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Closing soon

09/09/22

**Young Entrepreneurs Invited to
Apply for 2022 Varsity Pitch Competition**

14/09/22

**September Deadline for PRS Foundation's
Open Fund for Music Organisations**

16/09/22

**Bursaries Available for Television
Documentary Ideas by Women**

16/09/22

**National Survivor User Network (NSUN) -
Sustaining Spaces Fund**

16/09/22

**Outdoor Learning Grants for Schools and
Early Years Providers Across Great Britain**

16/09/22

**Sustaining Spaces Fund Accepting
Applications**

21/09/22

New Deadline for Digital Inclusion Grants

25/09/22

**KFC Foundation Launches Autumn
Round of Community Grants Programme**

02/10/22

**Funding to Empower Social Housing
Residents in England**



Arts, Culture & Heritage

**Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust Opens
for Final 2022 Funding Round**

Funding to support BAME communities and individuals involved in the arts.

Registered and exempt charities in the UK can now apply to the fourth round of funding from the Trust, which has focused its grants on the arts throughout 2022.

The deadline to apply is 30 September 2022.

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Business, Enterprise & Regeneration

Applications Invited to Santander X UK Business Awards for Student and Graduate Entrepreneurs

The 2022 edition of a business pitching competition that provides funding awards and mentoring programmes to aspiring entrepreneurs is accepting applications.

Funding awards and mentoring programmes are available to UK student and graduate entrepreneurs to support business start-up or development initiatives.

The deadline for applications is 28 September 2022 (11.59pm).

IUK Announces Ofgem Round 2 Discovery Competitions

Grants are available to help deliver net zero and support innovative businesses to grow and scale in the UK.

Innovate UK (IUK), in partnership with the Office of Gas and Electricity Markets (Ofgem), is delivering the Discovery phase of a programme deriving funding from the Strategic Innovation Fund (SIF).

The deadline for applications is 23 November 2022.

IUK Opens Innovation in Professional and Financial Services Competitions

UK registered businesses can apply for funding for projects that develop new products and services within Professional and Financial Services.

The aim of this Innovate UK (IUK) programme is to advance the Professional and Financial Services sectors by supporting them in the creation and adoption of digital approaches and new digitally supported services.

The deadline for applications is Wednesday 9 November 2022.

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Communities - Urban & Rural Development

British Science Week 2023 Funding for Community Groups

Funding for projects which promote science engagement in under-represented groups.

British Science Week (BSW) is an annual programme of science, technology, engineering, and maths (STEM) events and activities that takes place across the UK in March each year.

The fund will open on 21 September 2022 and close on 7 November 2022.

£110m Fund to Help Level Up England's Rural Communities

The Rural England Prosperity Fund has been announced as a 'top-up' for councils to deliver as part of the UK Government's levelling-up programme.

The UK Government has allocated £110m to the new Rural England Prosperity Fund to help local authorities support businesses such as farms, wedding venues and pubs.

The submissions window for eligible authorities is expected to be 3 October 2022 to 30 November 2022. The UK Government is expected to make decisions on funding in early 2023 and councils should receive their first payments in April 2023.

Prince's Countryside Fund Opens for Autumn 2022 Round

Funding for not-for-profit community-led projects that improve the lives of those living in rural communities in the UK.

The Prince's Countryside Fund is currently accepting applications from constituted, not-for-profit organisations with an income of less than £500,000 for projects that will create a long-term difference in rural communities across the UK.

The deadline for applications is midday on 11 October 2022.

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Children & Young People

7Stars Foundation Accepting Applications for Third Round of Funding in 2022

Funding is available for groups across the UK working with children and young people aged under 16 to address issues such as abuse, addiction, young carers, and homelessness.

The next deadline for applications is 31 October 2022.



Digital & Technology

Mindset Extended Reality (XR) for Digital Mental Health - Competitions Launched by IUK

UK registered businesses and collaborative partners can apply for grants for R&D projects that provide digital mental health therapeutic solutions.

The deadline for applications is 12 October 2022.



Education, Employment & Training

School Partnerships Programme Opens to Applications

Funding for primary and secondary schools to support local clusters and established collaboration partnerships who want to collaborate on projects that enhance the teaching and learning of physics.

The deadline for expressions of interest is 1 February 2023.

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Energy, Environment and Climate

Darwin Initiative Grants for Innovation Open to Applications

Funding available for projects intending to test a novel approach that if proven could scale to deliver results for biodiversity conservation and poverty reduction.

The Darwin Initiative is one of Defra's Biodiversity Challenge Funds, along with Illegal Wildlife Trade Challenge Fund and Darwin Plus. It competitively awards grants for biodiversity conservation and poverty reduction activities in eligible countries, helping these countries meet their commitments under the Multilateral Environment Agreements, Sustainable Development Goals, and national policy.

Applications for Round 29 should be submitted via Flexi-Grant by 7 November 2022.

Darwin Initiative Opens Capability and Capacity Grants

Funding available to develop the capability and capacity of national and local organisations to efficiently deliver effective and successful biodiversity conservation.

Applications for Round 29 should be submitted via Flexi-Grant by 7 November 2022.

Government Invites Bids for £120m Future Nuclear Enabling Fund

Applications for funding to help nuclear energy construction projects in the UK are now open.

The Future Nuclear Enabling Fund (FNEF) has been set up to develop new nuclear energy projects across the UK, as committed to in the Government's British Energy Security Strategy.

The bid window for applications is now open. Interested parties should register their intention to submit an application by 14 October 2022 (3pm).

Water4All European Partnership First Joint Transnational Call Now Open

The first call from the newly established Water4All European co-funded partnership has opened to applications.

The call follows a two-step application procedure, with a closing date for pre-proposals of 31 October 2022 (3pm).

The selection of pre-proposals will take place in January 2023, with full proposals invited to make submissions until the deadline of 20 March 2023.

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Health & Social Welfare

Aviva Launches £2m Cost of Living Boost with Crowdfunder

Grants are available through this match funding scheme to assist local not-for-profit organisations in the UK who are working to help local people in financial need.

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.

The first step is for applicants to set up a crowdfunding campaign on Crowdfunder.

Local Authorities in England Invited to 'Opt In' for Changing Places Toilets Funding

Funding available to help local councils to install life-enhancing Changing Places toilets in public places and tourist attractions in England.

Expressions of interest must be submitted online by the deadline 30 September 2022.

New £3m Fund to Support Racial Justice and Equity in the UK

Funding for wealth redistribution, equitable access and sustainability for Black and Global Majority communities.

Formed in 2020 in response to disproportionate harms experienced in the Black community, the Baobab Foundation has launched its Collective Fund for UK Black and Global Majority individuals and organisations.

The deadline to register interest is 11.59pm on 23 September 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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NB. The above funds have been grouped under themes for ease of reading, but please note that some will fund across several themes.