

New funds since 28/8/2020

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<p>Events Industry Support Fund</p>	<p>Up to £10,000</p>	<p>Open – closes 14/9/2020</p>	<p>A support fund to help businesses in the events industry in Scotland recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>This Fund is intended to support suppliers working to organise, stage and deliver in Scotland business/MICE events (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions) and/or cultural and sporting events and festivals which are open to the public.</p> <p>This Fund is open to the self-employed (through limited company or as a sole trader), partnerships and incorporated businesses. Businesses must have a place of business in Scotland and be supplying to events physically taking place in Scotland. Only one application per business is eligible.</p> <p>Applicants need to be able to demonstrate that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events represent their primary source of income (minimum of 40% in 2019/20). • They have not received funding from any other Scottish Government support package following the coronavirus outbreak. • Business earnings in 2019/20 were over £10,000. • They have not been in financial difficulty before 31 December 2019. <p>Individuals who have received support through UK and Scottish Government self-employment support schemes (including Scottish Government newly self-employed hardship fund) are eligible to apply.</p> <p>The following business types are eligible for support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events Medical Services • Health and Safety Provision for Events • Audio Visual and Technology • Staging and Temporary Seating • Event Equipment Hire • Temporary Event Utilities • Production Services for events • Marquee Hire • Event and production Crew Event organiser/producer/promoter • Events Freelancers

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catering • Security • Event Transport • Accreditation Solutions • Event Merchandise • Photography • Ticketing • Marketing and PR • Design and Print • Venue Dressing • Activity Providers • Exhibition Services (including trades people, electricians, joiners) • Florists • PCO - Professional Conference Organisers • DMC - Destination Management Companies • Tour Guide/Operator for event groups • Translation Services for event groups <p>Applications must be submitted by the deadline of 14 September 2020 (12 noon).</p> <p>Applicants must complete the application form online and submit it along with the required documentation.</p> <p>More details can be accessed at:</p> <p>https://www.visitscotland.org/events/funding/coronavirus-support-fund</p>
Kickstart Scheme	Discretionary	Open	<p>The scheme, first announced by Chancellor Rishi Sunak as part of his Plan for Jobs in July 2020, will be delivered by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP).</p> <p>The Government's Kickstart Scheme is a £2 billion fund designed to create hundreds of thousands of high quality six-month work placements for those aged 16 to 24 who are on Universal Credit and are deemed to be at risk of long term unemployment.</p> <p>Young people are more likely to have been furloughed, with many working in sectors disproportionately hit by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The jobs created should give young people the opportunity to build their skills in the workplace and to gain experience to improve their chances of finding long-term work.</p>

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			<p>Job placements should support the participants to develop the skills and experience they need to find work after completing the scheme. Young people will be referred into the new roles through their Jobcentre Plus work coach with the first Kickstarts expected to begin at the start of November 2020.</p> <p>Employers will receive funding for 100% of the relevant National Minimum Wage for 25 hours a week, plus associated employer National Insurance contributions and employer minimum auto-enrolment pension contributions. Employers will be able to top up this wage, while the Government will also pay employers £1,500 to set up support and training for people on a Kickstart placement, as well as helping pay for uniforms and other set up costs.</p> <p>There will also be extra funding to support young people to build their experience and help them move into sustained employment after they have completed their Kickstart funded job.</p> <p>Representatives applying on behalf of a group of employers can get £300 of funding to support with the associated administrative costs of bringing together these employers.</p> <p>The scheme is available to employers in England, Scotland and Wales that are looking to create new job placements for young people. Any organisation, regardless of size, can apply for funding. Applications must be for a minimum of 30 job placements and there is no cap on the number of places.</p> <p>The roles must be a minimum of 25 hours per week, for six months, paid at least the National Minimum Wage for the employees' age group. The roles should not require people to undertake extensive training before they begin the job placement.</p> <p>The job placements created with Kickstart must not:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace existing or planned vacancies. • Cause existing employees or contractors to lose or reduce their employment. <p>Applications are open at any time.</p> <p>The scheme will initially be open until December 2021, with the option of being extended.</p> <p>Applications are made online at the programme website. Applicants can check the guidance for employers online.</p> <p>More details can be accessed here</p>
Resilience and Recovery Loan Fund	£100,000 to £1,500,000	Open	<p>The Resilience & Recovery Loan Fund (RRLF) is a new fund for social enterprises and charities that are <i>improving people's lives</i> across the UK who are experiencing disruption to their normal business model as a result of COVID-19. It has been established to make an</p>

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			<p>existing government scheme (the Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme (CBILS - see below) more easily accessible to charities and social enterprises.</p> <p>To date, RRLF has approved loans from 23 charities and social enterprises, with a total value of over £8.1m.</p> <p>The RRLF is being run by Social Investment Business (SIB) with an initial £25m investment and support from Big Society Capital. SIB is the lender, and will work with experienced social investor partners on delivery of the fund: Big Issue Invest, CAF Venturesome, Charity Bank, Resonance, Social Investment Scotland, Social and Sustainable Capital and Wales Council for Voluntary Action. Other delivery partners may be added in future. See below for where to apply.</p> <p>The £25m is part of a wider package of support announced by Big Society Capital.</p> <p>£4m worth of grant funding has also been made available to be used alongside the Resilience and Recovery Loan Fund to support charities and social enterprises based in and delivering the majority of their impact in England. Those applying for loans under the RRLF might be eligible for part of the total amount approved to be provided as a grant, reducing the amount repayable.</p> <p>For further info: https://www.sibgroup.org.uk/resilience-and-recovery-loan-fund</p>
<p>Pedal for Scotland Grants</p>	<p>Up to £10,000</p>	<p>Open – deadline 30/11/2020</p>	<p>Grants are available for community organisations in Scotland to organise and deliver beginner-friendly, local cycling events.</p> <p>Two levels of funding are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small grants of up to £1,000 for community cycling events with 50 - 250 participants. • Large grants of up to £10,000 for Pedal for Scotland events with 250 - 700 participants, delivered in partnership with Cycling Scotland. <p>There will be two funding rounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Round 1 is open for applications until 30 November 2020 (for events happening before 20 June 2021). • Round 2 is open for applications until 12 February 2021 (for events happening before 31 October 2021).

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			<p>Before submitting an application, organisations should contact Cycling Scotland's Project Manager to have an initial discussion on the suitability of their project.</p> <p>Guidance notes and application forms are available on the website of Cycling Scotland. There are separate application forms for small grants and large grants.</p> <p>For further info:</p> <p>https://www.cycling.scot/pedal-for-scotland/grant-funding</p>
Essentia Foundation	Up to £2,500	Open – deadline 14/9/2020	<p>Grants are available to small charities and community groups in Scotland for projects aiming to improve the health and social welfare of children and young people and those providing opportunities for training, enhanced learning and upskilling.</p> <p>The funding is intended for projects that achieve the following objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved health and social welfare of children and young people. • Increased opportunities for training, enhancing learning, upskilling, and developing career opportunities, and supporting people to move towards employment. <p>The deadline for applications is 12pm on 14 September 2020.</p> <p>Guidelines and an online application form are available on the website of Foundation Scotland.</p> <p>https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/essentia/</p>
Macmillan Community Grants	Up to £500		<p>Macmillan Community Grants are available for community groups and organisations to apply for small grants of up to £500 to work in their local community to support people with cancer. They are particularly interested in projects which related to Equality Diversity & Inclusion, and Covid-19. This could be an idea that helps people affected b cancer access cancer support, or help people re-gain their independence as we adapt to live during a global pandemic.</p> <p>Contact engagementscotland@macmillan.org.uk and one of the team will contact you to have an initial discussion.</p> <p>The programme will remain open until 1 November 2020. Funding will be provided before the end of December 2020.</p>
Commonwealth Foundation - Covid-19 Special Call	£10,000 - £30,000	Open – next deadline 18/9/2020	<p>The fund is interested in supporting national initiatives in response to COVID-19 that aim to engage constructively with government in strengthening relevant institutions, policies and</p>

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			<p>practices as communities and countries seek to recover and rebuild. Please refer to the guidelines for further information.</p> <p>Applicants must be registered not for profit civil society organisations, have an annual income of less than £3 million over the last two years. The applicant must be based in an eligible Commonwealth Foundation member country and the project should take place in an eligible Commonwealth Foundation member country.</p> <p>Apply online via the weblink provided. https://commonwealthfoundation.com/grants/</p>
Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust	Up to £5,000	Open – next deadline 30/9/2020	<p>The Trust gives grants to registered charities that work in the UK. They focus on specific priorities every year. Check the website for full details on eligibility. 2020 categories are: Grant rounds 1 and 2 - Music and the Arts; Grant rounds 3 and 4 - People aged 60 and over. 2021 categories are: Grant rounds 1 and 2 - Homelessness; Grant rounds 3 and 4 - Refugees and Asylum Seekers. In Grant rounds 3 & 4, they will support projects that focus on the many complex issues that have arisen from the Covid 19 pandemic that address the specific needs of people aged 60 and over. Priority will be given to charities that work within BAME communities</p> <p>They only award grants to organisations registered with the Charity Commission (England, Wales and Northern Ireland) or OSCR, or exempt from registration. For Round 4, the charity's operating income and operating expenditure must be a minimum of £1,000,000. There is no maximum income or expenditure.</p> <p>Minimum annual income: £1,000,000</p> <p>Next deadline: 30th Sep 2020</p> <p>Grant round 4 opens in September with a focus on People aged 60 and over.</p> <p>https://austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk/</p>
The Morrisons Foundation Covid-19 Homeless Support Fund	Up to £10,000	Open	<p>The fund is designed to support charities caring for the homeless during the coronavirus outbreak and ensure help gets to those who need it most. It will cover three broad areas: outreach and support, delivery of services in hostels and shelters, and information and advice.</p> <p>Registered charities that care for the homeless and have been registered for a minimum of one year. There are no deadlines and applications can be submitted at any time. Applications will be accepted until the £500,000 emergency fund is depleted and have filed their documents.</p> <p>https://www.morrisonfoundation.com/latest-news/covid-19/</p>

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