



East Midlands
Funding Forum



EMFF E-Bulletin – Sept 2020

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

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What's in this month's bulletin?

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And Finally...our message to you,.

Grant Schemes

Local Community Foundations – emergency funds and other general grants

Check your local Community Foundation for their response and the support available during the pandemic. Some are responding with their own grant programmes through local councils, others are distributing funds on behalf of the National Emergencies Trust and most still have other grants relevant to the local area. Please check yours below:

- [Foundation Derbyshire](#)
- [Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation](#)
- [Lincolnshire Community Foundation](#)
- [Northamptonshire Community Foundation](#)
- [Nottinghamshire Community Foundation](#)

2021 GSK IMPACT Awards – funding & free training for health charities

The GSK IMPACT Awards provide core funding, training and national recognition for charities doing excellent work to improve people's health and wellbeing. Up to **20 awards** will be made ranging from **£3,000 to £40,000**. To be eligible organisations must be at least three years old, a registered charity, working in a health-related field in the UK, with income between £80,000 and £2.5 million. Winning organisations will have a film made, receive support with press and publicity and be given a set of promotional materials. They will also be offered free training and development valued at a further £9,500.

To apply go to: [Kings Fund IMPACT awards](#)

Closing date for applications: **14 September 2020**

Lloyds Bank Foundation – Infrastructure Fund for Ashfield, Boston, Corby

This is a one-off funding opportunity for local and regional infrastructure organisations that provide organisational development support for and advocate for small and local charities.

Your organisation must operate in at least one of the areas of Ashfield, Boston or Corby to be eligible.

There is a total fund available of £480,000 and they anticipate making 16 grants of £30,000. Grants will be available for core costs and can be used over 1-2 years.

The funding aims to provide some space for infrastructure organisations to reflect and adapt to the new environment, through their advocacy work but also developing their financial sustainability. In addition grant holders will get access to development support through

the [Enhance](#) programme, as well as peer support and learning opportunities across the cohort of organisations.

For more information about eligibility and to apply, go to: [Infrastructure Fund](#)

Closing date for submission is **9th October 2020**

Tesco Bags of Help COVID-19 Communities Fund

Tesco Bags of Help has responded to the current COVID-19 crisis by setting up a new fund to support local communities. In order to respond quickly to the emergency we have created a streamlined application and payment process to make it easier to get funds out quickly.

The programme will provide a single payment award of £500 to organisations who are supporting vulnerable groups, as part of their emergency response in supporting local communities.

Typically, the fund will support organisations that have experienced:

- **Increased demand** – a holiday hunger club needs more resources to support children through the summer months or a food bank whose stocks are running low and needs an immediate donation to enable the food bank to restock.
- **Disrupted services** – a local charity setting up a delivery service to replace its monthly lunch club, or a charity needing to set up a telephone service to support beneficiaries.
- **New services** – a health focused charity having to set up a new online patient service requires new IT equipment or a mental health charity developing a new service.

For more information and to apply visit: [Tesco Bags of Help](#)

Closing date for applications is: **Friday 18th September 2020**

Catalyst and the National Lottery Community Fund COVID-19 Digital Response

This fund is aimed at organisations whose work has been affected by COVID-19 and who need emergency funding to continue to deliver essential services. It will support them to develop the digital, data and design capabilities that allow them to address urgent issues and serve the most vulnerable.

This funding is a combination of direct grants and payment for support from digital agencies.

What are the funding opportunities?

There are two funding streams to support this and we have summarised them below:

The Discovery Programme

- 4 weeks of funding and support to understand and research the problem you need to address.

- Working with a digital partner.
- £5,000 grant to cover staff working on the programme for 20 days.

The Development Programme

- For organisations who can show they have been through a discovery process.
- 10 weeks of funding and support to build on learnings and develop a solution.
- Ability to apply for up to £60,000 which is a mix of grant funding and support from a digital agency.

For further details and how to apply visit: [COVID-19 Digital Response](#)

Deadline for Discover Programme: **7th September 2020**

Deadline for Development Programme: **20th September 2020**

PHE Reproductive Health, Sexual Health & HIV Innovation Fund

The Innovation Fund aims to maximise the potential in the voluntary sector to develop innovative ways of addressing poor sexual and/or reproductive health and HIV in those communities most affected. While open to projects across sexual health, reproductive health and HIV, this year the fund looks to particularly support projects that focus specifically on Black and Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities.

Proposals will be accepted from voluntary sector organisations to deliver projects of up to 12 months in duration of a cost of between £25,000 and £75,000.

For guidance and the application form please visit: [PHE Innovation Fund](#)

Deadline for application is **18th September 2020**

A webinar on how to apply is being held on Wednesday 2nd Sept at 110am. To join visit the webpage above.

The Phoenix Fund for Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic communities

The Phoenix Fund aims to put racial justice at the heart of COVID-19 pandemic response. The initiative will support a network of Black, Asian, and Minority Ethnic charities and groups in England that are working in the heart of their communities, providing essential and emergency services, support, and education tailored to the BAME community.

The initiative aims to:

- **Offer core funding** to BAME grassroots groups across England working with BAME communities
- **Raise awareness** of the unique challenges facing BAME communities across England
- **Establish an effective, innovative partnership** to improve and promote community-based organisations within English philanthropy

For further guidance and application process visit: [The Phoenix Fund](#)

Funding deadline are over 4 rounds, the available rounds are: **Round 3 – 16th September 2020 and Round 4 – 30th September 2020.**

The Fat Beehive Foundation – build your online presence

The Foundation exists to offer funding to improve UK charities improve their digital presence, offering grants of up to £2,500 to charities with a turnover of less than 1million.

Priorities for support

They can only support a limited amount of projects therefore their funding priorities over the next year are:

- Environmental protection or climate change mitigation
- Human rights
- International development
- Equality and Diversity
- Social justice / Refugees / Housing
- Education
- Art & culture
- Health and wellbeing
- Prisoner rehabilitation

They don't fund general software or hardware procurement.

For further information and how to apply visit: [The Fat Beehive Foundation](#)

Deadlines: **Applications are considered on a rolling basis at quarterly trustee meetings in April, July, October and January.**

The True Colours Trust – Small Grants UK COVID-19 Support.

Grants are available of up to £5,000 to help smaller organisations to adapt and continue to deliver their vital services in light of Covid-19. This may include normal running costs of programmes which are resuming, or adaptations to existing services to allow them to take place safely.

Smaller charities are defined as those with an income under £1million and priority will be given to organisations whose income is under £350,000.

Proposals for the following areas of work will be considered, in no particular order:

- Activities for disabled children, children with life limiting conditions and their families
- Adaptations to services including PPE, digital service provision and physical changes to spaces to be Covid-19 compliant.
- Siblings' projects
- Bereavement Support
- Respite which supports the whole family
- Support for children/families who are shielding or unable to return to school
- Specialised play equipment / access to play and leisure

For further information and how to apply please visit: [The True Colours Trust](#)

Deadline for this round is **21st September 2020**

And Finally.....

Despite it being the Summer months there has been quite a lot of activities by funders, investors and grantmakers, as highlighted by the number of pots included in this and recent E-Bulletins. Some of these opportunities still have short deadlines, so its probably time for the annual nudge from us to encourage you to sign up to social media and follow the funders and investors to get the latest updates and news from them.

As with most activities the funders and investors have increasingly being providing online briefings and updates for new or adapted programmes, giving organisations the opportunity to hear directly from them and also ask questions. I will let you guess where the best place to hear about these are...that's right social media.

Go on give it a go, and don't forget to follow us @EMFundingForum

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. If you wish to join, please get in touch.



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