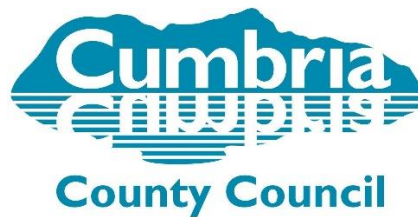


Funding Gazette May 2024



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Welcome to the May edition of Cumbria Youth Alliance Funding Gazette. 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. Do watch out for deadlines approaching.

Keep up the wonderful work!

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Welcome to our May Funding Gazette

CYA would like to acknowledge a wide range of sources of information. We regularly look at funding information from NAVCA, Active Cumbria, NCVO, Merseyside Funding Portal, Get Grants and Focus on Funding from Cumbria CVS. CVS will do a search for funding for your specific project via Grant Finder. Contact: cvsfunding@cumbriacvs.org.uk

There are significant opportunities to apply for grants and trusts, but now more than ever, the competition is stiff, and you need to take time to read the guidelines carefully for each of the charitable trusts and foundations and only apply to those where you do meet the criteria.

Funders tell us that over 30% of the applications they receive don't meet their criteria, and they waste time reading through them and rejecting them, but more importantly, the organisations have wasted their time compiling the application and the supporting documents only for them to be consigned to the bin. Cumbria Youth Alliance can help you with your funding applications -we can supply you with up to 10 potential funding sources that are a good match for your organisation. We can assist by being a second pair of eyes to read through your applications before you send them away and we can be a referee for your application if we have worked together and we are aware of your work.

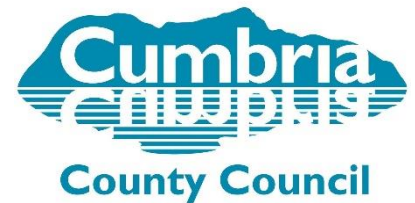
If you and your team need help with fundraising and you work with children, young people, or families here in Cumbria then give us a shout juan@cya.org.uk or ring us on 01900-603131 to book a zoom call for some one-to-one support.

Don't forget you are not alone Cumbria Youth Alliance can help with all sorts of aspects of your fundraising thanks to support from Cumbria County Council under the Infrastructure Support Contract to support organisations working with children and young people.

- We can source 5 big and 5 small charitable trusts that will give you a good match for what you want funded.
- We can deliver fundraising training on how to apply to foundations and trusts. We can deliver this at a time and place to suit your needs, and it can include staff, volunteers, and /or trustees.
- We can check your bids and see if we can add anything or help it with additional information.
- We can act as a referee for any big bids you are submitting.
- We can help you set up systems to manage your grant so you can report accurately to funders.

If you want to access any of these services email juan@cya.org.uk or ring 01900 603131, mob 07859092981

This funding news gazette is part of Cumbria Youth Alliance's Infrastructure Support to the youth sector, in conjunction with Cumbria County Council.



CYA Infrastructure Support for the sector includes:

- Free training for staff and volunteers including over 80 online modules.
- Free Outcomes and Impact measurement tools and training in how to use them and follow up support.
- Fundraising support e.g. workshops tailored to your needs and research into which funders will fund your project; how to write better bids; proofreading your bids; acting as a referee.
- Monthly funding gazette with news from local and national funders.
- Governance health check your policies and procedures and help or advise on how to review and improve them.
- Free access to a national quality kite mark, SQP, for which CYA is the Cumbria franchise holder.
- Weekly and monthly newsletters which all groups can contribute to; advertise your project or your vacancy here; or find out what is going on around the county.
- We chair the Voluntary Sector Reference Group which brings together the statutory sector stakeholders e.g. local government and health agencies together with local and national funders; you can attend virtual meetings or just have the minutes sent for each meeting.
- Recruitment of Volunteers; we have a database of people who have registered as wanting to volunteer and we put them in touch with groups needing volunteers.
- These activities are all free as funded by Cumbria County Council.

For more information contact juan@cya.org.uk

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Get Grants

Meet the Expert – My Funding Central

In this FREE Meet the Expert Event, Get Grants will be joined by Idox Account Manager Matt Godfrey to walk us through what My Funding Central has to offer and how to make the best use of it.

When:

- Monday 13th May 2024, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
- Register via Eventbrite.

My Funding Central is a funding search tool for not-for-profit organisations, provided by Idox.

It is designed to save fundraisers time and resources by providing access to information on grant funding opportunities, a searchable database, new funding alerts and latest funding news.

My Funding Central is FREE for organisations with an annual turnover under £30,000.

For more information and to register your place visit our [Eventbrite](#) page

Did you know you can watch all of our previous Meet the Funder events on the 'watch it again' section of our website? This includes Meet the Funder events with Zayed Sustainability Prize, Henry Smith Charity, Severn Trent Community Fund, BBC Children in Need, Tesco Community Grants and many more!

[View all of our previous Meet the Funder events here!](#)

Meet the Expert – easyfundraising

At this Meet the Expert event, we will be joined by Becky Coleman, Partnerships Manager for easyfundraising, who will explain how changing your organisations and networks online shopping habits can support your fundraising goals.

As part of our partnership we lead Meet the Expert events, at which we share further details on this fundraising initiative, which is free for any not-for-profit organisation to register and use.

When:

- Monday 13th May 2024, 10 am – 11 am
- Register via Eventbrite.

Through attending, you will have the opportunity to take part in a session discussing easyfundraising, which is free for any not-for-profit organisation to use.

For more information and to register your place visit our [Eventbrite](#) page.

Developing Your Individual Giving Course

Thursday, 9th May & Thursday, 16th May 2024, 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Register via [Eventbrite](#)

Fundraising for Beginners Training Course

Tuesday 14th May & Tuesday 21st May 2024, 10 am – 12 pm

Register via [Eventbrite](#).

Cumbria Community Foundation

Bridget's Magical Music Pot

Bridget Hilton was a remarkable, inspiring and loved lady who spent her life encouraging people to play music for fun. She died in 2018 from a brain tumour, after a short illness. A teacher by profession, Bridget believed in the power of music to bring people together and change lives for the better. She supported generations of people, young and old, to embrace music, get stuck in and enjoy it! After her death, Bridget's family decided to create a grant-giving legacy that would open up new opportunities for more people to enjoy making music and that would help Bridget's kindness and generosity live on.

Grants will support people to come together to make music of any kind in West Cumbria (former areas of Allerdale and Copeland).

Who can apply?

- charitable, not-for-profit organisations
- individuals aged 18+ can apply on behalf of a group of people or a small unconstituted group.

What will the fund support?

- equipment, e.g. music stands, music hire or purchase, instrument purchase or hire
- room or venue hire for practice and/or performance.
- tuition, tutoring or workshop costs.
- travel costs, e.g. to hear or perform music.
- publicity costs to promote performances or attract members.

How much can you apply for?

Grants will normally be up to £500.

Further Information about the fund can be found on the [Cumbria Community Foundation website](#).

Cumbria Tourism 50th Anniversary Fund

Grants for people aged 16 and over to help raise educational attainment and career aspirations in the Cumbrian tourism and hospitality sectors by enabling access to study, vocational training and employment.

Who can apply?

- people aged 16 years or over who live and are studying or training in Cumbria, or
- people aged 16 years or over who are newly employed in the tourism or hospitality sector in Cumbria.

Examples of activities supported:

- specialist equipment e.g. chef knives or uniform
- course costs
- study materials e.g. textbooks or laptops.
- travel costs.
- hardship costs where these enable completion of studies/course e.g. rent deposit.

What the fund will not support in addition to our [normal exclusions](#):

- charitable organisations

How much can you apply for?

Grants will normally be less than £500.

- household income will be taken into account in the assessment of the application.
- evidence of anticipated expenditure is required with each application.

Further Information about the fund can be found on the [Cumbria Community Foundation website](#).

myLakeland Community Fund

Grants for charitable organisations that improve the health and wellbeing of local people and projects that protect the environment, with a priority for those located in South Cumbria.

Who can apply?

charitable, not-for-profit organisations that meet the criteria of supporting health, wellness, and the environment within South Cumbria

Priority will be given to projects that:

- support community needs in or around Windermere, Kendal, and South Lakeland
- support young people.
- have minimal opportunity for raising funds and/or have exhausted other funding opportunities.

- help to address new/emerging need.

What the Fund will not support in addition to our normal exclusions:

- individuals
- environmental projects that are primarily related to tree planting.
- arts-related projects

How much can you apply for?

Grants will normally be between £5,000 – £15,000 over one year.

Multi-year funding may be considered but must be discussed in the first instance with the Grants & Programmes Officer.

Further Information about the fund can be found on the [Cumbria Community Foundation website](#).

Levelling Up Funds

Cumbria Community Foundation has awarded almost £400,000 to organisations in the county as part of the Government's 'levelling up' programme, which aims to address geographical inequalities across the UK.

Funding was given to provide start-up business support advice and to help move those furthest from the labour market closer to employment by upskilling and providing volunteering opportunities.

Cumbria Community Foundation managed applications to the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) and Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF) on behalf of Cumberland Council, working together with Cumbria Social Enterprise Partnership.

Annalee Holiday, Head of Grants Practice & Programmes at the Foundation, said: "We know how innovative our communities, charitable organisations and social enterprises are in identifying and initiating activities for the benefit of residents. To be able to access revenue and capital costs through this allocation of funding can make the world of difference for such initiatives. This will have a real impact – from individual businesses to entire communities.

"A further round of UKSPF and REPF grant funding will be open for application in the upcoming weeks. Please get in touch if you would like to apply."

For more information about grant funding available through Cumbria Community Foundation, visit www.cumbriafoundation.org, call the grants team on 01900 820827 or email grants@cumbriafoundation.org.

Call for Applications

Beverley Charitable Trust Fund

Grants for young people in West Cumbria to help raise educational attainment and career aspirations by enabling access to study or vocational training.

[Further information can be founded on the CCF website.](#)

Gibb Charitable Trust Fund

Vocational grants to those aged 16+ who have been a resident and/or employed for not less than two years in the former districts of Allerdale (excluding the parish of Keswick), Copeland or the Parish of Alston Moor.

[Further information can be founded on the CCF website.](#)

Mary Grave Trust Fund

Grants to young people in the old county of Cumberland to support travel abroad.

[Further information can be founded on the CCF website.](#)

Nuclear Waste Services LLWR Grassroots Fund

Grants to small projects in Copeland.

[Further information can be founded on the CCF website.](#)

Winscales Moor Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund

Grants to community-based organisations providing activities that benefit people close to the Winscales Moor Wind farm.

[Further information can be founded on the CCF website.](#)

Cumbria CVS 4 Community self-service portal

A new online portal is set to make searching for Government, National Lottery and charitable trust funding simple for charities, voluntary organisations and social enterprises delivering services in Cumbria.

[Cumbria CVS 4 Community can be found here!](#)

Westmorland and Furness: Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy

The Westmorland and Furness Health and Wellbeing Board is developing a new Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy. This will describe how partners and organisations across Westmorland and Furness will work together to improve the health and wellbeing of the local population and reduce inequalities. To find out more, join the online meeting on 16th May 2024.

To book, [click here](#).

NPC State of the Sector 2024

This update report explores the views of charity leaders, charity users, and the public, four years on since the previous report. In that period we've seen the effects of the pandemic and cost of living crisis.

[Read the report from NPC.](#)

Tesco Stronger Starts

Tesco Stronger Starts funding provides charities, community organisations, schools and local good causes with grants of up to £1,500. Every three months, three local good causes are selected to be in the blue token customer vote in Tesco stores throughout the UK. The funding aims to make a positive difference to local communities with priority given to causes that help children and young people.

Who is eligible to apply?

Grants will be awarded to schools, voluntary or community organisations (including registered charities/companies), health bodies (e.g. Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), NHS Hospital Trust, Foundation Trust), Parish/Town Councils, local authorities and social housing providers.

This list is not exhaustive and there will be many other types of organisations that will be funded.

Applications are not eligible from:

- Individuals
- Community Interest Companies with shares (CIC's)
- Community Interest Companies with guarantee that are less than two years old.
- Profit-making organisations

For more information and to apply you'll need to check out the [Tesco Stronger Starts website](#)

Network & Listening Events on Funding

Join CVS for a session on Funding – Mastering the art of successful funding applications.

The aim of these sessions is to help people from different parts of the region to get to know each other and share best practice, with a view that partnerships may lead to stronger grant applications to larger funds. This will also provide the framework for building training sessions that meet the need of our members.

The group will share experiences of funding:

- What are the main challenges?
- What are the successes?
- What are the training and support needs?
- Top Tips

You'll have the opportunity to tell us what funding training we can provide to help support your organisation. There will be refreshments and the opportunity to network.

Monday 13 May, Eden Rural Foyer, Penrith – [More Information](#)

Wednesday 15 May, Kendal Brewery Arts, Kendal – [More Information](#)

Thursday 16 May, Signal Film and Media, Barrow-in-Furness – [More Information](#)

Benefact Group

Funding core costs: In principle and in practice

We consistently hear from fundraisers that funders do not fund core costs, but we all know they're essential for project development and management, as well as the provision of day-to-day services.

So how do you go about approaching funding for these? In this workshop style webinar, George Knight, Training Consultant, Directory of Social Change (DSC) will discuss the need for securing essential costs and provide practical ways to breakdown the costs, and how to frame them for funders and for funding applications.

Bringing his usual cheer to the topic, George will address the challenges that can come with chasing core costs.

Date: 22 May 2024

Time: 10:30am - 11:30am

So don't miss out [register online](#) today!

More support for your charity

Check out our wide range of free to access fundraising guidance, tools and support for your charity, including our latest article by George Knight on funding core costs as well as recordings of previous webinars including our most recent on 'Developing and nurturing high value relationships' with Mark Carrigan, MD Carrigan Consulting Ltd. If you would like to participate in the survey Mark references in the webinar you can do so here.

Visit the [fundraising hub](#).

Movement for Good Awards

Our next £1,000 draw takes place on 20th May with 50 charities set to receive £1,000. So don't miss out and [nominate your favourite charity today.](#)

It's one nomination per person, per charity so you can support all your favourites.

SPAR UK - Community Cashback

Grant size: up to £10,000

Open to: local voluntary or community organisations and charities who are making an exceptional contribution to their community, and need it most.

Opens: Wednesday 22 May 2024

[Find out more information from the Spar Website](#)

Evaluation Visualisation Design Tool (EViD) Workshop

Thursday 16 May, online

New to considering evaluation or just looking to explore some new options to improve what you do?

This free 2 hour on-line workshop is for you – find out about the easy-to-use EvID tool to evaluate any group, service or project big or small using this great free resource.

Delivered by Lancaster University

Find out more information and register on the [Cumbria CVS website](#)

ACRE Village Hall Platinum Jubilee Fund re-opening for larger grants

Final details to be confirmed in the next couple of weeks, which ACT will send to all community buildings contacts. Expected to be very similar to the first VHPJ Fund, with grants of between £7,500 and £75,000 for up to 20% of project cost.

Note: the small grants fund offering £2,000 to £5,000 remains open.

Find out more information and apply on the [ACRE website](#)

CandoFM Case Study

Recently, our support for CandoFM in Barrow has come to fruition. The couple who run this junior community radio station are youth workers and see it as a vehicle for youth work. They have been able to move forward with this now after a period of development supported by CYA.

CYA carried out an initial governance health check in 2020, improving policies and procedures.

CYA supported CandoFM to achieve SQP Bronze quality award in 2022.

Following support with fundraising, including a fundraising workshop in Barrow CandoFM secured funding, e.g. from Asda Foundation for new premises.

CandoFM secured sufficient funding to employ four trainee youth workers, and all four have enrolled in the new youth work training cohort arranged by CYA, which began on 25th March.



Going forward, we will work with the team of qualified staff to train and develop the partnership in Furness, which has seen a resurgence of youth sector activity in recent months. (CYA has funded four other youth groups in Barrow this year as part of our Cumbria Youth Partnership programme funded by NLCF.)

CandoFM became one of the first cohort of HAF service providers recruited by CYA in 2021

In 2023, CYA worked with CandoFM to develop a Dreamscheme-funded social action project, including outreach work in Ulverston.

CandoFM also secured funding with CYA support from Better Tomorrows, in which CYA is a partner with Cumbria Community Foundation.



CandoFM is developing a new social action project in partnership with George Romney School, with Dreamscheme funding from CYA.

Easyfundraising

Five chances to win £1,000 with Tesco and easyfundraising! Sign up to easyfundraising and encourage your volunteers and local community to sign up as your supporters. Every time they shop online with Tesco, your organisation enters the prize draw to win £1,000!

Find out more information on the [ACT website](#)

Rural community green spaces to be rejuvenated through new government investment.

Fund of up to £7 million will boost access to nature and support rural communities across England to become more green-fingered.

Read the DEFRA press [release here](#) and look out for fund launch details in the summer.

£3.5m Grant for Youth Violence Prevention

Apply for funding from the Youth Endowment Fund to support vital psychological therapies aimed at preventing youth violence.

Find out about more Funding Opportunities on the [Youth Endowment Fund website](#)