Arts, Culture & Heritage

Elephant Trust

Grants are available to artists, small organisations and galleries within the UK to make it possible for artists and those presenting their work to undertake and complete projects when frustrated by lack of funds. The next 2021 deadlines are 11 April 2021 and 27 June 2021.

Business & Enterprise

Launch of COVID-19 Recovery Loan Scheme for UK Firms

The Recovery Loan Scheme supports access to finance for UK businesses as they grow and recover from the disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic. The deadline for applications is 31 December 2021.
Communities

Boost Choose Now Change Lives Programme

Grants are intended to support groups delivering projects and activities for the benefit of people in their local communities. This may include:

• Community groups that bring the local community together, whether it be through sport, art, music or just generally providing a place for people to come together.

• Homeless charities that help rough sleepers to find shelter and help provide them with the support they need.

• Food banks that provide food and essential supplies for families or individuals in crisis.

Applications will be accepted from the following: Charities, Community Interest Companies (CICs), Community groups, Lower-tier local authorities, Health authorities, Social housing, Other not-for-profit organisations. Maximum value: £10,000. Application deadline is 23 May 2021.

Funding for Work with Communities Experiencing Racial Inequality in the UK

This fund offers grants of up to £10,000 for work in the UK that relieves the emergency needs of communities facing racial inequality and impacted by the effects of Covid-19.

The deadline for applications is 30 April 2021.

Sustaining Support for Armed Forces Communities Programme

Grants are available for existing charitable projects to provide short-term help to enable activities and services that are important to Armed Forces communities to be able to continue. There will be two funding rounds and organisations can only apply to one round:

• Round 1 application deadline of midday on 4 June 2021 with a decision in September 2021.

• Round 2 application deadline of midday on 9 September 2021 with a decision in November 2021.
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Education & Training

Summer Schools Fund Opens to Help Pupils Prepare for High School

Grants available to secondary schools in England to help support those who have suffered the most disruption to their education as a result of the pandemic. Applicants must complete the online opt in form before the end of April.

Environment and Climate

Biffa Award are currently accepting expressions of interest in their Partnership Grants Scheme

Biffa Award is currently accepting expressions of interest in their Partnership Grants Scheme for both built environment and natural environment themes. In a change from previous years, there will only be one deadline for expressions of interest this year - 1 June 2021, with both themes being considered by the board at the same time.

Friends of the Lake District Landscape Grants

Grants are available to charitable organisations, voluntary and community groups, schools, social enterprises and local councils or conservation agencies for projects and activities/events that focus on protecting, enhancing and experiencing the landscape in Cumbria. Applications can be submitted at any time.

Health & Social Welfare

Funding for Legal Work to Help Asylum Seekers, Refugees and Migrants in UK

A small number of grants to support not-for-profit strategic legal work in the UK which benefits asylum seekers, refugees, and migrants who are experiencing disadvantage or discrimination as a result of their migration status. The deadline for applications to the new funding rounds are 5pm on:

- 4 May 2021.
- 1 July 2021.
- 1 September 2021.
- 2 November 2021.
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**Sports, Leisure & Tourism**

**Canoe Foundation**
Grants are available for clubs, community groups and Local Authorities across the UK for projects that improve the accessibility of available waterways and canoeing facilities and protect the natural environment. The closing date for applications is 31 August 2021.

**Funding scheme extended Carlisle community sports clubs**
A coronavirus funding scheme for Carlisle community sports groups has been extended and is now available for groups planning to reopen later this month. Sports clubs wanting to apply or to find out more about the funding scheme should contact niall.mcnullt@cumbria.gov.uk

**Fund for UK’s Smallest Sports Clubs in Financial Difficulty Due to Open Shortly**
The £4 million Clubs in Crisis Fund aims to support the UK’s smallest sports clubs that are at risk of closing their doors for good due to the impact of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic. Grants of £2,021 will be available to help with core, programme or capital costs. Grassroots sports clubs across the UK can apply for unrestricted grants from 12 April 2021.

**Closing soon**

**Woodward Charitable Trust - Children’s Summer Playscheme Grant**
Grants are available for locally based small-scale registered charities in the UK to support children’s summer playschemes. Deadline for applications is 8 April 2021.

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Launch of the 2021 Deutsche Bank Awards for Creative Entrepreneurs

These awards support young entrepreneurs in the UK who are looking to enter the creative industries and who have a desire to create and sustain social value through their enterprise.

Deadline for applications is 16 April 2021.

My Funding Central

Helping charities and voluntary organisations identify funding opportunities.

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Local Funders

- Active Cumbria
- Carlisle City Council Grants
- Carlisle City Council 4 Business
- Cumbria County Council Community Grants
- Cumbria Community Foundation
- Cumbria Local Enterprise Partnership
- Cumbria Office of Police and Crime Commissioner
- Cumbria Waste Management Environment Trust

National Funders

- Arts Council England
- Disability Grants
- My Funding Central
- 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

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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.