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Closing soon

07/11/22

Hubbub Foundation Offering Grants to Develop Community Food Hubs

09/11/22

New Round of Funding for Entrepreneurs Setting up Rural Firms

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Asda Foundation - Empowering Local Communities Grant

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Asda Foundation - UI8 Better Starts Grants

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Government Launches LRF Innovation Fund to Support Data and Digital Technology

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Castle Studies Trust Accepting Applications for Autumn 2022

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Comic Relief Community Fund for England Announces Next Round

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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.

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.

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

Uber Launches Fund for Black-owned Restaurant Businesses

Uber is delivering financial support to help Black-owned restaurants that are recovering from the pandemic and/or struggling with the energy price hike.

The Uber Black Business Fund aims to help Black-owned businesses in the restaurant industry that are experiencing financial pressures. Evidence shows that Black-owned businesses in particular are facing disproportionate challenges in accessing the finance they need.

Applications will close on Friday 25 November 2022 (11.59pm).



Communities - Urban & Rural Development

Comic Relief Community Fund Reopens to Applications

Funding for organisations and projects which harness lived experience of communities to bring local benefit.

Administered by Groundwork UK, the Comic Relief Community Fund exists to support work across England that aligns with four strategic themes.

The deadline to apply is 30 November 2022.



Children & Young People

Applications Invited for BBC Children in Need's Project Grants

Funding to support activity costs of groups working to support children and young people.

Alongside its new Core Grants programme, BBC Children in Need will also continue to offer funding for defined projects with a focus on children and young people.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

BBC Children in Need Offering Grants for Core Costs

Funding to support essential organisational costs of groups working to support children and young people.

As part of its new grant-making Strategy 2022-25, BBC Children in Need has launched a grants stream for core costs, now accepting applications.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

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Digital & Technology

IUK Announces Competition for Digitalisation and Automation of Medicines R&D and Manufacture

UK organisations can apply for grants to support digitalised and automated technology innovation and implementation for pharmaceutical development and manufacturing.

This Innovate UK (IUK) competition aims to encourage the development and implementation of innovative digital and automated data collection technologies. These technologies should measurably increase the speed and resource efficiency of pharmaceutical process development and manufacturing productivity.

The competition opens on 7 November 2022. The deadline for applications is 21 December 2022.

Upcoming IUK Competition - Innovative Technologies for Nucleic Acid Medicines Manufacturing

UK registered organisations can apply for grants to fund industrial research projects focused on manufacturing innovation for nucleic acid medicines.

This Innovate UK (IUK) competition aims to improve the resource efficiency, productivity and scalability for the manufacture of nucleic acid medicines in the UK. This will be achieved by stimulating the development and implementation of innovative technologies. This must allow for growth at scale including, but not limited to, emerging products targeting large patient populations.

The competition opens on 7 November 2022. The deadline for applications is 21 December 2022 (11am).



Education, Employment & Training

Social Action Fund for Schools Opens 1 November

Grants available to schools in England to support young people to access high quality social action opportunities.

The Ormiston Trust is a grant-giving trust that primarily supports schools and organisations that provide direct assistance to children, young people, and families across England.

The fund will open to applications on 1 November 2022 with a deadline of 16 December 2022.

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Energy, Environment and Climate

New Fund Offers Support for UK Initiatives to Address E-Waste

Virgin Media O2 and Hubbub have launched a £500,000 fund to boost innovation in tackling electronic waste.

Funding is available to UK organisations to support innovative approaches to tackling e-waste, with a focus on small electrical devices.

The deadline for Expressions of Interest is 14 December 2022 (5pm).



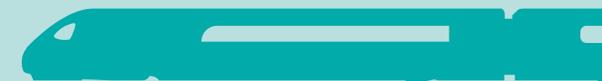
Support & Resources

Armed Forces Families Fund Supporting Partners of Serving Personnel

Funding to find creative ways to reduce the challenges of service life for spouses.

Armed Forces Covenant Trust has partnered with the Ministry of Defence (MOD) to provide the new Supporting Partners: Innovation programme, which is offering one-year grants of £20,000 to £50,000.

The deadline to apply is 5pm on 12 December 2022.



Transport, Infrastructure & Communications

Competition Launched to Improve Rail Passenger Experience at UK Stations

UK organisations from all sectors can access support for innovations that improve passenger experience at railway stations.

The Station Innovation Zone Competition is part of Connected Places Catapult's Station Innovation Zone programme. The programme's vision is to use trials to pave the way towards the 'station of the future'. Connected Places Catapult aims to do this working with innovators to develop solutions that improve a passenger's experience when travelling through stations and that enable more efficient, safer use of rail assets.

The deadline for applications is midnight on Sunday 13 November 2022.

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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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