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Closing soon

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**Funding for Innovators Developing
Products or Services to Benefit People
Living with Dementia**

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**Cultural Bridge Fund Now Accepting
Applications**

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Co-op Community Fridge Fund

30/10/22

**Hubbub Foundation Accepting Applications
for Community Fridges**

31/10/22

**Friends Provident Foundation Launches
Fund to Support a 4-D Economy Across
the UK**

07/11/22

**Hubbub Foundation Offering Grants to
Develop Community Food Hubs**

11/11/22

**Asda Foundation - UI8 Better Starts
Grants**

30/11/22

**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).

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.

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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.

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.

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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.

Little Lives Children's Community Support Programme

Grants are available for smaller UK community organisations that work with children to help them deliver activities and services.

The aim of the programme is to support smaller organisations that work with children and which may be struggling financially as a result of the coronavirus pandemic.

The next deadline for applications is 30 September 2022.

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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Business & Enterprise

Entries Open for 2023 Green Alley Award for Europe's Eco-entrepreneurs

This business competition will support, fund and promote green economy start-up companies and eco-entrepreneurs from across Europe.

The Green Alley Award is a start-up competition focused on the green economy, dealing specifically with the challenges of the throwaway society, the scarcity of resources and the recovery of raw materials. It is targeted at 'green' entrepreneurs from across Europe with business ideas for the circular economy and new ways of improving waste and recycling industries.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 21 November 2022.

NatWest Partners with Black Seed to Support UK Black Entrepreneurs

Support is being provided to help Black entrepreneurs in the UK set up and succeed in business.

NatWest Bank and Black Seed, a venture capital seed fund dedicated to Black founders in the UK, are working together to support over 10,000 Black entrepreneurs to 'fast-track' their businesses.

The deadline to register for free tickets to the start-up weekend in Brixton is 23 October 2022.



Communities - Urban & Rural Development

LGBT+ Consortium Seeking Applications from Small Groups

Funding to support the work of smaller targeted, intersectional voluntary organisations.

With less than a month until the deadline, the LGBT+ Futures: Equity Fund has opened a 'Really Small Grants Programme' to attract smaller grassroots applicants.

The deadline to apply is 30 October 2022.

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Digital & Technology

eBay UK Launches Circular Fashion Innovators Fund

Funding is being offered to help UK-based small firms specialising in pre-loved fashion to access new technology and deliver innovative solutions.

eBay UK has announced a partnership with the British Fashion Council to launch the Circular Fashion Innovators Fund, supporting small businesses specialising in circular fashion solutions.

The deadline for applications to be submitted is 3 November 2022.

Government Launches LRF Innovation Fund to Support Data and Digital Technology

England's Local Resilience Forums (LRFs) can apply now for funding to support projects that embrace future digital trends, and utilise data, technologies, and equipment to improve their ability to prevent, prepare, respond and recover from emergencies.

The Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) is inviting the 38 Local Resilience Forums (LRFs) based in England to submit an expression to the new LRF Innovation Fund.

Expressions of Interest are currently being accepted with a closing date of 11 November 2022.

Round 6 of Local Digital Fund Opens to Bids from England's Councils

The Government is inviting local authorities in England to submit proposals for projects that solve a common local government issue.

The Local Digital Fund aims to help England's councils transform their digital services in line with the Local Digital Declaration.

Applications to Round 6 must be submitted by the deadline of Thursday 24 November 2022

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Energy, Environment and Climate

Launch of the UK Energy Markets Financing Scheme

A loan scheme designed to help UK energy companies and financial markets dealing with the effects of high and volatile energy prices has opened to applications.

The Government has launched a new scheme to address the liquidity requirements faced by energy firms operating in the UK's wholesale gas and electricity markets. The Energy Markets Financing Scheme provides resilience to firms, and the economy, reducing the eventual cost for businesses and consumers.

The deadline for applications is 27 January 2023.

Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme Opens New Phase

A new phase of funding for public sector bodies to fund energy efficiency and heat decarbonisation measures will open to applications on 12 October.

The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) launched the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme to provide grants to public sector bodies to fund energy efficiency and heat decarbonisation measures.

Phase 3b will open to applications on 12 October 2022 at 2pm. The deadline for applications will be the 31 October 2022.

Zero Emission Propulsion - IUK Announces New Collaborative R&D Competition

UK registered businesses can lead applications for funding to carry out net zero propulsion innovative projects.

Forming part of the Future Economy Net Zero programme, this Innovate UK (IUK) competition will focus on net zero propulsion technologies for the transport sector. It supports the Government's drive for zero emission transport and systems as part of the net zero commitment for 2050.

Applications are accepted from 17 October 2022 until 7 December 2022.

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Health & Social Welfare

Deadline approaching for Electrical Safety Fund

Charities, community safety organisations, and other not-for-profit organisations across the United Kingdom have until 23 October to apply for funding to support electrical safety projects and activities.

In response to the cost-of-living crisis and the likelihood of electricity safety being compromised by financial issues, Electrical Safety First is offering grants of up to £5,000 for fire and rescue services, community safety groups, trading standards authorities, and other not-for-profit organisations across the UK to deliver projects addressing electrical safety.

The deadline for applications is 23 October 2022 (midnight).

Grants for Securing a Fairer Future Now Available

Funding to address systemic inequity whilst building the power and capacity of people and organisations.

The Esmée Fairbairn Foundation, one of the largest grant-making institutions in the UK, has reopened its Fairer Future funding stream with revised priorities.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

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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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