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Every month, Funding Alert includes a portfolio of funding opportunities; but there are many more funds out there. GRANTnet is a straightforward free to use service from GRANTfinder, which can help you to identify suitable funding for your activity or project. It allows community and voluntary groups, sports and other clubs, schools, social enterprises and small businesses to search across a huge range of funding sources.



The main features of this interactive database are as follows:

- Easy-to-use search tool.
- Up-to-date information on over 7,000 grants and other incentives.
- Rapid identification of funding sources specific to need.
- Data sourced from EC and UK Government sources, including Government departments, local authorities, charitable trusts and corporate sponsors.

Find out more here: <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/my-community/grants-and-funding/grantnet>



The Community Funding Toolkit

The Community Funding Toolkit is a comprehensive guide designed to help community organizations in Argyll and Bute secure funding for their projects.

It provides detailed advice and resources to strengthen project proposals and improve the chances of successful funding applications.

By systematically working through the toolkit, community organizations can create well-planned, compelling funding applications that clearly demonstrate their project's value and potential impact.

[Access the Funding Toolkit here!](#)



Back to School! Funding Alert now has an Schools Category

August is the back to school month and to mark the event, Funding Alert is excited to introduce a new **Schools** category dedicated to funding opportunities for school-based extra-curricular projects. Whether you're looking to enhance arts and culture programmes, expand sports and wellbeing activities, or support STEM clubs and environmental initiatives, this section will highlight grants and resources aimed at enriching pupils' experiences beyond the classroom. For teachers and PTA members, keep an eye out for regular updates and deadlines to help bring your creative ideas to life.

Pass It On.. Pre-loved School Uniform Scheme

The Argyll and Bute Council have been working with schools and third sector partners to develop an innovative *Pre-loved School uniform scheme* which invites families to donate gently used school uniforms that their children have outgrown, helping to promote sustainability to be reused or recycled and to ensure every child has access to suitable schoolwear. Most schools are running or support a scheme to reuse pre-loved school uniforms. To find out which schools in your area support the scheme, **click the link:**

<https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-grants-and-support/pre-loved-school-uniform-scheme>

Agnes Hunter Trust Opens for Applications

The funding is intended to support disabled people throughout Scotland, providing them with opportunities and enabling them to lead fulfilling lives. This can include specific groups of people, for example those living with mental ill health, cancer, physical and sensory impairments and long-term health conditions, as well as people with learning disabilities, autistic people, and other neurodivergent people.

Deadline:

Applications will open on 7 August 2025 (10:00) and close on 28 August 2025 (17:00).

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

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- Arran
- Benbecula
- Berneray
- Colonsay

- Eriskay
- Grimsay
- North Uist
- South Uist

Deadline: 01 September 2025 (12:00)

<https://www.hie.co.uk/support/browse-all-support-services/islands-business-resilience-fund-2025/>

UPDATES

Worrying about money leaflet

Support for individuals who are worrying about money! We have produced a leaflet with our partners sign posting to where help is available for individual and their families.

Click the link or scan the QR code [Argyll and Bute - Worrying about Money?](#)

(link may be slow to load)



Poverty and Cost of Living Crisis

To assist you in navigating all the funds on offer we have pulled the funding opportunities from these funders to a separate supplement that can be downloaded independently. Follow this link: [Poverty and Cost of Living Supplement August 2025](#)

ARTS AND CULTURE

1. Idlewild Trust

The Trust offers grants of up to £7,000 to registered charities working in the following two areas:

- Arts Grants: Nurturing Early Stage Professionals - grants support training opportunities for emerging professionals, working creatively and backstage, within the performing and visual arts, post-training, and at an early stage in their career.
- Conservation Grants: Objects and Works of Art - grants support the conservation of cultural heritage of recognised national and international importance in museums, libraries, galleries, historic buildings, or landscapes accessible to the public.

Deadline: 05 September 2025 (12:00) <https://www.idlewildtrust.org.uk/>

2. William Syson Foundation

Grants are available for charities, voluntary groups, and not-for-profit organisations to support the advancement of the arts, heritage, and culture in Scotland. This includes, but is not limited to, the promotion and development of the arts, including music, the visual arts, theatre, and literature. Grants of up to £5,000 are available.

Deadline: 12 September 2025 <https://www.williamsysonfoundation.org.uk/>

3. Museums Galleries Scotland - Museum Development Fund

The Museum Development Fund is provided by Museums Galleries Scotland (MGS) with funding from the Scottish Government. The funding is intended to support museums to deliver medium-sized, strategic sustainable development projects in line with their own business plans and Scotland's museums and galleries Strategy. Organisations running Accredited museums can apply for between £15,000 and £60,000.

Deadline: 17 September 2025 <https://www.museumsgallerysscotland.org.uk/funding/museum-development-fund/>

4. Art Fund - Student Opportunities

Grants of £10,000 are available to harness the talent of university students to help realise a project at a museum or gallery in the UK. Art Fund is offering funding to help museums, galleries and visual arts organisations provide paid opportunities for full-time university students to gain meaningful, developmental work-experience that enables them to further explore their interest in the arts, and related future career options before they graduate.

Deadline: 19 September 2025 <https://www.artfund.org/professional/get-funding/programmes/student-opportunities>

5. Scottish Book Trust – Live Literature Programme

Grants are available to community groups and not-for-profit organisations in Scotland to deliver author events in their local community. The Trust offers funding to schools, libraries, community groups and not-for-profit organisations based in Scotland to deliver literature events or author visits in their local community.

The Programme works by the applicant contacting an author from the Live Literature Author Directory to deliver an event, and the Trust will pay half the set author fee plus expenses. Events can take place in person or remotely. Applications are accepted from not-for-profit organisations based in any part of Scotland, including:

- Schools

- Libraries
- Community groups
- Arts organisations
- Local Festivals
- Reading/writing groups
- Hospitals
- Prisons
- Organisations working with adults or children with disabilities

Applications from ASN settings and schools supporting vulnerable children are welcome. Organisations can apply more than once, regardless of previous outcomes, provided that they are not already waiting for a Live Literature funding decision.

Deadline: 26 September 2025

<https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/writing-and-authors/live-literature/apply-now-part-funded>

6. Hugo Burge Foundation - Creative Grants

Grant funding is available to support projects, individuals, and organisations across the UK that promote creativity through three key areas: Creative Education, Creative Communities, and Creative Individuals. The funding is intended to support creativity across the UK. There are three key areas:

- **Creative Education:** Supporting projects that provide young people (ages 0-29) with opportunities to engage in creative activities. This includes funding for workshops in schools, field trips to cultural sites, and the purchase of materials for student engagement.
- **Creative Communities:** Aiding organisations, festivals, fairs and community groups that develop and deliver cultural and creative arts initiatives within their local areas.
- **Creative Individuals:** Providing individual artists, including those in visual and expressive arts, writers and craftspeople, with funding to support their artistic projects.

For the Creative Education and Creative Communities strands, the maximum award is £15,000. For Creative Individuals, the maximum award is £5,000. **Applications will reopen in September for Round 2.**

Deadline: 30 September 2025 <https://www.hugoburgefoundation.org/grants>

7. Fidelio Charitable Trust

Grant funding to help individuals (over school age) and groups of exceptional ability in the UK that would not otherwise be able to carry out an artistic project or activity without financial support. Grants of up to £5,000 are available.

Deadline: 1 October 2025 (noon) <http://www.fideliocharitabletrust.org.uk/>

8. Maoin nan Ealan Gàidhlig

Grants are available to assist individual artists and art organisations with the delivery of Gaelic arts projects in Scotland. Individuals over 18, voluntary groups and professional organisations either based in Scotland, or undertaking art work in Scotland, can apply to this fund.

Deadline: 14 November 2025 <https://www.feisean.org/en/meg-en/>

9. Turtleton Charitable Trust

Grants are available to registered charities in Scotland for charitable projects in the fields of heritage, the arts and education. Grants are usually for between £5,000 and £25,000. Funding is intended for the advancement of the arts, culture and heritage, with a preference for visual arts and heritage. However, other aspects of the arts and culture will also be considered. A small number of applications each year focused on support for the disadvantaged and the advancement of education will be considered.

Deadline: 31 December 2025 <https://www.turcanconnell.com/the-turtleton-charitable-trust>

10. Association for Industrial Archaeology - Restoration Grants

Funding is available for the restoration of historically, technically, architecturally, and/or archaeologically important industrial buildings, structures, machinery, vehicles and vessels within the UK. Two funding streams are available:

- Major projects - up to £30,000. Grants must form a significant portion of the total project costs (normally, at least 20% of the total project costs).
- Small projects - up to £10,000 for projects with total costs of no more than £12,500.

The grant is for capital funding only, not ongoing revenue funding.

Deadline: 31 March 2026 <https://industrial-archaeology.org/aia-awards/restoration-grants/>

11. Paul Hamlyn Foundation - Arts-based Learning Fund

The funding of up to £ 300,000 is intended to create a more equitable school system where high-quality arts-based learning is a core part of all children's education. Applications will be accepted from:

- Arts and cultural organisations working in partnership with formal education settings (including state-funded primary and secondary schools, SEND specialist schools, Further Education colleges, alternative provision settings such as Pupil Referral Units, and some types of state-funded Early Years settings).
- Organisations that are developing established programmes of work and/or testing new approaches.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.phf.org.uk/funding/arts-based-learning-fund>

12. Creative Scotland – Open Fund for Individuals

Supports a wide range of activity initiated by artists, writers, producers and other creative practitioners in Scotland. The fund is intended to support periods of research, development and/or delivery of creative activity, such as specific projects and productions for up to 24 months. It can support an individual's time where this is related to specific creative outcomes. Grants are available for amounts between £500 and £50,000.

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/open-funding/open-fund-for-individuals#timescales>

13. National Lottery Open Fund for Organisations

This fund aims 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. This includes funding for:

- a specific one-off project or production or
- a period of creative research and development or
- a longer term programme of work.

It can also support organisations to undertake business and organisational development that will:

- enhance their business sustainability through the development of new or more diverse income streams, or
- consider broader organisational development costs.

Eligible organisations can apply for funding between £1k and £100k for projects or programmes lasting up to 18 months.

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/open-funding/national-lottery-open-fund-for-organisations>

14. Awards for Young Musicians

Grants of £100 to £2,000 are available for the UK's most talented young instrumentalists in any genre, aged five to 17 years of age who, because of financial need, may be prevented from fulfilling their creative potential.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.youngsounds.org.uk/thrive/>

15. BFI National Lottery Audience Projects Fund

Grants of between £20,000 and £200,000 are available to support various audience related activities in the UK, including film festivals, distribution releases, multiplatform distribution proposals, touring film programmes, large scale and ambitious film programmes. Applications are accepted all year round but must be submitted 16 weeks before any funded activity.

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.bfi.org.uk/get-funding-support/bring-film-wider-audience/bfi-national-lottery-audience-projects-fund>

16. Creative Scotland – National Lottery Open Fund for Organisations

Grants of between £1,000 and £100,000 are for constituted artistic, creative, or cultural organisations across Scotland to deliver a variety of creative projects and activities and enable business changes or development projects that make the organisation more financially sustainable. The fund is open all year round.

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/open-funding/national-lottery-open-fund-for-organisations#support>

BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE

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Deadline: 01 September 2025 (12:00)

<https://www.hie.co.uk/support/browse-all-support-services/islands-business-resilience-fund-2025/>

18. Startup Mull

Grants to support any early-stage business on Mull (and surrounding islands) to become established and successful. Any start-up business, working in any industry, established within 12 months and based on Mull (or nearby islands) can apply for support. Existing businesses may be considered for an award but applications must demonstrate how the grant will achieve major changes to the business. Grants between £5,000 and £10,000 are offered and paid directly to the business.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://startupmull.com/the-startupmull-grant/>

19. MMC Venture Capital

Equity investments available to early-stage UK SMEs that demonstrate high growth potential. Although MMC Ventures can provide investments to companies in any sector, they tend to focus support on the following:

- Business software & Digital Media
- Financial services
- E-commerce
- Business services

The fund is open to all early-stage UK businesses that meet the definition of an SME.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://mmc.vc/funds/>

20. Pentech Ventures

Venture capital is available to UK businesses in the area of software development. Pentech invests in teams who believe they can build a category leading software company. Areas of interest include: Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning; Big Data; Infrastructure such as Blockchain; and verticals that are enabled via the efficient use of AI and new infrastructure approaches, such as FinServ, Health, and Enterprise Transformation. Initial investment is likely to be £500,000 to £2 million, with up to £10 million invested over the lifetime of the investment.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://pentech.vc/about/>

21. Highlands and Islands Enterprise - Green Grant Fund

The funding is intended to help businesses or social enterprises with projects to reduce or green their energy usage and make progress towards achieving net zero carbon emissions, for example energy efficiency measures, renewables, active non-commuting business travel and waste management. Grants of between £20,000 and £250,000 are available (covering between 10% and 40% of the total cost of a project).

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.hie.co.uk/support/browse-all-support-services/greengrantfund/>

22. Oban Business Improvement District Frontage Grant Scheme

The Oban Business Improvement District Frontage Grant Scheme offers grant funding to any existing commercial business operating in the town that wishes to improve the appearance of its business frontage, signage or environment. The maximum grant will be £1,200 per business or 75% of the costs. There is an expectation that businesses will use local contractors wherever possible.

Deadline: Ongoing (link may be slow to load) <https://www.bid4oban.co.uk/business-improvement-scheme>

23. Access to Work

Financial assistance is available to help organisations in Great Britain with any extra employment costs that result from employing a person with a disability.

Access to Work provides grants to employers towards extra employment costs which result from an employee having a disability. The programme aims to provide practical advice and support to disabled people and their employers, in order to overcome work related obstacles which result from disability.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.gov.uk/access-to-work/apply>

24. Kaleidoscope Investments (Ki)

Kaleidoscope is aimed at giving financial backing to help disabled entrepreneurs in the UK start their own business. The fund will assist in the development of the businesses it invests in and ensure they make a worthwhile return for investors.

Deadline: Ongoing (link may be slow to load)

<https://www.kaleidoscope.group/ourservices/kaleidoscope-investments/>

25. Foundation Scotland - Social Investment Fund

Grant and loan investments are available to social enterprises, community organisations and charities across Scotland to benefit local communities. Objectives supported: Prevent and/or relieve poverty, Advance community development, Advance education and urban and rural regeneration.

Deadline: Ongoing (link may be slow to load)

<https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/social-investment-fund>

26. Growth Impact Fund

Funding is available to early stage growing social enterprises and charitable organisations in the UK to address the structural barriers that diverse organisations face.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.bigissue.com/invest/apply-for-funding/>

27. Redundancy Payments - Financial Assistance

Assistance to help employers in the UK with severe cash flow problems to make necessary redundancy payments.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.gov.uk/staff-redundant/redundancy-pay>

28. Scottish Community Alliance - Community Learning Exchange Fund

Grants up to £1,000 are available to local community groups in Scotland to facilitate learning exchanges with other community groups. To be eligible to apply, applicants can access the fund through the [SCA's member networks](#).

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.scottishcommunityalliance.org.uk/community-learning-exchange>

29. LaunchMe

LaunchMe is an accelerator programme for ambitious, social enterprise start-ups in Scotland. It aims to develop a pool of strong, capable and ambitious social enterprises that can go on to secure investment, so they can achieve social impact at scale. LaunchMe is looking to support eight social enterprises with the commitment and ambition to grow and achieve greater social impact.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.firstport.org.uk/business-support/launchme/>

30. The Prospectory - Idea Fund

The funding is intended to enable people to test out an innovative technical solution that can deliver a social or environmental benefit. The fund offers grants ranging from £250 to £3,000.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://theprospectory.com/idea-fund/>

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

31. Toy Trust

Grants are available for registered charities undertaking projects to support disadvantaged and disabled children who are under 13 years of age within the UK. Grants of up to £5,000 are considered. Funding is available to help disadvantaged children aged below 13 years and their families to:

- Alleviate suffering.
- Support children through awful experiences.
- Encourage achievement through adversity.
- Purchase vital equipment.
- Provide care.
- Bolster existing initiatives.
- Initiate brand new projects.
- Satisfy basic needs.

Deadline: 15 August 2025 <https://toytrust.co.uk/>

32. Trefoil – Organisational Grants

Grants are available for registered charities and other not-for-profit organisations to deliver projects and activities that support children with additional needs across Scotland.

Deadline: 25 August 2025 <https://www.trefoil.org.uk/apply-here>

33. National Lottery Community Fund - Supporting Change: Carers (Scotland)

Grants are available to voluntary and community and public sector organisations in Scotland for projects that will reduce health inequalities for unpaid carers through systems change. Grants of between £500,000 to £2 million are available over 5 to 10 years. The application process is as follows:

- Applicants must first contact the National Lottery Community Fund to arrange a discussion with a funding officer about the project and its eligibility.
- Eligible applicants will then be invited to submit a full application. The deadline for applications is 28 August 2025.

Deadline: 28 August 2025 <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/supporting-change-carers>

34. Kelly Family Charitable Trust

Grants are available for UK registered charities, working locally or regionally in the United Kingdom, whose activities nurture and support family life. The funding is for charities whose activities involve all or most family members in initiatives that support and encourage the family to work as a cohesive unit in tackling problems that face one or more of its members.

Grants will generally be worth up to £5,000. The three principal areas that the charity wishes to support are:

- Interventions that support families and help them in ways that prevent the fracture of the family unit, eg relationship counselling, mediation.
- Families where sexual abuse, physical abuse, domestic violence, alcohol abuse and drugs abuse threaten the integrity of the family unit.
- Prisoners and in particular their families, during and after the period of imprisonment.

Deadline: 1 October 2025 <https://kfct.org.uk/>

35. Scottish Children's Lottery Trust

Grants are available for registered charities in Scotland to support projects and activities that benefit vulnerable children, young people, and families most at risk of poverty. In 2025, three levels of funding will be available:

- **The Medium Fund** (opening March 2025) - Grants of up to £10,000.
- **Small Fund** (opening September 2025) - Grants of up to £5,000
- **Bright Futures Fund** (opening September 2025) - The maximum grant has not yet been confirmed.

Deadline: 03 October 2025 <https://www.scottishchildrens lotterytrust.com/>

36. Army Benevolent Fund – Grants to Organisations

Grants are available to charities and organisations that support the Army community, which includes veterans, serving soldiers, their families and immediate dependants. The funding is intended to support charities and organisations with projects and activities that directly benefit the Army community in six key areas: independent living, elderly care, education and employability, mental fitness, families and housing. **The application window for the November 2025 Grants Committee meeting is expected to open on 1 September and close on 7 October 2025.**

Deadline: 07 October 2025 <https://armybenevolentfund.org/need-our-help/charity-grants/>

37. Armed Forces Families Fund: Early Years Programme 2025-26

Grants are available for projects lasting up to two years which help enhance early childhood education and childcare settings of young children (birth to 5 years) from Armed Forces families.

Deadline: 08 October 2025

<https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/armed-forces-families-fund-early-years-programme-2024-25/>

38. Mother and Baby Unit Family Fund

A Mother and Baby Unit (MBU) is a specialist inpatient unit for people who:

- develop severe mental health problems in the later stages of pregnancy
- develop severe mental health problems during the year after their baby is born

You can claim towards the cost of travel, food and accommodation when you're visiting someone in an MBU, if you are the:

- partner of the person who gave birth
- baby's other parent
- main carer of the person who gave birth

If you have children who are 16 and under, you can claim towards the costs travel, food and accommodation during their visits to the MBU too.

For further information and how to make a claim, visit: <https://www.mygov.scot/mother-baby-unit-family-fund>

39. Aberlour Urgent Assistance Fund

The Urgent Assistance Fund remains committed to providing emergency cash grants to help families who are struggling to provide essentials such as food, heating, beds and clothing for their children. Applications must be submitted via a sponsor. Sponsors can be frontline professionals working for a registered charity, housing association or public sector organisation who:

- are working directly with the children/young person
- have made a full assessment of the child's or young person's needs

Children and young people must meet the following criteria:

- Aged under 21 OR aged 25 and under if the young person is care experienced.
- Living on a low income and experiencing financial hardship.
- Have experienced a crisis that has recently had a significant and enduring impact on:
 - their wellbeing
 - their development and education
 - The family or young person has recently taken action to improve their situation, are actively engaging with support and are moving on from the crisis.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.aberlour.org.uk/get-help/urgent-assistance-fund/auaf-apply>

40. True Colours Trust - UK Small Grants

Small grants are available to UK registered charities and community interest companies that are working to make a difference to the lives of disabled children (up to 25 yo) and their families in the UK. Grants of up to £10,000 are available.

Deadline: Ongoing (link may be slow to load) <https://www.truecolourstrust.org.uk/uk-small-grants>

41. Family Fund Trust

Grants are available to help families, or groups applying on their behalf, in the UK who are raising a disabled or seriously ill child or young person up to the age of 18 years. The Trust believes services to families with severely disabled children are most effective when they can be adapted to families' individual needs and personal ways of coping. The Trust, therefore, encourages families to demonstrate the kind of support that would best meet their needs in easing the stress of caring for severely disabled children.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.familyfund.org.uk/>

42. Family Recovery Initiative Fund

The Family Recovery Initiative Fund (FRIF) offers one-off grants of up to £5000 to groups that support families affected by alcohol and drugs in Scotland.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.sfad.org.uk/communities/fund-for-families>

43. Buttle UK - Chances for Children

Grants of up to £2,400 are available for children and young people who have experienced a crisis that has recently had a significant and enduring impact on their wellbeing and educational engagement.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://buddleuk.org/apply-for-a-grant/>

44. Variety Club - Equipment Grants

Grants are available for specialist equipment for the direct use of children up to the age of 18 years who are sick, disabled or disadvantaged and are resident in the UK.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.variety.org.uk/how-can-we-help/equipment-grants-for-children/>

45. Percy Bilton Charity - Grants for Organisations

Grants up to £5,000 are available to UK registered charities with primary objectives to assist one or more of the following groups: disadvantaged/underprivileged young people (under 25 years old); people with disabilities (physical or learning disabilities or mental health problems); older people (aged over 60).

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.percy-bilton-charity.org/applyOrg>

46. Tesco Stronger Starts Grants

Grants up to £1,500 are available to all schools, registered charities and not-for-profit organisations, with priority given to projects that provide food and support to young people.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.greenspacescotland.org.uk/grant-funding>

47. Happy Days Children's Charity

Funding for families with children aged 3-17 who are disabled, have a special needs or have been abused. The aim is to help as many people as possible by funding trips, experiences, respite breaks and group activity holidays for those who need them most. Details of the different types of trips that we offer can be found on the website.

Deadline: Ongoing [Happy Days Children's Charity UK - Apply for Funding](#)

48. Children's Alliance

Grants are available to not-for-profit organisations across the UK to give children and young people under the age of 18 access to water for learning, developing and playing. The objective of the programme is to give essential life skills and build children's confidence and resilience, both physically and emotionally through water-based activities. Priority will be given to disadvantaged children. Applications can be made twice per year in September and March.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://childrensalliance.org.uk/our-work/community/>

COMMUNITY WELLBEING FUNDING

49. Charles Hayward Foundation

Grants are available to UK registered charities for projects in the following categories: Social and Criminal Justice; and Older People. The Foundation offers the following:

- **Small Grants** up to £7,000.
- **Main Grants:**
 - **Social & Criminal Justice:** between £15,000 to £25,000 per annum for one to three years. Up to £25,000 may be available for a pilot project.

Deadline: 14 August 2025 <https://charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk/>

50. Inman Charity

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for UK registered charities carrying out medical, social welfare or general welfare activities within the UK.

Deadline: 29 August 2025 <https://www.inmancharity.org/>

51. SafeDeposits Scotland – Community Fund

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for organisations across Scotland to deliver projects and activities that enhance local communities by addressing issues such as sustainability, the environment, employability, and social and digital inclusion.

Deadline: 29 August 2025 <https://communityfund.safedepositsscotland.com/>

52. Woodroffe Benton Foundation - Small Grants Programme

Grants of £500- £2,500 are available to smaller UK registered to support charitable projects in the UK that provide care for the sick and elderly, conserve and improve the environment, promote education, and help those in need as a result of disaster or as a consequence of social and economic circumstances.

Deadline: 31 August 2025 <https://www.woodroffebenton.org.uk/>

53. Foundation Scotland - Network Rail Community Fund

Grants from £500 to £3,000 are available. A range of project costs are supported that align with the Fund's criteria, such as:

- Economic prosperity: e.g. improving the economic wellbeing of communities.
- Equal opportunities: initiatives that improve equal opportunities through improving accessibility, diversity, and/or equality.
- Wellbeing: improving the environment, providing support, or promoting positive initiatives.

Deadline: 01 September 2025

<https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/community-rail-fund>

54. Scottish Hydro Electric Community Trust

The funding is intended to support charities and community groups with the cost of an electricity supply connection to a community project - either to a new property or to upgrade an existing supply. They can provide funding for the following expenditure:

- Site, foundations and access
- Legal Fees
- Water/sewage connection
- Electricity connection
- Joinery (including kit costs)
- Brickwork

- Electrical
- Plumbing
- Decorating
- Heating
- Planning, Warrant and professional fees
- Kitchen/bathroom fittings
- Other Costs (eg self build/trade works etc).

Applications relating to connections or upgrades for renewable energy installations will be considered.

Deadline: 03 September 2025 <https://www.shect.org/>

55. SUEZ Communities Fund Scotland

The SUEZ Communities Fund - Scotland supports community improvement projects that fall under the following categories:

- Land Reclamation (Object A)
- Community Recycling (Object B)
- Public Amenities (Object C)
- Biodiversity (Object D)
- Historic Buildings, Structures or Sites (Object E)

Grants of between £3,000 and £20,000 are available. Projects applying for Public Amenity, Biodiversity or Historic Building funding must be on a site that is within 10 miles of a landfill site or transfer station.

Deadline: 10 September 2025

<https://grantscape.org.uk/fund/suez-communities-fund/suez-communities-fund-scotland-2/>

56. The Society Foundation

Grants of £2,500 are available once a year to UK registered charities and charitable organisations across the UK that are seeking to help specific groups of people move towards paid employment. The funding is intended to support people from the following groups move toward paid employment:

- The recently homeless or vulnerably housed.
- Ex-offenders.
- Young people (16-24 years old) not in employment, education or training (NEET).

Deadline: 12 September 2025 (noon) <https://society-foundation.org/apply>

57. Bank of Scotland Foundation - Thrive Programme

This is a targeted grants programme developed to support charities providing financial advice, building financial resilience, delivering financial education or simply encouraging good financial health with people living in vulnerable circumstances.

This could include providing practical financial support, budgeting assistance, help with debt management, financial education, and personalised advice, to help people navigate financial challenges and build long-term resilience.

The funding is also available to charities who currently offer financial resilience related activities but for whom this is not their core purpose.

This could be charities who have a primary purpose, for example, such as homelessness, disability, ethnicity, mental health and domestic abuse. Unrestricted funding can be used towards **core costs, delivery costs, project costs and/or general running costs** enabling charities to use their funding in the way that helps them best and deal with challenges quickly and effectively. **Thrive will open to applications at noon on Monday 8 September 2025.**

Deadline: 17 September 2025 (noon) <https://bankofscotlandfoundation.org/funding-programmes/thrive>

58. Thomas Wall Trust - Grants for Registered Charities

Grants are available for UK registered charities for specific projects that improves communication skills for disadvantaged adults and supports NEET people into employment. Grants of up to £5,000 are available. Proposals are particularly welcome which target people experiencing multiple deprivation or other groups demonstrably facing major hurdles to employment, such as women, people with physical, mental, or learning disabilities, and beneficiaries must gain at least one accredited vocational qualification during delivery or within two months of project completion.

Deadline: 22 September 2025 <https://www.thomaswalltrust.org.uk/>

59. Foundation Scotland - An Suidhe Wind Farm Community Fund

Grants are available to not-for-profit organisations for projects which benefit people living within the Dalavich, Furnace, Glenorchy and Inishail or Inveraray areas, which are in close proximity to the An Suidhe Wind Farm. Grants between £300 and £9,000 are available. Requests of more than £9,000 may be funded where exceptional need and impact can be demonstrated.

Deadline: 6 October 2025 <https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/ansuidhe>

60. People's Postcode Trust – Scotland

The aim of People's Postcode Trust is to support smaller charities and good causes in the Scotland to make a difference to their community for the benefit of people and planet. Grants range from £500 to £25,000.

The fund will open on 25 September and close on 6 October 2025.

Deadline: 6 October 2025 <https://www.postcodetrust.org.uk/>

61. W.G. Edwards Charitable Foundation

Grants are available to UK-based charities that can demonstrate how they are making the lives of people over the age of 65 years better. Grants tend to be between £1,000 and £1,500.

Deadline: 12 December 2025 <https://wgedwardscharitablefoundation.org.uk/>

62. Carraig Gheal Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund

Grants are available to local constituted and non-constituted groups for projects which benefit the community council areas of Avich and Kilchrenan, Taynuilt, Glenorchy and Innishail, Kilinver and Kilmelford, and Kilmore. There are two funding schemes - both funds are for the purposes of a charitable nature and the public good (The five community council areas are applicable to both grant schemes).

The funds are:

- Micro grant scheme - grants of up to £750 (this fund is also available to individuals and can be applied for at any time). **Currently open.**
- Main grant scheme - grants from £751 up to £10,000 – available to constituted groups only. **Currently closed. Open for applications 1st November to 31st January 2026.**

Deadline: Ongoing <https://carraighealwindfarm.co.uk/community-2.html>

63. Anton Jurgens Charitable Trust

Grants are available to UK based charities for projects that support people of all ages who are socially disadvantaged and/or have disabilities.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://ajct.org.uk/en>

64. Pub is the Hub

Pub is the Hub encourages rural pub owners, licensees, and their local communities to work together to support, retain and locate local services, where possible, within the pub, whilst often improving the viability of the business itself. The provider may be able to assist some projects through its own [Community Services Fund](#), which aims to support projects as a fund of last resort, where no local funding for services currently exists. A grant of up to £3,000 may be provided.

Pub is The Hub does not always have funds to be a direct provider of grants or loans for individual diversification projects. It does, however, provide advice help and support at no cost to licensees and seek to work with the local authorities to find the potential funding sources.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.pubisthehub.org.uk/>

65. Scottish Sea Farms - Heart of the Community Trust (HCT)

Grants are available for projects that deliver lasting change within Shetland, Orkney, areas of the Highlands and **the wider Oban and Mull area** focused on health, education, personal development, and community activities. Two levels of funding are available:

- Grants of up to £500.
- Grants of over £500 (the level of funding is at the discretion of the trustees).

Deadline: Ongoing <https://scottishseafarms.com/community/how-to-apply/>

66. Trusthouse Charitable Foundation

Grants are available for small and medium sized local charities and not-for-profit organisations in the UK with a track record of success working to address local issues in communities of extreme urban deprivation or deprived rural areas. Projects will be expected to focus on community support. This could include community transport schemes in **Rural locations** (with a population of fewer than 10,000 inhabitants in a village/town) in England, Scotland and Wales. Applicant organisations' postcodes must be ranked within the most deprived 50% of the Index of Multiple Deprivation. To check the SIMD ranking of your project area, check on the SIMD website map: <https://simd.scot/#/simd2020/BTTTTT/14/-4.7342/56.0089/> and click on the area to see the ranking. The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation is a relative measure of deprivation across 6,976 small areas (called data zones). **If an area is identified as 'deprived', this can relate to people having a low income but it can also mean fewer resources or opportunities.** If the area has a ranking of under 3,488 it should be eligible to apply. Support can be available from your local Community Development Officer contact by email, stating your location: Communitydevelopment@argyll-bute.gov.uk

- Small grants are available of £2,000 to £10,000 for one year. (Successful applicants can reapply for a further two years. No further applications can be made after the completion of a third grant.)

The amount requested must not be for more than 50% of the total cost of the project. Grant recipients must be able to start spending the grant within three months of the award being made.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/our-grants>

67. Robertson Trust's Community Spaces Fund

Funding is intended to support the running costs of local community centres, hubs or anchor organisations that are delivering and/or hosting a range of services and activities in places with high levels of deprivation. Examples of eligible work include:

- The running costs of an accessible community hub based in a town with high levels of deprivation. The hub hosts and delivers services for local people, including community meals, family activities, a youth group and drop-in sessions with partner organisations such as the Citizens Advice Bureau and local employability service.
- The running costs of a village hall in a rural community where there are no other community facilities. The hall hosts a range of groups and services, such as a parent and toddler group, a food pantry, and warm space, and provides access to IT facilities.

Grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 per year for up to three years are available to registered charities working in Scotland. Organisations should demonstrate the various services they deliver and/or host related to preventing or reducing poverty and trauma for local people.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/community-spaces-grants/>

68. Royal Countryside Fund – Supporting Rural Communities

The UK-wide Supporting Rural Communities grant programme launched 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. The aim is to support innovative solutions that will “power up, not prop up” communities, inspiring change and encouraging economic vibrancy.

Organisations can apply for grants of up to £25,000 over a period of 24 months to deliver activities along the themes of:

- **Keeping young people in the countryside**
- **Powering up rural communities**
- **Increasing environmental sustainability**
- **Building emergency resilience in rural areas.**

Support will be focused on isolated rural areas where the activity is required due to a lack of alternative services. Projects must be community led and show that they actively listen to, understand and respond to the needs of their local community. The fund is also looking for community organisations that demonstrate one or more of the following characteristics:

- **Working towards a long-term vision**
- **Facilitating collaboration/connectedness**
- **Demonstrating innovation.**

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.royalcountrysidefund.org.uk/how-we-help/rural-communities/supporting-rural-communities-uk/>

69. National Lottery Awards for All - Scotland

The National Lottery Awards for All programme is a partnership between The National Lottery Community Fund Scotland, Sportscotland and Creative Scotland.

- For arts and sports projects, applications can be made for up to £10,000 supporting projects for up to 12 months.
- For community-led projects (that are not primarily arts or sport focused), applications can be made for up to £20,000 per year supporting projects for up to two years.

Groups can only hold one National Lottery Awards for All grant at a time.

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/national-lottery-awards-for-all-scotland>

70. Cruden Foundation

This fund aims to support charitable projects and activities in Scotland for the benefit of people living there. Funding is intended to support projects with a strong focus on community welfare, medical support and research, the arts, education, and conservation. Most grants are in the £2,500 to £5,000 range, although both smaller and larger grants can also be requested.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://crudenfoundation.org/>

71. UK Community Foundations

Grants for projects in all sectors of the local community. Each foundation has its own character appropriate to the location and grants may be made to a wide range of activities including: health; children and young people; arts and culture; the environment; services. Community foundations can meet all areas of community need, including but not limited to:

- Arts and culture.
- Education.
- Environment.
- Health.
- Community development.
- Children and young people.
- Older people.
- Employment and training.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/>

72. Robertson Trust – Wee Grants

Grants of up to £5,000 are available. Revenue and capital funding for constituted community groups and small charities who support people who are experiencing (or are at high risk of experiencing) poverty and trauma, with an annual income of under £30,000.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/wee-grants/>

73. Argyll Community Housing Association - Community Action Fund

Argyll Community Housing Association Ltd (charity number SC042713) has a small fund from which the Association is in a position to make donations to registered charitable organisations which are worthwhile causes and which have some housing connection or a connection to the Aims & Objectives of the Association. Please note that each group may apply for a maximum amount of £500 in any one year.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.acha.co.uk/services-community-action-fund/>

74. Argyll and Bute Council – Common Good Funds

Grants are available for constituted voluntary and charitable organisations to support projects and activities that benefit the residents of Oban, Campbeltown, Rothesay, and Dunoon. Funding can be used for one-off projects and activities that benefit the residents.

Deadline: Various

<https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/council-tax-and-benefits/benefits-and-grants/common-good-funds>

75. National Lottery Community Fund - The UK Fund

Grants of £500,000 to £5 million are available to not-for-profit groups for projects which forge connections between communities to create a better-connected society across the UK.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/the-uk-fund>

76. Scotmid Co-op Community Grants

Grants up to £500 are available to local voluntary and community groups and charities for projects that support local communities served by Scotmid stores. In Argyll and Bute the locations are: Oban, Lochgilphead, Helensburgh, Dunoon and Rothesay.

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://scotmid.coop/community-funding/>

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77. Material Focus - Electricals Recycling Fund

Grants up to £100,000 and are available to support recycling, reuse or repair organisations that test creative and practical methods for collecting unwanted electricals within the UK.

Deadline: 14 August 2025

<https://www.materialfocus.org.uk/partnerships-with-material-focus/circular-electrical-fund-form/>

78. Stanley Smith (UK) Horticultural Trust

Grants are available for individuals, organisations and institutions in the UK between few hundred pounds to £15,000. The objectives of the Trust are:

- To promote horticulture.
- To promote the conservation of the physical and natural environment by promoting biological diversity.

- To promote the creation, development, preservation and maintenance of gardens accessible to the public.
- The advancement of horticultural education.

The trust does not maintain a website. For further information on how to obtain this grant locally, please email:

Deadline: 15 August 2025 d.rae@rbge.org.uk

79. Rewilding Britain - Rewilding Innovation Fund

Grants are available to boost locally led land and marine nature recovery projects across Britain. Grants of up to £15,000 are available. This fund aims to foster new and ambitious community rewilding projects, and to remove barriers to rewilding projects within Britain, whether they're at the early planning stages or want to move a project one step wilder. Funding will be awarded to projects with potential for the highest impact for people and nature.

Deadline: 29 August 2025

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

80. Sea-Changers Grant Programme

One-off grants are available to UK-based marine conservation charities and not-for-profit organisations for projects that address specific marine conservation areas. Sea-Changers is the UK charity dedicated to raising money for UK-based marine conservation. Its vision is to create a world where the seas and shores are clean and healthy and marine species are protected. Two levels of funding are available:

- Small Grants programme - up to £500.
- Main Grants programme - between £500 and £2,500.

The Small Grants Programme is currently open. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and reviewed regularly.

The Main Grants programme has two application rounds per year with deadlines of 31 March and 30 September.

The application forms and guidelines are available on the Sea-Changers website.

Deadline: 20 September 2025 <https://www.sea-changers.org.uk/>

81. Patagonia International Environmental Grants

Grants of £10,000 are available to small grassroots activist environmental organisations in the UK and Ireland that are working to protect local habitats and frontline communities through bold, original actions. Patagonia believes that "local battles to protect a specific stand of forest, a stretch of river, an indigenous wild species or a community from a polluting refinery are both effective at building public support and confronting larger, more complicated issues - like climate change, biodiversity loss and environmental justice" and accordingly provides grants for grassroots initiatives in the UK and the Republic of Ireland that are addressing these issues. Patagonia is a privately held American outdoor clothing and gear company that is based in the United States and operates internationally in several different countries, including the UK and Ireland. It offers grants to non-profit grassroots environmental groups in the countries where it works.

Deadline: 30 September 2025 <https://eu.patagonia.com/gb/en/how-we-fund/>

82. International Tree Foundation - UK Community Tree Planting Programme

The UK Community Tree Planting Programme supports projects run by community groups and voluntary organisations that engage communities in planting and caring for native species of trees.

The Programme supports community projects that will:

- Conserve, restore and protect indigenous trees and woodlands, forests, habitats and associated biodiversity.
- Support community engagement in tree planting to promote reforestation and to increase awareness of the importance of trees and forests to environmental and human well-being.
- Encourage social cohesion and inclusion.

Deadline: 12 December 2025 (noon) <https://www.internationaltreefoundation.org/>

83. National Lottery Community Fund - Climate Action Fund - Our Shared Future

Large grants for partnership projects that involve more people in climate action in the UK and to inspire 'bold and exciting change'. The minimum grant is £500,000. It is expected that most grants will be between £1 million and £1.5 million over three to five years. Consideration will also be given to larger or longer-term projects.

Deadline: 17 December 2025

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/climate-action-fund-our-shared-future>

84. The Mushroom Trust

This fund aims to support the creation, enhancement, and upkeep of green spaces throughout Scotland. This includes both the creation of urban spaces, such as public parks, community gardens and allotments, as well as other environmental and conservation projects, such as ancient woodland restoration projects. Grants of between £500 and £10,000 are available. Eligible projects include:

- Formal gardens.

- Public parks and pathways.
- Community gardens, woodlands, orchards, and allotments.
- Cycle ways.
- Woodland restoration.

The Trustees encourage applications for the initial costs for design work in connection with new projects where this has not yet been considered.

Deadline: 31 March 2026 <https://mushroomtrust.com/projects/>

85. Scottish Marine Environmental Enhancement Fund (SMEEF)

Funding is available to enable investment in tangible, effective marine and coastal restoration projects in Scotland, undertaken by organisations across all sectors. The main aim of the Scottish Marine Environmental Enhancement Fund (SMEEF) is to support practical improvements to Scottish marine and coastal ecosystems. Although it is anticipated that most applications for enhancement projects will initially focus on salt marsh, seagrass, sand dunes, native oysters, marine birds and cetaceans; the funder is keen to receive proposals for research to inform a broader range of potential marine and coastal enhancement opportunities across all relevant species and habitats.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://smeef.scot/>

86. Pets Foundation - Preventing Pet Relinquishment Grants

Grants are available for projects which aim to keep pets with their owners and out of rescue, including projects providing emergency pet fostering for people facing crisis, subsidised veterinary care, neutering schemes and pet food banks. Grants of up to £80,000 per year are available. Multi-year funding applications, up to a three-year period, will be considered.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.petsfoundation.co.uk/preventing-pet-relinquishment/>

87. Scottish Forestry Community Fund

Grants are available to voluntary and community organisations, development trusts, social enterprises, charities and local authorities for projects and activities that encourage people to use woods more. The funding aims to encourage and support greater use of woods by people to improve their health, wellbeing and life chances. Applicants will need to provide match funding for projects above £1,000.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.forestry.gov.scot/forests-people/communities/community-fund>

88. Electric Vehicle (EV) Infrastructure Grant for Staff and Fleets

Grants are intended to support Small to Medium Enterprises (SMEs) in the UK with the costs of electric vehicle infrastructure and chargepoints on their business premises.

Deadline: Ongoing
<https://find-government-grants.service.gov.uk/grants/electric-vehicle-infrastructure-grant-for-staff-and-fleets-1>

89. Crofting MOREwoods

The Woodland Trust has funding available for crofters, common grazings, smallholders and communities in the crofting counties, which includes Argyll and Bute. If you are planting 300+ trees as woodland on at least 0.1 hectare, the Trust will contribute to the cost of trees and tree protection. The Trust can also support up to 100m of hedge planting, or more if in combination with woodland planting. (google Crofting MOREwoods for more info – website stops hyperlinks from this document).

Deadline: Ongoing Email crofting@woodlandtrust.org.uk

90. Pets Foundation - Rescue Centre Grants

Grants are available for charities and non-profit organisations in the UK whose main objective is the rescue and rehoming of domestic pets in the UK.

The Pets Foundation provides three grant programmes:

- Rescue Centres – to support organisations whose main activities are the rescue and rehoming of UK pets.
- Pets Assisting People – to support organisations whose main activities are one or more of the following:
 - The provision of temporary or ongoing assistance to ensure pets can remain with their owners, where rehoming takes place only when it is not possible to reunite the pet with their owner.
 - Changing the lives of adults and children through the provision of animal-based activities or practical assistance.
- Preventing Pet Relinquishment – to support projects that aim to keep pets with their owners and out of rescue.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.petsfoundation.co.uk/rescue-centres/>

91. Plug-in Vehicle Grant (PIVG) Scheme

As announced by the Chancellor at the Autumn Budget, £120 million will be provided in 2025-26 to support the purchase of new electric vans via the Plug-in Vehicle Grant and to support the manufacture of wheelchair accessible EVs. The amount of the grant depends on which category the vehicle is in.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/grants-for-plug-in-vehicles>

92. Exchange Market

A pilot funding scheme rewarding arable farmers in the UK for reducing emissions within their supply chains through tailored, verified plans. Farmers can join Exchange Market by having a completed Exchange baseline and a recent Farm Carbon Toolkit assessment. The Soil Association Exchange will then work with applicants to create a verified emissions reduction plan. With annual payments based on verified results, the programme ensures transparency and accountability at every step. Farmers in the scheme can earn up to £60 per tonne of carbon reduced annually, with 50% of payments provided upfront to support their transition.

Deadline: Ongoing (website may be slow to load) <https://www.soilassociationexchange.com/exchangemarket>

93. Esmée Fairbairn Foundation - Grants

The minimum grant size is £30,000 and available to organisations doing legally charitable work in the UK that focuses on the Foundation's funding priorities of improving the natural world, securing a fairer future, and strengthening the bonds in communities in the UK.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://esmeefairbairn.org.uk/applications/>

94. National Lottery Community Fund - Climate Action Fund - Our Shared Future

Grants of £500,000 to £1.5 million over three to five years are available to local not-for-profit groups and partnerships for community-driven projects. They want to reach people who are new to climate action by funding other types of organisations too. And by using people's everyday activities as a starting point for climate action. **There is a plan to close to applications in late 2025.** The final deadline will be announced nearer the time.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/climate-action-fund-our-shared-future>

95. Swire Charitable Trust

Grants are available for UK registered charities working to deliver positive and lasting change to UK society under three programme areas: opportunity, environment and heritage.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.swirecharitabletrust.org.uk/our-funding/>

96. Electric Vehicle Chargepoint and Infrastructure Grant for Landlords

Funding to install electric vehicle chargepoints as a landlord, social housing provider or property factor.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.gov.uk/electric-vehicle-chargepoint-grant-landlords>

GENERAL FUNDING

97. Weir Charitable Trust

Grants are available to small charities or community groups in Scotland for work addressing sport, health, culture, animal welfare, or recreational facilities. The Trust will consider applications for grants of up to £25,000 (ave. grant £3,500).

Deadline: 15 August 2025 <https://weircharitabletrust.com/fund-changes-in-2025/>

98. RS MacDonald Charitable Trust

Funding is available for registered charities in Scotland in the following areas: tackling child abuse and neglect; visual impairment; neurological conditions; medical research; and animal welfare. The Trust's principal areas of interest are:

- Tackling child abuse and neglect.
- Visual impairment.
- Neurological conditions.
- Medical research.
- Animal welfare.

Small grant applications are accepted any time. The closing date for Main Grants (for all themes) is 11:00am on 3 September 2025.

Deadline: Ongoing and 3 September 2025 (11:00 am) <https://www.rsmacdonald.com/our-grants/>

99. Grocers' Charity Grant

One-off grants are available to small UK registered charities for work in the specific areas of: relief of poverty, disability and inclusion, the elderly, health, military, environment and conservation, and the arts and heritage. The Charity provides one-off grants for UK registered charities to support the following areas:

- Relief of poverty.
- Children and young people.
- The elderly.
- Disability.
- Health.
- Military.
- Heritage.
- The arts.
- Environment and conservation.

Deadline: 5 September 2025 <https://grocershall.co.uk/the-charity/apply-for-a-grant>

100. East Kintyre Community Fund

The East Kintyre Community Fund is a Scottish registered charity and distributes of funds, mainly from windfarms, in the East Kintyre area. Grants of between **£200** and **£50,000** are available.

Proposals should address:

- The advancement of community development and sustainability (including rural regeneration).
- The advancement of education.
- The advancement of arts, heritage, culture or science.
- The provision of recreational facilities.
- The advancement of environmental protection or improvement.
- The relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://eastkintyre.org/east-kintyre-community-fund/>

101. De Brye Charitable Trust

Grants are available for charitable organisations that provide care and housing for the aged, orphans and neglected children or aid physically disabled children and the blind. The majority of grants are between £500 and £5,000.

Deadline: Ongoing Enquiries: 01727 869141

102. Rhododendron Trust

Grants are available to UK registered charities who are working for the welfare of the disadvantaged in the UK and overseas as well as some cultural and wildlife projects.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.rhododendron-trust.org.uk/contacting-the-trust>

103. Mickel Fund

Grants of up to £10,000 are available. Funding is available for projects in Scotland that address one or more of the following categories:

- The advancement of education.
- The prevention or relief of poverty.
- The advancement of health and saving of lives.
- The advancement of the arts, heritage, culture and science.
- The advancement of public participation in sports.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.mickelfund.org.uk/>

104. Gordon Fraser Charitable Trust

The Gordon Fraser Charitable Trust offers grants to registered charities active in Great Britain.

The funding is intended to support projects relating to young people, people with disabilities, the environment and the arts.

Grants usually range from £500 to £2,500. However, larger grants may be awarded under exceptional circumstances.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.gfct.org.uk/>

105. National Lottery Awards for All – Scotland

For arts and sports projects, applications can be made for up to £10,000 supporting projects for up to 12 months.

For community-led projects (that are not primarily arts or sport focused), applications can be made for up to £20,000 per year supporting projects for up to two years.

Deadline: Ongoing (link be may slow to load)

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/national-lottery-awards-for-all-scotland>

106. Argyll and Bute Council – Common Good Funds

This fund aims to support charities and voluntary organisations that provide services or facilities that will meet a local need or directly benefit the residents of the following towns:

- Oban.
- Campbeltown.
- Rothesay.
- Dunoon.

Deadline: Various

<https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/council-tax-and-benefits/benefits-and-grants/common-good-funds>

107. MacRobert Trust

Grants are available for UK registered charities with a preference for organisations based in Scotland which have projects that address the themes set out by The MacRobert Trust.

Theme 1: Armed Forces & Good Citizenship

Theme 2: Education & Professional Excellence

Theme 3: Local Community & Other MacRobert Interests

Deadline: Various <https://www.themacroberttrust.org.uk/grants/>

108. Matthew Good Foundation - Grants for Good Fund

A small number of grants are available for local community groups, charities, voluntary groups and social enterprises in the UK for projects that have a positive impact on communities, people, or the environment.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.matthewgoodfoundation.org/amplify-fund-grants-for-good/>

109. The Rozelle Trust

The Trust will generally support smaller charities, especially those working at grass roots and local community level where the funds will be able to make a significant difference. Awards will be made to support a wide range of charitable activities to benefit young people and children, those experiencing poverty, and the disabled.

Deadline: Ongoing <http://www.rozelletrust.org/default.asp>

110. Foundation Scotland

Some of the funds are available on a Scotland-wide basis, and others are aimed at specific geographical areas or themes. You'll find grant size and criteria information on each fund's page, together with any unique criteria. Also, every fund lists a deadline for applications, and there may be more than one round of funding each year. When searching, be sure to note all the key dates in the fund listing.

Deadline: Various <https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding>

HEALTH

111. Trefoil – Organisational Grants

Grants are available for registered charities and other not-for-profit organisations to deliver projects and activities that support children with additional needs across Scotland.

Deadline: 25 August 2025 <https://www.trefoil.org.uk/apply-here>

112. National Lottery Community Fund - Supporting Change: Carers (Scotland)

Grants are available to voluntary and community and public sector organisations in Scotland for projects that will reduce health inequalities for unpaid carers through systems change. Unpaid carers are defined as 'Adults or children who look after a relative, friend or neighbour. They might look after someone due to a disability, illness, mental health condition, addiction or old age'.

Deadline: 28 August 2025 <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/supporting-change-carers>

113. Agnes Hunter Trust

The funding is intended to support disabled people throughout Scotland, providing them with opportunities and enabling them to lead fulfilling lives. This can include specific groups of people, for example those living with mental ill health, cancer, physical and sensory impairments and long-term health conditions, as well as people with learning disabilities, autistic people, and other neurodivergent people.

Autumn/winter round. Applications will open on 7 August 2025 (10:00).

Deadline: 28 August 2025 (17:00)

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

114. Inman Charity

Grants are available for UK registered charities carrying out medical, social welfare or general welfare activities within the UK. Examples of previously awarded organisations categories include: Medical – Research, Social – Hospice, Social - Older People, Social - Deaf and Blind, Social - Disabled and Welfare, Armed Forces, 108. General. Most grants tend to be between £2,000 and £5,000, with an occasional larger grant.

Deadline: 29 August 2025 <http://www.inmancharity.org/>

115. Ulverscroft Foundation

The Foundation provides funding for projects in the UK that benefit visually impaired people. Grants range from around £100 to £500,000. Organisations need not necessarily be a charity and can be a community interest company (CIC) or social group and could include:

- National and local blind and partially sighted societies
- Schools and colleges for visually impaired people
- Sports and social organisations for visually impaired people

Applications from public libraries run by local authorities will be considered if these are additional to the local authority's core service. Volunteer-run libraries may be supported if they are supported in cash or in kind by the local authority.

Deadline: 15 September 2025 <https://www.ulverscroft-foundation.org.uk/>

116. Adamson Trust

Grants for voluntary and community organisations and charities to help with the cost of holidays or respite breaks for disabled children (aged 3 to 17 years) with physical, mental, or emotional impairments. Applications are accepted from individual families and on behalf of groups of children, registered charities and other organisations. Funding is available for the costs associated with holidays and/or respite breaks. The holiday must be taken by the day preceding the child's 18th birthday. There are four closing dates for applications each year.

Applications must be received by:

- 31 March for the May 2025 meeting.
- 30 June for the August 2025 meeting.
- 30 September for the November 2025 meeting.
- 31 December for the February 2026 meeting.

Deadline: 30 September 2025 <https://www.theadamsontrust.co.uk/>

117. Blue Light Wellbeing Fund

The funding is intended to support the physical, mental, and emotional well-being of the entire Blue Light Community - across health, emergency, social care, and armed forces - recognising their vital role in society.

There is particular interest in applications for projects that support individuals across multiple Blue Light services, fostering collaboration and shared learning. Priority will be given to initiatives that include clear, well-developed plans for continuing the work beyond the life of the grant. Grants of up to a maximum of £25,000 are available.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://bluelightcardfoundation.org/about-us/>

118. Gardening With Disabilities Trust

Small grants are available to groups and individuals in the UK who suffer all kinds of chronic disabilities - mental and physical - to help them get gardening again.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.gardeningwithdisabilitiestrust.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

119. Parkinson's UK Physical Activity Grants Programme

Grants are available for activity providers, communities, networks and organisations across the UK to develop new opportunities for people with Parkinson's to become and stay active or help increase their levels of physical activity. Grants of between £500 and £3,000 are available. Applications will be accepted from activity providers, national governing bodies, Parkinson's groups and branches, and sports and healthcare professionals.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.parkinsons.org.uk/information-and-support/grants-physical-activity-providers>

120. RNIB Technology Grants

The funding is intended for UK residents who are registered blind or partially sighted people and who have been refused funding from their local authority for the items they need. The grant will support the cost of any item that is on the RNIB list of approved equipment.

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.rnib.org.uk/living-with-sight-loss/money-and-benefits/benefits-concessions-and-grants/grants-from-rnib/>

121. Anton Jurgens Charitable Trust

Grants are available to UK based charities for projects that support people of all ages who are socially disadvantaged and/or have disabilities.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://ajct.org.uk/en>

122. Vegetarian for Life Grants

Funding is available for charities and charitable organisations supporting older vegetarians and vegans.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://vegetarianforlife.org.uk/resources/grants>

123. Hargreaves Foundation

Grants are available for charities and educational institutions that support those under the age of 18 years, and living with a mental health condition, disability or growing up in poverty through the mediums of sport and education.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.thehargreavesfoundation.org/>

124. The Family Recovery Initiative Fund (FRIF)

One-off grants of up to £5,000 are available to organisations and groups working to support families affected by alcohol and drugs in Scotland.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.sfad.org.uk/communities/fund-for-families>

125. Barchester Healthcare Foundation

Grants are available for small local groups and small local charities to improve the quality of life and combat loneliness in older people as well as adults with a physical or mental disability. Grants for individuals and groups available.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.bhcfoundation.org.uk/apply>

126. Fletchers Foundation

Grants are available to charities and organisations in the UK working to support individuals or families who have suffered life changing circumstances as a result of illness (born with or acquired), severe personal injury, accident or medical negligence.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://fletchersfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-support/>

HOUSING, LAND AND PROPERTY

127. Screwfix Foundation

Grants are available to UK registered charities and not-for-profit organisations for projects that improve, fix, and repair buildings, homes and facilities specifically used by people in need across the UK. Grants of up to £5,000 are available.

Deadline: 10 August 2025 [Screwfix Foundation](#)

128. Leeds Building Society Foundation

The funding is intended to support projects to improve the health, wellbeing and financial literacy of people who are experiencing homelessness. Small Grants of between £250 and £1,000 are available **anywhere in the UK**. Grants may only be used for capital expenditure (that is, to purchase items used to directly help those in need).

Deadline: 11 August 2025 <https://www.leedsbuildingsociety.co.uk/your-society/about-us/foundation/>

129. Help the Homeless Grant Scheme

Grants for capital projects are available to small and medium-sized charities registered in the UK working to assist homeless people to rebuild their lives and return to the community. Funding is targeted at projects to find practical ways to help disadvantaged individuals return to the community through training or residential facility provision, rather than merely providing short term shelter. Grants of up to £5,000 are available.

Deadline: 15 September 2025 <https://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/applying-for-funding/>

130. Scottish Government - Cladding Remediation Programme

Homeowners in Scotland concerned about unsafe cladding can access funding to have their buildings assessed. The programme is committed to ensuring that residential buildings with cladding are assessed to identify whether this presents a fire risk. Following this, work may be needed to eliminate or mitigate these risks depending on their severity ('remediation').

Deadline: 30 September 2025 (EOI) <https://www.mygov.scot/cladding-open-call>

131. Scottish Government - Housing Infrastructure Fund

Grants available to registered social landlords and local authorities in Scotland for the unlocking of sites to provide new affordable housing which aligns with the 'Housing to 2040' strategy.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.gov.scot/policies/more-homes/housing-infrastructure-fund/>

132. National Heritage Memorial Fund

Funding for charities, not-for-profit organisations and public bodies to help with the cost of acquiring historic land, buildings, works of fine and decorative art and other objects of interest which are important to national heritage.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.nhmf.org.uk/funding>

133. Scottish Land Fund

Grants between £5,000 and £1,000,000 are available to organisations in both urban and rural Scotland which are community-led, community-controlled and defined by a geographic area that can demonstrate significant positive impact for the community as a whole. Applicants will have the opportunity to test out and develop their ideas with support from a Scottish Land Fund Adviser.

Deadline: Ongoing (link may be slow to load)

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/scottish-land-fund#section-2>

POVERTY AND COST OF LIVING CRISIS

Supplement created on separate bulletin

To assist you in navigating all the funds on offer we have pulled 25 funding opportunities that have a focus on “Cost of Living or Poverty” to a separate supplement that can be downloaded independently.

Click this link to open the supplement: [Poverty and Cost of Living Supplement August 2025](#)

SPORT FUNDING

134. Sports Facilities Fund

Grants are available for the provision or upgrading of sports facilities in local communities throughout Scotland. Grants of up to 50% of eligible project costs up to a maximum of £200,000 may be awarded. Applicants are advised to contact the facilities team at Sport Scotland and to discuss their project with the relevant local authority and governing body of sport. Guidelines and the online application forms can be found on the Sport Scotland website. Deadlines for submission of Sport Facilities Fund applications are 5pm on the 1st April and 1st September each year.

Deadline: 01 September 2025 <https://sportscotland.org.uk/funding/sport-facilities-fund/>

135. Scottish Mountaineering Trust

Grants are available for organisations and individuals to promote public recreation, knowledge and safe enjoyment of the mountains of Scotland. Funding will not be awarded for expeditions unless they have a clear scientific, educational, or otherwise charitable purpose. Grants cannot be made for the improvement of premises which are not generally available to the mountaineering community. Eligible projects will address the following key themes:

- The provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities.
- The advancement of public participation in sport.
- The advancement of education. (For example, skills training or broader education or research.)
- The saving of lives. (Both saving those in danger and safety of participants.)
- The advancement of arts, heritage, culture, or science. (Including history, traditions, academic disciplines, exploration, and experimentation.)
- The advancement of health. (Both physical and mental health.)

Eligible activities include, but are not limited to:

- Footpath repair and maintenance.
- The promotion of mountaineering education and training particularly aimed at young people.
- Building renovation or maintenance.
- Expeditions where a scientific or otherwise charitable purpose can be demonstrated.
- Publishing books and information about the mountains, mountain activities and people that inform, inspire and educate.
- Providing support to overcome barriers and enable people from all communities and backgrounds to take part in the mountain activities.

Deadline: 19 September 2025 <https://thesmt.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant-new-form-and-guidance/>

136. Rowing Foundation

Grants are available for equipment that will support the participation of young people and disabled people in rowing in the UK. The funding is intended to help organisations and clubs involved in 'on water' elements of the sport of rowing who may be too small to apply for larger sources of funding, such as a National Lottery grant. The foundation also offers funding towards the costs of the refurbishment of boats used by juniors. There are two funding streams:

- Equipment grants of up to £4,000 in any five-year period; this can be comprised of a single grant or smaller grants aggregated over the period. Grants are for up to 50% of the overall project costs.

- Boat refurbishment grants of up to £4,000 for up to 50% of the costs of refurbishments of boats used by juniors.

Deadline: 29 September 2025 <https://therowingfoundation.org.uk/>

137. Children's Alliance

The Children's Alliance is a charity and outreach initiative of Water Babies (the largest baby swim school in the UK).

The objective of the programme is to give essential life skills and build children's confidence and resilience, both physically and emotionally through water-based activities. To be eligible, projects must support children under the age of 18 years to have access to water in the form of swimming lessons, transport to lessons, swimwear and water play equipment. Grants of up to £15,000 are available, but the majority of grants awarded are under £10,000. The Children's Alliance are committed to supporting:

- Free swimming lessons and swim nappies for children who need them.
- Online learning to teach valuable life skills for parents and children.
- Water splash areas to encourage play as well as water confidence and safety.

Deadline: 30 September 2025 <https://childrensalliance.org.uk/our-work/community/>

138. The Primary Club

Grants are available to support sport and recreation for blind and visually impaired people throughout the UK. Recent examples of funded projects include:

- Creating children's tactile audiobooks about three sports stars.
- Supporting children's residential outdoor activity breaks in specialised centres.
- Developing a multi-sensory woodland environment in Cornwall, building on a major investment by RNIB.
- Supporting several tandem cycling clubs to supply, maintain and store their equipment.
- Supporting numerous clubs which offer regular training sessions and competitive matches in cricket, goalball, Showdown, baseball, golf, bowls and other sports.

Deadline: 30 November 2025 <https://www.primaryclub.org/funding/>

139. Sports Charity Scotland

Grants are available to charitable organisations in Scotland who operate within sectors representing children, young people and sport. The funding is intended to provide support which can make a significant difference to the delivery of existing activities that will benefit children and young people, the disabled and disadvantaged in Scotland. Most awards made are between £500 and £5,000.

Deadline: Ongoing (link may be slow to load) <https://sportscharityscotland.com/>

140. Sports Scotland - Transforming Scottish Indoor Tennis Fund

The aim of the fund is to support the creation of indoor tennis facilities in areas of high demand across Scotland, as well as to provide investment in pre-existing facilities. This is part of a wider strategy to create a national community tennis network and generate working partnerships across local communities while increasing participation in tennis clubs across Scotland.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://sportscotland.org.uk/funding/othersources/the-transforming-scottish-indoor-tennis-fund/>

141. RYA Foundation

Grants are available for sailing clubs in the UK to promote participation in boating by those who are disadvantaged by reason of youth, age, infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.rya.org.uk/about-us/charities-foundations/rya-foundation/fund>

142. Boost Charitable Trust

Small grants are available to charities and not-for-profit organisations with a focus on helping disabled and disadvantaged individuals in the UK to participate in sport. Boost has awarded grants across five areas of disadvantage:

- Financial hardship.
- Physical and learning disabilities.
- Mental health.
- Medical research and relief.
- Social exclusion.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.boostct.org/get-involved>

143. SportsAid Award

Assistance for unfunded talented young sportsmen and women (12-18 years old or up to 35 for disability sports) who participate in specific sports and are preparing to compete in major international competition.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.sportsaid.org.uk/faqs>

144. Scotmid Co-op Community Grants

The Community Grant scheme aims to support local communities served by Scotmid and Semichem stores. **In Argyll and Bute, the locations are: Oban, Lochgilphead, Rothesay, Dunoon and Helensburgh.** Grants can be used for one-off investments, purchases or events that address (among other things) active lifestyles - encouraging exercise/fitness/sport. The maximum Community Grant is £500.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://scotmid.coop/community-funding/>

145. Cycling UK - Cycle Access Fund (Scotland)

The Fund aims to remove barriers to cycling for those least likely to have access to a bike. Organisations must be based in Helensburgh & Lomond.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.cyclinguk.org/cycle-access-fund>

YOUNG PEOPLE

146. Scottish Government's CashBack for Communities

The fund will strengthen community wellbeing across Scotland by supporting young people at risk of involvement in antisocial behaviour, offending or reoffending. The funding will provide the opportunities and the tools to support young people to make informed decisions about their future. CashBack for Communities partners will deliver early and effective prevention activities for children and young people aged 10-25. This phase of the fund will focus on:

1. Providing safe spaces and suitable activities for young people to combat boredom, frustration, and isolation, which can contribute to antisocial behaviours.
2. Supporting young people to understand their own value and become positive influences and leaders within their communities.
3. Delivering holistic support for particularly vulnerable young people which includes their family or care environment. Where a young person may have the potential to come into conflict with the law, support will be extended for family and caregivers.
4. Offering support for young people who are already in conflict with the law to reflect on past behaviours and work towards a more positive future.

Funding will open to applications from Thursday 12 June and will provide up to £26 million from April 2026 to end of March 2029.

For more information and to register for information webinars, click [HERE](#)

Deadline: Thursday 7 August 2025 (noon)

147. 7stars Foundation

Grants are available to support young people challenged by abuse and addiction, those who are young carers, and those who are homeless or without a safe place to call home.

- Project grants of up to £2,500 are available.
- Shine Bright grants of up to £1,500 are available.
- Social Impact grants of up to £1,500 are available.

Deadline: 31 August 2025 <https://the7starsfoundation.co.uk/apply>

148. Peter Sell Award

Grants for Scout or Guide groups in the UK to encourage new members and to ensure long term benefits from the award. Eligible organisations must be part of the Scouts or Guides associations. Proposals that encourage people who have no previous engagement with scouting or guiding are encouraged. Applications should demonstrate that the award will have a legacy beyond the initial expenditure of the grant. Awards up to £5,000 are available.

Deadline: 14 September 2025 <https://lesliesellct.org.uk/the-peter-sell-annual-award/>

149. Richard and Siobhán Coward Foundation - Grants for Community Photography

Grants are available to support the provision of participatory projects in the UK which seek to improve the health and wellbeing of children and young people under 25. The use of photography must be a core element of the project. Grants of between £500 and £1,500 are available.

Deadline: 2 April 2026 <https://www.cowardphotography.org/photographic-art-therapy>

150. Sofronie Foundation

Grants are available for charities and not-for-profit organisations across the UK to deliver educational or vocational projects to improve the lives of disadvantaged young people. Funding is for interventions that:

- Increase access to higher education – Educational programmes for young people that raise aspirations, build confidence, and develop skills in preparation for university.

- Increase access to vocational training – Initiatives that provide young people with practical skills or offer opportunities of work experience in preparation for future employment.

Deadline: Ongoing <http://sofronie.org/>

151. Wooden Spoon Charity

Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations that are working in the UK to support the lives of children and young people with a cognitive age under 25 years who are disadvantaged physically, mentally, or socially.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://woodenspoon.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

152. Cash For Kids - Holiday Hunger Grants

Grants are available to charities, voluntary and community groups to provide food and activities for disadvantaged children and young people during the school holidays. No minimum or maximum values are stated, but awards are usually between £1,000 and £3,000.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://cashforkids.org.uk/grants>

153. Ernest Cook Trust - Outdoor Essentials Grant

Grants are available to UK state funded primary and secondary schools to enable them to get their pupils learning outdoors. The current round of funding offers grants for the following options:

- Nature and Nurture – school grounds improvements.
- Transport and Travel – transport costs to outdoor learning venues.
- Wellies and Waterproofs – outdoor clothing.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://ernestcooktrust.org.uk/what-we-do/everything-outdoors/outdoor-essentials-grant/>

154. Loch Lomond & the Trossachs National Park – Engagement Travel Grants

Grants of up to £250 are available for schools and groups working with disadvantaged people across Scotland to cover transport costs for educational trips to Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park. There is no deadline and applications can be made at any time. Guidance notes and an application form are available from the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park website.

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/park-authority/how-we-can-help/outdoor-learning/education-travel-grant/>

155. Kellogg's School Breakfast Club Grants Programme

Kellogg's, is accepting applications for the Breakfast Club Grants Programme. Grants of up to £1,000 are available to schools across the UK to help fund breakfast clubs aimed at pupils between reception class and year 13 to ensure that those who need it most receive a morning meal. Only one grant per school in each academic year is available.

Deadline: Ongoing (link may be slow to load)

https://www.kelloggs.co.uk/en_GB/our-story/feeding-people-in-need/support-for-school-breakfast-clubs/grants-for-schools.html

156. National Lottery Community Fund - Fairer Life Chances (Scotland)

Grants are available to voluntary and community and public sector organisations in Scotland for projects that support children, young people and families, or help people to be healthier and have better access to support, with a focus on those experiencing poverty, discrimination and disadvantage. The Fund is intended for projects working to achieve the following objectives:

- Children, young people and families thrive.
- People have better relationships, connections, and physical or mental health.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/fairer-life-chances#section-3>

157. Hargreaves Foundation

Grants are available for charities and educational institutions that support those under the age of 18 years, and living with a mental health condition, disability or growing up in poverty through the mediums of sport and education. The Foundation aims to distribute a total of around £2 million in grants per year. There is no minimum or maximum grant size.

The following organisations can apply:

- Registered Charities or Charitable Incorporated Organisations.
- Schools and Further Education Colleges (usually exempt charities).
- NHS Trusts.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.thehargreavesfoundation.org/>

158. Trefoil – Lillias Finlay Holiday Fund

Trefoil offers holiday grants to children and families who meet the development needs criteria.

Applicants for holiday grants should be under eighteen years old and living in Scotland. Trefoil only funds holidays in the UK and does not support overseas trips.

Applications for holiday grants are open and considered all year. Please apply at least 12 weeks before your holiday. Your applications should be supported by two references.

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.trefoil.org.uk/apply-here>

[More Information Here](#)

159. Leslie Sell Charitable Trust

Grants for trips or projects associated with the Scouts or Guides movement within the UK. Please note the Trustees are unable to consider applications for trips or events submitted **within four months** of your proposed departure or event date due to processing times.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://lesliesellct.org.uk/>

160. National Lottery Community Fund - Young Start Fund

Grants of between £20,001 and £100,000 for up to three years are available to voluntary and community organisations in Scotland for work that helps young people (aged 8 to 24) to become more confident and play an active part in realising their potential.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/young-start>

161. Foux Foundation

Grants are available for registered charities across the United Kingdom and Ireland (and worldwide) to deliver a variety of projects and activities that address health, education, youth opportunity, and the relief of poverty.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.fouxfoundation.org.uk/>

TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

162. Rees Jeffreys Road Fund

Grants are available for the education of transport professionals, improvement of the roadside environment and research into all aspects of roads, road usage and road traffic.

Deadline: 3 October 2025 <https://reesjeffreys.co.uk/>

163. Scottish Government - Heavy Goods Vehicle Market Readiness Fund: SME Fleet Analysis Support

Grants are available to help SME and micro HGV fleets in Scotland assess decarbonisation options through funded fleet reviews, with findings shared with the haulier and Transport Scotland, as part of the Heavy Goods Vehicle Market Readiness Fund programme.

Deadline: 9 December 2025

<https://www.transport.gov.scot/our-approach/environment/heavy-goods-vehicle-market-readiness-fund/#78669>

164. Robertson Trust – Transport Grants

The new-look Transport Grants offer increased funding of between £5K-20K per year for 1-3 years. For registered charities working in Scotland. Currently **only** accepting applications for Transport Grants for work which addresses our themes of Financial Security, Education Pathways or Work Pathways, or which are focused on removing transport barriers for people and places with higher rates or risks of experiencing poverty and trauma, to ensure they can participate in and connect with their communities. This is in recognition that a lack of access to affordable, reliable transport can impact the ability to participate in society and thrive.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/transport-grants/>

165. Bus Operator Accessible Information Regulations Support Grant

Small operators of local bus services in Great Britain can apply for grant funding to increase the provision of onboard audible and visible information, in order to comply with the requirements of the Public Service Vehicles (Accessible Information) Regulations 2023.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://rtig.org.uk/aig/apply>

166. Paths for All – Ian Findlay Path Fund

Grants are available for charities, community groups, other third-sector organisations and National Park Authorities for projects that improve path networks and promote walking, wheeling, and cycling across Scotland. Funding of between

£10,000 - £100,000 is available, with 30% match funding required. If you are at an early stage of your project, the funder can offer up to 100% of design costs.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.pathsforall.org.uk/ian-findlay-path-fund>

167. Energy Saving Trust – Plugged in Communities Grant Fund

Grants are available for community transport organisations across Scotland to cover the costs of purchasing or leasing a zero-emission vehicle.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/grants-and-loans/plugged-communities-grant-fund/>

DIGITAL INCLUSION

168. WCIT – IT4Good Grant Programme

Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations across the UK to deliver IT projects and activities that support the themes of education, inclusion, IT for charities, and understanding of IT. Grants of up to £15,000 are available.

This fund aims to support IT projects and activities that relate to one or more of the following priority areas:

- Education.
- Inclusion.
- Tech for charities.
- Public understanding of Technology.

Deadline: 18 August 2025 (5pm) <https://wcitcharity.org.uk/>

169. SafeDeposits Scotland – Community Fund

Grants are available for organisations across Scotland to deliver projects and activities that enhance local communities by addressing issues such as sustainability, the environment, employability, and social and **digital inclusion**. Grants of up to £5,000 are available.

Deadline: 29 August 2025 <https://communityfund.safedepositsscotland.com/>

170. The Different Foundation - AI for All

The funding is intended to promote access and opportunity for members of underrepresented and diverse communities in AI innovation. It supports organisations committed to diversity in technology. The current focus is addressing digital bias, elevating diverse voices, and developing AI that works for everyone. The programme offers:

- One-off grants of up to £2,500.
- Four hours of specialised mentorship with respected leaders in AI. This mentorship provides practical guidance to enhance impact, improve programme delivery, and strengthen organisational capabilities.

Applications open August 1st.

Deadline: 30 September 2025 <https://www.thedifferent.foundation/ai-for-all>

171. Fat Beehive Foundation

Grants of up to £2,500 are available to small UK registered charities to help them improve their digital presence. The funding is intended to support the creation of websites or digital products that enable small charities to carry out their work in a more efficient and effective way, resulting in positive social benefit.

Deadline: 30 September 2025 <https://www.fatbeehivefoundation.org.uk/how-to-apply/>

172. The Access Foundation

Grants are available to registered charities, CICs, educational establishments and CIOs for projects that mitigate the digital divide by making computing facilities, support and/or learning available to disadvantaged and vulnerable people.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://theaccessgroupfoundation.com/apply/>

173. The Family Recovery Initiative Fund (FRIF)

Grants are available to organisations and groups working to support families affected by alcohol and drugs in Scotland. One-off grants of up to £5,000 are available. Projects funded through the FRIF have included Digital Inclusion.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.sfad.org.uk/communities/fund-for-families>

174. Clothworkers' Foundation

The Foundation aims to use its funding to improve the quality of life for people and communities that face disadvantage and marginalisation. Funding is available for capital costs, including: digital/audio visual equipment.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.clothworkersfoundation.org.uk/>

175. Robertson Trust - Wee Grants

Grants are available for small charities and community groups in Scotland carrying out charitable work in local communities to address poverty and trauma – and support for digital access. Projects might include ESOL classes, digital skills, and support for people looking for work.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/wee-grants/>

176. HIE Digital Specialist Advice Grant

HIE Digital Specialist Advice Grant offers up to £5,000 to allow you to access expert consultancy to help with feasibility studies or action plans that drive innovation, efficiency, and growth using advanced digital technologies - such as artificial intelligence, robotics, and cyber security.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://www.hie.co.uk/support/browse-all-support-services/digitalspecialistadvicegrant/>

177. Digital Technology Adoption Grant

HIE Digital and Technology Adoption Capital Grant will support you with funding to implement advanced digital technologies - such as augmented reality, robotics, IoT, and cyber security - to drive transformation, boost efficiency, and reduce emissions. Applicants are encouraged to have a digital action plan or feasibility study in place before applying.

Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.hie.co.uk/support/browse-all-support-services/hie-digital-and-technology-adoption-capital-grant/>

SCHOOLS

178. Scottish Government - Entrepreneurial Education Fund

The funding is intended to foster entrepreneurial competence across a range of educational levels. It is also intended to strengthen collaboration between education and the economy through innovative learning opportunities.

Projects are encouraged that embed entrepreneurial activity in early years to secondary education and vocational programmes in the following areas:

- Age 3 to 18 entrepreneurial education programmes (equivalent to SCQF Levels 1-7).
- Vocational programmes (equivalent to SCQF Levels 7-8), focusing on practical and real-world training.

The fund will support projects from £10,000 to £250,000.

Deadline: 20 August 2025 (12:00)

<https://www.gov.scot/publications/entrepreneurial-education-pathways-fund-form-and-guidance/>

179. Scottish Library and Information Council - School Library Improvement Fund

Funding is available to support creative and innovative projects within the school library sector. Projects should support one of the following funding priorities:

- Cross Curricular working and developing employability skills.
- Delivering Digital literacy and exploring digital creativity.
- Cluster working and Family Learning.

There is no minimum or maximum amount for applications. Projects must be completed within 12 months.

Deadline: 27 August 2025 <https://scottishlibraries.org/the-school-library-improvement-fund/>

180. Music for All - Community Project Funding

Grants are available to UK-based community groups, including schools that aim to bring musical projects to their local communities. Grants are at the discretion of the funders and values vary from round to round.

Deadline: 24 September 2025 (noon) <https://www.musicforall.org.uk/>

181. Scottish Book Trust – Live Literature Programme

The Live Literature Programme is provided by the Scottish Book Trust. The Trust offers funding to schools, libraries, community groups and not-for-profit organisations based in Scotland to deliver literature events or author visits in their local community. The Programme will cover the £115 of the author's fee plus all author expenses within set guidelines.

Deadline: 26 September 2025

<https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/writing-and-authors/live-literature/apply-now-part-funded>

182. Children's Alliance

The objective of the programme is to give essential life skills and build children's confidence and resilience, both physically and emotionally through water-based activities. To be eligible, projects must support children under the age of 18 years to have access to water in the form of swimming lessons, transport to lessons, swimwear and water play equipment.

Deadline: during September 2025 <https://childrensalliance.org.uk/our-work/community/>

183. Hugo Burge Foundation - Creative Grants

The funding is intended to support creativity across the UK.

- Creative Education: Supporting projects that provide young people (ages 0-29) with opportunities to engage in creative activities. This includes funding for workshops in schools, field trips to cultural sites, and the purchase of materials for student engagement.

Grants can be used to support a wide range of activities including individual projects, community arts festivals and cultural fairs, workshops in schools and field trips to arts or cultural sites.

Deadline: 30 September 2025 <https://www.hugoburgefoundation.org/grants>

184. Henry Smith Foundation - Holiday Grants for Children

Grants are available for schools to provide access to one-off recreational trips or holidays for groups of children aged 13 years and younger who experience disadvantage or disability. Priority is given to fun and new experiences, such as camping, adventure activities, or visits to the seaside. **The application window is open for trips taking place from 1 September to 31 December 2025.**

Deadline: 19 November 2025 <https://henrysmith.foundation/grants/holiday-grants/>

185. Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants

Kellogg's is awarding grants of £1,000 to school Breakfast Clubs, to help them provide breakfast to those children who need it most. Eligible breakfast clubs must be based in a school in England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland and aimed at pupils between reception class and year 13.

Deadline: Ongoing (link may be slow to load)

https://www.kelloggs.co.uk/en_GB/our-story/feeding-people-in-need/support-for-school-breakfast-clubs/grants-for-schools.html

186. Inspiring Scotland - Bright Start Breakfasts Fund

Grants are available to primary schools, local authorities, third sector organisations and childcare providers in Scotland to expand and set up breakfast clubs for primary school children in Scotland. Grants are expected to be between £8,000 and £12,000, depending on the location and needs of the community and school.

The Fund will run from August 2025 to June 2026.

Deadline: Ongoing <https://inspiringscotland.org.uk/fund/bright-start-breakfasts/>