

What funds

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Skills & Opportunities Fund - Final Round

Last chance for groups to apply for funding for projects that help people in disadvantaged communities to learn new skills that will enable them to become self-employed, set up their own business, grow their business or become financially capable.

This fund is making grants of up to £35,000 available to not-for-profit organisations (charities, social enterprises, community groups, schools and colleges) with a project or project idea focused on providing opportunities for people to develop their financial capability skills or the skills to start or develop a new business now or in the future in our local communities.

As a general guide, the funding has been awarded to projects that offer training, support, qualifications, work placements, employment, self-employment, career guidance and enterprise opportunities. A selection of organisations will be shortlisted, and voting will then be opened to the public to help decide the winners, who will be announced in December 2018.

Applications will be accepted from 3 September to 21 September 2018.

<http://skillsandopportunitiesfund.natwest.com/apply/>

Power to Change

Power to Change, an independent trust, supports people to start and grow community businesses to revive local assets, protect the services people rely on, and address local needs.

The Community Business Fund is aimed at existing community businesses based in England, trading for the benefit of and accountable to their local communities, that need funding for a business development project to make their organisation more sustainable.

Grants of between £50,000 and £300,000 are available to a range of community businesses.

According to Power to Change, around £2.5 million will be awarded to around 15 community businesses in this round, so the process is 'highly competitive'. Prospective applicants should read the new guidance notes that have been published for round six before applying for the funding as well as look the projects that have already received funding.

Groups can also sign up now for the free 'Is the Community Business Fund right for you?' webinar which will take place from 2pm to 3pm on 13 September 2018.

Round 6 will open for applications on 11 September with a deadline of 12 noon on 9 October 2018 (noon)

<https://www.powertochange.org.uk/get-support/programmes/community-business-fund/>

Lloyds Bank Foundation—Enable Grants

The Foundation offers two grants programmes to charities in England and Wales, one of which is the Enable Programme which provides smaller short-term grants to strengthen charities and CIOs working with people aged 17 years and older who are facing one or more of the specified complex social problems covered under the Enable Programme.

Grants are available for up to a total £15,000 across one or two years and can fund opportunities for charities to develop, or trial new approaches to service delivery, so they can become more effective in their work. This could be, for example, to improve their capability in areas such as business development and planning, monitoring, leadership and governance and communications. An Enable grant could put charities in a stronger position to deliver services and attract more volunteers, funding and support.

Charities and charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs) that are registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales can apply so long as their income is between £25,000 and £1 million and they have been delivering direct services for at least one year.

Organisations must be working with people aged 17 years and older who are experiencing complex social issues resulting in a significant impact on their lives. Applicants need to demonstrate:

- They work with individuals in depth.
- The work is person centred, holistic, and targeted on the people they are seeking to support.
- A journey of change towards a positive outcome/s.

Their work should address the following complex social issues:

- Domestic abuse
- Sexual abuse and exploitation
- Mental health
- Homelessness and vulnerably housed
- Offending, prison or community service
- Care leavers
- Learning disability
- Addiction and dependency on alcohol, drugs, substances and/or gambling
- Trafficking and modern slavery.
- Young parents under the age of 21 years whose health, education, finances and opportunities are significantly affected by parenthood.
- Asylum seekers or those who have been granted refugee status in the last two years.

There are a number of restrictions, and applicants should carefully read the new guidance notes.

Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

<https://www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/wefund/enable/>

Lloyds Bank Foundation— Invest Grants

The Foundation offers two grants programmes to charities in England and Wales. The Invest Programme provides grants of between £30,000 and £100,000 for work delivered across three years, with the possibility of continuation funding for up to six years in total.

Funding is available for core organisational costs which are related to the day to day running of the charity. Consideration will only be given to requests for core costs where over 50% of the charity's work and expenditure meets the Foundation's criteria. Funding is also available for costs associated with the direct delivery of the charity's work.

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- Asylum seekers or those who have been granted refugee status in the last two years.

There are a number of restrictions and applicants should carefully read the new guidance notes.

Stage 1 applications will be accepted from 28 August 2018 until 5 October 2018.

<https://www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/wefund/invest/>

Masonic Charitable Foundation - Early Years Opportunities Grants Programme

The Foundation has set out new target areas for its grant-making programme which includes the Early Years Opportunities Grants programme.

Depending on their annual income level, registered charities in England and Wales that are working to create the best start in life for disadvantaged children and young people can apply for either:

- Large grants, which are for projects and can be used for salary costs, activities, materials, etc, of between £10,000 and £150,000 for up to three years, are available to charities with an annual income exceeding £500,000. The average large grant will range from £20,000 to £80,000. Occasionally, large grants of up to £150,000 are made for outstanding projects.
- Small grants, which are for core funding, are between £500 and £15,000 and are available to charities with an income of under £500,000.

All grants can be over one, two, or three years. Grant amounts should not exceed 15% of the total income of the applicant charity. Charities can only apply for one grant programme at a time.

To be eligible, applicants must provide:

- Mental and physical health support.
- Learning and development, including language and communication skills, social and emotional etc.
- Parental Support, including whole family approach.
- Pastoral and advocacy support.

The funding is for activities such as:

- Additional educational opportunities such as improving literacy and numeracy.
- Individual interventions, ie. parent education, home visiting or mentoring.
- Encouraging healthy behaviours with regards to diet, activity and wellbeing.
- Psychological interventions for domestic abuse and behavioural issues etc.
- Provision of vital adaptive technologies and equipment removing barriers
- Alternative methods or specialist therapies to help children and young people integrate into the mainstream education system.

There are two different deadlines for applications:

- **5 October 2018 for large grants applications (first stage).**
- **26 October 2018 for small grants applications**

<https://mcf.org.uk/apply-early-years/>

Masonic Charitable Foundation - Later Life Inclusion Grants Programme

The Foundation has set out new target areas for its grant-making programme which includes the Reducing Isolation in Later Life Grants programme. Over the next five years, the MCF will be supporting charities that help people to overcome barriers to actively participate in society in their later years.

Depending on their annual income level, registered charities that support disadvantaged and vulnerable older people over 50 years of age in England and Wales can apply for either:

- Large grants, which are for projects and can be used for salary costs, activities, materials, etc, start from £10,000 and are available to charities with an annual income exceeding £500,000. The average large grant will range from £20,000 to £80,000. Occasionally, large grants of up to £200,000 are made for outstanding projects.
- Small grants, which are for core funding, are between £500 and £15,000 and are available to charities with an income of under £500,000.

All grants can be over one, two, or three years. Grant amounts should not exceed 15% of the total income of the applicant charity. Charities can only apply for one grant programme at a time.

The funding will help people who face social isolation or loneliness due to reasons such as financial hardship, care responsibilities, a decline in physical or mental health, or life transitions including retirement or bereavement. The support will help to provide a range of services to support the physical and emotional needs of people as they age, including community-based programmes and access to healthcare, transport and technology.

There are two different deadlines:

- **5 October 2018 for large grants applications (first stage).**
- **26 October 2018 for small grants applications.**

<https://mcf.org.uk/apply-later-life/>

The Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation

The trustees usually support capital projects, not running costs. In cases where capital grants are made, the projects are usually expected to be self-financing thereafter.

There are three types of grant; major grants of £50,000 and above, medium grants between £5,000 and £50,000 and small grants below £5,000. Small grants account for 80% of those awarded annually.

Community; Education; Health and Social Welfare <http://www.bernardsunley.org/eligibility.html>

Application Form: Complete the online eligibility checker and if successful, you will automatically be directed to the application form.

Deadline: Applications can be submitted at anytime.

Contact: 20 Berkeley Square, London W1J 6LH

Tel: 020 7408 2198

Email: office@bernardsunley.org

W: www.bernardsunley.org/index.html

Idlewild Trust

Idlewild Trust is an independent grant-making trust that supports conservation and the arts.

- **Arts Grants: Nurturing Young Professionals:** They support programmes that improve opportunities for young professionals working creatively within the arts, particularly at an early stage in their career.
- **Conservation Grants: Objects and Works of Art:** They support the conservation of historic or artistically important objects and works of art in museums, galleries, places of worship, historic buildings or their grounds. Please read the guidelines available on the website below to check you meet the criteria.

The Trustees usually meet in May and November each year.

Application Form: Via an online process on the website.

Contact: Idlewild Trust, 1a Taylors Yard, 67 Alderbrook Road, London SW12 8AD

Telephone: 020 8772 3155

Email: info@idlewildtrust.org.uk

W: www.idlewildtrust.org.uk

NHS Community Grants

NHS England is offering community grants of up to £2,500 to voluntary, community and social enterprise (VCSE) organisations that have developed good practice around patient and citizen involvement in healthcare. The purpose of the grant is to enable organisations to share their good practice so that others can learn from the involvement successes.

The community grants will be awarded to organisations that can tell the story of their patient and citizen involvement project. Using the funding they will share what works, how the involved patients and citizens and what impact involvement had on services. Organisations should be able to tell their story in a creative, appealing and accessible way which can include producing films, photo or audio books, leaflets and poster graphics or comics.

Application: Online application form on the website, or by post to the address below. Guidelines are available on the website.

Contact: Community Grants Applications, NHS England, Zone C, 6th Floor Skipton House, 80 London Road, London, SE1 6LH

Email: england.ppvcommunitygrants@nhs.net

Website: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/participation/success/community-grants-2018/>