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Linda Hogan Community Fund

Grants of up to £500 are available to organisations providing services to residents living in areas across Kent. Eligible activities should help West Kent Extra realise its key aims as follows:

- Services and activities that help to 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

Deadline: 15th June 2018 and 15th October 2018

For more information: <https://tinyurl.com/y7pkfyp6>

Stronger Kent Communities - Funding For All

Through Kent County Council's contract to provide help and assistance to Kent's Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise sector, Funding for All, a member of the Stronger Kent Communities Consortium has revised and revamped its website.

The new website is full of useful top-tips and tools to help your organisation raise the funds it needs. You can search the latest funds currently accepting applications, receive alerts by email when new funds are added, and sign up to the monthly bulletin for even more support - all available for free!

For more information: www.fundingforall.org.uk

Kent Community Foundation - Fidelity Fund

Grants of up to £20,000 are available for capital & infrastructure projects that strengthen charities, increasing their potential impact and encouraging long-term sustainability.

Equipment, new construction, renovation & expansion will be considered, alongside strategic IT projects & consultancy (e.g. specialist input to mergers/planning). Applicants must show how the investment will achieve significant measurable outcomes in terms of new levels of achievement, efficiency and sustainability.

Deadline: 11th June 2018

For more information: <https://tinyurl.com/zhnq2ol>

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News and Events

The Big Lottery Fund (BLF) - Youth Fund

A new £90 million youth fund will be invested in programmes which help young people facing barriers to work to reach their full potential. The programme is not open yet, but Big Lottery are asking young people (aged 16-24) to be at the heart of its design. A survey aimed at young people can be found here:

<https://tinyurl.com/ydf9muo6>

A second engagement survey is now online, and is focused on stakeholders with an interest in this area, such as delivery organisations, charities, employers, academic institutions or indeed any other interested parties:

<https://tinyurl.com/yadsmw4m>

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/y9shacnk>

Stronger Kent Community Fairs

The Fairs are a chance for local community groups, charities and voluntary sector organisations to showcase what they do, and for local communities to see what's happening in their area and how to get involved. There is also the opportunity to get funding advice. The events are free to stallholders and visitors. Upcoming Stronger Kent Community Fairs 2018:

- Thanet - Wednesday 6th June, The Royal Victoria Pavilion, Ramsgate, 11am – 1pm
- Dover and Deal - Saturday 9th June, Landmark Centre, Deal, 11.30am-1.30pm

- Canterbury - Friday 15th June, Westgate Hall, Canterbury, 11am – 1pm
- Shepway - Friday 13th July, Folkestone Quarterhouse, Folkestone, 11am – 1pm
- Tunbridge Wells – tbc
- Sevenoaks - Saturday 9th September, New Beacon School, Sevenoaks, 2pm-4pm
- Tonbridge & Malling - Saturday 22nd September, The Angel Centre, Tonbridge, 11am-1pm
- Maidstone - Wednesday 10th October, The Hazlitt Theatre, Maidstone, 11am-1pm
- Ashford - Friday 14th December, Ashford College, Ashford, 11am – 1pm

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/lbwo2h4>

Arts

Arts Council - Developing your Creative Practice

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to allow individual artists/creative practitioners the time and space to undertake ambitious research and development, helping to make a step-change in their practice.

Imminent Deadline: 16th May 2018, 16th August 2018, 14th November 2018

For more information:

<https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/DYCP>

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KCC Funding Contacts

The following are contacts within Kent County Council who can offer funding advice:

Mark Reeves	KCC Village and Community Halls Grants	mark.reeves@kent.gov.uk
Sophie Ward	Capital funding for sports facilities	sophie.ward@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 25 for contact information for each Community Liaison Officer

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Youth Music Programme

Grants are available to a range of organisations for music-making projects that increase the number of children and young people taking part in high quality musical activities. Funding is available towards revenue costs (e.g. project delivery). The following funds are currently available:

- Fund A - grants of between £2,000 and £30,000 for between six and 24 months
- Fund B - grants of £30,001 to £100,000 for between 18 and 36 months; grants of £100,001 to £150,000 for between 24 and 36 months. (Grants of £150,001 to £200,000 for 36 months are available in exceptional circumstances)

Priorities for funding are as follows:

- Early years
- Special educational needs and/or disabilities
- Young people aged 16 - 24 and not in education, employment or training (NEET)
- Youth justice
- Coldspots - young people who face barriers to accessing diverse music-making opportunities as a direct result of where or who they are

Imminent Deadline: Fund B - 18th May and 9th November 2018; Fund A - 24th August and 7th December 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y74plqj7>

Help Musicians UK - Transmission Fund

Grants of up to £1,500 to enable professional musicians to access creative and professional development opportunities both in the UK and internationally, as well as supporting formal and time limited training and mentoring opportunities. Travel, accommodation and access costs relating to the above can also be supported.

Deadline: 29th June 2018 and 28th September 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9bruvu5>

Music Export Growth Scheme

Grants ranging from £5,000 to £50,000 are available to UK-registered independent music companies to assist them with marketing campaigns when looking to introduce successful UK music projects overseas.

Deadline: 28th May 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9lk8ugr>

Fidelio Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to help individuals (over school age) and organisations of exceptional ability in the UK that would not otherwise be able to carry out an artistic project or activity without financial support.

Deadline: 1st June 2018

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

The John Brabourne Awards

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for up-and-coming talent based in the UK who are looking to further their career in the film, commercial television and cinema industries. In order to be eligible for funding, applicants must be working in a 'behind the scenes' capacity.

Deadline: 31st July 2018

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

The Esmee Fairbairn Collections Fund

Grants of between £20,000 and £120,000 are available to museums and galleries for time-limited projects that use collections for a social purpose, demonstrating that collections change lives and enhance public benefit. Proposals should engage local communities and/or those who are not typical museum attendees, and think about social impact.

Deadline: 12th September 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y89nmxs9>

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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>Stronger Kent Communities A new consortium to deliver capacity building, volunteering support and improving communication and networking in Kent's Voluntary and Community Sector.</p>	<p>Tel: 01227 467230 Email: info@strongerkentcommunities.org.uk Internet: http://tinyurl.com/y9op56jn</p>
<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>CVSNWK Covers: Dartford, Gravesham, Swanley (North West Kent)</p>	<p>Tel: 01474 354479 Internet: www.cvsnwk.org</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>Imago (formerly VAWK) Covers: Kent and Medway</p>	<p>Tel: 01892 530330 Internet: http://www.imago.community/</p>
<p>Involve (formerly Voluntary Action Maidstone) Covers: Maidstone</p>	<p>Tel: 01622 677337 Email: office@involvekent.org.uk Internet: http://www.involvekent.org.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>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>
<p>Kent and Medway Growth Hub - Ask Phil A service for business that needs information on grants, funding and free business advice</p>	<p>Internet: http://tinyurl.com/yafhg22h</p>
<p>KM Charity Team Organises collaborative fundraising events that can be used by any cause to support their fundraising. Events include KM Abseil Challenge, KM Charity Walk. Manages annual application process for KM Charity of the Year.</p>	<p>Internet: http://www.kmcharityteam.co.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>Swale Community & Voluntary Services</p>	<p>Tel: 01795 473828 Email: office@swalecvs.co.uk Internet: www.swalecvs.org.uk</p>

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Kent Social Enterprise Loan Fund

Kent Community Foundation (KCF) has launched the new Kent Social Enterprise Loan Fund (KSELF) which aims to bridge the increasing funding gap for Kent's new and existing social enterprises, by offering unsecured loans of between £10,000 and £100,000, as well as the potential for grants of up to 30% as part of a financial package. There will be a flat interest rate of 5% with a split between capital and interest payments remaining fixed throughout the term. Investment readiness and business support is also provided by Kent Community Foundation's dedicated Investment Fund Manager throughout the whole process.

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. Once finance is repaid, it will be re-loaned and re-invested back in the community.

Since the launch of the original social lending programme in 2012, KCF has supported over 200 organisations. An example of a project previously supported is the Wood N' Ware CIC, a not for profit organisation providing opportunities for vulnerable adults to learn wood work skills and make products from reclaimed wood. They received a £28,000 loan alongside a £7,000 grant to assist with cash flow and increase the number of daily attendees.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

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

Golsoncott Foundation

Grants of up to £3,000 are available to voluntary sector organisations for projects that promote fine arts and music.

Deadline: 31st July 2018, 31st October 2018

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

Arts Award Access Fund

Grants of up to £1,500 are available to Arts Award centres in England working on Arts Award projects with young people for whom access and inclusion is an issue.

Deadline: 19th October 2018

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

Arts Council - Other Sources of Funding

A list of some of the main sources of funding for the arts in the UK, particularly for those activities that the Arts Council cannot provide grants for, such as those relating to films.

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

Arts Council - National Lottery Projects Grants

Grants from £1,000 to £100,000 are available to individuals and organisations for arts, museums and libraries projects that engage people in England with arts and culture. Applications must meet the programme's four criteria: Quality, Public Engagement, Finance and Management.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y88ptf3b>

Business and Employment

Shell LiveWIRE Smarter Future

Each month, the programme awards a prize of £5,000 to a young entrepreneur (aged 16-30) looking to implement innovative business solutions that meet the energy and resource needs of a growing population. The fund is intended to help successful applicants to take their business idea to the next level.

Deadline: 31st May 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ybu8z6f7>

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Greggs Foundation

The Foundation's aim is to put something back into the communities where there are Greggs shops and where customers and employees live. If your organisation supports people you may be eligible to apply to the following programmes:

- **Environmental Grants Programme** - grants of up to £2,000 to help organisations improve their local environment. Grants can cover the purchase of equipment, sessional salary costs, purchase of trees/plants, small capital projects and learning activities
- **Local Community Projects Fund** - grants of up to £2,000 to help organisations based in local communities to deliver activities that they wouldn't otherwise be able to. Funding is available for projects that improve resilience within a community of interest (i.e. disabled or suffering chronic illness, living in poverty, voluntary carers, homeless, isolated older people). This can include sessional activities/respite support, equipment for sessional activities, trips and residential breaks

Deadline: 22nd June 2018

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

European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF)

The European Structural and Investment Fund (ESIF) invests in projects that support innovation, businesses, skills and employment. Search for current open opportunities in the South East.

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yd8eg2q8>

Kent and Medway Growth Hub - Ask Phil

"Ask Phil" is a fully funded service designed to help new and existing businesses of all sizes find the most suitable type of business support available in their area. Phil and his team are available online, on the phone and through social media channels to take any questions you may have about your business and to make sure you can access the support on offer.

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yafhg22h>

Fredericks Business Loans

Loans of up to £20,000 are available to help people set up and grow their own business within one of their specified areas, which includes Kent. The aim is to provide loans to disadvantaged people who have been turned down by traditional lenders due to factors such as their age, long-term unemployment, disability or a criminal record.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9f3vtqz>

South East Business Boost (SEBB)

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to businesses in **Kent & Medway** to help boost companies and increase employment. 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. Grants may be used for the following:

- **Business Development:** funding required for 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.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yalwt2jz>

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KCC - Combined Members Grants

In 2018/19, Kent County Councillors (also known as Members) have £20,000 each to allocate as community grants. Members have supported 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/q83zif3>

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. The Foundation would like to hear from projects that:

- Provide accredited training for the disadvantaged
- Provide meaningful work experience
- Run life-skills/employment skills workshops
- 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: 31st May 2018, 31st August 2018, 30th November 2018

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

Community

Skipton Building Society - Grassroots Giving 2018

165 pots of £500 are available to support the development of local grassroots projects that show a real commitment to their local community, particularly supporting vulnerable people. There is particular interest in supporting volunteer orientated groups. Grassroots Giving aims to support small community groups that might not normally attract any sort of funding.

The winners will be chosen by a public vote after being shortlisted. Applications will not be considered from registered charities.

Deadline: 31st July 2018

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

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Power to Change - Community Business Fund

Grants of up to £300,000 are available to help locally based community-led businesses to increase their social impact and make them more viable in the long term. Grants can be used for:

- Capital costs including building, vehicles, equipment of significant value, refurbishment costs
- Project-specific revenue costs like staff costs, professional fees, volunteer costs

Projects must have a charitable purpose, and be for the public benefit.

Deadline: 22nd May 2018. Round 6 will open in September 2018.

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ya3vp2ws>

Warburtons Trust - Community Grants

Small grants of up to £250 are available for local projects, activities and organisations that have charitable aims and that will be of real direct benefit to families. Funding is available for projects that focus on supporting families that need the most help and are in line with the following:

- Health - help families lead healthier lifestyles
- Financial stability - help families manage their finances
- Worklessness - help families recognise the economic and social benefits of employment
- Health education - help educate families about healthy lifestyles (no Project Grants)
- Aspiration - help raise career aspirations to improve prospects for them and their families
- Employability and skills - help raise employment prospects for family members seeking employment

Community grants can be used for buying equipment or supporting a "community day".

Imminent Deadline: 15th May 2018 and 15th August 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y72cc4g2>

Kent Reliance Provident Society Fund

Grants up to £2,000 are available for local volunteer-led community projects across Kent and Medway working with elderly, children and young people.

Deadline: 31st May 2018

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

Veolia Environmental Trust

Grants of up to £75,000 are available for projects located within the proximity of a qualifying Veolia site (use the Veolia Postcode Checker to confirm this). Funding is available for:

- Community buildings and rooms: e.g. community centres, village halls, community spaces within religious buildings, Scout or Girlguiding buildings
- Outdoor spaces: e.g. public parks, nature reserves, community gardens, footpaths, bridleways or cycle-paths
- Play and recreation: e.g. play areas, skate parks, Multi Use Games Areas (MUGAs), sports grounds, pavilions or changing rooms

Projects must be open to the wider general public for at least 104 days a year.

Deadline: 31st May 2018, 30 August 2018

For more information:
<http://www.veoliatrust.org/funding>

Weston Anniversary Fund

Grants of between £30,000 and £150,000 are available to registered charities, places of worship and state schools for capital projects that benefit local communities in the UK.

Eligible projects include:

- New community facilities
- Improvement of community facilities
- New fixed playground equipment, climbing walls or multiuse games area in a public playing field
- Purchase of large or expensive items if it is

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crucial to supporting local people e.g. mini-bus for elderly day care, equipment for a training room, community café fit out

- Purchase of land or property with a minimum of a 25 year lease with a clear community benefit

Deadline: 30th June 2018

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/y967pdwb>

Biffa Awards Main Grants Scheme

Grants of between £10,000 and £75,000 are available to groups that need funding to improve the quality of life in their community. Biffa Awards provide funding for site based capital expenditure to create or improve a community amenity or habitat for biodiversity.

Projects must be within 5 miles of a significant Biffa Group Limited operation (or 10 miles of an active Biffa Landfill site for Recreation and Community Buildings projects). However, if you're applying under the Rebuilding Biodiversity theme, the radius of the Biffa operation or landfill site is extended to within 15 miles. In addition, all projects must be within 10 miles of a landfill site (not necessarily owned by Biffa Group Limited).

Deadline (for expressions of interest):

13th August 2018 (Community Buildings and Rebuilding Biodiversity); 5th November 2018 (Rebuilding Biodiversity and Recreation projects)

For more information:

<http://www.biffa-award.org/>

The Gatwick Foundation Fund

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to charities, social enterprises, community groups and voluntary organisations working in West Kent, including the boroughs of Tunbridge Wells, Tonbridge & Malling and in particular, Sevenoaks. The Fund will prioritise projects which promote:

- Employment, training & skills – helping people to gain confidence and raise aspirations through training and development of new skills
- Families – supporting families and children in need and projects which combat social isolation and disadvantage
- Widening horizons / providing opportunities – supporting projects that enable

young people to have opportunities that they would not otherwise have

- Elderly People - improving access to facilities and reducing isolation for the older generation

Grants may be used to fund existing services and facilities or new initiatives.

Deadline: Fund opens in June 2018

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/y7odl5o5>

One Stop Carriers for Causes Grants

Grants of up to £2,000 are available to local non-profit organisations and groups for projects within two miles of a One Stop store, that benefit local communities by helping to improve lives and local places. Projects need to 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 or improving the local environment

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/yazzrbhu>

The Port of Dover Community Fund

Grants are available for projects benefitting the Dover community, focusing on the following:

- 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: Fund opens in June 2018

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/y7k64ktd>

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Prince's Countryside Fund

Grants of up to £50,000 (to a maximum period of three years) are available to not-for-profit organisations, charities, social enterprises, and companies for projects in the UK that can have a long-term positive effect on rural communities. The objectives for the Spring 2018 round are as follows:

- Improving the prospects of viability for family farm businesses. Projects should focus on developing stronger, more sustainable farm businesses and other rural enterprises with the aim of halting the decline of the rural economy
- Sustaining Rural Communities and driving Economic Vibrancy. Projects should provide innovative solutions to deliver assets and services that keep rural communities together and develop a more sustainable rural economy
- Supporting Aid Delivery in Emergency and Building Resilience. Projects should support farm businesses, rural businesses and communities to plan for and recover from natural disasters such as flooding or animal disease

Deadline: 14th June 2018

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

Conservation and Environment

Low Carbon Across the South East (LoCASE)

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to support small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the South East to tackle and adapt to climate change through saving energy and making their business more competitive.

- Any business can qualify to use this money towards having energy efficiency measures installed, with both the cost of materials and installation being covered
- For a business that offers low carbon or "green" goods or services, a business development grant is also available, which can be used against a wide variety of 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.

Deadline: Spring 2019

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y92456l8>

Kent Community Foundation - The Phillips Fund

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for a wide variety of projects which benefit the community and landscape. Examples of projects include: community garden projects, regeneration of hedgerows or village ponds, creation of wildflower meadows or new native woodlands, planting of native trees and hedging regeneration and restoration of local habitats. The fund will consider funding the cost of planting hedges, saplings, seeds etc. but the capital cost of equipment should not be a major part of the application.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/ydady5w5>

Faith and Places of Worship

National Churches Trust - Community and Repair Grants

Grants are available for places of worship of any Christian denomination in the UK through the following programmes:

- Community Grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 for projects which introduce facilities to enable increased community use of places of worship. All types of community projects will be considered, but should in-

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LEADER: Kent Downs and Marshes; East Kent and West Kent

Grants of between £2,500 and £100,000 are available to rural businesses, farmers, foresters, growers, landowners, environmental organisations, cultural, heritage and community providers, as well as voluntary and charitable organisations to develop projects that will assist, strengthen and develop themselves and their local area. The emphasis of the Programme is on providing Jobs and Growth. To be successful, applications must also contribute to one or more of Defra's six priorities for LEADER, which are to:

- Increase farm productivity
- Support micro and small businesses and farm diversification
- Boost rural tourism
- Provide rural services
- Provide cultural and heritage activities
- Increase forestry productivity

Kent Downs and Marshes Leader covers the rural areas of Ashford, Maidstone, Medway, Swale (west of Faversham), and the Romney Marshes. East Kent Leader covers parts of Swale, Canterbury, Thanet, Dover, Shepway and Ashford. West Kent covers Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells and Sevenoaks.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme (grants are available until December 2018)

For more information: <https://www.leaderprogrammekent.org/> and <http://www.westkentleader.org.uk/>

- clude toilets or catering facilities
- Repair Grants of between £5,000 and £40,000 to help with the cost of urgent and essential structural repair projects with estimated costs of at least £100,000

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

Deadline: 2nd July 2018

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

National List of Charitable Grants for Churches

The Church of England's National Stewardship & Resources Team has produced a booklet for fundraisers that has 6 funding categories relevant to your church, as well as useful websites and organisations to contact. The list was last updated in May 2017.

For more information: <https://tinyurl.com/y869aa2q>

National Churches Trust - Project Development Grants

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to help churches develop high quality sustainable repair and community projects. The grants are likely to assist with the cost of staff time and/or to produce a report that will help progress the project plans to a stage where they can be considered by large grant-giving bodies and to meet RIBA stage 1 requirements. Places of worship of any Christian denomination can apply.

Deadline: 29th August 2018

For more information: <https://tinyurl.com/mb2rqup>

General

Armed Forces Covenant: Local Grants Programme

Grants of up to £20,000 are available for registered charities, community interest companies,

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Kent4Community

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Friends of Kent Churches

Grants are available for churches and chapels of any age and all Christian denominations that are of either architectural merit or historic importance and that are being used for services. Churches and chapels may be located anywhere in Kent and those parts of South East London which were in Kent before 1965. This includes Beckenham, Bromley, Sidcup, Bexley, and Erith, and happens to equate to the Church of England diocese of Rochester and Canterbury.

The scheme will support works to maintain the fabric, windows and, in some circumstances, floors, and monuments. Grants are available for fixed facilities such as heating, rewiring, disabled access, security, kitchens, and toilets, but only where a small grant will make a significant contribution to keeping a church in use.

Deadline: 1st November 2018

For more information: <http://friendsofkentchurches.co.uk/grants/>

local authorities, schools, and armed forces units with a UIN, for projects that respond to the local needs of the armed forces community and improve recognition of the Armed Forces Covenant, and that:

- Help integrate armed forces and civilian communities across the UK, and/or
- Deliver valuable local services to the armed forces community

Grants can be used for most of the things needed for the project, including people's time, buying or hiring equipment, or minor improvements to land or buildings.

Imminent Deadline: 13th May 2018, 29th July 2018, 30th September 2018, 17th December 2018

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

Masonic Charitable Foundation – Community Support Grants

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities for support in the following areas: financial hardship, health and disability, education and employability, and social exclusion and disadvantage. Grants can cover costs such as the organisation's core expenditure e.g. general running or overhead costs of the charity.

Deadline: 25th May 2018

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

Stop Loan Sharks Community Funding

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to community groups that want to raise awareness of the issues of illegal money lending. Projects should meet 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

Deadline: 30th June 2018

For more information:
<http://www.stoploansharks.co.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://tinyurl.com/neefgun>

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Kent4Community

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Cleary Foundation

Grants are available to charities in south-east Kent that are involved in education, conservation and the natural environment, and the arts.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme, however Trustees meet in July and November

For more information:
<http://clearyfoundation.org.uk/>

TDS Charitable Foundation

Grants of up to £50,000 are available to organisations to advance education on housing rights and obligations in the private rented sector. There are three streams of funding:

- A national fund for larger projects with national impact (up to £50,000 per project)
- An innovation fund for riskier projects (up to £25,000 per project)
- A community stream for local projects (roughly £10,000 per project)

Deadline: 14th June 2018

For more information:
<http://tdsfoundation.org.uk/>

Raymond and Blanche Lawson Charitable Trust

Grants are available for local not-for-profit voluntary and community groups active in East and West Sussex and Kent. Funding is intended to support the following:

- Local voluntary organisations
- Care in the community
- Local hospices
- Preservation of buildings
- Assistance for the disabled
- Support to armed forces and benevolent funds

Deadline: Not specified

For more information:
enquiries@lawsontrust.co.uk

Health and Disability

Pink Ribbon Foundation

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to breast cancer charities assisting people affected by breast cancer and organisations that work on breast cancer research and prevention. Funding is available for revenue, capital or project costs.

Deadline: 31st May 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yahj6n39>

Family Fund Trust for Families with Severely Disabled Children

Grants are available to help families who care for severely disabled young people up to the age of 17. Funds are 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/>

Department for Work and Pensions - Access to Work

Financial assistance is available to help organisations with any extra employment costs that result from employing a person with a disability. It can cover assistive technology, workplace adaptations, interpreters and transport. Disabled employees aged 16 and over and their employers are eligible to apply.

Deadline: None specified

For more information:
<https://www.gov.uk/access-to-work>

Guide to Disability Grants

An online service produced by the Care Workers Charity which aims to provide free accessible information on grants to support disabled adults and parents/carers of disabled children.

For more information:
<https://www.disability-grants.org/>

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Kent4Community

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Elaine and Angus Lloyd Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £3,500 are available to support general charitable activities in Kent and Surrey in the areas of advancement of health or saving of lives, disability, and people with disabilities.

Deadline: None specified

For more information:
ross.badger@hhlip.co.uk

Heritage

Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF) - Project Viability Grants

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for charities and social enterprises to carry out an initial assessment of whether it is viable to bring a historic building in the UK back into a sustainable use. Grants are for project development costs only and not for on-site capital works. Funding is available for any work that is essential for taking the project forward towards the goal of revitalising an historic building.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://ahfund.org.uk/grant/>

Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF) - Development Grants

Grants of up to £25,000 are available for not-for-profit organisations in the UK to cover some of the costs of developing and co-ordinating a building project and taking it towards the start of work on site. Grants are for project development costs only and not for on-site capital works. Funding can be used for any work that is essential for taking the project forward towards the goal of revitalising an historic building.

Imminent Deadline: For grants more than £5,000 - 11th May 2018, 24 August 2018, 2nd November 2018. At any time for grants of up to £5,000

For more information:
<http://ahfund.org.uk/grant/>

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Rosa - Voices from the Front Line

Grants of up to £3,000 are available to not for profit organisations run by, for and with women in the UK to support projects that will increase the skills, capacity and credibility of women who wish to challenge gender inequality and promote awareness and change. Grants will be awarded for projects that:

- Stimulate debate and amplify women's voices
- Raise awareness of one or more of Rosa's four pillars
- Influence the public, policy makers, media and/or government
- Change behaviours, attitudes or policies

The type of activities supported include:

- Travel costs for a service user to speak at an event or national conference
- Presentation, media or lobbying training to support organisational advocacy strategies
- Costs of creating campaign materials, such as posters, infographics or videos
- Articulating the story of a woman to champion an organisation's work
- Making a case to local commissioners for the value of a service
- Meeting costs with local/national government representatives or for planning a campaign

Deadline: 29th May 2018

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

Kent4Community

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<http://www.idoxopen4community.co.uk/kent/>

Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) - First World War: Then and Now

Grants of between £3,000 to £10,000 are available for community projects that explore, conserve and share the heritage of the First World War. In particular, HLF would like to help young people aged 11-25 to take an active part in the Centenary Commemorations. The outcome that HLF value the most is that 'people will have learnt about heritage.'

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/he5ee3w>

Social Inclusion

Kent Community Foundation - Elderly & Isolated Adults Themed Fund

The Kent Community Foundation (KCF) are offering grants of up to £5,000 (£7,500 in exceptional circumstances) 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: 31st May 2018, 31st August 2018, 30th November 2018

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/jwgs007>

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: 31st May 2018, 31st August 2018, 30th November 2018

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/zdl16yb>

NFU Mutual Charitable Trust

Grants are available to large charitable groups and organisations in the UK for projects that further the objectives of the NFU Mutual Charitable Trust, particularly those that educate young people in rural areas and relieve poverty in rural areas. Although there are no set funding levels, grants tend to range from £1,000 to £30,000.

Deadline: 25th May 2018, 26th October 2018

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/ybc59xjb>

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Kent4Community

Free searches on-line for government, lottery and trust funding schemes

<http://www.idoxopen4community.co.uk/kent/>

Help the Homeless

Capital 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.

Imminent Deadline: 15th June 2018, 15th September 2018, 15th December 2018

For more information:

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

Family Action Welfare Grants

Grants are available for essential personal and household needs to assist families and individuals with low incomes, particularly those living on benefits. Grants that are available nationally:

- Older People: support to promote independence; improve the quality of life and isolation for those aged 60 and over
- Sickness/Disability: support to pay for disability aids that will benefit the applicant in their home. Funds are also available for medical treatment or to defray the expenses of convalescence and recuperation
- Mental Health: support for adults (over the age of 18) with a clinical diagnosis of a mental health problem
- Domestic Abuse: support for families or individuals who have recently experienced domestic abuse

The average grant is in the region of £200 to a maximum of £300 in most cases. Grants of up to £500 can be made under the Sickness/Disability priority area. Applications are not accepted directly from individual members of the public. All applications must be made on-line by a suitable referring agency.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/y77dtqsh>

Kelly Family Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for registered charities, working locally or regionally, whose activities nurture and support family life.

The funding is for activities which involve all or most family members in initiatives that support and encourage the family to work as a cohesive unit in tackling problems that face one or more of its members. The three principal areas that the charity wishes to support are:

- Interventions and support that help families to manage better and prevent the fracture of the family unit, e.g. relationship counselling, mediation
- Families where sexual abuse, physical abuse, domestic violence, alcohol abuse and drugs abuse threaten the integrity of the family unit
- Prisoners and in particular their families, during and after the period of imprisonment

Applications are also welcomed from sports and health-related charities whose activities comply with the above criteria. Applications are also considered for core funding from relatively new organisations seeking to become established.

Deadline: 1st September 2018

For more information:

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

Skinner's Benevolent Trust

Grants of up to £250 are available for individuals and families (through support agencies) who are in need of essential household items and reside in selected areas in England which include **West Kent and Romney Marsh (Kent part)**. The Trust's main priority is to help the following:

- Those living with mental health issues
- Those in recovery from substance/alcohol use
- Victims of domestic violence
- Those in receipt of a state retirement pension
- Those who have some kind of disability or chronic illness
- Families on a very low income

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/ydemmpzt>

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Woodward Charitable Trust

Grants are available for small-scale, locally-based charitable initiatives in the UK in the following areas: isolated children and young people; prisoners and ex-offenders; disadvantaged women; disability; arts outreach; and community cohesion amongst minority groups. The Trust offers the following grants:

- Small grants of between £100 and £5,000 (around 100 grants are made per year)
- Large grants of over £5,000 (around five grants are made per year and these are usually awarded to charities already known to the Trustees)

Funding is primarily for one-off projects, though the Trustees are willing to consider funding running costs, including core cost and salaries.

Deadline: 31st July 2018

For more information:

http://woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk/general_applications/

Tony and Sheelagh Williams Charitable Foundation

Grants of up to £30,000 are available to registered charities for work in London and the South East of England that addresses the needs of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged people in society and has a tangible benefit. This may include, for example, charities that address the needs of people who are suffering because of poverty, homelessness, abuse, neglect, illness, disability, addiction or age.

Deadline: 1st September 2018

For more information:

<https://www.tandswilliams.org/>

Feminist Review Trust

Grants of up to £15,000 are available for projects in the UK and internationally that transform the lives of women. 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

Deadline: 30th September 2018

For more information:

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

The Henry Smith Charity

The Henry Smith Charity has refined its grants programme to reduce social and economic disadvantage. It now stand as follows:

- Improving Lives Fund - grants of between £20,000 and £60,000 to charitable organisations that help people when other sources of support have failed, are inappropriate or are simply not available
- Strengthening Communities Fund - grants of between £20,000 and £60,000 to support small charitable organisations working at grassroots level in the most disadvantaged areas of the UK
- Holiday Grants for Children - grants of up to £2,500 for recreational trips and holidays for groups of children aged 13 and under in the UK who are disabled or disadvantaged
- Christian Projects - grants for projects that promote the Christian faith in the UK
- County Grants - grants of up to £20,000 for smaller organisations working with disadvantaged people and communities in one of eight English counties, which includes **Kent**

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

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

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Football Foundation - Retain the Game

Grants of up to £750 are available to aid the retention of adult male teams within grassroots football clubs in England. The scheme was set up in response to a recent decrease in the number of adult male FA affiliated grassroots league teams. The funding will support clubs' adult male teams in three age categories:

- Under-17 to Under-21
- Open Age
- Veterans

The grant is designed to cover core costs including:

- Facility hire (match day or training venue)
- £100 Voucher for Nike Kit/Equipment (including First Aid) – to be redeemed through a bespoke Football Foundation portal
- First Aid course

Deadline: 30th May 2018

For more information:

<https://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/funding-schemes/retain-the-game/>

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation

Grants of up to £50,000 are available to charitable organisations that are working to address local issues in areas of extreme urban deprivation, or in remote and fragile rural communities.

There are several grant programmes:

- Small Grants of up to £6,000 for revenue costs such as core costs, salaries, overheads, project costs; one-off capital cost for new buildings, repairs and improvements, purchase of equipment
- Standard Grants of between £6,001 and £12,000 for revenue or one-off capital costs
- Large Grants of over £10,000 and up to £50,000 for one-off capital costs only
- Village halls and community centres can apply for capital grants of between £1,000 and £50,000 for new builds, repairs, improvements or extensions
- Hospices only can apply for capital grants of between £6,000 and £50,000 for new builds, repairs, improvements, extensions and equipment purchase

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/h5ru3xy>

Ageless Thanet Community Fund

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to community groups, charities, voluntary organisations and individuals, with an idea to make Thanet a great place to grow older and which will help reduce isolation and loneliness in older people.

For example, if you and a group of 50+ residents want to set up a gardening group to beautify your community, but lack the tools and equipment to make this happen, or if you would like to start a music group for a group of 50+ residents, but need the instruments to make this happen, then you may be eligible to apply to the Ageless Thanet Community Fund.

Ageless Thanet is Big Lottery funded, as part of the 'Fulfilling Lives: Ageing Better' programme. Led by Social Enterprise Kent.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/ya8n55fl> or call Amanda, Heather or Pam on 01843 210005 or email Amanda at a.hill@sekgroup.org.uk

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Kent4Community

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Ronald Cruickshanks Foundation

Grants are available to charitable organisations active in Kent, particularly Folkestone, Faversham and the surrounding area. The scheme supports work in the following areas:

- Social welfare schemes
- Prevention or relief of poverty
- Education and training
- Health and wellbeing

Deadline: None specified

For more information:

ian@iancloke.co.uk

Sport

Maidstone Leisure Trust - Grants for Sport and Active Leisure Activities

Grants of up to £1000 are available to clubs, organisations and individuals involved in sport and active leisure activities who are either using Maidstone Leisure Centre or who operate 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 or training) will also be considered.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme, with decisions made quarterly in March, June, September and December

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/y7je7nxh>

Kent County Council Capital Grant Scheme For Sport

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to organisations to improve sports facilities and widen participation. The Scheme is intended for the following purposes:

- Provision of facilities, including specialist facilities, training centres and centres of excellence and performance
- Purchase of new community equipment
- Improvements to existing buildings and

sites or conversion of redundant buildings

- Levering funding from other organisations into key schemes in Kent, and demonstrating partnership
- Providing specialist facilities or equipment for disabled people

Applicants should be Kent Sport Club Connect Members.

Deadline: 31st May 2018 (applications are also accepted in August and October)

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/ycwskf4k>

Sports Directory UK Small Grants

Grants of between £50 to £500 are available to clubs, groups or organisations to encourage and increase participation in sport and physical activity by residents within Kent County Council or Medway Council administrative areas. The fund can support coaching costs, facility hire, equipment, marketing and publicity, events, shared team kit. Applicants should be Kent Sport Club Connect Members.

Deadline: 1st June 2018, 1st November 2018

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/ybvvmfsp>

Kent County Playing Fields Association (KCPFA)

Grants of up to £1,000 and loans of up to £25,000 are available to parish councils and voluntary organisations towards the cost of providing children's recreational facilities. Examples of projects which may be eligible for support include the purchase, layout and extension of playing fields and the provision, modernisation and adaptation of children's playgrounds, pavilions, clubhouses, sports halls and other recreation facilities.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://www.kentpfa.org.uk/services/>

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Weaver's Company Benevolent Fund

Grants of up to £15,000 are available for registered charities undertaking projects involving young people who are vulnerable or may become involved in crime in the UK. The Fund aims to help young people at risk of criminal involvement to stay out of trouble and assist in the rehabilitation of offenders, particularly young offenders both in prison and after release. The Fund has determined two priority groups to support:

- Disadvantaged young people
- Offenders and ex-offenders, particularly those under 30 years of age

Eligible expenditure includes:

- Pump-priming - particularly from small community-based organisations
- Project funding
- Associated project costs - applicants should include the cost of any overheads
- Core costs
- Innovative or pioneering work - such as general administration and training
- Continuation funding - ongoing funding for projects which have proved their worth
- Emergency or deficit funding - in exceptional circumstances

Deadline: 31st July and 30th November

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

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 such as:

- 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>

Sport England - Community Asset Fund

Grants of between £1,000 and £150,000 are available for community organisations, sports clubs, statutory bodies and educational establishments to enhance local community spaces which encourage people to play sport and get active. The programme aims to:

- Improve and protect existing sports facilities that support the needs of local communities
- Invest in new and different places that meet the needs of local communities
- Ensure Sport England's capital investment reaches organisations that have not accessed Sport England's funding before
- Create a more resilient, sustainable, less grant dependent sport sector

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9vweopx>

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Young People

HeadStart Kent - Pay It Forward

Pay it Forward provides grants between £250 and £1,000 for young people aged 10-16. The scheme is run by HeadStart Kent, who are funded by the Big Lottery to support young people's emotional wellbeing. The idea of paying something forward means helping someone to do something to help someone else. HeadStart is giving groups of young people the chance to make this happen.

You can apply for a grant with the support of adults in your school or community. Grants give you the opportunity to support your local area and take social action. Previous projects that received funding included:

- Support groups for parents
- Refurbishment of a community pond to be used as an outdoor classroom
- Development of a music studio for young people
- A domestic abuse conference for young people

Deadline: 5th June 2018, 8th August 2018, 12th October 2018, 14th December 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yaqydkf2>

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: 24th July 2018, 9th October 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9nyl9bl>

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:

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

Imminent Deadline: 13th May 2018, 2nd September 2018, 2nd December 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/orbn759>

Sylvia Adams Charitable Trust - Early Years Preventative Work

Grants of up to £50,000 per year are available for registered charities to support work that will improve the life chances of some of the most disadvantaged children (aged 0-3 years) in England by investing in early intervention and preventative work.

Imminent Deadline: 14th May 2018, 30th November

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y744usn3>

Peter Cruddas Foundation

Grants are available for registered charities that are working to support disadvantaged and disengaged young people as they move towards pathways into education, training and employment. Funding is available for the following priority areas:

- Pathways/support for young disadvantaged or disengaged people (between the ages of 14 and 30 years) into education, training or employment
- Work experience/skills projects for young people aged 16 to 30 years

Deadline: 1st September 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ly95q2a>

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Buttle UK

Buttle UK was established to ensure that children and young people in desperate need are given a brighter future. This is achieved through a range of grant programmes designed to provide vulnerable individual children and families living in the UK with the support they need to overcome immediate crisis, or ensure the best possible opportunity for a successful education. Grants are available through the following schemes:

- **Families Programme** - grants of up to £300 for the purchase of essential items to meet the needs of children who are living in severe poverty, suffering deprivation as a result and who are facing additional social issue. Funding is for critical household items and clothing.
- **Young People Programme** - grants of up to £2,000 to enable vulnerable young people in to overcome financial barriers preventing them from achieving their education, training or employment goals. Funding can be used for equipment to take up a training opportunity, interview clothes, a computer for studies or travel costs to get to college.
- **Schools Fees Programme** - grants of up to £4,500 to help with boarding school fees where there is a strong case as to why a child (over the age of 11 years) cannot stay within the family home with their parent or carer

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information: <https://www.buttleuk.org/need-support>

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: 31st May 2018, 31st August 2018, 30th November 2018

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

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/young people who are homeless
- Children and young people who are life limited (requiring palliative care)

Deadline: 24th July 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/nummt6a>

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:

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

Imminent Deadline: 17th May 2018, 13th September 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/h2ul65m>

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 Trust 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>

Andy Fanshawe Memorial Trust

Grants are available to fund projects that allow disadvantaged young people in the UK to take up opportunities to develop an exciting interest in the great outdoors.

Eligible outdoor activities include walking, climbing, cycling, kayaking, sailing, horse riding and residential courses at outdoor centres. The scheme is open to schools and youth groups rather than individuals, but the Trust does occasionally fund an individual the committee feels would benefit from support.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

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

The Ironmongers' Company

Grants of up to £10,000 are available for charities to support projects that provide opportunities for disadvantaged children/young people to fulfil their potential. 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 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 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/8kd8u8u>

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/>

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Casey Trust

Grants are available for projects that have a direct benefit to children up to the age of 18 years. The Trust is particularly looking to support children's projects connected with the arts, mental health, also child refugees in the UK.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://www.caseytrust.org/home/>

John Coldman Charitable Trust

Grants are available for educational or charitable organisations in Kent for supporting young people or communities in need. Previous grants have been for between £250 and £50,000.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

johncoldman@benfieldpartners.com

Wessex Youth Trust

Grants are available to registered charities which provide opportunities for children and young people up to the age of 21 years in the UK.

Deadline: 1st November 2018

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/bugfys2>

Happy Days Children's Charity

Grants are available for families with children aged 3-17 who are disabled, have a special need or have been abused. Day trips, group activity holidays and family respite breaks are eligible.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/y9bpkrqb>

Kent Community Foundation - Colyer-Fergusson Million Pound Match Challenge

To celebrate its 50 years of philanthropy in Kent, the Colyer-Fergusson Charitable Trust is launching an exciting new partnership with Kent Community Foundation to build a legacy for disadvantaged young people in Kent. The Colyer-Fergusson Million Pound Match Challenge will add £1 for every £1 donated to an endowment fund at Kent Community Foundation.

The aim of the challenge is to incentivise other philanthropists in Kent to follow in Colyer-Fergusson's footsteps by establishing their own charitable funds with Kent Community Foundation.

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/yvcv3ajw>

Comic Relief - Safe, Secure and Settled Fund

Grants of up to £500,000 are available to UK based not-for-profit organisations for projects in the UK, India, South Africa, Brazil and Kenya that are using sport to improve the lives of children and young people (up to 25 years) who are homeless or living in temporary accommodation to gain skills to lead safe and positive lives. Projects should meet at least one of the following outcomes:

- Children and young people increase and/or sustain their engagement with education
- Children and young people have increased pathways into training or employment
- More children and young people have a safe and supportive network or trusted place to go for advice
- Children and young people increase life skills

This new fund has been launched as part of Comic Relief's Sport for Change programme. Comic Relief defines Sport for Change as bringing about positive social change for individuals and communities through the intentional use of sport and physical activity.

Deadline: 14th June 2018

For more information: <https://tinyurl.com/y7u9sapm>

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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 £20,000 per year 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.	Sophie Ward Tel: 03000 417225 sophie.ward@kent.gov.uk http://tinyurl.com/mpvnj43
Sports Directory UK 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/mjdf4a
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/q3jfbtr
Kent Social Enterprise Loan Fund (KSELF)	Loans of between £10,000-£100,000 and potential grants 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

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Gravesham – bill.ronan@kent.gov.uk 03000 417803 / 07710 339894	Tonbridge & Malling – anne.charman@kent.gov.uk 03000 416923 / 07717 665893
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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

Mrs Smith and Mount Trust (Mental Health, Learning Disability, Homelessness)	https://tinyurl.com/yc5mos62	11/05/2018
ChurchCare (Conservation, Churches)	http://www.churchcare.co.uk/	14/05/2018
Royal Society of Chemistry - Outreach Fund (Chemistry-Based Events)	https://tinyurl.com/moh7trs	14/05/2018
Women's Vote Centenary Grants - Large Grants (Young People, Women, Democracy, Education)	https://tinyurl.com/y8djja19	17/05/2018
A B Charitable Trust (Human Rights, Migrants, Refugees, Prisoners)	http://abcharitabletrust.org.uk	18/05/2018
Lloyds Bank Foundation - Invest Programme (Core Funding, People with Multiple Disadvantage)	https://tinyurl.com/ybu89z8f	18/05/2018
Women's Vote Centenary Grants - Small Grants (Young People, Women, Democracy, Education)	https://tinyurl.com/y8djja19	18/05/2018
UK Theatres Small Grants Scheme (Capital Grants, Repairs, Theatres)	https://tinyurl.com/y8n6djkm	21/05/2018
Heart Research UK/SUBWAY Healthy Heart Grants (Heart Health)	https://tinyurl.com/mcmgqof	22/05/2018
Henry Moore Foundation (Visual Arts)	https://tinyurl.com/yan9conu	24/05/2018
UK Aid Match Funding (Match Funding, Poverty, International)	https://www.ukaidmatch.org/	25/05/2018
Save Our Species (SOS) (Conservation, Madagascar, Lemurs)	https://tinyurl.com/lw5o553	27/05/2018
Momentum Music Fund (Musicians, Bands, Touring, Recording, Marketing)	https://tinyurl.com/yc6ghdcn	29/05/2018
Thomas Wall Trust (Communities, Educational and Social Needs)	https://tinyurl.com/yavnh3zt	31/05/2018
Hilden Charitable Fund - Summer Play Schemes (Summer Play Schemes, Disadvantaged Children)	https://tinyurl.com/cadsemn	01/06/2018
National Marine Aquarium (Marine Conservation, Engagement)	https://tinyurl.com/k3uxb5a	01/06/2018
PRS - The Writer Producer Fund (Songwriters/Producers, Career Development)	https://tinyurl.com/ybx5rw8g	03/06/2018
Hinrichsen Foundation (Contemporary Music, Commissioning)	https://tinyurl.com/q4hqdmf	06/06/2018
Land Rover 'Go Beyond' Bursary (Expeditions, Geography)	https://tinyurl.com/y6vxa677	10/06/2018
London Legal Support Trust - Small Grants (Voluntary Sector Legal Agencies)	https://tinyurl.com/y8cpjixg	10/06/2018
Rowing Foundation (Young People, Disabled, Rowing Equipment)	https://tinyurl.com/kuatxkb	11/06/2018
UK Aid Direct (International Development, Poverty Reduction)	https://www.ukaidirect.org/	13/06/2018

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