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FINDING GRANTS FOR YOUR GROUPS NEEDS - GRANTnet

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 Community Funding Toolkit here



<u>Support funding for council services</u>: The council is encouraging communities to join its campaigning for fair funding for council services, as it forecasts one of the most challenging budget positions in recent years.

To give your backing for funding for council services in Argyll and Bute please fill in our form.



Free Trees for Schools & Community Groups (UK)

- Schools, clubs and community groups across the UK can now apply for free tree packs from the Woodland Trust to encourage nature recovery and community wellbeing.
- Eligible applicants include schools, sports clubs, faith groups, Scouts and Guides, local councils and residents' associations, with packs of 15, 30, 105 or 420 saplings available for delivery in March 2026.
- Trees are UK- and Ireland-sourced, and guidance on planting and aftercare is provided, though sapling protection is not included.
- Applicants must secure landowner permission and provide a six -digit grid reference of the planting site.
- The funding is being made available through the Woodland Trust's Free Trees for Schools & Community Groups programme. Applications are expected to close in January 2026.

Funding to Improve Local Green Spaces (Scotland)

- Through the Volunteering Matters Action Earth Grants programme, funded by the National Lottery Community Fund and NatureScot, grants of up to £250 are available to volunteer groups for environmental projects that improve local green spaces in Scotland.
- Projects must involve practical outdoor activity by volunteers and make environmental improvements to urban green spaces. This could include creating or improving community gardens, shared spaces, wildflower meadows, ponds, community woodlands, and other wildlife habitats.
- A minimum of 15 volunteers must be involved in the project, each giving at least 5 hours of volunteering time.

Deadline: Ongoing - Projects must be completed by 28th February 2026.

Scottish Government's Community and Renewable Energy Scheme (CARES)

Grants are available for community groups in Scotland at the early stages of their community-owned energy or shared ownership journey. Local Energy Scotland administers the Scottish Government's Community and Renewable Energy Scheme (CARES). Local Energy Scotland provides free impartial advice and support for community groups, rural businesses, social enterprises and other stakeholders to advance local energy projects. Grants of up to £30,000 to cover up to 100% of eligible costs are available. Scottish constituted non-profit distributing organisations can apply.

Examples of support for early-stage capacity building activities include:

- Funding for events.
- Community consultations.
- Community energy plans or action plans.
- Renewable energy option appraisals.
- Initial legal advice.
- Support for part-time or temporary staff or a development officer to take your project forward.

Deadline: 28 February 2026 CARES Development Fund · Local Energy Scotland

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 Argyll and Bute - Worrying about Money? (link my be slow to load) or scan the QR code below



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 CRISIS December 2025 Funding Bulletin.pdf

ARTS AND CULTURE

1. Hinrichsen Foundation

Funding is available to support organisations and individuals undertaking projects to promote music, particularly contemporary music, in the UK. There are two levels of funding available:

One-off small grants typically between £500 and £3,000.

Multi-year partnerships (only accepted in the May funding round).

Deadline: 19 December 2025 Welcome to the Hinrichsen Foundation - Hinrichsen Foundation

2. Look Aside Films - Short Film Fund

Discretionary funding is available for new and established filmmakers from any country to support short film projects taking place in the UK.

Deadline: 21 December 2025 Short Film Fund - Look Aside

Look Aside Films Fund - FilmFreeway

3. BBC Radio and Music Indie Development Fund

Funding of up to £25,000 is available to UK-based independent production companies to support their growth through expert mentorship and strategic guidance, with a focus on the Nations and Regions.

Deadline: 22 December 2025 BBC Radio & Music Indie Development Fund

4. BBC Small Indie Fund

Discretionary funding is available to small UK independent production companies with turnovers under £10 million to support their TV and digital work, with a particular focus on diverse-led businesses and those based in the Nations and English regions.

Deadline: 22 December 2025 The Small Indie Fund

5. Bobby Anspach Studios Foundation - Grant Programme

Grants are available to visual artists worldwide creating works that foster human connection and climate consciousness. Grants are intended to support visual artists with projects that engage with one or more of the following areas: Environmental Consciousness and Climate Awareness - works addressing climate change, sustainability, and humanity's relationship with nature.

Human Connection and Empathy - art that fosters compassion, dialogue, and shared experience.

Transformative and Consciousness-Raising Practices - projects that shift perspectives, deepen awareness, or inspire reflection.

The following grants are available:

• Two Major Grants of \$50,000 each.

• Three Emerging Artist Grants of \$8,000 each.

Deadline: 30 December 2025 Bobby Anspach Grants Programme

6. 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 <u>Turtleton Charitable Trust website</u>

7. The Moth Poetry Prize

This global prize offers awards for a single unpublished poem.

Prizes: 1st €6,000.

Three runner-up prizes of €1,000.

Eight prizes of €250 for commended poems.

Deadline: 31 December 2025 The Moth Magazine

8. Foundation Scotland - Gateway Exchange Fund

Grants to benefit people in Scotland to challenge an individual's sense of worth and identity through creative solutions. The Gateway Exchange Fund was created to continue the work of the original Gateway Exchange: a centre in Edinburgh which in the 1980s offered help and support to those returning to the community from prisons and mental health institutions or recovering from drug addiction. The current Gateway Exchange Fund continues the original premise through the use of the arts and creative self-expression, plus through building a strong and connected sense of community. Grants up to £5,000 are available.

9. National Events Programme (Scotland)

Support is available towards cultural and sporting events, designed to showcase specific towns and regions across Scotland, outside of the key metropolitan areas of Glasgow and Edinburgh. Awards of between £5,000 and £25,000 are available to events which can demonstrate alignment with key impact areas identified in the national events strategy, Scotland the Perfect Stage. These events will have delivery budgets in excess of £20,000 and attract more than 1,000 in-person attendees, whilst showcasing Scotland's key event and tourism assets.

Deadline: 14 January 2026 EventScotland National Events Programme | VisitScotland Business Support

10. Craft Pottery Charitable Trust - Ceramic Art: Grants to Artists

Small grants are available to studio ceramic artists in the UK to support their professional practice, research, and the development of new work. Grants of up to £1,500 are available.

Deadline: 15 January 2026 Apply for a Grant | Craft Potters Association

11. Art Fund - Student Opportunities

Grants are available to harness the talent of university students to help realise a project at a museum or gallery in the UK. Grants of up to £10,000 are available. Art Fund will consider 100% funding towards the costs associated with paying students for their time to help cultural organisations deliver projects.

Deadline: 16 January 2026 Student opportunities - Get funding - Art Fund

12. Fidelio Charitable Trust

Grant funding of up to £5,000 available to help individuals (over 21 years) 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.

Deadline: 16 January 2026 Fidelio - Applications for grants in support of the Arts | Fidelio Charitable Trust

13. Business Catalyst (Large) Grants

Grants of up to £7,000 available to jewellers, silversmiths and allied industry practitioners in the UK to help them grow their business.

Deadline: 01 February 2026

£7,000 grants for UK based jewellers, silversmiths and small businesses - The Goldsmiths' Centre

14. Scotland - Visual Artist and Craft Maker Awards (VACMA)

Visual artists and crafts makers in Scotland can apply for funding through small grants. The Visual Artist and Craft Maker Awards (VACMA) are a programme of small grants schemes delivered in partnership with local authorities and art organisations across Scotland. The schemes are managed locally by these partners. VACMA is offering fixed bursaries of £500 and £1,000:

The £500 Early-Career Bursary is for artists and makers who have graduated within the past three years, or those who can demonstrate experience of the public presentation of their work within the same timeframe.

The £1,000 Bursary is for artists and makers who can demonstrate more than three years' experience of the public presentation of their work.

Creative Scotland is working with partners across Scotland to deliver the scheme across 24 local authorities, including Argyll and Bute.

Deadline: 03 February 2026 (17:00hrs) Visual Artist and Craft Maker Awards | Creative Scotland

15. Theo Moorman Trust for Weavers

The Trust provides biennial grants to support weavers in further developing their craft through equipment, sabbaticals, or creative projects. The objective is to enable creative freedom, craft development, and the advancement of hand-weaving as an art form. Grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available.

Deadline: 05 February 2026 how to apply — Theo Moorman Trust for Weavers

16. Youth Music NextGen Fund

Grants are available to young creatives in the UK to help them take a step forward to participating in and changing the music industries. Grants of up to £3,000 are available. Applications will be accepted from 18-25 year old creatives (under-30s who identify as d/Deaf, neurodivergent or Disabled) in the UK who lack the finance to develop their creative project or idea. The scheme will support the future of the music industries, which may include singers, rappers, songwriters, producers, DJs, A&Rs, managers and agents, right through to roles that have yet to be defined. Round 13 opens on **9 January 2026**. The deadline for applications will be 6 February 2026.

Deadline: 06 February 2026 Youth Music Funding Nextgen-fund

17. 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 Association for Industrial Archaeology website

18. Music for All - Community Project Funding

Discretionary grants are available to UK-based community groups that aim to bring musical projects to their local communities. In the current round, support will be available in the following distinct areas:

Groups working with those facing chronic diseases and conditions affecting quality of life

Groups working with those facing financial hardship

Youth clubs and comparable organisations

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Deadline: 31 March 2026 Music for All | Music Charity in the UK | Music Funding & Grants

19. 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 Paul Hamlyn Foundation - Arts-based Learning Fund website

20. 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 Creative Scotland – Open Fund for Individuals website

21. 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 National Lottery Open Fund for Organisations website

22. 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 Awards for Young Musicians website

23. 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 BFI National Lottery Audience Projects Fund website

24. 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 Creative Scotland – National Lottery Open Fund for Organisations website

BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE

25. Business Catalyst (Large) Grants

Grants are intended to support jewellers, silversmiths and allied industry practitioners in the UK to grow their business, develop their skills and expand their business knowledge. Grants of up to £7,000 available.

Deadline:01 February 2026

£7,000 grants for UK based jewellers, silversmiths and small businesses - The Goldsmiths' Centre

26. Argyll and Bute - Empty Business Property Grant

Grants are available to bring empty properties back into productive use in Argyll and Bute. The funding supports property owners and tenants in Argyll and Bute with the costs of refurbishing or repurposing empty business premises to bring them back into use.

27. SWEF Business Grants

Grants are available for young entrepreneurs across the UK, aged between 18 and 30, to start or grow a new business. The following levels of funding are available:

- Start-up grants of up to £500 for pre-revenue businesses or businesses turning over less than £500 per month.
- Business grants of up to £2,000 for businesses turning over more than £500 per month that have been trading for less than two years.

Deadline: Ongoing SWEF Business Grants for 18 - 30 Year Olds in the South West

28. 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 Startup Mull website

29. 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

Deadline: Ongoing MMC Venture Capital website

30. Pentech Ventures

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 Pentech Ventures website

31. 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 Highlands and Islands Enterprise - Green Grant Fund website

32. 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)

Oban Business Improvement District Frontage Grant Scheme website

33. 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 Access to Work website

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34. 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)** Kaleidoscope Investments website

35. 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) Foundation Scotland - Social Investment Fund website

36. 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 Growth Impact Fund website

37. Redundancy Payments - Financial Assistance

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

Deadline: Ongoing Redundancy Payments - Financial Assistance website

38. 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 Scottish Community Alliance - Community Learning Exchange Fund website

39. 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. **Deadline: Ongoing LaunchMe website**

40. 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 The Prospectory - Idea Fund website

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

41. Serving Families: On the Move Programme

Grants are available for one-year projects within the UK that are aimed at improving the quality of life for newly relocated service families impacted by relocation due to service life. Grants of between £5,000 and £50,000 in total are available towards a project being delivered over a period of up to 12 months.

Deadline: 17 December 2025

Serving Families: On the Move programme 2025-26: Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust

42. 1001 Critical Days Foundation – Charity Grants

Grants are available to UK registered charities delivering frontline work which supports babies during the first 1001 critical days – from pregnancy to the age of two. The funding is intended for projects demonstrating measurable impact on improving outcomes for babies, and those that deliver integrated services through family hubs and other 'one-stop shop' models across the UK. Most grants awarded will fall between £20,000 and £80,000 per year, typically for three to five years.

43. 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.

Deadline: 31 December 2025 The Adamson Trust - Disabled childrens holiday charity

44. Baily Thomas Charitable Fund

Grants are available to voluntary organisations, charities and schools in the UK to assist with the care and relief of children, young people and adults with learning disabilities in the UK. The Charity operates the following grant schemes: **Small Grants**: from £250 up to £9,000.

General Grants: over £9.000.

Deadline: 31 December 2025 Welcome to Baily Thomas Charitable Fund | Baily Thomas Charitable Fund

45. Challenger Children's Fund

Small grants are available to help meet the needs of physically disabled children (under the age of 18) in Scotland. The aim of the scheme is to meet the special needs of children in Scotland who have long-term, significant disabilities by offering funding for anything that would not otherwise be provided by statutory sources. £750 available.

Deadline: 02 January 2026 Challenger Children's Fund

46. Trefoil – Organisational Grants

Discretionary 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: 13 February 2026 Applications — Trefoil

47. 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 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: 01 March 2026 Kelly Family Charitable Trust - Home

48. Happy Days Children's Charity

Funding for families with children aged 3-17 who are disabled, have a special need or have been abused. The Happy Days Charity is a national children's charity dedicated to providing holidays, days out, and theatre trips for disadvantaged young people with special needs. The Charity supports families with children aged 3-17 who have learning difficulties, physical or mental disabilities, acute, chronic or life limiting illnesses, been abused or neglected, witnessed domestic violence, been bereaved or act as carers for a parent or a sibling.

Deadline: Ongoing Happy Days Children's Charity UK - Apply for Funding

49. 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: Mother and Baby Unit Family Fund website

50. 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 Aberlour Urgent Assistance Fund website

51. 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) True Colours Trust - UK Small Grants website

52. 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 Family Fund Trust website

53. 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 Family Recovery Initiative Fund

54. 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 Buttle UK - Chances for Children

55. 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 Variety Club - Equipment Grants

56. 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 Percy Bilton Charity - Grants for Organisations website

57. 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 Tesco Stronger Starts Grants

58. 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

COMMUNITY WELLBEING FUNDING

59. 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 W.G. Edwards Charitable Foundation website

60. Thomas Wall Trust - Grants for Registered Charities

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for UK registered charities for specific projects that improves communication skills for disadvantaged adults and supports NEET people into employment.

Deadline: 22 December 2025 Thomas Wall Trust | Thomas Wall Trust

61. Future Woodlands Scotland - Urban Forestry Challenge Fund

Grants are available to community groups, local authorities, not-for-profit organisations, charities and schools in Scotland for planting, forestry management and educational projects that will address the need for more trees and green spaces in Scotland's urban areas.

Deadline: 23 January 2026 Urban Forestry Programme | Future Woodlands Scotland

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.

Deadline: 31 January 2026 Carraig Gheal Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund website

63. 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: 30 March 2026 An Suidhe Wind Farm Community Fund | Foundation Scotland

64. 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 Anton Jurgens Charitable Trust website

65. 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 Pub is the Hub website

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

67. 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 <u>SIMD website map</u> 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 <u>Trusthouse Charitable Foundation website</u>

68. 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 Robertson Trust's Community Spaces Fund website

69. 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 Royal Countryside Fund - Supporting Rural Communities website

70. 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 National Lottery Awards for All - Scotland website

71. 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 Cruden Foundation website

72. 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 UK Community Foundations website

73. 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 Robertson Trust - Wee Grants website

74. 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 Argyll Community Housing Association - Community Action Fund website

75. 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 Argyll and Bute Council – Common Good Funds

76. 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 National Lottery Community Fund - The UK Fund website

77. 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 Scotmid Co-op Community Grants website

CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION and ANIMAL WELFARE

78. 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.

79. Scottish Hydro Electric Community Trust

Grants are available to support charities and community projects with the cost of electricity supply connections either to a new property or to upgrade an existing supply. For community projects a grant of routinely between 50% and 75% may be awarded and the benefit to the community will influence the grant.

Deadline: 18 December 2025 Home - Scottish Hydro-Electric Community Trust

80. National Lottery Heritage Fund: Strategic Initiatives – Landscape Connections

Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations to deliver projects and activities that improve protected landscapes across UK and make them more accessible. Grants range from £10,000 to £10 million.

Deadline: 26 February 2026 (noon) Strategic initiatives | The National Lottery Heritage Fund

81. Community and Renewable Energy Scheme (CARES) - Development Fund

Grants are available for community groups in Scotland at the early stages of their community-owned energy or shared ownership journey. Local Energy Scotland administers the Scottish Government's Community and Renewable Energy Scheme (CARES). Local Energy Scotland provides free impartial advice and support for community groups, rural businesses, social enterprises and other stakeholders to advance local energy projects. Grants of up to £30,000 to cover up to 100% of eligible costs are available. Scottish constituted non-profit distributing organisations can apply. Examples of support for early-stage capacity building activities include:

- Funding for events.
- Community consultations.
- Community energy plans or action plans.
- Renewable energy option appraisals.
- Initial legal advice.
- Support for part-time or temporary staff or a development officer to take your project forward.

82. 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 The Mushroom Trust website

83. Sea-Changers Grant Programme UPDATED

One-off grants of up to £2,500 are available to UK-based marine conservation charities and not-for-profit organisations for projects that address specific marine conservation areas. Two levels of funding are available: Small Grants programme - up to £500.

Main Grants programme - between £500 and £2,500.

Deadline: 31 March 2026 Marine Conservation Charity UK | Sea-Changers

84. 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 SMEEF website

85. 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 Pets Foundation website

86. 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 Scottish Forestry Community Fund website

87. 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 Electric Vehicle (EV) Infrastructure Grant website

88. 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. If you are a crofter or smallholder in the Crofting Counties of Scotland, contact the Woodland Trust for help. Email plant@woodlandtrust.org.uk with information about your tree planting plans for next winter. Remember to include your phone number and address.

Deadline: Ongoing Plant Trees on Your Land with MOREwoods - Woodland Trust

89. 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 Pets Foundation - Rescue Centre Grants website

90. 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 Plug-in Vehicle Grant (PIVG) Scheme website

91. 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) Exchange Market website

92. Esmee 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 Esmee Fairbairn Foundation - Grants website

93. 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 Our Shared Future website

94. 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 Swire Charitable Trust website

95. 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 Electric Vehicle Chargepoint and Infrastructure Grant website

GENERAL FUNDING

96. Stafford Trust

The Trust will consider applications for grants from charities registered in the United Kingdom, with preference being given to charitable organisations operating in Scotland

Grants (between £500 and £5,000) have previously been made for projects in the following areas:

Child welfare.

Medical research & support.

Animal welfare.

Services personnel welfare.

Sea rescue.

Community projects.

Overseas support.

Adult welfare.

Deadline: 30 December 2025 Apply for a grant - Stafford Trust

97. Turtleton Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £25,000 are available to registered charities in Scotland for charitable projects in the fields of heritage, the arts and education.

Deadline: 31 December 2025 Turcan Connell | Turtleton Trust Grant Application

98. Weir Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £25,000 are available to small charities or community groups in Scotland for work addressing sport, health, culture, animal welfare, or recreational facilities.

Deadline: 06 February 2026 The Weir Charitable Trust

99. 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)

The Scottish Landfill Communities Fund is an initiative which allows landfill operators to release tax credits to environmental and community groups. The scheme broadly aims to benefit local communities in the vicinity of a landfill site. Grants of between £3,000 and £20,000 are available. Projects must have an overall cost of no more than £40,000.

Deadline: 18 February 2026 SUEZ Communities Fund - Scotland - Grantscape Grantscape

100. 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.

Deadline: Ongoing RS MacDonald Charitable Trust website

101. 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 for the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

.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.

Deadline: Ongoing East Kintyre Community Fund website

102. 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. The Trust does not have a website or an email address.

Deadline: Ongoing Enquiries: 01727 869141

103. 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 Rhododendron Trust website

104. 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 Mickel Fund website

105. 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.

Deadline: Ongoing Gordon Fraser Charitable Trust website

106. 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) National Lottery Awards for All - Scotland website

107. 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 Argyll and Bute Council - Common Good Funds

108. 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 MacRobert Trust website

109. 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 Matthew Good Foundation - Grants for Good Fund

110. 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 The Rozelle Trust website

111. 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 Foundation Scotland website

HEALTH

112. Motability Foundation – Better Access to Wheelchairs and Mobility Aids (Large Grants)

Grants are available for organisations to provide significant volumes of equipment, including at a national level, that help disabled people access wheelchairs and mobility equipment, and additional support such as assessments and maintenance. Grants of up to £1,000,000 available.

Deadline: 15 December 2025

Better Access to Wheelchairs and Mobility Aids (Large Grants) | Organisation grants

113. Motability Foundation – Better Access to Wheelchairs and Mobility Aids (Small Grants)

Grants are available for organisations working on a local or regional level, or supporting smaller numbers of disabled people, to improve and expand access to good quality, affordable wheelchairs and mobility equipment for disabled people. Maximum grant: £ 249,000.

Deadline: 15 December 2025

Better Access to Wheelchairs and Mobility Aids (Small Grants) | Organisation grants

114. Ulverscroft Foundation

The Foundation provides funding for projects in the UK that benefit visually impaired people. Funding is at the discretion of the Trustees. Grants range from around £100 to £500,000.

Deadline: 15 December 2025

<u>Ulverscroft Foundation | Serving the Needs of Visually Impaired People | Homepage</u>

115. Self Management Fund - Self Management for Life

Grants are available to third-sector and community-based groups throughout Scotland for projects that increase the capacity of the people of Scotland to live well with long term conditions. Two levels of funding are available: Small Grants of up to £15,000 for up to one year.

Large Grants of up to £150,000 for up to three years.

Deadline: 19 December 2025 Self Management for Life: Round 3 - Self management

116. Scotland - Improving Access Fund

The Fund aims to advance equality for disabled people by supporting peer-led initiatives that align with the social model of disability. It is intended to enable financial support for disabled households, promote full inclusion and improve mental health outcomes for disabled people. Grants of up to:

£80,000 are available to incorporated groups.

£5,000 for volunteer led activity are available to unincorporated groups.

Deadline: 19 January 2026 Improving Access Fund - Inspiring Scotland

117. Macmillan Care Grants Programme

Grants are available for community organisations across the UK for projects that tackle unfairness in cancer care. Up to £1.5 million is available for this first round, with grants ranging from £50,000 to £150,000.

Deadline: 23 January 2026 Macmillan CARE Grants | Macmillan Cancer Support

118. 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 Blue Light Wellbeing Fund website

119. 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 Gardening With Disabilities Trust website

120. 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 Parkinson's UK Physical Activity Grants Programme website

121. 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 RNIB Technology Grants website

122. 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 Anton Jurgens Charitable Trust website

123. Vegetarian for Life Grants

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

Deadline: Ongoing Vegetarian for Life Grants website

124. 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 Hargreaves Foundation website

125. 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 The Family Recovery Initiative Fund (FRIF) website

126. 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 Barchester Healthcare Foundation website

127. 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 Fletchers Foundation website

HOUSING, LAND AND PROPERTY

128. Help the Homeless Grant Scheme

Grants of up to £5,000 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.

Deadline: 20 December 2025 Applying for Funding — Help the Homeless

129. Scottish Government - Cladding Remediation Programme

Homeowners in Scotland concerned about unsafe cladding can access funding to have their buildings assessed. This offer is open both to individual private owners, local authorities and Registered Social Landlords. Owner(s) will be required to apply through a properly constituted body such as a factor.

Deadline: 31 December 2025 Cladding Remediation Programme: factsheet - gov.scot

130. Historic Environment Scotland - Heritage and Place Fund

Grants are available to support not-for-profit organisations in Scotland to deliver heritage-focused and community-led regeneration schemes of the local historic environment.

Deadline: 16 January 2026 Historic Environment Scotland | Àrainneachd Eachdraidheil Alba

131. Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF) - Project Development Grants for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland

Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland to cover some of the costs of developing and coordinating a building project and taking it towards the start of work on site. Projects must involve: A change of primary use and/or a change of ownership.

An historic building i.e listed, or unlisted but in a conservation area, and/or highly valued by the local community for its historic interest. Up to £40,000 is available for projects in Scotland (up to 50% of the cost of the work)

Deadline: 19 January 2026 AH Fund Scotland website

132. 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 Scottish Government - Housing Infrastructure Fund website

133. 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 National Heritage Memorial Fund website

134. 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 Scotlish Land Fund Adviser.

Deadline: Ongoing (link may be slow to load) Scottish Land Fund website

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 CRISIS December 2025 Funding Bulletin.pdf

SPORT FUNDING

135. Canoe Foundation/Paddle Trust

Grants of up to £10,000 are available for paddling clubs, community groups, charities, parish councils, and Local Authorities across the UK for canoeing, kayaking or stand-up paddleboarding projects for access and environmental related improvements.

Deadline: 17 December 2025 Paddle Trust | Welcome to the Paddle Trust charity

136. Rowing Foundation

Grants are available for equipment that will support the participation of young people and disabled people in rowing in the UK. 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: 12 January 2026 The Rowing Foundation

137. National Events Programme (Scotland)

Support is available towards cultural and sporting events, designed to showcase specific towns and regions across Scotland, outside of the key metropolitan areas of Glasgow and Edinburgh. Awards of between £5,000 and £25,000 are available to events which can demonstrate alignment with key impact areas identified in the national events strategy, Scotland the Perfect Stage. These events will have delivery budgets in excess of £20,000 and attract more than 1,000 in-person attendees, whilst showcasing Scotland's key event and tourism assets.

Deadline: 14 January 2026 EventScotland National Events Programme | VisitScotland Business Support

138. Scottish Mountaineering Trust

Discretionary grants are available for organisations and individuals to promote public recreation, knowledge and safe enjoyment of the mountains of Scotland. The aim of this fund is to support projects that promote public enjoyment and knowledge of the Scotlish mountains via the promotion of mountaineering, hill walking and other associated activities.

Deadline: 30 March 2026 Apply for a grant - SMT

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) Sports Charity Scotland website

140. Sports Scotland - Transforming Scottish Indoor Tennis Fund

The aim of the fund is to support the creation of indoor tennis facilities in area 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 Transforming Scottish Indoor Tennis Fund website

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 RYA Foundation website

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

Deadline: Ongoing Boost Charitable Trust website

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 SportsAid Award website

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 Scotmid Co-op Community Grants website

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 Cycling UK - Cycle Access Fund (Scotland) website

YOUNG PEOPLE

146. National Lottery Community Fund - Young Start Fund

Grants 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: 19 December 2025 (noon) Young Start | The National Lottery Community Fund

147. Educational Opportunity Foundation

Grants are available for UK registered charities to advance educational opportunities for vulnerable or deprived children and young people in the UK. Grants are available between £30,000 to £90,000 (maximum £30,000 per year for multi-year projects). The fund supports work that improves the educational outcomes and life chances of care experienced young people (under the age of 25 and living in the UK).

Grants can be used for projects which:

Improve access to educational opportunity – including support for care experienced young people to attend and engage in mainstream school life; increasing the number of education professionals able to understand their needs; equipping carers to understand the education system and support and advocate for the young people in their care, engaging with trauma-informed support; improving access to out of school support and educational activities.

Improve educational outcomes – including enabling care experienced young people to learn in ways that works for them; supporting a broad range of activities that develop confidence and mental health in order to improve educational outcomes including support for carers to encourage learning and raise aspirations.

Improve life chances – including improving the support for care experienced young people (aged 16–24) to access further education, employment or training opportunities and improving support for them to remain engaged with these opportunities.

Deadline: 14 January 2026 Main Fund - Educational Opportunity Foundation

148. Access Without Limits Grants for Community Organisations

Grants are available for voluntary, community and social enterprise sector organisations to allow them to set up and deliver the Duke of Edinburgh Award to create more opportunities for marginalised young people (14 to 24 years) to access the Award.

Deadline: 31 January 2026 Access Without Limits - Community - The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

149. Weaver's Company Benevolent Fund

Grants are available for UK registered charities and charitable incorporated organisations that can demonstrate impact with ex-offenders, young offenders or young people at risk of offending, either within a local area or nationally. There are two levels of funding:

Small grants of up to £5,000.

Main Grants have no maximum amount.

Grants are normally awarded for one year only; however, in exceptional cases, applications for multi-year funding of up to three years, will be considered.

Deadline: 12 March 2026 Charitable Grants – The Weavers' Company

150. 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 Grants for Community Photography website

151. 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 Sofronie Foundation website

152. 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 Wooden Spoon Charity website

153. 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 Cash For Kids - Holiday Hunger Grants website

154. 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 Ernest Cook Trust - Outdoor Essentials Grant website

155. 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 Engagement Travel Grants website

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 Fairer Life Chances (Scotland) website

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 Hargreaves Foundation website

158. Trefoil – Lilias 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 Holiday Fund website

Lilias Finlay Holiday Fund Flyer

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 Leslie Sell Charitable Trust website

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 Young Start Fund website

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 Foux Foundation website

TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

162. 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 SME Fleet Analysis Support website

163. Motability Foundation - Better Access to Active Travel Experiences and Equipment

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for not-for-profit projects in the UK that improve active travel options for disabled people and have an immediate or a longer-term impact.

Deadline: 15 December 2025 Better Access to Active Travel Experiences and Equipment | Organisation grants

164. Motability Foundation - Support for Travel Training Schemes

The funding aims to increase disabled people's confidence when travelling, by supporting organisations to deliver and grow impactful travel support programmes. Grants of up to £1,000 available.

Deadline: 15 December 2025 Support for Travel Training Schemes | Organisation grants

165. Walk Wheel Cycle Trust - Love Your Network Grant

Grants are available for community groups and organisations for small, community-led projects that benefit people or wildlife on traffic-free sections of the National Cycle Network routes in Scotland. The value of equipment and training requested should not exceed £1,000.

Deadline: 26 February 2026

Love Your Network support for community groups on the National Cycle Network in Scotland - now open to applications - Walk Wheel Cycle Trust

166. Motability Foundation - Expanding Access to Driving Tuition for Disabled People

Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations that provide driving tuition for disabled people within the UK to support the continuation or expansion of existing services and support others to access this provision. Grants of between £50,000 and £1 million are available over a period of up to three years.

167. 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 Robertson Trust - Transport Grants website

168. 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 Bus Operator Accessible Information Regulations Support Grant website

169. 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 Paths for All – Ian Findlay Path Fund website

170. 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 Energy Saving Trust – Plugged in Communities Grant Fund website

DIGITAL INCLUSION

171. Fight for Sight - Digital Inclusion Fund

Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations in the UK to improve access to employment for blind and vision impaired people by driving digital inclusion at crucial points as people start to get themselves work ready and start or develop their careers.

Deadline: 6 January 2026 (noon) Fight for Sight - The Digital Inclusion Fund

172. WCIT – IT4Good Grant Programme

Grants of up to £15,000are 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.

Deadline: 6 February 2026 Home - WCIT Charity

173. 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: 31 March 2026 How to apply - The Fat Beehive Foundation - The Fat Beehive Foundation

174. 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 The Access Foundation website

175. 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 The Family Recovery Initiative Fund (FRIF) website

176. 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 Clothworkers' Foundation website

177. 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 Robertson Trust - Wee Grants website

178. 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 HIE Digital Specialist Advice Grant website

179. 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 Digital Technology Adoption Grant website

SCHOOLS

180. Paul Hamlyn Foundation - Teacher Development Fund

Grants are available to partnerships of arts/cultural organisations and up to ten schools to support delivery of effective arts-based teaching and learning opportunities in the primary classroom. The purpose of the Teacher Development Fund is to support teachers to develop arts-based approaches which create equitable classrooms where all children learn and thrive. It aims to do this through supporting teachers and school leaders to develop the necessary skills, knowledge, confidence and experience. Grants of up to £165,000 are available per application. Projects should last for two academic years.

Deadline: 12 November 2025 Teacher Development Fund website

181. 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 Henry Smith Foundation - Holiday Grants for Children

182. The Primary Club

Grants are available to support sport and recreation for blind and visually impaired people throughout the UK. The funding is intended to support projects that are either innovative (in the sense of enabling support to be provided in new ways, or to a wider community) and/or collaborative (for example enabling schools and other organisations to deliver support together which they could not achieve alone).

Deadline: 30 November 2025 Primary Club website

183. The Classical Association - Major Projects

Funding available for projects that look to support and encourage the study of classical subjects in schools and sixth-form colleges. There are two levels of funding:

Small grants of up to £4,999 will be awarded four times a year.

Large grants of £5.000 and over will be awarded twice a year.

Deadline: 01 December 2025 Classical Association website

184. Baily Thomas Charitable Fund

Grants are available to voluntary organisations, charities and schools in the UK to assist with the care and relief of children, young people and adults with learning disabilities in the UK. The Charity operates the following grant schemes: Small Grants: from £250 up to £9,000.

General Grants: over £9,000.

Normally one-off grants are awarded but exceptionally a new project may be funded over two or three years, subject to satisfactory reports of progress.

Deadline: 01 December 2025 Baily Thomas Fund website

185. The Royal Society - Partnership Grants

Grants are available for partnership projects between a school partner from the UK and a STEM partner from academia or industry for a specific investigative project that increases the appeal of science and engineering to children aged 5 to 18 years across the UK.

Deadline: 02 December 2025 Royal Society website

186. Workplace Charging Scheme for State-funded Education Institutions

Grants for eligible state-funded UK education institutes to provide support towards the costs of the purchase, installation and infrastructure of electric vehicle charge points. Applicant can get 75% off the cost to buy and install chargepoints up to a maximum of:

£2.500 per socket.

40 sockets across all sites (this includes any applications made previously through the Workplace Charging Scheme). Successful applicants will receive a voucher that is valid for 180 days from the date of issue. The installation must be completed within this time.

Deadline: 02 December 2025 Workplace Charging Scheme for state-funded education institutions

187. The Big Bang Competition

An annual competition to reward young people in the UK who have shown outstanding achievements in all areas of science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM). Judging and prizes will be separated into three categories according to the entrant's year group, for the engineering, science and technology streams:

Junior (Years 7 to 9)

1 x winner £500

2 x runner- certificate

Intermediate (Years 10 to 11)

1 x winner £500

2 x runner-up certificate

Senior (Years 12 to 13)

1 x winner £500

2 x runner-up certificate

The winner of each stream will win £1.000.

Competitors in any age category are eligible for this prize. Special awards will also be given at the ceremony.

Deadline: 04 March 2026 The Big Bang website

188. Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts - JJ Charitable Trust Literacy Small Grants Scheme

Grants are available for organisations undertaking charitable projects focusing on literacy teaching for children with learning difficulties, including dyslexia, in the UK. Grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 are available. Groups can apply for a multi-year grant, over a maximum period of three years.

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Deadline: 04 March 2026 The JJ Charitable Trust – The Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts