**New funds since 04/11/2020**

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| **Scottish Wholesale Food and Drink Resilience Fund** | Discretionary | Open – deadline 13/12/2020 | **Wholesale food and drink businesses in Scotland that have been affected by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic are to be supported through a new £5 million fund.**  This programme is funded by the Scottish Government.  COVID-19 restrictions have had a severe impact on the food and drink wholesale sector, particularly for businesses that sell into hospitality. Many have seen a significant proportion of their business disappear and are operating at a fraction of pre-pandemic levels as a result of venues being forced to close or limit trading.  The Scottish Wholesale Food and Drink Resilience Fund has been established to support food and drink businesses suffering hardship as a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.  The fund will be targeted at food and drink wholesalers that sell to hospitality, on-trade or public sector clients who have seen sales fall by 20% or more since March 2020.  The programme has a total budget of £5 million. The level of grant will vary depending on the business and the application.  Businesses interested in applying must be able to evidence they have been trading at a loss between April and September 2020, in addition to trading positively prior to this.  Applicants must provide evidence of projected gross revenues as well as fixed and additional costs for trading between October 2020 and March 2021. A calculation will then be made to predict the shortfall in revenue required to cover these fixed costs with grants covering up to 100% of the predicted shortfall. If the total value of eligible applications exceeds £5 million, grants will be scaled appropriately to successful applicants.  Small and medium food and drink wholesalers in Scotland that sell food and drink into the hospitality sector, on trade or public sector contracts may apply. Wholesale is defined as being a route to market in the consolidation and distribution of multi-supplier stocks.  **Restrictions**  A meat producer, food processor, or hatchery, who makes/grows/processes products as their main business but also carries out wholesale trade to local butchers or hotels, etc cannot apply as wholesaling is not the main part of their business.  **Eligible Expenditure**  The grants can be used to cover the shortfall in revenue and fixed operating costs, such as business rates, rent, loan repayments, utilities and insurance as well as specific costs such as the loss of stock.  **Employee Notes**  1-249  **Turnover Notes**  An annual turnover of no more than €50 million and/or an annual balance sheet total of no more than €43 million.  **How To Apply**  The scheme opened at 00:01 on Saturday 5 December 2020.  Applications must be submitted by Sunday 13 December 2020 (23:59 GMT).  Applications are made online at the programme website.  Applicants should email their completed application form to [foodanddrinkwholesalefund@gov.scot](mailto:foodanddrinkwholesalefund@gov.scot)  Those seeking support or advice on filling out the application form should contact the Scottish Wholesale Association at [info@scottishwholesale.co.uk](mailto:info@scottishwholesale.co.uk)  <webhttps://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-scottish-wholesale-food-and-drink-resilience-fund/> |
| **BBC Children in Need - Main Grant and Small Grant** | Small Grant up to £10,000  Main Grant from £10,001 | Open – deadline 21/12/2020 | After a pause of six months, registered not-for-profit organisations that work with disadvantaged children and young people of 18 years and under who live in the UK, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands can apply for grants of either up to £10,000 or from £10,001.  Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the funder has temporarily broadened the types of applications it is accepting. Currently funding is being offered that can be used more flexibly than usual.  Applications are encouraged for:   Project delivery (Including staffing and salary costs)   Creative solutions to deliver much needed services   Organisational costs to support stability and adaptation. (Including the day-to-day running costs of an organisation as opposed to specific project costs)  All applications will have to show how this funding will make a difference to children and young people’s lives during this crisis.  Applications are not limited to one specific project and a request can be made for organisational running costs. The funder is committed to supporting voluntary groups with these types of grants.  The deadline for all applications is 11:30 am on 21 December 2020.  <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/grants/covid-19-funding-streams/> |
| **Bord na Gaidhlig - Covid-19 Support Scheme** | Up to £20,000 | Open – deadline 21/1/2021 | Bòrd na Gàidhlig’s COVID-19 Support Fund seeks to provide Delivery Partners and other groups that deliver Gaelic projects with support in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.  Funding is available to help organisations to continue their work online; to share resources and training; and to ensure the organisations are best-placed to recover from the current situation.  This scheme would specifically like to support projects that have originated because of COVID-19 that:   Develop the capacity and effectiveness of organisations to respond to the current COVID-19 pandemic and the recover from it   Develop new and strategic services/resources for the Gaelic community that can be delivered under movement restrictions / social distancing and/or that support Bòrd na Gàidhlig’s #cleachdiaigantaigh initiative   Provide training and support, especially in the early years sector, that support Gaelic work during the pandemic and in the recovery from it   Applications may be made for up to a maximum of £20,000 and up to 80% of project costs, unless discussed and permitted by Bòrd na Gàidhlig officers.  Applications must be submitted by 3pm on Thursday 21 January 2020.  <https://www.gaidhlig.scot/bord/fundraising/> |
| **School for Social Entrepreneurs- Scale+Innovate: Employability & training | Environment & Conservation** |  | Open – deadline 6/1/2021 | Open to established small to medium size charities or social enterprises working in employability and training or environment and conservation who are looking to scale their organisation and implement a new initiative to help recover and rebuild from Covid-19. The programme is made up of 10 learning days and additional Action Learning Sets between February and September 2021, focused on helping you scale your organisation. Organisations will also receive a £1,000 Booster grant that can help you towards innovation or cover while you attend the programme.  The closing date for applications is 6 January 2021.  <https://www.the-sse.org/courses/scale-innovate-employability-training-environment-conservation/> |
| **Alec Dickson Trust** | Up to £500 | Open – deadline 17/12/2020 | The Trust supports young people who are able to demonstrate that through volunteering or community service they can enhance the lives of others, particularly those most marginalised by society. They especially welcome the opportunity to support innovative projects. In this round, the Trust welcomes applications from UK-based volunteering or community service projects, organised and run by people under 30 years old, which directly or indirectly respond to COVID-19.  Grants of up to £500 are available.  The next deadline for applications is 17 December.  <http://www.alecdicksontrust.org.uk/apply/> |
| **UPDATE MESSAGE from The National Lottery Community Fund** |  |  | Summary of what’s staying the same and what’s changing  We want to make sure communities in Scotland are able to access our significant National Lottery funds, to help them respond to and recover from the impact of the pandemic.  Our funds will mainly continue to operate as before. But we have made some changes to help make sure our funds better support people and communities through COVID-19.  The full details are laid out below, but here are the key points:  - Our National Lottery Awards for All (up to £10k) and Young Start (up to £100k) funds remain open and unchanged  - Our other funds will remain open for a further 18-24 months, and will mainly continue to operate as before.  - We can still fund all the types of project we could before – but we are expanding what we will fund through our Improving Lives fund.  - For our funds offering more than £10k the maximum grant length will now be three years, and we will assess applications more quickly.  The details of what’s changing  Our Community-Led Activity fund (website will be updated Fri 4 Dec) will now fund up to a maximum of three years, and we will be happy to consider applications for shorter-term projects. Turnaround time for applications will be reduced to approximately three months.  We’ve expanded our Improving Lives fund (website will be updated Fri 4 Dec). We will now fund work that:  • supports children, young people and families currently experiencing challenging circumstances  • supports people that have experienced abuse  • tackles loss, isolation or loneliness  • supports people that experience discrimination and/or works to challenge discrimination  • supports people facing financial hardship  Turnaround time for applications will be reduced to approximately three months. As announced in September, Improving Lives grants are now available for up to three years and the maximum grant size is £200,000.  We understand that everything we do now has been impacted by the pandemic so we no longer have a separate application process for applications responding to the impact of COVID-19. But we will still be happy to discuss how we might support responses to the pandemic through our funds.  We are also keen to help build on some of the amazing community responses to the pandemic.  We will continue to review our funds regularly over the next 18-24 months. We will keep you updated on any further changes we make.  <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes?location=scotland> |
| **Scottish Government Earmarks £185m for COVID Stricken Businesses** |  |  | A multi-million pound package of support, targeting sectors most in need as a result of COVID-19 disruptions, has been announced.  Businesses across Scotland are set to benefit from a new £185 million package of targeted coronavirus (COVID-19) support.  The country's Finance Secretary, Kate Forbes, made the announcement following discussions with business groups. The package is expected to benefit a range of sectors, from taxi drivers and arts venues to travel agents and hospitality.  Additionally, there will be extra one-off payments made to hospitality businesses in January to help them deal with the traditional post-Christmas drop in demand. The payments will be £2,000 or £3,000, depending on rateable value.  The specific support includes:  •£5 million for the wedding sector and its supply chain, including photographers.  •One-off grants totalling £15 million for mobile close contact services, such as hairdressers.  •A £19 million fund and one-off grants for taxi drivers.  •£5 million for travel agents.  •Almost £6 million for coach companies and tour operators.  •£1.5 million for visitor attractions.  Kate Forbes said:  'We are developing grant schemes for hospitality, for the events sector, live music and cultural venues, for the arts, indoor football centres and for the food and drink sector, including £1.8 million for brewers.  'We will give £1.5 million to travelling show people ineligible for other support, while a new £19 million fund, plus a one-off grant, will help taxi drivers.  'I can also announce that further support of £60 million will be provided to the tourism sector, details of which will be developed in consultation with the industry.  'I am listening to the needs of business and we will continue to review and refine our COVID-19 support offer within the available resources.'  More details on the support package will be announced imminently and businesses can expect to apply for all the new grant schemes in January 2021. |