

The Bagri Foundation

About Us: The Bagri Foundation provides grants to not-for-profit arts organisations across the UK for artistic projects that promote the sharing of traditional and contemporary Asian culture.

Criteria:

- UK not-for-profit arts organisations can apply.
- Projects must: Promote traditional or contemporary Asian culture, Include established or mid-career artists from Asia or the Asian diasporas, Deliver a tangible public outcome.
- Supported artistic forms can include: Artisan crafts, Exhibitions and biennials, Music, Performing arts, Literature and public events, Prizes and awards
- Grants typically contribute 10%–30% of the total project budget, although exceptions may be made.
- Applications follow a two-stage process, beginning with an online Expression of Interest. Shortlisted applicants are then invited to submit a full application.

Grant Size: £5,000 to £100,000

Deadline for Applications: 5th October 2026

Website: <https://bagrifoundation.org/funding-opportunities>

The Nuffield Foundation's Racial Diversity UK Fund

About Us: The Nuffield Foundation's Racial Diversity UK Fund supports research exploring barriers and pathways towards a racially just and inclusive UK society. The Nuffield Foundation is an independent charitable trust funding research to advance social wellbeing and improve policy and practice.

Criteria:

- Applicants must be employed by, or formally affiliated with, a UK-based organisation, including universities, research organisations and voluntary sector bodies.
- Partnership applications involving researchers and racially minoritised communities are strongly encouraged.
- The 2026 priority theme is inter-generational changes, continuities and challenges in a racially diverse UK.
- Research may explore identity and belonging, exclusion, aspirations and values, civic and political participation, and life chances.
- Projects should contribute to public debate, policy or practice on racial inequalities, discrimination and disadvantage, or map pathways towards a UK that benefits from growing racial diversity.
- Any methodological approach can be used, including applied and participatory research.
- Applications are encouraged from diverse backgrounds, particularly individuals and organisations from racially minoritised communities.

Grant Size: £15,000 to £500,000

Deadline for Applications: Outline application deadline: 5th October 2026.

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to submit full applications in January 2027. Final decisions are expected in May 2027, with projects able to start from July 2027.

Website: <https://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/funding-for-research/racial-diversity-uk-fund>

The Army Benevolent Fund

About Us: The Army Benevolent Fund's grants programme provides funding to UK-registered charities and Community Interest Companies delivering frontline services to serving Army personnel, veterans, and their families.

Criteria: Applicants must demonstrate financial sustainability, have at least one year of audited accounts, show strong governance, and provide clear evidence of unmet need. Funding can support core and project costs, but rarely covers full project costs, specific staff posts, research, or expeditions. Grants are typically awarded for one year and applications are assessed at committee meetings.

Grant Size: Grants range from a few hundred pounds to several hundred thousand pounds. First-time awards are usually under £20,000.

Deadline for Applications: 6th October 2026

Website: <https://armybenevolentfund.org/need-our-help/charity-grants/>

The Financial Futures Fund, provided by the Aviva Foundation

About Us: The Financial Futures Fund, provided by the Aviva Foundation, supports projects that improve financial resilience in the UK, particularly for people experiencing inequality, financial hardship or financial exclusion.

Criteria: UK-registered charities, non-profits and social enterprises can apply. Applicants must have an annual income of at least £1 million. Funding can support project costs as well as core operating costs and overheads. The application process begins with a short form, with shortlisted applicants invited to an interview.

Grant Size: Grants start at £100,000, with no stated upper limit. The 2026 fund has up to £3 million available in total, with typical grants of £250,000–£300,000 awarded over three years.

Deadline for Applications: 7th October 2026

Website: <https://www.avivafoundation.org.uk/financial-futures-fund/>

Global's Make Some Noise

About Us: Global's Make Some Noise supports small UK charities delivering life-changing frontline services to people experiencing difficult circumstances. Funding focuses on projects providing ongoing, direct support, particularly around mental health, homelessness prevention, life skills and reducing isolation.

Criteria:

- UK registered charities
- Annual income between £30,000 and £1 million
- Projects, programmes or staff roles must provide ongoing, direct support to people experiencing difficult circumstances
- Projects must address at least one priority outcome:
 - Providing safety and shelter
 - Supporting physical and/or mental health
 - Developing life skills
 - Reducing isolation and improving inclusion
- Eligible costs include frontline staff salaries, project/programme delivery, session costs, equipment and materials, technology linked to delivery, relevant refurbishment costs and project-related organisational overheads
- Additional support may include capacity building, training, networking, collaboration and publicity through Global's media platforms
- Not eligible: individuals, schools, NHS bodies or local authorities carrying out statutory services, animal welfare, environmental projects, political or religious activities, retrospective costs, or grant-making programmes

Grant Size: £70,000 for up to 24 months

Deadline for Applications:

Expression of Interest: 9th October 2026 at 11:59pm

Full application: 2nd November 2026 — by invitation only

Website: <https://www.makesomenoise.com/charity>

Rewilding Challenge Fund

About Us: Rewilding Britain offers an annual award to support a large-scale rewilding project in England. The programme aims to identify projects with strong potential to demonstrate innovative approaches and work with others to scale up rewilding across land and sea.

Criteria:

- Projects must be based in England.
- The project must cover at least 1,000 hectares (10 km²).
- Applications are welcome from diverse groups working collaboratively, including:
 - Landowners.
 - Sea-users.
 - Organisations.
 - Communities.
 - Businesses.
 - Other relevant partners.
- Projects should demonstrate strong potential to:
 - Restore and reinstate natural processes, habitats and missing species.
 - Develop innovative models that can help scale up rewilding.
 - Deliver lasting social, economic and ecological benefits.
- Priority will be given to projects demonstrating significant ambition and community-led or community co-designed approaches.

Grant Size: £100,000

Deadline for Applications: 9th October 2026

Website: <https://www.rewildingbritain.org.uk/how-to-rewild/funding-for-rewilding/rewilding-challenge-fund>

Common Ground Award 2026–27

About Us: The Common Ground Award 2026–27, from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, is a capital funding programme designed to strengthen community cohesion across England. It supports organisations that bring people together across cultural, social and community divides and invests in the facilities and equipment that enable this work.

Criteria:

- Funding is available for capital projects that strengthen community cohesion, including:
 - Construction or renovation of community facilities.
 - Improvements to community spaces.
 - Purchase of equipment.
 - Projects that bring people together and strengthen community resilience.
- Organisations must directly contribute to at least one of the following themes:
 - Encouraging social mixing and understanding between different communities and backgrounds.
 - Reducing prejudice, discrimination and hatred.

- Resolving conflict and addressing tensions between communities.
 - Building stronger social connections and community resilience.
- The programme also aims to identify and reward good practice and encourage learning and knowledge sharing across the community sector.
- Consortium applications are eligible for larger grants.

Grant Size:

- Individual organisations: £20,000–£50,000.
- Exceptional circumstances: Up to £100,000, where there is strong evidence of need and significant anticipated impact.
- Consortium applications: £100,000–£250,000.

Deadline for Applications: 12th October 2026

Website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/common-ground-award-2026-to-2027-prospectus/common-ground-award-2026-to-2027-prospectus>

The Community Radio Fund 2026–27

About Us: The Community Radio Fund 2026–27 is allocated by the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport and managed by Ofcom, the UK communications regulator. It provides funding to eligible community radio stations through two streams.

Criteria:

- **Equipment Stream:** For analogue community radio services that have been on air for at least 10 years.
- **Sustainability Stream:** Open to analogue community radio and C-DSP stations currently broadcasting.
- Equipment funding can support studio, transmission and accessibility equipment, including mixing desks, recording equipment, antenna equipment, feeder cables and playout software.
- Sustainability funding can support job roles and projects covering station management, fundraising, administration, financial management and reporting.
- Only one funding round will operate in 2026–27.

Grant Size:

- Equipment Stream: Up to £2,000.
- Sustainability Stream: Up to £100,000, with a limited number of multi-year awards available.

Deadline for Applications: 14th October 2026

Website: <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/tv-radio-and-on-demand/information-for-industry/radio-broadcasters/community-radio-fund>

Henry Smith Foundation – Maternity Equity Fund

About Us: The Henry Smith Foundation's Maternity Equity Fund is a new three-year programme designed to tackle persistent inequalities in maternity experiences and outcomes across the UK. It supports trusted community organisations delivering preventative, trauma-informed and culturally safe support during pregnancy, with a focus on communities experiencing the greatest maternity inequities.

Criteria:

- **Who can apply:** Registered charities, Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIOs), and not-for-profit Community Interest Companies (CICs) with an asset lock.
- **Income eligibility:** Organisations with an annual income between **£20,000 and £1.5 million**.
- **Programme focus:** Preventative maternity support from conception through to birth.
- **Priority groups:** Black, Asian and Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities; communities living in areas of high deprivation, including rural communities; people experiencing complex and multiple disadvantages; and people with existing or antenatal mental health needs.
- **Funding aims:** Improve access to maternity services and support; improve maternity experiences and outcomes; strengthen trusted community-led maternity organisations; build evidence and learning about effective approaches; and influence wider practice and systems.
- **Approach sought:** Community-led delivery, trauma-informed practice, culturally safe support, strong involvement of people with lived experience, partnership working and shared learning.
- **What can be funded:** Direct preventative maternity support during pregnancy, community-based interventions, organisational development, and partnership and learning activities linked to maternity equity.
- **Not eligible:** Postnatal-only services, bereavement and baby loss services, statutory or clinical healthcare provision, research-only projects, campaigning and political activity, and one-off awareness campaigns without ongoing support.
- **Application process:** Expression of Interest followed by invited full applications.

Grant Size: £185,000 over three years

Deadline for Applications: 14th October 2026 at 5pm.

Website: <https://henrysmith.foundation/grants/maternity-equity/>

Triangle Trust 1949 Fund – Young Women at Risk of Reoffending

About Us: The **Triangle Trust 1949 Fund** is offering funding for projects supporting young women aged **17 to 30** who are in contact with the criminal justice system and at risk of reoffending. The 2026 funding round focuses particularly on supporting young women during custody, through the gate and following release, helping to address the high rates of reoffending among women.

Criteria:

- **Who can apply:** UK registered charities, not-for-profit social enterprises and Community Interest Companies (CICs).
- **Income eligibility:** Organisations with an annual income between **£50,000 and £5 million**.
- Applicants must have relevant experience working with girls and young women in the criminal justice system.
- Projects should demonstrate **age-, gender-, trauma- and culturally responsive approaches**.
- Priority will be given to projects that:
 - Provide peer support from women with lived experience.
 - Are co-designed with young women and girls.
 - Support neurodiverse young women.
 - Support young women from Black or minoritised/racialised communities.
- Eligible work can be delivered **in prisons, through the gate and as ongoing post-release support**.
- Projects should focus on young women aged **17–30** who are at risk of reoffending.

Grant Size:

Up to £100,000 for projects lasting 18, 24, 30 or 36 months.

The maximum request is £50,000 per year.

Deadline for Applications:

Expression of Interest deadline: 15th October 2026.

Shortlisted organisations will subsequently be invited to submit a full application.

Website: <https://www.triangletrust.org.uk/apply-funding/application-process/>

Green Community Grants Programme

About Us: The Green Community Grants Programme, established by the Wildlife Trusts with funding from the People's Postcode Lottery and Postcode Green Trust, provides flexible one-year grants to not-for-profit organisations working to support nature recovery, climate action and access to nature-rich spaces. Funding can also support sustainable activities such as recycling, litter picking, beach cleans and sustainable transport.

Criteria:

- Applicants must be not-for-profit groups based in England, Scotland or Wales.
- The organisation's main aims and objectives must fit with one of the programme's themes:
 - Contributing to nature recovery and responding to the climate emergency.
 - Improving nature-rich spaces and access to them.
- Priority will be given to organisations:
 - With annual income between £10,000 and £250,000.
 - Working in communities within the top 15% of the Index of Multiple Deprivation.
 - Supporting marginalised groups, including disabled people, communities experiencing racial inequity and LGBT+ people.
 - Whose governing documents include objectives relating to habitat or species restoration/protection.

Grant Size: Up to £25,000 for a one-year flexible grant.

Deadline for Applications: 21st October 2026

Website: <https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/green-community-grants-programme#guidance>

Henry Smith Foundation's Specialist Domestic Abuse Counselling Fund

About Us: The Henry Smith Foundation's Specialist Domestic Abuse Counselling Fund provides long-term funding to sustain specialist domestic abuse counselling services. The fund supports victim-survivors to recover, rebuild their lives and move forward after experiencing domestic abuse. It forms part of the Foundation's Safer Futures programme.

Criteria: Organisations must:

- Be a registered charity, CIO, not-for-profit CIC with an asset lock, or another charitable not-for-profit organisation aligned with the Foundation's strategy.
- Have an annual income of less than £2 million.

- Be based in the United Kingdom.
- Have at least three years' experience delivering specialist domestic abuse counselling.
- Demonstrate a strong understanding of victim-survivors' needs.
- Deliver counselling that supports long-term recovery and wellbeing.

Funding prioritises sustaining specialist counselling services, long-term recovery, improving wellbeing and resilience, and strengthening the sustainability of specialist domestic abuse organisations. Funding can support specialist counselling, ongoing service delivery, organisational capacity and recovery-focused interventions.

Applicants must first complete an eligibility checker and submit an Expression of Interest. Selected organisations will then be invited to submit a full application.

Grant Size: £250,000 over five years (£50,000 per year).

Deadline for Applications: Applications open: 23rd September 2026 at 9am.

Expression of Interest deadline: 21st October 2026 at 5pm.

Website: <https://henrysmith.foundation/domestic-abuse-fund-faq/>

Henry Smith Foundation's Domestic Abuse: Counselling Fund

About Us: The Henry Smith Foundation's Domestic Abuse: Counselling Fund supports specialist organisations providing longer-term, person-centred, holistic and trauma-informed counselling for survivors of domestic abuse. Five grants will be ring-fenced for organisations supporting children and/or young people.

Criteria:

- UK charitable organisations, including eligible charities, CIOs and CICs, can apply.
- Annual income must be below £2 million.
- Applicants must have at least three years' experience delivering counselling to victim survivors.
- Services should provide at least 12 counselling sessions.
- 15 grants will be awarded in total.

Grant Size: £250,000 over five years (£50,000 per year).

Deadline for Applications: Expression of Interest deadline: 5pm, 21st October 2026.

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to submit a full application by 18th December 2026.

Website: <https://henrysmith.foundation/grants/domestic-abuse-counselling/>

The Wildlife Trusts Green Community Grants

About Us: The Wildlife Trusts Green Community Grants programme supports grassroots, not-for-profit organisations in England, Scotland and Wales to deliver outdoor nature projects. The programme provides flexible one-year grants aimed at supporting nature recovery, responding to the climate emergency, and improving nature-rich spaces and access to them.

Criteria:

- Open to not-for-profit organisations in England, Scotland and Wales.
- Organisations must have been operating for at least 12 months.
- Main aims must align with one of the two funding themes:
 - Contributing to nature recovery and responding to the climate emergency.
 - Improving nature-rich spaces and access to them.

- Funding can also support wider environmental activities such as recycling, litter picking, beach cleans and sustainable transport.
- Priority will be given to:
 - Organisations with annual incomes of £250,000 or less.
 - Organisations working in the most deprived communities or supporting marginalised groups.
 - Organisations whose governing objectives focus on protecting or restoring habitats or species.

Grant Size: £10,000–£25,000 for one-year flexible grants.

Deadline for Applications: 21st October 2026

Website: <https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/green-community-grants-programme>

AB Charitable Trust – Open Programme

About Us: Supports UK charities defending human rights and promoting equality for marginalised and excluded groups.

Criteria: UK-registered charities with annual incomes between £150,000 and £1.5 million. Organisations must focus on human rights, social justice, or supporting marginalised communities. Funding supports both core costs and project costs. Eligible activities may include legal advice, advocacy, campaigning, policy work, narrative change, and community organising.

Grant Size: Up to £30,000 per year for up to three years.

Deadline for Applications: 23rd October 2026

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Blooming Genius

About Us: Blooming Genius, created by Genius Within C.I.C., is a social-impact initiative supporting neurodivergent children and young people. It focuses on grassroots organisations and communities that may have limited access to information, resources and support around neurodiversity.

Criteria:

- Grassroots organisations based in the UK
- Organisations supporting neurodivergent children under 18 and their families
- Projects should help neurodivergent young people thrive in life and education
- Particular focus on communities with limited access to information and support around neurodiversity
- Eligible activities can include a wide range of initiatives benefiting neurodivergent children and their families
- Examples of previously funded activities include music sessions, anti-bullying books, inclusive boxing clubs and communication aids for non-speaking autistic children

Grant Size: up to £2,000

Deadline for Applications: 24th October 2026

Website: <https://geniuswithin.org/blooming-genius-1/>

The Let's Celebrate Towns competition

About Us: The Let's Celebrate Towns competition, delivered in partnership by Visa and Nationwide, aims to strengthen local economies and communities by supporting projects that make towns stronger, more resilient, and vibrant.

Criteria: Entries are open to MPs and local leaders, local authorities and town councils, and

community groups and organisations. Eligible towns must have a population between 5,000 and 225,000. Towns can enter one of five categories: High Street Revival, Backing Local Business, Protecting Valued Places, Connected Places, and Community Pride. Only one entry per town is permitted in each category.

Grant Size: £20,000 for one winning town in each category, to fund a community-led project or initiative.

Deadline for Applications: 25th October 2026

Website: <https://www.visaeupromotions.com/lets-celebrate-towns-visa-nationwide/>

Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) Pathways to Work Innovation Fund

About Us: The Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) Pathways to Work Innovation Fund supports innovative approaches that help disabled people and people with long-term health conditions move towards, enter, stay and progress in work. The fund aims to build evidence about what works and inform the development of future employment, health and skills services.

Criteria:

- UK-based organisations from the public, private and voluntary sectors
- Eligible applicants include:
 - Charities and voluntary organisations
 - Social enterprises and Community Interest Companies (CICs)
 - Businesses
 - Academic and research organisations
 - Local authorities
 - Mayoral strategic authorities
- Partnerships and consortia can apply, with one organisation acting as lead applicant
- Individuals cannot apply independently but may participate as part of a partnership
- Projects must be delivered within 12 months
- Funding can support developing, testing, delivering, monitoring and evaluating innovative approaches
- Eligible activities include:
 - Technology, equipment and artificial intelligence solutions
 - Testing interventions
 - Piloting products and services
 - User research and co-design
 - Employer support
 - Improved coordination between employment, health and skills services
 - Applying existing approaches in substantially different contexts or with new target groups
 - Staff, volunteer and participant expenses directly related to delivery
- Specialist support, partnership activity, monitoring and evaluation

Grant Size: Up to £10 million available

Deadline for Applications: 26th October 2026

Website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/60-million-fund-launched-to-transform-employment-support>

The Strategic Legal Fund (SLF) for Vulnerable Young Migrants

About Us: The Strategic Legal Fund (SLF) for Vulnerable Young Migrants provides funding to not-for-profit organisations and private law firms working with vulnerable young

migrants. The fund supports legal work that benefits young migrants living in poverty who face significant disadvantage or discrimination due to their immigration status.

Criteria:

- Applicants must be not-for-profit organisations or private law firms.
- Work must support vulnerable young migrants.
- Beneficiaries should be living in poverty and facing significant disadvantage or discrimination as a result of their immigration status.
- Grants are intended to support legal work benefiting these young migrants.

Grant Size: Up to £30,000

Deadline for Applications: 26th October 2026

Website: <https://strategiclegalfund.org.uk/about/>

Armed Forces Covenant Trust Fund – Reveal & Respond Grant

About Us: The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust's **Reveal & Respond**

Programme provides funding to improve mental health and wellbeing support for underrepresented groups within the armed forces community. The programme supports organisations to understand barriers to accessing support, test innovative approaches, strengthen existing services and develop more inclusive support pathways.

Criteria:

- **Who can apply:** UK registered charities, Community Interest Companies (CICs), and local authorities.
- **Who can benefit:** Underrepresented groups within the armed forces community, including serving personnel, veterans, reservists and their families.
- **Priority groups may include:** Female personnel; neurodivergent personnel; LGBTQ+ personnel; ethnic minority and non-UK personnel; service children with SEND and their parents; serving and ex-serving personnel with caring responsibilities; bereaved service families; and early service leavers or those experiencing unexpected transition.
- Projects should aim to increase access to mental health and wellbeing support, improve understanding of barriers, strengthen support pathways and service design, and encourage collaboration and sharing of learning.
- **Eligible activities:** Pilot projects, tailored support pathways, expansion of proven interventions, partnership working, referral pathway improvements, training, evaluation and dissemination of learning.
- Projects are expected to involve collaboration between armed forces organisations and specialist non-military organisations where appropriate.
- **Strand 1 – Test and Develop:** Projects can run for up to two years.
- **Strand 2 – Scale and Strengthen:** Projects can run for two to three years.
- Projects should be shaped by lived experience and address the specific needs of underrepresented groups.

Grant Size:

- **Strand 1 – Test and Develop Grants:** £20,000–£40,000.
- **Strand 2 – Scale and Strengthen Grants:** £150,000–£300,000.

Deadline for Applications:

28th October 2026 at 12 noon.

Successful applicants will be notified by February 2027.

Website: <https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/reveal-and-respond-programme/>

Innovate UK Innovation in Play to Improve Child Outcomes programme

About Us: Innovate UK, part of UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), is offering funding through its Innovation in Play to Improve Child Outcomes programme. The programme supports innovative, practical solutions that increase access to high-quality, real-world play and improve outcomes for children and young people across the UK.

Criteria:

- Open to **UK-based organisations of any size**.
- Projects should benefit children and young people across the UK.
- Proposals should develop innovative solutions that:
 - Increase opportunities for high-quality play.
 - Improve children's wellbeing and development.
 - Reignite the importance of play in children's lives.
 - Address barriers to accessing play.
 - Create practical, sustainable and scalable approaches.
- Eligible innovations may include outdoor or community play, inclusive play, play-based learning, child development and wellbeing, safe play environments, and new products, services, tools or approaches.
- Priority will be given to projects demonstrating innovation, measurable benefits, wider adoption potential and practical sustainability.

Grant Size: £200,000 and £500,000

Deadline for Applications: 28th October 2026

Website: <https://apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/2573/overview/0260e1f5-c985-4858-ae3-57a9e56f19fe>

Trees Outside Woodland Fund

About Us: The Tree Council and Defra are once again working in partnership to deliver the Trees Outside Woodland Fund for the 2026/27 planting season.

Criteria: This fund is open to local authorities and registered charities.

Grant Size: Between £10,000 and £40,000

Deadline for Applications: 31st October 2026

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The Weavers' Company Benevolent Fund

About Us: The Weavers' Company Benevolent Fund supports people in trouble, particularly ex-offenders, young offenders and young people at risk of offending, helping them improve their life chances and successfully reintegrate into society.

Criteria:

- UK registered charities and Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIOs) can apply.
- Organisations generally need an annual income of up to £5 million.

- Priority is given to projects that:
 - Support offenders and ex-offenders into sustainable employment.
 - Build skills, confidence and capability for work.
 - Provide rehabilitation and resettlement support.
 - Support under-funded groups within the criminal justice system.
 - Work with young people involved in, or at risk of entering, the criminal justice system.
 - Prevent offending and reoffending through early intervention.
- The Fund is particularly interested in people aged approximately 16–25, including young offenders and young people at risk of offending.
- Funding can cover project and core costs, employment and skills programmes, mentoring, rehabilitation, diversionary activities and innovative early intervention projects.
- Shortlisted organisations may receive a project visit as part of the assessment process.
- Applications are assessed by the Charitable Grants Committee, which meets three times a year.

Grant Size:

- Small Grants: Up to £5,000.
- Main Grants: No fixed upper limit; typical awards are £10,000–£15,000.

Deadline for Applications: 1st November 2026

Website: <https://www.weavers.org.uk/charity/charitable-grants/applying-for-a-charitable-grant/>

The London Legal Support Trust's Legal Advice Sustainability Scheme (LASS)

About Us: The London Legal Support Trust's Legal Advice Sustainability Scheme (LASS) supports smaller free specialist legal advice organisations through unrestricted funding, organisational support, training and peer-learning opportunities.

Criteria:

- This pilot Main Grants round is open to smaller free specialist legal advice organisations.
- Organisations must be based in, and deliver the majority of their services in, Berkshire, Oxfordshire, Hampshire (including the Isle of Wight) or Surrey.
- Up to five organisations will be supported.
- Funding is unrestricted and comes alongside tailored organisational support, training and peer-learning opportunities.

Grant Size: £75,000 over five years per organisation

Deadline for Applications: 1st November 2026

Website: <https://londonlegalsupporttrust.org.uk/our-grants/sector-support/centres-of-excellence/legal-advice-sustainability-scheme-lass-applications/>

Vinehill Trust Grant

About Us: The **Vinehill Trust** is a UK charitable trust that makes grants to charitable, educational and ecclesiastical organisations across the United Kingdom. Its three main

areas of interest are **Music, Heritage and Health**. The Trust supports specific initiatives and projects rather than unrestricted funding.

Criteria:

- **Eligible applicants:** Charitable, educational and ecclesiastical organisations, with specific eligibility varying by funding area.
- **Geographical focus:** UK organisations and projects, with applications also accepted from the Channel Islands and Isle of Man.
- **Music:** Projects supporting the UK's choral and organ traditions, particularly opportunities for children and young people, as well as repair and restoration of historically or musically valuable pipe organs.
- **Heritage:** Historic building restoration projects that provide employment and training in heritage building crafts, including stonemasonry, joinery, plasterwork, stained glass and other specialist crafts.
- **Health:** Projects addressing acute health conditions and the Trust's annual temporary health priorities. Current health priorities include areas such as pre-hospital care, life-saving interventions and suicide prevention, alongside specified annual focus areas.
- The Trust does **not** generally fund unrestricted/core running costs, retrospective funding, emergency appeals, feasibility studies, campaigning or lobbying, endowments, or projects outside its stated areas.
- Funding normally cannot exceed **75% of project costs**, excluding VAT. Applicants should demonstrate good governance, financial and risk management, appropriate expertise and efficient use of charitable resources.

Grant Size: The Trust typically awards **one-off grants of £10,000 to £100,000**.

Deadline for Applications:

Applications can be submitted at any time and are considered in the next available grant round. The Trust's guidance recommends submitting applications by:

- **1st March** – Spring grant round
- **1st July** – Summer grant round
- **1st November** – Autumn/Winter grant round

The Trust normally aims to make a decision within **three months of application**.

Website: <https://vinehilltrust.uk/>

National Churches Trust

About Us: Grants to help your church, chapel, meeting house or cathedral.

Criteria: For urgent and essential structural repair projects (costed at more than £80,000) to buildings that were originally built as churches, or the installation of kitchen and toilets (costed at more than £30,000 including VAT). Match funding of at least 50% is required. Applications will be considered from listed and unlisted Christian places of worship, of any denomination, in the UK that are open for at least six services of public worship a year.

Grant Size: up to £21,000

Deadline for Applications: 3rd November 2026

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Worshipful Company of Information Technologists (WCIT) Grants Programme

About Us: The Worshipful Company of Information Technologists (WCIT) Grants Programme supports innovative IT projects and activities that create positive impact through education, digital inclusion, charitable initiatives and public engagement across the UK.

Criteria: Registered charities, Community Interest Companies and other not-for-profit organisations can apply. Projects should use information technology to benefit communities, including initiatives involving innovative services or solutions, training, apps, analytics, AI, robotics, or accessibility features and hardware.

Grant Size: Up to £15,000. Larger grants may be awarded in exceptional circumstances.

Deadline for Applications: 3rd November 2026, or earlier if the Company reaches its cap of 50 applications. The fund reopens every three months.

Website: <https://wcitcharity.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

The Armed Forces Covenant Fund

About Us: The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust's Family Focus programme provides funding for projects supporting Armed Forces families caring for wounded, sick or injured serving personnel and veterans. Projects should improve access to support, wellbeing, resilience, and families' ability to manage changes during service or transition to civilian life. Eligible applicants include UK-registered charities and CICs established for at least three years, local authorities, and NHS organisations.

Criteria: Projects must:

- Support Armed Forces families with care needs.
- Last between two and three years.
- Follow either an in-service support pathway or a moving-on-from-service pathway.
- Be shaped by lived experience, with young carers particularly encouraged.
- Deliver at least one outcome relating to access to advice and services, reduced isolation and improved resilience, or improved skills and confidence among family carers.

Grant Size: £100,000–£200,000

Deadline for Applications: 4th November 2026

Website: <https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/family-focus-programme-2025-26/>

The LGBT+ Get Active Fund

About Us: The LGBT+ Get Active Fund is a collaboration between the LGBT+ Fund and the London Marathon Foundation, supporting community-based LGBT+ sports and physical activity organisations and projects across the UK. The Fund aims to increase resources for under-recognised groups and improve access to physical activity for LGBT+ communities.

Criteria:

- Applicants must be UK-based, LGBT+ led non-profit groups or organisations led by and for LGBT+ people.
- Organisations must regularly deliver sports or physical activities.
- Applicants must have been operating for at least six months.

- Sports or physical activity delivery within the past three years is considered recent.
- Physical activity can include activities such as hiking, skateboarding, football, ballroom and vogue, gardening, frisbee, dance and circus skills.
- Priority is given to grassroots organisations supporting underserved intersectional LGBT+ communities, including: D/deaf, disabled and/or neurodivergent LGBT+ people, LGBT+ women, LGBT+ people of faith, LGBT+ people of the global majority, Older LGBT+ people and Trans, non-binary and/or intersex people.
- Additional priority is given to organisations in historically underfunded areas, rural or remote locations, or areas where LGBT+ provision is limited.
- Eligible costs include project delivery, participant training, accessibility measures, core costs, collaborative work and coaching qualifications.

Grant Size:

- One-year projects: £5,000–£25,000.
- Two-year projects: £10,000–£50,000 total (£5,000–£25,000 per year).

Deadline for Applications: 4th November 2026

Website: <https://lgbtfund.org.uk/live-funds/get-active-fund/>

Great British Energy (GBE) Community Fund

About Us: The Great British Energy (GBE) Community Fund provides £20 million in grants to help community-based organisations develop and build community-owned clean energy projects in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Criteria:

- Applicants must be based in England, Wales or Northern Ireland.
- Applicants must be legally incorporated as one of the following: Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), Community Benefit Society (CBS/Bencom), Community Interest Company (CIC), Co-operative Society, Development Trust, Pre-commencement society, Incorporated registered charity, Registered Social Landlord, Registered Society or Town or Parish Council
- Applicants must have a bank account with two signatories.
- Joint applications are permitted where all partners are eligible organisations.
- Projects developed through the funding must be at least 50% community-owned.
- Funding is available through three stages:
 - Stage 1 – Feasibility: test whether a project idea is viable.
 - Stage 2 – Development: develop a viable idea into an investment-ready project.
 - Stage 3 – Capital: support construction-ready projects to address remaining funding gaps.
- All grant funding must be defrayed and claimed by 31st March 2028, except Stage 1 projects that have requested payment in advance.

Grant Size:

- Stage 1 – Feasibility: Up to £40,000
- Stage 2 – Development: Up to £100,000
- Stage 3 – Capital: Up to £3 million, or 50% of the total project value

Deadline for Applications: 12th November 2026

Website: <https://communityenergyengland.org/great-british-energy-community-fund/#North%20West%20Net%20Zero%20Hub>

Nuffield Foundation Racial Diversity UK Fund

About Us: Supports research exploring racial justice, inclusion, and barriers to a more racially equitable UK society.

Criteria: UK-based organisations, including universities, research organisations, and voluntary sector bodies. Applications are encouraged from people and organisations from racially minoritised communities.

2026 priority theme: **inter-generational changes, continuities, and challenges in a racially diverse UK.**

Grant Size: £15,000–£500,000.

Deadline for Applications: 10th December 2026

Website: <https://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/funding-for-research/essential-employment-skills-fund>

International Tree Foundation

About Us: The International Tree Foundation (ITF) supports community-led tree planting and woodland projects. Its 2026 UK Community Tree Planting Programme aims to create and conserve indigenous trees, woodlands and habitats, increase biodiversity, involve local communities and promote the environmental, social and human benefits of trees.

Criteria:

- Open to schools, community groups, social enterprises, NGOs and parish councils.
- Projects must be based in the **UK**.
- Applicants must have a bank account in the organisation's name.
- Signed permission from the relevant landowner or land manager is required.
- Trees must be planted in publicly accessible locations such as parks, school grounds, rights of way and community-managed spaces.
- Projects must involve local people in planting and demonstrate plans for maintenance and long-term sustainability.
- Indigenous species should be planted; traditional fruit trees and suitable "honorary native" species may also be considered.
- Priority may be given to projects involving children, young adults or vulnerable groups; creating biodiversity habitats; conserving soil and water; supporting rewilding, natural regeneration or agroforestry; addressing tree pests, diseases or climate adaptation; and increasing urban tree cover.

Grant Size: Projects must plant 100–10,000 trees per year. Up to £2.15 per tree, including protection and mulch. Projects also receive two maintenance payments of £0.10 per tree, during the first and second summers after planting.

Deadline for Applications: 11th December 2026

First assessment round: 1st October 2026.

Further awards will be made on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to available funding.

Website: <https://www.internationaltreefoundation.org/uk-grants>

Cash4Clubs

About Us: Cash4Clubs, funded by Flutter UK & Ireland and delivered in partnership with Sported, supports grassroots sports clubs and community organisations across the UK and Ireland that use sport to improve lives, strengthen communities and increase participation in physical activity.

Criteria:

- Eligible applicants include:
 - Not-for-profit sports clubs.
 - Community sports organisations.
 - Registered charities.
 - Community groups.
 - Traditional sports clubs and teams.
 - Companies limited by guarantee and other eligible not-for-profit organisations.
- Organisations must deliver sport and physical activity opportunities primarily for adults aged 18 and over.
- Applicants must demonstrate how sport is being used to achieve wider social impact.
- Priority will be given to organisations that:
 - Operate in areas of high deprivation.
 - Increase participation among under-represented groups.
 - Support women and girls.
 - Support racially diverse communities.
 - Support disabled people and LGBTQ+ communities.
 - Encourage adults who would not normally participate in sport.
 - Improve physical and mental wellbeing.
 - Reduce loneliness and isolation.
 - Address issues such as crime, anti-social behaviour and community cohesion.

Grant Size: £2,000

Deadline for Applications: Opens 1st October 2026 and closes 1st January 2027.

Website: <https://cash4clubs.org/>

Anchor Foundation

About Us: Supporting Christian Charities concerned with social inclusion, particularly through ministries of healing and the arts.

Criteria: Christian charities that encourage social inclusion through ministries of healing and the arts. Applications may be for either capital or revenue funding. Funding can be awarded for up to three years. Grants for building work will only be considered in exceptional circumstances.

Grant Size: Up to £12,000 per year, for up to three years.

Deadline for Applications: 31st January 2027

Website: <https://www.theanchorfoundation.org.uk/>