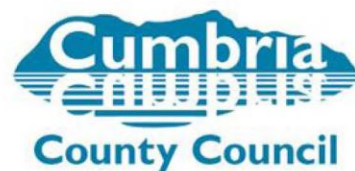


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This is a fast-changing environment so always check out the websites before applying for any of the funding listed in this edition as things close and re-open depending upon funding available and watch out for deadlines approaching.

Stay safe and keep up the wonderful work being done by staff and volunteers across the sectors here in Cumbria.



Welcome to our March Funding Gazette

Welcome to the March edition of the Cumbria Youth Alliance funding gazette. We have tried to mix it up a little with some big grant opportunities and some smaller grant opportunities so that both smaller charities and larger charities have access to a range of opportunities. Some deadlines are fast approaching with 31st March 2021 for Masonic Charitable Trust for example. Don't worry if you miss the deadlines as they come around again in a few months' time.

Speaking to our member organisations there are many concerns about funding going forward and don't forget that Cumbria Youth Alliance can help you with your fundraising in a number of ways:

- Searching for sources of funding to match your funding needs.
- Checking bids prior to submission.
- Helping source additional information to strengthen your bids.
- Funding workshops for your staff and trustees looking at improving applications to trusts and foundations.
- One to one support for your fundraising
- Help to develop a funding strategy to make your organisation more sustainable.

If you feel you and your organisation would benefit from any of these free services, then contact Juan@cya.org.uk.

This will be the last time for me writing the funding gazette for Cumbria Youth Alliance and I hope that over the past 18 years that you have found this a useful resource. In future the newsletter will be written by Juan Shimmin juan@cya.org.uk so if you have things you would like included in the next edition just email him. Happy fundraising everybody!

Cath Clarke cath@cya.org.uk

Cumbria Youth Alliance

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MARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Funding sources for March – some are short dated and will need swift action so please always check the website for further details before proceeding with the applications. If in doubt please contact the potential funder.

Youth Endowment Fund

The Youth Endowment Fund is an independent charitable trust with a £200 million endowment from the Home Office. In 2021 YEF will be running two £20 million themed grant rounds:

- **Another Chance: Diversion from the Criminal Justice System** - the programme aims to find out how diversionary programmes can prevent children aged 10-17 years old in England and Wales from becoming violent and keep them out of the criminal justice system. Applications will be accepted from 19 April 2021 to 14 May 2021.
- **A Supportive Home: Helping Families to Overcome Challenges** - the programme will be run in partnership with Comic Relief and aims to find the most effective approaches to help families and carers create a supportive home environment for children aged 6-14 years old (including looked-after children), reducing the likelihood of them becoming involved in violence. Applications will open in September 2021.

For both funding rounds, YEF is looking to invest in 10 to 20 programmes that are ready for robust impact evaluation or could be supported to reach this point within two years. YEF has committed to spending between £10 million and £20 million depending on the quality of the applications.

Organisations that are interested in becoming a YEF partner can find out more about the April funding round in the YEF online workshops that will be held on 8 March, 17 March and 25 March. There will be a dedicated workshop for Welsh organisations on 12 April.

Referring to YEF's four-month consultation with young people with lived experience of violence and the people working to keep them safe, YEF Executive Director, Jon Yates, said:

“We would like to thank every single person – the young people, the community and youth workers, the teachers, the social workers and the police officers – who took the time to help shape our direction. “Thanks to your knowledge and insight, our grant round on diversion will help us to build the knowledge we need to keep children and young people safe from violence. “You were clear that if we don't address the serious overrepresentation of some groups of children in the youth justice system, we can't achieve our mission.

As a first step, we've committed to ringfence £5 – 10 million over the next three years for black, Asian and minority ethnic-led organisations.” Full details about the online workshops and the two funding rounds can be found on the [YEF website](#). [Youth Endowment Fund](#)

Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales

Unrestricted grants to support small and medium-sized local charities, with a proven track record of helping people in England and Wales with complex social issues, to recover and renew beyond the COVID-19 crisis. Maximum Turnover: £ 1,000,000 Minimum Turnover:£ 25,000 Maximum Value: £ 50,000. There is a total of £9.5 million for 2021.

Unrestricted grants of £50,000 over two years. The Foundation expects to fund around 190 charities in 2021. In addition to the funding, charities will be supported by a Regional Manager who will work with them to identify priority development needs and support them to access a wide range of organisation development support to meet those needs.

The Foundation will ringfence 25% of its funding to charities led by, and which support, minoritised and racialised communities. The Foundation has announced that by the end of Spring 2021, it will open its Racial Equality strand of funding. This will take place once it has embedded the learning from 2020 and developed criteria that best respond to emerging needs. Charities led by-and-for members of Black, Asian or Minority Ethnic communities can start their application from March 2021. The Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales, an independent charitable trust funded by the profits of Lloyds Banking Group, re-launched their grants programme in December 2019 with a simpler, more flexible and transparent approach. Changes to the Foundation's grant-making processes are part of its Reaching Further strategy for 2018-2022. The Foundation partners with small and local charities who help people overcome complex social issues. Through long-term funding, developmental support and influencing policy and practice, the Foundation helps small charities make life-changing impact.

The funding is intended for small and medium-sized charities that have a track record of working to help people overcome one or more of the following issues:

- Addiction and dependency on alcohol, drugs and/or gambling
- Asylum seekers and refugees
- Care leavers
- Domestic and sexual abuse
- Homeless and vulnerably housed
- Learning disabilities
- Mental health
- Offending, prison or community service
- Sexual exploitation
- Trafficking and modern slavery
- Young parents

A full explanation of each social issue can be found in the guidelines which are published on the Foundation's website. The Foundation has opened for 2021 applications and will remain open without deadlines throughout 2021. The Foundation's grants team will hold a live Q&A webinar on 30 March (2pm to 3:30pm) to discuss the 2021 funding programme. Charities and charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs) that are registered with the Charity Commission and operate mainly in England and Wales are eligible to apply.

To be eligible, applicants must have:

- A registered charity number (this can be a CIO).
- An annual income of between £25,000 and £1 million in the last set of accounts published on the Charity Commission website.
- Its own bank account.
- A track record of working with people aged 17 or older, who are facing complex issues as listed by the Foundation. The only exception is charities working with young parents.
- Been delivering services for more than a year in England and/or Wales.
- Free reserves of less than 12 months.
- A Board of at least three unrelated Trustees.
- A safeguarding policy in place.
- One of the Foundation's regional priorities at the time of submitting the application.

The size of grant a charity can apply for, or whether they can apply at all at the moment, depends on Local Authority and the complex social issue the charity's work is addressing. Funding is available for core organisational costs which are related to the day to day running of the charity. Consideration will only be given to requests for core costs where over 50% of the charity's work and expenditure meets the Foundation's criteria. Funding is also available for costs associated with the direct delivery of the charity's work. The funding is for organisations supporting people (17 years and older) who are experiencing complex social issues resulting in a significant impact on their lives. Applicants need to demonstrate their work is 'highly impactful' and possess the following characteristics:

- In-depth
- Holistic and person-centred
- Targeted
- Supporting a journey of change
- An appetite for development.
- The following are not eligible for funding:
- Community Interest Companies
- Infrastructure or 'umbrella' organisations. (Requests would be considered from these organisations only for any direct delivery of support to disadvantaged people.)
- Organisations whose primary purpose is to give funds to individuals or other organisations. This means organisations using more than 50% of annual expenditure as grants.
- Hospitals, health authorities or hospices.
- Rescue services.
- Nurseries, pre-schools or playgroups.
- Schools, colleges, universities.
- Animal charities.
- Charities working predominantly outside England and Wales.
- Organisations that do not have a purpose/benefit beyond the promotion of religion.
- Significant capital purchases, building work, or purchase of vehicles.
- Work that is primarily one-off or sign posting.

Please note this is not an exhaustive list and further exclusions may apply to each of the social issues listed within the guidelines. The eligibility criteria and eligibility checker can be found on the Foundation's website. Applications can be made at any time with notification of decisions in about four months' time. Contact the Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales for further information.

Contact details:

Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales

Pentagon House

52-54 Southwark Street

London

SE1 1UN Telephone: 0370 411 1223 Email: enquiries@lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk

The Postcode Neighbourhood Trust

has reopened its grants programme and will award grants monthly until October 2021. Funded by players of the People's Postcode Lottery, the Trust makes grants to support smaller charities and good causes in the North of England for projects that have a positive impact on communities and the environment.

Registered charities can apply for grants of up to £20,000, other not for profit organisations can apply for grants of up to £2,000 to support both project and organisation core costs.

To be eligible to apply, organisations will need to have an annual income of below £1 million with preference given to those with an income of below £500,000 per year.

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

The Alpkit Foundation

In response to the coronavirus, The Alpkit Foundation are prioritising funding to support projects that demonstrate an immediate impact on those affected by the crisis. Grants are available to grassroots organisations serving those affected by the outbreak.

Funding can provide support for activities which might include:

- Being active in the local community to help elderly or vulnerable people
- Minimising the impact of self-isolation for those in quarantine and need access to food, medicines or social care
- Supporting foodbanks and increasing the number of meals on wheels deliveries to support the elderly
- Supporting those who are homeless or in temporary accommodation
- Bringing adventure indoors and overcoming the obstacles that prevent us benefiting from going outdoors.

Applications can be made at any time and trustees meet every 2 months to consider applications.

<https://alpkit.com/blogs/foundation/adapting-to-the-coronavirus-crisis>

Delivery Company DPD

has announced that grants of up to £2,000 are available through its Eco Fund. The fund is open to anyone but schools and educational facilities across the UK working on green projects with their students and start-up companies working on developing environmentally friendly products are particularly encouraged to apply. Applications are reviewed monthly and there are no application deadlines. <https://green.dpd.co.uk/>

NFU Mutual

Charities, schools, and community groups can apply for grants of up to £1,000 through the NFU Mutual Community Giving Fund. The fund is available in areas that are local to NFU operations in the UK. In 2020, the Fund helped 49 community groups and charities across the UK, providing support for front-line charities dealing with the impact of Covid-19. The grants have funded equipment for a Search and Rescue team, an outdoor shelter for a community centre, PPE for a dementia support group and food parcels for vulnerable members of the community to name but a few. Applications are likely to be more successful if they meet one or more of the funds priorities. These are:

- Connecting the community; reducing social isolation, providing opportunities, and encouraging resilience
- Providing care and support to vulnerable members of our community
- Relieving poverty; improving the health and wellbeing of our communities
- Advancing education and experiences for young people

The next closing date for applications is the 31st March 2021.

To apply, download and complete the application form and send it to

doing_our_bit@nfumutual.co.uk

[Guidelines and Application Form](#)

<https://www.nfumutual.co.uk/about-us/responsible-business/nfu-mutual-community-giving-fund/>

The Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants

Programme is offering grants of up to £1,000 to schools in the UK to set up Breakfast clubs for those children in most need. To qualify for the programme:

- The breakfast club must be based in a school in England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland;
- A limited number of grants are available so priority will be given to schools that have either:
- 35% and above of children eligible for pupil premium funding and / or eligible for free school meals. Or Schools that are based in an area which is classified as falling in the 10% of most deprived areas according to the Index of Multiple Deprivation. Schools can find out if this applies to their school by following the instructions which you can find [here](#).
- Additionally, if your school has received breakfast club funding from Gregg's or Magic Breakfast within the current academic year, your club will not be considered a priority for support.
- Only one grant per school in each academic year is available.

For any queries, please contact Forever Manchester on 0044 161 214 0940 or

e-mail kelloogs@forevermanchester.com [Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants Programme](#)

School for Social Entrepreneurs & National Lottery Heritage Fund

to provide funding and a support programme to build the capacity of heritage sector organisations to strengthen their resilience and overall sustainability. The Heritage Trade Up Programme will support leaders of up to 52 heritage organisations across the UK to develop and strengthen their entrepreneurialism by providing eight days of cohort-based learning, a £10,000 Trade Back grant to help organisations recover from the Covid-19 crisis, and access to a support network of like-minded peers.

The Fund will help to build the capacity of organisations to develop or increase traded income, and to bring heritage to a wider audience. The deadline for applications is 1pm on the 9th April 2021.

<https://www.the-sse.org/courses/heritage-trade-up-programme/>

The Volant Trust

has announced that it will open its Covid-19 Response Fund. The Trust is accepting applications from registered charities, community interest companies, community organisations or social enterprises in the UK and internationally that demonstrate a strong focus on alleviating social deprivation and helping vulnerable groups who have been particularly impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Funding is available to support running and core costs as well as for medical equipment and the production or distribution of PPE will also be considered. There are no funding levels indicated at the award of grants will be at the discretion of the Trustees. The closing date for applications is the 31st July 2021. <https://www.volanttrust.org/how-to-apply-covid-19/>

The Bruce Wake Charitable Trust

will consider grant applications relating to the provision of leisure activities for people with physical disabilities. The Trust was established to encourage and assist the provision of leisure activities for the disabled.

The Trustees particularly favour applications where the potential beneficiaries meet one or all of the following criteria:

- The potential beneficiaries are physically disabled wheelchair users
- Improved access for wheelchair users is proposed
- A sporting or leisure activity involving disabled wheelchair users is proposed

One donation in any 12-month period may be made to charitable organisations.

All applications should be submitted together with appropriate financial information. Charitable organisations should include a copy of their latest financial statements.

Applications meeting the above criteria will be considered from charitable organisations. Applications on behalf of individuals will only be accepted through a charitable organisation or equivalent recognised body. Trustees meet quarterly to consider grant applications. [Preliminary Grant Application](#)

The National Lottery Community Fund

has announced that round 2 of its £100 million Climate Action Fund is now open for applications. The fund which is available for the next 10 years is open to community-led partnerships to enable communities across the UK to reduce their carbon footprint and work together to share their learning and be active participants in a broader movement to tackle climate change. This round will focus on supporting medium-scale to large-scale projects addressing waste and consumption covering themes such as:

- Food waste
- Repair and re-use
- Retail and consumerism
- Waste streams.

This list is not exhaustive.

- Community partnerships can be led by one of the following types of organisation:
- Voluntary and community organisation
- Registered charity or charitable incorporated organisation (CIO)
- School
- Not for profit company including companies limited by guarantee, community interest companies and community benefit societies with two or more directors.

The National Lottery Community Fund is offering two types of funding in this round – development funding and full awards. The maximum grant size for development funding is £150,000. For full awards, the maximum available is £1.5 million. Around £8 million to 10 million is available in total. There is a two-phase application process. The closing date for phase 1 is 5pm on the 8th April. Those successful at this stage will have between May and August 2021 to develop and submit their full proposal.

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/climate-action-fund>

Hedley Foundation

The Hedley Foundation awards grants to those charities that are able to demonstrate quantifiable outcomes to beneficiaries. Typically, grants of up to £5,000 are regularly made and occasional larger sums are given to charities where high impact can be achieved. Similarly, smaller charities often benefit from smaller grants of £250 upwards.

You should meet the following criteria:

- You are a small- to mid-size UK registered charity
- Your application is not for salaries, building construction, general running costs, transport, financial deficits or overseas projects
- Your application is not on behalf of a church, museum, an individual or exclusive group of people
- You have not received a previous grant from The Foundation within the last 18 months.

Application Form: Available to download from the website. Completed forms with any supporting documentation should be posted to the address below

Deadlines: The Trustees meet four times per year to review grant applications which should be received at least 28 days before the review meeting. Please check website below for the latest meeting dates.

Contact: Appeals Secretary, The Hedley Foundation, 1-3 College Hill, London EC4R 2RA
Email: ljaneshedley@hedleyfoundation.org.uk Website: www.hedleyfoundation.org.uk/

National Lottery Community Fund – Reaching Communities

Large grants are available to voluntary and community organisations in England for projects that make positive changes in their communities.

The Big Lottery Fund changed its name on 29 January 2019 to the National Lottery Community Fund. The National Lottery Community Fund distributes over £600 million a year to communities across the UK, raised by players of The National Lottery. Grants of over £10,000 are available for up to five years for projects that support communities to thrive by:

- Building strong relationships in and across communities.
- Improving the places and spaces that matter to communities.
- Helping more people to reach their potential, by supporting them at the earliest possible stage.

Who can Apply? Applications will be accepted from:

- Voluntary and community organisations.
- Registered, exempt or excepted charities.
- Charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs).
- Not-for-profit companies limited by guarantee (must be a registered charity or have a not-for-profit asset lock clause in the articles of association).
- Community interest companies (CICs).
- Schools.
- Statutory bodies (including local authorities, town, parish, or community council).
- Community benefit societies.
- Co-operative societies (must have a not-for-profit asset lock clause in their society rules and be registered with the Financial Conduct Authority).

Eligible Expenditure

The funding is for projects that work to make positive changes in their community. “Communities” can be people living in the same area, or people with similar interests or life experiences. Projects that can test new approaches to issues in the community are encouraged.

To be eligible for funding projects should: Involve people and communities from the start; Build on people’s strengths; Be connected in their community.

During the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, the Reaching Communities programme is supporting people and communities most adversely impacted by the crisis. Organisations can apply for funding to: Continue to deliver activity - whether the community needs crisis response, recovery or business as usual activity; and to change and adapt, becoming more resilient to respond to new and future challenges. The grants can be used for direct costs, organisational development costs and core/ fixed costs to support the day-to-day running of the organisation.

How to Apply

You are encouraged to discuss applications with your regional funding officer at the earliest stage. Application is online or an email or video can be sent to their regional funding officer. Organisations will then be contacted by the National Lottery Community Fund within 12 weeks of submitting a proposal to discuss the next steps of the application process.

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/reaching-communities-england>

Amelia Nicholson, Funding Officer – North East & Cumbria Team
Mobile: 07964 597027 | Email: Amelia.Nicholson@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk

Sarah Bowman, Funding Officer – North East & Cumbria Team – Eden Valley and South Lakeland (works Monday to Wednesday) Mobile: 07875 076 851 | Email: sarah.bowman@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk

Tesco Bags of Help

Community groups and schools can now apply for funding of up to £1,000 for projects that benefit their local community. The funding has been made available by the Tesco's Bags of Help programme which is administered by Groundwork and can cover a broad range of projects. Examples include:

- Equipment or non-statutory services for nurseries or schools e.g. Forest schools, library books
- Equipment for Brownie, Guide or Scout Groups e.g., camping equipment, badges.
- Environmental improvements
- Play areas
- Counselling and support services
- Activities to support mental health
- Activities or equipment to reduce social isolation
- Equipment/kit for sports teams
- Services or equipment to support health issues such as cancer or dementia
- Equipment for village/community halls

Three community projects in each local area will be voted on by customers in Tesco stores, with projects changing every three months. Following the vote, the project that received the most votes in its area will receive a grant of up to £1,000. The type of organisations that can apply include:

- Voluntary or community organisations (including registered charities/companies),
- Schools
- Health bodies (e.g., Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs, NHS Hospital Trust, Foundation Trust),
- Parish/Town Councils,
- Local authorities
- Social housing providers

Over 27,000 projects have been supported with more than £80 million in community grants.

<https://tescobagsofhelp.org.uk/tesco-community-grants/apply-for-a-bags-of-help-grant/#more-24>

Masonic Charitable Foundation - Small Grants

Funded entirely through the generosity of Freemasons and their families, the Masonic Charitable Foundation is one of the largest grant-making charities in the country. The Foundation brings together the work of four national Charities which had been operating separately under various names since the early 18th Century. Most of the support provided by the Masonic Charitable Foundation takes the form of financial grants to individuals and families to assist with daily living costs. They can also award grants to provide specific items or services. They have conducted surveys which informed them of the areas about which Freemasons care most passionately. Their grant-making programmes for charities target funding where it is most needed within these areas. Current target areas are:

- Creating the best start in life for disadvantaged children and young people
- Reducing isolation in later life
- Medical research into degenerative disease
- Care services in the hospice sector

The target areas are reviewed regularly to ensure their grants are making the greatest possible impact. Further information is available on their website.

Application Process: Online application process. Firstly complete the eligibility questions. If your charity meets the eligibility criteria you will be invited to complete an online application form.

Contact: Masonic Charitable Foundation, 60 Great Queen Street, London WC2B 5AZ

Telephone: 020 3146 3337 **Email:** charitygrants@mcf.org.uk **Website:** <https://mcf.org.uk/>

Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation

Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation was established in 1998 as a registered charity independent of YBS Group. The Charitable Foundation has two priority areas:

- Alleviating poverty
- Improving health / saving lives

The Charitable Foundation supports these priorities by making donations of up to £2,000 to UK registered charities, recommended by the Society's members and colleagues.

They are proud to support beneficiaries such as children, those who are seriously ill, as well as elderly, homeless and disabled people.

The Charitable Foundation considers applications to fund specific projects and/or items that will have a positive impact to the charity's beneficiaries.

To be considered for a donation the charity must meet the following basic eligibility criteria:

- Registered with the Charity Commission, the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland or the Scottish Charity Regulator
- Funding will either help alleviate poverty, improve health or save lives
- Nominated by a Yorkshire Building Society member or colleague
- Beneficiaries in the UK
- Have not received a YBS Charitable Foundation donation in the last 2 years
- Annual returns submitted to the Charity Commission, the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland or the Scottish Charity Regulator

All applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis by the Trustees.

The Trustees decide which applications to approve based on the need of each charity and how much funds are available.

Once Trustees have reviewed all applications, they will inform the colleague or member and the charities of their decision. Donations are sent directly to successful charities at the end of each quarter.

Application Form: Apply using the online system on the website below or apply in a local branch.

Email: community@ybs.co.uk

Website: <https://www.ybs.co.uk/your-society/charitable-foundation/index.html>

BBC Children in Need

offer two grant programmes that offer funding for projects in the UK that are supporting children and young people up to the age of 18 who are experiencing disadvantage through one of the following ways:

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

The programmes are able to support a wide variety of projects from holiday schemes, playground equipment, sports activities and even minibuses with revenue, capital and salary costs all considered. The grant schemes are offered to charities, voluntary organisations, schools and churches, which are:

Main Grants Programme

- Grants of over £10,000 per year for up to three years.
- Grants given will not usually total more than £100,000 over the three year period.
- Quarterly Deadlines throughout the year.
- Decisions are usually made within 3 months of the application deadline date.

Small Grants Programme

- Grants of up to £10,000 per year for up to three years.
- Quarterly Deadlines throughout the year.

Details and upcoming deadlines can be found on the [Children in Need](#) website

Masonic Charitable Foundation – Large Grants

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- Creating the best start in life for disadvantaged children and young people
- Reducing isolation in later life
- Medical research into degenerative disease
- Care services in the hospice sector

The target areas are reviewed regularly to ensure their grants are making the greatest possible impact.

Application Process: Large grants have a two-stage application process. You need to submit your online first stage application in good time. If the application round is over-subscribed, later applications may have to be deferred. If your first stage is approved, you will be invited to complete a second stage application.

Deadline: First stage applications are considered 3 or 4 times per year. Please check the website below for current deadlines

Contact: Masonic Charitable Foundation, 60 Great Queen Street, London WC2B 5AZ
Telephone: 020 3146 3337 Email: charitygrants@mcf.org.uk Website: <https://mcf.org.uk/>

Cumbria Community Foundation – Cumbria Fund Grants

Grants are available to voluntary and community groups working to tackle disadvantage and strengthen communities in Cumbria.



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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The programme offers small grants to boost the capacity of local voluntary and community groups to enable them to carry out projects that help disadvantaged local people and strengthen communities. Grants of up to £10,000 can be provided for up to one year. Multi-year funding can be awarded.

Who can Apply?

Voluntary and community groups in Cumbria helping people facing disadvantage are eligible to apply. Organisations must have: A formal constitution or set of rules; A bank account in the group's name which requires at least two signatures; governing body comprised of at least three unrelated members. Preference given to grassroots community groups and small-to-medium-sized voluntary organisations.

Eligible Expenditure

Priority will be given to projects which support one of the following aims:

- Improving the lives of disadvantaged children and families.
- Improving the life skills, education, employability and enterprise of disadvantaged people.
- Supporting vulnerable older people.
- Improving the health and wellbeing of people.
- Strengthening and supporting fragile communities.

All aims should support people in Cumbria. Examples of activities supported are as follows:

- Refurbishment of accommodation for homeless people.
- Improvement of facilities for disabled people.
- Staff salaries for youth clubs for disadvantaged young people.
- Agricultural training and experience for vulnerable adults.
- Drop-in service for people with mental health problems.
- Advisory services on tackling debt and benefit entitlement.
- Access to services which tackle social isolation for older people.

How to Apply

Application forms are available to complete online at the Foundation's website:

Cumbria Community Foundation: <https://www.cumbriafoundation.org/>

Walney Extension Community Fund

The funding is aimed at a wide range of not-for-profit groups and organisations that are working for the benefit of the local community and environment in the areas of Copeland, South Lakeland, Barrow-in-Furness, Walney Island, Lancaster and Wyre.

Community Fund

There are two levels of funding available: Small grants of between £500 and £5,000; and Main grants of £5,001 to £50,000. Both revenue and capital costs are eligible. For projects involving revenue costs, applicants can apply for funding for up to two years.

Skills Fund

In 2021, £75k is available. The minimum grant organisations can apply for is £10,000. Projects can last for up to two years.

Match Funding Restrictions

Match funding is not required for small grants. Main grant applications will need to secure a minimum of 20% of match funding. Please note that match funding does not need to have been secured prior to application. In-kind contributions can be used as match funding. A formula within the application guidance notes shows how this can be calculated. Match funding isn't required for 23 June 2021 round.

Who can Apply?

Community Fund: The following organisations are eligible to apply:

- Voluntary and community groups, and local charities
- Parish and Town Councils
- Local Authorities (if they are applying on behalf of a community group / organisation)
- Social Enterprises and Community Interest Companies operating on a not-profit-distributing basis.

Applicants required to have a written constitution, a set of rules, or a governing document and a bank or building society account held in the name of the organisation, in place, before applying for a grant.

Skills Fund: All types of groups with appropriate delivery experience are eligible to apply, including third sector organisations, as well as experienced consultancies.

How to Apply

An online application form can be found on the GrantScape website. Organisations may apply to both the Community Fund and the Skills Fund but must do so as separate applications. Applications will only be accepted from projects within the defined area of benefit, or projects which can clearly demonstrate that they will benefit the communities and/ or environment within the area. Further information and an interactive map showing the area of benefit is available on the GrantScape website.

NB

- No match funding will be required for all applications at this time.
- Re-application restrictions have been lifted. Any groups that have previously received a grant, have a live project or have been unsuccessful in the last round may re-apply.

Payment Procedure: Most grants paid retrospectively upon invoice or evidence of expenditure.

Community Fund: <https://www.grantscape.org.uk/fund/walney-extension-community-fund/>

Skills Fund: <https://www.grantscape.org.uk/fund/wecf-the-skills-fund/>

GrantScape Email: wecf@grantscape.org.uk

Deadline Skills Fund: 30 April 2021

Deadlines for Community Fund: 23 June 2021 & 7 January 2022

Jephcott Charitable Trust

The Jephcott Charitable Trust provides funds for specific projects or part of a project where successful monitoring can be achieved and which the Trustees consider suitable. The funding priorities are:

- Population Control
- Education
- Health
- The Natural Environment

The diversity of appeals presented to the Trust makes it very difficult to apply definite rules for selection. The Trustees are very flexible in their approach and take into account the following when considering a project:

- 'Pump-priming' donations - usually given to new organisations and areas of work
- The ability to effectively evaluate and monitor the long-term benefit and value of the donation
- Local involvement in overseas projects and local sourcing of any materials required
- Involvement with a third party - for example ODA, NGO
- Charity administration costs as a percentage of funds raised – this should be below 15%
- The reserves and assets held by the Charity
- Whether the project is basic or palliative, on-going and long-term
- To what extent has the organisation helped themselves and sought to raise funds
- Whether the applicant has been the subject of any adverse comment or action by the Charity Commission - If so **full details** must be provided

Grants are made in the range of £2,000 to £10,000, and in exceptional cases only, up to £20,000.

Application Form: Available to download from the website along with the guidelines.

Deadline: Applications can be submitted at any time (The Trustees normally meet in April and October each year). Please ensure that the Trust will have time to consider your application before the funds are required.

Contact: The Jephcott Charitable Trust, The Threshing Barn, Ford, Kingsbridge, Devon, TQ7 2LN

Website: www.jephcottcharitabletrust.org.uk



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