

Monthly Funding Information June 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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Armed Forces Covenant – Veterans' Places Pathways and People Programme	23 rd July 2021
The Woodward Charitable Trust - Small Grants	30 th July
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Youth Music Network – Fund A	30 th July 2021
BBC Children in Need - Emergency Essentials Programme	Open
True Colours Trust UK – Small Grants	Open

Funding for projects which support broader community outcomes	
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East Midlands Airport – Community Fund	21 st June 2021
Nationwide Building Society – Community Grants	21 st June 2021

<u>Leicestershire County Council - SHIRE Environment Grant</u>	25 th June 2021
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<u>Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust</u>	1 st Sept 2021
<u>FCC Community Action Fund *</u>	1 st Sept 2021
<u>Foyle Foundation – Small Grant Scheme</u>	Open
<u>DPD – The Eco Fund</u>	Open
<u>Henry Smith Charity – County Grants</u>	Open

Funding for projects which support Adults

Grant:	<u>Thomas Wall Trust – Digital Skills Programme</u>
Summary:	<p>The programme aims to equip adults with basic digital skills for work and life, helping them access the online world.</p> <p>Priorities are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects that link digital skills with employment opportunities. • Match funded projects. • Organisations that can provide compelling evidence of impact. • Organisations working with collaborative networks
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have an annual turnover under £500,000 • Be working with disadvantaged people aged 18 or over • Be a not for profit organisation/charity that has been established for at least three years
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £5,000
Deadline for Applications:	25 th June 2021 (Expressions of Interest)

Grant:	<u>HM Govt. - Tampon Tax Fund</u>
Summary:	<p>The fund is open to charitable, benevolent and philanthropic organisations.</p> <p>Applications should focus on 1 of 2 categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence against women and girls • Or the general programme. Under this category it will consider applications for projects that will improve the lives of vulnerable, disadvantaged or underrepresented women and girls. There are a range of work /service areas which would fall under this category
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The value of the grant requested must not represent more than 50% of the applicant's or consortia's collective annual income • All project activities must be concluded, and funds must be spent by 31st March 2023
Min/Max Funding Available:	Min £350,000
Deadline for Applications:	4 th July 2021

Grant:	<u>Armed Forces Covenant – Veterans' Places Pathways and People Programme</u>
Summary:	For registered charities that specifically support Armed Forces Communities and which can submit a portfolio of projects, which will work regionally to develop better, more joined up lasting support for local veterans with mental health needs.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Applying organisation must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearly demonstrate a proven ability to take a co-ordinated and informed approach across their country or region. • Have been registered as a charity for at least three years at the time of the application. • Have significant experience in delivering support to veterans with complex mental health needs.
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £600,000 and £800,000 over 2 years
Deadline for Applications:	Deadline for submission of intention to apply 23 rd July 2021

Grant:	<u>The Woodward Charitable Trust - Small Grants</u>
Summary:	<p>It will cover core costs for community organisations which work with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children and young people who are isolated, at risk of exclusion or involved in antisocial behaviour and projects to help those who have been in the care system. • Disadvantaged families who need parenting support and guidance, mental health support, experiencing food poverty, domestic violent and refugee projects. <p>Prisoners and ex-offenders and projects which help to maintain and develop contact with prisoners families and help with rehab and resettlement</p>
Key Eligibility Criteria:	Applicants must be Registered Charities, Charity Incorporated Organisations (CIOs) or Community Interest Companies (CICs)
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £3,000
Deadline for Applications:	30 th July 2021

Grant:	<u>Barchester Foundation</u>
Summary:	<p>Supports small organisations which connect or re-connect people with others in their local community. Specifically, this is for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Older people 65+ • Adults (18+) with a physical or learning disability • Adults (18+) with mental health problems <p>The Foundation can fund groups and individuals.</p>
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications for an individual must be completed by a third-party representative. This can be a healthcare professional. • Organisations cannot re-apply within 3 years of a previously successful application
Min/Max Funding Available:	From £100 to £5,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Funding for projects which support Children and Young People

Grant:	<u>Learning Through Landscapes - Local School Nature Grants</u>
Summary:	Schools and early year providers can receive fully funded outdoor learning training for up to 25 staff and £500 of equipment for outdoor learning. Training takes place at the school's own site.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early years providers must have at least 5 staff and a building which is either stand alone or part of a school • Organisations awarded a Local School Nature Grant in the last 5 years are not eligible in 2020-21 • The total spend on products cannot exceed £500
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £500
Deadline for Applications:	25th June 2021, 3rd Sept 2021, 12th Nov 2021

Grant:	<u>Poundland Foundation – Kits for kids</u>
Summary:	For local sports clubs or organisations that help young people get active and enjoy sport. The grants can be used for purchasing sports kit and equipment only.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Applying organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be working with young people up to the age of 18 • Have a child protection and safeguarding policies that it can share as part of this application
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £750
Deadline for Applications:	Open throughout June 2021

Grant:	<u>HM Govt. - Tampon Tax Fund</u>
Summary:	<p>The fund is open to charitable, benevolent and philanthropic organisations.</p> <p>Applications should focus on 1 of 2 categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence against women and girls • Or the general programme. Under this category it will consider applications for projects that will improve the lives of vulnerable, disadvantaged or underrepresented women and girls. There are a range of work /service areas which would fall under this category
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The value of the grant requested must not represent more than 50% of the applicant's or consortia's collective annual income • All project activities must be completed, and funds must be spent by 31st March 2023
Min/Max Funding Available:	Min £350,000
Deadline for Applications:	4 th July 2021

Grant:	<u>The Woodward Charitable Trust - Small Grants</u>
Summary:	<p>It will cover core costs for community organisations which work with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children and young people who are isolated, at risk of exclusion or involved in antisocial behaviour and projects to help those who have been in the care system. • Disadvantaged families who need parenting support and guidance, mental health support, experiencing food poverty, domestic violent and refugee projects. • Prisoners and ex-offenders and projects which help to maintain and develop contact with prisoners families and help with rehab and resettlement
Key Eligibility Criteria:	Applicants must be Registered Charities, Charity Incorporated Organisations (CIOs) or Community Interest Companies (CICs)
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £3,000
Deadline for Applications:	30 th July 2021

Grant:	<u>Youth Music Network – Fund A</u>
Summary:	Supports music-making and music-making related activities for children and young people (aged 0-25) facing barriers.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Criteria include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offer a music-related programme for children or young people facing barriers in England. • Meet one or more of Youth Music's priority areas (Early Years, disabled young people, young adults, youth justice system, young people facing barriers and organisations and the workforce). • Be co-designed by children/young people.
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £2,000 and £30,000
Deadline for Applications:	30 th July 2021 / 3 rd December 2021

Grant:	<u>BBC Children in Need - Emergency Essentials Programme</u>
Summary:	Delivers emergency essentials for children and young people living in severe poverty as well as with additional pressures such as domestic violence, disability or poor health in the family.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Supports young people up to the age of 18 including those that are living independently • Eligible items include essential household items such as cookers, fridges, freezers, children's beds and bedding
Min/Max Funding Available:	In most cases the required items are supplied, but it is possible to obtain a cash grant to purchase an item.
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Grant:	<u>True Colours Trust UK – Small Grants</u>
Summary:	For registered charities and CICs which work with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disabled Children and young people (up to the ages of 25) • Children and young people with life limited conditions and their families
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is particularly keen to support applications from organisation who work with children and families from BAME communities and those which operate in areas of high deprivation. • Applying organisation must have income under £350,000
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £10,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Funding for projects which support broader community outcomes

Grant:	<u>Virgin Media O2 Together Fund</u>
Summary:	Available for environmental and community-based projects, inspiring people to get together and create positive change and celebrate community spirit. It is essential that the project aims to either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce loneliness and isolation and promote a sense of community belonging • Inspire positive action to enhance and protect nature and the local environment.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	Applying organisations must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a registered charity • Have a turnover of less than £1 million • Be able to report back on the social impact of the donation within timescales provided
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £1,000
Deadline for Applications:	14 th June 2021

Grant:	<u>East Midlands Airport – Community Fund</u>
Summary:	Supports projects that have long lasting community, social or environmental benefits.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Projects must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be located within the area of benefit which is shown on Page 5 of the <u>Community Fund Brochure</u> • Meet at least one of the following objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide help to community groups which are supporting vulnerable people during the COVID-19 outbreak ○ To bring the community closer together through facilities for sport, recreation and other leisure time activities ○ Supporting young people to prepare for the world of work and make work an inspiring choice ○ Offer environmental improvement and/or heritage conservation ○ Improve awareness of environmental issues through environmental education ○ Encourage and/or protect wildlife
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £2,000
Deadline for Applications:	21 st June 2021 / 20 th Sept 2021/ 4 th Jan 2022 / 21 st March 2022

Grant:	<u>Nationwide Building Society – Community Grants</u>
Summary:	<p>For housing related community organisations who provide services which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevent people from losing their home • Help people into a home • Support people to thrive within the home environment
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Particularly interested in applications which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help charities get back on their feet after the impact of Covid 19 • Illustrate a clear link to Nationwide’s ambition for everyone to have a place fit to call home • Are supporting people in housing need, in original or creative ways • Have the potential to inspire and be used by others across the country.
Min/Max Funding Available:	£10,000 to £50,000
Deadline for Applications:	21 st June 2021

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

Grant:	<u>East Midlands Academic Health Science Network - Patient and Public Involvement Fund</u>
Summary:	Up to 15 awards are available for health, social care, charities, voluntary and third sector organisations and groups, who want to involve patients and citizens in research and healthcare which can lead to innovation, transformation and improvement.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There must be an identified need for the group/organisation • The group will address an issue/s that affect a significant proportion of the population rather than restricting their interest to just a few people. • Groups which work with Health inequalities and underrepresented communities will be reviewed particularly favourably.
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £1,000
Deadline for Applications:	27 th June 2021

Grant:	<u>Black & Minority Enterprise Development Programme</u>
Summary:	Provides a broad range of support, helping organisations to establish new enterprise models, or grow existing ones. It offers a combination of cohort-based peer learning opportunities, training, direct advice and support, as well as grants to research or test out new ideas, to launch new enterprises or grow existing ones.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	Applying organisations must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be an eligible charity or social enterprise • Have a minimum of 70% of the board of trustees and at least 51% of senior staff from a Black, Asian, or Minority Ethnic background. • Have been operating for at least 2 years
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £30,000
Deadline for Applications:	29 th June 2021

Grant:	<u>The Fat Beehive Foundation</u>
Summary:	To support charities to improve their digital presence. It can, for example, fund web design, but not hosting fees, staff training or salaries.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	Applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a turnover under £1 million • Be working in one of the funding priority service areas stated on its website • Not be utilising Fat Beehive LTD services
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £2,500
Deadline for Applications:	30 th June 2021

Grant:	<u>National Churches Trust</u>
Summary:	<p>There are three grants available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cornerstone grants - urgent structural repair projects or installation of kitchens and toilets • Gateway grants - to support churches preparing for a major project • Foundation grants - towards urgent maintenance works, small repairs, investigative works and surveys
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available to any Christian place of worship in the UK that is open for regular worship. • Building must be more than 30 years old
Min/Max Funding Available:	<p>Cornerstone grants – between £10,000 and £50,000 Gateway grants – between £3,000 and £10,000 Foundation grants - between £500 and £5,000</p>
Deadline for Applications:	<p>Cornerstone Grant - 5th July 2021 Gateway Grant - 9th Sept 2021 Foundation Grant – Open</p>

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

Grant:	<u>Morris Fund - Church Conservation Grants</u>
Summary:	Awarded to churches, chapels and other places of worship in the United Kingdom for the conservation of decorative features and monuments, but not for structural repairs. These include stained glass windows, sculpture, internal monuments and tombs and wall paintings.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	The decorative feature, monument, etc must date from no later than 1896
Min/Max Funding Available:	Min £500, Max £5,000
Deadline for Applications:	31 st August 2021

Grant:	<u>Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust</u>
Summary:	To support UK registered charities whose purposes, encompass one or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To benefit or protect animals • To relieve animals from suffering • To conserve wildlife • To encourage the understanding of animals
Key Eligibility Criteria:	The trust favours smaller animal welfare charities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Which have independently examined up to date annual accounts. • Which demonstrate an active re-homing and rehabilitation policy for animals taken into their care. • Involved with conservation of wildlife, when the rescue, rehabilitation and (where possible) the release of animals is their main aim.
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £35,000
Deadline for Applications:	1 st Sept 2021

Grant:	<u>FCC Community Action Fund</u> *
Summary:	It can support a range of public amenity projects including works to community buildings, play areas, sports/recreation grounds or country parks and nature reserves.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum project cost must be less than £500,000 • Projects must be within 10 miles of an eligible FCC Environment waste facility • Applicants are required to secure a contributing third-party payment (this is a very specific payment required to be paid to the landfill operator and should not be confused with match funding)
Min/Max Funding Available:	From £2,000 to £100,000
Deadline for Applications:	1 st Sept 2021 / 1 st Dec 2021

Grant:	<u>Foyle Foundation – Small Grant Scheme</u>
Summary:	To support registered charities which are currently delivering services to the young, vulnerable, elderly, disadvantaged or the general community either directly or through online support if possible.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Applying organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have an annual turnover under £150,000 • Show how any grant will make a significant difference to their current work. • Apply for core costs or essential equipment only
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £1,000 and £10,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Grant:	<u>DPD – The Eco Fund</u>
Summary:	<p>The fund will support the delivery of green projects and environmental initiatives by local community organisations.</p> <p>It particularly encourages community groups, educational facilities and start-up companies, with all applications needing to be of a green, ecological or sustainability nature, with the project benefiting the environment.</p>
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Organisations can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only have 1 successful application every 2 years • Submit one application per month
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £2,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Grant:	<u>Henry Smith Charity – County Grants</u>
Summary:	For smaller organisations working with disadvantaged people and communities. Grants can be for over 3 years and used towards running costs, salaries, project costs, or one-off capital expenditure such as building refurbishment or equipment.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Applying organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have an annual income under £250,000 (up to £1m if activities are countywide) • Be located in Leicestershire (1 of the 8 counties which it supports) <p>Please note the decision process takes between 3 and 6 months.</p>
Min/Max Funding Available:	From £500 to £20,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open

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

Voluntary Action LeicesterShire	
<p>Leicestershire County Council has a contract with Voluntary Action LeicesterShire (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 sign up for further e-bulletins from VAL, 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> Website: www.valonline.org.uk/contact Tel: 0116 2575050 Email: helpline@valonline.org.uk</p>	

CASE – Support for Social Enterprises in Leicestershire	
<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> Website: http://case.coop/ Tel: 0116 222 5010 Email: enquiries@case.coop</p>	

Leicestershire & Rutland Community Foundation	
<p>The Leicestershire & 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 Making Local Life Better Fund (previously the Donor Matching Scheme). It is also still managing the Coronavirus Emergency Support Fund.</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

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