## Coronavirus Funds

**Week commencing: 03.08.20**

The External Funding Team is available to offer free bid-writing support to any Halton organisation that wishes to bid for emergency funding. Please contact us at funding@halton.gov.uk

### ART FUND'S RESPOND AND REIMAGINE GRANTS

**Deadline:**
There are three funding rounds for these grants: Round 2: Apply by Monday 17th August 2020. Round 3: Apply by Monday 12th October 2020.

**Details:**
UK public museums, galleries, historic houses, libraries and archives can apply for funding to help them respond to immediate challenges connected to the Covid-19 crisis, and to adapt and reimagine ways of working in the future. Through the fund, funding of £10,000-£50,000 is available to support the priority areas of audiences, collections, adaptable digital skills and infrastructure, and supporting the workforce. Funding can be used to provide immediate practical support connected to reopening such as staffing, equipment, training, or planning for future activities, and to provide opportunities for organisations to help them adapt for the future.

**How to apply:**
https://www.artfund.org/supporting-museums/programmes/respond-and-reimagine-grants

### NEW ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND’S CULTURE RECOVERY FUND

**Deadline:**
The closing date for applications for round one is 12 midday on the 21st August 2020 and for round two 12 midday on the 4th September 2020.

**Details:**
Arts Council England has announced that it will open its new Culture Recovery Fund on the 10th August 2020. The fund will make grants of £50,000-£3m to cultural organisations that were financially stable before Covid-19, but are now at imminent risk of failure. The type of organisations that can apply include Cultural organisations (both profit and not for profit); local authorities; universities and public sector bodies based in England.

**How to apply:**
https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/CRFgrants?dm_i=6S7,6Z5U2,W725XH,S38ZX,1#section-2

### INDEPENDENT AGE GRANTS FUND

**Deadline:**
The next funding round will be open from the 27th July 2020 until 9am on the 21st August 2020.

**Details:**
Grants to help smaller charities working with older people hardest hit by the virus. Initially, IA will begin by supporting work with 2 groups of older people, who can too easily miss out:

- **Older people living in particularly complex & challenging situations.** This can include older people that may have no network of family, friends or community to call on; have a disability or long-term health condition; be caring for a dependent adult with learning disabilities, dementia or be facing other circumstances that make it harder to manage at this time.

- **Older people in danger of being out of sight & out of mind.** Independent Age are looking to help organisations connecting with older people who are very isolated & most at risk of missing out on the help available from government or charities that serve a very wide client group. They may be part of an isolated, neglected or very poor community, be facing stigma or discrimination or have needs which make it hard for them to access services, perhaps because they are homeless, live with HIV or are hidden from view in an abusive relationship.

The applicant organisation must be already working with older people in 1 or both of the 2 priority areas above. Charities are able to apply for grants of up to £15,000.

**How to apply:**
https://www.independentage.org/community/grants-fund
**WRAP COVID–19 EMERGENCY SURPLUS FOOD GRANT**

**Deadline:**
The deadline for applications has been 1pm on the 28th August 2020.

**Details:**
Small and micro not for profit food redistributors can apply for grants of between £5,000 and £10,000 to redistribute surplus food from retailers, wholesalers and food manufacturers to vulnerable people and those in need who are affected by the coronavirus. The funding is being made through the available the Waste and Resources Action Programme’s (WRAP) Emergency Surplus Food Grant – Phase 2 and can help with capital and revenue costs such as transporting the surplus food or any increased demand and capacity issues.

**How to apply:**
https://www.wrap.org.uk/content/covid-19-emergency-surplus-food-grant-phase-2

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**COMIC RELIEF CHANGE MAKERS PROGRAMME**

**Deadline:**
The fund will close at 12 noon on the 28th August 2020.

**Details:**
In the wake of the Covid-19, Comic Relief will launch its new funding Change Makers funding programme to support changes in the way which community and voluntary sector organisations work. Funding of £150,000-£600,000 will be available for projects lasting up to 3 to 5 years. The focus will be on work in areas that are of particular interest to Comic Relief. This includes:

- Addressing homelessness;
- Forced migration;
- Early childhood development;
- Gender justice;
- Mental health;

Organisations will be able to apply in one of two categories.

- Small and medium-sized organisations that focus on equalities and are user-led. The organisation must have an annual income of at least £75,000. User-led organisations are considered to be those where the majority of the leadership (i.e. at least half of senior team and trustees) are from the community(ies) the organisation serves.
- Other medium-sized organisations based in the UK. In this case the organisation needs to have a minimum annual income of £250,000.
- Comic Relief will not accept applications from larger organisations with annual income greater than £10m.

Applications can be made by single applicants. Organisations can also apply in partnership, with a lead partner holding the funding. 20% of the available funding is ring-fenced for efforts led by and working with BAME communities.

**How to apply:**
https://www.comicrelief.com/funding/funding-opportunities/change-makers/

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**NEW–COMMON CALL COVID FUND**

**Deadline:**
The deadline for applications is 31st August 2020 (7pm).

**Details:**
There are 25 grants available of between £1,000 and £3,000. Grants are available to support Black-led social enterprises and charities in the UK, so they are able to survive and thrive, even during the coronavirus/COVID-19 crisis. The fund aims to help its grantees:

- Get better informed about their options (moving to new methods of delivery) post coronavirus/COVID-19.
- Develop new enterprising activities and earned income strategies.
- Test the viability of specific propositions.
- Develop clear, implementable action plans for such activity.

**How to apply:**
https://www.commoncall.fund/
**THE FORE’S RAFT TRANSITION FUND**

**Deadline:**  
The closing deadline from successfully registered organisations is 5pm on the 7th September 2020.

**Details:**  
The Fore has launched the 2nd round of their RAFT funding in response to the Covid-19 pandemic to support small charities and social enterprises as they recover and adapt to the post-lockdown world. The Transition Fund will offer grants of up to £15,000 in 2 rounds for organisations with an annual turnover of less than £500,000 to enable them to become more sustainable and refocus on the new needs of their beneficiaries. Those working with marginalised groups and led by people in the community that have found it hard to access funding in the past are encouraged to apply.

**How to apply:**  
https://www.thefore.org/applying-for-funding/

**NEW–LLOYDS BANK FOUNDATION’S COVID RECOVERY FUND**

**Deadline:**  
The closing date for applications is the 11th September 2020.

**Details:**  
Small and medium sized charities with an income of between £25,000 and £1 million a year can now apply for unrestricted grants of £50,000 to support them adapt their organisational, income generation and service delivery models which have been significantly impacted by COVID-19. The focus will be on supporting charities that are helping people overcome complex social issues such as dependency, homelessness and domestic abuse. A total of 140 charities will be supported. In addition to the funding, each successful applicant will have access to a Development Partners to help them adapt to their new operational models.

**How to apply:**  
https://www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/

**THE COLLECTIONS FUND**

**Deadline:**  
Deadlines for each strand in the main text.

**Details:**  
Museums & galleries in the UK can apply for funding for projects that bring art collections closer to people by demonstrating their significance, distinctiveness and power. The Collections Fund will award more than £3.75m through 2 types of grants:

- Collections Innovation and Engagement Grants will award funding of up to £90,000 over 2-3 years. The deadline for expressions of interest is the 14th September 2020;
- funding of up to £250,000 for up to 5 years will be awarded through Collections Strategy and Development Grants, however, organisations are advised to delay contacting the Association until September 2020 when suitable projects will be invited to submit EOI in Spring 2021.

**How to apply:**  
https://www.museumsassociation.org/collections/changes-to-esmee-fairbairn-collections-fund

**STEVE MORGAN FOUNDATION COVID–19 EMERGENCY FUND**

**Deadline:**  
Applications can be made at any time, until the 30th September 2020

**Details:**  
The Steve Morgan Foundation has announced its emergency hardship fund for those affected by the coronavirus in Cheshire, North Wales and Merseyside has been extended until the end of September 2020. Funding of up to £1m per week for twelve weeks is available to charities and not-for-profit organisations to help with the costs of additional emergency services to support people affected by the coronavirus. The Covid-19 Emergency Fund will help those affected by the pandemic and help charities experiencing a loss of fundraising revenue to remain operating.

**How to apply:**  
https://stevemorganfoundation.org.uk/
HEALTH FOUNDATION’S NEW COVID–19 RESEARCH PROGRAMME

Deadline:
Applications can be made at any time until the 30th September 2020.

Details:
Funding of £100,000-£200,000 is available for projects of up to 12 months which seek to understand the impact of Covid-19 on the health and social care system in the UK, and to use this research to inform policy and/or service delivery decisions for the future. The Research Programme is open to suitable qualified and experienced research teams to help understand the impact of the crisis in two areas: how service delivery has changed, and the impact of the virus on health inequalities and the wider effects of health. Applications for projects from multidisciplinary teams combining expertise from a broad range of disciplines, involving patients, the public & people with lived experience are welcome.

How to apply:

NEW–AVIVA COMMUNITY FUND

Deadline:
The closing date for this funding round is the 13th October 2020.

Details:
Small charities and constituted community groups with innovative ideas that benefit their community can apply for funding of up to £50,000 for projects that build more connected, more resilient communities and give people the tools to become more financially independent. In response to the Covid–19 Aviva are temporarily opening up the Fund to projects that will ensure organisations can adapt or maintain critical services and infrastructure in response to the impacts of COVID–19. Projects must still relate to one of Aviva's key funding areas.

How to apply:
https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/start-crowdfunding#criteria

NEW–COVID–19 EQUINE RESCUES EMERGENCY FUND

Deadline:
The deadline for the third round of applications is the 16th October 2020.

Details:
Grants of up to £5,000 are available to help small and medium-sized charitable equine welfare organisations which have experienced unprecedented financial and operational challenges as a result of the coronavirus crisis. The Petplan Charitable Trust has joined together with World Horse Welfare and the National Equine Welfare Council (NEWC) to create a Covid-19 Equine Rescues Emergency Fund to help smaller equine welfare organisations whose primary focus is the rescue and rehoming of equines. Priority will be given to NEWC members and those smaller organisations that have not received emergency funding from other emergency funds. The average grant is expected to be around £2,500-£3,000.

How to apply:

ALLCHURCHES TRUST – HOPE BEYOND

Deadline:
There is no deadline. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until all the funding has been allocated.

Details:
Allchurches Trust offers charitable grants with income derived from the Ecclesiastical Insurance Group, a specialist insurance and financial services group. The aim of the Hope Beyond grants programme is to enable churches & Christian charities to meet changing needs within their communities as the longer-term impact of the COVID-19 crisis becomes clearer. Grants of up to £50,000 are available. Organisations cannot apply for a specific grant amount and instead are asked to provide information on the cost of the project and a high-level budget. Guidance on how to provide a high-level budget is available on the Allchurches website.

How to apply:
https://www.allchurches.co.uk/what-we-fund/hopebeyond/
RESILIENCE AND RECOVERY LOAN FUND

**Deadline:**
Applications can be made at any time.

**Details:**
In response to the coronavirus, Social Investment Business have launched a Resilience and Recovery Loan Fund for social enterprises and charities which have been adversely impacted by the pandemic. The new £25m fund will provide emergency loans of between £100,000 to £500,000 without requiring personal guarantees and charging no interest fees or interest for twelve months. The Fund is intended to provide working capital until normal business can resume for organisations that are facing financial difficulty. Loans could be used to cover delays in trade payments, or for business modification to meet increase in service demand. The initial £25m has been provided by Big Society Capital, with loans backed by the Government's existing Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme.

**How to apply:**
https://www.sibgroup.org.uk/resilience-and-recovery-loan-fund

COMIC RELIEF'S CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS SCHEME

**Deadline:**
Applications can be made at any time.

**Details:**
Charities, voluntary and community organisations, social enterprises and CIC’s which have been negatively impacted by Covid-19 can apply for grants of up to £1,000 to help them rebuild their capacity to meet the needs of their local community. The funding will support projects within their four strategic themes. To be eligible, applicants will need to have an annual income of less than £250,000. The grants can be used for a wide range of activities, such as:

- Developing better organisational governance through training of your trustees;
- Reviewing or updating your policies and procedures to take into account any new ways of working due to the crisis;
- Increasing your understanding of the needs of your beneficiaries both during and after the crisis and developing ways to best support them;
- Increasing your organisational delivery capacity through additional volunteer recruitment, staff training or new equipment to enable your organisation to deliver services in different ways;
- Developing strategies to support your organisation to rebuild moving forward (e.g. fundraising strategies, developing delivery plans, exploring how you can work in different ways etc.)

**How to apply:**
https://www.groundwork.org.uk/national-grants/comic-relief-community-grants/comic-relief-apply-for-capacity-grant/

BAME INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

**Deadline:**
Applications can be made on a rolling basis and will be considered by an independent panel every week with awards made as quickly as possible thereafter.

**Details:**
In response to the coronavirus, the UK Community Foundations is making a £250,000 Infrastructure Fund available for BAME-led infrastructure organisations that can help other BAME-led organisations apply for National Emergency Trust (NET) grants through their local Community Foundations. Grants of £50,000–£20,000 are available to fund work such as for example:

- Awareness-raising via marketing and communications;
- Mentoring/supporting of groups through the local Community Foundation application process;
- Support with monitoring and reporting;
- Provision of micro-grants to enable applications for NET funding through community foundations;
- Building relationships to help community foundations identify and address barriers to funding BAME-led organisations and communities.

**How to apply:**
https://www.ukcommunityfoundations.org/news-article/bame-infra-fund
**UK COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

**Deadline:**
Applications can be made on a rolling basis and will be considered by an independent panel every week with awards made as quickly as possible thereafter.

**Details:**
In response to the coronavirus, the UK Community Foundations is making a £250,000 Infrastructure Fund available for BAME-led infrastructure organisations that can help other BAME-led organisations apply for National Emergency Trust (NET) grants through their local Community Foundations. Grants of £50,000-£20,000 are available to fund work such as the mentoring/supporting of groups; awareness-raising via marketing/communications; support with monitoring and reporting; the provision of micro grants to enable applications for NET funding through community foundations; and to help build relationships to help community foundations identify and address barriers to funding BAME-led organisations and communities.

**How to apply:**
[https://www.ukcommunityfoundations.org/news-article/bame-infra-fund](https://www.ukcommunityfoundations.org/news-article/bame-infra-fund)

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**BRITISH MUSLIM COVID–19 FUND**

**Deadline:**
Applications will remain open for as long as there are funds available.

**Details:**
Grants are available for charities, organisations and voluntary groups in the UK impacted by the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic. Grants of £250 to £5,000 are available. The Fund is split into two programmes: Small grants of £250 to £1,000 and Major grants of £1,000 to £5,000.

**How to apply:**
[https://britishmuslimcovid19fund.co.uk/](https://britishmuslimcovid19fund.co.uk/)

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**SEAFARERS UK COVID–19 EMERGENCY FUND**

**Deadline:**
Applications can be submitted at any time

**Details:**
In response to the COVID-19 pandemic’s impact on merchant seafarers, fishers & their families, Seafarers UK has created a COVID-19 Emergency Fund. The new fund is intended for distribution in 20/21, with 75% allocated to the international merchant seafaring community & 25% to UK coastal fishing fleets. Grants from Seafarers UK are offered to charities and other organisations providing frontline & support services to merchant seafarers, UK fishers and their families.

**How to apply:**
[https://www.seafarers.uk/helping-you/grant-funding/](https://www.seafarers.uk/helping-you/grant-funding/)

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**ROSA COVID SMALL GRANTS**

**Deadline:**
There is no deadline for applications.

**Details:**
Rosa, which is a grant making charity that funds grassroots women’s organisations to help to make the UK a fairer, safer place for women has announced that is making small grants of up to £10,000 available to specialist women’s organisations across the UK. The purpose of this 1st first stage response fund is to provide quick and straightforward grants with very basic eligibility criteria. Rosa particularly welcomes proposals from women’s organisations that:

- Address the critical needs of women and girls that miss out the most, including: marginalised populations, BME women, LGBTQ+ women and girls, women and girls with disabilities, older women, homeless women, survivors of gender violence, women in prison and ex-offenders, and other underserved and disadvantaged groups of women.
- Operate in less economically resilient towns, cities and rural areas within the UK.

**How to apply:**
**THE FOYLE FOUNDATION COVID SMALL GRANTS**

**Deadline:**
Applications can be submitted at any time.

**Details:**
The Foyle Foundation Small Grants Scheme supports smaller, grass-roots and local charities across the UK during the Covid-19 crisis. Organisations which are currently delivering services to the young, vulnerable, elderly, disadvantaged or the general community either directly or through online support can apply for grants of £1,000-£10,000. Funding can be used to cover core costs or essential equipment, to enable ongoing service provision, homeworking, or delivery of online digital services for charities with a turnover of less than £150,000 per annum that can show financial stability and a clear need for their services.

**How to apply:**
http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/how-to-apply/

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**HARGREAVES FOUNDATION**

**Deadline:**
Applications can be submitted at any time and are reviewed on a rolling monthly basis.

**Details:**
Grants are available for charities and educational institutions that support those under the age of 18 years, and living with a mental health problem, physical disability or growing up in poverty through the mediums of sport and education. Funding is at the discretion of the Trustees. The Foundation aims to distribute a total of around £2 million in grants per year.

**How to apply:**
https://www.thehargreavesfoundation.org/

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**THE UK INSURANCE COVID-19 SUPPORT FUND**

**Deadline:**
No deadline specified.

**Details:**
The UK insurance & long-term savings industry has launched a Covid-19 Support Fund to support vulnerable and disadvantaged people affected by the crisis. The Fund aims to raise a total of £100m, with £82.6m already pledged in voluntary donations from firms across the sector. The key aim is to provide immediate relief to charities affected by Covid-19, as well as a longer-term programme of support for people, communities, & issues where there is greatest need, including:

- Community based charities that are under unprecedented strain;
- Charities supporting the most vulnerable – in particular, families and children living in poverty and older people in isolation;
- Initiatives to promote wellbeing and mental health across society.

Of the donations pledged so far, £20m is going to The National Emergencies Trust to help them continue their vital work supporting community-based charities on the frontline tackling the Coronavirus crisis. The Fund is in partnership with the Charities Aid Foundation, and a network of partners, including the National Emergencies Trust. Umbrella charity organisations will be used to distribute funding.

**How to apply:**
https://www.covid19support.org.uk/

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**MUSICIAN UNION CORONAVIRUS HARDSHIP FUND**

**Deadline:**
No deadline specified.

**Details:**
In response to the widespread cancellation of work that has hit our profession as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Musician Union have set up a £1m hardship fund that members with genuine and pressing hardship can apply to. Grants of £200 are available.

**How to apply:**
https://www.musiciansunion.org.uk/hardshipfund
### THE ASDA FOUNDATION COVID–19 CRISIS GRANTS

**Deadline:**
Applications can be submitted at any time via the community champion.

**Details:**
The Asda Foundation support local grass roots organisations which benefit and involve local communities centred around Asda Food Stores. In response to the coronavirus, the Foundation has launched two new emergency Covid-19 grants:

- **Hygiene Grants** which focus on personal hygiene dignity and supporting residents/patients in facilities who are unable to provide their own toiletries. Applications will be accepted from care homes, hospices, hospitals and homeless shelters;
- **Healthy Holiday Grant** which would normally hold summer holiday activities to ensure children have a hot meal.

Grants of up to £500 are available per group, and up to £1,125 per store. Each store has a Community Champion whose role is to support projects. To be eligible to apply for a grant, your group must be one of the following: a Charity; a not for profit company; a Community Interest Company or an unincorporated Club or Association.

**How to apply:**
[https://www.asdafoundation.org/how-to-apply](https://www.asdafoundation.org/how-to-apply)

### ALBERT GUBAY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

**Deadline:**
No deadline specified.

**Details:**
This is an extraordinarily difficult time for many people. The COVID-19 outbreak has led to those already facing disadvantage being put at even greater risk of poverty. We have seen that many charities have adapted or extended their services. In response to Covid-19, the Albert Gubay Charitable Foundation has temporarily changed its priorities. They will ONLY be accepting applications for the costs associated with the delivery of projects that are:

- Either Foodbanks or Crisis Funds focused on the relief of poverty caused by the Covid-19 situation
- Run by registered charities in England, Wales, the Isle of Man and the Republic of Ireland
- Entirely for beneficiaries in the above four jurisdictions.

**How to apply:**
In order to enquire about a grant, please contact enquiries@theagfoundation.org

### TESCO BAGS OF HELP COVID–19 COMMUNITIES FUND

**Deadline:**
Applications can be made at any time

**Details:**
Tesco Bags of Help has launched a new Fund in response to the Coronavirus outbreak. The new short-term fund is open to registered charities, voluntary and community organisations, schools, health bodies, Parish, Town and community councils, social enterprises, local authorities and social housing organisations across the UK. Grants of £500 are available to organisations that support vulnerable groups whose demand for services has been increased or disrupted, or who need to put new services in place. This might include stock for food banks, new home services for the elderly, increasing resources for children’s activities, and help for hospices, homeless charities and women’s refuges. The Fund is set up to support organisation need rather than fund specific projects and expects to make weekly awards.

**How to apply:**
[https://tescobagsofhelp.org.uk/tesco-cv-fund/](https://tescobagsofhelp.org.uk/tesco-cv-fund/)
# LCR CARES COVID-19 COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUND

**Deadline:**
The fund will be rolling and decisions made on a weekly basis.

**Details:**
As a result of the impact of the Coronavirus outbreak, particularly for those most vulnerable people within our communities, Metro Mayor in partnership with the Community Foundation for Merseyside has launched the LCR Cares COVID-19 Community Support Fund to support community and voluntary organisations on the frontline. Phase 1 - Funding will be initially awarded under the following priorities:

- Foodbanks/Food/care package delivery to vulnerable people self-isolating;
- Delivery of services and projects supporting the most vulnerable, such as older people e.g. a telephone support/friendship service or delivering online activities to help reduce isolation;
- Emotional and mental health wellbeing;
- Financial Inclusion, support to access benefits and debt advice.

These priorities will be reviewed regularly and changed/additions made as fundraising and the outbreak develops. *Who can apply?* Voluntary, community and faith organisations, registered charities, social businesses, churches, PTAs and parish/town councils. We also welcome applications from newly established groups though please note the requirements below on documentation required. *How much is available?* Grants of up to £5,000 will be available initially. This may change in further phases of the fund. If you receive a grant, we can accept subsequent applications to further phases of the fund or when additional funding is received though please note we will have to take into account previous grants to ensure we are able to support as many community organisations as possible.

**How to apply:**

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# THE COMMUNITY JUSTICE FUND

**Deadline:**
No deadlines specified.

**Details:**
The Community Justice Fund has been formed by a partnership of key representative umbrella bodies & a group of independent funders to help specialist social welfare legal advice organisations to cope with the immediate impact of COVID-19 epidemic & lay the foundations for longer term renewal. The Fund is made up of contributions from a range of sources, including the government, and it’s envisaged that funding will be awarded in 2 waves. The first wave, which is now open and will run for 6 months, will provide flexible grants to organisations that meet the eligibility criteria & priorities [here](https://www.communityjusticefund.org.uk/). Grants are likely to be between £25,000-£75,000, but could be larger in certain circumstances. The Fund aims to assess applications on a weekly basis & decisions received within 10 days of an application being submitted.

**How to apply:**
[https://www.communityjusticefund.org.uk/](https://www.communityjusticefund.org.uk/)

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# CHILDS CHARITABLE TRUST EMERGENCY FUNDING

**Deadline:**
No deadline specified.

**Details:**
The Childs Charitable trust has introduced an Emergency Funding programme to support charities that are experiencing financial difficulties as a result of the current pandemic. The trust particularly welcomes applications from Christian based organisations.

**How to apply:**
[https://childscharitabletrust.org/emergency-funding/](https://childscharitabletrust.org/emergency-funding/)
THE JOSEPH ROWNTREE CHARITABLE TRUST

**Deadline:**
No deadline specified.

**Details:**
In response to the coronavirus crisis, the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust is making at least £5m available in funding for its second phase of support. The Trust has agreed that during May to December 2020 the funding should be used for a range of purposes:

- Stabilise: contribute to the ability of the organisations, communities and sectors they currently support to survive crises related to the challenges of Covid-19, so that you can continue to make a difference;
- Sustain: contribute to the capacity of current grantees to adapt to the current context, by increasing their financial security, funding unforeseen costs related to adjusting existing programming or adding a new element to their work;
- Challenge: contribute to the costs of new initiatives which seek to challenge or influence responses to and narratives about the crisis through the lenses of rights, peace, climate justice or accountability;
- Envision: contribute to the costs of new initiatives which build support for systemic change in a post-Covid society, in line with our work themes and values.

New funding opportunities will include:

- emergency grants for current grantees who are facing immediate financial crisis. Criteria for applying these awards is available on request.
- 12-month grant extensions for current grantees with ongoing projects. Your Grants Officer will contact you in late May if you are eligible for a grant extension.
- grant increases to enable current grantees to meet costs associated with adapting activities in order to sustain work. Please contact your Grants Officer if you would like to request an increase of this sort.
- a Covid-19 Initiatives Fund will be launched over the summer which is open to grantees and non-grantees to support new initiatives which build support for systemic change. Full details will be published on the website.

**How to apply:**
https://www.jrct.org.uk/new-funding-opportunities

YOUTH MUSIC EMERGENCY FUND

**Deadlines:**
There will be weekly application deadlines for an initial six-week period.

**Details:**
Through this fund we’ll aim to prioritise the people and organisations in the most immediate need, and to make quick decisions and payments. Organisations do not need to have held a Youth Music grant to be eligible for this fund. The Emergency Fund is designed to support organisations facing the following challenges:

- **Cashflow** – organisations are seeing threats to their income, in particular from charged-for services & from contracts. This has significant implications for honouring employment and freelance contracts & core ongoing costs. At the time of writing there is still a lack of clarity about eligibility of government support measures and when any funding might be released.
- **Maintaining services** – there are/will be challenges in continuing to deliver core services through staff or volunteer absence, social distancing measures, increased childcare responsibilities, venues being closed etc.
- **Adapting services** – delivering services in new ways, which can be more expensive, have high set-up costs (e.g. IT infrastructure, buying tech or instruments for tutors and young people) or require new policies or expertise.
- **Children and young people** – the impact of the situation on children and young people’s mental and physical health; the negative implications for some vulnerable children of being out of school; keeping in contact now that the normal music sessions have ceased; engaging young people in new forms of learning; reaching children beyond digital access (e.g. disabled young people; those who don’t have devices or an internet connection).

**How to apply:**
https://network.youthmusic.org.uk/youth-music-launches-emergency-fund
### SUPPORT FOR THE ADOPTION OF PETS GRANT PROGRAMME

**Deadline:**
This is a rolling programme.

**Details:**
They support charities and not-for-profits whose main activity is either: the rescue & rehoming of pets or the provision of temporary support to ensure pets can remain with their owners. What do we fund?: Support Adoption For Pets funds projects which have a direct impact on animal welfare. In light of the current coronavirus situation, we will currently only fund: Vet bills; Boarding costs; Food; Salaries of (non-furloughed) animal care staff; Utilities and consumables. How much do we fund?: Up to £10,000 Or up to 30% of total annual expenditure, whichever is the lower amount. How often can we apply? At least 3 months must lapse between receiving funds and making a new application (under this programme).

**How to apply:**
[https://www.supportadoptionforpets.co.uk/grant-programme/](https://www.supportadoptionforpets.co.uk/grant-programme/)

### ALPKIT FOUNDATION – GRASSROOTS SUPPORT NOW

**Deadline:**
Applications are now open and can be submitted at any time.

**Details:**
The Alpkit Foundation supports projects that champion education, participation, environment, diversity and health. The Foundation are currently prioritising their funds to support projects that demonstrate an immediate impact on those affected by the coronavirus pandemic. Grants of up to £500 are available.

**How to apply:**

### LIVERPOOL FILM OFFICE FILM & TV DEVELOPMENT FUND RESPONSE TO COVID–19

**Deadline:**
Mindful of the financial difficulties faced by many, Film Office staff are promising a responsive and streamlined service via a dedicated online application portal and an indicative 10 working days turnaround for funding decisions.

**Details:**
Liverpool Film Office has stepped up its support for regionally based producers, writers and other creative talent during the coronavirus pandemic by launching a £250,000 single project development pot. The new fund will support a wide range of feature film and TV content, including both scripted and factual programming, with development awards of £2,500-£25,000. It is open to established and start-up production companies based in and around Liverpool as well as to out-of-region producers looking to co-produce or collaborate with Liverpool-based talent. Priority will be given to diverse, high quality projects that commit to spending a significant proportion of their development budget within the local creative sector, and that have the greatest potential to move quickly into production in the city region once the market returns. The Film Office will actively support producers to leverage its funding in their discussions with broadcasters, commissioning platforms and other market partners.

**How to apply:**
[https://www.liverpoolfilmoffice.tv/development-fund/](https://www.liverpoolfilmoffice.tv/development-fund/)

### THE WILL CHARITABLE TRUST

**Deadline:**
No deadlines specified.

**Details:**
The Will Charitable Trust is currently focusing on providing grants of up to £5,000 to charities in urgent financial need that have previously received support, so that they can concentrate on their response to the difficulties caused by the Coronavirus pandemic. Further funds will be made available next month for potentially larger awards.

**How to apply:**
SPORT ENGLAND ACTIVE TOGETHER PROGRAMME

Deadline:
No deadline specified.

Details:
Sport England has committed another £1m to combating the impact of coronavirus by match funding money raised by sports clubs and community activity groups through the fundraising platform Crowdfunder. Through the ‘Active Together’ partnership with Crowdfunder Sport England are matching crowd funds of up to £10,000 raised by clubs and organisations hit by the coronavirus crisis. They'll then need to set their crowdfunding target and put in place incentives and rewards. Once 25% of the crowdfunding is met, Sport England will confirm the match funding – up to £10,000 – and can distribute the money within seven days of being raised.

How to apply:

MORRISONS FOUNDATION COVID–19 HOMELESS SUPPORT FUND

Deadline:
Applications can be made at any time.

Details:
The Morrisons Foundation Trust is making £500,000 available through the Homeless Support Fund to support charities caring for the homeless during the COVID-19 outbreak and ensure help gets to those who need it most. The funding is for homeless people who are particularly vulnerable to COVID-19 because they are more likely to have underlying health conditions and are less able to access basic sanitation. For those who are sleeping rough or are in a crowded night shelter, it is impossible to self-isolate and maintain social distance. Awards up to £10,000 are available. However, smaller requests will allow more charities to be supported from the fund.

How to apply:
https://www.morrisonsfoundation.com/latest-news/covid-19/

FASHION AND TEXTILE CHILDREN’S TRUST

Deadline:
No deadline specified.

Details:
Grants are available to help parents and carers who have worked in the UK fashion or textile industry and whose household income has reduced as a result of the coronavirus outbreak. Parents and carers to apply for items their children will need for the year ahead. These can include essential clothing; baby clothing, equipment or bedding; children’s bedroom furniture; essential White Goods; specialist items for children with additional needs, e.g.sensory toys, adaptive clothing or SEN adapted computers

How to apply:
www.ftct.org.uk/support-for-families-affected-by-coronavirus

FUNDING FOR IDEAS THAT ADDRESS THE IMPACTS OF COVID–19

Deadline:
Proposals can be submitted at any time and will be assessed on a rolling basis.

Details:
UK Research and Innovation are inviting proposals from UK businesses for research projects and related data collection of up to 18 months to address the health, social, economic and environmental impacts of the COVID-19 outbreak. The UKRI will support innovative proposals on any topics which gather critical data and resources quickly for future research use and which support the manufacture and/or wide scale adoption of an intervention with significant potential. Funding is for new research projects. In addition, researchers holding existing UKRI standard grants can apply to re-purpose existing funding to address the objectives of this call.

How to apply:
https://www.ukri.org/funding/funding-opportunities/ukri-open-call-for-research-and-innovation-ideas-to-address-covid-19/
### NESTA ARTS & CULTURE IMPACT FUND

**Deadline:**
Applications can be submitted at any time.

**Details:**
The Arts & Culture Impact Fund sets out to achieve several objectives for the arts, cultural and heritage sectors:

- Provide organisations with appropriate and bespoke repayable finance;
- Develop the financial resilience of borrowers;
- Support organisations to better monitor, evaluate and communicate their social impact;
- Attract additional investment into the sector to help organisations thrive;
- Promote the wider positive impact the arts, culture and heritage have on society and support more organisations to benefit individuals and communities through their work.

The Fund offers repayable finance between £150,000-£1m with a repayment term of 1-10 years and interest rates ranging between 3%-8.5%. The following fees apply: 1% completion fee; 2% per annum, pro rata holding fee (minimum holding period is 6 months); & No early repayment fee.

**How to apply:**

### CLINKS COVID-19 RESPONSE FUND

**Deadline:**
Applications will be reviewed weekly, and applicants will be informed of decisions within ten days of their application.

**Details:**
Clinks supports the voluntary sector working in the criminal justice system has launched a Covid-19 Response Fund to assist organisations working in the criminal justice system during the pandemic. Clinks is distributing £275,000 on behalf of Her Majesty's Prison & Probation Service (HMPPS) & the Ministry of Justice in recognition of the continued challenges presented to voluntary organisations at this time. Grants of up to £20,000 are available to organisations with an existing relationship with HMPPS with under £500,000 annual income who are delivering, or have a track record of delivering, services to support people in prison, through-the-gate and in the community.

**How to apply:**