



East Midlands
Funding Forum



E-Bulletin – June 2019

Welcome to the East Midlands Funding Forum e-bulletin, for Fundraisers and Funders, bringing you highlights of the latest funding opportunities and funding related news.

In this edition we have a number of grants available, ranging from for supporting high street development to holiday grants. We have also highlighted two further Funding events, see below for more information.

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Grant Schemes

Arts Council and Julie's Bicycle – Accelerator Programme

Julie's Bicycle
SUSTAINING CREATIVITY



[Arts](#) Council England and Julie's Bicycle have opened applications for the second cohort of their Accelerator Programme, developed to foster enterprise, innovation and future thinking on climate and the [environment](#) across the arts and cultural sector.

From April 2020 to September 2021, successful organisations will receive support through tailored expert mentoring, personalised one-to-one support and a training programme adapted from [Julie's Bicycle's](#) Creative Climate Leadership course.

The first cohort is currently developing a range of creative projects on a variety of environmental issues including green touring models, new products generated from festival waste, developing roadmaps on city-wide carbon reduction, and introducing a circular economy approach to artistic process and production.

Applying to the [Accelerator Programme](#) is a three-stage process:

1. Submission of an Expression of Interest with a brief description of the project you are interested in doing. **1st May – 7th June 2019**
2. Selected organisations will then be invited to join a development workshop, to help you to explore your project in more depth. 15th, 16th and 18th of July
3. After the workshops organisations need to either submit a full proposal as a Cohort organisation/consortium, or submit an Associate proposal. 22nd July – 14th October 2019

For more information, FAQs and expression of interest process please see [Accelerator Programme information page](#).

AHF to help social enterprises and charities transform high streets and town centres through new funding

AHF Transforming Heritage

Culture Secretary Jeremy Wright [announced](#) a new £62 million fund that will breathe new life into historic high streets and town centres across England. The initiative is part of the government's plan for High Streets announced at last year's

Budget, including a £675 million Future High Streets Fund and a £1 billion business rates discount for small high street retailers.

High streets lie at the heart of communities but are under increasing pressure as more people choose to shop online. Building on a number of successful programmes, the funding will be used to regenerate places by turning disused or underused buildings into creative spaces, offices, retail outlets and housing. It is part of the Government's ongoing work to help high streets adapt to changing consumer habits.

Opening for applications in late June, £15 million of funding will be delivered through The Architectural Heritage Fund's (AHF) Transforming Places through Heritage Programme.

Who will be able to apply?

Any charity, community business or social enterprise with proposals which meet the programme objectives, such as charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs), community interest companies (CICs) and community benefit societies.

The programme's funding is aimed at projects in England only.

What types of funding will be available?

Seed funding through Project Viability Grants will be available to help test ideas and to get new projects off the ground.

Project Development Grants will support the later stages of capital projects and development costs.

Different forms of social investment, including community shares and crowd funding match financing, will also be made available to assist projects and organisations to deliver projects and raise additional funds.

For projects with the potential to be exemplars – those which offer the best, most scalable new ideas – a limited number of capital grants will be available.

More information and support

A team of Programme Support and Consultant Project Advisors will support projects seeking and receiving funding through the programme.

For further information visit www.ahfund.org.uk/england or email ahf@ahfund.org.uk

Henry Smith Charity – Holiday Grants for Disadvantaged Children

**The
Henry Smith
Charity**

The Holiday Grants programme provides grants for recreational trips and holidays for groups of children aged 13 and under in the UK who are disabled or disadvantaged.

Grants available for day trips or a longer holiday of up to seven days. These can be to the countryside or a city, but must be within the UK and outside of children's immediate localities. Examples include camping, trips to adventure activity centres or the seaside.

We prioritise applications that will benefit disadvantaged or disabled children living in the most deprived areas of the UK. For Holiday Grants this means areas that fall within the bottom 20% according to the National Indices of Deprivation.

We can be more flexible on levels of deprivation where disabled children are involved, but it will still be one factor in our assessment.

This programme is always oversubscribed so, if you wish to apply for a grant for disadvantaged children from more affluent areas, the case for support must be clearly explained in your application.

Schools, youth groups, not for profit organisations and charities in the UK can apply for a one-off grant of between £500 and £2,500 to support a day trip or a longer residential of up to a week for groups of children aged 13 years or younger.

There are four rounds of applications each year and on a first come first served basis. Groups must apply at least six weeks before the trip or holiday is due to take place.

Applications will be accepted between 1 May and 2 July 2019 for holidays taken between 1 July and 31 August 2019.

Applications will be accepted between 3 July and 16 November 2019 for holidays taken between 1 September and 31 December 2019.

They will not fund overseas trips or holidays, trips for children over the age of 13, trip to pantomimes, theme parks or similar high cost attractions, trips that focus on education rather than fun, multiple trips, trips for families or for individual children, or the running costs of play or holiday schemes.

They won't fund organisations for two consecutive calendar years, but they must then wait two years before making another application.

For more information, application guidance and forms please visit [Holiday Grants](#)

Wesleyan Foundation Large Grants – Across Leicestershire only

WESLEYAN

Applications will be considered from charities, constituted voluntary and community groups that focus on:

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- Education – Charities or projects that enhance learning and develop career opportunities.
- Health – Promote health and wellbeing.
- Social needs – Provide local solutions to meet local needs, promote community cohesion and develop sustainable and supportive communities.

Grants are available between £2,000 – £10,000 and must be spent within a year. Grants are available across the whole of Leicestershire.

Please click [here](#) to see more details and the full eligibility criteria

Link to apply: <https://ukcf.secure.force.com/forms/LRCF/WesLgeGrant>

Deadline for applications: 31st July 2019

Further information can be found here: [Wesleyan Foundation Large Grants](#)

If you have any questions or need help applying, please email the grants team at grants@llrcommunityfoundation.org.uk or call 0116 2624916

Boots Charitable Trust – Grants for Nottinghamshire projects



Charitable Trust

The Boots Charitable Trust is an independent registered charity wholly funded by Boots UK. They fund registered charities and smaller voluntary organisations benefitting people who live in Nottinghamshire.

Whilst they look at nominations from all kinds of different charities their main focus is on funding projects that meet at least one of their funding priorities, which are:

- Health
- Lifelong Learning
- Community development
- Social care

Grants are for projects of no more than 1 year and can range from £100 - £10,000.

They are encouraging new applications for the bi-monthly deadlines with the next being **7th June**, followed by 7th August 2019.

For more details on the Trust, guidance and how to apply visit the [Boots Charitable Trust website](#)



Twitter roundup [@EMFundingForum](#)

NPC @NPCthinks May 18 The top 300 foundations in the UK have combined assets of £65 billion and gave out £3.3 billion in grants in 2018. Do they understand their role in the systems that create social issues and should they be seeking to share or even give away their power? <https://www.thinknpc.org/blog/power-dynamics-in-grant-making/> ...

Social Enterprise UK [Verified account](#) @SocialEnt_UK May 21 Know a business that gives back, enriches their community or makes a positive contribution to society? Encourage them to apply for the 2019 UK Social Enterprise Awards! The deadline to apply is 7 July > [#SocEntAwards19 #socent](http://ow.ly/ptUG50ujPvf_)

Community Action @DerbyCA May 21 Two weeks to go until the Shining Stars 2019 awards as part of our [#VolunteersWeek](#) celebrations with [@movemorederby](#) [@DerbyHomes](#) [@Derbycommunity1](#) - we had over 150 nominations this year! [#ShiningStars2019](#) [@VolCentreDerby](#) [@NCVO](#) [#Derby](#) [@DerbySoundRadio](#)

Upcoming Events

1. Meet the Funders Event - Erewash

Date: Wednesday 5 June 2019 from 10.00am - 2.00pm

Erewash Voluntary Action, Granville Avenue, Long Eaton NG10 4HD

There will be a number of grant giving organisations in attendance who will be available for you to talk to, seek advice and ask questions.

This event is for: • Community, voluntary groups and organisations • Not for profit organisations • Charities • Social enterprises / community interest companies • Statutory services (not all grant organisations provide funding for statutory services)

No need to book - TURN UP ANYTIME

Teas and coffee will be provided

For further details contact Catriona Paterson - Development Worker, Erewash Voluntary Action, Granville Avenue, Long Eaton, NG10 4HD. Tel 0115 9466740 or email:

catriona@erewashcvs.org.uk

2. Voluntary and Community Groups Funding Fair - Towcester

Date: Wednesday 26th June 2019 from 10.00am to 3.00pm.

The Forum, Moat Lane, Towcester, NN12 6AD.

A major concern for many people running local voluntary or community groups is funding. Therefore, a local Funding Fair at The Forum in Towcester should be most welcome.

Presentations by many popular funders including those already confirmed - **Sport England, Tesco Bags of Help, South Northants Council and Daventry District Council.**

- Opportunities to network with successful community groups
- Free tea and coffee – and cafe on site
- Fully accessible venue with free adjacent car parking

For any enquiries please telephone 01327 358264. Registrations for this event during May.

And finally...

It seems to be the time of year for Funding Fairs and Events with us promoting five in the last couple of months. They provide charities and groups with the chance to meet funders, investors and supporters of the sector and talk to them face-to-face. It also provides the funders and investors with time to have a catch-up with each other (usually only briefly). In a sector that can be a little faceless sometimes, these events can be great for both the stallholders and those attending to find out more about each other.

So if you haven't been to one previously, make sure you check out the next one in your area.

Have a great month,

James and all at the EMFF

The East Midlands Funding Forum is a group of funders, investors and supporters of the voluntary, third and social sectors in the East Midlands. We decided to come together to improve the practice of funding and investment by sharing information, knowledge and good practice.



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