Funding Gazette October 2024







Welcome to the October 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 October 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 Cumberland Council and Westmorland and Furness 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 Cumberland Council and Westmorland and Furness 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 they are funded by Cumberland Council and Westmorland and Furness Council.

For more information contact juan@cya.org.uk

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## Deadlines this Month!

* 11/10 [Bromley Trust](https://www.thebromleytrust.org.uk/)
* 11/10 [McCarthy Stone Foundation - Christmas Connections](https://mccarthystonefoundation.org/our-grant-programmes/)
* 11/10 [Rewilding Challenge Fund](https://www.rewildingbritain.org.uk/how-to-rewild/funding-for-rewilding/rewilding-challenge-fund)
* 14/10 [Alzheimer's Research UK - Inspire Fund](https://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/grants/inspire-fund/)
* 14/10 ChurchCare - [Grants for Books and Manuscripts, Church Plate, Churchyard Structures, Metalwork, Monuments, Textiles, Woodwork and Wooden Objects](https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/churchcare/our-conservation-grants/grants-historic-church-interiors-and-churchyard-structures#na)
* 14/10 [CIPS Foundation Grant Scheme](https://www.cips.org/about-us/cips-foundation)
* 14/10 [Fight for Sight Social Change Fund](https://www.fightforsight.org.uk/apply-for-funding/social-change-funding/social-change-fund/)
* 15/10 [Leverhulme Trade Charities Trust](https://www.leverhulme-trade.org.uk/)
* 16/10 [Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust – Free from Fear Programme](https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/free-from-fear-programme-2024-25/)
* 16/10 [BBC Children in Need – Pudsey Next Steps](https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/grants/apply/pudsey-next-steps/)
* 20/10 [Elephant Trust](https://www.elephanttrust.org.uk/)
* 21/10 [Friends Provident Foundation - Shifting Cultural Perceptions Fund](https://friendsprovidentfoundation.org/)
* 24/10 [The Linnean Society – Our Local Nature Grants](https://www.linnean.org/the-society/medals-awards-prizes-grants/our-local-nature-grants)
* 25/10 [A B Charitable Trust](https://abcharitabletrust.org.uk/)
* 25/10 [Archives Revealed - Cataloguing Grants](https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/archives-revealed/)
* 25/10 [Groundwork - One Stop Community Partnership Programme](https://www.groundwork.org.uk/one-stop-community-partnership/)
* 25/10 [Heritage Crafts Association - Endangered Crafts Fund](https://www.heritagecrafts.org.uk/ecf/)
* 27/10 [Dan Maskell Tennis Trust](https://www.danmaskelltennistrust.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/grant-criteria-application-notes/)
* 28/10 [National Garden Scheme - Community Gardens Grants](https://ngs.org.uk/who-we-are/community-garden-grants/)
* 30/10 [Triangle Trust 1949 Fund](https://www.triangletrust.org.uk/)
* 31/10 [Concertina Charitable Trust](https://www.concertinamusic.org.uk/)
* 31/10 [Edgar E Lawley Foundation](https://edgarelawleyfoundation.org.uk/)
* 31/10 [Golsoncott Foundation](https://www.golsoncott.org.uk/about-us.html)
* 31/10 [HDH Wills Charitable Trust](https://hdhwills.org/)
* 31/10 [Heat Networks Delivery Unit (HNDU)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/heat-networks-delivery-unit)
* 31/10 [Linder Foundation - Young People](https://thelinderfoundation.org.uk/young-people-eligibility-criteria/)
* 31/10 [National Churches Trust - Small Grants Programme](https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/get-support/grants/small-grants)
* 31/10 [Naturesave Trust](https://naturesave.co.uk/naturesave-trust/)
* 31/10 [WCIT – IT4Good Grant Programme](https://wcitcharity.org.uk/)
* 01/11 [Greene King IPA – Proud to Pitch In](https://www.greeneking.co.uk/proud-to-pitch-in)
* 01/11 [Waterloo Foundation - Environment Programme](https://www.waterloofoundation.org.uk/EnvironmentAboutTheProgramme.html)
* 04/11 [Rowing Foundation](https://therowingfoundation.org.uk/)
* 04/11 [Shackleton Foundation Grant](https://shackletonfoundation.org/)
* 05/11 [National Churches Trust - Large Grants Programme](https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/get-support/grants/large-grants)
* 05/11 [Wolfson Fabric Repair Grants](https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/get-support/grants/wolfson-grants)
* 08/11 [Asda Foundation - Cost of Living Grant](https://asdafoundation.org/our-grants/)
* 08/11 [Asda Foundation - Empowering Local Communities Grant](https://asdafoundation.org/our-grants/)
* 08/11 [Asda Foundation - U18 Better Starts Grants](https://asdafoundation.org/our-grants/)
* 08/11 [Charles Hayward Foundation](http://www.charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk/?doing_wp_cron=1727100230.5530779361724853515625)
* 08/11 [Heat Network Efficiency Scheme (HNES)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/heat-network-efficiency-scheme-hnes)
* 08/11 [Learning through Landscapes – Local School Nature Grants](https://naturegrants.ltl.org.uk/)

## Cumbria CVS

### Carlisle Funding Fair

Cumbria CVS will be hosting their annual Carlisle Funding Fair on Tuesday, 22nd October at Cumbria CVS, Shaddongate, Resource Centre, Carlisle. This event provides an excellent opportunity for local groups and organisations to network with one another and to meet with local, regional and national funders face to face.

This opportunity to engage with these funders and discuss project ideas and successes has always proved extremely popular so it is essential that you book your place today!

You can book on one of two sessions:

* 10am - 12 noon OR
* 1pm - 3pm

We look forward to seeing you there.

Please do not hesitate to contact Cumbria CVS with any queries.

[Click here to book your place at the Carlisle Funding Fair](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/carlisle-funding-fair-tickets-1008367533437)

### Training Events

The final series of training events for 2024 have been published by Cumbria CVS, with these happening up to the second week of December.

The free online courses are:

* Bid Writing for charities and community groups:
	+ Tuesday the 19th and 26th of November (12 noon - 2pm)
	+ Clarifying the grant funding process with Top Tips to increase your success rates.
	+ [More information and to book on the training](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bid-writing-for-charities-community-groups-tickets-1034768479377)
* Using Data in fundraising
	+ Thursday the 21st and 28th of November 2024 (2pm 4pm)
	+ How to find, use and collect your organisation’s data for funding applications and reporting.
	+ [More information and to book on the training](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/using-data-in-fundraising-for-charities-and-community-groups-tickets-1041958585177)
* Storytelling for fundraising
	+ Thursday the 5th and 12th of December 2024 (10am - 12 noon)
	+ Learn how a good story can help you tell funders about the needs, benefits and outcomes of your projects and the tools to write your own
	+ [More information and to book on the training](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/storytelling-for-fundraising-for-charities-and-community-groups-tickets-1041980219887)

## Lloyds Bank Foundation

Lloyds Bank Foundation for England & Wales provides core funding for small, local charities.

Later this year, those working with people to overcome complex issues such as homelessness and domestic abuse will be able to apply for funding of £75,000 over three years. They also provide a range of other support.

## Benefact Group

Announced last week, - the next Benefact special draw will donate £5,000 to 10 arts and culture charities. The nomination window is open this week for nominations till Friday 11th October.

[Find out more](https://culture.movementforgood.com/?dm_i=6MG6,12S3C,4VCNCR,501MB,1)

## Cumbria Community Foundation

### Better Tomorrows Fund

#### Background

Set up by David Beeby, High Sheriff of Cumbria 2021-22, the Fund aims to invest approximately £1m over the next three years into quality youth work training and provision, with the ultimate objective of substantially increasing the number of young people having access to support from youth workers. It will encourage people within Cumbria to become accredited in youth work via Cumbria Youth Alliance’s training programme, along with funding youth work salaries through this open-access grant fund.

#### Donor

David Beeby has personally committed a significant amount to the programme and has secured funding from charitable trusts and donors, including Francis C Scott Charitable Trust, the Four Acre Trust, LLWR, and Cumbria Community Foundation, LLWR, CCL Secure, Carr’s Group, CGP Publications, Iggesund, BAE and James Walker.

#### Who can apply?

* charitable, not-for-profit organisations

##### Priority will be given to projects that:

* provide access to youth work for additional young people
* create additional opportunities in areas where there is limited or no youth work provision
* seek to increase participation from young people from less affluent social economic groups and young people who might not usually take part in youth work their barriers and build their attainment, ambition and aspirations
* put young people at the centre in terms of voice and decision making
* support young people who are facing complex transitions, challenges, and barriers to accessing support and opportunities

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

* existing or recent youth work posts
* overhead costs e.g. rent, IT, publicity
* individuals

#### How much can you apply for?

The maximum award will be no more than £25,000 per year. Multi-year funding may be considered for up to three years.

#### Frequently Asked Questions

**We’re an existing youth project, would this fund the salary of an additional youth worker?**

The intention of this fund is to prioritise areas where there is currently no youth work being delivered, and give more young people access to quality youth work. An additional youth worker would need to support young people who aren’t currently engaged in any existing youth work services (i.e., in a different area to current provision).

**We’re a volunteer led organisation, would this fund our first youth worker?**

Potentially yes, if the youth worker could significantly increase the number of young people they are engaged with.

**We have an existing youth worker whose post runs out of funding soon, could we apply to this fund to cover the cost?**

No. This fund aims to increase the number of young people having access to support from new youth work avenues rather than cover existing overheads.

**We have a new youth work post, which was previously a volunteer role. Would this be eligible?**

Only if the funded post is providing additional youth work opportunities to more young people. It would not be eligible if the volunteer previously delivered 10 hours of support each week and then wanted funding to cover salary costs delivering the same amount of hours.

**We want to offer specialised youth work sessions (e.g. mental health support) over a limited period of time (e.g. 8 weeks) in different locations (e.g. school settings) to different groups of young people, would we be eligible?**

No. Sessions must take place regularly, such as once a week, and ideally be offered over a minimum of one year to encourage more young people to take part. The sessions should also be delivered in one location (although more will be considered if you are are delivering sessions at a number of village halls, for example).

For more information, contact Annalee Holliday, Senior Grants & Programmes Officer annalee@cumbriafoundation.org or 01900 825760

### New Balance Get Active Fund

New Balance Launches Fund to Boost Physical Activity: Grants between £1,000 and £10,000 are now available for community groups and charities in Cumbria promoting physical activity in underrepresented communities. This initiative is laser-focused on improving health and wellbeing.

[Find out more here](https://www.cumbriafoundation.org/fund/new-balance-get-active-fund/)

## Friends Provident Foundation

Friends Provident Foundation is currently open for applications to their Shifting Cultural Perceptions.

This is a one-time only application process. recruiting organisations to work alongside us for the next 3 years. It is an action learning strand of funding – designed to explore the question “how can we can begin to shift perceptions, cultural assumptions and beliefs about the economy – what it is and what it could be?” Organisations funded through this strand will work collaboratively to share ideas, experiences and learning.

The strand will fund work to begin in early 2025. **It will not be open to applications after the 21st October 2024.**

### Decision Timeline

* Application window opens – 2nd September
* **Application deadline – 21st October**
* Initial sifting and clarification questions by – Nov 22nd.
* Expert advisory assessment panel – late November/early December
* Final decisions made and communicated- 20th December
* Strand activities live – Jan 2025-Dec 2027

[Find out more information and apply](https://friendsprovidentfoundation.org/grants/how-to-apply/)

## Local School Nature Grants Award Programme

What the award contains:

* **£500 worth of products**
* **NEW - An additional Climate Curriculum Pack** (valued at £150)
* **4 hours of CPD on your setting’s site, broken down as follows:**
	+ **2 hours of CPD on the topic chosen from the LSNG training list for any adults from your setting.** This is an opportunity for the staff to benefit, not just the lead applicant. This part of the offer is perhaps more valuable than the products, the value lies in the skills and understanding that this part of the award offers. This is not a visit to look at potential physical changes to your site, it will look at how you use your existing space to teach the curriculum outdoors. Your trainer will be in touch before the session to discuss the content.
	+ **2 hours on site on the same day to undertake LtL’s Climate Ready School Grounds digital tool.** This will generate a report on how your school grounds can be improved, particularly from a climate perspective. We value and encourage input from the Sustainability Lead and the cohort of Eco Committee and/or Pupil Council members. Click here to find out more information about this
* **1 years membership to Learning through Landscapes.** This sees access to exclusive discounts, offers and outdoor learning resources.
* **3 webinars on a variety of topics.**
* **A plaque** from the players of the People's Postcode Lottery to display in your setting's reception area.

[Find out more information and apply for a grant](https://naturegrants.ltl.org.uk/application/eligibility.php)

## Asda UK Grassroots Programme

Three funding streams: Empowering Local Communities, Under 18 Better Starts and Cost of Living.

Charities and not-for-profits can apply for £400 to £2,000, with fixed award amounts of £400, £500, £800, £1,000, £1,200, £1,600, and £2,000. Application forms from Asda Community Champions in local stores.

To find yours, visit the [Asda Foundation website](https://asdafoundation.org/our-grants/?dm_i=6MG6,12S3C,4VCNCR,4ZN51,1). The deadline is 8 Nov but may close earlier.

## Commonwealth Foundation

For projects that seek to facilitate constructive engagement between civil society and decision-makers, including civil society participation in policy development and implementation. The three themes are: Health Justice, Climate Justice, and Freedom of Expression. Open to non-profits worldwide with income under £2.5 million pa. Grants up to £30,000. Deadline 1pm, 24 Oct.

[Find out more](https://commonwealthfoundation.com/grants/annual/?dm_i=6MG6,12S3C,4VCNCR,4ZX6K,1)

## Copeland Community Fund

Open to charities, constituted groups or clubs, social enterprises and public bodies. There are 3 funds, with funding up to £249,999. For 2, apply at any time. The next local community fund deadlines are 16 Oct and 22 Jan 25.

[Find out more about the Copeland Community Fund](https://copelandcommunityfund.co.uk/?dm_i=6MG6%2C12S3C%2C4VCNCR%2C4ZX6L%2C1)

## Racial Diversity UK Fund

Research funding to understand the barriers and pathways to a racially just and inclusive UK society. They encourage applicants from diverse backgrounds, particularly from individuals and organisations from racially minoritised communities. Grants from £15,000 to £750,000. Deadline 14 Oct.

[Find out more about the Racial Diversity UK Fund](https://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/funding/racial-diversity-uk-fund?dm_i=6MG6,12S3C,4VCNCR,4ZX6Q,1)

## Cumbria PFCC Community Fund

The Police and Crime Commissioner Community Fund is for organisations and community groups. Grants up to £2,500. Projects must have a tangible link to reducing anti-social behaviour or anti-social driving in the community – i.e., diversionary activities or community events that aim to reduce/tackle antisocial behaviour / antisocial driving. Deadline 5pm on 9 Oct.

[Find out more about the Cumbria PFCC Community Fund](https://cumbria-pfcc.gov.uk/what-we-do/funding/community-fund?dm_i=6MG6,12S3C,4VCNCR,4ZXAA,1)

## Cumbria leading the way in grant making

Cumbria Community Foundation was recognized as the top community foundation in the UK for giving the most grants per capita in 2022/23, distributing £11.53 per person in Cumbria. This distinction was highlighted by a national survey by UKGrantmaking, with a total of £5.8 million given to charitable causes. Chief Executive Andy Beeforth attributed this success to the generosity and trust of local donors and businesses, including long-time supporter Sellafield Ltd. The Foundation funds a variety of initiatives, from alleviating child poverty to addressing rural isolation, and also supports tailored funds like the Fibrus Community Fund, which tackles digital poverty.

[You can read the full article here on the CCF website](https://www.cumbriafoundation.org/2024/08/14/cumbria-leading-the-way-in-grant-making/)

## Making a difference to families in West Cumbria

The Transforming West Cumbria (TWC) programme, funded by Sellafield Ltd and delivered by Cumbria Community Foundation, aims to improve the health and wellbeing of vulnerable children and families in West Cumbria. Launched three years ago, it was developed in response to a study revealing significant social issues such as child poverty and low household incomes. With an initial £600,000 investment in 2020, the programme has supported 1,456 families and 2,709 children. Now, an additional £200,000 has been awarded to five organizations to continue addressing issues like domestic abuse, addiction, and emotional resilience.

You can read the full article, which includes case studies of different organisations that work alongside Cumbria Community Foundation on the Transforming West Cumbria (TWC) Programme. [You can find this here on the CCF website](https://www.cumbriafoundation.org/2024/08/12/making-a-difference-to-families-in-west-cumbria/)