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abrdn Financial Fairness Trust

Grants are available for strategic work, including policy work, campaigning and research, which has the potential to improve financial wellbeing at a national scale in the UK, especially for those on low-to-middle incomes.

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The next deadline for applications is 4 February 2023 (1pm).

Asda Foundation - Empowering Local Communities Grant

Grants are available to community groups in the UK to support a broad range of activities which can contribute towards transforming their community and improving the lives of people in their community. This funding round will also support projects that alleviate impacts of the rise in cost of living.

The closing date for Round 3 applications is 11 November 2022.

Asda Foundation Offers Cost of Living Grant to Local Groups Across the UK

Funding to support local community groups who are facing an increase in their running costs (rent, utilities and food costs) between September 2022 and February 2023.

Asda Foundation's new Cost of Living Grant will provide grants of between £500 and £2,000 for activities taking place before 28 February 2023.

Applications will be accepted by Asda Community Champions the week commencing 19 September 2022 until the budget cap is reached (estimated to be February 2023).

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Aviva Community Fund - Cost of Living Boost (with Crowdfunding)

The £2 million Cost of Living Boost scheme is provided by Aviva plc, a British multinational insurance company headquartered in London, as part of its Aviva Community Fund. Aviva is the largest general insurer and a leading life and pensions provider.

Aviva will match donations pound for pound up to £250 between 4 October and 31 December 2022 or until the entire £2 million is allocated.

British Gas Energy Trust

Grants are available to individuals and families across Great Britain to be used to write off their energy debts.

British Gas Energy Trust is an independent charitable body set up to support individuals and families who are struggling to pay their bills, regardless of energy provider.

Applications can be made at any time until the funding runs out.

COSARAF – Hardship Grants

Grants are available for third party social organisations to support individuals and families across the UK who are in financial need and have exhausted all other sources of funding.

This fund aims to support individuals and families who are struggling with everyday costs, such as basic living expenses, household items and utilities, or rent arrears.

Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they are taking advantage of all support offered by local services, including the referring social organisation.

Family Action - Welfare Grants Programme

Grants to support families and individuals for essential personal and household needs to assist families and individuals with low incomes, particularly those living on benefits.

Family Action aims to support families during times of hardship to enable them to become stronger, happier and healthier.

Applications are accepted any time.

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FareShare Surplus with Purpose Fund

A fund for food businesses in the UK to offset the costs of sending good quality surplus food to good causes, helping the people who need it most.

The FareShare Surplus with Purpose Fund is aimed at offsetting the costs faced by food producing companies seeking to redistribute their edible surplus comestibles to charities and community groups helping vulnerable people.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Friends of the Elderly - Grants for Older People

Small grants are available to support older people living on low incomes in England and Wales with the costs of home essentials, unexpected large bills, living costs and getting connected online.

The funding is intended to support older people who are of, or over, state pension age (66 years) and living on low incomes in England or Wales.

Applications can be made at any time and are dealt with in date order.

Groundwork: One Stop - Community Partnership **NEW FUND**

A partnership programme providing grants to support not-for-profit organisations who are working to tackle food poverty or supporting the elderly within the local community.

Applications can be made at any time.

Henry Smith Charity - Main Grants - Improving Lives

Grants are available for registered charities, social enterprises and constituted charitable groups to help people in the UK when other sources of support have failed, are inappropriate, or are simply not available.

Applications can be submitted at any time. There are no deadlines and applications are assessed as they are received.

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National Lottery Community Fund Outlines Cost-of-Living Support Strategy

The funder has given details on plans for responding to communities in need in the coming months.

In light of the emerging economic crisis, the National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF) has sent out a message to community organisations across the UK working to support beneficiaries during this time, ensuring its commitment to flexible and responsive support.

NPC Launches Funds for Charities Tackling Financial Hardship in the UK

One-off grants for small charities and other not-for-profit organisations that are supporting local communities in the UK who are facing financial hardship over the next six months.

New Philanthropy Capital (NPC) is providing two separate funds in the financial hardship sector, aiming to relieve and reduce financial hardship in the UK.

The deadline for all applications is 16 December 2022 (5pm).

Sport England: Active Together (with Crowdfunding)

Grants are available for not-for-profit community sport and physical activity groups in England who can raise their initial funding through a crowdfunding campaign to support those experiencing financial difficulty due to Covid-19, the emerging energy, cost of living or other local crisis.

The funding is intended to help sport and physical activity organisations to move forward with priority projects and running costs that they might be struggling with due to the pandemic or the cost-of-living crisis or other local crisis situations such as adverse weather.

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Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation

Grants to support registered charities and good causes in local communities across the UK to alleviate poverty, improve health and save lives.

The Charitable Foundation makes donations to registered charities, recommended by members and colleagues, who support beneficiaries such as children, those seriously ill, the elderly, homeless and disabled people in the UK.

Applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis. The deadlines for application each year are: 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December.

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Business & Enterprise

Enterprise Nation Launches Small Business Pitching Competition with Adobe

Through this competition, UK based small businesses can pitch their companies to retail buyers for a chance to receive support and a cash prize.

Small Business Goes Big is a competition for businesspeople to pitch their companies to British retailers for a chance to have their products stocked in high-street outlets.

The deadline to enter the competition is 8 January 2023 (Midnight).



Communities - Urban & Rural Development

Future Communities Fund - Deadline Reminder

Funding to support inclusive communities and youth leadership.

Groups across the UK have two weeks left to apply for a grant from the new funding programme from Co-op Foundation as part of its 2022-27 strategy, 'Building Communities of the Future Together'

Applications must be submitted by 12pm on 23 December 2022.

UK Shared Prosperity Fund

The UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) is part of the Government's Levelling Up agenda. It provides £2.6 billion of new funding for local investment by March 2025. Carlisle has been allocated a funding allocation of £4,104,659.

Funding available for projects in 2022/23

Due to limited funds and the requirement to deliver at pace, Year 1 projects will be targeted at a limited number of specific projects for E1, E4 E8, E12, E16, E17 and E30. **An open call for projects for E6 and E14 is now open.** All other projects will be asked to apply for Years 2 and 3 in early 2023.

The interventions Carlisle have selected for support in 2022/23 are:

- Community and Place
- Supporting Local Businesses

The closing date for submission of applications is Wednesday 21 December 2022 at 5pm.

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Children & Young People

Amazon Literary Partnership Reopens for 2023

Not-for-profit literary organisations throughout can apply for funding to support children and young adults in developing their writing skills.

Amazon Literary Partnership has launched its fourth year of funding to provide grants to literary organisations that develop emerging writers, support diversity, celebrate storytelling, and/or build authors' careers.

The deadline for applications is 31 January 2023.



Digital & Technology

Accelerating Trustworthy AI: IUK Launches Phase 1 Feasibility Study Competition

Funding is available for UK businesses or research and technology organisations forming consortia to deliver feasibility studies in the areas of artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning.

The aim of this Innovate UK (IUK) competition is to accelerate the adoption of trusted and responsible Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) technologies, by reducing bottlenecks during development and deployment of such technologies.

The deadline for applications is 25 January 2023 (11am).



Energy, Environment and Climate

Defra Invites Final Bids for Fisheries Industry Science Partnerships Scheme

Partnerships between the UK seafood sector and research institutes can now apply for funding towards scientific research projects focused on sustainability within the fisheries and seafood sector.

The Fisheries Industry Science Partnerships (FISP) Scheme is part of the Science and Innovation pillar of the £100 million UK Seafood Fund. It will fund scientific research projects that involve partnerships between the UK seafood industry and research institutes.

Interested parties can bid for a contract until 19 January 2023 (12pm).

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IUK Launches Sustainable Bio-based Materials and Manufacture Feasibility Study Competition

UK registered organisations can apply for funding for feasibility studies to develop and improve sustainable biomanufacturing in the UK.

Led by Innovate UK (IUK), this competition aims to develop the design and delivery of new and disruptive sustainable biomanufacturing by 2050. Funded projects will allow businesses and academic researchers to work together and develop more sustainable bio-based products, biotechnology processes and innovations.

The deadline for applications is 1 February 2023 (11am).

Launch of £100m Offshore Coordination Support Scheme

Grants are available for UK businesses working in consortiums to support offshore energy projects to develop coordinated options for offshore transmission infrastructure.

The Offshore Coordination Support Scheme (OCSS) will provide grant payments to enable the development of coordinated options for offshore transmission infrastructure for late-stage projects.

The deadline for applications to be submitted is 28 February 2023 (5pm).



Health & Social Welfare

New Fund Launching for Racial Justice and Mental Health Projects

Funding will support collective care, campaigning and capacity building activities.

Synergi is an England-wide programme of work which focuses on the intersection of racial justice and mental health. As part of the programme, there will be a small grants fund delivered by National Survivor User Network (NSUN).

The fund will open on 4 January 2023 and close on 29 January 2023.

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Sports, Leisure & Tourism

Get Fishing Fund Reopens for 2023

The Environment Agency and Angling Trust have announced a new round of funding to encourage more people to take up fishing or reignite a passion for fishing.

The Get Fishing Fund has been established to support organisations delivering a programme of angling activities throughout 2023. As a means of encouraging the wellbeing benefits the sport can offer, supported activities should aim to help get more people into fishing and retain them within the sport.

The deadline for applications is Sunday 5 March 2023.



Support & Resources

Launch of HGV Parking and Driver Welfare Grant Scheme

Money Saving Expert (MSE) Charity to Reopen in January 2023

Funding for projects which support people from vulnerable communities to develop money-management and other financial skills.

Funded by Money Saving Expert, the MSE Charity gives grants to not-for-profit organisations that deliver activities which make a lasting impact on how people think, behave and manage their money.

This round is due to open at 9am on 3 January 2023.



Transport, Infrastructure & Communications

Launch of New Transport Research and Innovation Grants (TRIG)

Through this programme, funding is available for SMEs, universities and large businesses in the UK to support technology innovation within the UK's transport sector.

The Transport Research and Innovation Grant (TRIG) supports future leaders in transport innovation by awarding 100% funding for the development of new technology. The programme also provides a collaborative space for innovators to work with the Department for Transport (DfT) on realising shared goals.

The deadline for applications is Sunday 15 January 2023.

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Local Funders and support

- [Active Cumbria](#)
- [Carlisle City Council Grants](#)
- [Carlisle City Council 4 Business](#)
- [Cumbria Business Growth Hub Business Support](#)
- [Cumbria County Council Community Grants](#)
- [Cumbria Community Foundation](#)
- [Cumbria CVS](#)
- [Cumbria Local Enterprise Partnership](#)
- [Cumbria Office of Police and Crime Commissioner](#)
- [Cumbria Waste Management Environment Trust](#)



National Funders

- [Arts Council England](#)
- [Disability Grants](#)
- [Funding Central](#)
- [The National Lottery Heritage Fund](#)
- [Spacehive - Crowdfunding For Local Projects](#)
- [Sport England](#)
- [The National Lottery Community Fund](#)
- [The National Lottery Heritage Fund](#)
- [Turn2us](#)



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