

Monthly Funding Information

October 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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Barchester's Charitable Foundation	Open
Lloyds Bank Foundation	Open

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Leicestershire County Council - Winter Holiday Activities and Food Programme	22 nd Oct 2021
Triangle Trust 1949 Fund	26 th Oct 2021
KFC Foundation – Community grants	28 th Feb 2022
Hargreaves Foundation	Open
BBC Children In Need – Emergency Essentials	Open
True Colours Trust – UK Small Grants	Open

Funding for projects which support broader community outcomes	
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Sir Jules Thorn Charitable Trust - Hospice Fund	3 rd Oct 2021
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PRS Foundation – Open Fund for Organisations*	18 th Oct 2021
The Road Safety Trust – Small Grants *	18 th Oct 2021

<u>Arts Council England – Capital Investment Programme *</u>	26 th Oct 2021
<u>Leicestershire County Council – SHIRE Community Grant</u>	27 th Oct 2021
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<u>Locality – Neighbourhood Planning Grant Fund</u>	Open
<u>HM Govt. Hong Kong British Nationals Overseas BN(O) Welcome Programme *</u>	Open
<u>Severn Trent Community Fund *</u>	Open
<u>Garfield Weston Foundation</u>	Open
<u>Near Neighbours - Small Grants</u>	Open
<u>Lush – Charity Pot</u>	Open
<u>Morrisons Foundation</u>	Open
<u>Forestry Commission – England Woodland Creation Offer *</u>	Open
<u>The National Lottery Community Fund – Awards For All *</u>	Open
<u>The National Lottery Community Fund – Reaching Communities*</u>	Open
<u>Biffa Award</u>	Open
<u>Visit Britain - Domestic Support Fund</u>	Open
<u>Foyle Foundation – Small Grant Scheme</u>	Open

Funding for projects which support Adults

Grant:	<u>Veterans' Foundation Grants</u>
Summary:	<p>The grant will support projects that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce homelessness • Increase employment • Provide welfare and medical support • Increase confidence and social integration • Reduce dependence on drugs and alcohol • Support other charitable activities that may be needed
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For smaller charities / organisations that support servicing or former members of the British Armed Forces and their dependants. • Funding could be £30,000 over 3 years
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max funding £30,000
Deadline for Applications:	12 th November 2021

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

Grant:	<u>Barchester's Charitable Foundation</u>
Summary:	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.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Grants are available for projects supporting the following groups of people:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People aged over 65+. • People aged 18+ with a physical or learning disability. • People ages 19+ with mental health problems. <p>Funding is available for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activity projects • Equipment and materials for use by members. • Member transport. • Day trips, outings and group holidays in the UK
Min/Max Funding Available:	Groups can apply for a grant from £100 - £5,000 to fund:
Deadline for Applications:	No deadline advertised

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

Funding for projects which support Children and Young People

Grant:	<u>Leicestershire County Council - Winter Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme</u>
Summary:	The HAF grant scheme is for Leicestershire schools, voluntary and community sector organisations and other out of school/holiday activity organisations to provide free holiday provision for children eligible for benefits-related free school meals over four days in winter 2021 (Monday 20th December – Thursday 23rd December).
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is expected that face-to-face provision will remain a central element of the HAF programme • If you are unable to deliver 4 days of face-to-face provision across your settings, an alternative approach is possible. • Organisations planning to apply to the Leicestershire HAF Summer Holidays programme are advised to read the updated standards document to ensure their proposed provision is able to meet these standards. • Please discuss your proposal with the HAF Team <u>haf@leics.gov.uk</u>
Min/Max Funding Available:	<p>The grant rates are set as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £13 per place per day (for children eligible for benefits related free school meals) • £40 per place per day (for SEND or children with additional needs)
Deadline for Applications:	22 nd October 2021

Grant:	<u>Triangle Trust 1949 Fund</u>
Summary:	<p>The grant scheme is for organisations that work with young people with criminal convictions (up to the age of 25 years) to find and secure meaningful employment.</p> <p>Priority will be given to proposals that provide specialist support to target those who are particularly disadvantaged, such as young people from Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities, young women and girl, and young people who have been looked after.</p>
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Projects must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have specific outcomes and targets related to securing employment for young people with criminal convictions.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show that they will also work with employers and provide post placement support to both employee and employer. • Understand the wide range of challenges and issues that will need to be addressed to help a young person succeed on their employment journey. • Show how existing work with young people who have been in the criminal justice system is already taking place and can evidence a track record of helping them to achieve positive outcomes.
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £10,000 and £60,000 for 6 months up to two years. Max grant of £30,000 per year
Deadline for Applications:	26 th October 2021

Grant:	<u>Bikeability Trust – Widening Participation Fund</u> *
Summary:	<p>The grant scheme is available to bicycle training providers and community organisations for innovative pilot projects that encourage underrepresented children in England to take part in cycle training.</p> <p>Pilot projects should be able to demonstrate how they can overcome barriers and increase participation in Bikeability within the following four key areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lower take up in areas of deprivation. • Low take up amongst specific ethnic backgrounds. • Low delivery of Level 3 Training. • Low participation amongst female teenagers.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are open to current Bikeability training providers and any organisation that can increase participation. Funding can be used for promoting and delivering cycle training including staff/instructor time, salaries and equipment and resources
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max grant £75,000
Deadline for Applications:	29 th October 2021

Grant:	<u>KFC Foundation – Community grants</u>
Summary:	The grant scheme will provide support for charities, clubs and community groups who seek to address the needs of socially disadvantaged young people and help them unlock their talent, build life skills, and help them create a positive future.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Projects should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefit young people aged 11-25 years old. • Support those in a position of social disadvantage, such as experiencing homelessness, young carers, young parents, or young people at risk. • Provide safe spaces for young people and provide, training, skills and mentoring towards gainful employment. • Empower young people to fulfil their potential. <p>Applying organisations should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have an annual turnover of less than £300,000 • Be working in communities where KFC restaurants are located • Be able to demonstrate positive results from their project within 12 months of our funding being received
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £200 and £2,000
Deadline for Applications:	28 th February 2022

Grant:	<u>Hargreaves Foundation</u>
Summary:	<p>The grant scheme can fund clearly defined projects, initiatives or the purchase of specific items that support young people in one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enables individuals to experience the mental and physical health benefits of participatory sport • Ensures participatory sport is accessible (accessibility includes affordability) • Provides sporting or educational activities that foster life skills • Aims to improve academic engagement and attainment • Encourages the development of skills and personal attributes to aid future employability
Key Eligibility Criteria:	Beneficiaries must be under the age of 18, and living with a mental health problem, physical disability or growing up in poverty
Min/Max Funding Available:	Not disclosed
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Grant:	<u>BBC Children In Need – Emergency Essentials</u>
Summary:	<p>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. The scheme generally provides critical items such as cookers; fridges; freezers; children’s beds and clothes.</p> <p>Additional items also now include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting access to education resources through grants for digital devices. This includes laptops and tablets. • Grants for toys and games.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	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.
Min/Max Funding Available:	No value stated – it provides the required items
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Grant:	<u>True Colours Trust – UK Small Grants</u>
Summary:	<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>
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Funding available for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities for disabled children, children with life-limiting conditions and their families. • Activities which support siblings of disabled children or siblings of children with life-limiting conditions. • Bereavement support for children and young people. • Family support / parent-led peer support for parents of disabled children. • Respite which supports the whole family. • Support for disabled children and children with life-limiting conditions who are shielding or unable to return to school due to Covid-19. • Equipment and Materials
Min/Max Funding Available:	Maximum £10,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open to applications all year round.

Funding for projects which support broader community outcomes

Grant:	<u>Sir Jules Thorn Charitable Trust - Hospice Fund</u>
Summary:	The grant scheme supports the core costs of hospices in the UK
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Applying organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be hospices that are charities registered in the UK that are members either of Hospice UK or Together for Short Lives. • Have a current level of free reserves equivalent to 12 months or less of their operating costs. • Please note organisations can't reapply if they received an award from the Trust's Hospice Fund in November 2020
Min/Max Funding Available:	£5,000
Deadline for Applications:	3 rd October 2021

Grant:	<u>HM Govt. - Faith New Deal Pilot Fund *</u>
Summary:	<p>The grant scheme is open to faith groups working on community projects which support one or more of the following COVID-19 recovery objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental wellbeing and loneliness • Debt advice • Employability • Food poverty • Increasing community engagement through volunteering
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faith based organisations can apply individually or as part of a consortium which can include non-faith-based organisations including local authorities • The maximum grant will be 50% of the project's delivery costs
Min/Max Funding Available:	<p>Two levels:</p> <p>Up to £125,000</p> <p>Up to £200,000 for innovative projects to be delivered by a consortium / partnership</p>
Deadline for Applications:	7 th October 2021

Grant:	<u>HM Govt. - Loneliness Engagement Fund</u>
Summary:	The Grant is open to charitable, benevolent and philanthropic organisations supporting those most affected by loneliness during COVID-19. The work should include communications and engagement activity that will help reduce feelings of stigma and encourage people to take steps to help themselves and others.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Applying organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not apply for more than 50% of its annual income • have a track record of delivering effective communications and engagement activity at a national level • a proven reach and track record of engaging with one or more of the target groups: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Young people aged 16-24. ○ People with diagnosed mental health conditions. ○ People living alone. ○ People from lower income households. ○ Unemployed people. ○ Disabled people
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £15,000 and £50,000
Deadline for Applications:	13 th October 2021

Grant:	<u>PRS Foundation – Open Fund for Organisations*</u>
Summary:	<p>The grant scheme is available for not-for-profit organisations based in the UK to support new music projects. Priority will be given to projects that fit the following priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To support the creation and performance of outstanding new music in any genre. • To enable the UK's most talented music creators to realise their potential. • To inspire audiences at a local, regional, national and international level.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligible projects must involve the creation, performance and promotion of new music and enable songwriters, composers, artists, bands and performers of all backgrounds to develop creatively and professionally. • Bands and small musical groups are not considered organisations and should apply as music creators
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max grant £10,000
Deadline for Applications:	18 th October 2021

Grant:	<u>The Road Safety Trust – Small Grants</u> *
Summary:	The main aim of the Grants Programme is to improve road safety at a local level. The grant scheme is looking for measurable interventions that link to local priorities and show a proposed link to reducing casualties either directly or through clear interim measures.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	Projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • can be pilots, trials, expanding successful trials across a new area, and/or the evaluation of interventions. • should have the potential for being brought to scale - with the ultimate goal of reducing deaths and injuries both locally and across the UK.
Min/Max Funding Available:	Grants between £10,000 and £30,000 over two years
Deadline for Applications:	18 th October 2021

Grant:	<u>Arts Council England – Capital Investment Programme</u> *
Summary:	The purpose of the grant programme is to support cultural organisations to adjust buildings and equipment so that they can operate safely post-pandemic and improve access, seize on technological opportunities, and reduce environmental impact.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funded activity can start from April 2022, but no later than 30th September 2022 • All funded activity must be completed by 31st March 2025 • Applicants are expected to make the most of other sources of income available to them, and to provide match funding
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £100,000 and £750,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open between 5 th October and 26 th October 2021

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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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
Deadline for Applications:	<p>Round 2: Opens 1st Sept 2021, deadline 27th Oct 2021 Round 3: Opens 1st December 2021, deadline 26th Jan 2022</p>

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:	29 th Oct 2021, and 25 th Feb 2022

Grant:	<u>The National Lottery Community Fund – Together For Our Planet</u>
Summary:	The grant will support local communities to take action on climate change. The project should reflect what matters to your community and can be small in scale. It could be for projects relating to food; energy; transport, waste or the natural environment.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All projects must be about developing a community-led climate action project. The project will also need to meet at least two of these criteria: • It supports the development of longer-term climate action within communities (that is, taking place after the <u>COP26 event in November</u>). • It encourages communities to plan for the climate emergency - to consider what climate action could mean to them and why it matters. • It celebrates the importance of community-led climate action and encourages more people to get involved. • It builds resilience in communities that are hardest hit by climate change. • It provides jobs, skills or training opportunities for communities which support climate action.
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £1,000 and £10,000
Deadline for Applications:	18 th November 2021

Grant:	<u>Harborough District Council – Community Grant</u>
Summary:	<p>The aim of the grant scheme is to enable a healthy, inclusive, and engaged community.</p> <p>The grant focus is on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve spaces and places that are important to the community. For example, improvements to parks and community spaces and facilities. • Projects that support young people aged 11+ around mental health issues related to anxiety and self-image and projects that help combat childhood inactivity or provide a diversionary activity.

Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This year the grant will not be funding benches, noticeboards, bins, repairs and maintenance • Applications should be match funded by at least 25% of total project • Funding can go towards expanding existing projects or new projects.
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max grant £2,500
Deadline for Applications:	26 th November 2021

Grant:	<u>Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust – Rights and Justice Programme</u>
Summary:	<p>The grant scheme supports projects promoting racial justice and equality of opportunity as a basis for a harmonious multi-racial, multi-ethnic society in the UK.</p> <p>There are three priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection and promotion of human rights and their enforcement in the UK. • Promoting rights and justice for minorities who face the most severe forms of racism. • Promotion of rights and justice for refugees and other migrants by identifying and tackling structures and systems that may deny them their rights. <p>In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trust is also interested in work which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collates evidence of lived experience of structural inequalities arising from the impact of or response to COVID-19 for black and minority ethnic communities, refugee and other migrants. • Holds the government to account for systemic inequalities, injustices or abuses of power arising from responses to COVID-19. • Builds the foundation for collective action, including resources for network of activists to be effective, and the development and showcasing of long-term systemic alternatives.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>The grant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can only support work which is legally charitable as defined in UK law • Has an emphasis on supporting those who have direct experience of racism and oppression • Focuses on supporting national advocacy and campaigning but is open to applications that aim to effect structural change at local and regional levels of policymaking

Min/Max Funding Available:	Not stipulated
Deadline for Applications:	29 th November 2021

Grant:	<u>War Memorial Trust – Grants *</u>
Summary:	Grants for the repair and conservation of war memorials are available between 25% and 75% of eligible costs.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It will only fund works in-line with best conservation practice to minimise any damage to the war memorial • two or three quotes/tenders will be required • projects cannot be funded if they have already started or have finished.
Min/Max Funding Available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freestanding war memorials max grant £30,000 • Non- freestanding war memorials max grant £5,000
Deadline for Applications:	30 th November 2021

Grant:	<u>FCC Community Action Fund *</u>
Summary:	Funding to 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 December 2021

Grant:	<u>International Tree Foundation – UK Community Tree Planting Programme</u>
Summary:	The grant can cover costs that directly relate to tree planting projects on land that is publicly accessible, such as parks, schools, rights of way or land managed by community groups.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project should promote indigenous tree species (including ‘honorary’ natives where appropriate), whilst encouraging community cohesion and having clear plans for sustainability. • Max planting scheme is 5000 trees • Plant a minimum of 50 trees per £1,000 of grant • Engage community members in the tree planting
Min/Max Funding Available:	Grants up to £6,000
Deadline for Applications:	16 th December 2021

Grant:	<u>Locality – Neighbourhood Planning Grant Fund</u>
Summary:	<p>There are three types of grant funding to support the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Basic Grant - for all groups undertaking a neighbourhood plan 2. Additional Grant – for groups facing more complex issues 3. Affordable Housing for Sale Grant – for groups wishing to bring forward affordable housing for sale
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants must be undertaking a neighbourhood plan • There are specific criteria for the Additional and Affordable Housing Grants
Min/Max Funding Available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic Grant max £10,000 • Additional Grant max £8,000 • Affordable Housing for Sale Grant max £10,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Grant:	<u>HM Govt. – Hong Kong British Nationals Overseas BN(O) Welcome Programme *</u>
Summary:	Local authorities in England can apply where they are providing support for BN(O) status holders and their families to help them to successfully settle in their new communities. There is a particular focus on those who need help with English language or are destitute or at risk of destitution.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding is available for support provided to BN(O) status holders and their dependents who are on the BN(O) route. It does not cover those who have entered the UK through other immigration routes. • It is expected that local authorities making claims for this funding will build upon existing ESOL infrastructure in place within their local area - through collaborating and working with community groups and ESOL providers already established within their local area. • Funds will be allocated on a quarterly retrospective basis
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £800 per adult for access to English language classes Max £2,720 per household for destitution support
Deadline for Applications:	No deadline disclosed

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

Grant:	<u>Garfield Weston Foundation</u>
Summary:	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. Grants can be used towards capital, revenue (core costs) and specific project costs
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is recommended that applicants have around half of their funding identified before applying • A grant is unlikely to be for more than around 10% of the total costs of the budget. • Organisations applying for £100,000 or more are expected to have an annual income in excess of £1 million.
Min/Max Funding Available:	Regular Grant - Max £100,000 Major Grant - over £100,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Grant:	<u>Near Neighbours - Small Grants</u>
Summary:	The grant scheme can provide funding for local groups and organisations who are working to bring people together encouraging social action and interaction.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	Applying organisations must be working: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To develop relationships across two or more faiths and or ethnicities in order to improve their communities. • With people who live very locally (same street or estate) • In an area supported by one of the eleven Hubs (Leicester is our closest Hub)
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £250 and £3,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open – deadline not disclosed

Grant:	<u>Lush – Charity Pot</u>
Summary:	The scheme supports small organisations working in Animal Rights, Environmental Protection and Human Rights that have campaigns to achieve long-term change.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	Applying organisations should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have an income under £250,000 • Be entirely run by volunteers
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £100 and £10,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open – but decisions take 3 months

Grant:	<u>Morrisons Foundation</u>
Summary:	Grants are available to registered charities for new projects which directly improve the lives of local people or communities, especially those that are vulnerable or disadvantaged
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applying Charities should have been registered for a minimum of 1 year • Funding can cover 100% of the eligible costs
Min/Max Funding Available:	Max £25,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Grant:	<u>Forestry Commission – England Woodland Creation Offer *</u>
Summary:	<p>The scheme supports landowners, managers and public bodies to establish new woodland, including through natural colonisation, on areas as small as 1 hectare. Payments can cover a range of costs including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planting new woodland • Maintenance payments for 10 years to help establish the young trees • Contribution towards installing infrastructure to facilitate management or recreational activity
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<p>The planting site needs to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be under full management of the applying organisation • Not already be classed as woodland • Not subject to any existing legal requirement or obligation to create woodland
Min/Max Funding Available:	Not disclosed
Deadline for Applications:	Open

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

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

Grant:	<u>Biffa Award</u>
Summary:	<p>Supports projects based on one of three themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rebuilding Biodiversity – for example habitat improvement works, tree planting, and scrub removal • Community Buildings – for example extensions, renovations, replacement floor and roofs • Recreation - for example play areas, outdoor gyms and nature trails
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The criteria vary for the different types of project. • 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 • The organisation and project must both be eligible for enrolment and registration with the Landfill Communities Fund scheme regulator, ENTRUST • Maximum project cost is £200,000 (including VAT)
Min/Max Funding Available:	Between £10,000 and £75,000
Deadline for Applications:	Open

Grant:	<u>Visit Britain – Domestic Support Fund</u>
Summary:	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.
Key Eligibility Criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial support is based on the number of delegates attending a live event, or the live component of a hybrid event. • The event organisation can apply for £30 per delegate (cash including VAT) attending an event. • Support is available for events from 100 to 500 people, to a maximum value of £15,000 support.
Min/Max Funding Available:	Maximum £15,000
Deadline for Applications:	No deadline advertised, but all activities need to take place within the dates 21 st June to 17 th December 2021 and evidence provided by 1 st March 2022

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

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

Voluntary Action LeicesterShire



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.

Contact Details:

Website: www.valonline.org.uk/contact

Tel: 0116 2575050

Email: helpline@valonline.org.uk

CASE – Support for Social Enterprises in Leicestershire



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.

Leicestershire County Council has a contract with CASE to provide support to people currently running (or thinking of setting up) social enterprises in Leicestershire.

Contact Details:


Website: <http://case.coop/>

Tel: 0116 222 5010

Email: enquiries@case.coop

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).</p> <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.</p> <p>Contact Details: Website: https://www.llrcommunityfoundation.org.uk/ Tel: 0116 262 4916 Email: grants@llrcommunityfoundation.org.uk</p>	

Commissioning Opportunities	  
<p>VCSE organisations are encouraged to explore opportunities to receive income through delivering contracts for services commissioned by the public sector.</p> <p>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</p>	

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

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