FUNDING BULLETIN - NOVEMBER 2023



PLEASE NOTE

GRANT-FUNDS ARE INCLUDED ONLY ONCE BUT MAY BE RELEVANT TO MORE THAN ONE THEMATIC CATEGORY

1. <u>Strategic Funds & Council Specific (Borough-wide significance)</u>

Heat Network Efficiency Scheme

Deadline:

10th November 2023

Details:

The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, will provide funding to heat network operators as part of the £32 million Heat Network Efficiency Scheme (HNES) to make improvements to existing heat networks or communal heating projects that are not performing to their maximum efficiency. The HNES scheme will make available up to 50% funding for capital works, and up to 100% funding for optimisation studies.

How to apply:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/heat-network-efficiency-scheme-hnes

2. Community Funding & Environment (incl. Transport)

Funding for Social Sector Organisations During the Cost-of-Living Crisis

Deadline:

First come first serve

Details:

Crowdfunder is partnering with Access to launch The Cost-of-Living Resilience Fund. This is a new match funding initiative in which they will match each donation given, up to the value of £150, to support projects which build stability and resilience for organisations providing services to help deprived people during the rising cost of living.

The funding could be used to help:

- refurbish premises
- develop new services or products to bring in additional revenue
- invest in current activity to allow growth or expansion of services

The fund will award up to £50,000 of match funding per organisation to services including the provision of: debt and financial advice, warm spaces over winter, food banks or food delivery boxes, support with housing needs, access to transport.

Dependent on the level of deprivation, 3:1 match funding may be available.

How to apply:

https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/?campaign=access1-3

Funding Available for Christmas Activities for Older People

Deadline:

No specific deadline given

Details:

The McCarthy Stone Foundation Christmas Connections 2023 grants programme is offering grants of up to £1,000 for UK charities and community groups in order to help people over 65 to feel connected and

supported over the festive period. To apply, organisations must have an annual income of less than £250,000 and the project could be a variety of activities such as day trips out, Christmas meals, and Christmas care packages. These grants are part of the foundation's commitment to supporting initiatives that address the social well-being of older individuals, particularly during the holiday season.

How to apply:

https://mccarthystonefoundation.org/our-grant-programmes/

Energy Bill Support for Eligible British Gas Customers

Deadline:

Until funding is awarded

Details:

The British Gas Energy Support Fund has been set up in response to the increasing cost of living and rising inflation to help vulnerable people who are struggling to pay their energy bills. The funding will help eligible British Gas customers with fuel debt of £250 to £1,500 to pay their energy bills over the coming months.

Eligible applicants will be British Gas credit or pre-payment meter customers in England, Scotland or Wales who have not received a grant from the British Gas Energy Trust in the last 12 months. They are seeking a grant to clear an outstanding debt on a current or open gas, electricity or dual fuel energy account in their name or be a member of that household. The energy account funded must relate to the main residence, and the applicant must have electric and/or gas debt between £250 – £1,500. The applicant must be in or facing Fuel Poverty and have already received help from a money advice or guidance agency.

In exceptional circumstances, the Trust will consider grants over £1,500.

How to apply:

https://www.britishgas.co.uk/british-gas-energy-support-fund.html

Funding for the Care of Animals Suffering from Cruelty and Neglect

Deadline:

31st March 2024

Details:

The Animal Defence Trust is providing grants for registered animal welfare charities in England and Wales that care for animals that have suffered from cruelty and suffering. The Trust aims to promote animal welfare and protect animals from cruelty and suffering through various means, including supporting research to reduce the use of animals in scientific experiments and conducting inspections of animal transportation to ensure humane treatment, via funding to be used for capital projects or animal protection initiatives. However, applications for running costs may also be considered in cases where funding is limited.

How to apply:

https://www.animaldefencetrust.org/grant-applications.htm

Funding for Organisations that Support Disadvantaged Young People

Deadline:

Applications can be submitted any time

Details:

The Allen Lane Foundation is making available funding between £5,000 and £25,000 to support charities in a range of activities, including core costs, project work, and capital expenditure. The funding is aimed at charities and not-for-profit organisations working with young people aged 12-21 who are socially excluded or marginalised, and who may have experienced significant issues within their lives.

The Foundation is particularly focussed on supporting organisations that have an emphasis on:

- Young people within the criminal justice system or those at risk of offending
- Looked after children or care leavers
- Those with significant mental health concerns or complex needs
- Young people who have been traumatised by challenging family backgrounds, neglect, violence

or abuse

- Those that have fallen through the gaps in care and/or education
- Those already affected by, or vulnerable to, exploitation
- Whose experiences could seriously impact their transition into adulthood

Organisations that work across a local area, such as a village, estate, or town, must have an annual income of less than £100,000 to be eligible. Organisations that work across the entire UK must have an annual income of less than £250,000 to be eligible.

How to apply:

http://allenlane.org.uk/young-peoples-programme/

Funding to Improve the Lives of Disadvantaged People

Deadline:

6th November 2023

Details:

The EA Foundation is making funding available to support organisations to support organisations that:

- provide educational opportunities
- improve access to basic services such as healthcare, clean water and electricity
- address poverty and financial hardship or other forms of disadvantage such as disability
- tackle environmental challenges and promote sustainable development

The funding is available to UK-registered charities for projects both domestic and international which are aimed at improving the lives of disadvantaged people/communities. Grants in the region of £20,000 - £50,000 are typically awarded for projects lasting up to two years.

How to apply:

https://www.ea-foundation.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant

Funding for Charities Helping in the Cost-of-Living Crisis

Deadline:

31st January 2024

Details:

The SIB group has launched The Cost of Living Fund to help organisations address the cost-of-living crisis. The COLF will provide funding in the form of grants from £40,000-£150,000 aimed at organisations that already assist people impacted by the cost-of-living crisis and can be used for a variety of purposes, including fixed asset purchase, hiring new employees, and marketing. Grants are provided in conjunction with an RLF loan which can ranged from £150,000-£1.5 million.

To apply for the programme, organisations must meet certain eligibility criteria, including being a registered charity or social enterprise and having a minimum turnover of £400,00. Applications are open now and close on 31st January 2024.

How to apply:

https://www.sibgroup.org.uk/funds/cost-of-living-fund/

Funding to Fight Food Poverty in the Cost-of-Living Crisis

Deadline:

Projects must be delivered by the 31st December.

Details:

Crowdfunder's Cost of Living Crisis Emergency Fund will match each donation from the general public up to £250 as part of a new initiative supporting not-for-profit organisations and charities in the UK that are helping the fight against food poverty during the cost-of-living crisis. The funding is for revenue costs and is aimed to be used to help projects such as food banks, providing free meals during the school holidays, helping with food education/budgeting, supporting community fridges or other community food projects.

How to apply:

https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/funds/cost-of-living-crisis-emergency-fund

3. Youth, Schools & Colleges

Funding for Schools to Establish Breakfast Clubs

Deadline:

Rolling deadline

Details:

Kellogg's is offering grants of up to £1,000 to schools in the UK to help establish breakfast clubs for children most in need. Priority for the programme will be given to schools that have either 35% and above of children eligible for pupil premium funding/eligible for free school meals or schools based in areas which are classified as falling into the 10% most deprived according to the Index of Multiple Deprivation.

How to apply:

https://forevermanchester.com/kelloggs-breakfast-club-programme/

Funding to Help School Trusts Grow in Capacity

Deadline:

Next deadline for applications: 1st February 2024

Details:

The Department for Education has announced that the second round of the Trust Capacity Fund is now open for applications. The funding provides grants of up to a maximum of £750,000 depending on the funding strand applied for, and has a particular focus on supporting strong trusts and strong schools forming trusts to take on underperforming schools in education investment areas (EIAs).

Eligible applicants will be an academy trust or local authority-maintained school in England considered by the Education and Skills Funding Agency to be of good financial health with a record of meeting, or driving improvements in, school standards.

How to apply:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/apply-to-the-trust-capacity-fund

Funding for Primary School Libraries

Deadline:

Applications can be submitted at any time

Details:

The Foyle Foundation makes available grants from £2,000 - £10,000 for UK state schools as part of the Schools Library Programme. The aim of the programme is to help schools establish school libraries or improve existing ones. Priority is given to primary schools up to Key Stage 2, but secondary schools that need books and reading resources for catch-up reading programs for Key Stage 3 pupils and/or transition reading programs for feeder/local primary schools will also be considered. Additionally, the foundation can also consider applications from special schools for all SEN age groups.

How to apply:

http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/how-to-apply/

Funding to Support the Teaching & Learning of Physics

Deadline:

Next closing date for applications: 4th December

Details:

The Ogden Trust is making available grants of up to £5,000 to schools, colleges and charities to support them in carrying out projects that aid the teaching and learning of physics. As part of the Physics Education Grants programme, a small number of grants will be awarded for projects that are based around physics and developed with current evidence in mind – partial funding may be considered for general science projects where there is a clear physics component.

How to apply:

https://www.ogdentrust.com/funding/physics-education-grants/

Funding to Support Education in Marginalised Communities

Deadline:

Applications can be made at any time

Details:

The British & Foreign Schools Society is offering grants of between £10,000 and £90,000 to charities with an annual income of between £25,000 and £2.5 million, and UK based state-funded schools, academies, colleges, and other educational establishments regardless of their income size, provided they can demonstrate a network effect beyond one individual school for projects that focus on improving the educational outcomes and life chances of displaced young people, young carers, and care experienced young people.

BFSS will fund between 25% to 100% of the total project costs, but will give preference to projects with some degree of matched funding. There is a two stage application process and applications can be submitted at any time. Applications shortlisted at this stage will be invited to submit a Stage 2 proposal.

How to apply:

https://bfss.org.uk/grant-giving/

Funding to Help Kickstart School Projects

Deadline:

19th November

Details:

The Twinkl Prize Draw Community Collection is making available grants of up to £500 for schools and educational organisations to fund the kickstarting of projects to benefit their students. The funding is intended for any type of project such as:

setting up a breakfast club, resourcing after-school activities,

purchasing new playground equipment,

upgrading an ICT suite,

kickstarting big projects.

The fund opens to applications every half-term, and applications should be submitted by a member of the Senior Leadership Team on behalf of the school. Prize winners will be chosen at random from all qualifying entries.

How to apply:

https://www.twinkl.co.uk/giveaway/communitycollection?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=social

Funding for Projects to Aid Disadvantaged Students in the North

Deadline:

15th January

Details:

The Let Teachers Shine competition is expected to award ten grants of up to £25,000 aimed at projects by teachers in the North of England that help disadvantaged young people in realising their academic potential. The aim of the funding is to find the best teachers with fresh, imaginative and practical ways to raise attainment amongst disadvantaged students in English, Maths or Science.

How to apply:

https://shinetrust.org.uk/what-we-do/let-teachers-shine/

Grants for Schools to Promote Understanding of the Countryside

Deadline:

Applications can be submitted any time

Details:

UK based schools and not for profit organisations can apply for funding to the Nineveh Charitable Trust for a broad range of projects and activities that promote a better understanding of the environment and 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 three years. Previous projects supported include:

- Busby Primary School which received a grant of £2,000 to build a 'vertical garden' for environment enhancement as well as the children's educational value;
- \bullet a grant of £1,400 to Bickleigh-On-Exe Primary School to create an all-weather school and community gardening area with poly-tunnel and shed;
- Castlemilk Day Nursery which received a grant of £5,000 to build a multi-function shelter with provision for special needs teaching; and
- St Joseph's Specialist School & College, which received a grant of £4,000 towards a community garden expansion.

How to apply:

https://www.ninevehtrust.org.uk/

4. Faith & Places of Worship

Grants for Major Structural Repairs to Churches

Deadline:

7th November

Details:

As part of the National Churches Trust's Large Grants Programme, listed and unlisted Christian places of worship needing major, urgent structural repairs can apply for grants of up to £50,000. The funding will cover up to 50% of larger, more complex projects costing over £80,000 incl. VAT. Funding is also available for projects costing more than £30,000 incl. VAT that improve facilities such as kitchens and accessible toilets, etc to enable increased community use. Priority will be given to architecturally and historically significant buildings.

How to apply:

https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/get-support/grants/large-grants

5. Health & Sport

Funding Available for Defibrillators

Deadline:

21st September 2024

Details:

The Department of Health and Social Care is inviting community organisations to bid for funding through the £1 million Community Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Fund, which aims to provide 2000 new defibrillators in community spaces across England.

100 applications will receive a fully funded AED, and 1900 applications will receive partial funding and require £750 of match funding.

Funding will be allocated to community spaces which could include town halls, community centres, local shops, post offices and local parks, to ensure that defibrillators are evenly spread throughout communities and easily accessible. Applicants are expected to demonstrate, therefore, that defibrillators will be placed in spaces where they are most needed, such as places with high footfall, vulnerable people, rural areas or due to the nature of activity at the site. Funding will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis.

How to apply:

https://www.find-government-grants.service.gov.uk/grants/dhsc-community-automated-external-defibrillator-aed-fund-1

£2.5 Million Fund to Deliver Injured Veterans Specialist Mobility Equipment

Deadline:

Applications are expected to be welcomed in early 2024.

Details:

The Veterans' Mobility Fund will deliver £2.5 million in government funding to provide mobility equipment to improve quality of life for seriously injured veterans across the UK. The Fund will deliver grants and

equipment for veterans with mobility needs linked to their service providing them with aids usually unavailable through the NHS such as:

- Mobility scooters
- Specialist wheelchairs
- Orthotics (eg splints, braces)

The fund, which will be administered by Help for Heroes and Blesma, will help deliver support to veterans with physical disabilities through grants across five years.

Applicants will be eligible veterans who are ordinarily in receipt of a War Pension or an award from the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme.

How to apply:

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/fund-reinstated-to-deliver-specialist-mobility-equipment-for-seriously-injured-veterans

Funding for Breast Cancer Sufferers and Survivors

Deadline:

31st May 2024

Details:

The Pink Ribbon Foundation is currently accepting applications for grants of up to £6,000 available to UK charities and constituted not-for-profit organisations in order to support projects and initiatives which will aim to deliver good physical and mental health to individuals with and recovering from breast cancer.

If there is a special reason to do so, the Foundation will consider awarding higher grants.

How to apply:

https://www.pinkribbonfoundation.org.uk/getsupport-apply

Funding Supporting Genetic Disorder Charities

Deadline:

13th November 2023

Details:

The Jeans for Genes Grant Programme is making available funding of up to £3,000 to genetic disorder charities working to make a tangible difference to the lives of those living with a genetic condition throughout the UK. The funding is comprised of two funding strands: funding for core costs to help genetic condition charities become stronger, more resilient and sustainable and project grants of up to £3,000 to be awarded to a wide range of not-for-profit organisations working within the genetic condition community so that people living with a genetic condition and their families can access the right support when needed.

How to apply:

https://www.jeansforgenes.org/jeans-for-genes-grant-programme/apply-for-a-grant/jeans-for-genes-grant-programme

Funding for Grassroots Level Sports

Deadline:

1st January

Details:

The Peter Harrison Foundation Opportunities Through Sport grant scheme is making funding available in order to provide opportunities for sport and physical activity at a grassroots level that enable people who are physically, mentally, socially, or economically disadvantaged to develop personal and life skills to fulfil their potential.

Small grants of under £5,000 or major grants between £5,001-£30,000 are available for charities or community amateur sports clus

The Trustees welcome applications for physical activity initiatives that:

- Provide a focus for skills development and confidence building
- Have a strong training and/or educational theme
- Provide specialised sporting equipment or facilities required to open opportunities
- Have a high degree of involvement from beneficiaries and those with lived experience

How to apply:

https://www.peterharrisonfoundation.org/opportunities-through-sport

Funding for Community Sports

Deadline:

31st December

Details:

Flutter Entertainment is funding grants of £2,000 as part of the Cash4Clubs grant programme in order to support the sustainability of community sports clubs and organisations throughout the UK and Ireland.

Costs that can be funded include: • venue hire including floodlights / heating • coaching costs • volunteer expenses • equipment • kit • marketing and communications • training and qualifications • insurances and affiliations

Applications from deprived areas or those using sports for purposes such as developing skills or reducing crime/anti-social behaviour are particularly welcome.

How to apply:

https://thehub.sported.org.uk/cash4clubs.html

Funding for Disabled/Disadvantaged Children

Deadline:

Mid-November

Details:

The Toy Trust are offering grants of up to £5,000 to small registered charities to fund equipment and services to support disabled and disadvantaged children under the age of 13 across the UK.

The Toy Trust fund:

- helps disadvantaged children and their families to alleviate suffering;
- supports children through awful experiences;
- encourages achievement through adversity;
- purchases vital equipment;
- provides care;
- bolsters existing initiatives;
- initiates brand new projects;
- and satisfies basic needs.

Groups that have carried out some form of effective fundraising by themselves are particularly encouraged to apply.

How to apply:

https://www.toytrust.co.uk/apply/

6. Arts, Culture & Heritage

Funding for Activities to Improve Lives in the Community

Deadline:

6th February 2024

Details:

The D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust is making available grants of between £500 and £6,000 for UK registered charities seeking to enhance and improve people's lives through the advancement of the arts, health and medical welfare, and the environment.

Examples of possible services provided:

- Arts: Promoting access to the arts, providing performance development opportunities for early career artists, and supporting charities that engage young people on the fringes of society through music and drama projects
- Environment: Conserving the countryside, encouraging voluntary work and active involvement in handson activities, particularly those that benefit young people, and supporting rural crafts and skills in heritage conservation
- Medical Welfare: Supporting charities that alleviate the suffering of adults and children with medical conditions, providing music and art therapy to improve quality of life, and providing breaks for carers without regular support

How to apply:

https://doylycartecharitabletrust.org/how-to-apply/

Funding for Projects in Horticulture, Plant Sciences, Fine Art & Art History

Deadline:

15th December

Details:

The Finnis Scott Foundation is making grants to support projects in the areas of horticulture, plant sciences, fine art and art history available to UK charities/charitable organisations including schools and colleges.

They are especially interested in supporting horticultural training via bursaries/apprenticeships.

The Foundation will consider applications for one-off grants up to £10,000, but because of the high demand, most grants are currently £5,000 or less. Exceptionally, when funds permit, grants of as much as £60,000 are made, payable over several years.

How to apply:

https://www.finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/

Funding for Small Museums

Deadline:

8th December

Details:

The Arts Scholars Charitable Trust are providing grants of up to £8,000 as part of their funding of The Association of Independent Museums' (AIM) Brighter Day Grant Scheme. This funding is being made available to ensure the future viability of museums across the UK, and to provide support for museums that are at risk of closure, important skills/knowledge being lost, or being rendered unable to care for their collections effectively.

Funding is aimed at educational, training, curatorial, and exhibition projects in order to help museums care for and sustain their historic and decorative arts collections. This could include work that will improve collections care and reduce energy use and costs, improvements to gallery or storage areas that enable collections to be displayed or stored appropriately, the purchase of equipment for storage and display of historic and decorative art collections, business reviews that consider how collections can be used to increase visitors and income, the digitisation of historic and decorative art collections, upskilling and skill sharing for staff and volunteers or creating training opportunities for people from backgrounds underrepresented in museums (eg non-university or from culturally diverse backgrounds).

Priority will be given to small museums that have had difficulty finding support, including non-Accredited and local authority museums.

How to apply:

https://aim-museums.co.uk/for-aim-members/grants/aim-brighter-day-scheme/

7. Climate Change

Funding to Support Sustainable Aquaculture Innovation

Deadline:

14th November

Details:

Grants of between £200,000 and £750,000 are available to academia and industry partnerships to codevelop solutions to key innovation challenges impacting upon the sustainable growth of UK aquaculture. Funding is for collaborative research and development projects, feasibility studies, and pilot studies that explore one or more of the following challenges: environmental sustainability and climate change, gene editing and selective breeding, species diversification, production and handling technologies, waste management and valorisation ot improving the health of farmed aquatic animals. The fund is open to applications from UK research organisations. All projects must have at least one project partner from industry. Project partners must contribute a cumulative minimum of 10% cash or in-kind to the full economic cost of the project.

How to apply:

https://www.ukri.org/opportunity/sustainable-aquaculture-partnerships-for-innovation/