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RECENTLY ADDED / HIGHLIGHTED FUNDS

NAME	DEADLINE	DESCRIPTION
<u>AVIVA FOUNDATION</u>	23 April 2025	<p>The Aviva Foundation aims to help people and communities feel in control and positive about their financial futures. The Foundation funds charitable, non-profit and social enterprises that aim to improve people's financial resilience - their ability to cope with money problems.</p> <p>The Foundation's current funding priorities are to build understanding and explore alternative solutions that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build financial inclusion • Strengthen financial wellbeing • Support strategic initiatives to help individuals and communities to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from financial challenges. <p>Email to enquire. Then you will need to complete the application form. Successful organisations will be invited to interview.</p>
CARES - COMMUNITY ENERGY GENERATION GROWTH FUND		<p>New CARES funding announced by Scottish Government</p> <p>The Scottish Government has published a <u>press release</u> announcing £9 million in funding to help community groups cut energy costs and support the development of locally-owned renewable energy projects.</p> <p>The funding will be used to scale up community energy projects across Scotland as part of a drive to cut carbon emissions, create local jobs, reduce energy costs and stimulate local investment. Details to follow when available.</p>
<u>CASH FOR KIDS - HOLIDAY HUNGER GRANTS</u>	Closes when funds spent.	<p>Holiday Hunger Grants are available to organisations and service providers who support children and young people (up to and including 18 years old) that have a genuine need for support, are disadvantaged due to poverty, the increase in the cost of living and face food insecurity.</p> <p>This funding is specifically to provide disadvantaged children and young people who have a lack of access to food AND activities in the school holidays.</p> <p>Projects must focus on outcomes that encourage children to eat more healthily and be more active during the school holidays.</p>

CORRA FOUNDATION - <u>BOOST SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME</u>	Opens 25 February 2025 and will close at noon on 11 March 2025	<p>Boost Small Grants programme is managed by Corra and is funded in partnership with STV Children's Appeal and Comic Relief.</p> <p>Boost is for local community organisations across Scotland supporting children and families affected by poverty. Not all of your work has to be with children and families but the project you want a grant for should directly benefit children and families. The work you are doing might be about providing practical help, or organising activities and gatherings, or addressing another local need.</p> <p>What is available Boost Small Grants will provide grants of £500 - £3,000 to constituted groups and charities with an annual income of £50,000 or less. Unconstituted groups can apply for grants of between £250 - £1,500. There will be around £400,000 available to distribute in 2025, and we expect to make around 160 grants. Approximately 10% of the funding available will be made in grants to unconstituted groups.</p> <p>Dates This year Boost will be run in three rounds, with about 1/3 of the grants made in each round. Round 1 will open at noon on 25 February 2025 and will close at noon on 11 March 2025 Round 2 will open at the end of April Round 3 will open at the start of September Each group can only hold one Boost grant in a 12 month period. If you are unsure whether you are eligible please contact us at communitygrants@corra.scot and we will be happy to help.</p>
<u>CREATIVE SCOTLAND NATIONAL LOTTERY OPEN FUND FOR ORGANISATIONS</u>	No deadlines	<p>Grants up to £100,000 are available for artistic, creative, or cultural projects lasting up to 18 months. Priority is given to community activities with public benefit. Suitable for organisations focusing on sustaining creative development.</p> <p>The National Lottery Open Fund for Organisations is a funding programme for artistic, creative and cultural organisations based in Scotland operated by Creative Scotland. Any type of constituted artistic, creative or cultural organisations based in Scotland can apply.</p> <p>Eligible organisations can apply for grants of between £1,000 and £100,000 to support creative activity that runs for up to 18 months. The types of activity eligible for funding are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a specific one-off project or production • a period of creative research and development • a longer-term programme of work

		<p>The funding can also support business and organisational development that will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • increase business sustainability by developing new or more diverse income streams • address broader organisational development costs. <p>Organisations seeking up to £20,000 should receive a decision within 10 weeks of applying. Organisations seeking between £20,001 and £100,000 should receive a decision within 14 weeks of applying.</p> <p>The funding programme is open all year round, with no deadlines. Eligible organisations can apply at any time. For more information please refer to web link below: National Lottery Open Fund for Organisations Creative Scotland</p>
ETHNIC MINORITY DEVELOPMENT FUND (EMDF)	Opens 12 Feb	<p>A new funding opportunity from CEMVO Scotland and The National Lottery Community Fund Scotland.</p> <p>Available to any ethnic minority-led third-sector organisation in Scotland, with grants of £500 - £15,000 available.</p>
FCC SCOTTISH ACTION FUND	<p>Opens 26 February 2025 and closes at 5.00pm on 14 May 2025</p> <p>Opens 3 September 2025 and closes at 5.00pm on 19 November 2025</p>	<p>The FCC Scottish Action Fund offers funding to projects through the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund (SLCF). It will consider applications across all types of projects included in the SLCF:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land Reclamation (Object A): The reclamation, remediation, restoration or other operation on land to facilitate economic, social or environmental use. • Community Recycling (Object B): Community based recycling, re-use and waste prevention projects. • Public Amenities and Parks (Object C): To provide, maintain or improve a public park or other public amenity. • Biodiversity (Object D): The conservation or promotion of biological diversity through the provision, conservation, restoration or enhancement of a natural habitat or the maintenance or recovery of a species in its natural habitat. • Historic Buildings (Object E): The maintenance, repair or restoration of a building, other structure or a site of archaeological interest which is a place of religious worship, or a site of historic or architectural or archaeological interest and is open to the public.
FILM HUB SCOTLAND - FILM EXHIBITION FUND	<p>28 March 2025</p> <p>16 May 2025</p>	<p>The Film Exhibition Fund aims to help audiences across Scotland access and enjoy a diverse range of films, regardless of geography or circumstance.</p>

		<p>The fund will support exhibitors to deliver audience development activity that addresses one or more of the BFI and FAN priority outcomes, in line with BFI's Screen Culture 2033 strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engaging with children and young people • Accessing a wider choice of film • Tackling social, economic and geographic barriers • Engaging with heritage collections that reflect the diversity of the UK <p>All supported activity will need to address our cross-cutting principles of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equity, Diversity and Inclusion • Environmental Sustainability <p>The fund will support activity taking place from May 2024 – March 2026. 2 deadlines for applications: 1st deadline: 28 March 2025 2nd deadline: Friday 16 May 2025</p>
<u>HUGH FRASER FOUNDATION</u>	21 Feb 2025	<p>Makes donations to registered charities which are active in such sectors as the arts and culture, medical & health, the environment and education, care and support of the young and elderly, people with disabilities and the under-privileged.</p> <p>The Trustees meet normally in March, June, September and December. The cut-off-date for applications is normally the beginning of the month preceding the month of the meeting date.</p>
<u>IMPERIAL POLYTHENE - COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND</u>	20 March 2025	<p>This grant scheme offers up to £1,000 per project to encourage and empower local organisations working in the fields of environment, sustainability, creativity, and addressing local problems. By fostering innovation and collaboration, Imperial aims to enhance the well-being of our community and promote sustainable development.</p> <p>Imperial invites community groups and charitable organisations to apply for funding to bring their impactful projects to life. Their goal is to support initiatives that drive meaningful change, whether it's through environmental conservation, creative community engagement, or solving pressing local issues.</p> <p>There are 2 funding rounds per year, opening in January and July. Applications are now open the next deadline is 20 March 2025 (decisions by 22 April).</p>
<u>LEARNING THROUGH LANDSCAPES -</u>	4 Apr 2025	<p>The Local Schools Nature Grants Scheme is funded through the Postcode Local Trust and allows schools in England, Scotland & Wales to apply for an outdoor learning grant. The scheme is looking for schools whose learners are aged 5+ and are passionate about making environmental improvements for the benefit of their</p>

<u>LOCAL SCHOOL NATURE GRANT</u>		<p>pupils, staff and the community and who will make great use of the equipment and training supplied by this programme.</p> <p>You will receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £500 worth of outdoor equipment chosen from a catalogue of over 100 items, including raised bed planters, loose parts kits, waterproof clothing, gardening kits, log seats, ground cover kits, and more; • A free outdoor learning training session on your chosen theme • Access to expert webinars with advice, suggestions, and inspiration for taking your grant even further; and • Exclusive discounts and benefits reserved for LtL members. <p>They offer unsuccessful applicants access to webinars covering suggestions for improving their applications, along with tips and tricks for developing their outdoor learning provision.</p>
<u>NATIONAL CHURCHES TRUST - LARGE GRANTS</u>	4 March 2025	<p>The Large Grant Programme can award grants towards major urgent structural repair projects, or the introduction of kitchens and accessible toilets.</p> <p>The National Churches Trust is the national, independent, charity dedicated to promoting and supporting church buildings of historic, architectural and community value across the UK. The Large Grant Programme can award grants towards major urgent structural repair projects, or the introduction of kitchens and accessible toilets.</p> <p>Priority is given to projects that demonstrate well-developed plans for the building that are supported beyond the congregation, and into the future.</p>
<u>NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND - STRENGTHENING ORGANISATIONS</u>	Ongoing	<p>This grant programme is targeted at organisations in Scotland that National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF) currently fund.</p> <p>NLCF want to support organisations to try out new ideas and ways of working, or to develop their organisation and improve their current work. To be considered for this funding programme applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently have funding from NLCF for one or more projects • Work with people affected by poverty, disadvantage or discrimination • Involve the people you support in designing how you work <p>The work to be funded must meet one of the following outcomes - organisations that are funded are able to:</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overcome challenges and plan for the future • Try out new ideas and ways of working <p>Funding between £300 to £50,000 is available, for up to two years. For more information and to discuss your idea please refer to website: NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND - STRENGTHENING ORGANISATIONS</p>
NATUREWATCH FOUNDATION	21 February 2025	<p>Pet Rescue Grant</p> <p>A main grant of £10,000 is available annually to charities and CICs with an annual income of up to £5 million, and a mini-grant of £1,000 to unincorporated non-profits, community groups, for projects helping with the rescue or rehabilitation of dogs, cats and rabbits affected by the illegal pet trade. The funds can be used for covering veterinary care, behavioural support, specialist facilities, equipment, training or other initiatives.</p>
PETPLAN CHARITABLE TRUST - SCIENTIFIC GRANT	24 Mar 2025	<p>Initial scientific grants are for larger studies that may run for one to three years. The Petplan Charitable Trust supports studies on natural disease conditions in companion animals, to prevent their occurrence, provide a cure or eliminate suffering. Its support is limited exclusively to clinical studies which involve no invasive procedures.</p>
SECURITY INDUSTRY AUTHORITY - GRANT FOR GOOD CAUSES	11:59pm on Friday 21 February 2025	<p>Through the grant for good causes fund, the Security Industry Authority distributes money they have received through proceeds of crime confiscation orders and give this money to registered charities and community interest companies in the UK. Funding to support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • people working, or intending to work, in the UK private security industry • the UK private security industry as a whole • public protection in the UK (for example, by preventing terrorism and crime, or protecting vulnerable people and communities) <p>Send your application as a Word document or PDF to grantapplications@sia.gov.uk</p>
STRATEGIC LEGAL FUND	31st March 2025	<p>The Strategic Legal Fund (SLF) is a fund to support legal work that goes beyond securing justice for an individual and makes a significant contribution to law, practice and procedures to uphold and promote the rights of migrant groups in the UK.</p> <p>The SLF aims to tackle injustices and inconsistencies in law and practice that disadvantage or discriminate against people as a result of their migration status. They do this by making grants to organisations to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • undertake pre-litigation research, or • make third party interventions to ensure that the key legal points are made in existing cases.

<u>THE ADINT CHARITABLE TRUST</u>	Any time	Grants are made of between £250 and £15,000 to registered charities for general charitable purposes, but there is a preference for charities working in the fields of education, training, disability, sport and/or recreation.
<u>THE BIG GIVE - THE WOMEN & GIRLS MATCH FUND</u>	Opens 7 March 2025 Closes 20 Jun 2025	The Women & Girls Match Fund is a match funding campaign for charities that are working to improve the lives of vulnerable, disadvantaged or underrepresented women and girls in England and Scotland.
<u>THE DIGITAL XTRA FUND</u>	27 March 2025, 3pm	<p>Grants for Digital Skills Projects in Scotland</p> <p>Schools and community organisations in Scotland can apply for grants up to £5,000 for projects that teach digital skills to young people (16 or under), focusing on underrepresented groups like girls and minority communities.</p> <p>Eligible projects include coding, computational thinking, games design, data science, and cybersecurity. These activities should be extracurricular, safe, fun, and promote partnership working between organisations. The goal is to increase the number of young people entering digital careers.</p> <p>information webinars from 20 Feb onwards More information here</p> <p>Digital Xtra will be hosting two information webinars (via Microsoft Teams) during the grant application period discussing the guidelines, application, and any questions regarding the grants or application process. Prospective applicants are encouraged to attend either of these sessions but do not need to attend both.</p> <p>Information Webinar #1 (via Microsoft Teams): Thursday, 20 February 2025 from 15:45-17:00 GMT Information Webinar #2 (via Microsoft Teams): Tuesday, 11 March 2025 from 18:45-20:00 GMT</p>
<u>THE HINRICHSSEN FOUNDATION</u>	14 Mar 2025	<p>Grants for the performance, commissioning and recording of contemporary and experimental music in the UK. Projects must focus on the performance, commissioning (with confirmed performance) and/or recording of contemporary music.</p> <p>Applications for Project Grants should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Align with The Hinrichsen Foundation's values and objectives for contemporary and experimental music. • Express a clear programme of activity and project timeline, parameters, and outputs. Incomplete or unclear applications may be declined.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver high-quality projects for diverse audiences, prioritising cultivation of less familiar and experimental music appreciation. • Embrace artistic risks and diversity. • Encourage thoughtful collaboration among composers, musicians, and project leads. • Ensure fair payment for composers and musicians, particularly in larger organisations. The foundation recognises grassroots initiatives may have a model closer to a profit or deficit share. • Demonstrate the financial need and feasibility of the proposed project. The Foundation encourages the formation of partnerships and in-kind support for project success. <p>Applications accepted at September, December, and March rounds. The application deadline for the next Project funding round is 5pm on 14th March 2025.</p> <p>Applications for Multi-Year Partnerships are only accepted in May 2025 round.</p>
<u>THE INMAN CHARITY</u>	Ongoing	<p>Small grants to UK charities. The directors are particularly interested in supporting the following areas of charitable work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical research • Care of the elderly • General welfare • Hospices • The Deaf and Blind • Care of the physically & mentally disabled • The Armed Forces <p>Apply at any time. Applications must be received by the end of February or the end of August to be sure of consideration at the Spring or Autumn Meetings.</p>
<u>THE JOHN ELLERMAN FOUNDATION</u>		<p>Arts, Environment, and Social Action</p> <p><u>The John Ellerman Foundation</u> offers grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 per year for up to 3 years to UK-registered charities with an income of between £100,000 and £10m to advance the wellbeing of people, society and the natural world by focusing on the arts, environment and social action. There is no deadline for applications to this fund.</p>
<u>THE STEEL CHARITABLE TRUST - UNITED KINGDOM UNDER-26 FUND</u>	10 March at noon - 15 April (for decisions end of June)	<p>This fund aims to improve outcomes for children and young people in the UK (regardless of their nationality, culture or ethnic origin) who are wholly or mainly under 26 years of age. The overarching focus is on creating educational and/or access opportunities for young people in circumstances, groups or locations that face economic challenges or social marginalisation that may lead to significant disadvantages in later life.</p>

	16 April - 15 July (for decisions end of September)	They say 'mainly' under the age of 26 because they do not want to discourage what could be a strong application from, for example, an organisation supporting young people in the age range 21-26. However, it would be disingenuous to apply if the target audience was 25-30-year-olds.
	16 July - 15 October (for decisions end of December)	All sorts of work could be funded through this programme, as long as the beneficiaries are in the UK and are wholly, or mainly, under the age of 26.
<u>THOMAS WALL TRUST</u>	5 May 2025	<p>The Thomas Wall Trust believes that communication skills are critical capabilities for people who want to improve their employment prospects, self-confidence, resilience, and life chances.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Trust offer grants to specific projects or core activities that develop these critical life skills for people from disadvantaged groups. • They welcome proposals which target people experiencing multiple deprivation or other groups demonstrably facing major hurdles to employment, especially; women, people with physical, mental, or learning disabilities, refugees and asylum seekers. • They will fund projects for a charity that equips disadvantaged people (aged 18 and over) with the necessary communication skills ready for employment, and prioritise match funded projects and self-sustainable projects which aim to become less reliant on grants in the future. <p>The application process is divided into two stages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stage one is to complete the Expression of Interest form where you will be asked to complete some basic contact details and a description of what you require funding for. • If successful, you will be invited to Stage two – Applicants will be asked to submit a Project Plan (including budget details) using the template (available to download from the website), latest set of audited financial accounts, and any relevant policies.
<u>VIKING COMMUNITY FUND – APPRENTICESHIP SUPPORT FUND FOR SMALL BUSINESSES</u>	31st May 2025	<p>To support the Viking Community Funds Strategic Priority of 'More Younger People Wanting to Stay and/or Come Back to Shetland' Shetland Community Benefit Fund have launched an apprenticeship support fund for small businesses (under 15 employees).</p> <p>The fund is open to small businesses or social enterprises who are looking to employ an apprentice. The apprentice needs to be under the age of 25 and permanently reside in Shetland. Financial support of up to £15,000 across the first 3 years of the apprenticeship could be available towards the following expenses,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salary costs

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travel and accommodation costs to college and overnight stays (not already covered by the apprenticeship funder) • Specialist clothing and equipment • Course fees (if not covered by another party) <p>Applications and Guidelines are available on the SCBF website Apprenticeships, Bursary & Training Funds and completed applications should be returned to admin@scbf.org.uk</p>
<u>VIKING COMMUNITY FUND – COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME TIER 3 (CGS T3)</u>	<p>Closes 31st January – decision mid-March</p> <p>Closes 31st May – decision mid-July</p> <p>Closes 30th September – decision mid-November</p>	<p>The Viking Community Fund Community Grant Scheme Tier 3 is for projects which cover more than 3 community council areas in Shetland and that 'sustain and develop' local communities. Applications for support of between £200 and £15,000 are invited with a funding pot of £45,000 available during each funding round. For further information and to apply please visit the SCBF website Community Grant Scheme</p>
<u>VIKING COMMUNITY FUND – STRATEGIC REACTIVE FUND</u>	<p>Closes 28th February – decision mid-April</p> <p>Closes 30th June – decision mid-August</p> <p>Closes 31st October – decision early December</p>	<p>The Viking Community Fund Strategic Reactive Fund seeks applications from projects which meet one or more of the 6 priorities for funding. They are,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More younger people wanting to stay and/or come back to Shetland. • Better transport links within and between communities. • Better broadband and/or mobile phone connections. • Reduced cost of living in Shetland. • Improved housing supply and affordability. • Preservation and enhancement of Shetland's natural environment. <p>£80,000 is available for each funding round and applications over £10,000 are sought. 'A Lasting Legacy for Shetland', the first 5-year business plan for use of the Viking Community Fund, provides further information on the priorities. To apply and for guidelines please visit the SCBF website Reactive and Proactive Strategic Funds</p> <p>If you have a larger project, which will leave a lasting legacy on one of the 6 strategic priorities, please contact SCBF directly – Eleanor.Gear@scbf.org.uk to discuss our Proactive Strategic funding.</p>

PREVIOUSLY LISTED GRANTS:

NAME	DEADLINE	DESCRIPTION
<u>ALLANDER YOUTH ACTIVITIES TRUST</u>	Ongoing	You will be a Scout Group, a section of a Scout Group or the equivalent in a voluntary organisation that directly seeks to improve the welfare of young people through the provision of training and/or education. You may be a local group or part of a National Organisation but not a Scout District, Scout Region or equivalent in other similar organisations. Or you will be an individual member of such an organisation wishing to take part in an activity that will develop you and as a result of which you gain new skills that you will then use for the benefit of young people within your organisation.
<u>AMERICAN EXPRESS – COMMUNITY GIVING PROGRAMME</u>	Ongoing	Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations to help empower more diverse and inclusive workforces and communities, build inclusive economic growth and financial literacy, and advance climate innovation and action.
<u>ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE FUND: PROJECT VIABILITY GRANT</u>	Ongoing	Grants up to £10,000 are available for constituted community groups and social enterprises to explore the viability or development costs associated with the regeneration of historic buildings.
<u>ARNOLD CLARK COMMUNITY FUND</u>	n/a	The Arnold Clark Community Fund helps registered UK charities and community groups close to branches build stronger communities across the UK. They have two programmes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of Living Support: available to organisations whose work directly supports those most affected by the cost-of-living crisis. They will support organisations that fall in one of the following categories: foodbank, accommodation, poverty relief and where people/communities in the UK are the primary and immediate focus of investment. • Our Communities Support: available to organisations who provide services widely accessible to those within our local communities, addressing the needs of those living within them. They will support organisations that fall in one of the following categories: animal welfare (benefiting humans), arts and culture, community development, disability, education, recreation, relief support and mental health support – where people/communities in the UK are the primary and immediate focus of investment.
<u>AUSTIN AND HOPE PILKINGTON TRUST</u>	Grant Round 1: 1 - 28 February Grant Round 2: 1 - 30 April Grant Round 3: 1 - 31 July	The Trust gives grants to registered charities that work in the UK. They focus on specific priorities every year. In rounds 1 and 2 for 2025, the theme is The Arts: Improving Access. The focus will be on performing arts projects – theatre, dance or music – that improve audience access and participation.

	Grant Round 4: 1 - 30 September	
<u>AVIVA COMMUNITY FUND</u>	No closing date	The Aviva Community Fund helps local causes and projects – with funding, but also with access to tools and resources, like volunteering and professional coaching. It aims to help communities build the kind of long-term, sustainable projects that they need.
<u>AVIVA COMMUNITY FUND – CROWDFUNDING REQUIRED</u>	Ongoing	Grants up to £50,000 are available for not-for-profit organisations in the UK who can raise their initial funding through a crowdfunding campaign for projects that address Aviva's current themes of climate champions and financial empowerment.
<u>AWARDS FOR YOUNG MUSICIANS</u>	Anytime	Awards for Young Musicians supports outstanding young instrumentalists making music in any genre. If you can clearly show that you are talented and committed and that you need financial help with your music costs then you can apply for an Award of up to £2000. The average award in 2020 was £550. Young musicians aged between 5 and 17 years of age and are living and studying in the UK are eligible to apply.
<u>BAILLIE GIFFORD COMMUNITY AWARDS</u>	Ongoing	The fund aims to support local grassroots organisations working to address food insecurity and social isolation
<u>BANK OF SCOTLAND FOUNDATION</u>		<p>Grants programmes</p> <p><u>ENERGISE:</u> To be eligible to apply, charities must: – Have an income of £150k or less. Have a minimum of one year accounts lodged at OSCR. Charities can apply for a 2 year unrestricted grant of £20k (£10k per annum).</p> <p><u>ENABLE</u> To be eligible to apply, charities must: – Have an income of £500k or less. Have a minimum of three years accounts lodged at OSCR. Charities can apply for a 3 year grant of between £30k – £90k (£10k – £30k per annum) for restricted funding for volunteering projects/costs/initiatives.</p>
<u>BANK OF SCOTLAND FOUNDATION - EMPOWER PROGRAMME</u>	Opens: 3 Feb 2025 Closes: 12 Feb 2025, 12pm	<p>The funding is a grant of £150,000 over 3 years (£50,000 per year).</p> <p>Eligibility & Guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solely focused on helping charities who support vulnerable groups/people

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding can be used towards core costs, delivery costs, project costs or general running costs • Charity must be registered in Scotland • Must have a minimum of 3 years accounts lodged and checked with OSCR • Records at OSCR must not be overdue • OSCR record must say "it carries out activities or services itself" for types of activity undertaken • Charity income must be between £150k - £500k per year as stated in the most recent accounts • You can't apply if the charity already has a live grant through the Bank of Scotland Foundation • You can't apply if the charity has received a decline from the Bank of Scotland Foundation within the last 12 months <p>Charities will be asked to provide a broad indication of what the funding might be used for such as overheads, project costs, or salaries.</p> <p>Applications are to be submitted online with a maximum one A4 page and no more than 500 words with what the charity does, the difference it makes to vulnerable people, why the charity needs unrestricted funding and any other info that may support the application.</p>
<u>BBC CHILDREN IN NEED</u>	Project Costs and Core Funding – Apply anytime	BBC Children in Need will for the first time directly fund charities' core costs over the next three years as part of its new strategy. Grants up to £15,000 are available for not-for-profit organisations and up to £120,000 for registered charities supporting children and young people aged 18 or under.
<u>BBC CHILDREN IN NEED – BIG SKY GRANT FUND</u>		<p>This new programme will offer grants of up to £5,000 to support the emotional wellbeing and mental health of children aged 8-13 living in island and remote rural communities.</p> <p>Grants are for early support to prevent problems developing at a later stage and could be through things like sports groups, art classes, and youth clubs. This is also part of our commitment to funding grassroots organisations who provide vital positive relationships to support children and young people.</p> <p>The programme in Scotland is already open to those working in Orkney, Shetland and the Western Isles and is now opening in Highland and Argyll & Bute.</p> <p>Applications will be by invitation only. You can find out more information about Big Sky which is a part of our A Million and Me programme on our website. https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/grants/the-work-we-do/our-focussed-funding/a-million-and-me/a-million-and-me-partners-and-collaborations/big-sky-programme/</p>
<u>BBC CHILDREN IN NEED EMERGENCY</u>		BBC Children in Need Emergency Essentials Programme supports children and young people who are facing exceptionally difficult circumstances, and is delivered by Family Fund Business Services. The

<u>ESSENTIALS PROGRAMME</u>		<p>programme provides items that meet a child's most basic needs such as a bed to sleep in, a cooker to provide a hot meal and other items or services critical to a child's wellbeing.</p> <p>All applications must be made by a registered referrer.</p> <p>The BBC Children in Need Emergency Essentials Programme has now reopened, operating as normal, and we aim to process applications within 10 working days. As usual, please only contact us about an application if absolutely necessary, to prevent delays to that application being processed.</p> <p>You can contact us via email (stating your application ID if possible) at emergencyessentials@familyfunds.co.uk or call us on 01904 550011, between 9.30am and 3.00pm, Monday to Friday.</p>
<u>BBC CHILDREN IN NEED PROJECT COSTS STREAM</u>	n/a	Support for charities and not-for-profit organisations working with children and young people to deliver a specific piece of work.
<u>BENEFACT GROUP - MOVEMENT FOR GOOD – NOMINATE A CHARITY AWARDS</u>	Check website for deadlines	<p>Movement for Good is our annual programme of giving that anyone can get involved in, and again this year we'll be donating over £1 million to charities and good causes nominated by you.</p> <p>Nominations made from Jan 1st 2025 – December 19th 2025 will be entered into all remaining £1,000 draws.</p> <p>Nominations from previous years do not roll over.</p>
<u>BENEFACT TRUST</u>		<p>Funding is now available under the following grants programmes:</p> <p><u>Community Impact Grants</u> A programme of funding aimed at supporting projects that directly address the social challenges faced by some of the most vulnerable communities in our society.</p> <p><u>Building Improvement Grants</u> For the essential repair and improvement of churches and Christian buildings.</p> <p><u>Heritage Skills for Christian Buildings Grants</u> Focused on the preservation of essential heritage skills and careers through apprenticeships, scholarships, and training courses.</p> <p><u>Methodist Grants</u> For building projects that support Methodist churches in their mission and ministry, with a particular focus on church growth, community engagement and accessibility.</p>

		Roof Alarm Grants To protect churches from metal theft.
BRIT TRUST	Closes: 30th April 2025	<p>The BRIT Trust considers applications which meet the criteria within its mission statement: "improving lives through the power of music and the creative arts". Each application needs to be endorsed and jointly put forward by an individual working in the UK music industry.</p> <p>You must be a registered charity to apply. Grant applications are typically considered at the June meeting of the Trust. Applications for the next financial year will open on 1 December 2024, with successful applications granted in November 2025</p>
BRITISH FILM INSTITUTE - BFI NATIONAL LOTTERY AUDIENCE PROJECTS FUND	Rolling	<p>The BFI National Lottery Audience Projects Fund supports ambitious, audience-facing independent UK and international film and broader screen activity of national scale.</p> <p>Projects should be focused on increasing access and growing the participation of audiences that are representative of the UK population. Equal priority will be given to the cultural and social ambitions of projects, and they expect these two ambitions to work together to realise the fund's aims. The fund will support film exhibitors, film distributors, and other organisations delivering audience development activity with multi-year and short-term projects as well as research and development.</p> <p>Applications are accepted all year round but must be submitted 16 weeks before the start of any funded activity. They can support projects of any duration but all activity must be completed by 31 March 2026 unless you have approval from the Audiences team prior to making an application.</p>
BUSINESS CHARGEPOINT FUNDING		To support the use of electric vehicles across Scotland, Transport Scotland offers grant funding to help organisations install electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure on their premises. The funding is distributed by Energy Saving Trust and is currently available for chargepoints that will only be used by occupiers, staff and visitors.
BUSINESS ENERGY SCOTLAND: SME LOAN SCHEME (INC GRANTS)		Business Energy Scotland offers grants of £20,000 and interest free loans up to £100,000. These are available to charities, community organisations and social enterprises to install energy-efficient systems or to upgrade building fabric. Apply any time.
BUTTLE UK	Ongoing	<p>Grants up to £2,400 for children and young people who have recently come through a crisis.</p> <p>Award grants that support children and young people's education and wellbeing. While our grants can contain funding for household items, it isn't the main purpose of the grant.</p>

		<p>Applications must be made by a support worker who is working closely with the family or young person. Support workers are also responsible for spending the grant and providing receipts.</p> <p>We do not limit how many Support Workers can apply from an agency, or how many applications a Support Worker can make. • We aim to assess your application within 3 working days. • The time between submitting an eligible application and receiving funding is usually less than 3 weeks.</p> <p>Bianca Neville Grants Development Officer – Scotland and NE 02077 986220</p>
<u>CASH FOR KIDS - COST OF LIVING GRANTS</u>		<p>Cash for Kids is supporting children and young people through the cost-of-living crisis, with £1.6 million available to support 32,200 children across the UK.</p> <p>In response to the crisis hitting so many families right now we've launched this new fund, to provide emergency essentials that support the physical and mental well-being of children who are struggling. These could include food, clothing and household energy costs, but we'll also consider anything that helps meet children's most basic needs.</p> <p>Grants are £50 per child per household, and we aim to get the funds to families as soon as possible.</p>
<u>CHANGEX - THE ACCENTURE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY CHALLENGE</u>		<p>The fund supports communities to start one of six proven ideas!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Orchard • Fresh Water Watch • Climate Action Toolkits in secondary schools • The Green Plan • Community Fridge • Repair Cafe <p>If your community has been considering a project which relates to those mentioned above, this could be your chance to secure some funds towards it.</p>
<u>CHARLES HAYWARD FOUNDATION - OLDER PEOPLE - SMALL GRANTS</u>	n/a	<p>Funds preventative and early intervention programmes being delivered at the community level which allow older people to stay in their own homes and remain independent. They are particularly interested in programmes which show some creativity in improving the quality of life of older people.</p> <p>Up to £7,000.</p>
<u>CHARLES HAYWARD FOUNDATION - SOCIAL & CRIMINAL JUSTICE - MAIN GRANTS</u>	23rd May 2025 (for July Grant's Committee meeting)	<p>Aims to prevent people entering the criminal justice system and to support those already in the system to move on and rebuild their lives.</p> <p>They fund projects in the following categories:</p>

	19th September 2025 (for November Grant's Committee meeting)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Targeted early intervention programmes aimed at reaching the most troubled and vulnerable families in a community. Preventative and diversionary projects for young people at risk of offending including tailored interventions identifying and addressing the particular needs of girls and young women. Programmes, particularly those with a focus on young offenders, combining prison based and community interventions dealing with rehabilitation of offenders, accommodation and support on release, helping with maintaining family relationships, mentoring, and mapping and creating pathways to employment. Schemes offering viable alternatives to custody, in particular for women and young people. Programmes of support directed towards rehabilitating the victims of domestic abuse and criminal exploitation.
<u>CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE GRANT FUNDING</u>	Any time	Children's Alliance are providing grant funding to get children into water safely to learn, develop and purposefully play for the benefit of children's physical and mental wellbeing. They are looking to support grass roots initiatives delivering water based projects for disadvantaged children. Applications must support children under the age of 18 years.
<u>CIRCULAR ECONOMY INVESTMENT FUND</u>	N/A	This fund, administered by Zero Waste Scotland, offers investment to SMEs based in Scotland for work that will help to deliver circular economy growth.
<u>CIRCULAR TEXTILES FUND</u>		This fund supports the development of circular supply chains across the textiles industry in Scotland to help businesses achieve net zero carbon emissions. Zero Waste Scotland is administering the fund, which is backed by the Scottish Government, to help reduce the environmental impact of textiles.
<u>CLIMATE ENGAGEMENT LAB – 2024 OPEN CALL FOR INNOVATION PARTNERSHIP</u>		<p>Climate Outreach is looking for a new innovation partner organisation to reach and motivate specific audiences in the UK. The <u>Climate Engagement Lab</u> is looking to support an existing project that is engaging people who are concerned about politics and climate change, but aren't generally part of the climate conversation and are deeply and instinctively distrustful that 'elites' will do much to help. Through the partnership, they will provide free support for a group that's engaging working class communities on climate or climate-adjacent (i.e. transport, energy, food) projects.</p> <p>The chosen partner will get support to apply evidence-backed insights to their project, along with up to £3,000 to cover the costs of participation.</p>
<u>COMMUNITY PROJECT TRANSITION FUND</u> FUNDING FOR		The Community Project Transition Fund is a £2.1m grant fund, with a minimum award of £5,000 and a maximum of £100,000. This revenue funding is for projects that will contribute to the Transport Scotland Active Travel Framework Outcome to "Increase the number of people choosing walking, cycling and wheeling in Scotland" by delivering on outcomes:

<p>COMMUNITY AND THIRD SECTOR ORGANISATIONS TO SUPPORT BEHAVIOUR CHANGE PROGRAMMES TO INCREASE WALKING, WHEELING AND CYCLING IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More people choose to walk, wheel or cycle for short local journeys or • People develop more positive attitudes towards active travel options <p>Projects must align with the Transport Scotland People and Place programme priorities of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active Schools and Young People • Workplaces • Accessibility and inclusion • Capacity and Capability <p>Although open for Expressions of Interest, grant awards cannot be made until Paths for All receives confirmation of funding from Transport Scotland. We expect that successful applications to the Community Project Transition Fund will be awarded between 1st April 2024 and 31st May 2024 with projects to be completed by 31st March 2025.</p> <p>To express interest in applying for funding please submit your information on Grants for All. Paths for All are delivering this fund on behalf of Tactran and Scotland's Regional Transport Partnerships with the support of Transport Scotland. Contact us on cptf@pathsforall.org.uk</p>
<p>COMMUNITY RIGHT TO BUY FUND</p>		<p>The Community Right to Buy Fund provides financial support for community organisations in the Highlands and Islands of Scotland.</p> <p>The fund helps communities pay for professional services to help them register an interest in land or buildings under the Community Right to Buy legislation. These services could include legal title searches or help with mapping. Funding of up to £5,000 is available, to cover up to 80% of the eligible cost. Communities must be prepared to cover the rest of the cost from other sources. This support is unlikely to involve state subsidy, but this will be assessed on a case by case basis.</p>
<p>CONUNDRUM CHARITABLE TRUST</p>	<p>1 March 1 September</p>	<p>The Trust funds a wide range of charitable work in Scotland, ranging from the arts, animals, faith, health, care, education, young people and veterans. Open to most non-profits, with the Trust favouring stand-alone projects (vs core costs) where their funding can have the most significant impact. Applications can be for up to £5,000 per year.</p>
<p>CORRA FOUNDATION LOCAL SUPPORT FUND - NATIONAL DRUGS MISSION FUNDS</p>	<p>Ongoing until funds are spent</p>	<p>The Local Support Fund (LSF) is for grassroots and community-based organisations in Scotland, which deliver frontline services to support people who use or used drugs, people who are in recovery and/or their families.</p> <p>To apply for this fund, you should meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You should have previously received funding through the Local Support Fund for one or two years.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You should currently be delivering frontline services in Scotland, to support people who use drugs, people in recovery and/or their families. You will require funding to stabilise or increase capacity, extend services and provide further reach into the community. Your organisation should have an annual income of up to £500,000. You must be a registered charity, social enterprise, community group or other voluntary organisation that have independent governance and an asset lock. <p>Corra Foundation encourages applications from organisations supporting Black, Asian, and Minority Ethnic communities, and other under represented groups, to increase access to support.</p> <p>To apply, email the grants team for a chat about your project or call us on 0131 444 4020.</p>
<u>CORRA FOUNDATION - BOOST SMALL GRANTS</u>	No closing date	<p>Boost small grants programme is for organisations supporting children and families in their local communities. It has been created to help groups that find the increases in basic running costs (for example utilities, salaries, transport) are making their work much more challenging. Boost will provide grants of £500-£3,000 to grassroots organisations and charities with a yearly income of up to £50,000 whose work benefits children and families.</p> <p>This year, it's also open to unconstituted groups who can apply for a grant of between £250-£1500.</p> <p>This fund aims to ensure accessible, supportive community-led activities remain available to children and families despite the challenges the cost of living poses for charities and community groups. Boost is delivered by Corra Foundation and is a partnership between the STV Children's Appeal and Corra Foundation.</p>
<u>CREATIVE SCOTLAND - MADE IN SCOTLAND ONWARD INTERNATIONAL TOURING FUND</u>	Remains open until it is fully allocated	<p>The aim of the Onward International Touring Fund is to enable artists, bands and ensembles based in Scotland to take up new international touring opportunities for work programmed as a direct result of the inviting promoter seeing the work at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe. This fund exists to support costs linked to flights, freight, visas and the translation of marketing materials. Other costs are expected to be met by the inviting promoter.</p>
<u>CREATIVE SCOTLAND CROWDMATCH</u>		<p>Creative individuals, groups or businesses are encouraged to share their creative ideas in order to take part in a competition to win up to £10,000 from Creative Scotland towards their crowdfunding campaign.</p> <p>Anyone delivering activity in at least one of the following themes can apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arts Screen

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative industries <p>Individuals who are freelance or self-employed artists and creative practitioners residing in Scotland, aged 18 years or above. Any type of constituted artistic, creative or cultural organisation based in Scotland can apply.</p>
<u>CREATIVE SCOTLAND: FUTURE FUNDING FRAMEWORK</u>		<p>If you are a voluntary organisation delivering arts, creative and cultural activities, check the updated planning timetable for multi-year funding published this week by Creative Scotland. Their Open Fund also relaunches in October. Information sessions to follow.</p>
<u>CREATIVE SCOTLAND: OPEN FUND: SUSTAINING CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT</u>	The fund is open all year round – with no deadlines	<p>Grants up to £100,000 over one year are available for charities, organisations and groups involved in the arts, screen and creative industries to adapt, respond and sustain practice.</p> <p>The fund will continue to support organisations to deliver a wide range of creative activity. This includes funding for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a specific one-off project or production or • a period of creative research and development or • a longer term programme of work. <p>It can also support organisations to undertake business and organisational development that will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enhance their business sustainability through the development of new or more diverse income streams or • consider broader organisational development costs. <p>Eligible organisations can apply for funding between £1k and £100k for projects or programmes lasting up to 18 months.</p>
<u>CULTURE & BUSINESS FUND SCOTLAND</u>		<p>Culture organisations in arts and heritage can now apply to the The Culture & Business Fund Scotland (C&BS), designed to support innovative and mutually beneficial partnerships between culture and business organisations across Scotland, for up to £1 for every £2 invested by business organisations.</p> <p>Through the C&BS Fund since the launch of the programme in 2017, a total of just over £3.1 million has been invested with 169 C&BS Fund investments made across all 32 local authority areas. C&BS Fund is an investment programme which receives direct investment from the Scottish Government</p>
<u>CYCLING SCOTLAND: CYCLING FRIENDLY GRANTS</u>		<p>Grants up to £20,000 are available for community groups and voluntary organisations for local projects that will improve cycling facilities and increase the number of people cycling. Other funding programmes are available.</p>
<u>CYCLING TOURISM FACILITIES FUND</u>		<p>This fund is for businesses and community enterprises operating in the tourism sector to develop and enhance their cycle tourism facilities. The minimum grant is £5,000 up to a maximum of £25,000 for capital</p>

(HIGHLANDS AND ISLANDS ENTERPRISE) MOVE YOUR CYCLING FACILITIES UP A GEAR		<p>expenditure, which will cover up to 50% of total eligible project costs. Funding can be used towards a variety of capital projects including investing in fixtures, fittings, construction, adaptation, or upgrade of premises to improve cycling tourism facilities. Examples of eligible projects include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New secure covered cycle storage • New open cycle parking, sheltered cycle parking • Enhancement of existing cycle parking/storage increase capacity and/or security • Lockers and storage • Drying facilities • Bike maintenance equipment <p>If you would like to talk to someone about the fund, email enquiries@hient.co.uk.</p>
<u>CYCLING UK - THE CYCLE ACCESS FUND</u>		<p>The Cycle Access Fund supports those least likely to have access to a bike and provides capital grants to organisations through four different funding strands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual Bike Ownership • Shared Use • Recycle • Repair <p>Enabling individuals to access a bike in an affordable, easy and convenient way is a vital contribution to reducing health and income inequality. It makes our communities safer and more pleasant by reducing short car journeys. Cycling UK know that many people in Scotland experience barriers to accessing a cycle and, by offering their funding across different strands, they aim to tackle different barriers and help more people to cycle.</p> <p>Organisations can apply whose registered business/charity address is in SPT, Sustran, ZetTrans and Nestrans (Strathclyde, Shetland, North East, South East)</p> <p>No stated deadlines, apply at any time. Complete an expression of interest form for your chosen funding strand via the website.</p>
<u>DELAMERE DAIRY FOUNDATION</u>		<p>Applications are welcome from charities and organisations whose purpose fits with the objects of the Delamere Dairy Foundation for the benefit of the public, which are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The advancement of agriculture and of environmental protection • The advancement in life of young people by developing their capabilities so that they may mature as contributory members of society

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The relief of financial hardship • The advancement of education • The relief of sickness <p>Applications are open in Spring and Autumn.</p>
<u>DEVELOPMENT GRANT FUNDING FOR BUSINESSES AND THIRD SECTOR ORGANISATIONS IN SHETLAND</u>		<p>The Shetland Islands Council Economic Development Grant Scheme provides grants of up to £25,000 to small to medium-sized businesses (SMEs) and third sector organisations based in Shetland.</p> <p>Financial assistance is available for businesses that can demonstrate that their projects meet key eligibility criteria and will result in benefits to the Shetland economy.</p> <p>You can receive a grant for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • capital expenditure – for example, buildings (including construction costs, upgrades or improvements and associated professional fees) and equipment • revenue expenditure – for example, professional fees, consents, permissions, salary costs, and volunteer expenses <p>Your application may need to be supported by a business plan, which a Business Gateway adviser can help you with.</p> <p>Applicants must be a small to medium-sized business (SME) or a third sector organisation based in Shetland.</p>
<u>DIGITAL XTRA</u>		<p>Grants up to £5,000 will be awarded to schools and community organisations looking to start up or scale up extracurricular tech activities for young people. Activities must teach children and young people skills and concepts such as coding, robotics, games design, data science and cyber to help inspire Scotland's next generation of digital makers, leaders, and technologists.</p>
<u>DISTRICT HEATING LOAN FUND</u>		<p>The District Heating Loan Fund provides capital loan funding of more than £1 million to organisations in Scotland that use renewables technologies to build out heat networks.</p>
<u>DPO CENTRE CHARITY AND COMMUNITY FUND</u>		<p>The DPO Charity Fund provides access to data protection consultancy services at an 80% funded rate. Eligible charities can apply for funding towards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information Asset Register and Data Mapping • Policy Drafting and Review • Impact Assessments and Gap Analysis • Data Protection Training

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Sharing and International Transfers • Privacy-by-Design • Data Protection Readiness
<u>DR. GUTHRIE'S ASSOCIATION (SCOTLAND) SCIO</u>	25 May and 25 September	<p>Funding is available to support disadvantaged children and young people in Scotland. Priority will be given to smaller charities whose grants can make a difference and who may find it difficult to obtain funds elsewhere. Grants are usually less than £2,000. Funding can support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • creative and outdoor pursuits for disadvantaged children and young people; and • support young unemployed people
<u>DUKE OF EDINBURGH (DOFE) AWARD ACCESS WITHOUT LIMITS COMMUNITY FUNDING</u>	January 2026	The fund offers grant funding of up to £10,250 for eligible voluntary and community organisations to set up and deliver the DofE award scheme, including the enrolment costs for marginalised young people across the UK.
<u>EASY FUNDRAISING APP</u>	n/a	The newly updated easyfundraising app enables you to easily raise money for your voluntary organisation when you shop on your phone or tablet. Get money back when you shop with over 6,000 online retailers, which is then passed to your organisation as a donation, at no extra cost. Retailers include ASDA, Amazon, B&Q, Argos, Sainsbury's, eBay, Just Eat, and many more.
<u>EBIKE BUSINESS LOAN</u>		The eBike Business Loan offers Scottish businesses up to £30,000 interest-free to help reduce the carbon impact and fuel costs of their transport arrangements through the purchase of ebikes.
<u>EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOUNDATION - BERRIDGE TRUST</u>	Any time	The Berridge Trust supports the training of teachers of cookery or nutrition. It has a relatively low income of less than £1,000 per year and awards are made to organisations only rather than individuals.
<u>EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOUNDATION - MAIN FUND</u>	Any time	<p>The Educational Opportunity Foundation supports charitable organisations working to improve access to education or the quality of education for children and young people under the age of 25, both in the UK and internationally.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UK based projects, Educational Opportunity Foundation will only consider applications that are specifically targeted towards care experienced young people. Projects must be interventions designed to improve their educational outcomes and life chances. Funding is available for one to three years. They will fund between £30,000 to £90,000 per project (maximum £30,000 per year for

		<p>multi year projects). Funding is available for new or pilot projects, or projects which have started in the past 12 months.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internationally based projects, Educational Opportunity Foundation supports projects which seek to improve the quality, sustainability, and access to education for young people within marginalised and vulnerable communities. Funding is available for one to three years, for new or pilot projects. They will fund between £10,000 to £60,000 per project (maximum £30,000 per year). Annual grant payments cannot exceed 50% of an organisation's 3-year average income. Educational Opportunity Foundation will fund between 25% to 100% of the total project costs, but will give preference to projects with some degree of matched funding.
<u>ENERGY SAVINGS TRUST - PLUGGED-IN COMMUNITIES GRANT FUND</u>	First Come First Served	<p>The Plugged in Communities Grant Fund supports community transport operators in Scotland to purchase or lease zero emission community transport vehicles. Funding can cover the following zero-emission vehicles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cars • Light goods vehicles • Minibuses • Mopeds/ motorcycles <p>You must provide community transport services and have been operating for at least 12 months. Complete a pre-application check on the Fund website to get started.</p>
<u>ESMEE FAIRBAIRN FOUNDATION</u>	No Deadlines	<p>The Foundation is one of the largest independent grant-makers in the UK. In 2022, they provided £36.2m in grant funding towards a wide range of work in support of the three main aims: to improve Our Natural World, secure A Fairer Future and nurture Creative, Confident Communities. They also have a £45m allocation to social investments and a £10m allocation to impact investments. It funds work towards the organisation's three main strategic aims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our Natural World • A Fairer Future • Creative, Confident Communities
<u>EUROPEAN YOUTH FOUNDATION</u>	15 January, 15 May	<p>The European Youth Foundation (EYF) provides financial and educational support to a wide range of youth projects, focusing on a range of different topics. Whether projects take place at local or international level, EYF-supported projects all share some common characteristics. Learn more about these characteristics and check examples of projects supported <u>at the dedicated page.</u></p>
<u>FAITH IN COMMUNITY SCOTLAND</u>	Ongoing	<p>Grants up to £500 are available for any local faith group or related organisation working primarily in a small, specific geographic community to tackle poverty and climate change. Top-up grants are available for mentoring support.</p>

<u>FAITH IN COMMUNITY SCOTLAND: FAITHFUL WELCOME SMALL GRANTS</u>	Any time	Grants up to £500 are available for any faith group registered as a charity in Scotland to support refugees and asylum seekers through hospitality events, community integration and participation activities
<u>FAITH IN COMMUNITY SCOTLAND: GREENER SPACES, FAIRER PLACES</u>	Any time	Grants up to £500 are available for any faith group or related organisation working locally to tackle poverty and climate change.
<u>FAMILY FUND</u>		<p>Family Fund provides a wide range of grants to families raising a disabled or seriously ill child, or young adult, on a low income. See the full list of funding schemes here: <u>Which grant programmes are available? - Family Fund</u>. From Tuesday 17 September 2024, families in Scotland will be able to reapply for a Family Fund Scotland programme grant every 24 months instead of every 18 months.</p> <p>This means that any families in Scotland who have applied for a grant from us before, will need to wait 24 months from the date they last applied before being able to apply for another grant. This is already the case for families living in England, Northern Ireland, and Wales.</p>
<u>FAMILY FUND MOBILITY SUPPORT (FFMS) SCHEME</u>	n/a	The Family Fund has announced £5 million worth of funding for the Mobility Support scheme (FFMS). The fund will provide crucial support to families with a seriously ill or disabled child under three with mobility needs.
<u>FLETCHERS FOUNDATION</u>	Any time	<p>Fletchers Foundation provides financial grants that can be used for aids and equipment, rehabilitation treatment, or a whole host of wider uses that will help individuals with their recovery or quality of life.</p> <p>You can apply if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You or a member of your family are living with the long-term effects of serious personal injury, medical negligence, or illness. • You are a registered charity, school or local group working with individuals and families living with the long-term effects of serious personal injury, medical negligence, or illness. <p>Applications from local community groups, registered charities, or schools working with individuals and their family with the long-term effects of serious personal injury, medical negligence, or illness.</p> <p>Applications and supporting documentation to the trustees will be submitted to the Trustees on the last Friday of the month, and you will receive a response within two weeks of that.</p>

<u>FOUNDATION SCOTLAND - BAILLIE GIFFORD INTERNATIONAL FUND</u>	Round 3: To be confirmed	<p>This fund is aimed at supporting registered charities who are working in International Aid Development to deliver their work. Primarily, the fund aims to increase participation with climate action and encourage behavioural change. Baillie Gifford is committed to funding the following priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing knowledge, understanding and participation with climate action • Developing community-led initiatives in relation to climate action that encourage greater community power • The types of activity the fund aims to support include projects that: • Educate and inspire people to engage in climate action • Build local skills, tools and resources to promote understanding and action • Create 'green' skills and jobs for local people • Support sustainable farming initiatives or ethical food systems
<u>FOUNDATION SCOTLAND - COCKAIGNE FUND</u>	Any time	<p>The Cockaigie Fund supports boundary-pushing musical research, development, and performances to delight, inform, and move participants and audiences alike.</p> <p>The Fund supports creative, challenging, and original projects that explore cultures and traditions, past and present. They have a particular interest in historically-informed projects related to classical and traditional music from the 9th to 19th centuries. The Fund may also consider community projects that push boundaries, strive for excellence, and enable people to access new musical experiences.</p>
<u>FOUNDATION SCOTLAND - MARY JANET KING FUND</u>	Applications can be submitted at any time and decisions take approximately 10 weeks from receipt of your application.	<p>Grants up to £5,000 are available to for Scottish grassroots and community groups working with young people in arts and music, particularly with activities that encourage the uptake of music.</p> <p>The fund supports piano scholarships at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in Glasgow but also welcomes applications from community groups working with young people in arts and music. They are particularly interested in projects which are helping young people to take up music. Priority will be given to grassroots organisations.</p>
<u>FOUNDATION SCOTLAND'S SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND</u>		<p>Foundation Scotland's <u>Social Investment Fund</u> offers blended grant and loan investment to social enterprises, community organisations and charities working across Scotland.</p> <p>The fund can invest between £10,000 and £250,000 per organisation; up to 25% (£62,500) of this can be in the form of a non-repayable grant and the remainder a repayable loan. Potential applicants can check their <u>eligibility criteria</u> here and then complete an enquiry form</p>
<u>FOUX FOUNDATION</u>	Any time	<p>The Foux Foundation is focused on helping in the areas of: health, education, youth opportunity and poverty. Living across three different continents, the trustees take a global approach and are keen to support the appropriate organisations regardless of location. They fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The relief of sickness and promotion of good health

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The advancement of education • The advancement of disadvantaged young people • The prevention or relief of poverty
<u>FOYLE FOUNDATION SMALL GRANTS SCHEME</u>	No deadline	<p>The small grants scheme supports smaller UK registered charities with an annual turnover of less than £150,000 a year, especially those working at grassroots and local community level, in any field, across a wide range of activities.</p> <p>One year grants of between £2,000 and £10,000 are made towards core costs, projects, essential equipment or building projects provided charities can demonstrate this makes a significant difference to their work.</p> <p>Priority will be to support local charities still active in their communities which are currently delivering services to the young, vulnerable, elderly, disadvantaged or the general community. Applications take up to four months to process.</p>
<u>FRIENDS PROVIDENT FOUNDATION</u>		Friends Provident Foundation offers a series of funds to support organizations reshaping the economy to be more equitable and sustainable. The Shifting Cultural Perceptions strand offers funding of £50,000 per year for three years for up to 6 organisations to help with exploring the question 'how we can begin to shift perceptions and beliefs about the economy, about what it is and what it could be?' with facilitated programme learning days, activities and more.
<u>FUNDING SUPPORT FOR CLEAN ENERGY TRANSITION</u>		<p>The Clean Energy Transition Partnership is a competitive funding call that aims to get as many Scottish companies as possible involved in developing new clean energy solutions.</p> <p>There is a 2-stage application process. Scottish Enterprise can only consider projects that have already been selected through the Clean Energy Transition Partnership ranking process. The ranking process is an independent evaluation by a group of international experts. Only the highest-ranking projects will receive funding.</p> <p>There are 10 modules that describe specific topics and/or challenges that applicants should address in their project proposal. Applicants must choose and apply to a specific module in their proposal.</p>
<u>GARFIELD WESTON FOUNDATION</u>	Apply any time	Match funding grants up to £100,000 and more are available to registered charities to support a range of causes. Currently inviting applications relating to Youth, Welfare and Community. Grants can be used to support core operating costs, capital projects, equipment purchases, or for defined time-limited projects.
<u>GOOGLE AD GRANTS</u>	n/a	Ad Grants provides access to in-kind advertising every month for text ads and you will also get access to tools to help you build effective marketing campaigns. This support can be used to help attract donors, raise awareness for your organisation, and recruit volunteers with in-kind advertising on Google Search.

<u>GRANT FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS IN SHETLAND (COASTAL COMMUNITIES FUND)</u>		The Shetland Islands COUNCIL COASTAL COMMUNITIES FUND offers grants of between £5,000 and £100,000 to projects that support the community and economic development of Shetland by investing in infrastructure, community capacity building, developing community assets and encouraging inclusive growth.
<u>GRANTS FOR TRANSPORT RESEARCH AND INNOVATION</u>		<p>This Grant Programme offers up to £45,000 for organisations, businesses and academics, to research innovative transportation ideas to improve the transportation system and boost economic growth. There is a new category for Scotland. Project criteria can include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nation specific transport solutions • Local transport decarbonisation • Maritime decarbonisation • Critical and emerging technologies • Wider solutions that have potential <p>Find more information <u>here</u>, grant guidance <u>here</u>, apply <u>here</u> or attend the application support webinar:</p>
<u>GREEN HALL FOUNDATION</u>		<p>The objective of the Green Hall Foundation is to sustainably improve lives: among the sick, the elderly, the disabled and the disadvantaged particularly in the UK. Overseas project are also supported provided that the applicant charity is registered in the UK.</p> <p>Preference is given to appeals where the Foundation can meet a significant proportion of the funding required and to appeals where permanent equipment or building is required as opposed to funding salaries or the charity running costs.</p> <p>Each May meeting will be open to Charities in all income brackets.</p> <p>Each November meeting will only be open to Charities with an annual income of £250,000 or less.</p> <p>Apply as soon as the cycle opens as only the first 150 applications will go forward to the Trustees for consideration at each meeting. Rounds often close within a hour or two of opening. Once open, the Foundation website displays the number of applications received.</p>
<u>GREEN JOBS CAPITAL FUND</u>		This fund helps businesses and social enterprises in the Highlands and Islands to create and preserve jobs that produce goods or services that benefit the environment. This could be by conserving natural resources, or creating more environmentally friendly processes in those organisations.

		<p>For this fund, green jobs are considered (one of the following):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • jobs in businesses that provide goods or services that benefit the environment or conserve natural resources - for example, any job in a renewables or low carbon technology company, including warehouse and office staff, engineers and researchers • jobs that focus on making an organisation's production processes more environmentally friendly or use fewer natural resources, either as their main focus or as part of a wider role - for example, a designated sustainability officer, or a purchasing manager who aims to source more sustainable materials and suppliers <p>The funding is to be used only for capital expenditure to support these jobs. This can include spending on equipment, machinery, fixtures and fittings and information technology infrastructure.</p> <p>The application process has 2 stages. The first stage is to complete the online expression of interest form on the Highlands and Islands Enterprise website. There is no deadline for this.</p> <p>Your expression of interest form will be reviewed. If your application meets the basic criteria, you'll be allocated a development manager who will advise you on what you need to provide to make a stage 2 application.</p> <p>If your application is unsuccessful, Highlands and Islands Enterprise will explain why and will highlight other support options where possible.</p>
<u>HAPPY DAYS CHILDREN'S CHARITY</u>		<p>Happy Days Children's Charity works with local communities across the UK to provide vital respite breaks for individuals, families and groups who support children and young people aged from 3 to 17 years with a wide range of additional needs.</p> <p>The charity offers help to those with learning difficulties, physical or mental disabilities, emotional challenges and those with acute, chronic or life limiting illnesses. Happy Days Children's Charity also helps young people who have been abused or neglected, witnessed domestic violence, been bereaved or act as carers for a parent or a sibling.</p> <p>They fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holidays and day trips for young people and their families. • Residential trips for groups of children and young people, including community groups such as women's refuges and SEN schools.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Days out for groups to hundreds of venues throughout the UK, including the seaside, theatre, zoos and farm parks. • Experiences such as sport activity days, art and music workshops. • They also arrange activities such as visiting theatres and workshops to visit groups where mobility is a difficulty.
<u>HEAT NETWORK FUND: APPLICATION GUIDANCE</u>	n/a	The Scottish Government is making £300 million available over the next parliamentary session to support the development and rollout of zero emission heat networks across Scotland. This fair and open fund aims to stimulate commercial interest, investment and maximise Scotland's vast potential in the low carbon sector, whilst contributing to the positive progress on reducing Scotland's greenhouse gas emissions.
<u>HIE GREEN GRANT FUND</u>		<p>Our Green Grant Fund aims to support businesses and social enterprises across the Highlands and Islands to transition to net zero.</p> <p>The funding is a non-repayable grant of up to £250,000, which will cover between 10% and 40% of the total cost of a project. The minimum grant award is £20,000. Projects with a total cost of £50,000 or less are therefore unlikely to be eligible.</p> <p>Projects can include anything that helps businesses and social enterprises to reduce carbon emissions and make progress towards achieving net zero, for example through energy efficiency measures, renewables, or waste management. We will prioritise projects based in remote and rural areas where applicants may be eligible for up to 50% funding.</p> <p>HIE's contribution to projects will be based on the financial need of the business or social enterprise. Applicants will be required to provide financial information on request to allow an assessment to be made.</p> <p>For more info and expression of interest go to <u>HIE Green Grant Fund HIE</u>.</p>
<u>HIGHLANDS & ISLANDS ENVIRONMENT FOUNDATION</u>		For Highland & Islands across a range of areas like fresh water, forest and woodland etc.
<u>HIGHLANDS AND ISLANDS COMMUNITY CLIMATE ACTION FUND</u>	rolling basis with decisions made each month	The Climate Action Fund will be temporarily closed to applications in February. Look for news of it re-opening in Spring! <u>Find the Funding News here.</u>

<u>HIGHLANDS AND ISLANDS ENVIRONMENT FOUNDATION</u>	EOI - 3 March	Grants of up to £15,000 are available for community-led projects aiming to protect or restore nature in the Highlands and Islands. The deadline to complete an Expression of Interest form is Monday 3rd March. The form, and full criteria, can be found on the <u>HIEF website</u> . Get in touch with <u>louis@hief.scot</u> to discuss a project idea or find out more.
<u>HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT SCOTLAND: NEW GRANTS FRAMEWORK</u>		<p>Historic Environment Scotland provides a range of grants and funding schemes to organisations developing projects that will benefit Scotland's historic environment. Funding applications can focus on any aspect of Scotland's historic environment. To apply, you'll need to submit an initial expression of interest. A grants manager will then respond. If your expression of interest is approved, you'll be invited to submit a full application with more detailed information about the project.</p> <p><u>Express Grants (£1,000 to £25,000) – open all year</u> <u>Small Grants (£25,001 to £100,000) – deadlines 30 April; 31 August; 31 December</u> <u>Large Grants (£100,001 to £500,000) - 30th June; 31st October; 28th/ 29th February</u></p>
<u>HOME INSTEAD - SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES</u>	Apply January; April; July and October	<p>Money raised from Home Instead Offices and external supporters funds groups who support the mental, physical, and emotional wellbeing of ageing adults. This might be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular weekly or monthly events and activities such as weekly cinema club, weekly knit and natter or Thursday lunch club • One off activities such as a day trip or a Christmas lunch • Activities such as yoga or a guest speaker for your group such as a local historian <p>Applications from small grass roots organisations, local registered charities, and individuals if it is to provide access to your group, i.e. transport costs or communications devices to access your groups activities.</p>
<u>IAN FINDLAY PATH FUND – PATHS FOR ALL</u>		Grants of £10,000 - £100,000 (match funding required) for community groups and educational establishments towards path management projects that: improve accessibility and resilience of existing paths between homes, community facilities, active travel routes and public transport facilities; remove barriers to make existing paths more accessible to more people; link paths to community destinations such as homes and public transport connections; improve and create routes to aid the development of 20-minute neighbourhoods.
<u>INDEPENDENT LIVING FUND SCOTLAND - TRANSITION FUND</u>		<p>Are you a young disabled person aged 16-25, and living in Scotland? You could be eligible for up to £4,000 in funding, for 1 year! ILF Scotland can support you to try new activities and experiences that will help you</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Become more engaged and active in your community • Enhance your independence and confidence • Help you to spend more time with other people

INSPIRING SCOTLAND <u>NEIGHBOURHOOD ECOSYSTEM FUND</u>	12pm (midday) Monday 3 March 2025	<p>The Neighbourhood Ecosystem Fund is to help communities develop their ideas for ecosystem restoration into a pipeline of deliverable projects. We know that communities are at different stages of this work and that it can be challenging to get support for the early stages of projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community groups can apply for up to £13,500 • Place-based community groups with an income of under £200,000 can apply • Projects should focus on the development and feasibility stages of undertaking ecosystem restoration, rather than physical delivery. • Successful applicants will receive up to £1,500 in professional fundraising support in addition to their grant. • Projects must be delivered between 1 June 2025 – 31 March 2026.
<u>INTERNET FREEDOM FUND OTF (OPENTECH.FUND)</u>	Applications are accepted on a rolling basis	<p>Open Technology Fund (OTF)'s Internet Freedom Fund supports innovative internet freedom projects, including technology development, research, digital security projects, and convenings.</p> <p>Funding categories are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technology Development • Applied Research • Digital Security • Events and Community Convenings <p>Applications go through a two-stage application process:</p>
<u>JEAN SAINSBURY ANIMAL WELFARE TRUST (JSAWT)</u>		<p>Grants to charities working to offer sanctuary, rehoming and rehabilitation to animals in the UK and/or internationally. and for organisations involved with the conservation of wildlife, the rescue, rehabilitation. The funding supports general running costs or capital purchases.</p> <p>Donations are considered three times each year in spring, summer and winter, by a panel of up to 7 trustees and range from £1,000 to a normal maximum of £10,000. Smaller donations may be awarded between the meetings at the discretion of JSAWT's Chair and Administrator.</p>
<u>JEANS FOR GENES GRANT PROGRAMME</u>		<p>The annual <u>Jeans for Genes</u> campaign raises money and awareness, uniting schools, organisations and individuals to help fund and support incredible charities and groups all over the UK that provide vital services to the genetic condition community. By supporting the resilience and sustainability of organisations serving the genetic condition community the Programme hopes to achieve their ambition that every individual in the UK living with a genetic condition and their families, are able to access the appropriate support at the time they need it so that they feel supported, valued and included.</p>
<u>KELLY FAMILY CHARITABLE TRUST</u>	1 September 1 March	<p>Interested in funding charities whose activities involve the whole family, in initiatives that seek to tackle issues that face one or more of its members, and whose aims include the strengthening of family bonds by</p>

		<p>helping all elements of the family unit to grow together and support each other.</p> <p>They are also interested in charities that support families which have been the subject of domestic abuse and violence and families of prisoners. Grants will generally be in the range of £1,000 to £5,000, but Trustees will consider requests for higher amounts.</p>
<u>LANDSCAPES THE NATIONAL LOTTERY HERITAGE FUND</u>		<p>Funding is available to support projects that address the key challenges faced by UK's landscapes and nature. Landscape projects must deliver one or more of the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation at a landscape scale • Increasing people's understanding of the cultural value of landscapes and seascapes • Bigger, better, well-connected and more resilient habitats for nature • Reconnecting people with nature <p>See: <u>Landscapes, seas and nature good practice guidance The National Lottery Heritage Fund</u></p>
<u>LEARNING DISABILITY SUPPORT FUND</u>		<p>Inspiring Scotland have launched a <u>Learning Disability Support Fund</u>. The Fund aims to sustain and support organisations working directly with people in Scotland with learning disabilities to build a more inclusive society, reduce inequality and provide opportunities for fulfilling lives. It will run from October 2025 to March 2028 (30 months) and will provide both core and project funding.</p> <p>The total funding available over this period is £1,625,000. Register your expression of interest <u>here</u></p>
<u>LINTEL TRUST - SMALL GRANTS FUND</u>	5th February 2025 30th April 2025 13th August 2025 7th October 2025	<p>Lintel Trust, Scotland's housing charity have re-opened their small grants fund. Grants of either £500 or £1,000 are available. They support projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • tackling social isolation in housing communities • promoting digital participation for housing communities • enabling older people to remain independent and in their own home • enabling people with disabilities to live independently • assisting people moving from homelessness into a secure tenancy
<u>MARSH CHARITABLE TRUST</u>	Rolling programme	<p>The Trust focuses on providing funding which could help small organisations pay for various running costs, such as volunteer expenses, training days, equipment maintenance and other core outgoings. Grants are unrestricted and range from £300-£2,000. Successful new applicants can expect to receive a grant at the lower end of this scale.</p> <p>Applications are considered on the basis of the organisation's financial position, performance against charitable aims and objectives and the ratio of voluntary income against fundraising expenses. The Trust</p>

		aims to build long-standing relationships with successful applicants and, subject to an annual review, continue its support over time. Applicants must be a registered charity, established for more than one financial year and able to provide a full set of their most recent Annual Report and Accounts, or the equivalent financial information if their annual income is under £25,000.
<u>MATERIAL FOCUS: ELECTRICALS RECYCLING FUND</u>	Apply any time	Grants up to £100,000 are available for a range of organisations and agencies to encourage everyone to reuse or recycle their unwanted electricals. Priority to develop existing household collection services and to test new approaches.
<u>MATTHEW GOOD FOUNDATION GRANTS FOR GOOD FUND</u>		Every three months, this fund divides £10,000 between five shortlisted projects that have a positive impact on communities, people, or the environment. Local community groups, charities, voluntary groups and social enterprises in the UK are eligible to apply. have an average annual income of less than £50,000 to apply
<u>MCCARTHY STONE FOUNDATION</u>	n/a	This funding is for organisations or programmes that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support intergenerational activity • Build partnerships with charities, local schools, and community groups • Support children to engage with older people in their community • Promote intergenerational learning opportunities
<u>MOTABILITY: ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORT</u>	ongoing	Recently launched grants up to £4M are available for registered charities and organisations working in the Community Transport sector: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Transport Grants to develop and improve community transport for disabled people • The Wheelchair Sector Grant Programme will improve access to quality affordable wheelchairs.
<u>NATIONAL CENTRE FOR RESILIENCE</u>		Now open for applications for 2025-2026 to support resilience projects in Scotland! Grants are available through the Knowledge Mobilisation Fund, Community Council Fund, and Third Sector Project Fund. These funds empower academics, councils, and community groups to strengthen local resilience to natural hazards.
NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND <u>COMMUNITY ACTION FUND</u> <u>FAIRER LIFE CHANCES FUND</u>		<p>The National Lottery Community Fund is opening two new funding programmes.</p> <p>Community Action and Fairer Life Chances will focus on helping communities to tackle poverty, disadvantage, and discrimination, and we'll ask groups to tell us how they will reach and support people facing these challenges.</p> <p>They will award bigger and longer grants and fund organisations of different sizes and levels of experience. They will also support many smaller organisations to apply for multi-year funding for the first time, allowing them to develop over a more sustained period.</p>

		<p><u>COMMUNITY ACTION FUND</u></p> <p>Awarding grants of between £20,001 and £250,000 for up to five years, Community Action will support projects that help communities of all shapes and sizes to come together around activities that matter to them, or which help communities to be environmentally sustainable.</p> <p>In a departure from our previous Scotland programmes, we are opening up our definition of community to include people who share an identity, interest or experience, as well as people living in the same place.</p> <p>We want to fund projects that bring communities together to improve wellbeing and develop positive relationships within those communities. And that encourage connection with other people and/or connection with the environment.</p> <p>It will support projects that are more open, inclusive and led by the people who will benefit from their activities and services.</p> <p><u>FAIRER LIFE CHANCES FUND</u></p> <p>Awarding grants of between £20,001 and £500,000 for up to five years, Fairer Life Chances will fund projects that support children, young people and families, or that help people to be healthier and have better access to support.</p> <p>We want to fund vulnerable or excluded communities and, in particular, those that find it hardest to access support.</p> <p>Please visit the <u>Scotland page of our website</u> to find out more about programme outcomes and priorities. A blog explaining what we want to see in a strong funding application will be available on our <u>Scotland blog site</u> from tomorrow.</p> <p>Organisations wishing to apply should contact us for a conversation either by email at <u>advicescotland@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk</u> or call us on 0300 123 7110.</p>
<p><u>NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND - CLIMATE ACTION FUND - NEW FUNDING STREAM</u></p>		<p>We want to involve more people in climate action. And we want to inspire bold and exciting change.</p> <p>We'll fund projects that reach more people by either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • linking climate action to the everyday lives and interests of local communities. And inspiring them to take action.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> influencing communities at a regional or national level. Like linking up groups across locations. Or a campaign that inspires change across one country, or the whole UK. <p>You should be in a partnership with</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a mix of organisations and sectors smaller groups that represent the people you're working with. <p>You do not have to be a climate or environment-focused organisation to apply</p> <p>We want to reach people who are new to climate action by funding other types of organisations too. And by using people's everyday activities and interests as a starting point for climate action. The minimum you can ask for is £500,000. We expect to fund most projects for between £1 million and £1.5 million over 3 to 5 years. We may fund some exceptional projects up to £3 million, and for up to 7 years. We aim to fund up to 25 projects.</p>
<u>NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND - THE UK FUND</u>	No deadline	<p>This fund is for organisations that want to do more to help communities come together and help make us a better-connected society. Your project must either work across the UK, or be able to inform, influence or scale across the UK.</p> <p>We want to fund projects that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> strengthen relationships between people whose experiences of life have not been the same. For example, relationships between people of different ethnic backgrounds, generations, occupations or geographies create connections between online and offline worlds help make sure people from all backgrounds can shape the future of their communities. <p>Watch the webinar about The UK Fund. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NqJK5pN6CO8</p> <p>Check that your idea meets the funding criteria in our <u>guidance document</u>.</p>
<u>NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND AWARDS FOR ALL PROGRAMME</u>		<p>National Lottery Community Fund Awards for All programme has increased the maximum grant amount for community-led projects to £20,000 over two years.</p> <p>Awards For All supports projects that aim to help improve local communities and the lives of people most in need. Priorities are: bringing communities together, improving places that matter to communities, enabling</p>

		<p>people to fulfil their potential and supporting people, communities and organisations facing more demand due to cost of living crisis.</p> <p>Funding for Community led projects: Awards for All can provide between £300 and £20,000 and can support projects for up to two years.</p> <p>Funding for arts and sports projects: Awards for All can provide between £300 and £10,000 and can support projects for up to 12 months.</p>
<u>NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND SCOTTISH LAND FUND</u>	Ongoing	The supports communities in Scotland, both urban and rural, to take ownership of land and buildings. It offers practical support to develop projects, helping communities become more resilient and sustainable through land ownership and management. Community-led, geographically defined groups are eligible to apply.
<u>NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND – IMPROVING LIVES FUND</u>	Ongoing	<p>Grants from £10,001 to £200,000 to help people facing challenging circumstances.</p> <p>We know people, communities and organisations are facing increased demands and challenges as a result of the cost-of-living crisis. If you would like to talk to us about a project in response to this, please get in touch at advicescotland@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk</p>
<u>NATIONAL LOTTERY HERITAGE FUND</u>	Rolling programme`	<p>The National Lottery Heritage fund is once again accepting project funding applications up to £100,000. This National Lottery funding is there to help the heritage community recover from the effects of the pandemic, and re-engage with the communities hardest hit over the last year.</p> <p>Grants between £3,000 and £100,000 are available to organisations working with heritage to build their resilience and engage with those most in need in our communities.</p> <p>Applications are welcome from community groups that are not heritage-based but can deliver heritage focused activity and have not previously received a grant from The National Lottery Heritage Fund.</p> <p>Heritage can be anything from the past that you value and want to pass on to future generations. Heritage can mean different things to different people. As a guide heritage could include people’s memories and experiences, cultural traditions, nature, community archaeology, collections of objects, books or documents in museums, libraries and archives, history of people and communities or places and events and places and objects linked to our maritime and transport history.</p> <p>You can apply whenever you are ready, your application will be assessed within eight weeks.</p>
<u>NATIONAL LOTTERY OPEN FUND FOR ORGANISATIONS</u> AN UPDATE OF THE OPEN FUND:	No deadlines	The National Lottery Open Fund for Organisations is an update of the Open Fund: Sustaining Creative Development Fund which Creative Scotland administered between 2020 and early 2023.

SUSTAINING CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT FUND		<p>The fund aims to continue to support organisations who seek funding to undertake creative activity such as a specific project or production, a programme of creative work, or a period of research and development. Any type of constituted artistic, creative or cultural organisation based in Scotland can apply.</p> <p>Eligible organisations can apply for funding between £1k and £100k for projects or programmes lasting up to 18 months.</p>
<u>NATIONWIDE COMMUNITY GRANT</u>		<p>Community Grants supports projects which provide housing solutions. Applications are open to any organisations that provide solutions to help:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevent people from losing their home • Help people into a home • Support people to thrive within the home environment <p>Charities, Community Land Trusts and housing co-operatives who are making positive changes in their local areas can apply. Apply as soon as possible as applications will close once the cap has been reached. The cap for each region is 40 applications.</p>
<u>NATUREWATCH FOUNDATION - PET RESCUE GRANT</u>	Closes: 21 February 2025	<p>Naturewatch Foundation's Pet Rescue Grant supports UK animal rescue charities working with dogs, cats and/or rabbits who have been affected by the illegal pet trade.</p> <p>A main grant of £10,000 is available annually to UK-registered charities and Community Interest Companies (CICs) with an annual income of up to £5 million. Additionally, a mini-grant of £1,000 is available to unincorporated non-profits, including unregistered charities and community groups.</p> <p>The funds can be used for projects covering veterinary care, behavioural support, specialist facilities, equipment, training or other initiatives that will directly help dogs, cats and/or rabbits who've been exploited for profit.</p>
<u>PARKINSON'S UK - PHYSICAL ACTIVITY GRANTS</u>	Rolling, until all funds allocated.	<p>Supports activity providers, communities, networks, organisations and others to develop opportunities for people with Parkinson's to become and stay active. They are looking for new opportunities for people affected by Parkinson's to participate in physical activity and sport or increased participation in these areas. The key outcomes of the fund are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People with Parkinson's become and stay active, and/or significantly increase their levels of activity if they are already active. • More physical activity provision for everyone with Parkinson's across the UK. • Improved social wellbeing in people with Parkinson's as a result of attending the project.

<u>PAUL HAMLYN FOUNDATION: ARTS ACCESS & PARTICIPATION</u>	Ongoing	Organisations addressing inequalities of opportunity to access and participate in the arts. The Foundation wants to support change in the way the arts are created, presented, accessed and experienced
<u>PETER HARRISON FOUNDATION - ACTIVE LIVES</u>	Trustees meet four times a year: Deadlines are: 1 January (for decision 30 April) 1 April (for decision 31 July) 1 July (for decision 31 October) 1 October (for decision 31 January)	Funds applications for physical activity initiatives that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offer high-impact, life-enhancing opportunities for those who live in the top 10% of areas of deprivation • Remove barriers to participation for disabled or disadvantaged people • Focus on grassroots involvement rather than elite participation in physical activity • Focus on skills development and confidence building for individuals • Incorporate effective strategies for wider impact, perhaps through training, partnerships and/or dissemination activities • Demonstrate a high degree of involvement across the organisation from beneficiaries and those with lived experience • Have a well-developed plan for sustainability and seek to deliver a legacy • Reflect their values: Excellence, Entrepreneurship, Integrity, Sustainability
<u>POUNDS FOR PURPOSE</u>		Pounds for Purpose offers £500 awards for project costs to young people in Scotland aged 16 to 26 who have an idea to make a positive difference to their community or the environment. Projects must be developed by the young person or persons applying and report back within 6 months. Projects with themes that bring about positive change will be supported such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tackling inequality. • Bringing people together to reduce isolation. • Promoting positive mental health. • A greener world – reducing negative impact on the environment and creating a more sustainable future. • Caring for others – working to support and look after vulnerable members of society.
<u>RAYNE FOUNDATION - OPEN GRANTS PROGRAMME</u>		Funding focuses on four key areas: enhancing young people's mental health, using arts for social change, improving life quality for carers and older people, and providing better opportunities for refugees and asylum seekers. Suitable for projects in these areas aiming for impactful social benefits.
<u>REWILDING BRITAIN - REWILDING INNOVATION FUND</u>	28 February 2025	The Rewilding Innovation Fund aims to help remove barriers to rewilding projects within Britain, whether they're at the early planning stages or want to move a project one step wilder. They are particularly keen to encourage those who are taking an innovative approach to land and marine rewilding, which will help

		<p>develop learning and evidence for others within the Rewilding Network. Funds are awarded to projects with potential for the highest impact for people and nature.</p> <p>Projects must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based in Britain • Part of the Rewilding Network • Rewilding at scale (more than 40 hectares of land or any size of marine project) <p>Examples of potential applications include: business plans and strategies, community engagement activities and co-design, feasibility studies, technology and innovation</p> <p>There are two funding rounds each year, in the new year and summer. Only Rewilding Network members can apply. If you aren't already a member, you can apply to join before applying. Applications can be made using the online form on the Rewilding Britain website.</p>
<u>RS MACDONALD CHARITABLE TRUST - MAIN GRANTS</u>	11am on 6 March 2025.	<p>The trust supports Scottish charities under the funding themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tackling Child Abuse & Neglect: services for children whose lives have been affected by physical, mental or sexual abuse • Visual impairment: support for people who are blind or visually impaired • Neurological conditions: empowering people with neurological conditions to lead better lives and be involved in their communities • Animal welfare: helping animals that have been abused or are in danger of abuse and initiatives that reduce the risk of such abuse. <p>They award Main grants twice a year. You are encouraged to phone the Trust's office for an initial discussion prior to submitting an application. Apply online - guidance is given on the Trust's website.</p>
<u>SAVE OUR WILD ISLES COMMUNITY FUND</u>		<p>Aviva, in partnership with WWF and the RSPB, is giving £1 million to support community groups across the UK to protect and restore nature in their local area.</p> <p>WWF, the RSPB and Aviva have come together to launch the <u>Save Our Wild Isles Community Fund</u> to make it easier for communities to take action for nature. From creating community gardens and replanting wildflower meadows, to protecting local wildlife and promoting community connection to nature – together we can help communities around the UK bring nature back to life and make our isles wilder.</p> <p>CEMVO Scotland and EMEN can help and are working with the Save Our Wild Isles Community Fund to help support organisations in Scotland who are keen to apply.</p>

		Whether you're looking for support with your application, peer-to-peer training, or the opportunity to meet likeminded people in your area - join a support network near you! If you're based in Scotland, please reach out to Aekus Kamboj from CEMVO Scotland via email at Aekus.Kamboj@cemvoscotland.org.uk .
<u>SCALE ACCELERATOR: PREVENTING CHILDHOOD SEXUAL VIOLENCE</u>		<p>Spring Impact has now opened applications for Scale Accelerator: Preventing Childhood Sexual Violence. Supported by Oak Foundation, the programme provides fully-funded consultancy for ambitious NGOs working on reducing the number of children that experience sexual violence across the EU and UK.</p> <p>The programme is designed to help organisations reach more people with their work and drive change at a much larger scale. By taking part, participants will gain a clear, actionable plan and strategy for scale, frameworks and tools to build the capacity of their wider team, and the mindsets and confidence needed to make the journey to scale sustainable, achievable, and a whole lot easier.</p> <p>All eligible NGOs will be granted a free place on Getting Scale Ready, a 5-week online course designed to kick-start your journey to scale. The completion of this course will be the first step in the application process.</p>
<u>SCOT GOVT/CORRA FOUNDATION - LOCAL SUPPORT FUND</u>	n/a	<p>The Local Support Fund is focused on community-based organisations delivering frontline services to support people who use drugs, people who are in recovery and their families. It aims to facilitate rights-based, relational support for people so that they can easily access the right support at the right time. Open to organisations with an annual income of up to £500,000.</p> <p>Applicants can be charities, social enterprises, community groups and other voluntary organisations. Funding of up to £50,000 per year for four years.</p>
<u>SCOT GOVT/CORRA FOUNDATION - MICRO GRANTS</u>	n/a	<p>The Local Support Fund – Micro Grants are focused on supporting small community-based groups to deliver frontline services to support people who use or used drugs, people in recovery and/or families affected by someone else's drug use.</p> <p>Micro Grants are for organisations with an annual income of up to £50,000</p> <p>Applicants can be charities, social enterprises or constituted community/voluntary groups that operate on a not-for-profit basis.</p> <p>Funding from £1,000 to £10,000 per year for up to four years can be requested.</p>
<u>SCOTMID COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME</u>	No closing date	<p>Applications are welcome from local communities, self-help or voluntary groups and charities (including local branches of national charities) or individuals acting for the benefit of the local community.</p> <p>The group or project must be based in or benefit a community served by a Scotmid store and within the geographic boundaries of one of Scotmid's Regional Committees. The maximum Community Grant available is £500.</p>

<u>SCOTTISH BOOK TRUST - LIVE LITERATURE FUNDING</u>	14 February 2025 23 May 2025 26 September 2025	Grants are available to help bring literature alive with an author, poet, playwright, graphic novelist or storyteller visit. They like to support interesting, imaginative sessions which show a commitment to the promotion and enjoyment of reading and writing. Activities should take place before 31 March 2025. As funding is limited, a maximum of five sessions can be requested in a single application. The panel will only award the maximum five sessions if they feel the request is justified by an application.
<u>SCOTTISH CO-INVESTMENT FUND</u>	n/a	The Scottish Co-Investment Fund from Scottish Enterprise provides match-funding for Scottish start-up, early-stage or growing companies that are seeking investment alongside accredited co-investment partners to support their growth plans. Funding is typically available in amounts from £100,000 up to £2 million, as part of a total deal size that typically ranges from £200,000 up to £10 million.
<u>SCOTTISH LAND FUND</u>	See guidelines	The Scottish Land Fund supports rural and urban communities to become more resilient and sustainable through the ownership and management of land and land assets. It offers grants of between £5,000 and £1 million to help communities take ownership of the land and buildings that matter to them, as well as practical support to develop their aspirations into viable projects. It is funded by the Scottish Government and delivered in partnership with The National Lottery Community Fund and Highlands and Islands Enterprise. There is a 2-stage application process. As a guide, the minimum time between application and funding decision is usually around 4 months. To apply, contact The National Lottery Community Fund Scotland to discuss your idea at advicescotland@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk or on 0300 123 7110 . If your project is eligible you will be assigned a Scottish Land Fund Adviser from Highlands and Islands Enterprise, who will help you develop your idea and get ready to submit your application.
<u>SCREEN SCOTLAND - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND</u>		This fund provides support for individuals already working in Scotland's film and television sectors to access training, mentoring and other professional development activity, both nationally and internationally. Priority will be given to applicants who: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • work in areas with skills shortages • are from groups that are under-represented in the screen industries You can apply for grants of between £250 and £5,000.
<u>SEA-CHANGERS</u>	31 March 30 September	Sea-Changers gives one-off grants (i.e. not continual funding) to UK-based charities and other organisations (including schools) carrying out marine conservation related activities. Main grants - For grants between £500 and £2,500, Two grant rounds per year. Deadlines for applications are 31st March and 30th September each year.

		Small Grants - For grants of up to £500. Apply any time and get a quick decision.
<u>SEA-CHANGERS INNOVATION FUND</u>	28 February 2025	<p>The Innovation Fund has an emphasis on supporting ideas that are new and/or experimental solutions in the field of marine conservation. The innovation may be aimed at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • addressing root causes of marine conservation threats and challenges in the UK • preventing/reducing negative impacts on UK coastal and marine environments/species • adding to the body of knowledge about marine conservation threats and ways to overcome them <p>The Fund welcomes applications for innovative approaches to all kinds of marine conservation challenges including Research, Direct Action, Specific Protection, and Education/Community Engagement.</p>
<u>SHACKLETON FOUNDATION</u>	29th Jan/ 29th April / 29th July / 4th November.	<p>The Shackleton Foundation provides support to social leaders and entrepreneurs as well as early-stage social enterprises who work to improve the lives of disadvantaged young people in challenging circumstances.</p> <p>A single grant of up to £10,000 to support leaders with innovative social ideas aimed at generating positive social change for disadvantaged and socially marginalised young people. The projects should be long-lasting and far-reaching with a clear social purpose and not solely reliant on grants and donations.</p>
<u>SHETLAND AMENITY TRUST HERITAGE GRANT FUND</u>	tbc	Currently closed.
<u>SHETLAND BUSINESS START UP GRANT</u>		<p>The Shetland Business Start-Up Grant is funded jointly by Shetland Islands Council's Economic Development Service and Highlands and Islands Enterprise. The grant is administered by the Business Gateway Shetland team and is open to applications from new small businesses located in Shetland.</p> <p>The objectives of the fund are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure early engagement of new business starts with Business Gateway, who will support the production of business plans, cash flow forecasts and provide early stage support to help improve viability, increase ongoing sustainability and growth. • Provide new business start-ups with funds to support capital investment, training costs and marketing and promotion. • Encourage and support young entrepreneurs and new businesses which will contribute to Shetland's transition to net zero. <p>In the first instance, applicants should contact Business Gateway Shetland to discuss the project and check eligibility. A business adviser will be assigned and will provide guidance and assistance to develop the project and to support submission of the required information, including the business plan and financial</p>

		<p>forecast. Prior to submitting an application, applicants will be expected to take part in a Business Gateway start-up workshop/webinar, if reasonably practicable. Business Gateway offers a broad range of regular webinars, and more detail can be found here. Please note that all Business Gateway services are free of charge.</p> <p>All applications will be assessed and verified against the grant criteria by Business Gateway Shetland. All decisions are subject to the availability of funds. It is possible that all eligible applicants may not receive funding. For more details, including grant eligibility, please use this link.</p> <p>To apply, prospective applicants should contact us in the first instance by email at businessgateway@shetland.gov.uk or by phoning 01595 707451, or by speaking to your Business Gateway Adviser if you already have one assigned.</p>
<u>SHIFT SCOTLAND – CYCLING UK</u>		Specialist support and funds to run a programme of activities in the local community to empower more people to use bicycles for short journeys.
<u>SOCIAL HOUSING NET ZERO HEAT FUND</u>		This Scottish Government fund will help social housing landlords across Scotland install zero emission heating systems and energy efficiency measures. The funding can be used for the retrofit or refurbishment of existing housing and is not for new build social housing.
<u>SOCIAL INVESTMENT SCOTLAND - BRIDGING LOANS</u>	Apply at any time	<p>A bridging loan is a short-term loan that provides quick access to funds for social enterprises and charities that need to cover a short-term cash shortfall.</p> <p>Social Investment Scotland's bridging loans serve as short-term financing solutions that help social enterprises manage temporary cash flow issues or seize growth opportunities without waiting for long-term funding. Get in touch with Social Investment Scotland to discuss.</p>
<u>SOCIAL INVESTMENT SCOTLAND - GROWTH GUARANTEE SCHEME (GGS)</u>		<p>This scheme, managed by the British Business Bank, is designed to improve access to finance for small businesses across the UK. SIS is now able to open this scheme up to charities and social enterprises across Scotland, alongside our other funding programmes.</p> <p>Loans under the scheme are available between £25,001 and £375,000 across terms of between three months and six years. The GGS provides SIS with a 70% government backed guarantee on loans, and aims to improve access to finance to boost overall investment and economic growth. Their investment managers would be delighted to discuss this new scheme with you, alongside other loan programmes (available from £10,000 and up).</p>

<u>SP ENERGY NETWORKS' TRANSMISSION NET ZERO FUND</u>	Currently closed	<p>The <u>SP Energy Networks' Transmission Net Zero Fund</u>, which aims to help communities develop their net zero plans, is approaching its funding support stage. Eligible organisations that have projects meeting the Net Zero Fund criteria will be able to apply for funding support.</p> <p>We have launched our Transmission Net Zero Fund to help vulnerable communities develop their net zero plans to ensure that no one is left behind on the Scotland's journey to Net Zero. Net Zero means we need to decarbonise buildings, electrify transport and rethink how we power and heat our homes. We want to enable our communities' decarbonisation plans and a just transition for all, so this fund will help them develop robust routes to achieving Net Zero. We're looking forward to supporting them to be well underway with delivery of their plans by 2030 (#FutureFor30) which will in-turn, support Scotland's ambitious Net Zero targets.</p> <p>The fund will operate in three phases - initially delivering community workshops, secondly, supporting development of formal plans and finally, providing funding support.</p>
<u>SPORTED</u>		<p><u>Sported</u> is a national "Sport for Change" charity offering free membership to grassroots community sports groups, which includes one-to-one help and support to help you grow and thrive. There are currently a range of grants available which members are able to apply for.</p> <p>Other support on offer includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A monthly funding bulletin • A monthly newsletter • Access to the Sported Hub which contains a wide variety of information and benefits • Regular webinars on relevant topics (fundraising, governance, safeguarding, business planning etc) • A team of professional volunteers that can support you with challenges you are facing such as business planning, marketing, demonstrating impact etc. • Funding opportunities
<u>SPORTSCOTLAND: SPORTS FACILITIES FUND</u>	1 April and 1 September each year	<p>SportScotland's Sport Facilities Fund offers funding to create or improve places where people take part in sport and physical activity. Grants of up to £100,000 are available for sports club, community organisations and social enterprises to provide or upgrade community sports facilities.</p> <p>Priority will be given to activities that promote inclusion and returning to sport. You can also contact <u>facilities@sportscotland.co.uk</u> to discuss your project and eligibility before submitting your application.</p>
<u>TECHSTART VENTURES EQUITY FINANCE</u>		<p>The Scottish Growth Scheme is a package of financial support for small and medium enterprises in Scotland. As part of this, Techstart Ventures Equity Finance offer equity finance of up to £2 million for eligible</p>

		businesses. It can be used for growth funding, research and development, working capital and capital expenditure.
<u>TESCO STRONGER STARTS</u> <u>REPLACING TESCO COMMUNITY GRANTS</u>		<u>Tesco Stronger Starts</u> will award funding to schools and organisations working with schools to provide nutritious food and activities/resources to boost physical health and mental wellbeing in children and young people. Funding up to £1500 is available for projects and Tesco customers will be able to choose which project receives the most funding by voting in store every time they shop. The scheme is open to registered charities and not-for-profit organisations, via an on-line application form.
<u>THE ABRDN FINANCIAL FAIRNESS TRUST</u>	5 February 2025, 1pm.	Grants of between £10,000 and £200,000 to charities, voluntary organisations, campaigning groups, research bodies, and universities for strategic work (policy work, campaigning, and research) that improves living standards and personal finances, especially for low-to-middle incomes.
<u>THE ACCESS FOUNDATION</u>	Any time	Provides funding to organisations which align with the following objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital Opportunities To have as a key objective the mitigation of the digital divide by making computing facilities, support and/or learning available to disadvantaged and vulnerable people. • Chosen Charity Be one of (or shortlisted for) the chosen Access Group Company Charities of the Year, of any year, past or present. • Emotional Connection Be a charity for whom there is a strong emotional connection with a member of staff of The Access Group (e.g. through support they or a close relative have received from the charity). In this case, we would expect the member of staff to be involved in the application process.
<u>THE ADAMSON TRUST</u>	31 March for Trustee's meeting in May	The Trust offers financial support to fund holidays, including respite care, for children aged 3 to 17 with physical, mental or emotional impairments, prioritising those who live in Scotland. Both organisations or individuals can apply.
<u>THE ALLEN LANE FOUNDATION</u>	All applications received now, until early April - considered in June 2025 Trustee meeting.	The Foundation's focus is on funding specific groups that experience marginalisation and/or discrimination and currently make grants through seven funding programmes.
<u>THE ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE FUND (AHF)</u>	Applications of up to £15,000 in Scotland can be	A registered charity, working since 1976 to promote the conservation and sustainable re-use of historic buildings for the benefit of communities across the UK, particularly in economically disadvantaged areas.

	<p>submitted at any time.</p> <p>The quarterly Grants Panel considers applications from Scotland of more than £15,000</p>	<p>It supports communities to find enterprising ways to revitalise the old buildings they love. It provides charities and social enterprises with a unique mix of advice, grants and loans to help them give valued historic buildings new, relevant and financially sustainable purposes, now and for future generations.</p> <p>The AHF can provide grants to help with assessing the viability of a project, or to help fund development costs for historic building related regeneration projects.</p> <p>The AHF's core grants and project support programme in Scotland is made possible with funding from Historic Environment Scotland. Through the delivery of early-stage Project Viability Grants (up to £10,000) and Project Development Grants (up to £40,000), it provides financial support for groups looking to test potential project ideas, prove the viability of their plans, and then develop these to the point where they are ready to apply to larger capital funders.</p> <p>Thanks to funding from the William Grant Foundation, projects in Scotland may also be eligible to apply to the Tailored Support Fund, which is intended to help organisations and projects that may not fit within the criteria for the AHF's core grants programme. With grants of up to £10,000 available, this funding could, for example, be used in situations where an unexpected cost arises, or emergency repairs are required; support meanwhile uses, or other physical enabling works that help sustain the development of a larger project; and support projects or aspects of a project that are particularly innovative or possibly hard to fund through other sources.</p> <p>Loan Support - As the UK's only specialist lender for charities and social enterprises working on or operating from historic buildings, the AHF can also support projects in Scotland with loan finance.</p> <p>Deadlines for submission of all grant applications to be considered at Grants Panel are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 31 January 2024 for a decision in March 2024 • 30 April 2024 for a decision in June 2024 • 31 July 2024 for a decision in September 2024 • 31 October 2024 for a decision in December 2024
<p><u>THE BIG GIVE - ARTS FOR IMPACT</u></p>	<p>Campaign takes place from 18 to 25 March 2025</p>	<p>A seven-day online match funding campaign supporting arts and culture charities working to achieve societal impact across the UK.</p> <p>Arts for Impact Fund utilises the Big Give's '1:1' model of match funding. Arts and culture charities apply to Big Give, and their application is assessed by Big Give and their partners, NPAC. Successful charities are awarded a sum of match funding which is ring-fenced for their organisation. This match funding is unlocked by public donations given through Big Give's online fundraising platform during the week of the campaign (18-25 March 2025).</p>

<u>THE BRITFORD BRIDGE TRUST</u>	30 March 30 June 30 Sept 31 Dec	<p>The Britford Bridge Trust is a charity supporting the prevention or relief of poverty; the advancement of education; the advancement of health or the saving of lives; and the advancement of the arts, culture, heritage, or science. Applicants must have national or international reach.</p> <p>Apply at any time. Applications to the trust are reviewed quarterly. Quarterly cut offs are 30 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December each year.</p>
<u>THE CLOTHWORKERS' FOUNDATION</u>		<p><u>THE CLOTHWORKERS' FOUNDATION - DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS WEBINAR</u></p> <p><u>The Clothworkers' Foundation</u> has recently expanded the eligibility criteria for our Open Grants Programmes and it may be of interest to the organisations that you support.</p> <p>We now offer capital grants for digital infrastructure projects and will consider applications for products and software (such as websites, databases and apps). You can find full guidance on digital infrastructure applications <u>here</u>.</p>
<u>THE COMMUNITY LEARNING EXCHANGE FUND</u>		<p>The <u>Community Learning Exchange fund</u> from the <u>Scottish Community Alliance</u> offers funding to support community learning visits.</p> <p>This will help local community groups to connect and share peer learnings across Scotland. This fund supports learning visits that take place virtually and in-person.</p>
<u>THE CYCLE ACCESS FUND</u>		<p>This fund supports those least likely to have access to a bike and provides capital grants to organisations through four different funding strands - <u>Individual Bike Ownership</u>, <u>Shared Use</u>, <u>Recycle</u> and <u>Repair</u>. It's open to a wide range of organisations with no limit to the number of strands you can apply to, and provides a variety of opportunities for individuals to benefit from the fund.</p>
<u>THE DULVERTON TRUST</u>	Rolling	<p>The Trust awards grants to UK charities registered in Scotland, England and Wales. Single year grants range from £25,000 to £35,000 with preference given to medium sized charities, meaning charities with an annual income between £200,000 and £3m.</p> <p>Youth Opportunities is the largest <u>category</u> and aims to support charities that help socio-economically disadvantaged children and young people aged 25 and under to develop life skills that enable them to thrive and foster employability skills and skills to succeed at school. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and Trustee meetings are held in February, June and October. It is recommended to apply at least 3 months in advance of the meeting that considers the application.</p>
<u>THE EDWARD GOSTLING</u>	Any time	<p>The Foundation provides funding of up to £250,000 for major capital projects that will cost at least £1M and support the commitment to creating new and sustainable capacity that will transform lives and bring about a</p>

<u>FOUNDATION - CAPITAL GRANTS</u>		<p>step change in the way care is delivered. The Foundation supports certain charities every year but is still open to applications from new charities. Applications must fit their 4 themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health & wellbeing • Independent living • Respite • Transition
<u>THE FAMILY RECOVERY INITIATIVE FUND</u>		<p>The FRIF offers one-off grants of up to £5000 to groups that support families affected by alcohol and drugs in Scotland. The aim of FRIF is to improve the wellbeing of family members affected by someone else's harmful substance use based on creating opportunities for people to connect with other people through group activities, and if required, access further support (with this group or through services). The FRIF is funded by the Scottish Government Drugs Policy Unit and is supported and managed by Scottish Families. If you are interested in applying for a grant from the Family Recovery Initiative Fund, the first step is to contact Debra Nelson or Tich Watson at Scottish Families to discuss your idea: Debra: 07379830357 or debra@sfad.org.uk, Tich: 07775252380 or richard@sfad.org.uk</p>
<u>THE GANNOCHY TRUST</u>	<p>10 Jan 2025 2 May 2025 3 Oct 2025</p>	<p>For the Rest of Scotland: To develop and inspire young people (From age 11 to 21 inclusive) We want to focus on quality work with young people to deliver at least one of these:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased peer leadership or peer mentoring. • Better employment options that can be measured. • Accredited non-formal learning through voluntary activity in the community. <p>Programmes that lead to improved mental health or wellbeing are particularly encouraged.</p> <p>Deadlines: 4th October 2024, for consideration at the grant-making meeting 4th December 2024. 10th January 2025, for consideration at the grant-making meeting on 12th March 2025. 2nd May 2025, for consideration at the grant-making meeting on 16th July 2025. 3rd October 2025, for consideration the grant-making meeting on 3rd December 2025.</p>
<u>THE GOLSONCOTT FOUNDATION</u>		<p>The Foundation supports projects that demonstrate and deliver excellence in the arts, be it in performance, exhibition, artistic craft, or scholarly endeavour.</p> <p>All applications for grants should be sent to the administrator at the registered office a few weeks before the scheduled trustees' meeting, i.e., by early February, May, August and November in advance of the meeting later that month. Applications should be supplied in digital form and hard copy, which should not be stapled; accounts and other supporting information should be supplied in hard copy only.</p>

<u>THE HAPPINESS FUND</u>	New dates out shortly	<p>The Happiness Fund is available to enable and support projects which improve mental health and wellbeing, inclusion, learning and skills development in local communities. They are specifically looking for grassroots organisations that are set up for and by the local community.</p> <p>The main outcomes of the Fund are: - Mental health - Wellbeing & happiness - Inclusion - Learning and skills development The fund is intended to support the setting up of new groups and activities, but to be successful, applicants will need to indicate how the activity/group can become self-sustainable or able to attract funding from other sources for the longer term.</p> <p>There are three stages to the applications process: stage one is a qualifying round, stage two a full application and stage three an interview.</p>
<u>THE HARGREAVES FOUNDATION</u>	n/a	Applications are open for organisations seeking funding to support those under the age of 18, and living with a mental health problem, physical disability or growing up in poverty through the mediums of sport and education.
<u>THE HENRY MOORE FOUNDATION</u>		<p>Henry Moore Grants continue Moore's legacy by supporting sculpture across historical, modern and contemporary registers and seeking to fund research that expands the appreciation of sculpture. The Foundation supports the growth and development of sculpture through its Grants programme. Organisations and individuals involved in the field of sculpture can apply. They fund in the following categories: New Projects, Collections, Research and Development, Fellowships, Conferences.</p> <p>Applications are considered four times per year, and may be submitted between the following dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9am on 1 February – 11pm on 1 March • 9am on 1 May – 11pm on 1 June • 9am on 1 August – 11pm on 1 September • 9am on 1 November – 11pm on 1 December
<u>THE HOSPITAL SATURDAY FUND – GRANTS FOR INDIVIDUALS</u>	Grant meetings are held quarterly	<p>For Individuals: The Hospital Saturday Fund will consider giving partial or full grants to individuals for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialised mobility equipment, wheelchairs, mobility scooters, car adaptations, medical appliances and aids, hearing aids, nebulisers, specialised vision aids, specialised computer equipment, therapeutic equipment/treatment, orthopaedic beds, mattresses or pillows, riser /recliners chairs, lift hoist/aids. • Physiotherapy, Hydrotherapy, Acupuncture, Speech Therapy, Osteopathy, Chiropractic treatment, Reflexology, Massage Therapy and Aromatherapy.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home adaptations, walk in showers, accessibility adaptations to bathrooms, access ramps, non-slip flooring, stair lifts.
<u>THE HOSPITAL SATURDAY FUND - LARGE GRANTS</u>	Grant meetings are held quarterly	<p>Grants up to £10,000 are available for registered health charities, charitable hospices and medical organisations for a range of capital projects, research, training and running costs. Applications are considered quarterly.</p> <p>The Hospital Saturday Fund will consider giving grants towards medical capital projects, medical care or research and in support of medical training. The Hospital Saturday Fund will also consider grants for running costs.</p>
<u>THE IRONMONGERS' COMPANY - IRON PROJECTS</u>	31 Mar 2025	<p>The Ironmongers' Company, as part of its charitable activities, works to promote the craft of ironwork. Support is given primarily for the conservation of historic ironwork or the creation of new decorative iron or steel work.</p> <p>Applications are accepted from registered charities, churches and schools for projects in the UK only. For church bells projects, only the repair/rebuilding of existing iron framesides, or the provision of new framesides cast in iron, will be considered.</p> <p>The Company's Iron Committee meets twice a year in April and October to review grants for Iron Projects. The deadlines for receipt of applications are 31 March and 16 August respectively.</p>
<u>THE IRONMONGERS' COMPANY - STEM PROJECTS</u>	Various	<p>The Ironmongers' Foundation wishes to support initiatives that encourage young people to study science subjects at school and go on to pursue STEM-related further education or vocational training, particularly in the area of Materials Science.</p> <p>The Foundation Committee meets three times per year in January, May and September. The deadlines for receipt of applications are 1 December, 1 April and 1 August respectively.</p>
<u>THE JOSEPH RANK TRUST</u>		<p>The Trustees have two main areas of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> projects that demonstrate a Christian approach to the practical, educational and spiritual needs of people of all ages and the adaptation of Church properties with a view to providing improved facilities for use by the church and its work in the community in which it is based. <p>Please note there is no application form. Applications must be sent in hard copy and NOT by email. See website for details on what to include in your application. Applications are open now the next trustees meeting is in January 2025.</p>

<u>THE MICKEL FUND</u>		<p>The Mickel Fund grants are distributed twice a year with the sole purpose of improving the lives in and around Scotland, and where possible on a global scale, with a focus on five core funding priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The advancement of education • The prevention or relief of poverty • The advancement of health and the saving of lives • The advancement of the arts, heritage, culture & science • The advancement of public participation in sport
<u>THE MORRISONS FOUNDATION</u>		<p>The Morrisons Foundation supports registered charities making a positive difference in local communities across England, Scotland, and Wales.</p> <p>Grants are available for up to £10,000 for capital spend or direct project delivery. The Morrisons Foundation prioritises applications from small charities, those with an income of less than £1m, but applications from larger charities are welcome. Before submitting an application, please read the Grant Funding Policy in full. If you are still unsure whether your application is what we're looking for, please get in touch.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To download a guidance PDF document containing the list of questions included in the Morrisons Foundation online grant application form, please click here • If you have any questions after reading this, please contact: foundation.enquiries@morrisonsplc.co.uk.
<u>THE MUSEUMS ASSOCIATION - ESMÉE FAIRBAIRN COLLECTIONS FUND</u>	<p>next deadline is 5 February 2025</p>	<p>The Esmée Fairbairn Collections Fund supports museums to improve their inclusive collections and participatory practice with community partners. The fund will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support work that furthers the established strategic aims of the applicants in relation to diversity, equity and inclusion, and/or is community-led. • Offer core funding to museums, to offer greater flexibility and support embedded change in organisations. Grants will be of a similar size and duration to in previous years. • Enhance learning from grantees and share this with the wider museum sector, for example foregrounding leading practice in funded museums and undertaking research with action learning sets. <p>It is an essential requirement of the Collections Fund that applicants use collections to further their aims for inclusion; and that community groups, partners and/or stakeholders have prominent roles in your work.</p> <p>There is a two-stage application process. The first stage is to submit an expression of interest using the form available to download from the Fund website.</p>

<u>THE NEIL MACKENZIE TRUST</u>	15th March 2025	<p>Supports the advancement of education and public participation in sport by assisting individuals to participate in physical outdoor activities in Scotland and other countries, assisting individuals to learn about the history and culture of Scotland and other countries, assisting individuals with training in outdoor skills.</p> <p>Various grants are available with varying amounts and criteria.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply at any time, applications are reviewed on a monthly basis. • The deadline for applications for expeditions in summer 2025 is 15th March 2025. For expeditions during winter 25/6 the deadline is 15th October 2025 • The next deadline for Educational Expedition Grant applications will be 15th March 2025.
<u>THE PAUL HAMLYN FOUNDATION MIGRATION FUND</u>	No deadlines	<p>The Paul Hamlyn Foundation's Migration Fund is currently open for applications. Through the Migration Fund, the Foundation wants to support organisations who are working towards helping migrants and diaspora communities, building solidarity and collaboration across communities, and challenging the harm, inequity and oppression within their organisational structures and work. The fund is open to applications from non-profit organisations across the UK. Newly established and unincorporated groups are also welcome to apply if they fit the criteria.</p> <p>The Foundation can also provide pre-application support and a bursary of up to £500 to apply.</p>
<u>THE PIXEL FUND</u>		<p>This Fund provides grants of between £2,500 and £5,000 to charities based in the UK in order to support the improvement in mental health and well-being of children and young adults. Eligible organisations must demonstrate a measurable difference to the charities' users and be core-focussed on mental-health-related matters. A strong preference is given to organisations with an annual income of under £10m. Applications are reviewed quarterly.</p>
<u>THE PLUGGED-IN COMMUNITIES GRANT FUND ROUND 3</u>		<p>This funding will support community transport organisations in making the switch to zero emission vehicles. Successful applicants will be offered 100% of costs to replace one vehicle with a zero-emission community transport vehicle, up to the cost of £75,000.</p>
<u>THE PRINCE'S TRUST'S "GRANT HUB"</u>		<p>Provides two distinct opportunities for 18- to 30-year-old entrepreneurs to apply for financial help when starting their business – an initial Test My Business Idea grant, as well as start-up funding when they are ready to launch.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Grant Hub allows The Trust to increase the levels of funding it offers, as well as offering more flexibility in the products available for young people. The Grant Hub platform will make applying for business support clearer, quicker and more accessible for young entrepreneurs in need of support. It

		<p>forms part of The Trust's Enterprise programme, which has helped over 90,000 young people start their own business.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Test My Business Idea grant allows young entrepreneurs to apply for multiple grants up to £500 as they work out how best to deliver their product or service, conduct market research, or purchase key pieces of equipment. This is designed to give young people the opportunity to reflect on what they've learned and the direction their business is going before applying for further funding. <p>The new hub also offers the opportunity for young people to apply for start-up funding of up to £30,000 once they are ready to launch their business. This consists of grants of up to £5,000 and British Business Bank-backed Start Up Loans of between £500 and £25,000. Young people are able to apply for this during the first three years of their business support from The Trust, allowing for flexibility and reactivity when navigating the start-up phase of running their business.</p>
THE PRINCE'S TRUST DEVELOPMENT AWARDS – FUNDING TO TRAIN AND LEARN		<p>Young people aged 16-30 can apply for funding to cover the cost of course fees, tools or equipment to help them achieve their goals.</p> <p>The Prince's Trust can provide young people with a Development Award. The amount of each Award depends on your unique needs, future career goals and personal development plans. Awards are available from £10 right up to a maximum of £500.</p> <p>To be eligible for an Award, you must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aged 16 to 30 and living in the UK. Studying less than 14 hours a week or not in compulsory education. Unemployed or working less than 16 hours a week. <p>Development Awards can support:</p> <p>Accredited course fees up to Level 3 (A-level equivalent).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tools, equipment or uniforms for a job or qualification. Job licence fees. Transport to a new job until your first pay slip.
THE RADCLIFFE TRUST -FUNDING FOR CRAFTS, HERITAGE &	31 January 31 July	<p>Grants between £2,500 and £7,500 for projects in traditional crafts, heritage, and classical music. Two funding schemes are open:</p>

<u>CLASSICAL MUSIC PROJECTS</u>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Music Scheme - supports classical music performance and training, particularly for those with special needs, youth orchestras, and projects at secondary and higher levels • The Heritage & Crafts Scheme - supports craft and conservation projects that offer training, and practical work <p>For consideration by the Trustees in June: Our deadline is 31st January for applications to both the Music and Heritage & Crafts schemes for consideration in June.</p> <p>For consideration by the Trustees in December: Our deadline is 31st July for applications to both the Music and Heritage & Crafts schemes for consideration in December.</p>
<u>THE RAYNE FOUNDATION</u>		<p>Grants for charitable and not-for-profit organisations across the UK that work in the fields of arts, health and wellbeing, education and social issues. No deadlines for applications. This Foundation makes grants to charitable and not-for-profit organisations across the UK that work in the fields of arts, health and wellbeing, education and social issues and undertake projects that directly benefit marginalised groups. The Foundation considers applications that meet a broad range of criteria but also welcomes especially applications that address the following issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young people's improved mental health • Arts as a tool to achieve mental health • Improved quality of life for carers and for older people <p>Grants target issues and organisations which do not enjoy widespread public support and typically fall in the range of £10,000 to £20,000 per annum for up to three years. Applicants should note that projects are unlikely to be funded in full. There is a two-stage application process and <u>applications</u> can be made at any time. Application guidelines can be downloaded on the <u>Rayne Foundation website</u>.</p>
<u>THE ROBERTSON TRUST - SMALL AND LARGE GRANT PROGRAMMES</u>	Open all year	<p><u>Small Grants</u> focuses on work that addresses the impacts of poverty and trauma under one or more of the following themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Security • Education Pathways • Work Pathways <p>Updated guidance is now available. The new-look Small Grants offer increased funding of between £5,000-£20,000 per year, typically for 3 years. This marks an increase from the previous maximum of £15,000 per year.</p>

		<p>The new-look Large Grants now offer funding of between £20,000-£50,000 per year. This marks a change from the previous minimum of £15,000.</p> <p>The Robertson Trust will be launching a fourth funding theme later this year, following on from its previous Emotional Wellbeing and Relationships theme, with a sharper focus aligned to the aims of its strategy. The Small and Large grant programmes are open all year round with no set closing dates.</p>
<u>THE ROYAL COUNTRYSIDE FUND - SUPPORTING RURAL COMMUNITIES</u>	21 Feb 2025	<p>Launching a new UK-wide Supporting Rural Communities grant programme on Friday 10th January 2025. This new differentiated funding will support transformative, community-led initiatives across the UK, unlocking the huge potential for positive change in rural communities. Our aim is to support innovative solutions that will “power up, not prop up” communities, inspiring change and encouraging economic vibrancy.</p> <p>Organisations can apply for grants of up to £25,000 over a period of 24 months to deliver activities along the themes of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keeping young people in the countryside • Powering up rural communities • Increasing environmental sustainability • Building emergency resilience in rural areas.
<u>THE ST. JAMES'S PLACE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION</u>	No deadline	<p>The St. James's Place Foundation is the charitable arm of the St James's Place Wealth Management Group which aims to improve the quality of life for children and young people in need as a result of disability or disadvantage.</p> <p>Small grants of up to £10,000 are available to UK Registered Charities with an annual income of up to £750,000. A small number of major grants are also available to UK Registered Charities with an annual income of up to £8m.</p> <p>The foundation will support projects that provide directly for under-25s in the UK who suffer from physical or mental health difficulties or conditions, or a life-threatening or degenerative illness. This includes young people under 25 caring for others.</p> <p>There are no deadlines or closing dates for applications. Applications for funding can be made via an online application form.</p>

<u>THE ULVERSCROFT FOUNDATION</u>	Rolling	<p>The Ulverscroft Foundation supports projects that help visually impaired people. Within any group of people there will be an element of visual impairment; grants can only be considered if the VI element is significant. Your application should include at least the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • details of your current service to visually-impaired people, if any, and how it will be improved or enhanced by the proposed project. • an estimate if possible of how many blind and visually-impaired people currently use your service, and how many will use it in the future; • any funding received or pledged to date for the project in question, and the names of other organisations to which you have applied; • a copy of your latest annual report and accounts; • confirmation that your organisation has a safeguarding policy for vulnerable children and/or adults, as appropriate; • confirmation that your organisation has an equal opportunities policy. <p>Trustees meet quarterly to consider applications: in January (deadline 15 December), April (deadline 15 March), July (deadline 15 June) and October (deadline 15 September). Please note: the dates of our meetings may be subject to change.</p>
<u>THE W.G. EDWARDS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION</u>	10 March 10 June 10 September 10 December	<p>The Trustees are interested in supporting a diverse range of charities which support older people over the age of 65, from large institutions to small community-run organisations.</p> <p>Grants are loosely divided into Health and Community categories:</p> <p>Health and welfare: grants for refurbishment of residential care housing for the elderly and for building projects which are nearing completion. Trustees also consider the provision of equipment and furniture to enhance care and improve quality of life.</p> <p>Community and innovation: supports community initiatives for the over-65s such as exercise classes, horticultural projects and musical therapy. They also consider grants for technology projects aimed at benefitting the over-65s, however they do not fund IT for staff or volunteers.</p> <p>The Foundation award funds to UK registered charities that have been registered with OSCR for at least two years.</p>
<u>THE WOLFSON FOUNDATION -</u>	Two funding rounds each year:	<p>The Foundation's main grants programme provides support for places. These grants are for capital initiatives, i.e. buildings (new build or refurbishment) and equipment.</p>

<u>FUNDING FOR PLACES</u>	<p>Round 1 - Open from 20 November - 5 January (for decisions in June)</p> <p>Round 2 - Open from 14 May - 1 July (for decisions in December)</p>	<p>They fund a broad range of organisations working across the fields of education, science and medicine, health and disability, places of worship, heritage, and arts and humanities. Each category has its own specific funding criteria, more detail on which can be found on the Foundation's website.</p> <p>Please see the How to apply section under each specific category on the Funding for Places page. Once you've checked that your project is eligible, you can submit a Stage 1 application via the online form. It usually takes around 5 months between submitting a Stage 1 application and hearing the outcome of a Stage 2 application. If eligible, you will be invited to submit a Stage 2 application, normally around 1 month after the deadline.</p>
<u>THE7STARS FOUNDATION</u>	<p>1 December – 31 January for March funding review</p> <p>1 March – 30 April for June funding review</p> <p>1 July – 31 August for October funding review</p>	<p>Grants are targeted to further the potential and opportunity of children and young people who are surviving abuse, at risk of or experiencing homelessness, caring for a loved one, and challenged by addiction (either personally or through a member of their family). They have several funding streams, each with slightly different eligibility criteria. See the Foundation website for full details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Funding: Grants for charities to deliver a project for young people, aged 16 years old or under, aligned to the prioritised themes. • Shine Bright: Grants for charities to purchase educational, wellbeing, or recreational items for young people, aged 16 years old or under, aligned to the prioritised themes. • Social Impact: Grants aligned to awareness days (see list on fund website). A maximum of three charities will be shortlisted for each award, with the7stars agency team voting on which charity will be awarded.
<u>TOY TRUST FUNDING</u>		<p>This fund supports organisations whose work benefits disadvantaged children and their families. Organisations must have unrestricted net assets of not more than £200,000 or less than one year's income to apply. Projects can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support children and their families through challenging experiences • Purchase vital equipment • Provide care and other vital services • Initiate brand new projects • Satisfy basic needs

<u>TRANSPORT SCOTLAND: ACTIVE TRAVEL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES</u>		A range of grant funding is available for local projects that will encourage more people to engage with active travel, such as walking and cycling. See this helpful directory:
<u>TRIODOS BANK - CROWDFUNDING</u>	Apply at any time.	<p>Triodos Crowdfunding helps charities, social enterprises and community groups connect directly with investors to raise finance. Finance is raised from individual and institutional investors through the crowdfunding platform in the form of charity bonds, community share and bond offers, secured and unsecured debt in the form of bonds.</p> <p>Contact capitalraising@triodos.co.uk to discuss.</p>
<u>TRUSTHOUSE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION</u>	No deadlines and applications can be made at any time	<p><u>Small Grants Programme</u>: single year grants between £2,000 and £10,000 for core costs, salaries, running and project costs. Open to any charitable organisation in the UK with a total annual income under £250,000 with a focus on community support.</p> <p>The organisation must be located in the bottom 15% most deprived urban areas or the bottom 50% most deprived rural areas. Grants are offered up to a maximum of 50% of the total costs applied for (max 50% of any salary). This is a rolling programme with no deadlines.</p> <p><u>Major Grants Programme</u>: Single year grants between £10,000 and £100,000 for core costs, salaries, running and project costs or Multi-year grants for a maximum of 3 years, not to exceed £100,000 in total over this period, for core costs, salaries, running or project costs. Open to any charitable organisation in the UK with a total annual income up to £1m with a focus on Family Support.</p> <p>The organisation must be located in the bottom 15% most deprived urban areas or the bottom 50% most deprived rural areas. Grants are offered up to a maximum of 50% of the total costs applied for (max 50% of any salary).</p> <p>This is a two-stage process where applicants can submit an initial Expression of Interest Form.</p> <p>This is a rolling programme with no deadlines.</p>
<u>TRUSTHOUSE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION - SMALL GRANTS</u>	Ongoing	Nonprofits with annual income under £250,000 serving deprived rural areas or urban communities can apply for up to 50% of costs, including core, salary, and project expenses. Funding focuses on Community Support. Applications are open year-round.

<u>UK YOUTH - COST OF LIVING FUNDING</u>		<p>UK Youth and Pears Foundation have launched a fund to support youth organisations through the cost of living crisis aims to benefit thousands of young people across the country.</p> <p>The fund aims to ensure that as many vital youth services as possible are able to keep the lights on and support young people in their local community. It will support youth organisations delivering high quality youth provision whose work is being hindered, curtailed or cut back due to rising core costs or a need to address unprecedented demand.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth organisations with an annual income of no more than £500,000. • Organisations must have been in operation for at least 2 years. • At least 70% of beneficiaries must be aged 8 – 25 years old. • Maximum annual income: £500,000
<u>VICTIM SUPPORT SCOTLAND - VICTIM'S FUND</u>		<p>The Victims' Fund is open to people affected by crime across Scotland, who are in urgent need of financial help as a result of what they have experienced. People can access assistance for a wide range of goods and services where they have no other access to funds.</p> <p>Administered by Victim Support Scotland, it is open to any victim of crime who is resident in Scotland who is currently accessing victim and other support services. It is also available for people who live outside of Scotland who have been bereaved by a crime that has occurred within Scotland. Support organisations can apply for funding on behalf of victims. NB Applications must be endorsed and submitted by a referral organisation acting in their professional capacity.</p>
VOLUNTEERING MATTERS ACTION EARTH: <u>GRANTS TO HELP LOCAL COMMUNITIES TO RESPOND TO OUR NATURE AND CLIMATE CRISES</u>	n/a	<p>Funded by NatureScot, these nature grants support volunteers of all ages, backgrounds and abilities in practical outdoor activities. Any group of volunteers are able to apply for Volunteering Matters Action Earth nature grants of between £50 and £250 to run environmental activities in Scotland's green spaces. Activities should emphasize local nature enrichment and biodiversity improvements. This could include creating or improving community gardens, shared spaces, wildflower meadows, ponds, woodlands and other wildlife habitats. We cannot support applications for activities which are primarily about food growing.</p> <p>For more information and to register for an Action Earth grant please visit the Volunteering Matters: <u>website</u>, or you can email <u>robert.henderson@volunteeringmatters.org.uk</u></p>
<u>WARMER HOMES SCOTLAND FUND</u>		<p>The Scottish Government's Warmer Homes Scotland programme aims to make Scotland's homes warmer and more comfortable by supporting those struggling to pay energy bills and heat their homes. Possible support measures may include: wall and loft insulation, draught-proofing, central heating and renewables.</p>
<u>WOLFSON FOUNDATION: FUNDING FOR PLACES</u>	Various (July and December)	<p>Various capital infrastructure grants are available to registered charities for new builds, refurbishment and/or equipment associated with a wide range of community projects. Careful preparation is essential. This guide has <u>Tips for Success</u>.</p>

<u>WORKPLACE CHARGING SCHEME</u>	31 March 2025, 11:59pm	<p>Grant to provide support towards the costs of the purchase, installation and infrastructure of electric vehicle chargepoints at eligible places of work.</p> <p>The Workplace Charging Scheme provides support for organisations towards the cost of installing up to 40 electric vehicle chargepoint sockets at their sites.</p> <p>The scheme covers up to 75% of the total costs of the purchase and installation of EV chargepoints (including VAT), capped at a maximum of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £350 per socket • 40 sockets across all sites per applicant – for instance, if you want to install them at 40 sites, you will have 1 socket available per site <p>It is open to eligible: businesses, charities, public sector organisations, small accommodation businesses.</p>
<u>YMI - TRAINING AND CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND</u>	31 March 2025	<p>The fund supports individuals, organisations and networks who work outwith school settings to undertake training and continuing professional development that will strengthen youth music in Scotland for the benefit of young people.</p> <p>The intended outcomes of the fund are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People delivering youth music develop their skills and confidence • The youth music sector develops, strengthens and becomes more sustainable • Supporting services to be high quality, continually improving, efficient, and to provide innovative responses to people's needs <p>In the current circumstances applications relating to online courses or tuition packages are welcome, both from (a) individuals proposing to take advantage of them; and (b) organisations proposing to design or deliver them.</p>
<u>YOUTH MUSIC NEXT GEN FUND</u>		<p>The Youth Music NextGen Fund is for early-stage musicians and wider music adjacent creatives to invest up to £2,500 in their own projects and make their ideas happen. The fund is especially aimed at those whose lack of finance holds them back from pursuing their goals.</p> <p>It's open to 18–25-year-olds (and up to 30-year-olds who identify as d/Deaf or Disabled) who live in England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland.</p> <p>We want to support the future of the music industries. Singers, Rappers, Songwriters, Producers, DJs, A&Rs, Managers and Agents, right through to roles that have yet to be defined.</p>