefit and emerging talent in the arts throughout the UK.

Value Notes

There is no maximum or minimum award amount specified.

Grants of up to £180,000 have been awarded, although most grants range between £1,000 and £25,000.

Who Can Apply

Groups working to make art available for public benefit can apply.

Groups must provide a copy of their organisation's latest audited accounts (smaller charities should instead provide their annual budget with income and expenditure details).





Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Individuals.
- Educational courses.
- Core organisational costs.
- Capital endowments.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding is for projects and activities that support the promotion of the arts for public benefit.

Previously funded projects have included:

- Granta Trust to commission early career photographers for work to be published in Granta magazine.
- Ransack Dance Company to support the 'Arrive at Home' career development project.
- Brixton Chamber Orchestra to enable their Christmas 2023 and Summer 2024 tours of housing estates in Lambeth.
- The Courtauld to support a major new exhibition of work by British artist Claudette Johnson.
- Paintings in Hospitals to conserve, restore, and digitise a portion of their art collection.
- Persona Arts to help fund the production of the Flying Dutchman performances in July 2024.
- Arnolfini to collaborate on a three-year project that will draw upon Jerwood's collection of modern and contemporary British art to help bring Arnolfini's exhibition archive to life.

Location

The UK.

How To Apply

The 2025/26 funding rounds are as follows:

- 5 February 2025 to 19 March 2025 for a decision at the 30 April 2025 meeting.
- 30 April 2025 to 11 June 2025 for a decision at the 3 July 2025 meeting.
- 3 September 2025 to 15 October 2025 for a decision at the 26 November 2025 meeting.

Successful applicants will be contacted within two weeks of the trustee meeting date.

To apply, groups should provide the following in one document (word or PDF) by email:

- A one-page summary of the project with a short description and start date.
- A budget and fundraising plan.
- Any other relevant information.

Guidance notes are available from the Jerwood Foundation website.

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Michael Tippett Musical Foundation

Funding body:	Michael Tippett Musical Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 3,000
Application deadline:	30/09/2025

Grants are available for the development of group music making in the UK, especially involving young people, and support the performance and recording of works by Michael Tippett.

Background

Sir Michael Tippett established the Foundation in 1979 with funds from the sale of his manuscripts to the British Library.

In 2023 and 2024 the Trustees decided to focus the Foundation's activity exclusively on the funding of performances and recording of music by Michael Tippett, to generate greater revenue for a wider range of activities in future years. This will remain the case in 2025.

Objectives of Fund

This fund aims to support the two objectives of the Foundation:

- To award grants to support the development of group music-making especially involving young people, with composing central to the project.
- To support the performance or recording of works by Michael Tippett.

Value Notes

This is a highly competitive fund with only one in nine applications being successful last year.

Grants of between £500 and £3,000 are available. The average grant is around £2,000.

Grants will be made on a one-off basis. Award of a grant in one year does not carry any probability of repeat funding the following year.

Match Funding Restrictions

The Trustees will be cautious about considering a small grant from the Foundation towards a project on a significantly larger budget scale.





Who Can Apply

Projects taking place in or out of school, college or university, or in community settings in the UK will be considered.

Restrictions

Funding is not available for the following:

- The purchase of musical instruments or equipment, including computer hardware, software or accessories.
- Computer hardware, software or accessories.
- Capital purchase or development.
- Study fees or maintenance costs for individuals.
- General performance or recording costs
- Commissions for solely professional performance.
- Projects that have already been completed.
- Retrospective costs.
- General appeals.

The Foundation is not currently able to support research into the music of Tippett.

Eligible Expenditure

For 2025 the Foundation will support performances or recordings from anywhere in the world of music composed by Tippett.

The Trustees will consider applications about any of his compositions but are likely to prioritise plans for specific works that are less frequently performed or projects which are unlikely to be mounted without additional financial support.

Projects involving young people, or with a participatory element, will be looked at with particular interest.

Successful projects should commence from January 2026.

Location

United Kingdom

How To Apply

The Trustees normally hold one meeting a year, in the autumn.

The next deadline for applications is 30 September 2025.

Full details of how to apply can be found on the Foundation's website.

Completed applications should be submitted by email.





Peter Harrison Foundation - Active Lives Grant Programme

Funding body:	Peter Harrison Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 30,000
Application deadline:	01/04/2025

Grants are available to UK charities to support grassroots sports projects which provide opportunities for self-development for people living in the most disadvantaged areas in the UK who encounter physical, mental, social, or economic barriers.

Background

The Peter Harrison Foundation was founded in 1999 by Mr Peter Harrison. In October 2000 the Harrison family gifted £30 million as a capital endowment to the Foundation and contributed a further £15 million in 2010. Since opening the PHF has awarded nearly £50 million to projects across the UK.

Through Active Lives the foundation makes grants totalling about £700,000 per year.

Objectives of Fund

The Peter Harrison Foundation supports projects working with children, young people and adults who are disadvantaged or with disabilities. It offer small and major grants to charities and community amateur sports clubs in the UK and south east of England under the following two grant programmes:

- Active Lives opportunities through sport and physical activity.
- Positive Futures opportunities for children and young people. (*Covered in a separate scheme*)

Value Notes

Grants of £5,001 to £30,000 are available (applications from organisations with a turnover of under £5 million are prioritised).

Match Funding Restrictions

Match funding is not a specified requirement.

Who Can Apply

Applications are accepted from UK organisations that:

- 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.

Priority will be given to organisations with a turnover of under £5 million.

February 2025 Announcement:

To help the Foundation manage the significant rise in applications it is prioritising applicants whose work most closely aligns to its mission. Unless applicants meet **all the following criteria** for Active Lives applications they are unlikely to be successful:

- Work with people living with disabilities in the top 10% of areas of deprivation (Indices of Multiple Deprivation decile 1) AND
- Are from organisations with a track record of working with this population AND
- Have a robust plan for wider impact of the project through dissemination, training etc.

Restrictions

The Foundation will not support the following:

- Organisations who already have an active grant with PHF.
- Individuals.
- Community interest companies (CICs).
- Exempt charities.
- Requests for retrospective funding.
- Activities that are primarily the responsibility of central or local government.
- Overseas projects.
- Adventure challenges or expeditions in the UK or abroad.
- Projects that are solely for the promotion of religion.
- Capital works solely to fulfil building regulations regarding accessibility, without strong evidence of existing engagement with target audiences.
- Work in IMD deciles 5–10 unless it is disability focused. Disability projects in deciles 5–10 are eligible but a lower priority for funding.

Charities awarded a grant by the Foundation may not reapply until two years after submission of the final grant report.

Charities whose applications are not successful may make another application after one year from the date of the previous rejection.

Eligible Expenditure

All applications to Active Lives must fulfil at least one of the following criteria:

- Offer high-impact, life-enhancing opportunities for those who live in the top 40% of areas of deprivation (IMD deciles 1–4).
- Remove barriers to participation for people with disabilities, especially those living in the most deprived areas (as defined by IMD).





Work in the top 10% most deprived areas (IMD decile 1) is the highest priority.

Projects must also:

- Focus on grassroots involvement rather than elite participation in physical activity.
- Focus on skills development and confidence building for individuals.
- Incorporate effective strategies for wider impact, perhaps through training, partnerships and/or dissemination activities.
- Demonstrate a high degree of involvement across the organisation from beneficiaries and those with lived experience.

To be eligible projects/activities must:

- Take place in the UK.
- Provide opportunities for personal or skills development through participation in physical activity.
- Meet the needs of people who are living with disabilities and/or living in the most deprived areas.

Location

United Kingdom

How To Apply

Due to an unprecedented surge in demand for funding, the Peter Harrison Foundation has announced it will close to new funding applications until further notice from 2 April 2025. Applications received by the end of the day on **1 April 2025** will still be considered.

February 2025 Announcement – The Foundation says:

"We recognise the time and resources organisations invest in preparing grant applications and want to avoid charities spending their valuable time on applications when the likelihood of success is so low. This closure will allow us to focus on:

- Reviewing our grantmaking strategy and processes to ensure our available funds can have the greatest possible impact in the future.
- Supporting around 200 current grant holders.
- Processing the hundreds of outstanding applications submitted before the deadline."

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.

Contact The Peter Harrison Foundation for further information.

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Peter Harrison Foundation - Positive Futures Grant Programme

Funding body:	Peter Harrison Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 30,000
Application deadline:	01/04/2025

Grants are available to charities for projects enhancing the lives of children and young people living in the most disadvantaged areas in the south east of England who encounter physical, mental, social, or economic barriers.

Background

The Peter Harrison Foundation was founded in 1999 by Mr Peter Harrison. In October 2000 the Harrison family gifted £30 million as a capital endowment to the Foundation and contributed a further £15 million in 2010. Since opening the PHF has awarded nearly £50 million to projects across the UK.

Through Positive Futures the foundation makes grants totalling about £350,000 per year.

Objectives of Fund

The Peter Harrison Foundation supports projects working with children, young people and adults who are disadvantaged or with disabilities. It offer small and major grants to charities and community amateur sports clubs in the UK and south east of England under the following two grant programmes:

- Active Lives opportunities through sport and physical activity. (Covered in a separate scheme)
- Positive Futures opportunities for children and young people.

Value Notes

Grants of £5,001 to £30,000 are available (applications from organisations with a turnover of under £5 million are prioritised).

Match Funding Restrictions

Match funding is not a specified requirement.

Who Can Apply

Applications are accepted from organisations that:

- 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.





Priority will be given to organisations with a turnover of under £5 million.

February 2025 Announcement:

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- Work with children and young people living in the top 10% of areas of deprivation (Indices of Multiple Deprivation decile 1) AND
- Are from organisations with a track record of working with this population AND
- Have a robust plan for wider impact of the project through dissemination, training etc.

Restrictions

The Foundation does not support the following:

- Organisations who already have an active grant with PHF.
- Individuals.
- Community interest companies (CICs).
- Exempt charities.
- Requests for retrospective funding.
- Activities that are primarily the responsibility of central or local government.
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Eligible Expenditure

All applications to Positive Futures applications must:

- Offer high-impact, life-enhancing opportunities for children and young people who live in the top 40% of areas of deprivation (IMD deciles 1-4).
- Meet the needs of one of the following groups:
 - o Disabled, chronically or terminally ill.
 - Facing mental health challenges.
 - o At risk of crime, truancy or addiction.
 - o At risk of homelessness or who are homeless.





- Incorporate effective strategies for wider impact, perhaps through training, partnerships and/or dissemination activities.
- Demonstrate a high degree of beneficiary involvement across the organisation and those with lived experience.

Work in the top 10% most deprived areas (IMD decile 1) is the highest priority.

To be eligible projects must:

- Meet the needs of children and young people 0–18 years old (or up to 25 years old for projects working with young people with special needs).
- Provide support for children and young people in the following counties: Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Kent, Oxfordshire, Surrey, East Sussex and West Sussex.
- Meet the needs of children and young people who are living with disabilities and/or living in the top 40% most deprived areas in the South East (as defined by IMD).

Location

South East England (Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Kent, Oxfordshire, Surrey, East Sussex, and West Sussex).

How To Apply

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People's Postcode Trust - Scotland

Funding body:	People's Postcode Lottery
Maximum value:	£ 25,000
Application deadline:	31/03/2025

Unrestricted grants are available for smaller charities and good causes in Scotland.

Background

The People's Postcode Trust, established in 2009, is a charity registered in Scotland.

The Trust receives its funding solely from the People's Postcode Lottery.

Objectives of Fund

The aim of People's Postcode Trust is to support smaller charities and good causes in the Scotland to make a difference to their community for the benefit of people and planet.

Value Notes

Grants range from £500 to £25,000.

The following funding levels apply to specific applicants:

- Applicants that are not formally registered as a charity with OSCR can apply for between £500 and £2,500 in funding.
- Applicants that are registered with OSCR and can provide a charity number can apply for between £500 and £25,000 in funding.

Who Can Apply

Local charities and other not-for-profit organisations based and working in Scotland can apply.

To be eligible, applicants must have:

- An income of less than £1 million in the last year. Preference will be given to organisations with an income of less than £250,000.
- Been operating for a minimum of 12 months and have signed accounts at the time of application.
- A governing document in the name of their organisation
- A bank account in the name of their organisation with two unrelated signatories.
- Signed accounts for the most recent financial year or a financial forecast for new organisations.
- A registered OSCR number (not for a parent organisation) if applying for over £2,500.

As funding rounds are always oversubscribed, priority will be given to charities and good causes which meet some or all of the following criteria:





- Funding for organisations with an annual income of £250,000 and below
- Funding for communities that rank as being within the top 15% on the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation
- Funding for groups that are specifically set up to support people from the following minority/marginalised groups:
 - o Communities Experiencing Racial Inequity
 - Disabled people
 - o LGBT+ people.

The following organisations can apply for grants of between £500 and £2,500:

- Constituted voluntary organisations with no charity number
- Excepted and exempted charities
- Companies limited by guarantee with an asset lock
- Parochial Church Councils.

The following types of organisations can apply for grants of between £500 and £25,000:

- Community Interest Companies with an asset lock
- Community Benefit Societies
- Charities registered with the Charity Commission or OSCR.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Local, regional or government institutions and organisations with core statutory responsibilities (eg, NHS Foundation Trusts, parish councils, town councils and public bodies)
- Political parties or party-political activities
- Individuals
- Organisations less than one year old for unrestricted funding (please see criteria for project based funding)
- Schools, Academies, Nurseries and Preschools
- Parent Teacher Associations, Friends of Parent Teacher Associations
- Universities/Colleges
- Organisations with solely religious objects in their governing document
- Organisations outside of Great Britain
- Organisations with an annual income in excess of £1 million
- Organisations that have received funding through People's Postcode Trust within the last 12 months (this is counted from the date payment was received into the organisation's account)
- Previous grant holders who have not submitted the end of grant review form
- Schedule 3 Community Interest Companies (CICs)
- Organisations that have previously breached their Funding Agreement with People's Postcode Trust
- Organisations with core support from players of People's Postcode Lottery through other Trusts.
- Activities taking place outside of Great Britain or foreign travel





- Medical research, end of life care, clinical treatment, medical staff in a clinical setting where the diagnosis, and/or prescribing of clinical advice or medication is taking place and medical equipment
- The promotion or practice of religion
- Animal welfare. (Note: applications will be considered where animals are a part of the project which focuses on the human element such as therapy animals)
- Distribution of grants/funds to individuals or other organisations. This would include but not be limited to bursaries, per diems, and honorarium payments
- Funding being allocated to the organisation's reserves.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding is for projects in Scotland that have a clear alignment with one of the Trust's 2025 themes:

- Enabling participation in physical activity
- Enabling participation in the arts
- Improving biodiversity and responding to the climate emergency
- Improving green spaces and increasing access to the outdoors
- Preventing or reducing the impact of poverty
- Providing support to improve mental health
- Supporting marginalised groups and tackling inequality.

The funding offered is unrestricted and therefore flexible. It can be used however it is most needed.

Successful organisations should aim to spend all funds within 18 months of receiving them.

Location

Scotland

How To Apply

There will be three funding rounds in 2025:

- Round 1 opens 24 March and closes 31 March 2025.
- Round 2 opens 24 June and closes 1 July 2025.
- Round 3: dates to be confirmed later in 2025

Applications open at 9am and close at 12 noon.

Application forms will be available on the Trust's website when each funding round opens.

The 2025 funding guide and 2025 application questions are available on the Trust's website.

Contact the People's Postcode Trust for further information.





Robertson Trust - Community Spaces

Funding body:	Robertson Trust
Maximum value:	£ 60,000
Application deadline:	Not specified

Grants are available to registered charities in Scotland to support the running costs of community spaces in areas experiencing high levels of deprivation and trauma.

Background

The Robertson Trust, one of Scotland's largest independent funders, was established in 1961 by the Robertson sisters, who had inherited a controlling interest in Robertson/Baxter and Clyde Bonding Company (now known as the Edrington Group).

The Trust provides grants to registered charities whose work takes place in, or directly benefits, Scotland. The Trust aims to improve the quality of life and realise the potential of people and communities in Scotland by recognising and responding to need and disadvantage, and by building the capacity and sustainability of charitable organisations.

This new funding programme forms part of the Trust's new offering developed during their pause to applications from 31 May 2024 until September 2024. During this time, the Trust implemented changes to its funding programme to 'sharpen the focus' of its Funds to achieve its strategic aims, but without changing those aims.

Objectives of Fund

The Fund is intended to support local community centres, hubs or anchor organisations that are delivering and/or hosting a range of services and activities in places that are significantly affected by poverty and trauma.

Value Notes

Grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 per year are available for up to three years.

Who Can Apply

Registered charities working in Scotland with an annual income of between £30,000 and £500,000 can apply.

Applicants must have:

- An organisational bank account.
- A minimum of three unconnected trustees.
- Recent independently examined or audited annual accounts.
- A safeguarding policy.





Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Capital costs such as building works or refurbishments.
- Charities that are currently in receipt of funding from the Trust's Large or Small Grants Funds.
- Housing Associations.
- Arm's Length External Organisations (ALEOs).
- Work which seeks to address forms of trauma which are not connected to experiences of
 poverty, for example, trauma caused by a car accident, bereavement or illnesses experienced
 across the general population.
- Funding for individuals.
- Projects and activities which incorporate the promotion of political or religious beliefs, or requests for salaried posts where there is a requirement for the post holder to be of a particular faith or none.
- Feasibility studies or academic research.
- Day care or residential care for older people
- Standalone events or festivals eg, events that are not part of a larger programme of work relating to poverty and trauma
- Any retrospective costs already incurred by the applicant organisation
- Any costs not incurred by (or the salaries of staff not directly employed by) the applicant organisation.
- The salary costs of staff who are also Trustees/Directors on the applicant organisation's Board.
- Work which is focused solely on reducing social isolation.

Eligible Expenditure

Unrestricted or restricted funding can be considered.

Examples of eligible work include:

- The running costs of an accessible community hub based in a town with high levels of deprivation. The hub hosts and delivers services for local people, including community meals, family activities, a youth group and drop-in sessions with partner organisations such as the Citizens Advice Bureau and local employability service. The organisation works closely with a nearby charity supporting refugees and asylum seekers to ensure they know about and can access the services at the hub.
- The running costs of a village hall in a rural community where there are no other community
 facilities. The hall hosts a range of groups and services, such as a parent and toddler group, a
 food pantry, and warm space, and provides access to IT facilities.

Organisations should demonstrate the various services they deliver and/or host related to preventing or reducing poverty and trauma for local people.

The Trust is particularly interested in supporting applications from organisations that can show how they reach out to and remove barriers for groups of people in their community who are at higher risk of experiencing poverty and trauma, such as disabled people, people experiencing racial inequity





and asylum seekers and refugees, to ensure that they know about and can access the services and activities on offer

Location

Scotland

How To Apply

Applications can be made at any time and will be considered on a rolling basis.

It is expected that applicants will receive a decision within 8-10 weeks.

Guidance notes and an online application form are available from the Robertson Trust website.

Contact the Robertson Trust for further information

Community Spaces Grants | The Robertson Trust

Sea-Changers Coastal Fountain Fund

Funding body:	Sea-Changers
Maximum value:	£ 2,500
Application deadline:	11/04/2025

Grants are available for community organisations to install a water bottle refill station in a busy or environmentally important coastal location.

Background

Sea-Changers are a UK charity, managed by a small team of volunteers working to protect the UK's seas, shores, and wildlife.

The Sea-Changers Coastal Fountain Fund was launched by Sea-Changers in 2020, to support community organisations in installing water bottle refill stations at UK beaches, marinas, and coastal locations.

The Fund is being sponsored by the specialist international distribution and services group, Bunzl plc.

Objectives of Fund

The purpose of the Fund is to prevent or reduce negative impacts on UK coastal and marine environments and species by reducing marine litter, through the provision of well-located coastal water fountains that will significantly reduce the use of non-reusable plastic drinks bottles.





Value Notes

Grants of up to £2,500 are available.

Match Funding Restrictions

Grants are intended as partial funding for water fountain installation projects where other funds are also being sought or are already in place.

Who Can Apply

Applications are welcome from all types of not-for-profit organisations in the UK who have identified a need and are well-placed to get the stakeholder involvement needed to make the project a success.

Applicants should already have permission in place for the water fountain's placement from the landowner and have already explored issues that relate to the ongoing maintenance of the fountain and water testing (e.g. with the local water company).

Preference will be given to applicants who were not successful in previous rounds.

Restrictions

Funding cannot cover installation or maintenance costs.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding will only cover the cost of purchasing the water fountain unit. (It does not cover installation or maintenance costs.)

The fund will cover the purchase of one fountain per successful applicant.

Applications will be assessed against the following criteria:

- Need and impact fountains should be placed in areas which either:
 - Have significant public use/a lot of littering
 - o Are of particular environmental importance or status
- Viability to be operational within 2024.
- Sustainability
- Value for money

Location

UK. However, in this round priority will be given to applications from Wales, Scotland, East Anglia and Northeast and Northwest England.

How To Apply

The deadline for applications is 11 April 2025.





The application form and guidance notes can be found on the Sea-Changers website.

Applications should be submitted by email.

Coastal Fountain Fund 2025 | Sea-Changers

Music for All - Community Project Funding

Funding body:	Music for All
Maximum value:	Discretionary
Application deadline:	27/03/2025

Grants are available to UK-based community groups that aim to bring musical projects to their local communities.

Background

The Community Grants programme is administered Music for All, which is the charity of the UK musical instrument industry. The mission of the charity 'is to make more musicians and to enable and inspire more people to discover the mental and physical benefits that playing a musical instrument can bring'.

Music for All is a partner of the Power of Music fund which promotes music as a social prescription for people living with dementia and their carers. Small grants are awarded to local organisations using music making to support people living with dementia and their carers. Priority is given to applications from underrepresented communities, including from the Global Majority.

Objectives of Fund

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. The funding is for groups that need assistance to fulfil their potential in developing truly sustainable music programmes.

Value Notes

Grants are at the discretion of the funders and values vary from round to round.

Match Funding Restrictions

The charity is unlikely to be able to meet applications in full, so applicants are strongly advised to also apply to other bodies for assistance.

Who Can Apply

Groups, schools and organisations that are bringing music to their communities in the UK can apply.





Priority will be given to applicants who are most in need of help.

Applicants are eligible only if they have been resident in the UK for a minimum of three years and are either a British Citizen or a national of a member state of the European Economic Area, or have been granted leave to enter or remain in the UK for an indefinite period or hold a certificate of right of abode in the UK.

Applicants will also be required to nominate an independent referee who must complete a witness statement in support of the application.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Retrospective costs.
- Applicants based outside of the UK.
- Applicants present in the UK only for education or attending a course of study.

Eligible Expenditure

In the current round, support will be available in the following distinct areas:

- 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. The funders welcome applications from groups operating in caring as well as more formal educational settings. Applicants should be able to demonstrate ways in which they nurture underprivileged young talent through their work.
- 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. These include but are not limited to autism, aphasia, dyslexia, dyspraxia, dyscalculia, attention deficit and memory loss. Applications from groups operating in caring and educational settings are welcomed. The funders will be looking for applications which demonstrate ways in which the individuals the groups are working with will be engaging with music-making, as opposed to experiencing others' performances.
- 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-based groups providing
 music-making opportunities working with diverse communities from the global majority.
 Applicants should be able to demonstrate ways in which they nurture disadvantaged
 individuals in music-making opportunities.
- **Guitars (electric) + amplifier + cable –** awards are open to community-based groups using electric guitars and amplifiers to support disadvantaged music makers. They must illustrate the impact this award will have on advancing the music making of their group. Please note that the electric guitars are supplied with amplifiers but not cases. Some left handed guitars are also available.

The main aspects that the trustees look for in an application are:

The number of new musicians the project will create and support.





- The sustainability of the project (to ensure that people are able to continue their musical journeys).
- Whether there are any other organisations supporting the project that can help with funding, or if funding applications have been made to other charities. (Music for All likes to help as many applicants as it can, so often works with other organisations to enable projects to gain the full support required.)

Location

United Kingdom

How To Apply

The next deadline for applications is 27 March 2025 (11.59pm).

An online application form is available to complete on the Music for All website. It is only available during the open application window.

The process takes around three months from application to outcome notification.

Contact Music for All for further information.

Music for All | Music Charity in the UK | Music Funding & Grants

McCarthy Stone Foundation - Dementia Grants Programme

Funding body:	McCarthy Stone Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 7,500
Application deadline:	14/03/2025

Grants are available to support projects in disadvantaged areas in England, Scotland and Wales for those over 65 years old living with dementia.

Background

The McCarthy Stone Foundation was launched in 2020 and is an independent registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by a board of volunteer trustees from McCarthy Stone and independent members from outside the organisation. The Foundation aims to deliver a grants programme, longer-term charity partnerships and volunteering opportunities.

Projects should focus on initiatives to support people with dementia over 65 years old in Great Britain. Funding has been prioritised to organisations able to demonstrate they are working in specified locations across certain regions: locations have been selected based on data from the ONS, Age UK, and the Centre for Ageing Better, with a key focus on areas where income deprivation and loneliness affect people with dementia is most acute. Applicants should check the Foundation website for full details of the specified regions.





Objectives of Fund

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.

Value Notes

Grants up to £7,500 are available. It is anticipated that over 20 dementia clubs and memory cafes will be supported.

Match Funding Restrictions

Match funding is not a specified requirement.

Who Can Apply

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.

Organisations must have:

- An annual income less than £250,000.
- A governing document.
- A registered bank account in the name of the organisation.

Organisations **must** be working with adults with dementia over 65 years of age and specifically be providing services which assist people with dementia and/or their carers. This might include services like the provision of Dementia Memory Café's or Carer courses.

In addition, organisations must be working in deprived areas of Great Britain. Only applications from deprived areas are accepted and applicants should refer to the list of specified areas at the McCarthy Stone Foundation website for eligibility.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Groups with an annual income over £250,000.
- Connector or infrastructure services e.g. citizens advice or community transport.
- Individuals.
- Contributions to general appeals or circulars.
- Religious activity which is not for wider public benefit.
- Public bodies to carry out their statutory obligations.
- Activities which solely support animal welfare.
- Activities which have already taken place.
- Grant-making by other organisations.
- Privately owned and profit-distributing companies or limited partnerships.





Eligible Expenditure

Funding is available for project costs for e.g. dementia clubs and memory cafes across the country to assist older adults with dementia.

Location

Great Britain

How To Apply

The closing date for applications is 14 March 2025 (17:00) for notification in early May 2025.

Guidance and an online application form are available from the Foundation website.

Contact the McCarthy Stone Foundation for further information.

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Cemvo Scotland - Ethnic Minority Development Fund

Funding body:	National Lottery Community Fund - Scotland
Maximum value:	£ 15,000
Application deadline:	£ 15,000

Grants are available for charities, voluntary and community groups, and other not-for-profit organisations across Scotland to deliver projects and activities that support ethnic minority communities.

Background

The Ethnic Minority Development Fund is provided by the National Lottery Community Fund and administered by CEMVO Scotland.

It is part of the Building Funding Capacity three-year programme designed to provide opportunities for ethnic minority third-sector organisations to apply for funding, receive capacity-building support, share knowledge, and build connections through the Ethnic Minority Knowledge and Learning Network.

Objectives of Fund

This fund aims to support ethnic minority communities by bringing people together and building strong relationships, providing development opportunities, and improving places and spaces.





Value Notes

Grants of between £500 and £15,000 are available.

Who Can Apply

Ethnic minority-led (at least 60% representation of people from an ethnic minority background on their board, management team and in decision-making roles) third-sector organisations can apply, such as:

- Not-for-profit companies.
- Registered charities (unincorporated).
- Charitable incorporated organisations.
- Community interest companies.
- · Constituted groups or clubs.
- Unregistered voluntary or community organisation (constituted).
- Faith-based groups.

To be eligible, Community Interest Companies and unregistered voluntary and community organisations must have been operating for at least six months.

Organisations must have an annual income of £100,000 or less.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Individuals.
- Sole traders.
- Schools.
- Statutory bodies.
- Companies that can pay profits to directors, shareholders, or members (including Companies that are limited by shares).
- Organisations that are based outside of the UK.
- Organisations that have already sent an Ethnic Minority Development Fund application and are waiting for a decision.
- Organisations that do not have at least two people on their board or committee who are not married, in a long-term relationship, living together at the same address, or related by blood.
- Organisations applying on behalf of another.
- Alcohol.
- Contingency costs, loans, endowments, or interest.
- Electricity generation and feed-in tariff payments.
- Political or religious activities.
- Profit-making/fundraising activities.
- Reclaimable VAT.
- Statutory activities.
- Overseas travel.





Eligible Expenditure

Funding is for projects and activities that achieve at least one of the following priorities:

- Bring ethnic minority people together and build strong relationships across communities.
- Help more ethnic minority people to be the best they can be, by supporting them as soon as possible.
- Improve places and spaces that matter to ethnic minority communities.

Funding can be used for:

- Equipment.
- One-off events.
- Small land or building projects (if the applicant owns the land, has a lease that can't be ended for five years, has a letter from the owner saying the land or building will be leased to them for at least five years, or an official letter from the owner or landlord that says they're allowed to do work on the building).
- Staff costs.
- Training costs.
- Transport.
- Utilities/running costs.
- Volunteer expenses.

Proposed projects should involve community members in the design, development, and delivery of any planned activities.

Location

Scotland.

How To Apply

The deadline for applications is 14 April 2025 (17:00).

CEMVO Scotland are hosting the following online information sessions:

- 26 February 2025 (10:00).
- 17 March 2025 (10:00).
- 1 April 2025 (10:00).

Organisations can register for the sessions here.

Guidance notes and an application form are available from the CEMVO Scotland website.

Contact CEMVO Scotland for further information.

<u>Ethnic Minority Development Fund – Cemvo Scotland</u>





Corra Foundation – Boost Small Grants

Funding body:	STV Children's Appeal
Maximum value:	£ 3,000
Application deadline:	11/03/2025

Grants are available to support grassroots organisations and charities delivering community-led activities to children and families across Scotland affected by poverty.

Background

The Boost Small Grants Fund is delivered by Corra Foundation in partnership with STV Children's Appeal and Comic Relief.

Objectives of Fund

This fund aims to ensure accessible, supportive, community-led activities remain available to children and families despite the challenges the cost-of-living poses for charities and community groups.

Value Notes

A total of around £400,000 is available for 2025.

Grants of between £500 and £3,000 are available to constituted groups.

Grants of between £250 and £1,500 are available to unconstituted groups.

It is anticipated that around 160 grants will made.

Who Can Apply

Charities and grassroots organisations that support children and families in their local communities and have an annual income of up to £50,000 can apply.

Constituted groups must be a charity registered in Scotland, a voluntary and community organisation or Community Interest Company with governing documents that state that:

- The organisation is not-for-profit or has a clear clause ensuring that all income is applied to the organisation's purposes and not distributed to members, shareholders, or owners.
- There is a dissolution clause/lock in place requiring that assets are distributed to an organisation with similar charitable aims in the instance of closure.
- They have at least three directors/committee members and no one person has majority control.





Unconstituted groups can also apply but will need to enter into discussion with the Corra Foundation. They must also provide a referee from the local community.

Not all of an organisation's work needs to be with children and families. For instance, a local food pantry that serves all members of their community, including children and families, can apply.

Constituted groups must provide:

- A copy of their constitution (unless they are a registered charity).
- A recent copy of their organisation's bank statement, clearly displaying the group name, sort code, and account number. The bank account must be in the name of the organisation and must be dated within the past six months.
- A copy of their most annual accounts (that are less than 18 months old).

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Organisations with an income of more than £50,000 in their last financial year.
- Organisations that are not established as not-for-profit.
- Organisations based outside of Scotland.
- One organisation applying on behalf of another.
- Projects of larger organisations.
- Individuals.
- Major capital appeals, including building projects, motor vehicles, and refurbishment costs.
- Retrospective funding.
- The promotion of religion.
- Activities that are party political.
- Mainstream activities and statutory requirements, for example for hospitals and medical centres, schools, universities, and colleges.
- Bursaries and scholarships.
- Contributions to funds that will be used for grant-making to other organisations and/or individuals.
- Sponsorship or marketing appeals.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding is for projects that:

- Provide an accessible and supportive funding opportunity for small community-led organisations.
- Ensure community-led activities remain available to children and families despite the challenges the higher cost of living poses for charities and community groups.

Grants can be used to fund a new project, help continue a pre-existing project, or support running costs (such as utilities, salaries, or transport).

Funding should be used within 12 months of the date of the award.





Location

Scotland.

How To Apply

In 2025, Boost will run in three rounds, with about one-third of the grants made in each round:

- Round One will open at noon on 25 February 2025 and will close at noon on 11 March 2025
- Round Two will open at the end of April.
- Round Three will open at the start of September.

Further guidance will be made available when the fund reopens.

Contact the Corra Foundation for further information

Boost Fund supporting children and families

Empowering Bereaved Military Families Programme Grant

Funding body:	Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust
Maximum value:	£ 1,800,000
Application deadline:	02/04/2025

A single portfolio grant is available for a UK registered charity to lead a portfolio of support for the bereaved military community across the UK.

Background

The Empowering Bereaved Military Families Programme is provided and administered by the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust.

This programme has been developed in response to recommendations raised in a research report commissioned by the Trust. The research looked at current statutory provision, provision within the third sector, as well as lived experience from bereaved military families in navigating that provision.

Objectives of Fund

This is a two-stage programme, which will award a single grant of up to £1.8 million to an organisation which will lead a portfolio of support for the bereaved military community. (Portfolio of support here refers to a collection of organisations working cohesively to achieve the programme outcomes.)

The lead organisation will be responsible for building the portfolio, working in collaboration with interested organisations.





The successful bid will need to achieve long-term, transformational change in the non-statutory support provided to be reaved military families across the UK.

This includes achieving all of the following outcomes:

- Bereaved military families, including wider family members, feel it is straightforward to access mental health support throughout the stages of grief.
- Bereaved military families feel that support is equitable, inclusive and holistic, regardless of the nature of bereavement.
- Bereaved military families feel a sense of connection to the community, should they wish to retain that.
- Strong collaboration between organisations working to support bereaved military families, and commitment to this as a sustainable way of working together.
- Better access to holistic packages of support, combining peer-led and professional support.

Value Notes

One grant of up to £1.8 million is available towards a project being delivered over a period of up to four years.

The project should start by Autumn/Winter 2025. It is anticipated that elements of the project will run at varied paces and timeframes during the duration of the grant.

Who Can Apply

Applications for the portfolio lead will only be accepted from UK registered charities.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Have been registered in the UK (with one or more of the charity commissions for England and Wales, or Scotland or Northern Ireland for at least three years at the time of their application and able to provide published accounts for all three years if requested.
- Have a minimum of three unrelated trustees at the time of applying, and, if successful, throughout the life of the grant.

The portfolio needs to be a mix of organisations, including those with a deep understanding of the needs affecting members of the Armed Forces community, as well as other organisations with significant experience and expertise supporting those who are bereaved, which they can bring to this community. There may be funded and unfunded partners within the portfolio.

A successful portfolio lead will generally already:

- Be an established organisation with experience of delivering complex projects.
- Have sound mechanisms for governance of complex projects and experience of multi-agency working.
- Demonstrate strong knowledge of the needs of the bereaved military community.
- Have clear governance and financial processes in place.
- Have strong, sophisticated approaches to inclusion and equity, in how support is delivered to under-served groups.





Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Childcare providers (including early years).
- Community Interest Companies (CICs).
- Independent (fee-paying) schools including boarding schools, regardless of their charitable status.
- An individual.
- Education providers, including schools, academy trusts or universities.
- A charity or CIC which is newly registered.
- Other public sector organisations though they could work with one of the types of organisations listed above, as a delivery partner.
- A charity or CIC that is based overseas.
- Community organisations that do not fit any of the funder's eligibility criteria, such as a sports organisation which is not a charity or CIC.
- Not-for-profit organisations that are not registered as either a charity or CIC.
- An organisation that has charitable status, but is an Exempt Charity.
- A private or for-profit company.

Eligible Expenditure

The project is expected to deliver systemic change, demonstrating an intent for long term transformation, which extends much further than the initial beneficiaries and the organisation receiving the grant. This may relate to how, what, where and by whom services are delivered in the future to be eaved military families, or instigate wholly new strategic solutions.

Projects are expected to provide support across the UK.

Beneficiaries of the project can be direct or indirect.

The funding can pay for most of the things needed the project or activity, including people's time, costs of delivering work online or buying/hiring equipment.

Full details can be found in the programme's guidance notes.

Location

UK

How To Apply

Guidelines, fags and online Expression of Interest form can be found on the Trust's website.

There is a two-stage application process:

• The first stage is to submit an expressions of interest by the deadline of 2 April 2025 (12 noon). Decisions by before the end of May 2025.





• Successful stage one applicants will be invited to make a full application at stage two by the deadline of 6 August 2025 (midday). Decisions before the end of September 2025.

The Trust is hosting a lunch and learn webinar on 24 February (12-13:00) to provide an opportunity to learn more about this programme. Registration is required.

Contact the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust for further information.

Empowering Bereaved Military Families Programme: Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust

Digital Xtra Grants

Funding body:	Digital Xtra Fund
Maximum value:	£ 5,000
Application deadline:	27/03/2025

Funding is available for registered companies, schools, colleges or university projects which teach digital skills to young people in Scotland.

Background

Digital Xtra (SCIO) is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation which is administered by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR). SCIO has three charitable purposes which make up its core missions:

- Advancing education.
- Promoting equality and diversity.
- Advancing the arts, heritage, culture or science.

Objectives of Fund

Digital Xtra aims to increase the number of young people entering highly-skilled digital careers; fostering the next generation of digital makers who will go on to help bridge the skills gap in Scotland's digital economy. The fund will help to prepare young people for a digital future whilst inspiring them to consider a digital tech career.

Supported activities must teach children and young people skills such as coding, robotics, games design, data science and cyber helping inspire Scotland's next generation of digital innovators, leaders, and technologists.

Value Notes

Grants of between £500 and £5,000 will be available for extracurricular activity providers that teach children and young people skills and concepts such as coding, robotics, games design, data science and cyber, to help inspire Scotland's next generation of digital makers, leaders and technologists.





Who Can Apply

The main applicant must be based in Scotland and should be a registered company, charity, chartered body, local authority, school, college or university which is actively involved in providing computing and digital technologies related activities.

Partnerships are encouraged with other organisations such as industry, local or national government bodies, charities, schools and other extra curriculum activity providers.

Evidence is required that the grant is necessary, valuable and will have a positive impact upon the provision of extracurricular digital technologies and computing science activity throughout Scotland for those who are under the age of 16.

Previous Success October 2024:

Since its inception in 2016, Digital Xtra has awarded £1,071,000 to 183 high-quality, exciting extracurricular computing and digital technologies initiatives across Scotland. This funding has helped positively engage over 56,000 young people in tech.

Restrictions

Interested parties should note the following restrictions:

- Activities that relate only to the use of technology and which may be considered as digital literacy are not eligible for this funding.
- Proposals are not currently being accepted outside of specific funding rounds.

Eligible Expenditure

Funded projects will tangibly demonstrate exciting, stimulating ways of engaging young people with digital skills. Digital Xtra is particularly keen to support projects which appeal to:

- Audiences currently unengaged in digital technologies.
- Audiences from areas often excluded from digital tech activities through lack of local facilities or geography (ie areas of high deprivation and/or rural isolation).
- Groups underrepresented in the digital technologies sector (ie girls and young women, minority groups, children and young people with additional support needs).

Activities which are able to contextualise the skills learned; promoting various digital tech or computing science career pathways are of particular interest.

Location

Scotland

How To Apply

The closing date for applications is 27 March 2025 (15:00).





Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants

Funding body:	Kelloggs
Maximum value:	£ 1,000
Application deadline:	Not specified

Grants are available to support school breakfast clubs in the UK.

Background

Kellogg's, an American multinational food manufacturing company headquartered in Battle Creek, Michigan, United States, manufactures a range of foods, including cereals and cereal bars.

Kellogg's European headquarters, and the home to its largest factory, is based at Trafford Park in Trafford, Greater Manchester. This has been in operation since 1938.

Kellogg's started to support school breakfast clubs across Britain in 1998 and since then has provided £4 million of investment to schools.

Objectives of Fund

Kellogg's, in partnership with Forever Manchester, is awarding grants of £1,000 to school Breakfast Clubs, to help them provide breakfast to those children who need it most.

Value Notes

Grants of £1,000 per breakfast club are available.

Who Can Apply

Eligible breakfast clubs must be based in a school in England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland and aimed at pupils between reception class and year 13.

A limited number of grants are available with priority being given to schools that either:

- Have 35% and above of children eligible for pupil premium funding (for England) and eligible for free school meals (Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales); **or**
- Are based in an area which is classified as falling in the 10% of most deprived areas according to the Index of Multiple Deprivation (30% for secondary school applications). Applicants





should check their postcode on the Kellogg Breakfast Club Grants - Indices of Deprivation Information page

Only one grant per school in each academic year is available.

Restrictions

Fee paying schools are not eligible for funding.

Eligible Expenditure

All schools that apply to the Programme will be automatically signed up to the Kellogg's Breakfast Club Network. Through the Breakfast Club Network, Kellogg's will contact schools with offers and information to help their Breakfast Club.

Location

UK

How To Apply

Applications can be submitted at any time.

Applications will be notified of any decisions made within one month of the date of receipt.

The fund may close at short notice if oversubscribed.

Applications must be submitted using the online form available on the Forever Manchester website.

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

Funding body:	Global Dialogue
Maximum value:	£ 100,000
Application deadline:	12/03/2025

Grants are available for grassroots organisations and individuals with lived experience of migration to bolster leadership in the migration sector with a focus on lived experience leadership, wellbeing, and systems change within the UK.





Background

The Shaping the Future fund is managed by Migration Exchange, a charitable programme fiscally hosted by Global Dialogue. Migration Exchange fundraised for the total pot of money and brought together the Co-Creation Group who are responsible for developing the fund, decision-making and grant recommendations.

Eight funders have contributed to this work: A B Charitable Trust, Barrow Cadbury Trust, Esmée Fairbairn Foundation, Henry Smith Charity, Rayne Foundation, Refugee Council, This Day Foundation and Unbound Philanthropy.

Objectives of Fund

The Fund has three main objectives:

- **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.

Value Notes

Three funding pots are available:

- 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.

Applicants can apply for funding for up to two years.

Who Can Apply

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.

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.

Organisations and collaborative partnerships must have a safeguarding policy or safe practice guidelines.

Organisations must have an income of less than £500,000 to be considered.





Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Loan repayments.
- Retrospective costs.
- Core costs that do not directly contribute to the specific aims of the fund.
- Projects outside the UK.
- Activities without a clear focus on leadership development, wellbeing or systemic change.
- Organisations and partnerships without safeguarding policies.
- Organisations with incomes over £500,000.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding is focused on projects aiming to:

- Develop the capacity and capability of leaders in the migration sector; supporting leaders to develop their knowledge and skill set to become better leaders.
- Support the wellbeing of leaders in the migration sector.
- Advocate for systemic change in the migration sector and centre sustainability.

The funding can be used for a number of different things including but not limited to:

- Pathways for entry and career development in migration organisations.
- Skill, knowledge, resources and access building for individuals working in the sector.
- Curated spaces for collective healing, rest and joy building.
- Strategic partnerships.
- Communications and storytelling work.
- Opportunities for co-creation and participatory approaches to work.
- Wellbeing support for those working in the sector.

Through this initiative, organisations and individuals can design and tailor their own leadership programmes or approaches to meet the specific needs of their teams and communities.

Location

UK

How To Apply

The deadline for applications is 12 March 2025 (17:00).

The guidance notes, faqs, application questions, and online application form can be found on the Global Dialogue website.

An information webinar will be held via Zoom on:

• 24 February 2025 (13:00). Registration required.





abrdn Financial Fairness Trust

Funding body:	abrdn Financial Fairness Trust
Maximum value:	Discretionary
Application deadline:	05/06/2025

Grants are available for strategic work, including policy work, campaigning and research, which has the potential to improve financial wellbeing at a national scale in the UK, especially for those on low-to-middle incomes.

Background

Standard Life Foundation changed its name to abrdn Financial Fairness Trust in 2021 following the sale of the Standard Life brand.

Objectives of Fund

The funding is intended for strategic work, including policy work, campaigning and research, which has the potential to improve financial wellbeing at a national scale. The Foundation is interested in funding projects that examine and promote measures to:

- Increase incomes for those on low-to-middle incomes.
- Ensure people have an adequate safety net, building savings and assets.
- Reduce the cost of living, making sure those on lower incomes are not paying more.
- Address issues related to spending and borrowing, particularly where it becomes problematic.
- Ensure that there is fair taxation.
- Improving the household finances of people on low-to-middle incomes in the UK during the transition to Net Zero and adjustment to climate change.

Value Notes

There is no minimum or maximum size of grant, but typically grants range between £10,000 and £200,000, with most being between £50,000 and £120,000 in total.

The funding may be spread over one, two or three years, and sometimes shorter periods, for example six months.

The Foundation makes between 15 and 20 grants each year, and intends to award around £3 million annually.





Match Funding Restrictions

Applicants may need to seek other sources of funding to compliment this award to met total project costs.

Who Can Apply

Organisations that are undertaking charitable activities can apply and the Trust welcomes applications from a wide range of organisations, including registered charities, voluntary organisations, think tanks, campaigning groups, research bodies and universities.

To be eligible organisations must have a governing body with at least three non-executive directors/trustees (at least three who are not employees of the organisation or affiliated to it in any other way).

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Direct delivery of services, unless this is testing a new approach which has good potential to lead to wider change and be of significant benefit.
- Work that does not address those on low-to-middle incomes living in the UK.
- Work that is not charitable.
- Individuals.
- Work that is primarily the responsibility of statutory authorities.
- General appeals.
- Organisations seeking to distribute grants.
- Promotion of religion.
- Organisations who have been rejected by the Foundation in the last 12 months.
- Organisations whose accounts are in serious financial deficit.
- Organisations that have significant unrestricted reserves (including those that are
 designated). Up to nine months' expenditure is normally acceptable. Exceptions may be
 made for some institutions which need to hold larger reserves such as universities and
 housing associations.
- Retrospective costs.

Additionally, the Foundation is unlikely to:

- Fund work which is solely focussed on areas smaller than a region, such as a neighbourhood, borough or town.
- Provide more than one grant to a single organisation at a time.

Eligible Expenditure

The Trust funds a range of strategic projects that address specific inequalities, differences and vulnerabilities. Projects must benefit more than individuals and have the potential to benefit large numbers of people within the UK. Projects must aim to create a step change in policy, practice, attitudes and/or behaviour.

Eligible projects include:





- Policy work.
- Campaigning.
- Research.
- Public attitudinal work.
- Improving practice and design.
- Evaluations of existing initiatives that have not been evaluated. The grant can be used for project costs and for ongoing costs, including staff salaries and overheads.

The Trust's grant programme is focussed on three areas that influence financial wellbeing. Within each area, there are specific issues that the Foundation aims to address and to be eligible for funding, projects should help to support at least one of these issues

As of January 2024, a Climate Change and Household Finances in the UK funding programme is also available. The programme is focused on improving the household finances of people on low-to-middle incomes in the UK during the transition to Net Zero and adjustment to climate change. The Trust's general funding criteria apply to the programme, and projects must focus on net-zero and financial wellbeing within one of the existing programme areas: income, assets, and spending

Income:

- Wages: Projects looking at pay and conditions, including for young adults and those in insecure work, such as the self-employed. Exploring how changes to shareholder dividends and wage distribution (including greater transparency) could increase pay for those on lower incomes.
- Social security: Supporting improvements to the social security system, ensuring it provides an adequate safety net for people when they need it. This includes work on payment levels, assessment processes, conditionality and sanctions, as well as more radical rethinking of the benefits system. Improving public attitudes in relation to social security.
- Pensions: Focus is on pension income rather than pension savings (the latter is cover under the "Assets" are). Exploring people's experience of navigating the complexities related to pension freedoms and ways to improve this. Exploring how to better support those still facing hardship in retirement.
- Taxation: Supporting improvements to the taxation system, ensuring it is fair to those on low-to-middle incomes and adequately meets the needs of the public services it funds, including social security. Closing tax gaps and loopholes (eg, between employees, the self-employed and company owner-managers); and expanding the remit of taxes (eg, reviewing the scope of National Insurance contributions and pensioners).

Spending:

- Cost of living: Reducing the cost of living, including housing, energy, childcare and transport. Tackling loyalty penalties and poverty premiums.
- Consumer spending: Addressing the negative effects of spending and consumerism, in particular impulsive and compulsive spending. Shifting public attitudes in relation to spending.
- Problem gambling: Addressing the issues caused by problem gambling and examining the
 role of government, the industry, regulators and the use of fintech. Identifying gaps in
 provision for those needing help and support, and how this can be funded.





- Borrowing: Tackling problematic lending and borrowing including high-cost, short-term credit
 and other forms of lending such as credit cards. Increasing knowledge, developing solutions,
 improving good practice amongst firms, and effective regulation, including exploring a
 universal cap on consumer credit. Particular interest in the role of government and
 employers in providing credit.
- Payment problems: Understanding and improving practice when people get into difficulties repaying debt. Examining the role of government, creditors, regulators, debt advice providers and employers.
- Net zero: ensuring the transition to net zero enhances and protects the living standards of those on low-to-middle incomes. For example, home insulation can reduce fuel energy costs in addition to helping towards meeting climate change targets.

Assets:

- General saving: Focus is on increasing saving. Improved understanding of savings, including
 whether schemes designed to turn non-savers into savers and current savers into more
 frequent savers are successful. Exploring how the importance of saving is communicated to
 those on low-to-middle incomes and how this could be improved and lead to changes in
 behaviour.
- Retirement saving: Increasing the amounts people save for their retirement, including
 enhancing auto-enrolment and extending it to groups not currently covered by it. Exploring
 how employers can be encouraged to contribute beyond the minimum to employee's
 retirement savings. Exploring how pension schemes can better share investment risk via a
 more collective approach, such as collective defined benefit schemes.
- Housing: Examining and assessing the value of products and policies which increase home ownership for those on low-to-middle incomes.
- Taxation: Supporting improvements to the taxation system, ensuring it is fair to those on low-to-middle incomes and adequately meets the needs of the public services it funds. Closing tax gaps and loopholes (eg, in relation to inheritance tax); and making taxes fairer (eg, in relation to housing and land). Shifting public attitudes in relation to the taxation of assets.

Climate Change and Household Finances in the UK:

- Transport: Work to improve transport infrastructure towards greener transport, especially affordable and accessible public transport, to reduce costs for low-to-middle income households. We are also interested in research and policy work on the impact on public finances and the distributional impact of reforms to existing taxation related to transport, such as fuel duty revenue or aviation taxes.
- Consumerism: Work focused on the need for a significant reduction in consumption whilst
 maintaining the possibility for those on low to middle incomes to purchase goods and
 services that meet their needs.
- Energy use: Solutions related to the affordability and viability of measures taken to transition to sustainable energy usage.
- Labour market transitions: Work focused on the transition to 'green jobs' from carbon-based sectors. Focused on industrial strategy.
- Other Net Zero and financial wellbeing themes: Any policy or campaigning works focused on Net Zero and financial wellbeing that meets the Trust's general funding criteria and the criteria of this programme.





The majority of funded projects benefit residents from across the UK, but the Trust is especially keen to support work in Scotland, including UK-wide work which has a Scottish dimension to it. There are specific issues relating to geography, with some regions and areas of the UK faring better than others, which the Trust aims to address through the work it funds.

Location

United Kingdom.

How To Apply

The next deadline for applications is 5 June 2025 (13:00).

It takes around four to five months from the application deadline to receiving a decision from the Trustees. Applicants will find out if they are shortlisted within two months of the application deadline.

There is a two-stage application process:

- Organisations need to submit an outline application via email. A template for this is available to download from the Foundation's website.
- Short-listed organisations are asked to complete a full application, based on their original submission but with the opportunity to make further changes.

Applicants must contact the abrdn Financial Fairness Trust to discuss their application with a Grants Officer before applying to the Climate Change and Household Finances in the UK programme.

Guidelines and the template for the outline application are available on the abrdn Financial Fairness Trust's website.

Contact the abrdn Financial Fairness Trust for further information.

Our funding process | abrdn Financial Fairness Trust

Inspiring Scotland - Neighbourhood Ecosystem Fund

Funding body:	Scottish Government
Maximum value:	£ 13,500
Application deadline:	03/03/2025

Grants are available for community groups in Scotland to develop local ecosystem restoration projects.





Background

The Neighbour Ecosystem Fund is supported by the Carman Family Foundation, the Scottish Government's Nature Restoration Fund, which is managed by Nature Scot, and others and is being administered by Inspiring Scotland.

Objectives of Fund

The Fund aims to:

- Inspire and allow communities to explore and develop ambitious ecosystem restoration projects locally.
- Raise awareness about the importance of local ecosystem restoration and address barriers faced by community-led efforts.

Value Notes

Grants of up to £13,500 are available.

Successful applicants will also receive up to £1,500 in professional fundraising support.

Who Can Apply

Not-for-profit community-led organisations that are locally based and operating within a specific area of Scotland can apply, including:

- SCIOs.
- Community Interest Companies.
- Community Benefit societies.
- Cooperatives.
- Not-for-profit companies limited by guarantee.

Unincorporated organisations can apply but must have a constitution and a bank account in the name of the organisation that requires two signatories for the withdrawals.

Organisations must have a turnover of less than £200,000 in the last year.

Applicants must provide:

- A project budget.
- Their constitution.
- A copy of their latest annual accounts.
- At least one (up to five) photos of the project site.
- A copy of the partnership agreement or MOU (if submitting a partnership application).

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

• Private individuals and for-profit companies.





- Public bodies.
- Schools.
- · Academic institutes.
- Charities or other not-for-profit organisations operating at a national or international scale (NGOs).
- Projects that focus exclusively on conservation activities, maintenance, or which cannot demonstrate how activities will actively promote ecosystem restoration, recovery, enhancement, or resilience (eg, beach cleans, litter picking).
- Projects that have already secured significant funding towards their ecosystem restoration activities.
- Projects that are part of large-scale or regional initiatives.
- Projects already funded by the Nature Restoration Fund. Projects must not be funded by the Nature Restoration Fund during the same delivery period as a Neighbourhood Ecosystem Fund grant.

Eligible Expenditure

Projects must focus on one or more of the following priorities for ecosystem restoration:

- **Connecting nature corridors**: connecting areas of habitat or patches of greenspaces to support to nature revival and restoration.
- **Habitat and species restoration** (eg, creating flower-rich grassland). This includes restoration of unused and derelict land, including farmland.
- Freshwater and wetland restoration (eg, pond creation or river restoration).
- **Coastal and marine initiatives** which promote restoration, recovery, enhancement or resilience in Scotland's coasts and seas.
- **Control of invasive non-native species** (INNS) impacting on nature (eg, early-stage community action to plan removal of isolated invasive plant species).
- **Urban nature**: Enhancing and connecting nature within villages, towns, or cities (eg, creating pollinator friendly habitat spaces).

The Fund is interested in development stage projects, such as:

- Turning a high-level concept into a more detailed proposal.
- Generating support and buy-in within a community for a proposal.
- Developing partnerships.
- Undertaking modelling, surveys and feasibility studies.
- Project planning and design.

The following are eligible for funding:

- Activities:
 - Activities should link to the nature focus of your project and be tailored to the needs
 of the people that the organisation works with. This can include ways to engage the
 wider community in the nature project, such as events and workshops.
- Specialist consultancy and technical expertise:
 - Recruiting experts to engage with communities in the design and implementation of ecosystem restoration proposals.
- New staff posts and training placements:





- This could also include part of a current employee's role, if they were dedicating a specific amount of time to the project or training for existing staff, to support the aims of the project. Such as, increasing staff time or recruiting additional people to support evaluation or communications activities.
- Core costs:
 - Up to 20% of the funding can be used to cover management costs and organisational over such as day-to-day running costs, insurance, or routine accommodation.

Funding is intended for revenue costs. Requests for small amounts of capital funding to purchase or upgrade physical items essential to delivery of the project will be considered.

Projects must be delivered between 1 June 2025 and 31 March 2026.

Scotland

How To Apply

There is a two-stage application process:

- Stage One: Applicants must first submit a short online Expression of Interest.
- **Stage Two:** Eligible applicants will then be invited to complete a full application. The deadline for applications is 3 March 2025 (noon).

Guidance notes and an online Expression of Interest form are available from the Inspiring Scotland website.

Contact Inspiring Scotland for further information.

Neighbourhood Ecosystem Fund - Inspiring Scotland

Asda Foundation – Young Futures Fund

Funding body:	ASDA Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 1,000
Application deadline:	13/03/2025

Grants are available for grassroots groups in the UK to improve the mental health and wellbeing for teens and young people (13-21 years) to help build better futures.

Background

Each year, the Asda Foundation, an independent charitable foundation, receives a donation from Asda Stores. The donation is used to provide grant funding to grassroots groups at the heart of





communities throughout the UK. The Foundation works with In-store Asda Community Champions to award grants to the local groups that need them most.

The new £500,000 Young Futures Fund is provided and administered by the Asda Foundation in recognition of the importance of supporting young people in communities across the UK.

Objectives of Fund

The funding is for community groups who are looking to deliver activities for teenagers and young people (13 years to 21 years), helping to improve mental health and wellbeing, and create positive life opportunities.

There is particular interest in groups that:

- Provide specialist services for marginalised or vulnerable groups of young people.
- Increase access and participation in activities that would otherwise not be available.
- Address prevalent social issues in their community such as: knife crime, gangs, bullying, personal safety etc.
- Challenge inequality through awareness, training and education.

Value Notes

The total funding pot is £500,000.

Grants of between £500 and £1,000 are available.

Funding must be used, and projects completed, by September 2025.

Who Can Apply

Not-for-profit groups and organisations based and working within the UK can apply.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Have an income of below £250,000.
- Have a signed governing documents outlining their not-for-profit status.
- Have a bank account set up in the group's name which accepts cheques.
- Have a safeguarding policy in place that covers all service users of their organisation.
- Have an existing service for young people within the 13-21 age group.
- Predominately support young people within the 13-21 age group as part of their core service.

Applicants need to meet at least one of the following objectives:

- 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.





The Foundation strives for a holistic spread of applications across the UK, applications from the same area will be reviewed together and Asda Foundation will select the most impactful project/s who meet all the above.

Applications are encouraged from sports clubs, youth clubs, Explorer Scouts, Cadets & Rangers who are specifically carrying out projects/activities to engage and improve the wellbeing of marginalised and at-risk 13 to 21-year-olds.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Groups that do not currently offer services and support for people in the 13-21 age range.
- Groups whose core support and activities are aimed at those outside of the 13-21 age range.
- Organisations based outside the UK or benefitting people/communities outside of the UK.
- Third party grant making organisations (grantees must directly deliver the service/activity).
- Groups whose services and activities involve alcohol.
- Schools and Academy Trusts, although PTAs (with their own bank account) are eligible to apply, providing that the funding would be used for extracurricular activities in line with the grant's aims.
- Groups affiliated with a particular political party or agenda.
- Religious organisations whose services are only open to people of a particular faith.
- Animal charities or groups focused primarily on animal welfare.
- Fundraising, sponsorship or contribution to larger projects.
- Equipment which will be kept by individuals, rather than the organisation applying for funding.
- Projects which could negatively impact the reputation of The Asda Foundation.
- Projects/items which will benefit only one person.
- Trips and excursions.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding can be used for a number of different things.

Examples of the kinds of items and services that could be funded include, but are not limited to:

- Intervention and prevention programmes to address social issues.
- Essential items for crisis support, such as clothes, food and hygiene items for a homeless shelter focusing on young people.
- Delivery of specialist support or services or speakers.
- Group drop-in and talking sessions.
- Workshops to upskill and deliver life skills (cooking, finance, employment, CV writing).
- Resources for recreational activities, eg, craft materials, board games
- Sports kit and/or equipment (cap £500).
- Volunteering costs (cap £100 per person).
- Peer support events, and activities that bring people together.





How To Apply

The criteria and eligibility checker are available now on the Asda Foundation website.

Groups can check their eligibility before the fund opens at noon on 27 February 2025. If eligible, they will be able to access the link to submit an application as soon as the fund opens.

The application window opens on 27 February 2025 (noon) and closes on 13 March 2025 (noon).

Please note: The application window may close early if there is a high level of applications. If a geographic region is oversubscribed, individual areas may close before the deadline for the total grant programme.

Applications will be reviewed within eight weeks of the grant window closing. Projects should start no earlier than 10 weeks after submission.

Young Futures Fund | Asda Foundation

Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust - Reducing Veteran Homelessness Programme 2025

Funding body:	Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust
Maximum value:	£ 300,000
Application deadline:	31/03/2025

Grants are available for UK registered charities, local authorities and housing association to support projects in the UK that improve the capacity of services in supported housing to be better able to help veterans with a range of needs.

Background

The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust is awarding these grants on behalf of the Office for Veterans' Affairs.

The programme aims to support the government's ambition towards ending homelessness and contribute to their commitment to ensure veterans have access to the support they need, including housing. Following the success of the current Reducing Veteran Homelessness programme, new funding is available to further improve the capacity of services in supported housing to meet the needs of vulnerable veterans.





Objectives of Fund

Funding is intended to support projects that improve the capacity of services in supported housing to be better able to help veterans with a range of needs and in turn reduce rates of veteran homelessness and end rough sleeping.

Value Notes

Grants of up to £300,000 per organisation for project being delivered over a period of up to nine months are available.

Organisations can also apply for an Enhanced Award of up to £200,000 where it can be demonstrated that the project will fulfil a significant level of currently unmet need.

Projects can be up to two years in length, and should begin within two months of the date of award.

Projects can start 1 June 2025. All projects must be completed by 31 March 2026.

Who Can Apply

Applications are accepted from:

- Registered charities that have been registered in the UK for at least three years at the time of application, with relevant experience and engagement in the direct provision of housing for veterans. They must be able to provide published accounts for all three years and must have a minimum of three unrelated directors/trustees at the time of application.
- A registered social housing provider or registered social landlord in Scotland.
- A local authority.

For all successful applicants, a mandatory requirement is that organisations agree to work with and undertake, where possible and appropriate, to house veterans referred to them through Operation Fortitude. Successful applicants will be required to report on the number of veterans they have housed from Operation Fortitude at the end of each month.

Applicants are encouraged to work with other organisations as part of their project.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- An individual.
- A charity or CIC which does not have substantial recent experience of supporting Armed Forces communities or is newly registered.
- A charity or CIC that is based overseas.
- Community organisations that do not fit any of the eligibility criteria, such as a sports
- organisation which is not a charity or CIC.
- An organisation that has charitable status but is an Exempt Charity.
- A private or for-profit company
- Activities that duplicate statutory NHS or state provision (though short-term support can be given to veterans eg, access to addiction treatment).





- Capital projects for creating additional bed spaces.
- Refurbishment costs of existing facilities.
- Projects where funding is not benefiting veterans
- Activities or services that can be funded through rent or housing benefits.

Further restrictions are listed in the guidance notes.

Eligible Expenditure

Grants can cover most costs associated with a project or activity including people's time, costs of delivering work online or buying/hiring equipment.

Proposals may include the following costs:

- Staff time for this fixed-term project.
- Direct project management or for admin or to manage volunteers that may be involved in the project.
- Sessional staff or freelancers to run the project.
- Appropriate clinical supervision for workers who are supporting vulnerable individuals.
- Reasonable travel costs.
- Purchase of times that enable activities to take place.
- Art materials; sports/games/outdoor equipment; supplies for breakfast or social hubs.
- Purchasing items to help deliver the project, such as additional telephones or laptops or IT equipment.
- Reasonable costs for storing and transporting items, including wear and tear on private vehicles.
- Reasonable overheads, which reflect the cost to the organisation of delivering this project, taking account of recent cost increases.

Location

UK

How To Apply

The deadline for applications is 31 March 2025 **(12 noon)**. Notification of decisions by the end of May 2025.

All relevant documents can be found on the Trust's website.

Contact the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust for further information.

Reducing Veteran Homelessness Programme







