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Strategic Funds & Council Specific (Borough-wide significance)

THEATRES TRUST SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME	
Deadline:	
The deadline for applications in this round is 12pm on the 21 st April 2023.	
Details:	
Theatres Trust small grants programme is for not-for-profit theatres to carry out essential works. Priority will be given to improvements to buildings that protect theatre use & remove barriers to participation & attendance. The Small Grants Programme will provide grants of up to £5,000 to support essential small projects that make a big impact to a theatre's resilience, sustainability, or accessibility. To be eligible, applicants must demonstrate that they: own or manage theatres with titles or signed leases of more than 5 years on buildings; run a year-round programme of live performance, of no less than 30 performances a year or have a bona fide UK charitable or not-for-profit legal structure and be able to provide certified or audited accounts for at least 2 years. Eligible projects include small capital works, installation of key plant/machinery, works that make theatre buildings digital-ready, & projects that help theatres reopen as Covid-secure.	
How to apply:	
http://www.theatrestrust.org.uk/smallgrants	

FCC COMMUNITY ACTION FUND	
Deadline:	
The fund will re-open for applications on 22 nd March until 5pm on the 7 th June 2023.	
Details:	
Registered Charities, churches, Parish Councils, Local Authorities & CASC registered sports clubs can apply for grants of £2,000-£100,000 for provision, maintenance, or improvement of community facilities. This includes Village Halls, Community Centres; Public Play Areas, publicly available Multi use games areas, Skate parks, BMX tracks; Sport & recreation grounds including pavilions, clubhouses with full public access; Churches (community spaces only), museums, Nature Reserves, Public gardens, parks, country parks/woodlands (least dawn to dusk access). Funding is available to projects located within 10 miles of an eligible FCC Environment site. Recent policy changes mean that we now accept applications for renewable energy projects at community buildings. Applications for non-substantial extensions (toilets/kitchens are sometimes accepted).	
How to apply:	
https://fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk/funds/fcc-community-action-fund	

WAR MEMORIALS GRANT SCHEME
Deadline:
The next closing date for applications is the 30 th June 2023.
Details:
The War Memorials Trust is providing grants for the repair and conservation of free-standing war memorials. Grants are intended to help those who are responsible for the upkeep of war memorials. Grants support the care and preservation of war memorials to a high standard, and to prevent the decay of this important part of our built heritage. Grants will normally be for 25%-75% of eligible costs. The maximum grant is £5,000 for non-freestanding war memorials while freestanding, non-beneficiary war memorials may be considered up to a maximum grant of £20,000. The fund is open to anyone to apply; individuals or organisations, including councils.
How to apply:
http://www.warmemorials.org/grants/

URBAN TREE CHALLENGE FUND
Deadline:
Those wishing to plant trees in '23/24 must submit applications by 11:59pm on 30 th June 2023.
Details:
Grants are available to community/volunteer groups as well as town councils & individuals for tree planting projects in socially deprived urban & peri-urban areas. Funding aims to support people's health & wellbeing by levelling-up access to nature. The fund provides 80% of standard costs for planting large trees & their establishment costs. The remaining 20% must be met through match funding either in the form of money or labour. There is a minimum application value of £10,000. Payments for trial pits have been introduced in this round to check for the presence of services.
How to apply:
https://www.gov.uk/guidance/urban-tree-challenge-fund

LOCAL AUTHORITY TREESCAPES FUND
Deadline:
Applications received after the 30 th June 2023 will be considered for projects which plan to begin planting during the planting season in the 2024-2025 financial year.
Details:
Local Authority Treescaping fund aims to restore tree cover in non-woodland areas which may have been impacted by issues i.e., disease, habitat degradation or ageing tree stock. Funding is available to establish more trees in non-woodland areas i.e., parklands, riparian zones, urban areas, beside roads/footpaths, hedgerow trees & field boundaries. Grants of £50,000-£300,000 will be awarded to Borough, District/City Councils, County Councils, Unitary & Metropolitan Boroughs. Local authorities are encouraged to work with schools, other organisations, grass root organisations, community groups, & private individuals to deliver planting.
How to apply:
https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-authority-treescaping-fund

NATURE FOR CLIMATE PEATLAND GRANT SCHEME
Deadline:
Details on how to apply will be added to the Natural England website before applications open.
Details:
Environmental groups, local authorities, charities, public bodies, individual landowners etc will be able to apply for funding to restore degraded peatlands. This competitive scheme aims to restore the whole hydrological unit of a peatland & reduce emissions from peat, with a goal of restoring 35,000 hectares of degraded peat by March '25. Applicants must have authority to carry out the activities in their proposal & demonstrate how their proposal will deliver the scheme's objectives, including wider benefits like improved ecosystems & biodiversity, better water quality, natural flood management, & protection of historic environment features. Restoration Grant applicants can normally apply for up to 75% of total project costs, & exceptional cases up to 85% of the cost.
How to apply:
https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nature-for-climate-peatland-grant-scheme

Community Funding & Environment (incl. Transport)

PRINCE'S COUNTRYSIDE FUND
Deadline:
The closing date for applications is the 11 th April 2023.
Details:
Grants of up to £25,000 are available to support innovative projects that support the resilience & viability of communities in remote rural areas. The funding is keen to encourage applications from groups and organisations with projects in hamlets, villages and small market towns in remote rural locations where the project is required due to a lack of alternative services in that locality. Applications from small villages and towns, or rurally dispersed areas, will be prioritised over those from larger towns, which may be better served.
How to apply:
https://www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/how-we-help/rural-communities/

GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK
Deadline:
The closing date for applications is the 13 th April 2023.
Details:
Not for profit, schools & statutory organisations can apply for grants of £300-£800 to organise events, activities & festivals that engage children & young people during the Great Big Green Week '23. The Great Big Green Week is a nationwide celebration of action on climate change, taking place from 10 th -18 th June 2023. The fund is especially interested in hearing from groups that work with or support children and young people who come from low-income families, have migrated to the UK, are from racialised communities, have experience of the care system, are LGBT+ or from an LGBT+ family, or are disabled or live with someone who is disabled.
How to apply:
https://greatbiggreenweek.com/funding/save-the-children-children-young-people-climate-fund

SPECIES RECOVERY PROGRAMME CAPITAL GRANT
Deadline:
The 2-year grant scheme will open for applications on the 3 rd April 2023 for a period of 6 weeks.
Details:
A new funding programme has been launched to help reverse the decline of threatened or endangered species. Species Recovery Programme Capital Grant Scheme will award grants of between £50,000 and £500,000 to partnerships, businesses, and organisations for activities such as habitat enhancement, equipment purchase, species translocation projects, the purchase and installation of new site infrastructure, staff costs, and some research and development. Match funding is encouraged, but not essential.
How to apply:
https://naturalengland.blog.gov.uk/2023/03/09/what-you-need-to-know-about-the-species-recovery-programme-capital-grant-scheme/

ASDA FOUNDATION EMPOWERING LOCAL COMMUNITIES FUND
Deadline:
Applications should be made through an Asda store's Community Champion by 21 st April 2023.
Details:
Grants of up to £1,600 are available for grassroots community groups and organisations to support a broad range of activities that contribute towards transforming communities and improving lives across the UK. The funding supports projects and activities which address local issues that are important to a community, and which benefit local people. This includes events bringing people together/encourage community connections; initiatives to provide essentials; projects to transform/improve spaces/activities; events to celebrate the Coronation (up to £400).
How to apply:
https://www.asdafoundation.org/how-to-apply

THE VETERAN'S FOUNDATION

Deadline:

The next closing date is the 24th April 2023 for consideration at the June Trustees meeting.

Details:

Armed Forces charities and other not-for-profits can apply for grants of up to £40,000 for projects and activities supporting serving armed forces personnel, veterans, operationally qualified seafarers, and their immediate families. Types of grants awarded include:

- Grants of up to £30,000 for projects. This grant could be spread over up to three years.
- Grants of up to £40,000 are available exclusively for salaries over a two-year period.

The Foundation gives priority to charities & organisations who can demonstrate that they are directly involved in the provision of support to those in need, as well as well-run organisations of low to medium wealth. In awarding grants, a range of factors will be considered including the service or item being funded, number of beneficiaries, the importance of the grant to the applicant organisation, the efficiency of the organisation, need of the beneficiaries and its urgency.

How to apply:

<https://www.veteransfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

CLA CHARITABLE TRUST

Deadline:

The closing date for applications is the 26th April 2023.

Details:

Applications are invited from charities & not-for-profits for projects that help disabled or disadvantaged people connect with nature & the countryside. Funding supports projects that improve physical & mental health/wellbeing of people who are disabled or disadvantaged by helping them to visit & participate in recreational & educational opportunities in the countryside. Applications are particularly welcomed for projects for children & young people, disadvantaged financially, physically, mentally, or from areas of deprivation. Funding can be used to support projects, capital works & running costs. No maximum or minimum funding amounts are given.

How to apply:

<https://www.cla.org.uk/about-cla/charitable-trust/>

THE JEAN SAINSBURY ANIMAL WELFARE TRUST

Deadline:

The next deadline to apply is the 1st May 2023.

Details:

UK Registered Charities working to offer sanctuary, rehoming & rehabilitation to animals in the UK and/or internationally can apply for grants. Organisations involved with the conservation of wildlife, the rescue, rehabilitation and (where possible) release of animals are also eligible to apply. The funding supports general running costs or capital purchases. The Trust encourages repeat applications from charities when further financial support might be given if funds allow.

How to apply:

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

SCREWFIX FOUNDATION

Deadline:

Applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis, next closing date for applications is 10th May 2023.

Details:

The Foundation has re-opened for charities and not for profits for projects that will fix, repair, maintain and improve the properties & community facilities of those in need by reason of financial hardship, sickness, disability, distress, or another disadvantage throughout the UK. Grants in the region of £5,000 are available for all kinds of projects, from repairing buildings and improving facilities in deprived areas, to decorating the homes of people living with sickness and disabilities.

How to apply:

<https://www.screwfix.com/help/screwfixfoundation/>

THE THOMAS WALL TRUST

Deadline:

The deadline for stage 1 applications is the 15th May 2023.

Details:

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities to support projects that equip people (18 or older in order) from disadvantaged groups with critical life skills necessary for employment. Priority will be given to projects that target people experiencing multiple deprivation or other groups facing major hurdles to employment, especially, women, people with physical, mental, or learning disabilities, refugees, and asylum seekers. To be eligible the applicants must: be a UK charity that has been registered with the Charity Commission for at least 3 years, be a project or running costs for a charity that equips people (aged 18 and over) with the skills ready for employment & have an annual turnover of £10,000-£500,000.

How to apply:

<https://www.thomaswalltrust.org.uk/grants-for-registered-charities-2/>

NATURE FOR CLIMATE PEATLAND GRANT SCHEME

Deadline:

The closing date for applications is the 26th May 2023.

Details:

Environmental groups, local authorities, charities, public bodies, individual landowners, and organisations can apply for funding to restore degraded peatlands. The Nature for Climate Peatland Grant Scheme (NCPGS) Restoration Grants aims to restore the whole hydrological unit of a peatland and reduce emissions from peat, with a goal of restoring 35,000 hectares of degraded peat by March 2025. Restoration Grant applicants can normally apply for up to 75% of the total project costs, and exceptional cases can apply for up to 85% of the cost. Applications from partnerships or substantial land holdings are encouraged.

How to apply:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nature-for-climate-peatland-grant-scheme>

FCC COMMUNITY ACTION FUND

Deadline:

The fund will re-open for applications on 22nd March until 5pm on the 7th June 2023.

Details:

Registered Charities, churches, Parish Councils, Local Authorities & CASC registered sports clubs can apply for grants of £2,000-£100,000 for the provision, maintenance, or improvement of community facilities. This can include Village Halls and Community Centres; Public Play Areas, publicly available Multi use games areas, Skate parks and BMX tracks; Sport and recreation grounds including pavilions and clubhouses with full public access; Churches – community spaces only and museums; Nature Reserves, Public gardens, parks, country parks/woodlands (least dawn to dusk access). The funding is available to projects located within 10 miles of an eligible FCC Environment site. Recent changes to its funding policy mean that the FCC Community Foundation will now accept applications for renewable energy projects based at community buildings, including solar panels. Applications for non-substantial extensions such as porches, storage areas and toilets/kitchens will in some circumstances will now also be accepted.

How to apply:

<https://fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk/funds/fcc-community-action-fund>

HELP THE HOMELESS

Deadline:

The closing date for the next round of funding is the 15th June 2023.

Details:

Help the Homeless makes grants of up to £5,000 to small & medium-sized charitable organisations (with a turnover of less than £1m) whose aim is to help homeless people return to the community and enabling them to rebuild their lives. Typically, such organisations may operate small or medium-sized residential or training facilities to assist homeless people. Grants are available for capital costs.

How to apply:

<http://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/applying-for-funding/>

WAR MEMORIALS GRANT SCHEME
Deadline:
The next closing date for applications is the 30 th June 2023.
Details:
The War Memorials Trust is providing grants for the repair and conservation of free-standing war memorials in England. These grants are intended to help those who are responsible for the upkeep of war memorials. The grants support the care and preservation of war memorials to a high standard, and to prevent the decay of this important part of our built heritage. Grants will normally be for between 25% and a maximum of 75% of eligible costs. The maximum grant is £5,000 for non-freestanding war memorials while freestanding, non-beneficiary war memorials may be considered up to a maximum grant of £20,000. The fund is open to anyone to apply; individuals or organisations, including councils.
How to apply:
http://www.warmemorials.org/grants/

PEOPLE'S TRUST FOR ENDANGERED SPECIES THROUGH THEIR CONSERVATION INSIGHT GRANTS
Deadline:
The funding will close to applications at 11:59pm on the 6 th August 2023.
Details:
Scientific researchers and conservationists are invited to apply for funding for work that is aimed at the preservation of endangered species. Grants of up to £10,000 per annum for up to two years will be awarded to projects seeking to find the critical scientific evidence that will facilitate the conservation of one or more species or their habitat or provide the answer to a key conservation question that will enable conservationists to undertake critical conservation action.
How to apply:
https://ptes.org/grants/apply-grant/worldwide-grant-criteria/

THE NINEVEH CHARITABLE TRUST
Deadline:
Applications can be submitted at any time.
Details:
Schools & not for profits can apply for funding for a broad range of projects and activities that promote a better understanding of environment & countryside, whilst facilitating improved access, education, and research. Whilst the Trust does not specify a minimum or maximum grant amount that can be applied for, an analysis of previous grants would suggest a maximum of £5,000 per year for up to 3 years. Applications are usually discussed at Trustees' quarterly meetings.
How to apply:
https://www.ninevehtrust.org.uk/

Youth, Schools & Colleges

ASDA FOUNDATION GRASSROOTS GRANTS PROGRAMME
Deadline:
The deadline for Round 1 applications is 21 st April 2023.
Details:
Grants of £400-£1,600 are available to support local not for profits in providing a better start in life for children by addressing issues such as poverty, inclusion, and wellbeing. The U18 Better Starts Grant is part of the Asda Foundation's Grassroots Grants programme, which seeks to empower local groups to make a positive difference in their communities. Schools are not eligible to apply, but PTAs with their own bank account can. Each Asda store has a Community Champion who can assist with the grant application process and support local projects.
How to apply:
https://www.asdafoundation.org/how-to-apply

THE YOUTH ENDOWMENT FUND

Deadline:

The closing date for applications is the 16th May 2023.

Details:

The Youth Endowment Fund has opened a new multi-million-pound funding round to test how multi-agency partnerships can protect children/young people from violence & exploitation outside the home. This round, which has a theme of 'a supportive home,' will provide funding of up to £500,000 for up to 5 local authorities working in partnership with teams from across youth justice services, social care, police, mental health service, probation, schools & local voluntary, community, faith, & social enterprise organisations. Partnerships must work closely with children/young people, parents/carers to design, deliver & review services that are built around their needs.

How to apply:

<https://youthendowmentfund.org.uk/grants/agency-collaboration-fund-a-supportive-home/>

FCC COMMUNITY ACTION FUND

Deadline:

The fund will re-open for applications on 22nd March until 5pm on the 7th June 2023.

Details:

Registered Charities, churches, Parish Councils, Local Authorities & CASC registered sports clubs can apply for grants of £2,000-£100,000 for the provision, maintenance, or improvement of community facilities. This can include Village Halls and Community Centres; Public Play Areas, publicly available Multi use games areas, Skate parks and BMX tracks; Sport and recreation grounds including pavilions and clubhouses with full public access; Churches – community spaces only and museums; Nature Reserves, Public gardens, parks, country parks/woodlands (least dawn to dusk access). The funding is available to projects located within 10 miles of an eligible FCC Environment site. Recent changes to its funding policy mean that the FCC Community Foundation will now accept applications for renewable energy projects based at community buildings, including solar panels. Applications for non-substantial extensions such as porches, storage areas and toilets/kitchens will in some circumstances will now also be accepted.

How to apply:

<https://fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk/funds/fcc-community-action-fund>

CHILDS CHARITABLE TRUST

Deadline:

Applications received in March, April and May will be considered at the July trustees' meeting.

Details:

The Childs Charitable Trust supports Christian UK registered/excepted charities & organisations both in the UK and overseas. Projects will be considered that fall into the following categories:

- Youth - the trust looks to support projects working in schools and with vulnerable and disengaged young people in the UK. Supported activities may include RE Lessons; School Assemblies; Lunchtime/After school clubs; Evangelism; Personal Development Programmes; Homelessness Prevention.
- Outreach - the trust works to share the gospel of Christ by supporting all aspects of Christian outreach both in the UK and overseas and can fund, for example, Church Plants; Overseas Mission; Training in Evangelism; Chaplaincy.
- Society - the trust believes people of faith bring a valuable contribution to social action and justice and support initiatives that have a positive impact in their society. Grants could support, for example: Counselling; night shelters; alcohol/drug rehabilitation; homelessness; or prison/ex-offender's work.
- Education - the trust supports initiatives involved in all areas of Christian education including Bible Translation; Media Initiatives; Bible Colleges; Literature; Apologetics.

Applicants must be registered with the Charity commission or be 'excepted' charities. No minimum or maximum funding amounts are specified. The primary focus for grants allocated is on those organisations who actively share the Christian gospel in their work.

How to apply:

<https://childscharitabletrust.org/>

KELLOGG'S BREAKFAST CLUB GRANTS PROGRAMME
Deadline:
Schools can apply for an award at any date and will hear within 1 month if have been successful.
Details:
The Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants Programme is offering grants of up to £1,000 to schools in the UK to set up Breakfast clubs for those children in most need. A limited number of grants are available so priority will be given to schools that have either : 35% and above of children eligible for pupil premium funding (for England) or Schools that are based in an area which is classified as falling in the 10% of most deprived areas according to the Index of Multiple Deprivation. Schools can find out if this applies to their school by following the instructions.
How to apply:
https://forevermanchester.com/kelloggs-breakfast-club-programme/

BBC CHILDREN IN NEED CORE COSTS FUND
Deadline:
Applications can be submitted at any time.
Details:
Grants of up to £120,000 are available for registered charities and not-for-profits working with disadvantaged children and young people aged 18 and under. The grants aim to support the core costs of these organisations, such as HR and payroll expenses, office costs, accountancy and audit, communications and outreach, and governance, regulatory, and compliance costs. Organisations can apply for grants of up to £40,000 per year for a maximum of three years, with most grants being lower. Quicker decisions will be made for groups requesting £15,000 or less.
How to apply:
https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/grants/apply/core-costs/

MAGIC BREAKFAST
Deadline:
Expression of Interest can be made at any time.
Details:
The programme provides funding and support schools that want to set up new; or improve an existing breakfast club. For a school to be eligible, at least 35% of pupils should be recorded as eligible for Pupil Premium. Once the Expression of Interest form has been submitted, and eligibility has been checked Magic Breakfast will hold the application details on file. As soon as sufficient funding has been raised to offer support, they will get in touch to arrange a visit.
How to apply:
https://www.magicbreakfast.com/apply-for-magic-breakfast-provision

THE FOYLE SCHOOL LIBRARY SCHEME
Deadline:
Applications can be submitted at any time, but it may take up to 4 months to receive a decision.
Details:
UK state schools can apply for grants of £2,000-£10,000 to set up or improve their libraries. Priority is given to primary schools up to Key Stage 2, but secondary schools that need books & reading resources for catch-up reading programs for Key Stage 3 pupils and/or transition reading programmes for feeder/local primary schools will also be considered. The foundation can also consider applications from special schools for all SEN age groups. Most of the funds will be awarded for physical library/reading books, but the foundation may also consider contributions towards e-readers & electronic reading resources with a strong case & explanation of need. Contributions towards library software, necessary IT equipment, & furniture are also possible. Applications must come directly from the school & cannot be submitted by PTAs.
How to apply:
http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/how-to-apply/

BUTTLE UK'S CHANCES FOR CHILDREN GRANTS
Deadline:
Applications can be made at any time.
Details:
Grants of up to £2,000 are available to support the needs of vulnerable children and young people (aged 2-18) who have experienced a recent crisis or change in life that has had a significant impact on their wellbeing and their education. The funding is being made available through Buttle UK's Chances for Children Grants to provide a flexible range of support, such as items and activities to support learning and development (laptops, books, Wi-Fi, educational toys, tuition, etc.); clothing and school uniforms; social, sporting and leisure activities; and items for children/young people's bedrooms. Applications will only be accepted from frontline professionals working for a registered charity, housing association or public sector organisation; including schools and colleges.
How to apply:
https://buttleuk.org/apply-for-a-grant/chances-for-children-grants/WhatareChances%20for%20Children,their%20wellbeingandeducationalengagement

WOODEN SPOON SOCIETY'S CAPITAL GRANTS PROGRAMME
Deadline:
Applications can be submitted at any time.
Details:
Schools and not for profits can apply for funding. Wooden Spoon is the British & Irish Rugby charity which supports projects help mentally, physically disadvantaged children. Each year the charity supports around 70 projects. Funding is available for Buildings & extensions, Soft playrooms. Sensory rooms & gardens Playgrounds & sports areas; Equipment & activity aids. Funding available is for capital items only & will not support revenue costs such as staffing & other ongoing costs. There is no maximum grant limit but projects under £5,000 are unlikely to be considered. Wooden Spoon's contribution may be up to 100% of cost, though beneficiary organisations will be encouraged, where practicable, to raise a proportion themselves. If a project is educational or disability sports-focused, there must be rugby element to the engagement.
How to apply:
https://woodenspoon.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/

Faith & Places of Worship

SCREWFIX FOUNDATION
Deadline:
Applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis, next closing date for applications is 10 th May 2023.
Details:
The Foundation has re-opened for charities and not for profits for projects that will fix, repair, maintain and improve the properties & community facilities of those in need by reason of financial hardship, sickness, disability, distress, or another disadvantage throughout the UK. Grants in the region of £5,000 are available for all kinds of projects, from repairing buildings and improving facilities in deprived areas, to decorating the homes of people living with sickness and disabilities.
How to apply:
https://www.screwfix.com/help/screwfixfoundation/

THE OUSELEY TRUST
Deadline:
Applications can be made until the 30 th June 2023.
Details:
Cathedrals, choral foundations, parish churches, choir schools etc. which promote & maintain to a high standard choral service of Church of England can apply. No maximum grants size is specified. Grants are available in areas of courses for individuals/groups; Endowment grants for scholarships/bursaries; fees for individual choristers having places at recognised choir schools; Purchase of liturgical music or other projects of innovative kind that are likely to further the object of Trust in a direct & effective way. In exceptional circumstances, may include music commissions.
How to apply:
http://www.ouseleytrust.org.uk/

THE ANCHOR FOUNDATION
Deadline:
The next deadline for applications is the 31 st July 2023.
Details:
The Anchor Foundation provides grants of up to £12,000 per year to Christian Charities that encourage social inclusion through ministries of healing and the arts. Funding can be awarded for up to three years. The Foundation will consider applications for either capital or revenue funding. Only in exceptional circumstances will grants be given for building work.
How to apply:
http://www.theanchorfoundation.org.uk/

FCC COMMUNITY ACTION FUND
Deadline:
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Details:
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How to apply:
https://fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk/funds/fcc-community-action-fund

WAR MEMORIALS GRANT SCHEME
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Details:
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How to apply:
http://www.warmemorials.org/grants/

BUILDING IMPROVEMENT GRANTS PROGRAMME
Deadline:
Applications can be made at any time.
Details:
The Benefact Trust has launched a new funding programme to protect and enhance Christian buildings, ensuring their continued use and viability, and the safeguarding of their heritage. The Building Improvement Grants programme is open to applications from churches, cathedrals, denominational bodies, and Christian charities in the UK and Ireland, and will support capital costs such as essential repairs, improvements, equipment purchases, conservation and restoration, aesthetic enhancements, and energy efficiency measures. There is no minimum or maximum award specified, but applicants will need to secure at least 30% of their total project costs before making an application. Funding will be awarded at the discretion of the trustees.
How to apply:
https://benefacttrust.co.uk/which-grant-is-for-me/building-improvement-grants/

THE BENEFACT TRUST
Deadline:
Applications can be made at any time.
Details:
The Benefact Trust has launched a new funding programme to protect and enhance Christian buildings, ensuring their continued use and viability, and the safeguarding of their heritage. The Building Improvement Grants programme is open to applications from churches, cathedrals, denominational bodies, and Christian charities, and will support capital costs such as essential repairs, improvements, equipment purchases, conservation and restoration, aesthetic enhancements, and energy efficiency measures. There is no minimum or maximum award specified, but applicants will need to secure at least 30% of their total project costs before making an application. Funding will be awarded at the discretion of the trustees.
How to apply:
https://benefacttrust.co.uk/which-grant-is-for-me/building-improvement-grants/

Health & Sport

THE CANOE FOUNDATION
Deadline:
The next closing date for applications is the 11 th April 2023.
Details:
The Foundation provides grants to promote conservation of inland waterways for benefit of all sectors of the community. The current focus of the Foundation's awards is on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing and protecting public access points to water for recreational users. • Creation of sustainable launching and landing sites, to and alongside water, for all sectors of the community and abilities. • Protecting and enhancing the natural environment. <p>Grants range from £500 to £10,000; although grants typically range between £2,500 and £5,000. Exceptional projects over £10,000 will be considered. Funding applications are welcome from clubs, community groups, Parish Councils, Local Authorities, or anyone in the UK with an active interest in improving access to water for recreational users and protecting the environment.</p>
How to apply:
https://www.canoe.foundation.org.uk/online-funding-applications/

FCC COMMUNITY ACTION FUND
Deadline:
The fund will re-open for applications on 22 nd March until 5pm on the 7 th June 2023.
Details:
Registered Charities, churches, Parish Councils, Local Authorities & CASC registered sports clubs can apply for grants of £2,000-£100,000 for the provision, maintenance, or improvement of community facilities. This can include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village Halls and Community Centres. • Public Play Areas, publicly available Multi use games areas, Skate parks and BMX tracks. • Sport and recreation grounds including pavilions and clubhouses with full public access. • Churches – community spaces only and museums. • Nature Reserves, Public gardens, parks, country parks/woodlands (least dawn to dusk access). <p>The funding is available to projects located within 10 miles of an eligible FCC Environment site. Recent changes to its funding policy mean that the FCC Community Foundation will now accept applications for renewable energy projects based at community buildings, including solar panels. Applications for non-substantial extensions such as porches, storage areas and toilets/kitchens will in some circumstances will now also be accepted.</p>
How to apply:
https://fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk/funds/fcc-community-action-fund

THE HEDLEY FOUNDATION

Deadline:

Applications should be received at least 6 weeks before next review meeting on 14th June 2023.

Details:

The Hedley Foundation is inviting applications from small-to-mid-size registered charities helping to improve the quality of life of people in the UK, particularly those who are disadvantaged and vulnerable. The Foundation typically makes around 250 awards of up to £5,000 each year for initiatives that benefit the lives of young people, disabled people, elderly people, the terminally ill and otherwise disadvantaged people and their carers. Occasional larger sums are given to charities where high impact can be achieved.

How to apply:

<http://www.hedleyfoundation.org.uk/apply-now>

CANCER GRAND CHALLENGES INITIATIVE

Deadline:

Expressions of interest should be submitted by the 22nd June 2023.

Details:

The National Cancer Institute and Cancer Research UK are making grants of up to £20m available for international researchers tackling some of the biggest challenges in cancer research. The funding is made available to support interdisciplinary teams to take on some of the biggest obstacles that impede progress against cancer. The new challenges for this year include tackling cancer inequalities and understanding why there is a rise in early-onset cancers in adults globally.

How to apply:

<https://cancergrandchallenges.org/new-challenges-2023>

GET KIDS GOING!

Deadline:

No deadlines specified.

Details:

Disabled children and young people across the UK can apply for funding to help them participate in disability sports. 'Get Kids Going!' provides young people up to 26 years with all disabilities and from all backgrounds with funding for specialist sports wheelchairs to help them compete in sporting events such as marathons, triathlons, tennis, athletics, skiing, rugby, basketball etc. The charity also inspires disabled youngsters, from beginners to paralympic level, by awarding sports grants to help with the cost of training, physiotherapy, sports psychology, travel, competition fees and the design and development of sports equipment.

How to apply:

<https://www.getkidsgoing.com/>

SPORT ENGLAND SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

Deadline:

Voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations, schools and local authorities have until the 30th June 2023 to submit their applications.

Details:

To commemorate the Coronation, Sport England has widened its Small Grants programme to include 2 areas which are of personal interest to His Majesty the King. As well as providing funding to encourage greater participation in sport/physical activity, the programme will also award grants of up to £15,000 for projects that focus on sustainable activities while reducing the impact on the environment, such as purchasing locally made equipment or using local community assets to minimise travel & projects which focus on developing skills in young people. This could include supporting them through coaching qualifications or trying new sessions to bring new participants.

How to apply:

<https://www.sportengland.org/funds-and-campaigns/our-funds/small-grants-programme>

THE HARGREAVES FOUNDATION
Deadline:
Applications can be made at any time and are reviewed in the month following online submission.
Details:
Applications are open for UK charities, educational institutions and NHS Trusts seeking funding to support those under the age of 18 who are living with a mental health condition, disability or growing up in poverty. The Hargreaves Foundation aims to help children and young people to fulfil their potential and improve their wellbeing, self-esteem and independence through educational and sporting activities provided. This could include initiatives that improve academic engagement and attainment, develop skills to aid future employment, improve life skills, and ensure sport is accessible. There is no minimum or maximum grant amount.
How to apply:
https://www.thehargreavesfoundation.org/

WOODEN SPOON SOCIETY'S CAPITAL GRANTS PROGRAMME
Deadline:
Applications can be submitted at any time.
Details:
Schools and not for profits can apply for funding. Wooden Spoon is the British & Irish Rugby charity which supports projects help mentally, physically disadvantaged children. Each year the charity supports around 70 projects. Funding is available for:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buildings & extensions. • Sensory rooms & gardens. • Playgrounds & sports areas. • Soft playrooms. • Equipment & activity aids.
Funding available is for capital items only & will not support revenue costs such as staffing & other ongoing costs. There is no maximum grant limit but projects under £5,000 are unlikely to be considered. Wooden Spoon's contribution may be up to 100% of cost, though beneficiary organisations will be encouraged, where practicable, to raise a proportion themselves. If a project is educational or disability sports-focused, there must be rugby element to the engagement.
How to apply:
https://woodenspoon.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/

Arts, Culture & Heritage

THEATRES TRUST SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME
Deadline:
The deadline for applications in this round is 12pm on the 21 st April 2023.
Details:
Theatres Trust small grants programme is for not-for-profit theatres to carry out essential works. Priority will be given to improvements to buildings that protect theatre use and remove barriers to participation and attendance. The Small Grants Programme will provide grants of up to £5,000 to support essential small projects that make a big impact to a theatre's resilience, sustainability, or accessibility. To be eligible to apply to the scheme, applicants must demonstrate that they:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • own or manage theatres with titles or signed leases of more than 5 years on buildings. • run a year-round programme of live performance, of no less than 30 performances a year. • have a bona fide UK charitable or not-for-profit legal structure and be able to provide certified or audited accounts for at least two years.
Eligible projects include small capital works, installation of key plant/machinery & works that make theatre buildings digital-ready. Also, for projects that help theatres reopen as Covid-secure.
How to apply:
http://www.theatretrust.org.uk/smallgrants

LOTTERY HERITAGE FUND DYNAMIC COLLECTIONS CAMPAIGN

Deadline:

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis until 5pm on the 24th April 2023.

Details:

Organisations can apply for grants of up to £250,000 to support the heritage sector. The funds aim to address long-term challenges and promote innovative ideas in digital engagement. Eligible organisations include museums, archives, historic libraries, and community groups holding collections in the UK. Projects must make collections more accessible, involve the public in management, and adopt a creative and sustainable approach. There are 3 funding priorities for collections: engagement; re-interpretation; and collections management.

How to apply:

[https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/our-work/dynamic-collections~Our%20Dynamic%20Collections%20campaign%20will,\(COVID19\)%20pandemic](https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/our-work/dynamic-collections~Our%20Dynamic%20Collections%20campaign%20will,(COVID19)%20pandemic)

DEVELOPING YOUR CREATIVE PRACTICE PROGRAMME

Deadline:

The closing date for applications is 12pm (midday), on the 27th April 2023.

Details:

Arts Council England's Developing your Creative Practice programme is open for applications. Grants of up to £10,000 are available to support the development of independent creative practitioners working in dance, theatre, music, visual arts, literature, combined arts or museums practice. The aim is to offer practitioners the time and space to work on ambitious and innovative research and development opportunities to make a step-change in their practice.

How to apply:

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

MUSIC TRAILBLAZER FUND

Deadline:

The deadline for applications is the 23rd June 2023.

Details:

Grants of £2,000-£30,000 are available for projects that support children & young people facing barriers to make, learn & earn in music. Organisations less than 1 year old can apply for a maximum grant of £15,000. A minimum of 10% match is required. Funding supports organisations who want to trial work for 1st time, test a new way of working, or disrupt the status quo - or all 3. To be eligible applications must meet one of following themes: Early years; Young adults; Young people facing barriers. Youth justice system. Disabled, d/Deaf & neurodivergent young people or organisations & the workforce. A Trailblazer project could be a new community organisation testing out different ways of supporting nurseries to embed music-making into their day-to-day activities; a Music Education Hub that wants to disrupt the status quo of their local music scene by setting up a Youth Board that has budget & power to make decisions about how hub is run; established youth centre trialling a programme of music activities for the 1st time; music curriculum activity in a special school, Pupil Referral Unit, Alternative Provision setting.

How to apply:

<https://youthmusic.org.uk/trailblazer-fund>

TAKE IT AWAY SCHEME

Deadline:

Applications can be made at any time.

Details:

Interest-free loans are available to musicians at all stages for the purchase of musical instruments and equipment, to help ensure that more people across England and Northern Ireland can access instruments and learn to play music. The loans which are made available through the Take it Away Scheme works with 130 music retailers to allow applicants to buy almost any musical instrument and can also be used for musical equipment, software, and tuition. The Scheme which is backed by the Arts Councils in England and in Northern Ireland makes loans of up to £5,000 to people in England aged up to 25 years, and up to £2,000 to all ages in Northern Ireland.

How to apply:

<https://takeitaway.org.uk/back-to-school-20/>

Miscellaneous News

NATIONAL INFLUENCING PROGRAMME
Deadline:
The deadline for expressions of interest is 5pm on the 19 th May 2023.
Details:
Lloyds Bank Foundation has launched a £1.8m funding programme for charities/CICs seeking to influence & achieve change in national policy to improve support for people facing complex issues. The National Influencing Programme will provide grants of £30,000-£150,000 for up to 3 years, to organisations working to influence those in power to tackle specific issues within accommodation, social security, and refugees and asylum seeker support. Funding will support a range of activities, including research, policy work, campaigns, & communications activity.
How to apply:
https://www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/funding

FINANCIAL FAIRNESS TRUST'S GRANT PROGRAMME
Deadline:
The deadline for applications is 1pm on the 5 th June 2023.
Details:
Charities, vol. organisations, think tanks, campaigning groups, research bodies & universities can apply for grants of £10,000-£200,000 for strategic work that improves the living standards & personal finances, especially for those on low-to-middle incomes. The programme is looking to support proposals from organisations seeking funding for policy work, campaigning & research focused on 3 areas that influence financial wellbeing: income; spending & assets. These might include wages, pensions & taxation, gambling, borrowing and repayment problems, & savings. 15-20 grants are awarded each year & priority is given to work focusing on younger generations.
How to apply:
https://www.financialfairness.org.uk/home