

## Funds and those Supporting Charities and Voluntary Organisations

Please note, this list is not exhaustive. We aim to update this list as and when we find new Funds and Grants, when Grants and Funds have closed for applications and when new Grants and Funds are opened.

Would you like to add to this list? Please email [kate@ayrshire-chamber.org](mailto:kate@ayrshire-chamber.org) to amend or add to this list. Our aim is to have as much up to date information as possible to help as many local businesses, and people, as possible.

*\*\*Please note that every Fund/Grant has its own specific set of restrictions, eligibility criteria and terms, please check all information on each Fund website\*\**

<b>Fund Organisation</b>	<b>Open/Closed/Paused</b>	<b>Amount (£)</b>	<b>Website (click for further information and eligibility criteria)</b>
<b>Action Earth Grants</b>	Open	Between £50 and £250	Any group of volunteers are able to apply for Volunteering Matters Action Earth grants of between £50-250 to run environmental activities in Scotland's green spaces. This could include creating or improving community gardens, wildflower meadows, ponds, woodlands or other wildlife habitats.  Find out more: <a href="https://volunteeringmatters.org.uk/project/action-earth/">https://volunteeringmatters.org.uk/project/action-earth/</a>
<b>Action Earth Enhanced Grants</b>	Open	Up to £500	In 2021 Volunteering Matters are also offering a limited number of Action Earth Enhanced Grants up to £500 for projects which can demonstrate a significant health impact through working with people who have defined health or social needs. These grants are available to projects where a minimum of 50% of the volunteers involved will have defined health issues.  Find out more: <a href="https://volunteeringmatters.org.uk/app/uploads/2015/05/Enhanced-Health-Grants-Website-Text-Action-Earth-2021.pdf">https://volunteeringmatters.org.uk/app/uploads/2015/05/Enhanced-Health-Grants-Website-Text-Action-Earth-2021.pdf</a>
<b>Allander Youth Activities Trust</b>	Open year round	Various	You may apply if you are a Scout Group, a section of a Scout Group or the equivalent in a voluntary organisation that directly seeks to improve the welfare of young people through the provision of training and/or education.  You may also apply if you are a local group or part of a National Organisation but not a Scout District, Scout Region or equivalent in other similar organisations. Or you will be an individual member of such an organisation wishing to take part in an activity that will develop you and as a result of which you gain new skills that you will then use for the benefit of young people within your organisation.  Find out more: <b>Allander Youth Activities Trust</b>

<b>Alpkit Foundation – Grassroots Support Now</b>	Open year round	Up to £500	<p>Prioritising our funds to support projects that demonstrate an immediate impact on those affected by the Covid-19 virus crisis. Welcome any applications from individuals or organisations serving those affected by coronavirus across the country</p> <p><a href="https://alpkit.com/blogs/foundation/adapting-to-the-coronavirus-crisis">https://alpkit.com/blogs/foundation/adapting-to-the-coronavirus-crisis</a></p>
<b>Arts &amp; Culture 2021/22 – from North Ayrshire Council</b>	Open, closes 23rd January 2022	Up to £400	<p>Your application must be for activities/events/resources for one or more of the following 4 themes: Ideas which help to improve local life and community wellbeing, Ideas which link people up, ideas which promote positive mental health and well being and ideas which promote healthy and active communities.</p> <p>You can apply for any amount up to £400 and you can also bid for less.</p> <p>Read more: <a href="https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=st1vp5s4E-b30U5irQzJ9UtUGEJDyRGprPmD-b0u9dUQVBMNjINVDZBNVROMku4TkJITUJWUTRCSy4u&amp;wdLOR=c27999410-C261-42E6-9DF0-D95D03EDB84C">https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=st1vp5s4E-b30U5irQzJ9UtUGEJDyRGprPmD-b0u9dUQVBMNjINVDZBNVROMku4TkJITUJWUTRCSy4u&amp;wdLOR=c27999410-C261-42E6-9DF0-D95D03EDB84C</a></p>
<b>Aviva – Community Fund</b>	Open, quarterly funding rounds	Up to £50,000	<p>The Aviva Community Fund have broadened their eligibility criteria to support causes in addressing the impact of the outbreak. It supports projects that boost the resilience of communities in the face of uncertainty and is investing in two key areas: community resilience and financial capability and inclusion. The focus is on funding small charities and giving them the opportunity to innovate and test new ideas without fear of risk.</p> <p>Any not-for-profit community organisation whose income is less than £1 million and has existed for at least 12 months. Maximum annual income: £1,000,000</p> <p><a href="https://acf.crowdfunder.co.uk/">https://acf.crowdfunder.co.uk/</a></p>
<b>Ayrshire Housing Community Grants &amp; Partnership</b>	Open year round	Up to £1000 or 'in kind'	<p>The Building Community Capacity Fund helps smaller groups make a bigger impact in their communities or to develop new initiatives. We are interested in exploring opportunities to provide practical assistance alongside financial support.</p> <p>They especially welcome applications which directly involve our tenants or would at least be of general benefit to tenants or housing applicants. The fund builds on our longstanding support for community activities such as galas, and gardening and sports clubs.</p> <p>Read more: <a href="https://www.ayrshirehousing.org.uk/about/wider-action/">https://www.ayrshirehousing.org.uk/about/wider-action/</a></p>
<b>B&amp;Q Foundation</b>	Open year round	Up to £5,000	<p>B&amp;Q Foundation provides grants to registered charities who support people experiencing poor quality housing and homelessness or are looking for help with a project to improve homes and community spaces.</p> <p><a href="https://www.neighbourly.com/BandQFoundation">https://www.neighbourly.com/BandQFoundation</a></p>
<b>Corra Foundation –</b>	Open, closing dates	Various	<p>They are seeking applications that are based on partnership approaches which</p>



<b>Various Grants</b>	specific to individual funding streams		<p>demonstrate how they will take a Whole Family Approach which is Relational and Rights Based when delivering front-line services which support children and families.</p> <p>To be funded, applications must demonstrate significant connection, collaboration, and contribution to the work their Local Authority area is implementing in relation to both The Promise and the Whole Family Approaches work being taken by ADPs.</p> <p>Sign-up for update on the grant here: <a href="https://www.corra.scot/grants/">https://www.corra.scot/grants/</a></p>
<b>Creative Scotland Open Fund – Sustaining Creative Development</b>	Open	From £1000 - £100,000	<p>The fund aims to enable individuals and organisations to explore ways of working that will help them to adapt and respond to the current changing circumstances</p> <p><a href="https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/open-fund-sustaining-creative-development">https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/open-fund-sustaining-creative-development</a></p>
<b>Cycling Friendly &amp; Social Housing development fund</b>	Open, year round funding	Various	<p>Cycling Scotland's Cycling Friendly programmes support organisations in employer, community, campus, school and social housing settings across Scotland who are committed to encouraging cycling through nationally accredited award schemes and development funds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cycling Friendly Employer: up to £25,000 per site;</li> <li>• Cycling Friendly Communities: up to £20,000;</li> <li>• Cycling Friendly Campus: £25,000 per campus;</li> <li>• Cycling Friendly Secondary Schools: £4,000;</li> <li>• Social Housing Fund: £25,000 per site.</li> </ul> <p>Find out more: <a href="https://www.cycling.scot/mediaLibrary/other/english/8044.pdf">https://www.cycling.scot/mediaLibrary/other/english/8044.pdf</a> or <a href="https://www.cycling.scot/">https://www.cycling.scot/</a></p>
<b>DPD Eco Fund</b>	Open, year round funding	Various	<p>Grants are available to charities, community groups, schools, small businesses and other local organisations in the United Kingdom for green projects and environment-friendly initiatives.</p> <p>More information: <a href="https://green.dpd.co.uk/">https://green.dpd.co.uk/</a></p>
<b>Firstport – Social Entrepreneurs Fund Pounds for Purpose Fund</b>	Open	Up to £500	<p>For people aged 16 to 26 to test an idea that creates a positive change in the world around them.</p> <p><a href="https://www.firstport.org.uk/funding/pounds-for-purpose/">https://www.firstport.org.uk/funding/pounds-for-purpose/</a></p>
<b>Firstport – Social Entrepreneurs Fund Start It Fund</b>	Open	Up to £5,000	<p>To get a social enterprise idea off the ground.</p> <p><a href="https://www.firstport.org.uk/funding/social-entrepreneurs-fund-start-it/">https://www.firstport.org.uk/funding/social-entrepreneurs-fund-start-it/</a></p>
<b>Friends Provident Foundation – Developing a Fair Economy Grants</b>	Open, various closing dates: 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Various	<p>Friends Provident Foundation are looking for applications that look at why problems like inequality, poverty and climate breakdown exist and try to get to the root causes of those problems. They don't fund activities that deal with the symptoms of those</p>



<b>Programme</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> July 2022 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2022		problems but instead support work that gets at the economic systems and structures that cause them.  More information: <a href="https://www.friendsprovidentfoundation.org/grants/">https://www.friendsprovidentfoundation.org/grants/</a>
<b>Foundation Scotland ~ Community Response, Recovery, Resilience Fund</b>	Open	£1,000 to £5,000	<b><u>Resilience Funding for Scottish Charities and Community Organisations</u></b>  Grants are available to support organisations with their long-term planning, helping them to become more sustainable in the future, despite the continued uncertainty.  From 1 December, Foundation Scotland is inviting applications for the Resilience phase of the Community Response, Recovery and Resilience Fund (RRR Fund).  Constituted community organisations and registered charities can apply. Priority will be given to organisations with an income of below £500,000.  <b>Applications are assessed on a rolling basis.</b>  <a href="https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/community-response,-recovery-resilience-fund/">https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/community-response,-recovery-resilience-fund/</a>
<b>Foyle Foundation – Small Grants Scheme</b>	Open	Between £1,000 and £10,000	The scheme is designed to support charities registered and operating in the United Kingdom, especially those working at grass roots and local community level, in any field, across a wide range of activities. The focus will be to make one-year grants only to cover core costs or essential equipment, to enable ongoing service provision, homeworking, or delivery of online digital services to charities that can show financial stability  The Foundation can only accept applications from organisations with charitable status. This includes registered charities, charitable incorporated organisations (SCIOs), excepted charities and exempt charities. Organisations must have an annual turnover of less than £150,000 per annum. Larger or national charities will normally not be considered under this scheme. Maximum annual income: £150,000  <a href="http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/small-grants-scheme/">http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/small-grants-scheme/</a>
<b>Future Woodlands Fund (FWF)</b>	Open, no closing date	£100/hr per annum for 20 years	The Future Woodlands Fund (FWF) offers land managers in Scotland a simple and low risk way to plant or regenerate native trees, working alongside the Scottish Government Forestry Grant Scheme. The FWF covers the costs of developing applications to the Forestry Grant Scheme and pays an annual incentive to the land manager for 20 years.



			More: <a href="https://www.futurewoodlands.org.uk/future-woodlands-fund/">https://www.futurewoodlands.org.uk/future-woodlands-fund/</a>
<b>Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants</b>	Open	Up to £1,000	Kellogg's, in partnership with Forever Manchester, is awarding grants of £1,000 to school Breakfast Clubs, to help them provide breakfast to those children who need it most. More information: <a href="https://www.kelloggs.co.uk/en_GB/our-story/feeding-people-in-need/support-for-school-breakfast-clubs/grants-for-schools.html">https://www.kelloggs.co.uk/en_GB/our-story/feeding-people-in-need/support-for-school-breakfast-clubs/grants-for-schools.html</a>
<b>Locality 2021/22 – from North Ayrshire Council</b>	Open, closes 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2022	Up to £1,200 (£1,500 in Irvine)	The Locality fund for 2021/22 in North Ayrshire has the following themes: improving local life and community wellbeing, linking people up, mental health and wellbeing, and promotion of a healthy and active life.  You can apply for any amount up to £1,200 and you can also bid for less.  Read more: <a href="https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=stT1vp5s4E-b30U5irQzJwJ7a1k7OpGjA47Ww4Uq1JURENMMElanKtEVU03WVdYRTVatUNaNtNSRi4u&amp;wdLOR=c8B4DDF96-D66A-433F-9D75-DFA79BA5393E">https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=stT1vp5s4E-b30U5irQzJwJ7a1k7OpGjA47Ww4Uq1JURENMMElanKtEVU03WVdYRTVatUNaNtNSRi4u&amp;wdLOR=c8B4DDF96-D66A-433F-9D75-DFA79BA5393E</a>
<b>Matthew Good Foundation – Grants for Good Fund</b>	Open, grants awarded every 3 months. Application deadline is the 15 <sup>th</sup> of the month before	Up to £3,500	Funding for Local community groups, charities, voluntary groups or social enterprises in the UK with an average income of less than £50,000 in the last 12 months are welcome to apply.  <a href="https://www.matthewgoodfoundation.org/grantsforgood/">https://www.matthewgoodfoundation.org/grantsforgood/</a>
<b>National Lottery: Community Fund , Awards for All Young start, Improving Lives, Community-Led Activity</b>	Open	£300-£10,000 £10,001-£100,000 £10,001-£150,000	<a href="https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes?location=scotland">https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes?location=scotland</a>
<b>National Lottery: Brining People Together fund</b>	Open	Up to £300,000	The Bringing People Together funding can support projects that will build stronger connections across communities, and improve the infrastructure and conditions that are needed to strengthen these connections.  Find out more and Apply: <a href="https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/bringing-people-together#section-4">https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/bringing-people-together#section-4</a>
<b>National Lottery Heritage Fund: Heritage Emergency Fund</b>	Open	£3,000 - £50,000	<a href="https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/news/coronavirus-update">https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/news/coronavirus-update</a>
<b>National Lottery – Grants for Heritage</b>	Open,	£3,000 and £10,000	National Lottery Grants for Heritage allows us to fund projects that connect people and communities to the national, regional and local heritage of the UK.

			Read more: <a href="https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding/national-lottery-grants-heritage-3k-10k">https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding/national-lottery-grants-heritage-3k-10k</a>
<b>Petplan Charitable Trust</b>	Open, <b>Pump/Pilot Grants</b> <b>Deadline</b> - 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Up to £25,000	The aim of this fund is to support animal welfare by funding advances in veterinary science as well as the work of charities committed to animal welfare. There are two categories of funding: Welfare grants for the direct benefit of species supported by the Trust (i.e., dogs, cats, horses, and rabbits), and Scientific grants.  More information: <a href="https://petplancharitabletrust.org.uk/">https://petplancharitabletrust.org.uk/</a>
<b>Paul Hamlyn Foundation – Access and Participation Fund</b>	Open		Investing in young people – <b>Youth Fund</b> They are particularly interested in supporting work that addresses social justice under the following themes:  Strengthening civil society; Supporting social innovation; Championing people's voice and agency; Responding to digital transformation; Responding to the climate emergency  There are no deadlines and applications can be submitted at any time. You can see all of the funds and find out how to apply on the <a href="#">PHF website</a> .
<b>Paul Hamlyn Foundation – Arts-Based Learning Fund</b>	Open		Migration and integration – <b>Shared Ground Fund</b>  They are particularly interested in supporting work that addresses social justice under the following themes:  Strengthening civil society; Supporting social innovation; Championing people's voice and agency; Responding to digital transformation; Responding to the climate emergency  There are no deadlines and applications can be submitted at any time. You can see all of the funds and find out how to apply on the <a href="#">PHF website</a> .
<b>Paul Hamlyn Foundation – Shared Ground Fund</b>	Open		Education and learning through the arts – <b>Arts-Based Learning Fund</b>  They are particularly interested in supporting work that addresses social justice under the following themes:  Strengthening civil society; Supporting social innovation; Championing people's voice and agency; Responding to digital transformation; Responding to the climate emergency  There are no deadlines and applications can be submitted at any time. You can see all of the funds and find out how to apply on the <a href="#">PHF website</a> .



<b>Persimmon Community Champions</b>	Open, no deadline set	Up to £1,000	<p>Persimmon Community Champions is here to fund local good causes across the UK.</p> <p>Each of Persimmons 31 businesses and our PLC head office are giving away up to £2,000 every month.</p> <p>Find out more and apply: <a href="https://www.persimmonhomes.com/community-champions">https://www.persimmonhomes.com/community-champions</a></p>
<b>The Pixel Fund</b>	Open	Up to £5,000	<p>Grants are available for UK-based charities and community interest organisations to support projects that promote the mental health and wellbeing of children and young adults.</p> <p>More information: <a href="https://www.pixelfund.org.uk/">https://www.pixelfund.org.uk/</a></p>
<b>Poundland Foundation – Kits 4 Kids</b>		Up to £750	<p>If you're a local sports club or organisation looking for support for your team, then Poundland would love to hear from you.</p> <p>Applications are not eligible from profit-making organisations.</p> <p>Register interest: <a href="mailto:foundation@poundland.co.uk">foundation@poundland.co.uk</a></p> <p>Find out more: <a href="https://poundlandfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-support/">https://poundlandfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-support/</a></p>
<b>Princes Countryside Fund</b>	Open	Up to £10,000	<p>The Prince's Countryside Fund exists to support thriving rural communities with farming at their heart</p> <p>The guidelines, short eligibility quiz, and application form are available from the Prince's Countryside Fund website: <a href="https://www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/">https://www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/</a></p> <p>The completed application form should be sent by email to <a href="mailto:grants@countrysidefund.org.uk">grants@countrysidefund.org.uk</a></p>
<b>Public Engagement Innovation Grant Scheme</b>	Open, closes at 23:59 on 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2022	Up to £1,000	<p>The Public Engagement Innovation Grant Scheme provides financial support for the delivery of pathology-related activities and events in the UK. Grants of up to £1,000 are available for individuals or organisations who wish to develop pathology-related public engagement activities or events.</p> <p>Read more: <a href="https://www.rcpath.org/discover-pathology/events-landing-page/funding-for-public-events.html">https://www.rcpath.org/discover-pathology/events-landing-page/funding-for-public-events.html</a></p>
<b>The Robertson Trust – Wee Grants</b>	Open	Up to £2,000	<p>These awards are for constituted community groups and charities with an annual income of less than £25,000 and offer funding of up to £2,000 for one year only.</p> <p><a href="http://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/wee-grants/">www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/wee-grants/</a></p>
<b>The Robertson Trust – Small Grants</b>	Open	Up to £15,000	<p>For registered charities with an annual income of between £25,000 and £100,000.</p>



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<b>The Robertson Trust – Large Grants</b>	Open	Up to £50,000	For registered charities with an annual income of between £100,000 and £2 million <a href="http://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/large-grants/">www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/large-grants/</a>
<b>The Robertson Trust – Community Vehicle Grants</b>	Open	Up to £10,000	For registered charities with an annual income of between £25,000 and £2 million. <a href="http://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/community-vehicle-grants/">www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/community-vehicle-grants/</a>
<b>The Robertson Trust – Community Building</b>	Open	Up to £75,000	For registered charities with an annual income of between £25,000 and £2 million. <a href="http://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/community-building-grants/">www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/funding/community-building-grants/</a>
<b>Scaling the Edge</b>	Open	Up to £5,000	Scaling the Edge is an eight-week pilot programme to help existing SME businesses accelerate their new product and process innovations. This is achieved using the Strategyzer Toolkit to rapidly validate and iterate new ideas profitably under the guidance and support of team of entrepreneurs and business coaches.  Applications are made online at the programme website.  Those who have any queries on the innovation programmes at Queen's should contact Kerri Crossey by emailing K.crossey@qub.ac.uk  More details can be accessed <a href="#">here</a>
<b>Scottish Co-Investment Fund</b>	Open	Between £10,000 and £1.5 million	The Scottish Co-investment Fund (SCF) is designed to address a finance gap alongside our accredited co-investment partners.  Investment can be made in companies from start-up, early-stage to expanding businesses seeking to develop products and/or markets.  More: <a href="https://www.scottish-enterprise.com/support-for-businesses/funding-and-grants/accessing-finance-and-attracting-investment/scottish-co-investment-fund?utm_source=scotent&amp;utm_medium=social&amp;utm_term=twitter&amp;utm_content=51e4c9f2-5432-47e5-a5ad-18f3aada7f72&amp;utm_campaign=se_web">https://www.scottish-enterprise.com/support-for-businesses/funding-and-grants/accessing-finance-and-attracting-investment/scottish-co-investment-fund?utm_source=scotent&amp;utm_medium=social&amp;utm_term=twitter&amp;utm_content=51e4c9f2-5432-47e5-a5ad-18f3aada7f72&amp;utm_campaign=se_web</a>
<b>Social Enterprise Net Zero Transition Fund - Loans</b>	Open, closing date not yet announced		The purpose of the fund is to support these social sector organisations (SSO) in their journey to become carbon neutral, and to develop the circular economy. Through the fund, we are interested in supporting activities that will reduce carbon footprint.  More at <a href="https://www.socialinvestmentscotland.com/learning-hub/social-enterprise-net-zero-transition-fund/">https://www.socialinvestmentscotland.com/learning-hub/social-enterprise-net-zero-transition-fund/</a>



<b>Tesco Bags of Help – Children and Young People themed grant programme</b>	Open	Up to £1,000	<p>Grants to support a wide range of community groups, organisations, charities, schools and other not-for-profit organisations for projects that support local children and young people across the UK.</p> <p>There are no deadlines. This is a rolling programme and applications can be made at any time from 1 October 2020 until 31 December 2020.</p> <p>Guidance notes and the online application form are available from the Tesco Community grants <a href="#">webpage</a></p> <p>Applicants should first locate their local Tesco store, read the guidance notes, and then take the eligibility quiz. Groups with eligible projects will be given a link to the application form.</p>
<b>Tesco Community Grants</b>	Open, applications can be made throughout the year	Between £500 and £1,500	<p>Tesco Community Grants fund thousands of local community projects across the UK, helping to fight holiday hunger, tackle mental health, support young people, host community events and much more.</p> <p>Find out more and apply: <a href="https://tescocommunitygrants.org.uk/">https://tescocommunitygrants.org.uk/</a></p>
<b>Together for Our Planet</b>	Open	Between £1,000 and £10,000	<p>This programme will offer grants from £1,000 to £10,000 of National Lottery funding to support communities across the UK to take action on climate change.</p> <p>Projects should reflect what matters to your community and can be small in scale. They could cover an area like: Food; transport; energy; waste and consumption and/or the natural environment.</p> <p>To help answer any questions groups may have about your eligibility, a Q&amp;A webinar has been arranged on Monday 16 August at 14:00 - you can sign up to this via this <a href="#">link</a></p> <p>More: <a href="https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/together-for-our-planet">https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/together-for-our-planet</a></p>
<b>Urquhart Opticians - Care &amp; Community Fund</b>	Open, you can apply in the first two weeks of every month in 2021	Up to £1,000	<p>Each month Urquhart Opticians has £1000 available for local, Ayrshire groups and charities.</p> <p>Read more: <a href="https://urquhart-opticians.co.uk/our-story/community/care-community-fund">https://urquhart-opticians.co.uk/our-story/community/care-community-fund</a></p>
<b>William Syson Foundation</b>	Open, no closing date announced yet		<p>The aim of this fund is to support projects and activities that promote the advancement of the arts, heritage, and culture. This includes, but is not limited to, the promotion and development of the arts, including music, the visual arts, theatre, and literature.</p>



			There are two tiers of funding for organisations: Small grants up to £5,000, and Large grants from £5,001.  More Information: <a href="https://www.williamsysonfoundation.org.uk/">https://www.williamsysonfoundation.org.uk/</a>
<b>The Wolfson Foundation</b>	Open	Between £1,500 and £3,000	The programme aims to support the professional development of individual staff, significantly increasing their expertise in the work they do, rather than training or updating them in the basic skills needed for their role. Bursaries can be used to cover fees for university accredited palliative care courses including degree, masters and PhD level programmes and modules from the same. Some palliative care conferences may also be included.  Find out more: <a href="https://www.hospiceuk.org/what-we-offer/grants/open-grant-programmes/details/wolfson-bursaries---hospice-staff">https://www.hospiceuk.org/what-we-offer/grants/open-grant-programmes/details/wolfson-bursaries---hospice-staff</a>
<b>100 Community Fridges</b>	Open, closes 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2022	£4,000 per application.	Co-op is working in partnership with Hubbub to offer funding to local groups for 100 Community Fridges across the UK.  Successful groups will receive: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £4,000 funding;</li> <li>• support to set up a fridge;</li> <li>• membership to Hubbub's Community Fridge Network.</li> </ul> More at <a href="https://co-operate.coop.co.uk/apply-for-funding-to-set-up-a-fridge/">https://co-operate.coop.co.uk/apply-for-funding-to-set-up-a-fridge/</a>

## UK Government Dormant Accounts Funds & Grants

The Government's Culture Secretary recently announced that £150 million will be taken from dormant bank and building society accounts to help support the UK's charities and social enterprises whose work has been affected by the COVID-19 crisis. Bank and building society accounts that have not been touched for 15 years will see their money 'unlocked' to help charities, social enterprises and vulnerable individuals during the coronavirus/COVID-19 crisis.

The £150 million in funding will support urgent work to tackle youth unemployment, expand access to emergency loans for civil society organisations and help improve the availability of fair, affordable credit to people in vulnerable circumstances. More funds/grants may be announced.

**\*\*Please note that every Government Fund and Grant has its own specific set of restrictions and terms, please check all terms on each of the Grant or Fund websites\*\***

<b>Fund Organisation</b>	<b>Amount to be released in total (£)</b>	<b>Website/Email (click for further information and eligibility criteria)</b>



<b>£50m for the UK's Grassroot Football Pitches in 2022</b>	£50 million TOT.	Further details of the funding rollout will be made available in 2022.
<b>Help to Grow programme - Management and Digital</b>		<p>The UK Government's Help to Grow programme is designed to help small and medium-sized businesses (SMEs) across the UK learn new skills, reach new customers and boost profits.</p> <p>The programme has two strands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Help to Grow: Management – an Executive Development programme that could help you improve business performance and growth potential</li> <li>• Help to Grow: Digital – free online advice and discounts on software that could help you save time and cut costs</li> </ul> <p>The programme runs for 12 weeks from June 2022.</p> <p>Read more: <a href="https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/programmes/help-to-grow-programme-management-and-digital">https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/programmes/help-to-grow-programme-management-and-digital</a></p>
<b>Plug in Car and Van Grants (Department for Transport)</b>  <b>Applications are open year round.</b>	£582 million TOT.	<p>From 18 March 2021, grants of up to £2,500 will be provided for electric vehicles on cars priced under £35,000. Grants will no longer be available for higher-priced vehicles. The Government asserts that purchasers of such vehicles are typically drivers who can afford to switch without taxpayer subsidy.</p> <p>The grant is available to individuals and businesses in the UK. Vehicles must be pre-approved and registered in the UK.</p> <p>Both commercial and private buyers are eligible to purchase vehicles under the scheme.</p> <p>The vehicle is likely to be eligible if it is one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electric vehicles (EVs) – these run completely on batteries and are plugged into the mains to be recharged.</li> <li>• Plug-in hybrid electric vehicles (PHEVs) – these use a petrol or diesel engine combined with a battery that plugs into the mains.</li> <li>• Hydrogen fuel cell vehicles and other technologies.</li> </ul> <p>Only new cars in category M1 are eligible for the grant. Other vehicles, including motorcycles, quadricycles and vans will not be eligible.</p> <p>Find out more: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/plug-in-car-van-grants/overview">https://www.gov.uk/plug-in-car-van-grants/overview</a></p>
<b>Recovery Loan Scheme</b>  <b>DEADLINE EXTENDED TO 30TH</b>	Up to £2 million per eligible business	This scheme ensures that businesses of any size can continue to access loans and other kinds of finance up to £2 million per business once the existing COVID-19 loan schemes close. The UK Government will guarantee 70% of the finance to the lender to give them



<b>JUNE 2022</b>		<p>the confidence to lend to businesses.</p> <p>More at: <a href="https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/recovery-loan-scheme">https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/recovery-loan-scheme</a></p>
<b>SME Brexit Support Fund</b>	£20 Million TOT.	<p>The SME Brexit Support Fund could give you up to £2,000 to help with training or professional advice, if your business has up to 500 employees and no more than £100 million annual turnover.</p> <p>You can use the grant for training on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• how to complete customs declarations</li> <li>• how to manage customs processes and use customs software and systems</li> <li>• specific import and export related aspects including VAT, excise and rules of origin</li> <li>• It can be used to help you get professional advice so your business can meet its customs, excise, import VAT or safety and security declaration requirements.</li> </ul> <p>Find out more and apply: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/grants-to-help-small-and-medium-sized-businesses-new-to-importing-or-exporting">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/grants-to-help-small-and-medium-sized-businesses-new-to-importing-or-exporting</a></p>
<p><b>UK Community Ownership Fund</b></p> <p><b>Round 2 open</b></p> <p><b>Round 3 opens May 2022</b></p>	£150 million TOT.	<p>The £150 million Community Ownership Fund is for communities across the United Kingdom. It has been set up to help communities take ownership of assets and amenities at risk of closure. It will run for 4 years.</p> <p>Funding may support the purchase and/or renovation costs of community assets and amenities, subject to the full eligibility criteria outlined in this prospectus. Projects may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• sporting and leisure facilities</li> <li>• cinemas and theatres</li> <li>• music venues</li> <li>• museums</li> <li>• galleries</li> <li>• parks</li> <li>• pubs</li> <li>• post office buildings</li> <li>• shops</li> </ul> <p>Read more: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/community-ownership-fund-prospectus/community-ownership-fund-prospectus">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/community-ownership-fund-prospectus/community-ownership-fund-prospectus</a></p>
<b>UK Seafood Fund: Infrastructure Scheme</b>		<p>The scheme will fund projects that build capacity across the UK fishing sector supply chain through investment in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ports</li> </ul>



<p><b>OPEN, closes 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• processing</li> <li>• aquaculture infrastructure</li> </ul> <p>This is a competitive scheme. To get funding, you must bid for a grant.</p> <p>Each successful applicant will be awarded a minimum of £250,000 and maximum of £5 million.</p> <p>More information: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/uk-seafood-fund-infrastructure-scheme">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/uk-seafood-fund-infrastructure-scheme</a></p>
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## Scottish Government Grants and Funds

<b>Fund Organisation</b>	<b>Amount to be released in total (£)</b>	<b>Website/Email (click for further information and eligibility criteria)</b>
<p><b>COVID-19 Cancellation Fund for Creative Freelancers</b></p>	<p>£8 million TOT.</p>	<p>The fund offers a one-off award to those who are most deeply impacted and disadvantaged by the cancellation or postponement of activity because of the current emergency situation. This can include the cancellation or deferral of performances, productions, exhibitions and shows from which freelancers would have received income. This fund will not replace income lost through cancellation but will provide a contribution to partially offset its adverse impact.</p> <p>Read more: <a href="https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/covid-cancellation-fund">https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/covid-cancellation-fund</a></p>
<p><b>Creative Scotland Open Fund for Sustaining Creative Development</b></p> <p><b>No closing date yet announced</b></p>	<p>Between £1,000 and £100,000 depending on business eligibility.</p>	<p>The disruption of COVID-19 is a situation without precedent. The creative sector is facing significant challenge. This fund is designed to support individual creatives and arts organisations to sustain their practice in a changing world. To apply for the Open Fund, you must explain what you want to do, and how it will help you and/or others in the months and years to come.</p> <p>Read more: <a href="https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/creative-scotland-open-fund-for-sustaining-creative-development">https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/creative-scotland-open-fund-for-sustaining-creative-development</a></p>
<p><b>Business Ventilation Fund</b></p> <p><b>OPEN, CLOSING 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2022</b></p>	<p>£25 Million TOT.</p>	<p>The Scottish Government's COVID-19 Ventilation Fund will help businesses improve ventilation and air quality on their premises to help reduce the risk of coronavirus (COVID-19) transmission.</p> <p>Further details to be announced. Visit</p>



		<a href="https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/business-ventilation-fund">https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/business-ventilation-fund</a>
<b>December and January Business Support Top Up HOSPITALITY</b>  <b>OPEN</b>	Part of £21 million Top-up funding announced	In line with the commitment to sustainable and inclusive growth and the Coronavirus (COVID-19) fair work statement, we have allocated funding to support businesses in the hospitality sector who have lost bookings during this key trading period.  Local authorities will make contact between now and the end of January for businesses where they already hold sufficient data to contact the business owner and confirm the additional eligibility required.  More: <a href="https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-december-and-january-business-support-top-up-hospitality-information-for-businesses/">https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-december-and-january-business-support-top-up-hospitality-information-for-businesses/</a>
<b>December and January Business Support Top Up WEDDING INDUSTRY</b>  <b>OPEN, closes late January 2022</b>	Part of £21 million Top-up funding announced	Eligible businesses that previously received support through the Scottish Wedding Industry Fund (SWIF) will receive a top-up payment and will be contacted directly, by email, week commencing 10 January 2022.  More: <a href="https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/december-and-january-business-support-top-up">https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/december-and-january-business-support-top-up</a>
<b>Emergency funding for Full-time private colleges and training providers</b>  <b>CURRENTLY OPEN</b>		There is currently an emergency hardship fund open to SAAS funded students. You must be studying full-time at a private provider of higher education in Scotland or the rest of the UK.  They fund many full-time undergraduate courses at approved Scottish private colleges and training providers. Eligible students can apply for the same living cost support as any student attending a publicly funded college or university.  Read more: <a href="https://www.saas.gov.uk/guides/private-colleges-and-training-providers">https://www.saas.gov.uk/guides/private-colleges-and-training-providers</a>
<b>Extra hardship payments for students</b>  <b>CURRENTLY OPEN</b>		Students experiencing hardship as a result of coronavirus (COVID-19) will be supported by £20 million of Scottish Government funding.  You should apply to the funding/support team at your college or university.  Their student support services will assess the hardship payments, including how much is available. They may give priority for some students based on their needs.  Read more: <a href="https://www.studentinformation.gov.scot/coronavirus/extra-hardship-payments-for-students">https://www.studentinformation.gov.scot/coronavirus/extra-hardship-payments-for-students</a>
<b>Funding for Scottish Frontline Drug Services</b>  <b>NO DEADLINE ANNOUNCED</b>	£50 million TOT.	The Local Support Fund – Micro Grants, is focused on small community-based groups which deliver frontline services to support people who use or used drugs, people in recovery and families affected by someone else's drug use.



		<p>This vital support is often delivered with very limited funding which means that small groups can be stretched to their limits. In some cases, the pandemic will have put more of a strain on finances, making it even harder to provide support for people and families when they most need it.</p> <p>This fund is designed to help these groups by providing grants which will offer some financial security for planning and delivering support to improve the wellbeing of both people who use drugs and their families.</p> <p>Find out more and apply: <a href="https://www.corra.scot/grants/drugs-services-funds/">https://www.corra.scot/grants/drugs-services-funds/</a></p>
<b>Interest free Digital Development Loan</b>	No closing date announced yet	<p>Digital Development Loans let eligible businesses registered or based in Scotland borrow anywhere from £5000 to £100,000. The funds can be used to improve the digital capacity, digital capability or digital skills of your workforce.</p> <p>Read more: <a href="https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/interest-free-digital-development-loan?utm_campaign=1030290_FindBusinessSupport%20%E2%80%93%20Covid-19%20and%20other%20public%20sector%20guidance%20%E2%80%93%20Updates%20266&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_source=Scottish%20Enterprise&amp;dm_i=4X7B,M2Z6,4K6K1E,2NVA7,1">https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/interest-free-digital-development-loan?utm_campaign=1030290_FindBusinessSupport%20%E2%80%93%20Covid-19%20and%20other%20public%20sector%20guidance%20%E2%80%93%20Updates%20266&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_source=Scottish%20Enterprise&amp;dm_i=4X7B,M2Z6,4K6K1E,2NVA7,1</a></p>
<b>January Business Support Top Up - Hospitality and Leisure</b>  <b>OPEN, closes late January 2022</b>	Up to £3,150 per eligible business	<p>The January Business Support Top Up - Hospitality and Leisure will provide a one-off payment to support businesses in Scotland that were affected by the requirements for physical distancing and capacity limits that came into force from 27 December 2021 due to COVID-19.</p> <p>Eligible businesses that previously received support through the Strategic Framework Business Fund will be contacted directly by their local authority.</p> <p>Eligible businesses include public houses, restaurants, Cafes, music venues, arts facilities, sports facilities and more.</p> <p>Read more: <a href="https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/january-business-support-top-up-hospitality-and-leisure?fbclid=IwAR2A44bOr7MLzQbq5OSR9Kfjw7K-ssa_bjYlbPw3xYZ94iTRv3AzKjvK">https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/funding/january-business-support-top-up-hospitality-and-leisure?fbclid=IwAR2A44bOr7MLzQbq5OSR9Kfjw7K-ssa_bjYlbPw3xYZ94iTRv3AzKjvK</a></p>
<b>Market and Festival Attendance Fund</b>		<p>During this period of Covid-related restrictions on travel, the Market and Festivals Fund will only be open for writers, directors and producers taking part in online events. Whilst this means that costs for travel and accommodation cannot be included in an application, costs such as accreditation and access costs including childcare are eligible.</p> <p>This will be reviewed on an ongoing basis in line with guidance from the Scottish Government.</p>



		<p>This fund aims to support the continued development of a skilled and diverse screen workforce, fostering real professional opportunities and sustainable careers by supporting the professional and creative development of both emerging and established filmmaking talent, and promoting their work and Scottish filmmaking internationally.</p> <p>Find out more: <a href="https://www.screen.scot/funding-and-support/screen-scotland-funding/market-and-festival-attendance-fund?utm_campaign=834941_FindBusinessSupport%20-%20COVID-19%20-%20Updates%20199&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_source=Scottish%20Enterprise&amp;dm_i=4X7B,HW8T,4K6K1E,24A8I,1">https://www.screen.scot/funding-and-support/screen-scotland-funding/market-and-festival-attendance-fund?utm_campaign=834941_FindBusinessSupport%20-%20COVID-19%20-%20Updates%20199&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_source=Scottish%20Enterprise&amp;dm_i=4X7B,HW8T,4K6K1E,24A8I,1</a></p>
<b>Mentor Scheme to improve life chances for young people announced</b>	£19.4 million TOT.	<p>A £19.4 million Scottish Government fund will support a six year mentoring programme to help young people reach their full potential.</p> <p>MCR Pathways charity will roll out its successful Young Scottish Talent mentoring programme and social enterprise and charity Columba 1400 will expand its values-based Leadership Academy for Young People, working in partnership to improve education outcomes, career opportunities and life chances.</p> <p>Education Secretary John Swinney said:  “Our young people have endured an extremely challenging 12 months coping with the disruption to school life caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. For some young people, this period has impacted them disproportionately, which is why we have introduced the young person’s guarantee.</p> <p>Find out more: <a href="https://buff.ly/3cwTOfx">https://buff.ly/3cwTOfx</a></p>
<b>National drugs mission funds: guidance</b>	£18 million TOT.	<p>Information and guidance for the National Drugs Mission Funds to reduce drug related deaths and harms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service Improvement Fund: £5 million has been allocated to continue the Improvement Fund, launched earlier this year. To provide improved services for outreach, treatment, rehabilitation and after care;</li> <li>• Local Support Fund: £5 million has been allocated to continue the Grassroots Fund, launched earlier this year. To provide access to funding for a wide range of communities and grassroots organisations which support the aims of the national mission;</li> <li>• Recovery Fund: £5 million has been allocated to support access to residential rehabilitation by providing additional residential rehabilitation capacity, support people to access residential rehabilitation and support people after they leave</li> </ul>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>residential rehabilitation;</li> <li>Children and Families Fund: £3 million has been allocated to improve support for children, young people and families impacted by drug use, and ensure all children, young people and families have access to services.</li> </ul> <p>Find out more: <a href="https://www.gov.scot/publications/national-drugs-mission-funds-guidance/">https://www.gov.scot/publications/national-drugs-mission-funds-guidance/</a></p>
<b>Scotland's Creative Digital Initiative</b>	£1 million TOT.	<p>The Creative Digital Initiative will help the sector develop digital capabilities in response to the limitations imposed by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.</p> <p>The programme includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>grants for creative businesses to build their digital capacity</li> <li>courses to increase confidence in digital understanding</li> <li>workshops and mentoring for artists and cultural organisations</li> </ul> <p>Culture Secretary Fiona Hyslop said: "The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way we work and creative and cultural businesses in particular have shown great innovation over the last year, exploring new ways to reach out to and engage with people.</p> <p>"This programme will provide support to small and medium-sized creative and cultural businesses to help them continue to build their digital capacity and provide the tools needed to respond to the limitations they currently face.</p> <p>Read more: <a href="https://buff.ly/3fnpyW5">https://buff.ly/3fnpyW5</a> and <a href="https://digitalfunding.xponorth.co.uk/details">https://digitalfunding.xponorth.co.uk/details</a></p>
<b>SME Loan (For installation of heating renewables &amp; energy efficiency measures within premises)</b>	£26 million TOT.	<p>The fund is funded by the Scottish Government to support small and medium sized enterprises in reducing their energy and resource costs.</p> <p>Find out more &amp; Apply: <a href="https://energy.zerowastescotland.org.uk/SMELoan">https://energy.zerowastescotland.org.uk/SMELoan</a></p> <p>Contact Stuart at Climate Kind Energy if you require help with your application <a href="http://www.climatekindenergy.com">www.climatekindenergy.com</a></p>
<b>Victim Surcharge Fund</b> <b>OPEN, CLOSING 14<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>JANUARY 2022</b>		<p>This fund aims to enable victim support organisations (VSOs) to provide practical support for victims of crime, as well as prescribed relatives, across Scotland.</p> <p>Funding should be used to complement practical and emotional support VSOs already offered to victims. It should supplement and enhance support services, mitigating the negative experience of being a victim of crime and be beneficial for the victim or their family.</p>



		Read more: <a href="https://www.gov.scot/publications/victim-surcharge-fund-guidance/pages/1/">https://www.gov.scot/publications/victim-surcharge-fund-guidance/pages/1/</a>
<b>The Women Returners Programme</b>		<p>The Women Returners Programme has been set up to help you restart your career following a period of absence. It's free for women over the age of 25. It is only available to people living in Scotland.</p> <p>You must have worked before your career break and have been out of work for 6 months or longer. You may have been out of work due to childcare, health or caring commitments. The programme will support your journey back to work.</p> <p>More at: <a href="https://careers.myworldofwork.co.uk/career-advice/get-advice-based-on-your-situation/women-returners-programme">https://careers.myworldofwork.co.uk/career-advice/get-advice-based-on-your-situation/women-returners-programme</a></p>

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