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Closing soon

12 November 2021

Veterans' Foundation Winter Projects

12 November 2021

Ansvar Donations Programme

16 November 2021

Ofwat Water Breakthrough Challenge

21 November 2021

Recovery Loan Fund

22 November 2021

New Industrial Fuel Switching

Competition

26 November 2021

Better Community Business

Network Grant



Arts, Culture & Heritage

Arts Council England Publishes New Guidelines for National Lottery Projects Grants

On 22 November 2021, the National Lottery Project Grants programme will reopen with refreshed eligibility criteria and a new application process, to better align with the delivery of Arts Council England's 2020 to 2030 strategy, Let's Create.

Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

Funding to Host Armed Forces Day Events in 2022

Applications open for funding to host an Armed Forces Day event in June 2022 to show support for the UK's servicemen and women, past and present.

Applications will be accepted from 1 November 2021 until 1 March 2022.



Business, Enterprise & Regeneration

COVID-19 Recovery Loans for UK SMEs Extended to Next Summer

A government-backed loan scheme providing additional finance to COVID-hit businesses has been extended by six months. The Recovery Loan Scheme supports access to finance for UK businesses as they grow and recover from the disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Applications can be made at any time until the scheme closes on 30 June 2022.

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Home Building Fund - Extension of Fund Availability

Businesses that are building homes for sale or rent, or preparing land for homes, can continue to access loans to cover development or infrastructure costs as the scheme is extended by two years.

Support can be accessed at any time.

HSBC Creates £500m Fund to Help SMEs Decarbonise

A new funding initiative is being launched to help small and medium-sized UK businesses reduce their carbon emissions and invest in green projects. HSBC UK has announced a new £500 million Green SME Fund to help businesses transition in a low carbon economy.

The Fund will launch in January 2022, at which point the full eligibility criteria will be made available.

IUK Launches Sustainable Smart Factory Competition

UK registered businesses, collaborating with partner organisations, can apply for a share of up to £20 million for research and development projects for innovations in digital technologies to reduce environmental impact within manufacturing processes.

The deadline for applications is 26 January 2022 (11am).



Communities - Urban & Rural Development

Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust Announce Themes for 2022 Funding

Funding to UK registered charities whose work takes place in the UK and whose work supports those in society who face the greatest challenges and whose opportunities are the most limited.

Round 1 will open on 1 February 2022 and close on 28 February 2022.

Funding to Support Charities Across Great Britain and Ireland

Grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 are available for charities and not-for-profit organisations to support charitable projects in communities across Great Britain and the isle of Ireland.

Letters of Enquiry for 2021 will be accepted from 8 November to 21 November (11pm).

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Education, Employment & Training

Condition Improvement Fund Opens for 2022-23

Capital funding is available for academies, sixth-form colleges and voluntary aided (VA) schools in England to transform facilities, improve school buildings and create more good school places.

Applications must be submitted by the deadline of 16 December 2021.

Funding for Skills Development and Sustainability Projects Across the UK

Ocado Foundation for Good is offering grants of up to £10,000 to charities, charitable companies, and local authorities to support skills and education development and promote sustainability in communities across the UK.

The deadline for applications is 31 December 2021.



Environment, Energy & Climate

New Fund to Support the England Trees Call to Action Plan

Funding available to local authorities or not-for-profit environmental organisations in England to develop strategic partnerships and projects which will help to deliver the England Trees Action Plan.

Expressions of interest will be accepted from 3 November 2021 until the deadline of 16 November 2021 (12noon).

Together for Our Planet Community Fund - Final Reminder

Not-for-profit groups still have time to apply for funding for small-scale community projects in the UK to take action on climate change.

The deadline for applications is 18 November 2021 (5pm).

£10m Fund to Support England's Natural Environment - Second Round Now Open

Organisations seeking investment for nature projects to tackle climate change, create and restore habitats, or improve water quality are being urged to apply for the second and final round of this programme.

The deadline for applications for the second and final round is 3 February 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](#)



Further support and resources

Grants and External Funding - information on grants and external funding news and resources

NB. The above funds have been grouped under themes for ease of reading, but please note that some will fund across several themes.