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Business Support

Covid 19: Business Discretionary Grant Fund - closing date 15 June 2020

The Local Authority Small Business Discretionary Grant is aimed at small businesses who are not eligible for other government coronavirus grants. Businesses who have applied for the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and the Self-Employed Income Support Scheme are eligible to apply for this scheme.

Dairy Farmers Coronavirus Hardship Response Fund

Eligible English dairy farmers will be able to apply for up to £10,000 to overcome the impact of coronavirus from 18 June.

Forward Advances

A revenue-based finance solution for start-ups and fast-growing businesses in the UK.

Self-Employment Support Scheme Extended and Furlough Scheme Amended

The self-employed will be able to claim a second grant in August, and the furlough scheme will be more flexible, bringing employees back part time in July, with employers contributing to salaries from August.

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Children & Young People

Asda Foundation - COVID-19 Healthy Holiday Grants

Grants are available to support charitable groups that typically would be holding summer holiday activities to ensure vulnerable children are provided with a hot meal.

Hargreaves Foundation

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.

Fund Launched for Infrastructure Organisations Working to Address Youth Unemployment

Key infrastructure organisations in England that can demonstrate their ability to play a pivotal role in responding to rising youth unemployment but have had their finances impacted as a result of the COVID-19 crisis can now apply for grants.

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Community Development

Asda Foundation - COVID-19 Hygiene Grants

Grants are available for care homes, hospices, hospitals and homeless shelters supporting residents/patients in facilities in the UK, who are struggling and unable to provide their own toiletries either through lack of funds or access to family support as a result of the current restrictions.

British Muslim Covid-19 Fund

Grants are available for charities, organisations and voluntary groups in the UK impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic

Coronavirus Community Support Fund

Distributed by The National Lottery Community Fund, the **Coronavirus Community Support Fund** is open for applications. It is expected that this funding will reach frontline organisations within a few weeks.

Fund Launched for Women's Organisations Impacted by COVID-19 Crisis

Specialist women's organisations across the UK can apply for unrestricted funding to deal with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on their work.

Lloyds Bank Foundation's New Funding Approach in Response to COVID-19

The Foundation is making changes to its grant programme, effective immediately.

One-off grants for small local charities carrying out coronavirus/COVID-19 relief measures in support of vulnerable communities across the UK.

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Planning for the next normal in the non-profit sector

Free Webinar - Chief executives and industry leaders share the approaches they are taking to set their organisation on the road to recovery.

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Digital Infrastructure

5G Create Competition

A £30 million 5G competition for consortia of businesses, public and third sectors, including creative industries, designed to level up infrastructure across the UK.

Local Full Fibre Networks (LFFN) Challenge Fund

Capital grant programme available to public sector organisations in the UK to help deliver the fastest and most reliable digital communications network available.

£150,000 Competition for COVID-19 Digital Solutions

A fund has been launched for UK healthcare firms to find new ways of using digital technology to combat coronavirus.



Environment & Energy

Funding Available for Tree-Planting Projects in UK

Schools and community groups can apply for grants for tree planting projects across the UK, preferably taking place during National Tree Week.



Homelessness and Housing

Funding for Housing Related Charities and Projects in UK

Funding to support housing projects working to strengthen local communities and support the most vulnerable.

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Deadline Alert

Comic Relief Seeks LGBTQ+ Led Intermediary Partners – Imminent Deadline

Organisations with the ability, expertise, networks and knowledge to distribute emergency funding quickly to a diverse range of local grassroots organisations across the UK have until Monday 8 June to submit their application for funding.



Local Funders

- Carlisle City Council Grants
- Cumbria County Council Community Grants
- Cumbria Community Foundation
- Cumbria Waste Management Environment Trust
- Cumbria Local Enterprise Partnership



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
- Turn2us

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Further support and resources

Please visit our [Grants and External Funding webpage](#)

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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.