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Big Potential - Final Deadlines Update

Grants are available to improve the sustainability, capacity and scale of Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) organisations in order that they may deliver greater social impact.

The fund is aimed at VCSE organisations that are thinking about taking on social investment for the first time and have the ambition to raise up to £500,000 of repayable investment. Big Potential has two possible application routes:

- Breakthrough Grants of between £20,000 and £75,000 for specialist business support to help raise new repayable investment of up to £500,000
- Advanced Grants of up to £150,000 for specialist business support to help raise new repayable investment above £500,000 or to help win contracts worth above £1million

The programme also offers access to a Diagnostic Tool to help charities and social enterprises understand their own investment readiness needs, a free 1:1 session with a specialist advisor (these will take place in July) and then the opportunity to work with one of the programmes' approved providers to apply for an investment readiness grant.

Deadline: Please note that following a large spike in demand the final deadline dates have now been brought forward to 9th August 2017 for Advanced Grants; 15th September 2017 for Breakthrough Grants

For more information: www.bigpotential.org.uk

Turn2us Grants Search

The Turn2us Grants Search is a free to use database which contains details of over 3,000 charitable funds that give grants and other support to **individuals** who may either:

- Be in financial need and have welfare needs, or
- Require help with the costs associated with education and training courses

For more information:

<https://www.turn2us.org.uk/Find-Benefits-Grants>

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News and Events

National Lottery statistics – Returns to Good Causes

The latest National Lottery statistics relating to returns to good causes Q4 2016-17 shows lottery income is still declining. A year on year comparison against 2015-16 shows the drop of income of £293.5m for the last financial year – or to put it another way a drop equivalent to 90% of the current projected HLF budget for 2017-18.

The income for Q4 2016-17 was £428.4m compared to Q4 previous year of £563.5m. This is significantly more than the £35.1m year-on-year drop for the last financial quarter, Q3 2016-17.

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/y9wa4qa4>

Interreg Roadshow 2017 - 5th July in Dartford

The UK’s decision to leave the European Union leaves a short time window to apply for European funding. This includes the Interreg programmes that support cooperation across borders. This workshop will focus on the Interreg 2 Seas Programme. Over €100 million remains and the call for proposals that closes in October will be one of the last opportunities to submit ideas.

If you have an idea for a project with real impact in for businesses or residents and could work on this with partners in France, Belgium or the

Netherlands, this free workshop is for you. The EU’s Interreg programmes are looking for project applications in 2017 that:

- Promote innovation in the following sectors: transport and ports; environmental & marine technologies; agro-food; life sciences; digital & creative; manufacturing
- Improve the factors that help innovation flourish in Kent and Medway or help businesses bring innovations closer to the market
- Develop socially innovative approaches to tackling challenges such as demographic change, poverty and labour market exclusion
- Roll out low carbon technologies, make businesses more resource efficient or embed the principles of a circular economy in the South East
- Help adapt better to climate change

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/yaf4sq93>

Arts

PRS for Music Foundation - Organisations

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations for projects that involve the creation, performance and promotion of new music, and enable songwriters, composers, artists, bands and performers of all backgrounds to

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	KCC Funding Contacts	The following are contacts within Kent County Council who can offer funding advice:
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Mark Reeves	KCC Village and Community Halls Grants	mark.reeves@kent.gov.uk
Chris Metherell	Capital funding for sports facilities	chris.metherell@kent.gov.uk
Shirley Smith	European funding	shirley.smith@kent.gov.uk
Arts Development	Non-profit arts projects, activities & organisations	arts@kent.gov.uk
Community Liaison Officers	Combined Members Grant	Please refer to page 27 for contact information for each Community Liaison Officer

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develop creatively and professionally. Funding supports:

- Touring
- Recording
- Promotion and marketing
- Commissions of new music by UK-based creators
- Exciting community projects involving high-quality music creators
- Music creator residencies
- Live programmes featuring new UK music

Deadline: 2nd October 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/hb2quvw>

Arts Council England - Catalyst Small Grants Scheme

Grants of between £10,000-£30,000 are available to not-for-profits arts and culture organisations, museums, and libraries to build fundraising capacity to enable them to attract more private giving to arts and culture. To be eligible, organisations will have an income of between £100,000 and £750,000 and have received an Arts Council grant within the last two years.

Deadline: 10th August 2017 (the scheme opens on 13th July 2017)

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/khwk53u>

Business and Employment

World of Opportunity SME Grants

Grants of £2,000 are available to up to 20 growing businesses to help them begin exporting and reaching new markets. The funding can be used to help fund a trade mission, trade show or market research into new markets.

Deadline: 14th July 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/yd8g29zt>

Power to Change - Community Business Fund

Grants of between £50,000 and £300,000 are available to help locally based and community-led businesses in England to increase their social impact and make them more viable in the long term. There must be a charitable purpose at the heart of the project. Projects should meet at least one of the following impact areas:

- Reduce social isolation
- Improve health and wellbeing
- Increase employability
- Create better access to basic services
- Improve local environment
- Enable greater community cohesion
- Foster greater community pride and empowerment

Funding can be used for capital costs (building, refurbishment, vehicles, equipment costs) and project-specific revenue costs (staff costs, professional fees, volunteer costs).

Deadline: 5th July 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/ljfn8m>

Kent Community Fund - Employability, Skills and Enterprise

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to organisations for projects that raise the aspirations and increase the skills and opportunities of people who are far from the labour market due to a range of challenging circumstances that can present barriers to employment.

This may include young people/NEETs, young parents, ex-offenders, ex-forces, those with financial barriers to gaining training, and those with learning disabilities, mental health issues or physical disabilities. Kent Community Foundation would like to hear from projects that:

- Provide accredited training for the disadvantaged
- Provide meaningful work experience
- Run life skills/employment skills work-

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Councils for Voluntary Service in Kent & other organisations

The following are organisations within Kent who can offer fundraising support to community and voluntary groups including advice and on-going project support:

<p>Action with Communities in Rural Kent (ACRK) Covers: Rural Kent</p>	<p>Tel: 01303 813790 Email: info@ruralkent.org.uk Internet: www.ruralkent.org.uk</p>
<p>Red Zebra Community Solutions (formerly CASE Kent and East Kent Voluntary Action Support) Covers: Kent & Medway</p>	<p>Telephone: 01227 772248 Email: info@redzebra.org.uk Internet: http://www.redzebra.org.uk</p>
<p>Involve (formerly Voluntary Action Maidstone) Covers: Maidstone</p>	<p>Tel: 01622 677337 Email: office@involvekent.org.uk Internet: www.involvekent.org.uk/home</p>
<p>CVSNWK Covers: Dartford, Gravesham, Swanley (North West Kent)</p>	<p>Tel: 01474 354479 Internet: www.cvsnwk.org</p>
<p>Swale Community & Voluntary Services</p>	<p>Tel: 01795 473828 Email: office@swalecvs.co.uk Internet: www.swalecvs.org.uk</p>
<p>Imago (formerly VAWK) Covers: Kent and Medway</p>	<p>Tel: 01892 530330 Internet: http://www.imago.community/</p>
<p>KM Charity Team Support Supports initiatives to promote health and well-being, particularly amongst school children</p>	<p>Tel: 0844 264 0291 (Lo-Call) Email: kmcharityteam@thekmgroup.co.uk Internet: www.kmcharityteam.co.uk</p>
<p>Kent CAN Supports voluntary community and social enterprise sectors across Kent and Medway</p>	<p>Tel: 01622 677614 Internet: http://www.kentcan.org/</p>
<p>STAMP Support for VCSE organisations that are delivering adult and social care services in Kent</p>	<p>Tel: 01227 469970 Email: info@sekgroup.org.uk Internet: http://tinyurl.com/lub9u7e</p>
<p>Funding For All Mentors VSC organisations/groups across Kent (and Medway) in bid writing skills, funding strategy, business planning, tendering, etc.</p>	<p>Internet: http://www.fundingforall.org.uk/</p>
<p>Kent Community Foundation A charitable foundation set up to encourage philanthropy for the benefit of the people of Kent</p>	<p>Tel: 01303 814 500 Internet: http://www.kentcf.org.uk/</p>

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Youth Music Programme

Grants are available to registered charities, not-for-profit organisations and profit-sharing organisations (so long as the work they propose to undertake will not make any profit for the organisation) for music-making activities that achieves personal, social and musical outcomes for children and young people in challenging circumstances.

The Programme supports:

- Developmental music-making projects for children and young people
- Strategic work to support the development of the workforce, organisations and the wider sector

The following funds are available:

- Fund A - grants of between £2,000 and £30,000 are available for between six and 24 months
- Fund B - grants of between £30,001 and £200,000 (to a maximum of £100,000 per annum) are available for between 12 and 36 months
- Fund C - grants of between £50,000 and £180,000 per annum for 36 months

Imminent Deadline: Fund C: 23 June 2017. Fund A: 18th August 2017, and 8th December 2017. Fund B: 10th November 2017

For more information: <http://tinyurl.com/qak3sb8>

- shops
- Run a social enterprise, employing and training those who need it most, using profits to further their charitable/social objectives
- Strategic projects which aim to prevent young people becoming NEET
- Create apprenticeships for disadvantaged young people

The Foundation is particularly interested in projects that are volunteer-led or make good use of volunteers to support their work, and initiatives that are rooted within the local community and led by local people responding to local need.

Deadline: 26th August 2017, 25th November 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/gtwghmf>

Childcare Business Grants

Grants are available to newly registered early years childminders, childcare providers on domestic premises and Childminder Agencies to

boost the provision of childcare in England and to incentivise entrepreneurship. The scheme encourages and supports the starting up of new childcare businesses. All costs incurred for the set-up of a business will be considered as eligible. There are three types of grants available:

- £500 for an early years childminder or childcare provider on domestic premises
- £1,000 for an early years childminder or childcare provider on domestic premises of children with special educational needs and disability
- £1,000 for a Childminder Agency

Deadline: 31st March 2018, or sooner if all funds have been exhausted

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/jafz2fw>

South East Business Boost (SEBB)

Grants of up to £10,000 (and support and guidance) are available to businesses **Kent & Medway** to help boost companies and increase em-

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Kent and Medway Business Fund

Loans of between £50,000 and £500,000 are available to businesses (sole trader, partnership, limited company or a not-for-profit business) to create new jobs and growth in Ashford, Canterbury, Dartford, Dover, Gravesham, Maidstone, Medway, Sevenoaks, Shepway, Swale, Thanet, Tonbridge and Malling and Tunbridge Wells. Eligible costs include tangible assets, land purchase and buildings purchase, professional fees, fixtures and fittings, equipment and machinery, leases and wages.

The scheme will normally contribute up to 50% of total eligible costs. Although interest is not charged, each loan will incur an administrative charge equivalent to 5% of the total value of the Loan. In addition to loans the scheme can also offer convertible loans or equity investments i.e. provide money upfront in return for a stake in the business.

To be eligible businesses must be providing employment, employing fewer than 250 people.

Deadline: 14 July 2017 (pre-applications)

For more information: <http://tinyurl.com/h2mu2zc>

ployment. The aim of the scheme is to improve business resilience, profitability and competitiveness. The programme will provide 'growth grants' to local businesses, creating new jobs and 'new to the firm' products. It will also support 'pre-start' companies and 'start-up' companies.

Grant funding from SEBB may be used to cover the following types of expenditure:

- Business Development: funding required enabling expansion of the business (for example, new technology and related processes)
- Plant, Machinery & Equipment: costs of and installation of machinery and hardware, and training required to operate it
- Intangible Items: including costs of purchasing new IT software and training

The programme can fund up to 30% of the cost of qualifying projects. Certain sectors are not eligible - please check.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/k523ag7> or business@kentandmedwaygrowthhub.org.uk

Kent Big Society Fund

Loans of between £10,000 and £100,000 are available to support existing and newly created social enterprises that benefit the local community and enhance the economic, social and environmental vibrancy of Kent. There may be some scope for providing an element of grant funding (maximum 4:1 loan to grant ratio) alongside loan finance to support the development of business plans and new enterprise.

Deadline: 31st August 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/ozyh6wz>

The Kent and Medway Growth Hub

The Kent and Medway Growth helps new and existing businesses find the most suitable type of business support available in their area. You can sign up to receive email alerts about the latest grants, funding and initiatives available across Kent and Medway.

For more information:
<http://www.kentandmedwaygrowthhub.org.uk>

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KCC - Combined Members Grants

Kent County Councillors (also known as Members) have grants available to support a wide range of community initiatives, including:

- Local events and activities
- Purchase or repair of equipment and furniture
- Promotional materials and website creation/redesign
- Mentoring support to assist local groups to become more sustainable
- Sports projects
- Community safety schemes
- Small-scale pilot projects

Grants are available to properly-constituted organisations – such as voluntary and community groups, societies and charities, social enterprises and parish/town councils – for projects that benefit local communities. Members may jointly support a project where it benefits more than one area/community.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme until the funding is spent

For more information: <http://tinyurl.com/q83zjf3>

Queen Elizabeth Scholarship Trust - Apprenticeships

Apprenticeship support of up to £18,000 (over 3 years) is available to fund apprentices learning craft skills within companies and from master craftsmen. Funding is available to support employers to take on apprentices and nurture a new generation of craftspeople, and can be used to part fund salaries, training costs and/or materials. Although there is no upper age limit, the Trust is primarily looking to fund those aged between 16-26 for apprenticeships. The scheme covers a wide range of modern and traditional crafts.

Deadline: 3rd August 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/ybc69vpy>

Churches/Places of Worship

Heritage Lottery Fund - Grants for Places of Worship

Grants from £10,000–£250,000 are available to fund urgent structural repairs to places of wor-

ship, and to help make them better places for everyone to visit.

From September 2017 The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) will no longer be providing funding for places of worship through its Grants for Places of Worship programme. Instead, HLF funding will be provided through the existing Our Heritage (grants of up to £100,000) and Heritage Grants (up to £5 million) programmes. The changes are as follows:

- A faster, single-stage application process for grants up to £100,000
- Greater flexibility, allowing for a wider range of activities and capital works
- Works and activities can be funded without the requirement for partnership funding
- 50% of the grant will be paid up front which will help the applicant's cash flow
- For larger schemes, a two-stage application will be required but more money will be available for individual places of worship

Deadline: 14th August 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/qwy8h29>

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National Churches Trust Grant Programmes

Grants are available to help maintain the UK's heritage of church buildings and to enhance their ability to serve local communities. There are two programmes:

- **Community Grants** of between £5,000 and £20,000 for projects that have an estimated cost of at least £25,000. The grants are to be used for projects which introduce facilities to enable increased community use of places of worship
- **Repair Grants** of between £5,000 and £40,000 are available towards the cost of urgent and essential structural repair projects with costs of at least £100,000

In addition there are micro grants of £2,000 for churches awarded a National Churches Trust Community Grant to set up a social action project that meets the needs of local people.

Imminent Deadline: 3rd July 2017

For more information:

<http://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/>

Community

Port of Dover Community Fund

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to benefit the Dover community focusing on two key areas:

- **Skills & Jobs** – projects that provide opportunities to develop skills, support people on the pathway into employment and assist job creation, with a particular focus on young people
- **Community** - activities that enrich the social, cultural and environmental life of local communities, enhancing Dover as an attractive and welcoming place to live, work and visit

Deadline: 31st July 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/phdqhyr>

Golding Homes - Community Chest Fund (Maidstone)

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for community organisations to run activities and deliver projects that will benefit their local community in the Maidstone and the surrounding areas where Golding Homes' properties are located.

Some examples of the types of projects that can be supported include:

- Equipment for clubs or community groups
- Projects to engage young people
- Sports and leisure activities for communities
- Skills training
- Start up support for new groups
- Local groups or businesses that give back to the community

Imminent Deadline: 1st July 2017 and 1st October 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/jgj7aee>

Skipton Building Society - Grassroots Giving 2017

164 pots of £500 are available to support the development of local grassroots groups from across the UK. The fund aims to support small community groups which might not normally attract any sort of funding. Organisations should show a real commitment to their local community and enhance the lives of the neighbourhoods they are running within. Groups should have an annual net profit of less than £10,000.

The winners will be chosen by a public vote after being shortlisted.

Deadline: 31st July 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/ppayjhw>

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Biffa Awards - Recreation and Community Buildings

Grants of between £10,000 and £75,000 are available for not-for-profit organisations to improve community spaces and places for outdoor recreation (green spaces, woodland walks, play areas, sports facilities and community gardens).

The project must be located within 5 miles of a significant Biffa operation or within 10 miles of an active Biffa Landfill site. You can check the project's postcode using the Postcode Checker on the Biffa Awards website. The project's site must also be within 10 miles of any licensed landfill site (visit the Environment Agency website). The total cost of the project should be less than £200,000 and there must be a minimum of 104 days of full public access to the project per year.

Deadline: 16th August 2017 (Community Buildings); 12th December 2017 (Recreation)

For more information:
<http://www.biffa-award.org/>

WHSmith Trust Community Grants

Grants of up to £500 are available for charities, schools and community groups of any size, provided they support the community in the UK. The funding is generated through proceeds from compulsory carrier bag levies.

Deadline: 30th September 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/j66k9ut>

Screwfix Foundation

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to UK registered charities for projects that fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and community facilities for those in need across the UK.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/k7287or>

One Stop Carriers for Causes

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to local non-profit organisations and groups for projects that benefit local communities within two miles of a One Stop store in Great Britain.

The scheme is funded through the money raised from the 5p bag charge. Projects must meet at least one of the following outcomes:

- Improving the lives of young people
- Improving the lives of the elderly
- Promoting physical activity
- Improving health or well being
- Increasing community safety
- Protecting/improving the local environment

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/jvdlqfx>

Heart of Experian Charity Fund

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to schools, charities and community groups for projects with a charitable purpose which benefit the community as a whole. Eligible projects must:

- Make the applicant's organisation or project more sustainable
- Relate to financial inclusion, financial education, entrepreneurship or developing skills useful in business
- Have a long-term benefit for the community
- Have a clear approach or strategy for attracting future funding or otherwise ensuring the continuation of the project

Grants are not normally given to cover salary costs, unless the group has a clear strategy for its future sustainability.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme (applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis)

For more information:
<http://www.charityfund.org.uk/>

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People's Postcode Trust - Small Grants Programme

Grants of up to £20,000 are available to fund grassroots organisations, local charities and non-profit community businesses seeking to effect positive change within their local area. The Trust aims to help people find real solutions to tackling the root causes of poverty and its long-term consequences by, for example, helping people gain the skills, knowledge and resources they need to improve their life chances. Poverty prevention can focus on relieving other needs, such as those associated with ethnicity, geography, gender, age or disability. The Trust aims to fund projects that give people a voice to help them uphold their rights and find their own place within society. Examples of projects which may fit within the criteria are:

- Training programmes to boost skills and opportunities for disadvantaged groups
- Homelessness support
- Prevention of anti-social behaviour in young people
- Support for at-risk families (parenting support)
- Promotion of human rights for LGBT groups, the disabled or elderly
- Services around domestic violence
- Creative solutions to help refugees integrate into their community

Deadline: Expressions of Interest accepted from 1st August 2017 to 18th August 2017

For more information: <http://www.postcodetrust.org.uk/>

Linda Hogan Community Fund

Grants of up to £500 are available to groups and organisations who provide or will provide, services to residents living in areas across Kent, and those working with hard to reach groups. The fund supports:

- Services and activities that help prevent debt, provide financial advice and reduce poverty
- Projects that support and encourage volunteering
- Activities and services for older people
- Activities and services for young people and children
- Activities that promote community engagement and cohesion

Priority will be given to projects that encourage local people to get involved.

Deadline: 15th October 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/yccoblqv>

Cole Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for small local registered charities undertaking projects for social and community work in Greater Birmingham, Cambridgeshire and **Kent**. Funding is available for work in the following areas:

- Social welfare, all age groups
- Housing/homelessness
- Community and environmental development
- Opportunities for young people
- Promotion of improved quality of life
- Personal or community empowerment

Deadline: 12th November 2017

For more information:
<http://www.colecharitabletrust.org.uk/>

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Conservation & Environment

O2 - The Environment Now

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to individuals and teams of UK-based young people (aged between the ages of 17 and 24) for unique digital projects that have a positive and measurable environmental impact in areas such as; energy efficiency or waste and recycling.

Deadline: 14th July 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/hsrkvxx>

Tesco Bags of Help Grants Programme

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations for capital improvements to local community greenspaces. Each month, an in-store vote will determine which projects will be funded. Grants must be used for projects which deliver improvements to the physical environment and/or encourage the use and long-term stability of outdoor spaces. For example:

- Developing a community garden or nature trails in a local park or nature reserve
- Supporting a gardening project which helps local isolated residents
- Supporting practical training for young people learning horticultural skills
- Funding summer events in a local park
- Repainting play equipment in a park

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/oufcuax>

Big Lottery - Awards for All

Grants of between £300 and £10,000 are available to community groups, not-for-profit groups, parish or town councils, or schools to support grassroots and community activity that aims to improve life for local people and neighbourhoods. Awards For All is a quick and easy way to get a small Lottery grant for a wide range of community projects and activities.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/pkleuge>

General

Stop Loan Sharks Community Funding

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to local residents, charities, community and voluntary groups, schools and statutory agencies in England for projects that target illegal money lending. Funds can be spent on any community project that meets the following criteria:

- Contributes to raising the awareness of the dangers of using loan sharks
- Prevents crime and disorder and publicises the Stop Loan Sharks message
- Promotes the work of the Illegal Money Lending Team (IMLT) in communities
- Encourages reporting of loan sharks

Imminent Deadline: 30th June 2017

For more information:

catherine.Wohlers@birmingham.gov.uk

Smart Energy GB in Communities Fund

Grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations such as charities, clubs, social enterprises, residents associations, and parish councils for projects that provide information about how to get and use smart meters, especially for those who may face barriers to getting a smart meter. This funding round is for projects which are specifically targeted at and engage people over 65 with no personal internet access to provide reassurance and handholding support to help them understand and realise the benefits of smart meters.

Deadline: 19th July 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/y9cfgoa9>

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Kent Capital Grant Scheme for Sustainable Travel

Capital grants of up to £5,000 are available to businesses and public sector organisations in Kent to support them to deliver sustainable travel schemes with the aim of saving time and money, reducing congestion and improving health and wellbeing in the workplace. Funding can be spent on any physical feature within the grounds of the workplace, which it can be demonstrated will support the aims, objectives and targets within the applicant's Workplace Travel Plan. Examples of eligible expenditure include:

- Cycle storage
- Communications technology & IT equipment (i.e. smartphones, videoconferencing facilities, cloud software)
- Showers, lockers, and changing room facilities
- Bicycles and gear for the office
- Electric charging points
- Signage and road markings
- Footpath and cycle-path improvements
- Bus stop facilities

Deadline: 31st August 2017

For more information: <http://tinyurl.com/y9eqfb9l>

Information Commissioner's Office Grants Programme

Grants of between £20,000 and £100,000 are available to academic institutions, civil society groups, trade and industry associations and organisations with a genuine commitment to public benefit outcomes, to support independent research into privacy and data protection issues and develop privacy enhancing solutions. Examples of eligible expenditure include:

- Salaries for members of the project team
- Administrative, survey and publication costs
- Minor equipment, such as IT equipment
- The cost of specialist services such as surveys, interpreters, etc.
- Other costs including travel

Deadline: 28th July 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/ydea3grc>

Armed Forces Covenant - Strengthening Local Government Delivery

Grants of between £20,000 and £500,000 are available to lead local authorities (on behalf of a cluster of local authorities, which are working in close partnership with the military communities within their area), for some of (or all) of the following three strands of activity:

- Proposals for projects or initiatives which will establish and share best practice in delivering the Covenant
- Proposals to kick start or pilot new drop-in information centres or 'one-stop-shop' venues where any member of the wider 'military family' can visit to get information or advice
- Request for support to benefit from dedicated Covenant focussed media and communications training and advice

Deadline: 2nd October, 27th November 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/q6bl4ne>

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Barrow Cadbury Trust - The Connect Fund

Grants of up to £60,000 (and investments) are available to support intermediaries and infrastructure organisations to make social investment work better for a wider, diverse range of charities and social enterprises across England. There will be two phases of funding:

- Phase one will look at filling the gaps in the infrastructure of the social investment market by supporting collaboration on data management, skill development, sector networks, or other resource solutions
- Phase two will provide feasibility grants for voluntary sector infrastructure organisations to explore models of enterprise-driven solutions with the potential to connect places and sectors to social investment

Deadline: Data Projects – expressions of interest (EOIs) at any time; Infrastructure Projects – EOIs by 2nd July 2017; Feasibility Projects – EOIs 5th November 2017

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y99f99ko>

Health and Disability

Downlands Educational Trust

Grants are available to charities and non-state schools in Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Surrey and Sussex, and **Kent** whose beneficiaries are predominantly children with special educational needs.

Grants can be used towards the cost of particular items of equipment and specific projects, including training courses. Favoured items include books, musical instruments, IT hardware or software, outdoor play equipment, physiotherapy equipment and equipment to develop communication skills. Grants average around £1,800.

Deadline: 10th September 2017

For more information:
<http://www.downlandstedtrust.org/>

Boost Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £500 are available to UK charities and non-profit making organisations with a focus on sport that help disabled and disadvantaged individuals to participate in sport. Some of the projects Boost have supported include: swimming, badminton, judo, boccia, running.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://www.boostct.org>

Family Fund Trust for Families with Severely Disabled Children

Grants are available to help families in the UK who care for severely disabled young people up to the age of 17. To meet the Family Fund definition of severe disability, children and young people must have additional complex needs, or have a serious or life-threatening illness. There must be evidence that the child's additional needs impact on the family's choices and their opportunity to enjoy ordinary life.

The Fund gives awards for a wide range of activities, services and products, to enable families to enjoy everyday life.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://www.familyfund.org.uk/>

Heritage

Heritage Lottery Fund's - Parks for People

Grants of between £100,000 and £5 million are available to not-for-profit organisations in the UK to revitalise an historic public park or cemetery. There is a two-round application process. Grants are available to support the following:

- Landscape design layout
- Surviving or lost historic features or build-

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- Natural heritage including priority habitats and species
- Archaeological sites, earthworks or features from an earlier phase of design
- Collections of plants, trees, objects or documents
- Cultural traditions such as stories, festivals, fairs and crafts
- People's memories and experiences of the park or cemetery
- The history associated with individual features such as memorials or veteran trees

Deadline: 1st September 2017

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/qs3lql4>

Heritage Lottery Fund - Resilient Heritage

Grants of between £3,000-£250,000 are available to help strengthen UK organisations that want to build their capacity or achieve strategic change to improve the management of heritage in the long term. Grants can fund activities to

help acquire new skills or knowledge, or new models of governance, leadership and business to put the organisation in a better position for the future. Examples of what can be supported:

- New staff posts to deliver the project
- Extra hours for existing staff to deliver the project
- The cost of filling a post left empty by moving an existing member of staff into a post created for the project
- Training and development costs
- Professional fees
- Equipment and materials
- Evaluating a project

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/z47h28r>

Heritage Lottery Fund - Young Roots

Grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations for projects in the UK that encourage young people aged 11 to 25 years to take part in activities ex-

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Low Carbon Across the South East (LoCASE)

The Low Carbon Across the South East Programme has been funded by the European Regional Development Fund 2014-20. It is a partnership between Kent County Council, East Sussex County Council, Essex County Council, Southend-on-Sea Borough Council, Thurrock Council and the University of Brighton.

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to support small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the South East tackle and adapt to climate change.

- Any business can qualify to use this money toward having energy efficiency measures installed for their business, with both the cost of materials and installation being covered
- For business that offers low carbon goods or services, a business development grant is also available, which can be used against costs such as marketing, consultancy, equipment, IT software, product/process development, accreditation and certification

Grant funding will form 40% of the cost of an eligible project, with the remaining 60% matched by the applicant business.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information: <http://www.lowcarbonkent.com/>

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ploring heritage. Projects should aim to provide new opportunities for a wide range of young people to help shape and deliver engaging heritage projects. Funding is available for direct project costs, such as:

- Employing extra staff needed to carry out the project
- Support from professionals who will give advice or carry out parts of the project
- The cost of running activities which engage young people or the local community
- Buying equipment to create learning materials
- Training and accreditation costs
- The cost of restoring heritage
- Promoting the project to a wider audience

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/j2x3uuf>

The Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF) - Heritage Mortgage Scheme

Loans of between £150,000 and £500,000 (with terms of between 10 and 20 years - 30 in exceptional circumstances) are available to registered charities and not-for-profit organisations to assist with the preservation and renewal of buildings which are listed or located in conservation areas of the UK. All AHF loans are typically fixed at 4-6%.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://ahfund.org.uk/the/>

Social Inclusion

The Pargiter Trust Fund

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for charitable and voluntary organisations in **Kent** to provide activities which support disadvantaged older people who are over 65 years of age so they are independent, healthy and socially included. The fund would like to be active in areas of greatest need in Kent and to include focus of underrepre-

sented BAME and LGBT groups where possible. Grants are intended to support existing services or facilities, new initiatives, capital costs (e.g. new equipment) or ongoing costs (e.g. running costs) of projects.

Deadline: 14th July 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/yada747c>

Kent Community Foundation - Vulnerable Adults Theme

Grants up to £5,000 (up to £7,500 considered in exceptional circumstances) are available for local projects that address the challenges faced by elderly adults and support people to stay safe, well, healthy, independent and most importantly, combat social isolation. Those in our communities who are particularly vulnerable are: those with a learning difficulty, those with a physical disability, those living with a mental health issue, victims of abuse, care leavers, refugees and asylum seekers, carers. The Fund would like to hear from projects that:

- Give vulnerable people the opportunity to socialise with others; combatting isolation and social barriers
- Provide life skills and work experience for adults with learning difficulties, physical disabilities, or mental health issues
- Protect and support victims of abuse
- Support carers who look after family members or loved ones at home, including offering respite or social activities for carers
- Integrate marginalised groups into the wider community

They are particularly interested in projects that are volunteer-led or make good use of volunteers to support their work, and initiatives that are rooted within the local community and led by local people responding to local need.

Deadline: 26th August 2017, 25th November 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/zd1l6yb>

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Kent Community Foundation - Elderly & Isolated Adults Themed Fund

Grants of up to £5,000 (£7,500 in exceptional circumstances) are available for local projects that address the challenges faced by the elderly, supporting people to stay well, healthy and independent and, most importantly, combat social isolation. For example, the Foundation would like to hear from projects that:

- Give elderly people the opportunity to have regular social interaction
- Provide practical support to individuals living alone, such as one-to-one befriending schemes or transport services
- Provide intergenerational activities
- Enable older people to use their skills and experience to make a contribution to their communities
- Offer activities that encourage participation in sport and physical activity or opportunities to participate in arts

Deadline: 26th August 2017, 25th November 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/jwgsoo7>

Help the Homeless Grant Scheme

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to small and medium-sized charities in the UK working to assist homeless people to rebuild their lives and return to the community. Projects must assist individuals in their return to mainstream society, rather than simply offering shelter or other forms of sustenance.

Deadline: 15th September 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/79za6pb>

Henry Smith Charity - Main Grants

Capital and revenue grants of over £10,000 are available in the following categories:

- Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic
- Carers

- Community Service
- Drugs, Alcohol and Substance Misuse
- Family Services – projects providing support to families in areas of high deprivation
- Healthcare and disability
- Homelessness
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender
- Mental Health
- Older People
- Prisoners and Ex-offenders
- Refugees and Asylum Seekers
- Young People

Capital Grants are available for one off grants for purchase or refurbishment of a building or purchase of specialist equipment. Revenue Grants are available for up to 3 years for core costs or the running costs of a specific project

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/>

The Discovery Foundation

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities, Community Interest Companies and credit unions to fund local projects helping disadvantaged people. Activities should support one or more of their three priority themes:

- **Explorer** - improving knowledge and insight (for example a Freedom Training course giving abused women knowledge of how to regain control over their lives)
- **Transformer** - developing skills and experience (for example work-based training and mentors to help socially isolated people develop skills to get back into work, or sign language training for parents with hearing impaired children)
- **Changemaker** - innovative solutions to social challenges (for example a new social networking program for visually impaired young people which uses specially developed braille laptops to access the internet)

Funding is available to cover part time salaries, equipment or materials. The Foundation aims to

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The Big Give Christmas Challenge

The Christmas Challenge is the UK's biggest online match funding campaign which helps UK-registered charities raise funds for their cause. It offers supporters of participating charities the opportunity to have their donation doubled on theBigGive.org.uk when the campaign goes live on #GivingTuesday, on the 28th November 2017. Last year alone, the Challenge raised more than £7.2 million for 332 charities in seven days.

The match funding is sourced by the Big Give through confirmed Champions (the match funders) which have their own restrictions. A list of Champions can be found of on the Big Give website.

To be eligible to apply, charities must be registered with the Big Give. Registration is free, however please note that all donations (including Gift Aid) made on the Big Give website are subject to a 4% fee.

Deadline: 7th July 2017 (stage 1 applications); 1st September 2017 (stage 2 applications); the Christmas Challenge takes place between 28th November - 5th December 2017.

For more information: <https://www.thebiggive.org.uk/christmas-challenge/>

fund a complete item rather than simply make a contribution to an appeal.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/jsqsevb>

Masonic Charitable Foundation – Community Support Grants

Grants are available for charities for support in the following areas: financial hardship, health and disability, education and employability, and social exclusion and disadvantage. There are two levels of funding are available:

- Large Grants - over £5,000 for up to three years towards salary costs, specific project costs and refurbishment costs. New build or large scale capital
- Small Grants - up to £5,000 for core expenditure such as general running or overhead costs of the charity

Deadline: Large Grants - 14th July 2017 and 13th October 2017. Small Grants - continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://mcf.org.uk/community/>

Clothworkers' Foundation

Grants are available to registered charities in the UK for one-off capital projects (buildings, fittings and vehicles) in one of the following areas:

- Alcohol and substance misuse
- Disabled people
- Disadvantaged minority communities
- Disadvantaged young people
- Domestic and sexual violence
- Elderly people
- Homelessness
- Prisoners and ex-offenders
- Visual impairment

The Foundation offers two grant schemes:

- **Main Grants Programme:** no maximum project cost or grant amount. The average grant amount is £25,000
- **Small Grants Programme:** grants of up to £10,000, the average amount is £7,000. The total cost of the project must be less than £100,000

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://foundation.clothworkers.co.uk/>

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Feminist Review Trust

Grants of up to £15,000 are available for projects in the UK and internationally that transform the lives of women. Funding is for projects that relate to the Trust's objectives, which are:

- To advance the education of the public in the subject of gender
- To promote equality of opportunity between women and men in any part of the world
- To alleviate poverty and hardship by promoting and advancing good health and education among women in any part of the world
- To undertake other charitable purposes

In 2017 and 2018, the Trust particularly welcome applications from non-OECD countries in the following areas:

- Lesbian and transgender rights
- Violence against women and girls
- Disabled women and girls

Grants will support hard to fund projects, pump-priming, interventionist projects, training and development projects, one-off events, core funding and other projects.

Deadline: 30th September 2017, 31st January 2018

For more information:

<http://www.feminist-review-trust.com/>

Sport

Sport England - Small Grants

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations to help more people play sport. Projects should contribute towards:

- An increase in the proportion of 14-25's playing sport once a week
- A growth in regular (once a week) participation for all those aged 14+
- A reduction in drop off at ages 16-24
- Growth in participation by people (aged 14+) with a disability

The fund can help with costs associated with eligible sporting activities, for example:

- Purchasing new kit or equipment
- Coaching fees
- Helping youth groups to work together with local sports clubs

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/zl2ozjy>

Kent Sport Small Grants (for organisations and individuals)

Grants are available to any not-for-profit or statutory organisation providing sports opportunities, for example sports clubs, schools and local authorities, and current FANS members in full-time education. The aim of the fund is to encourage more people in Kent and Medway to participate in sport. Grants are as follows:

- Organisations - up to £500 towards a range of costs including sports equipment, events, coaching fees and facility hire
- Individuals (FANS members) - up to £400 for specialist equipment, travelling and training costs to events

Imminent Deadline: 1st November 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/zvc4epd>

Maidstone Leisure Trust - Grants for Sport and Active Leisure Activities

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to clubs, organisations and individuals involved in sport and active leisure activities in the Borough of Maidstone.

The funds are being made available to support existing or new, small-scale local community clubs and organisations whose activities support sporting and active leisure activities for the local community. Individuals with funding needs for their sport (such as for specialist equipment) will also be considered.

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Rosa's Woman to Woman Fund

Grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 are available to local grassroots women's organisations with an income of less than £100,000. Grants are available to support a wide range of charitable work that benefits women: from building confidence and leadership skills, tackling harassment and violence, to training in financial literacy and increasing engagement in decision-making – and much more besides.

Rosa especially wants to support groups that work with disadvantaged communities or in disadvantaged areas. The scheme is looking to address the critical needs of women and girls that miss out the most, including: marginalised populations, BME women, lesbian, bisexual or transgender women and girls, women and girls with disabilities, older women, homeless women, survivors of gender violence, women in prison and ex-offenders, and other underserved and disadvantaged groups of women.

Rosa is particularly interested in funding work that increases impact and sustainability. Therefore grants can pay for core costs such as staff salaries, office rent and staff training; as well as project costs such as drop-in support services, mobilising volunteers and outreach.

Deadline: 6th July 2017 (stage one application)

For more information: <http://tinyurl.com/zycgccx>

Deadline: 2nd December 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/z9272vg>

Dickie Bird Foundation

Grants are available for young people under 16 years of age to participate, to the best of their ability, in the sport of their choice irrespective of their social circumstances, culture or ethnicity. A grant will only be considered if the individual is unable to raise the necessary finance required as a result of disadvantaged circumstances. The following are eligible for funding:

- Shirts, shorts, swimwear and footwear appropriate to the applicant's sport
- Dress standards - a number of sports require a certain dress standard. The Foundation recognises this and treats each application on its merits
- Personal items of equipment appropriate to the applicant's sport

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://thedickiebirdfoundation.co.uk/>

Peter Harrison Foundation - Opportunities through Sport Programme

Capital grants (some consideration will be given for revenue funding for a new project or if funding is key to the continuing success or survival of an established project) are available for to registered charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs for the following types of project:

- Projects which provide a focus for skills development and confidence building through the medium of sport
- Projects that have a strong training and/or educational theme within the sporting activity
- Projects providing sporting equipment or facilities for disabled/disadvantaged people
- Projects with a high degree of community involvement
- Projects that help to engage children or young people at risk of crime, truancy or addiction

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ybn9pftf>

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Young People

Co-op Foundation #iwill fund

A limited number of grants are available to charities working with young people (aged 10-20 years) in specified areas of disadvantage in England in an effort to increase social action opportunities for young people to tackle youth loneliness. There will be £400,000 available for 2017, and this will be shared between 10 partners (including one based in Thanet). Nine grants will be for £35,000, one grant for £85,000. The grants will be awarded for one year initially. Partnerships will be able to re-apply for a further two years' funding.

Deadline: 7th July 2017 (expression of interest)

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/y7th7btr>

William Wates Memorial Trust

Grants of up to £40,000 (over three years) are available to not-for-profit organisations and registered charities that engage young people through sports, arts and education for projects that encourage disadvantaged young people (5-19 years) to keep away from anti-social behaviour and criminal activity, enabling them to fulfil their potential. Funding is focused primarily in London and the South East.

Imminent Deadline: 28th June 2017

For more information:

<http://www.wgmt.org/>

DM Thomas Foundation for Young People The Foundation

Grants of up to £30,000 are available to charities that work with disadvantaged children and young people. The scheme aims to help young people gain skills through education projects and relieve suffering through health-related projects.

The Foundation has a particular focus on:

- Children and young people with disabilities

- Children and young people who are sick in hospital
- Children and young people who are homeless
- Children and young people who are life limited (requiring palliative care)

Deadline: 25th July 2017, 10th October 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/nummt6a>

The Ironmongers' Company

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to support projects in the UK that provide opportunities for disadvantaged children and young people to fulfil their potential. Grants are only given to registered charities.

Projects must meet all of the following criteria:

- For children and young people under the age of 25 who are disadvantaged
- Consist of educational activities that develop learning, motivation and skills

The Company is particularly interested in enabling primary age children to develop a strong foundation for the future. Projects could, for example, support special educational needs, address behavioural problems or promote citizenship, parenting or life skills. Preference will be given to projects piloting new approaches where the outcomes will be disseminated to a wider audience.

Deadline: 31st July 2017 and 15th December 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/8kd8u8u>

BBC Children in Need - Small Grants

Grants of up to £10,000 are available for not-for-profit organisations that are working with children and young people who are 18 years old and younger living in the UK and who are experiencing disadvantage through:

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- Illness, distress, abuse or neglect
- Any kind of disability
- Behavioural or psychological difficulties
- Living in poverty/situations of deprivation

Deadline: 1st September 2017, 1st December 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/orbn759>

BBC Children in Need - Main Grants

Grants of over £10,000 are available to support projects for up to three years to not-for-profit organisations that work with children and young people of 18 years and under who are experiencing disadvantage through:

- Illness, distress, abuse or neglect
- Any kind of disability
- Behavioural or psychological difficulties
- Living in poverty or situations of deprivation

Organisations must be working to combat this disadvantage and to make a real difference to children and young people's lives. There is no upper limit for Main Grants but very few grants over £120,000 (or £40,000 per year) are made and most grants are for much less.

Deadline: 13th September 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/h2ul65m>

Colyer-Fergusson Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £75,000 are available to local not-for-profit organisations for projects that improve the quality of life for people in **Kent**, and most notably those who are the most disadvantaged. The Trust is currently prioritising 'Young People with Poverty of Opportunity' and focuses on disadvantaged and vulnerable young people in Kent between the ages of 14-25.

The Trust is using its funds to support these young people to help them successfully transition into adulthood, offering three programmes:

- **Hardship Award Programme** - aimed at disadvantaged young people living in Thanet, Shepway, Swale and Medway and are intended to meet the costs of practical items such as interview clothes
- **Investing in Young People Programme**
- **Funding for Apprenticeships and Vocational Learning Programme**

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://www.cfct.org.uk/>

Kent Community Fund - Children, Young People & Families

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for local projects that are making a real difference to the lives of disadvantaged children and young people in Kent and Medway.

For example, the Foundation would like hear from projects that:

- Provide opportunities for young people to participate in enriching activities they might otherwise be excluded from
- Encourage early intervention work with vulnerable children and families
- Work with at-risk children and young people to prevent problems developing at a later stage, such as offending behaviour or teenage pregnancy
- Support disadvantaged young people to raise their aspirations and achievement
- Help disadvantaged young people on a pathway into further education, training or employment

Deadline: 26th August 2017, 25th November 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/ztpxelq>

Toy Trust

Grant of up to £5,000 are available for registered charities undertaking projects to support

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disadvantaged children aged 0-13 years.

Funding is available to help disadvantaged children aged below 13 years and their families to:

- Alleviate suffering
- Support children through awful experiences
- Encourage achievement through adversity
- Purchase vital equipment
- Provide care
- Bolster existing initiatives
- Initiate brand new projects
- Satisfy basic needs

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://www.btha.co.uk/toy-trust/>

The Gibbons Family Trust

Small grants are available to charitable organisations working for the benefit of children and young people up to the age of 25 years living in Devon or **Isle of Thanet**.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/yav5xjff>

Esmée Fairbairn Foundation - Young People Leaving Care

Grants are available for organisations carrying out work to support young care leavers to support them to feel emotionally stable and be financially secure, ultimately making a successful transition to independence. The Foundation wants its support to achieve the following:

- Care leavers are more easily able to form healthy relationships that help them make a successful transition to adulthood
- Young people receive a consistently high standard of statutory support that has been informed by their views

Eligible costs include core or project costs, such as staff salaries and overheads.

Deadline: Not specified

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/h325bnu>

Peter Harrison Foundation

Grants are available for charities in the South East of England for the following types of project:

- Projects that work with or benefit disabled, chronically or terminally ill children, and provide support for their parents and carers

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DM Thomas Foundation for Young People

Grants of up to £30,000 are available to charities that work with disadvantaged children and young people. The scheme aims to help young people gain skills through education projects and relieve suffering through health-related projects. The Foundation has a particular focus on:

- Children and young people with disabilities
- Children and young people who are sick in hospital
- Children and young people who are life limited (requiring palliative care)

Deadline: 25th July 2017, 10th October 2017

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/nummt6a>

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- Projects that help to engage children or young people at risk of crime, truancy or addiction
- Projects organised for young people at risk of homelessness, or that provide new opportunities for homeless young people

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://www.peterharrisonfoundation.org/>

Alec Dickson Trust

Grants of up to £500 are available to individuals or groups of young people aged 30 or under, to help them put their ideas into action and run projects that benefit the lives of others – particularly the most marginalised and disadvantaged. The fund would like to fund volunteer initiatives that are innovative and try to do things a bit differently, such as using social media creatively or using existing resources in new ways.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://www.alecdicksontrust.org.uk>

Comic Relief: Preventing Child Trafficking & Exploitation in Nepal

Grants of up to £250,000 are available to Nepal registered organisations (or UK registered organisations working in partnership with implementing Nepali organisations), to support work to prevent the trafficking and sexual exploitation of children and young people in Nepal, alongside supporting appropriate services that enable them to exit safely and effectively recover from the negative impacts.

Comic Relief would also like to focus on the systemic level changes that need to take place in order to reduce and eventually eliminate the sexual exploitation of children in Nepal.

Deadline: 21st July 2017

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/y8f4jxsl>

Les Mills Fund for Children

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to registered charities and accountable non-profit organisations who do their most to improve the education and physical and emotional wellbeing of children. The scheme is committed to creating a healthier and fitter planet for our future generations - ensuring that as many children as possible can get the opportunity to grow up healthy, fit and most importantly; happy.

Applicants may focus on one or more of these areas:

- Living in Poverty
- Physical & Mental Health Problems
- Health & Wellbeing
- Living With Disability

Deadline: 25th July 2017 and 10th October 2017

For more information:

<http://lesmillsfundforchildren.org.uk/grants/>

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Kent County Council Grant & Loan Schemes

These schemes are either administered directly by KCC or by a third party on behalf of KCC

Combined Members Grant	Each county councillor has £22,000 per annum to allocate as community grants.	Contact the Community Liaison Team (details below)
Small Capital Grant Scheme for Sport	Grants for sports groups to improve facilities and widen participation.	Chris Metherell Tel: 03000 412182 chris.metherell@kent.gov.uk http://tinyurl.com/mpvnj43
Kent Sport Small Grant	Grants of £50-£500 to community sports projects, organisations and nationally ranked individual performers.	Sophie Ward Tel: 03000 417225 sophie.ward@kent.gov.uk http://tinyurl.com/lhz6nhp
Kent Trust for Youth Sport	There are two funding streams available to help young people within the County to participate in sport - £500 for individuals and £1,000 for groups.	admin@kt4ys.org.uk http://tinyurl.com/mjdfr4a
Village and Community Hall Grants	Capital grants for new halls or improvements to existing facilities. The fund can support extensions, a new toilet and/or kitchen, a replacement roof, etc. Maximum grant is the smaller of £50,000 or 50% of total cost.	Mark Reeves Tel:03000 417160 mark.reeves@kent.gov.uk http://tinyurl.com/g3jfbtr
Kent Big Society Fund	Loans of between £10,000-£100,000 to support social enterprise organisations. The aim of the Fund is to spread the culture of social enterprise and break down the barriers which prevent enterprising social businesses from accessing finance.	http://tinyurl.com/ab96uct

KCC Community Liaison Officers by District:

Ashford – shuna.body@kent.gov.uk 03000 415859 / 07850 924247	Sevenoaks – anne.charman@kent.gov.uk 03000 416923 / 07717 665893
Canterbury – allison.allan@kent.gov.uk 03000 415770	Shepway – allison.allan@kent.gov.uk 03000 415770
Dartford – bill.ronan@kent.gov.uk 03000 416626 / 07710 339894	Swale – bill.ronan@kent.gov.uk 03000 416626/07710 339894
Dover – shuna.body@kent.gov.uk 03000 415859 / 07850 924247	Thanet – shuna.body@kent.gov.uk 03000 415859 / 07850 924247
Gravesham – bill.ronan@kent.gov.uk 03000 416626 / 07710 339894	Tonbridge & Malling – anne.charman@kent.gov.uk 03000 416923 / 07717 665893
Maidstone – allison.allan@kent.gov.uk 03000 415770	Tunbridge Wells – anne.charman@kent.gov.uk 03000 416923 / 07717 665893

www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/have-your-say/community-engagement

<https://twitter.com/communityengage>

<https://www.facebook.com/communityengagementkcc>

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Funding Deadlines

Please note that not all funders have specific application deadlines

Greggs Foundation's Environmental Grants (<i>Environment, Communities</i>)	http://tinyurl.com/hohw5oo	24/06/2017
Greggs Foundation - Local Community Projects (<i>Social Inclusion, Homeless, Disabled, Poverty</i>)	http://tinyurl.com/hv6k9f9	24/06/2017
Wingate Foundation (<i>Jewish Life & Learning, Arts, Medical Research</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/8323jjc	26/06/2017
INTERREG VC Europe 2014-2020 (<i>SME competitiveness, Environment</i>)	https://www.interregeurope.eu/	30/06/2017
Ouseley Trust (<i>Choral Services</i>)	http://www.ouseleytrust.org.uk/	30/06/2017
Shell LiveWIRE Smarter Future Programme (<i>Young Entrepreneurs</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/o3rtcvk	30/06/2017
Sylvia Waddilove Foundation UK (<i>Visual and Performing Arts, Disability</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/nmvpugp	30/06/2017
The Dan Maskell Tennis Trust (<i>Disabled People, Tennis</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/y9rdyj6k	30/06/2017
Whitworth Scholarships (<i>Engineering Scholarships</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/y7oyat2m	30/06/2017
Wolfson Foundation (<i>Science & Technology, Arts, Education, Health</i>)	http://www.wolfson.org.uk/	01/07/2017
Waterloo Foundation - Child Development (<i>Research, Epilepsy, Dyslexia, ADHD</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/b3msg8	02/07/2017
DepicT! (<i>Short Filmmaking Competition</i>)	https://www.depict.org/	03/07/2017
EU Aid Volunteers Initiative (<i>Volunteering, Worldwide Humanitarian Projects</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/pnlxrgm	03/07/2017
Nuffield Foundation (<i>Children and Families, Law in Society, Research</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/47e5gh	03/07/2017
Marie Curie Cancer Care Research Programme (<i>Cancer Research</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/y7lnhxtu	07/07/2017
Strategic Touring Programme (<i>Arts Provision, Touring</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/jdhtnf9	14/07/2017
The Kay Kendall Leukaemia Fund (<i>Research, Leukaemia</i>)	http://kklf.org.uk/	15/07/2017
Hospital Saturday Fund (<i>Medical, Research, Capital, Running Costs</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/yadqcvob	17/07/2017
Florence Nightingale Foundation (<i>Nurses and Midwives, Travel Scholarships</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/cdz7hp3	21/07/2017
Henry Smith Charity - Holiday Grants for Children (<i>Recreational Trips, Disadvantaged Children</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/bomdyc2	21/07/2017
ChurchCare - Grants for Stained Glass (<i>Conservation, Church Buildings</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/jxd86hk	24/07/2017
Eaga Charitable Trust (<i>Fuel Poverty, Health, Social Cohesion</i>)	https://tinyurl.com/ybt6pw9f	28/07/2017

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