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NORTH CARRICK COMMUNITY BENEFIT COMPANY (NCCBC)

North Carrick Community Benefit is a community-based company (No: SC480121) with charitable recognition (No: SC045947). It has been distributing funds from Scottish Power Renewables' Dersaloch windfarm since 2015. The company focuses on the roughly 9,500 people living in the 5 community council areas in North Carrick: Crosshill, Straiton and Kirkmichael as 1, Kirkoswald, Maidens and Turnberry as 1, and then Dunure and Minishant and Maybole as the other 3 areas.

NCCBC is a membership organisation with membership open to anyone who lives in the area. It has around £300,000 available to spend on improvements in North Carrick each year.

Applications can be submitted by any constituted group that delivers benefits for people in North Carrick. Applications will be considered where they deliver new and innovative projects which promote one or more of the following priorities:

- Regeneration of our built environment for general public benefit
- Environmental Protection and improvement
- Provision, maintenance, or improvement of Public Open Space
- Projects which reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions
- Projects which promote more efficient use of scarce global resources
- Education for local residents
- Recreational activities/facilities
- Protection, preservation, or enhancement of important or significant local buildings
- Alleviating poverty



- Providing training or employment opportunities for unemployed individuals or groups
- Health benefits
- Alleviating hardship caused through health, disability, isolation or other disadvantage
- Citizenship, capacity building, engagement, volunteering and support for individuals and communities
- Arts, Heritage, or culture

HOW TO APPLY

For more information on how to apply please contact Claire Bryan on admin@nccbc.org.uk.
Or visit the website at <https://nccbc.org.uk/about/>

CARRICK FUTURES

Carrick Futures supports community projects in Carrick, South Ayrshire.

The fund supports projects primarily located within or directly benefiting one or more of the six community council areas of Ballantrae, Colmonell & Lendalfoot, Barr, Barrhill, Pinmore & Pinwherry and Girvan & District.

Some funds are also available for projects located within or directly benefiting the wider Carrick area. Priority will be given to applications which also benefit one or more of the main beneficiary communities listed above.

What Can Carrick Futures Fund?

Carrick Futures can support charitable activities that support the rural regeneration and sustainability of Ballantrae, Colmonell & Lendalfoot, Barr, Barrhill, Pinmore & Pinwherry, Girvan & District and Carrick.

Awards can support a wide range of costs and activities.

The Board has agreed four strategic aims, which it will use to prioritise proposed projects. These are:

- Improving access to services (in particular public transport)
- Enabling a diverse and sustainable population mix (services for young people and older people, but also activities that help create opportunities for families and working age people to live in the area).
- Improving equality of opportunity (including tackling poverty and disadvantage).
- Contributing to a climate smarter world with sustainability at its core

Applicants must normally fulfil the following conditions to apply to the fund:

- The proposal is for projects or activities consistent with the charitable purposes of Carrick Futures;



- Applicants have a constitution (governing document or set of rules) and are set up on a not-for-private-profit basis. However applicants do not need to be registered charities to apply.
- Applicants must provide their latest set of accounts, signed by an independent third party, and a copy of a recent bank statement.

HOW TO APPLY

They welcome pre-application enquiries. For further advice or information on Carrick Futures or to discuss your project proposal informally, please contact the Foundation Scotland team on grants@foundationscotland.org.uk before applying, to confirm the project is eligible.

McCarthy Stone Foundation - Community Grants

Funding body:	McCarthy Stone Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 7,500
Application deadline:	22/03/2024

Grants are available to community organisations for projects to improve the health and wellbeing of older people. For the current round, projects should focus on one-to-one initiatives to alleviate loneliness for people over 65 years old in Great Britain.

Background

The McCarthy Stone Foundation was launched in 2020 and is an independent registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by a board of volunteer trustees from McCarthy Stone and independent members from outside the organisation. The Foundation aims to deliver a grants programme, longer-term charity partnerships and volunteering opportunities.

The current round of Community Grants focuses on one-to-one projects to alleviate loneliness for the over 65-year olds. Additionally, funding has been prioritised to organisations able to demonstrate they are working in specified locations across certain regions: locations have been selected based on data from the ONS, Age UK, and the Centre for Ageing Better, with a key focus on areas where income deprivation and loneliness affecting older people is most acute. Applicants should check the Foundation website for full details of the specified regions.

Objectives of Fund

The programme aims to support organisations to address loneliness and the wellbeing of people over 65 years old by supporting one-to-one projects, particularly for residents in areas of deprivation.

Value Notes

Grants up to £7,500 are available. The Foundations suggests that requests should not be for less than £3,000.



Match Funding Restrictions

Match funding is not a specified requirement.

Who Can Apply

Community organisations, registered charities and other groups (including CICs limited by guarantee) may apply.

Organisations **must** be working with adults over 65 years of age and providing direct person-centred interventions.

The project must be legally charitable and unrestricted funds will only be awarded to registered charities.

Organisations must have:

- An annual income less than £250,000.
- A governing document.
- A registered bank account in the name of the organisation.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Groups with an annual income over £250,000.
- Connector or infrastructure services e.g. citizens advice or community transport.
- Individuals.
- Contributions to general appeals or circulars.
- Religious activity which is not for wider public benefit.
- Public bodies to carry out their statutory obligations.
- Activities which solely support animal welfare.
- Activities which have already taken place.
- Grant-making by other organisations.
- Privately owned and profit-distributing companies or limited partnerships.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding is available for a range of project/core costs and activities e.g. befriending initiatives, etc.

Location

Great Britain



How To Apply

The closing date for applications is 22 March 2024 for decisions in April. **Applicants should contact the Foundation to confirm the deadline date.**

There is a two-stage application process. Initially, an online expression of interest form should be submitted. This will be reviewed and, if selected, the main form will be sent to successful applicants: the full application should include a recent bank statement, safeguarding policy and, if not a registered charity, either the constitution and/or articles of association.

Contact the McCarthy Stone Foundation for further information.

[Who We Support | McCarthy Stone \(mccarthystonefoundation.org\)](#)

Challenge Us! Competition

Funding body:	The Open University
Maximum value:	£ 25,000
Application deadline:	15/05/2024

A competition for registered charities in the UK with research ideas to tackle real-world problems, focusing on the programme's themes of 'tackling inequalities, 'living well' and 'sustainability'.

Further details

Background

The Challenge Us! Competition is an Open Societal Challenges Competition provided by The Open University.

Objectives of Fund

The competition is intended to attract UK charities with ideas of challenge-led research that tackle real-world problems in the broad thematic areas of tackling inequalities, sustainability and living well.

Value Notes

Winning challenges will be assigned to an Open University Research Team to take on the research idea and will receive a baseline of £25,000 in research pump prime funding.

Winning charities will be invited to co-design the specifics of the research project with the research team, and to contribute their perspective, knowledge, and experiences to the project. They will also receive an optional paid internship for one of its employees, trustees, or volunteers with the research team to help build research capacity (hybrid or in person).



Who Can Apply

Applications are accepted from all registered charities in the UK. Each charity must nominate a contact person, who must be an employee, trustee or volunteer of the charity. The nominated contact person must be a resident of the UK and over 18 years of age.

UK charity entries must be directly related to the work and mission of the charity.

Location

UK

How To Apply

Entries can be submitted online between 1 March 2024 and 15 May 2024.

Only one entry per charity is permitted.

Contact The Open University for further information.

[Challenge US! Competition \(open.ac.uk\)](https://open.ac.uk)

National Lottery Community Fund - Climate Action Fund - New Funding

Funding body:	National Lottery Community Fund
Maximum value:	£ 1,500,000
Application deadline:	Not specified

Expected to launch on 27 March 2024, the new funding will provide grants for partnership projects that involve more people in climate action in the UK and to inspire 'bold and exciting change'.

Further details

Background

The National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF) is delivering this funding as part of its wider Climate Action programme.

Objectives of Fund

The funding is for partnership projects that reach more people by either:

- Linking climate action to the everyday lives and interests of local communities and inspiring them to take action.
- Influencing work with communities at a regional or national level, for example by linking up groups across locations, or a campaign that inspires change across one country, or the whole UK.



Value Notes

A total of up to 25 projects is expected to be funded.

The minimum grant is £500,000.

It is expected that most grants will be between £1 million and £1.5 million over three to five years.

Some exceptional projects of up to £3 million, for up to seven years, may be funded.

Who Can Apply

Applications will be accepted from partnerships with:

- A mix of organisations and sectors.
- Smaller groups that represent the people they are working with.

It is not necessary to be a climate or environment-focused organisation to apply.

Full details will be provided once the guidance notes are published.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding is intended to reach people who are new to climate action by funding other types of organisations and by using other using people's everyday activities and interests as a starting point for climate action.

For example, a project might:

- Involve people who have not had a say. This could be because they are new to climate action, or because they come from communities that experience poverty, disadvantage and discrimination.
- Introduce a climate perspective to a group who came together around another interest or activity.
- Test the best ways to engage different audiences in climate action.
- Spread an exciting local approach to climate action by sharing it nationally.

Location

UK

How To Apply

NLCF is holding three information sessions:

- 27 March 2024 (13:00 to 14:00) (including British Sign Language).
- 16 May 2024 (11:00 to 12 noon) (Welsh and English).
- 21 May 2024 (14:00 to 15:00)



Advanced registration is required and can be done on the NLCF website.

A session recording will be uploaded to the Climate Action Fund webpage after the sessions.

Full guidance and the online application form will be available once the fund launches on 27 March 2024.

Contact the National Lottery Community Fund for further information.

[Awards from the UK Portfolio | The National Lottery Community Fund \(tnlcommunityfund.org.uk\)](https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk)

Turing Scheme: Funding for International Study and Work Placements

Funding body:	HM Government
Maximum value:	Discretionary
Application deadline:	21/03/2024

Grant funding is available for education providers in the UK and British overseas territories to support their students to pursue study and work placements around the world.

Further details

Background

This programme is funded by the UK government and delivered by the Department for Education (DfE).

Objectives of Fund

The Turing Scheme offers grant funding to education providers to support their students to pursue study and work placements around the world.

This funding allows education providers to give their students the chance to develop new skills, gain international experience and boost their employability. Providers can apply for funding for students going to multiple destinations, as part of a single application.

Value Notes

Turing Scheme funding is a contribution toward the costs of international educational placements. In most cases, it is provided on a per-student basis. The amount each student can receive depends on the destination. More information can be accessed at the DfE [website](#).

Funding will be provided to support administration and implementation costs incurred by schools to deliver placements. DfE will provide £315 per student for the first 100 students, and £180 per student after that.



Who Can Apply

Applications are accepted from UK and British overseas territories organisations from across the education and training sector, including schools, further education (FE) providers, and higher education (HE) providers.

For the 2024 to 2025 academic year, applicants must be responsible for delivering education or training to the student taking part in a placement.

Eligible FE providers include:

- Colleges.
- Sixth forms, including sixth form colleges.
- Special post-16 institutions.
- Apprenticeship training providers.
- Other types of further education providers who meet the following criteria.

Eligible schools and FE providers may partner with each other and apply for funding as a consortium.

FE providers in the UK can send students to public or private organisations outside the UK which are active in education, training, or the labour market. Organisations can be:

- An FE provider.
- Small, medium or large enterprises, including social enterprises.
- Local, regional or national public bodies.
- Social partners or other representatives of working life, including chambers of commerce, craft, professional associations, trade unions and research institutes.
- Foundations.
- Schools, institutes or educational centres at any stage, from primary to secondary education, including vocational and adult education.
- Non-profit organisations, associations and non-government organisations.
- Bodies providing career guidance, professional counselling or information services.

To take part in a school placement, students must be:

- Registered with the school which sends them and participating in primary to secondary level education.
- At least four years old.

Students on school placements longer than two months must be at least 14 years old.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding can be used towards the direct costs of travel from the UK to the destination for a placement and back again, for one return journey including transfers.

Funding is permitted for accompanying staff to chaperone students where necessary as part of safeguarding or duty of care.



For the 2024 to 2025 academic year, there is a defined list of eligible items for organisational support expenditure. Applicants must only use organisational support funding for:

- Direct staffing costs which are proportionate with running placements, including language preparation and any student ambassadors involved in the scheme.
- Costs associated with appointing an external organisation (such as a private company) to administer and implement placements, including language preparation.
- External audit fees.
- Room bookings for preparatory or post-placement events where necessary.

Location

United Kingdom

How To Apply

Providers can now apply for funding for the 2024 to 2025 academic year through the Turing Scheme's digital service.

Applications for the 2024 to 2025 academic year opened on 15 February 2024 and will close on 21 March 2024 (16:00).

This year, applicants are being asked for an overview of their project, instead of each placement. A placement refers to the study or work activity that is being organised for a student or group of students at a single destination. A project refers to the overall application, including all placements that will be facilitated for the 2024 to 2025 academic year.

Applications are made online.

More information can be accessed at the DfE website.

[Turing Scheme: apply for funding for international placements - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

Good Things Foundation – Fix the Digital Divide Fund

Funding body:	Good Things Foundation
Maximum value:	Discretionary
Application deadline:	01/03/2024

Grants are available for National Digital Inclusion Network members to boost their digital inclusion support offer.



Further details

Background

Good Things Foundation is a registered charity which focuses on digital inclusion.

The Foundation has recently received further funding from the Nominet Trust and HMRC. The funding will enable the Foundation to continue to convene and partner community organisations across the country to help a specific group: people facing digital and wider barriers to using HMRC services.

The Foundation's network comprises charities, libraries, social enterprises, adult skills providers, local branches of national organisations like Citizens Advice and Age UK – all of whom share a desire to reduce digital barriers faced by people living locally or using their services.

Objectives of Fund

The funding is for National Digital Inclusion Network members to reduce digital barriers faced by people living locally or using their services.

The Network is free and open to any organisation that wants to or is already delivering digital support for people.

The £1 million Fix The Digital Divide Fund offers the following grants at different times during the year, which are only available to their Network members, with full details available once the grant scheme opens for application:

- Activation Grants for newly joined members of the Network to enable them to become active in supporting digital inclusion.
- Digital Inclusion Capability Grants for hubs in the Network to build their capacity to provide digital inclusion support.
- Digital Inclusion Impact Grants for hubs to provide digital inclusion support to more members of their local communities, predominantly skills via Learn My Way and access to data through the National Databank.
- Network Ambassador Grants are for experienced National Digital Inclusion Network members to provide support to other members and strengthen and represent the Network.

Currently open for applications: HMRC: Advice and Support Grant (2024-2027) with a deadline of 1 March 2024. Full details are available to Network members on the Good Things Foundation website.

Value Notes

Grants range in value:

- Activation Grants of £1,000.
- Digital Inclusion Capability Grants of £6,000.
- Digital Inclusion Impact Grants of £6,000.
- HMRC: Advice and Support Grant - contact Good Things Foundation for the amount available.



Who Can Apply

National Digital Inclusion Network members who have extensive experience of supporting people with HMRC services can apply.

The Network is free and open to any organisation that wants to or is already delivering digital support for people.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding can be used for a number of things, such as buying new tech, resourcing staff, hiring venues, arranging external training and creating digital support resources.

Location

UK

How To Apply

Information on how to become a National Digital Inclusion Network member (which is free) can be found on the Good Things Foundation website. The joining application needs to be submitted at least five business days before the deadline of any funding round.

Contact the Good Things Foundation for further information.

[Digital Inclusion Services & Grants :: National Digital Inclusion Network \(goodthingsfoundation.org\)](http://goodthingsfoundation.org)

Scottish Community Alliance - Community Learning Exchange Fund

Funding body:	Scottish Government
Maximum value:	£ 1,000
Application deadline:	Not specified

Further details

Background

The Community Learning Exchange Fund is provided by the Scottish Government and administered by the Scottish Community Alliance (SCA). SCA is an organisation made up of community networks that aims to empower and strengthen the community sector in Scotland.

Objectives of Fund

The Fund aims to facilitate peer to peer learning exchanges for community groups in Scotland with the overall objective of improving the capacity and resilience of the community sector.



Value Notes

Levels of funding vary depending on the format of the exchange:

- Grants of up to £200 are available for virtual exchanges.
- Grants of up to £1,000 are available for in person exchanges.

Who Can Apply

Constituted community groups operating in Scotland can apply.

All applications must be endorsed by a network organisation that is a member of the SCA.

Restrictions

The following costs are not eligible for funding:

- Delegate fees for conferences, seminars, workshops, meetings etc.
- Travel/attendance at events or the hosting of events.
- Training courses.
- Alcohol.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding can be used for the following costs:

- Up to £100 per person per night for accommodation.
- Up to £25 per day for subsistence.
- A fee for the host organisation of up to £300.
- Travel costs.
- Planning and delivery of virtual exchanges, including:
 - Video calls.
 - Webinars.
 - Pre-recorded videos with live Q and A.
 - Virtual tours.
 - Podcasts.

Groups can apply for a blended exchange with a mix of virtual and in person elements.

Location

Scotland

How To Apply

Applications can be made at any time.

It is expected that applicants will be informed of decisions within three weeks of making an application.



Guidance notes, an online application form and a list of SCA member networks and their contact details are available from the Scottish Community Alliance website.

Contact the Scottish Community Alliance for further information.

[Community Learning Exchange - Scottish Community Alliance](#)

The Way Forward for Families Partnership Fund

Funding body:	Scottish Government
Maximum value:	£ 250,000
Application deadline:	19/03/2024

Grants are available to registered charities in Scotland that work with children, young people and families affected by drugs and alcohol for partnership projects with public sector organisations.

Background

The Way Forward for Families Partnership Fund is building on the work undertaken through the Partnership Drugs Initiative (PDI) a partnership between the Corra Foundation and Scottish Government. The Fund is being administered by the Corra Foundation.

Funding is intended to facilitate collaborative projects across Scotland between statutory and third sector organisations to support children, young people and families.

Objectives of Fund

The focus of the programme is to:

- Support and improve the wellbeing of children, young people and their families impacted by drugs and alcohol.
- Develop and influence local and national policy and practice.

The Fund aims to support work that aligns with the following policy documents:

- [Independent Care Review](#)
- [The Promise Plan 21-24](#)
- [The Promise Oversight Board's Report 2](#)

Value Notes

A limited number of grants of up to £250,000 are available over three years.

Funding can contribute up to a maximum of 50% towards the overall costs.



Match Funding Restrictions

Applicant organisations must identify at least 50% matched funding of the project costs for each year from a public sector partner.

Who Can Apply

The lead applicant and grant holder must:

- Be a charity registered in Scotland with OSCR.
- Be delivering frontline services to individuals who may have multiple support needs.
- Have an asset lock.
- Have independent governance.

All applications must be made based on a formal partnership between a registered charity and a statutory organisation eg, an Alcohol and Drugs Partnership, a local authority or an NHS Board. Other third sector organisations can be included as partners in the project, such as social enterprises and community and voluntary organisations.

Applicants must provide:

- A project budget.
- A signed letter of support from the lead public sector partner.
- A recent bank statement (no more than six months old) or a copy of their most recent accounts.
- A copy of their governing document.
- Where available, evidence of matched funding.
- Where available, a copy of the formal agreement between partners.

Applications must be approved by a Chief Officer or Director, either of the Health and Social Care Partnership, Children's Services or Alcohol and Drugs Partnership (ADP) and a senior representative of the third sector partner, all of whom will sign a Memorandum of Understanding or Partnership Agreement.

Only one note of interest per Local Authority area will be accepted.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Work that will not deliver direct support to children, young people and families affected by alcohol or drug use.
- Major capital appeals including building projects, vehicles and major refurbishment costs.
- Retrospective costs.
- Contributions to funds which will be used for grant making to other organisations.
- Projects utilising funding from Corra's Partnership Drugs Initiative (PDI) as match funding.
- Work that focuses on respite or whole populations.
- Work delivered through existing/current public contracting and commissioning arrangements.
- Work delivered outside of Scotland.



Eligible Expenditure

Funding is intended for projects that build on the work being delivered by charities currently working with children, young people and families affected by substance abuse in Scotland.

Eligible projects must demonstrate:

- A Whole Family Approach as outlined in the Scottish Government's Framework for Holistic Whole Family Approaches.
- Alignment with the strategic objectives of Keeping the Promise.
- How activities will take into consideration both the national and local context.
- A high level of involvement of children, young people and families in the design and delivery of the project. Applications for projects that will be co-produced with these groups are encouraged.
- A relational and trauma-responsive approach. Unconditional support must be given meaning that the project will work to support children, young people and families from all backgrounds.

Examples of potential projects include:

- Increasing capacity in the workforce to take a Whole Family Approach, working with internal and external partners.
- Participation, involvement and creating the conditions where people who use services are meaningfully engaged to bring about change.
- Practical work to support families to be safe and together.
- Development of partnership approaches to address a specific challenge to delivering optimum support.
- Testing new ways of delivering services.

The funding can be used for a range of project costs:

- Staff costs.
- Activity costs.
- Volunteer costs.
- Costs which support participation and engagement.
- Research and evaluation.
- Equipment costs can be supported where these are not the predominate focus of the project.

Location

Scotland

How To Apply

There is a two-stage application process:

- Applicants must first make an initial enquiry by phone or email to arrange to speak to a member of the Corra Foundation Team about their application. **The deadline for initial**



enquiries is 19 March 2024. Potential applicants are advised to contact the Corra Foundation as soon as possible due to high demand.

- Following this conversation, eligible applicants will be invited to submit a full application. The deadline is 26 March 2024 (14:00).

Applications will go through an initial review process before being considered by a Youth Panel and subsequently an Advisory Group. The final stage will be approved by the Corra Foundation's Board.

It is expected that applicants will be informed of decisions in April/May 2024.

Guidance notes and a sample application form are available from the Corra Foundation website.

Contact the Corra Foundation for further information.

The Way Forward for Families Partnership - Corra Foundation

Edwin Morgan Poetry Award (EMPA)

Funding body:	Edwin Morgan Trust
Maximum value:	£ 20,000
Application deadline:	31/03/2024

Biennial award to support young Scottish poets.

Background

The Edwin Morgan Poetry Award (EMPA) was established in 2014 by the Edwin Morgan Trust.

Objectives of Fund

The award is to recognise and support young and emerging Scottish poets.

Value Notes

The award prize is £20,000 which may be presented to one poet or divided between up to four poets.

Who Can Apply

To be eligible to enter, applicants must have:

- Been born in 1994 or after.
- Been born in Scotland, raised in Scotland or be an ongoing resident of Scotland.
- Not published a first full-length collection or had one accepted for publication at the date of submission.



Location

Scotland

How To Apply

Applications to the 2024 award must be submitted by the deadline of 31 March 2024.

Further information and the online submission form are available on the Edwin Morgan Trust website.

[About the Edwin Morgan Poetry Award – Edwin Morgan Trust](#)

Esmée Fairbairn Foundation Youth-Led Creativity Funding

Funding body:	31/03/2024
Maximum value:	£ 120,000
Application deadline:	15/03/2024

Grants are available for organisations doing legally charitable work in the UK that focuses on the Foundation's funding priority of supporting young people (aged 14 to 30) from communities underrepresented in arts and culture.

Background

Funding is provided by the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation which was established in 1961 by Ian Fairbairn as a memorial to his wife Esmée. Today it is one of the largest independent grant-making foundations in the UK. It aims to improve the quality of life throughout the UK and takes pride in supporting work that might otherwise be considered difficult to fund.

The Youth-Led Creativity programme has been co-designed with the Foundation's Involving Young People Collective. A panel of young consultants will play a key role in the assessment process for the Fund. This is to ensure the views and voices of young people are at the heart of the programme. In addition, the Involving Young People Values will be used to support decision-making. The values were developed by Esmée's Involving Young People Collective and offer guidance and learning for organisations on co-production with young people.

Objectives of Fund

The funding is focused on work led by and for young people who have less access to creative programmes or who are underrepresented in arts and culture.

This includes young people who:

- Are D/deaf, disabled or neurodivergent.



- Are from communities experiencing racial inequity.
- Are economically or educationally disadvantaged.
- Identify as LGBT+.
- Have migration or care experience.

Value Notes

The Foundation anticipates awarding £1 million in 2024.

The funding can be used for single or multi-year grants.

The maximum limit that can be applied for is £120,000 for up to three years.

It is expected that between 8 to 12 grants will be awarded.

A Learning Programme will run alongside the funding. This will be co-designed by funded organisations and facilitated by a Learning Partner. The Learning Programme will enable peer support and learning. Organisations will be compensated to support participation.

Who Can Apply

Applications will be considered from organisations and work that:

- Are driven and shaped by young people so they can build their confidence and skills. Most of the young people supported need to be aged 14 to 30.
- Understand and can demonstrate a track record of centering the voices of young people from communities underrepresented in arts and culture. This includes: young people who are D/deaf, disabled or neurodivergent, are from communities experiencing racial inequity, are economically disadvantaged, identify as LGBT+, have migration and/or care experience.
- Prioritise the joy and care of young people.
- Use art and creativity as a tool for young people to use their voice and influence change in their own lives and the world around them.
- Are driving change for the future either by doing something new, or by using tried and tested models to push things forward.

Applications will be accepted from two or more organisations working in partnership.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Organisations that cannot demonstrate strong youth leadership or have not yet started to become youth-led.
- Work that is part of the school curriculum.
- Organisations that do not have at least three non-executive trustees or directors.
- Organisations that are not registered charities or do not have an asset lock or other way to make sure that the assets of an organisation, including profits or surpluses generated, can only be used for the benefit of its community or to further its activities and mission.
- Work that is not legally charitable.



- Work that does not have a direct benefit in the UK.
- Grants to individuals.
- Capital costs including building work, renovations, and equipment.
- Academic research – unless it can demonstrate real potential for practical outcomes.
- Healthcare with a clinical basis, including medical research, hospices, counselling and therapy, arts therapy, education about and treatment for drug and alcohol misuse.
- Independent education.
- Work that is primarily the responsibility of statutory authorities to provide using public funds (for example: social services for children and older people).
- The advancement of religion.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding can be used for project and/or core costs.

Location

UK

How To Apply

There is a two stage application process:

- The first stage is to submit an **online Expression of Interest which can be done between 14 February 2024 and 15 March 2024 (17:00)**. Decisions are expected in early May 2024.
- Applicants who have a successful Expression of Interest will be invited to submit a full proposal and have a conversation with the Foundation. Decisions are expected by the end of September 2024.

The guidelines can be found on the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation website. The online Expression of Interest form will be available from 14 February 2024.

The Foundation is sharing the recording of the 7 February 2024 Q&A webinar and groups who did not attend are encouraged to view it along with the presentation slides.

Contact the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation for further information.

[Youth-Led Creativity funding | Esmée Fairbairn Foundation \(esmeefairbairn.org.uk\)](https://esmeefairbairn.org.uk)



SCVO LISTED FUNDING

Scottish Children's Lottery Trust

Summary

The Scottish Children's Lottery Trust will support applications which:

- Will work with the most vulnerable children and young people who are at a demonstrably high risk of being negatively impacted by poverty.
- Demonstrate involvement of individuals and communities that understand and have experience of the issues that poverty presents.

Examples of projects and activities which can be funded include:

- Cost-of-Living Crisis project or service (only through the Small Fund)
- Practical family support including food, clothing and shelter
- Support for single parents including parenting skills, health and nutrition
- Accessible and affordable daycare or play facilities
- Support for vulnerable parents with preschool children or families with pre-school children suffering from any type of disability
- Provision of after school care/holiday cover ensuring time and resource for additional educational support
- Provision of specific IT/educational equipment for socially deprived children or children suffering from any form of physical or mental disability
- One to one mentoring of children struggling within school because of family circumstances
- Support for community libraries and learning spaces
- Community based leisure and sporting programmes
- Local youth clubs and recreational activities



- Employability and skills training within a local community
- Mentoring or one to one support, building the self-confidence and skills required to enter the employment market

Geographical areas funded: Scotland

Type of funding:	Grant
Type of cost:	Capital, Revenue
Minimum:	-
Maximum:	£10,000

Notes on award amounts:

- Small Fund – maximum award of £5,000
- Medium Fund – maximum award of £10,000

They ask for charities to have a level of match funding in place to support their project or activity.

Who can apply

The organisation applying should be a registered charity in Scotland with a charity bank account. It should also return annual accounts.

When to apply

Applications opened at 9am on 19 February 2024 and close at 11:59pm on 15 March 2024.

They aim to hold two further funding rounds in 2024.

Next deadline: 15 Mar 2024

How to apply

Online application form available on the Scottish Children's Lottery Trust website.

Exclusions

- Statutory agencies or projects or activities which are a statutory responsibility.
- Any charitable arm of a Local Authority, Arms Length External Organisations (ALEO's),

Housing Associations or their charitable arms.



- Community Interest Companies (CIC)
 - A project or activity that takes place outside of Scotland.
 - Retrospective or deficit funding or repayment of loans.
 - Administration costs (including marketing and IT).
 - Projects or activities undertaken by any organisation other than by registered charities.
 - Projects that require funding for more than one year.
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KFC Youth Foundation - Community Grants Programme

Summary

The KFC Foundation welcomes funding applications from organisations which:

- Benefit young people aged 11-25 years old
- Supports those in a position of social disadvantage (i.e. care leavers, those experiencing homelessness, young carers, young parents, young people at risk of or with experience of the criminal justice system)
- Support by providing spaces that allow young people to feel safe and secure, helping to unlock talent and build life skills, provide mentoring and improve their chances to gain meaningful employment.
- Ultimately empower all young people to fulfil their potential and build a positive future.
- Will demonstrate positive results from their project within 12 months of our funding being received

Projects should demonstrate positive results from their project within 12 months of our funding being received

Geographical areas funded: Scotland UK



Type of funding:	Grant
Type of cost:	Revenue
Minimum:	£200
Maximum:	£2,500

Annually awarded:

£125,000

Who can apply

The KFC Foundation welcomes funding applications from UK based organisations which are a registered charity, a registered community interest company, an unincorporated club or association or an unregistered charity.

Organisations must have existed for at least 12 months at the time of submission, have a signed constitution/ governing documents, have a bank account in its own name which requires two unrelated signatories/ dual authorisation, have an active board of trustees or directors and have a suitable safeguarding policy.

Maximum annual income:

£300,000

When to apply

The next deadline is 17 March 2024. The deadline for stage 2 applications will be 19 April with awards made in May/June.

Next deadline: 17 Mar 2024

How to apply

To apply, submit a two minute video and complete an online expression of interest form which can be accessed from the Foundation's website.

Exclusions

- General fundraising or sponsorship appeal
- Political campaigns
- Promotion of religion
- Overseas travel
- Curricular activities that take place during the school day
- Research



- Repayment of loans
- Purchase of vehicles
- Medical equipment
- Major capital projects
- Interventions which don't demonstrate long term impact or support
- Projects focused on "one-off" event such as a residential
- Generic youth work activities (not tailored towards our priority groups)

The KFC Foundation Community Grants

Ethnic Minority Development Fund

Summary

The Ethnic Minority Development Fund (EMDF) is available to any ethnic minority-led voluntary or community organisation in Scotland. The EMDF has been developed in partnership between CEMVO Scotland and The National Lottery Community Fund.

Organisations interested in applying to the EMDF will be required to submit an application that must do at least one of the following:

- Bring ethnic minority people together and build strong relationships across communities.
- Help more ethnic minority people to be the best they can be, by supporting them as soon as possible.
- Improve places and spaces that matter to ethnic minority communities.

Organisations can apply for a minimum of £500 up to a maximum of £15,000 for their project idea.

Geographical areas funded: Scotland

Type of funding:	Grant
Type of cost:	Revenue



Minimum:	£500
Maximum:	£15,000

Annually awarded:

£400,000

Who can apply

You can apply if your organisation is a:

- Unregistered voluntary or community organisation
- Not for profit company
- Registered charity (unincorporated)
- Charitable incorporated organisation (SCIO)
- Community interest company (CIC)
- Faith based group (like a mosque, gurdwara, temple, church, synagogue etc.)

When to apply

The fund closes at 12 midnight on 15 April 2024. It takes around 18 weeks for a decision.

Next deadline: 15 Apr 2024

How to apply

Standard and easy read applications forms can be downloaded from the Cemvo Scotland website. All completed forms should be e-mailed to: emdf@cemvoscotland.org.uk or sent by post.

Exclusions

- Individuals
- Sole traders
- Companies that can pay profits to directors, shareholders or members (including Companies Limited by Shares)
- organisations based outside the UK



- organisations that have already sent a Ethnic Minority Development Fund application and are waiting for a decision
- organisations that don't have at least two people on their board or committee who aren't married, in a long-term relationship, living together at the same address, or related by blood
- one organisation applying on behalf of another. Be careful of businesses or consultants who say they can support you with your funding applications. They might even say they're acting on the Fund's behalf, or they're a preferred supplier of the Fund. They could even offer to write an application for you. We wouldn't accept applications from these types of businesses or consultants. But you can get support and advice on writing your application from your local CVS (your local council for voluntary services).

If you're not sure if you can apply, please contact the Fund.

Ethnic Minority Development Fund – CEMVO Scotland



