

## Monthly Funding Information July 2021

This document includes information about current grants and funding opportunities primarily for Voluntary & Community Sector Groups and Organisations, Charities and Social Enterprises. Where the Grant title includes an asterisk (\*), Local Authorities and other partner organisations may also be eligible to apply for the funding.

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| <a href="#">Lloyds Bank Foundation</a>  | Open                       |

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| Grant Fund   | Closest Deadline           |
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| Grant Fund  | Closest Deadline           |
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| <a href="#"><u>Mick George Community Fund</u></a>                                    | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2021 |
| <a href="#"><u>Leicestershire County Council - SHIRE Environment Grant</u></a>       | 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2021 |
| <a href="#"><u>Severn Trent Community Fund *</u></a>                                 | Open                      |
| <a href="#"><u>Garfield Weston Foundation</u></a>                                    | Open                      |
| <a href="#"><u>Moto – In The Community Fund</u></a>                                  | Open                      |
| <a href="#"><u>The National Lottery Community Fund – Awards For All *</u></a>        | Open                      |
| <a href="#"><u>The National Lottery Community Fund – Reaching Communities*</u></a>   | Open                      |
| <a href="#"><u>Biffa Award</u></a>   | Open                      |
| <a href="#"><u>Visit Britain - Domestic Support Fund</u></a>                         | Open                      |
| <a href="#"><u>National Heritage Memorial Fund</u></a>                               | Open                      |
| <a href="#"><u>Barchester’s Charitable Foundation</u></a>                            | Open                      |

**Funding for projects which support Adults**

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Women’s Resource Centre – Black &amp; Minority Women’s Fund</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | Supports black and minoritised led-by and for women’s sector (charities and groups predominately working with women) who have been disproportionately impacted by Covid-19 with core cost grants it needs to deliver critical services.  |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | Applying organisations will also need to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be already doing great work to support local women and girls</li> <li>• Have recently started to assist communities impacted by COVID-19.</li> <li>• Have a track record of being well run and have a good understanding of the needs of women and girls.</li> <li>• Have at least 75% of it’s senior team and/or trustees who are women from Black and minoritised backgrounds.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Max £5,000   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2021   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Armed Forces Covenant Fund – Force for Change Programme *</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>Projects should address one of two main themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Empowering Armed Forces communities to become more engaged in their local area.</li> <li>• Providing opportunities for isolated members of the Armed Forces community to take part in activities that improve general wellbeing.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applicants must be either a registered charity; CIC; an armed forces base or unit; a school or local authority</li> <li>• Projects must start within one month of the grant award and be completed within 12 months</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Max grant £10,000   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | <p>Round 2 closes - 2<sup>nd</sup> August<br/> Round 3 closes - 19<sup>th</sup> November</p>  |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Lloyds Bank Foundation</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>For small and local charities that work in the following service areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• addiction and dependency</li> <li>• asylum seeker and refugees</li> <li>• care leavers</li> <li>• domestic abuse</li> <li>• homelessness</li> <li>• learning disabilities</li> <li>• mental health</li> <li>• offending</li> <li>• prison or community service</li> <li>• sexual abuse and exploitation</li> <li>• trafficking and modern slavery and young parents</li> </ul> <p>Unrestricted funding with tailored support offered over 2 years.</p> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Applying organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have an annual income of between £25,000 and £1 million</li> <li>• Have a proven track record</li> <li>• Generally, be working with people aged 17 or over</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Max £50,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Open   |

**Funding for projects which support Children and Young People**

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>UK Youth Covid Resilience Fund</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | Funding to support grassroots youth organisations (that have experienced challenges during the pandemic) to reopen and bring the delivery of youth provision back to pre-pandemic levels.  |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Grants can be spent on essential business expenditure that will be incurred between 1 August 2021 and 31 January 2022, such as staff salaries and fixed/operational costs. Applications can be made for unrestricted funding.</p> <p>Organisations that are based and deliver work in England, with a turnover of less than £250,000 can apply.</p> <p>Centres that are temporarily closed due to COVID-19 may also apply</p> <p>The fund will not award a grant more than 75% of an applicant's pre-COVID annual income.</p> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | £50,000 maximum  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2021   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Women's Resource Centre – Black &amp; Minority Women's Fund</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | Supports black and minoritised led-by and for women's sector (charities and groups predominately working with women) who have been disproportionately impacted by Covid-19 with core cost grants it needs to deliver critical services.   |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Applying organisations will also need to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be already doing great work to support local women and girls</li> <li>• Have recently started to assist communities impacted by COVID-19.</li> <li>• Have a track record of being well run and have a good understanding of the needs of women and girls.</li> </ul> <p>Have at least 75% of it's senior team and/or trustees who are women from Black and minoritised backgrounds.</p> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Max £5,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2021  |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>BBC Children In Need – Main Grant</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | Supports not-for-profit organisations who work with children and young people 18 years of age and under who are affected by a range of disadvantages such as poverty, disability, illness, distress or trauma.   |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | Organisations need to be clear on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The disadvantages faced by the children and young people it supports, and what effects these have on their lives.</li> <li>• What the project will do and how its activities will help make a difference to children’s lives.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Between £10,001 and £40,000 (per year). Grants are for up to 3 years   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2021   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>BBC Children In Need – Emergency Essentials</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | Supports individual children and young people living with severe poverty, a lack of the basic facilities and additional pressures such as domestic violence, disability, or poor health in the family. It generally provides critical items such as cookers; fridges; freezers; children’s beds and clothes.<br><br>Additional items also now include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supporting access to education resources through grants for digital devices. This includes laptops and tablets.</li> <li>• Grants for toys and games.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | Applications must be completed by a registered referrer who is part of an organisation that is supporting the family or young person and capable of assessing their needs.   |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | No value stated – it provides the required items   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Open   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>True Colours Trust – UK Small Grants</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>Grants for charitable organisations to deliver activities which support disabled children and children (aged 0-25 years) with life-limiting conditions and their families.</p> <p>Eligible organisations must have annual income of less than £350,000.</p>  |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Funding available for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities for disabled children, children with life-limiting conditions and their families.</li> <li>• Activities which support siblings of disabled children or siblings of children with life-limiting conditions.</li> <li>• Bereavement support for children and young people.</li> <li>• Family support / parent-led peer support for parents of disabled children.</li> <li>• Respite which supports the whole family.</li> <li>• Support for disabled children and children with life-limiting conditions who are shielding or unable to return to school due to Covid-19.</li> <li>• Equipment and Materials</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Maximum £10,000   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Open to applications all year round. Decisions are made within 6 weeks  |

**Funding for projects which support broader community outcomes**

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Enterprise Development Programme - Environment</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supports environmental not-for-profit voluntary or community organisations whose primary purpose is to deliver environmental programmes and projects.</li> <li>• Successful organisations will work collaboratively with Groundwork, who will support them to become more financially and environmentally sustainable.</li> <li>• The package of support could include a grant to research or test out new ideas.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Organisations should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• already be delivering activity which has the ability to become a business enterprise</li> <li>• clearly show senior management support for the application, planning and sustainability.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Max £30,000   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Stage 1 Application Closes 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2021   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>The National Lottery Community Fund - Places Called Home Fund</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | For small local voluntary or community organisations and groups looking to run projects that inspire and help people get more involved in their local community as a positive, homely place to be and meet other people.   |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Projects should meet at least two of these criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build on the relationships created during the COVID-19 pandemic to increase community activity and the number of people taking part.</li> <li>• Encourage people to work together, creating opportunities for communities to live in a sustainable and healthy way.</li> <li>• Raise awareness amongst the public of the importance of connected households, neighbourhoods and resilient communities.</li> <li>• Develop a new idea, activity or way to come together that has emerged in response to the pandemic.</li> <li>• Revive or redesign community and common spaces to encourage shared community activities.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Between £1,000 and £5,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 (or once it receives 1,500 applications whichever is sooner)  |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Places of Worship – Protective Security Funding</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | Grants are available to provide protective security measures to places of worship in England and Wales that have been subject to, or are vulnerable to hate crimes that target people because of their religion.   |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Funding is available to places of worship in England and Wales for the provision and installation of improved security measures.</p> <p>Please note, Jewish community and Synagogues are not eligible for this funding, as a similar commitment was made to fund Jewish community sites through a grant administered by the Community Security Trust.</p> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | £56,000 maximum  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2021   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Comic Relief - Ministry of Justice Specialist Fund</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>For specialist support services to help survivors of rape and domestic abuse during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond. The programme's outcomes are to increase organisations digital capacity through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building additional capability – this could cover updating digital infrastructure e.g. CRM, purchasing hardware and equipment, website design, online chat functions and signposting.</li> <li>• Scoping need – working to plan, design and test digital and remote provision, pilot new ways of working, supporting more survivors and victims, while gathering evidence and rationale to develop this beyond the funding period, and strengthen the prospect of future funding</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have income between £75,000 and £10 million</li> <li>• Be led by, with and for communities facing racial inequality, disabled people and / or LGBTQ+ communities</li> <li>• Spend the funds by 31st March 2022</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Between £5,000 and £70,000   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2021   |

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| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | Funding is available to places of worship in England and Wales for the provision and installation of improved security measures.<br><br>Please note, Jewish community and Synagogues are not eligible for this funding, as a similar commitment was made to fund Jewish community sites through a grant administered by the Community Security Trust. |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | £56,000 maximum   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2021  |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Leicestershire County Council – SHIRE Community Grant</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | A range of grants available for community-based projects and activities that will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve the lives, health and wellbeing of vulnerable or disadvantaged people and communities in Leicestershire</li> <li>• Provide community-based early intervention and prevention solutions which help to reduce demand on Council and other public services</li> <li>• Complement existing services already being delivered</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | Applying organisations must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be a VCSE organisation, or Town/Parish Council</li> <li>• Provide services for vulnerable/disadvantaged people who are residents of Leicestershire (not Leicester City)</li> <li>• Have an income of under £10 million</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | There are grant minimum/maximums as follows:<br>Small Grants – maximum £3,000<br>Large Grants – minimum £3,001, maximum £10,000<br>Capital Grants – minimum £1,000, maximum £10,000<br>Match Funding Grants – minimum £3,000, maximum £10,000<br>Partnership Grant – minimum £5,000, maximum £25,000   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Round 1: Opens 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2021, deadline 28 <sup>th</sup> July 2021<br>Round 2: Opens 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2021, deadline 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2021<br>Round 3: Opens 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2021, deadline 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2022   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Central England Co-op - Community Dividend Fund</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>For community-based organisations running projects which align with at least one of the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to food – improving access to food in a way that encourages healthy, balanced choices to be made.</li> <li>• Health and wellbeing - projects that directly or indirectly promote physical and mental health and wellbeing.</li> <li>• Inclusion projects - directly or indirectly support greater inclusion of vulnerable, excluded, or hard to reach groups.</li> <li>• Environment – inside and outside spaces that support increased sustainability e.g. energy saving projects, sustainable travel, biodiversity and food security.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Applying organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have been a full member of Central England Co-operative for at least six months.</li> <li>• Be located in the trading area of a Central England Co-operative outlet.</li> <li>• Be supporting communities in which Central England Co-operative trades</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Between £100 and £5,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2021   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>The National Lottery - Local Connections Fund</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>For community projects that tackle loneliness with a focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities that physically bring people together in a safe and secure way.</li> <li>• Remote activities (when this is the best or only way for people to build connections)</li> <li>• Helping individuals to get out of the ‘lockdown mentality’ and meet people in their communities again.</li> <li>• Helping organisations who work to reduce loneliness restart their activities</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Organisations should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have an income under £50,000</li> <li>• Not have already received a grant in Round 1</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Between £300 and £2,500   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 6 <sup>th</sup> August 2021   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>The Mercia Park Community Fund</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | For charities, constituted voluntary and community groups that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Help strengthen local communities (particularly their quality of life and life chances) within proximity of the Mercia Park Development at Junction 11 M42</li> <li>• Improve the natural environment within proximity of the Mercia Park Development at Junction 11 M42.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | Priority will be given to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organisations closest to Mercia Park Development at Junction 11 M42</li> <li>• Organisations who can clearly demonstrate that they are based and deliver within close proximity of the Mercia Park Development at Junction 11 M42.</li> <li>• Organisations who can clearly demonstrate that beneficiaries live within close proximity of the Mercia Park Development at Junction 11 M42.</li> <li>• Smaller charitable organisations that have limited access to larger funds.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Between £2,000 and £5,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 6 <sup>th</sup> August 2021  |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Santander Foundation - Financial and Digital Empowerment Fund</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | Funding is available to UK charitable organisations for projects to improve people's digital confidence, knowledge and skills to enable them to make more informed decisions about money and have access to financial services.   |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applications will be accepted from UK based charitable and social enterprise organisations with an annual income above £75,000.</li> <li>• Priority will be given to small and medium-sized organisations with an income of less than £2 million.</li> <li>• Grants are for a period of three years. Successful applicants may request differing amounts in each of the three years, with a minimum of £25,000 in any one year.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Maximum £150,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2021  |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Art Fund - Weston Loan Programme</u></a> *   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>For museums and galleries to borrow works from national collections, encouraging the sharing of works more widely across the UK.</p> <p>Grants can cover up to 100% of the costs associated with securing and displaying a loan, for example security reviews, insurance, transportation, conservation and installation.</p> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Applying organisations should be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regional and/or run by local authorities or universities, or have independent Trust status</li> <li>• Open for at least half the week for at least six months of the year</li> <li>• At least provisionally accredited</li> </ul>             |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Between £5,000 and £25,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 17 <sup>th</sup> August 2021  |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Mick George Community Fund</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>Grants are available for capital improvement works to public amenity projects, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Village halls</li> <li>• Village greens</li> <li>• Public playgrounds</li> <li>• Sports fields and facilities</li> <li>• Nature reserves</li> <li>• Cycle paths</li> <li>• Country parks</li> </ul>              |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Projects must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be located within a specific boundary line (<a href="#"><u>boundary line map is on the website</u></a>)</li> <li>• Have a total cost more than £10,00 and less than £100,000</li> <li>• Secure a Contributing Third Party (CTP) donation which is then paid to Mick George Ltd</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Between £10,000 and £50,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021 / 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2022  |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Leicestershire County Council - SHIRE Environment Grant</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>Supports new and innovative projects that will meet one or more of the grant scheme outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To reduce the amount of household waste produced in Leicestershire</li> <li>• To reduce the amount of greenhouse gas emissions within communities</li> <li>• To improve biodiversity and support the creation, protection, enhancement and management of sustainable green spaces</li> <li>• To raise awareness and understanding on the above outcomes as well as providing necessary training and skills to manage and support projects.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The main beneficiaries must be residents of Leicestershire, excluding Leicester City and Rutland</li> <li>• All relevant permissions and consents necessary to enable the project to go ahead must have been obtained from the relevant authorities before a grant can be offered.</li> <li>• There are other specific criteria for community building and biodiversity related initiatives</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Max £3,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2021, and 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2022  |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Severn Trent Community Fund</u></a> *   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>Supports projects based on community wellbeing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People: Projects that help people to lead a healthier life and gain new skills</li> <li>• Places: Projects that help to create better places to live in and use</li> <li>• Environment: Projects that will help look after the natural environment, give people greater access to that environment or help look after water</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>The project must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• located in the Severn Trent region</li> <li>• benefiting Severn Trent customers</li> <li>• a new project, not existing work</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | <p>There are 3 grant sizes:</p> <p>£2,000 to £10,000<br/> £10,001 to £75,000<br/> £75,001 to £200,000</p>  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Open (but quarterly panels in March, June, September and December)   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Garfield Weston Foundation</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | For community organisations to support a wide range of projects in the areas of welfare, youth, community, arts, faith, environment, education, health, and museums and heritage.<br><br>Grants can be used towards capital, revenue (core costs) and specific project costs   |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is recommended that applicants have around half of their funding identified before applying</li> <li>• A grant is unlikely to be for more than around 10% of the total costs of the budget.</li> <li>• Organisations applying for £100,000 or more are expected to have an annual income in excess of £1 million.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Regular Grant Max £100,000<br>Major Grant over £100,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Open   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Moto – In The Community Fund</u></a>  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | For community organisations and schools that have projects and activities that deliver benefits to local communities.  |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | Applying organisations must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be located within a 15-mile radius of a Moto site.</li> <li>• Have opportunities for Moto staff to be involved with their group/school.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Not stated but average grant awarded is £1,000   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Open   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>The National Lottery Community Fund – Awards For All</u></a> *  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>The main aims of the fund are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• build strong relationships in and across communities</li> <li>• improve the places and spaces that matter to communities</li> <li>• help more people to reach their potential, by supporting them at the earliest possible stage</li> </ul> <p>Grants can also be accessed by organisations helping people and communities most adversely impacted by COVID-19. This will support organisations to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• continue to deliver activity - whether your community needs crisis response, recovery or business as usual activity.</li> <li>• change and adapt, becoming more resilient to respond to new and future challenges.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants can fund a wide range of activities and costs</li> <li>• Projects should clearly show how the community has been involved</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Between £300 and £10,000   |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Open   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>The National Lottery Community Fund – Reaching Communities</u></a> *  |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>The main aims of the fund are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• build strong relationships in and across communities</li> <li>• improve the places and spaces that matter to communities</li> <li>• help more people to reach their potential, by supporting them at the earliest possible stage</li> </ul> <p>Grants can also be accessed by organisations helping people and communities most adversely impacted by COVID-19. This will support organisations to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• continue to deliver activity - whether your community needs crisis response, recovery or business as usual activity.</li> <li>• change and adapt, becoming more resilient to respond to new and future challenges.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants can fund a wide range of activities and costs</li> <li>• Projects should clearly show how the community has been involved</li> <li>• Grants are for up to 5 years</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Minimum Grant £10,001  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Open   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Biffa Award</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | Supports projects based on one of three themes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rebuilding Biodiversity – for example habitat improvement works, tree planting, and scrub removal</li> <li>2. Community Buildings – for example extensions, renovations, replacement floor and roofs</li> <li>3. Recreation - for example play areas, outdoor gyms and nature trails</li> </ol>  |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The criteria vary for the different types of project.</li> <li>• One of the key criteria is the proximity of the project site to a Biffa operation or an active landfill site. There is a post code checker to confirm the eligibility of the project location</li> <li>• The organisation and project must both be eligible for enrolment and registration with the Landfill Communities Fund scheme regulator, ENTRUST</li> <li>• Maximum project cost is £200,000 (including VAT)</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Between £10,000 and £75,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | Open   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Visit Britain – Domestic Support Fund</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | Grants available for UK not-for-profit organisations/charities, to hold business events and to showcase that the UK has adapted to new ways of meeting in a COVID-19 secure environment.   |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial support is based on the number of delegates attending a live event, or the live component of a hybrid event.</li> <li>• The event organisation can apply for £30 per delegate (cash including VAT) attending an event.</li> <li>• Support is available for events from 100 to 500 people, to a maximum value of £15,000 support.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Maximum £15,000  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | No deadline advertised, but all activities need to take place within the dates 21 <sup>st</sup> June to 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021 and evidence provided by 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2022   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>National Heritage Memorial Fund – Covid 19 Response Fund</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | <p>Grants available for community and public sector organisations in the UK for projects to protect nationally important heritage assets that are at risk due to the impact of coronavirus.</p> <p>Funding can be used to support any heritage asset which may be at risk, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Works of fine and decorative art</li> <li>• Museum collections, archives and manuscripts</li> <li>• Items of industrial, transport and maritime heritage</li> <li>• Historic buildings and land</li> </ul> |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Eligible costs and activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquisition/purchase or asset transfer costs, plus associated professional and legal fees</li> <li>• Transport costs</li> <li>• Storage costs</li> <li>• Urgent conservation work</li> <li>• Condition surveys, cataloguing, management and conservation planning.</li> <li>• Ownership transition costs</li> <li>• Skills development/capacity building and business planning support.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | No minimum or maximum levels  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2023   |

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| <b>Grant:</b>                     | <a href="#"><u>Barchester’s Charitable Foundation</u></a>   |
| <b>Summary:</b>                   | The Barchester’s Charitable Foundation will fund individuals and small community groups and charities in England, Scotland and Wales who work to help to tackle isolation, loneliness and enable people to be active and engaged.   |
| <b>Key Eligibility Criteria:</b>  | <p>Grants are available for projects supporting the following groups of people:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People aged over 65+.</li> <li>• People aged 18+ with a physical or learning disability.</li> <li>• People ages 19+ with mental health problems.</li> </ul> <p>Funding is available for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activity projects</li> <li>• Equipment and materials for use by members.</li> <li>• Member transport.</li> <li>• Day trips, outings and group holidays in the UK</li> </ul> |
| <b>Min/Max Funding Available:</b> | Groups can apply for a grant from £100 - £5,000 to fund:  |
| <b>Deadline for Applications:</b> | No deadline advertised  |

**Support available for Voluntary, Community & Social Enterprise Sector organisations in Leicestershire**

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| <b>Voluntary Action LeicesterShire</b>   |  |
| <p>Leicestershire County Council has a contract with <a href="#">Voluntary Action LeicesterShire</a> (VAL) to provide support to voluntary and community sector organisations in Leicestershire, including help with identifying and securing funding. If you are a VCS organisation who is seeking to apply for funding, or bid for contracts, please contact VAL's Sector Support Team for assistance, advice, and guidance. VAL can provide assistance with searching for funding opportunities, checking the relevance of the fund to your funding aspirations, and a read and review of your bid. You can also <a href="#">sign up for further e-bulletins from VAL</a>, including news, events, funding opportunities and updates from the Government and Charity Commission. There are currently two newsletters which you can select to receive by ticking the appropriate box. At present funding and commissioning items are included in the voluntary sector support newsletter.</p> <p><u>Contact Details:</u><br/>Website: <a href="http://www.valonline.org.uk/contact">www.valonline.org.uk/contact</a><br/>Tel: 0116 2575050<br/>Email: <a href="mailto:helpline@valonline.org.uk">helpline@valonline.org.uk</a></p> |   |

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| <b>CASE – Support for Social Enterprises in Leicestershire</b>  |  |
| <p>Co-operative and Social Enterprise Development Agency (CASE) is a social enterprise and co-operative which provides advice, guidance, and support to existing and emerging co-operatives, social enterprises and community enterprises in Leicester and Leicestershire. CASE supports co-operatives and social enterprises to develop and grow, through the promotion of co-operative ways of working.</p> <p>Leicestershire County Council has a contract with CASE to provide support to people currently running (or thinking of setting up) social enterprises in Leicestershire.</p> <p><u>Contact Details:</u><br/>Website: <a href="http://case.coop/">http://case.coop/</a><br/>Tel: 0116 222 5010<br/>Email: <a href="mailto:enquiries@case.coop">enquiries@case.coop</a></p> |   |

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| <b>Leicestershire &amp; Rutland Community Foundation</b>  |  |
| <p>The Leicestershire &amp; Rutland Community Foundation is a charity which helps local individuals and companies to give money, in a tax efficient way, directly to local needs. It does this by helping set up new local family and company charitable funds and then supports those donors to give grants to local charitable groups of their choice through the <a href="#">Making Local Life Better Fund</a> (previously the Donor Matching Scheme).</p> |   |

The Community Foundation also administers local and national grant schemes on behalf of those organisations. These vary throughout the year, please check the [website](#) for the funds currently available.

**Contact Details:**

Website: <https://www.llrcommunityfoundation.org.uk/>

Tel: 0116 262 4916

Email: [grants@llrcommunityfoundation.org.uk](mailto:grants@llrcommunityfoundation.org.uk)

**Commissioning Opportunities**



VCSE organisations are encouraged to explore opportunities to receive income through delivering contracts for services commissioned by the public sector.

You can register to receive details of commissioning opportunities through the following websites:

- Source Leicestershire: <http://www.sourceleicestershire.co.uk/>
- Due North: <https://procontract.due-north.com/Login>
- Contract Finder: <https://www.gov.uk/contracts-finder>

**Easy Fundraising**



This is a leading fundraising platform that gives organisations access to an unlimited fundraising source, that helps you to raise FREE cashback donations through online shopping. Register your group/organisation as a good cause with [easyfundraising](#) to receive free cashback donations when anyone connected to that organisation shops online with 4,200 retailers including Argos, Amazon, Just eat and Booking.com. It doesn't cost the shopper a penny more so it's an easy way for your community to support your organisation just by shopping online as they usually would.

Website: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/leicestershirerutlandspport>

**Leicestershire Communities Website**



The Leicestershire Communities website contains a range of useful information to help local people to actively participate in their communities, including information for people involved in community groups, charities and social enterprises.

This section of the [website](#) provides a range of support, information and resources related to Grants and Funding, including Monthly Funding Bulletins, information from a range of funders, along with details of support provided to voluntary and community sector groups, charities and social enterprises, by other relevant organisations.

Website: [www.leicestershirecommunities.org.uk/grants](http://www.leicestershirecommunities.org.uk/grants)