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The Henry Smith Charity

The Henry Smith Charity has refined its grants programme to reduce social and economic disadvantage. It now stand as follows:

- Improving Lives Fund - grants of between £20,000 and £60,000 to charitable organisations that help people when other sources of support have failed, are inappropriate or are simply not available
- Strengthening Communities Fund - grants of between £20,000 and £60,000 to support small charitable organisations working at grassroots level in the most disadvantaged areas of the UK
- Holiday Grants for Children - grants of up to £2,500 for recreational trips and holidays for groups of children aged 13 and under in the UK who are disabled or disadvantaged
- Christian Projects - grants for projects that explicitly promote the Christian faith in the UK
- County Grants - grants of up to £20,000 for smaller organisations working with disadvantaged people and communities in one of eight English counties, which includes Kent

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

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

KCC Early Help and Preventative Services District Based Grant

Grants of between £500 and £13,500 are available to non-profit organisations that have projects, innovative ideas or work streams that support meeting the local priorities for Children and Young People.

Proposals may be for seasonal activities, annual programs, events or organisational development. The activity must take place in Kent and all funding must be used specifically for the proposed projects. Funding is not available for core organisational funding.

Deadline: 3rd January 2018 (Midday)

For more information: <https://tinyurl.com/yba6agd5>
(email) commissioningchildrens@kent.gov.uk

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News and Events

NVCO - Autumn Budget 2017: Key Points for Charities

The National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NVCO) has issued a statement following the Government Autumn Budget 2017 announcement 22nd November. See link below.

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y7tvvbxo>

Stronger Kent Communities - Improving Your Grant Applications

This half-day course is designed for those working in the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) sector in Kent (excluding Medway) who need to begin or improve their applications to grant-making trusts and/or National Lottery funders. Course content:

- What is a grant-making trust? (overview of the sector)
- Why do applications fail?
- Principles and planning for trust fundraising
- How to research grant-making trusts
- Getting evidence of need and outcomes
- Writing the application
- Dos and don'ts of trust fundraising

Course date:

- 12th December 2017 (Herne Bay)

Each course costs just £10 (including VAT). You can book your course and pay (on Eventbrite's

secure payment system). Training organised by West Kent Communities working on behalf of the Stronger Kent Communities consortium.

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/yc9ue7kj>

Arts

Youth Music Programme

Grants of up to £30,000 are available to registered charities or not-for-profit organisations (including schools) for music-making projects that increase the number of children and young people across England that have the opportunity to take part in high quality musical activities.

Imminent Deadline: 8th December 2017

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/qak3sb8>

Help Musicians UK - Transmission Fund

Grants of up to £1,500 to enable professional musicians to access creative and professional development opportunities both in the UK and internationally, as well as supporting formal and time limited training and mentoring opportunities. Travel, accommodation and access costs relating to the above can also be supported.

Deadline: 5th January 2018, 30th March 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9bruvu5>

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KCC Funding Contacts

The following are contacts within Kent County Council who can offer funding advice:

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Shirley Smith	European funding	shirley.smith@kent.gov.uk
Arts Development	Non-profit arts projects, activities & organisations	arts@kent.gov.uk
Community Liaison Officers	Combined Members Grant	Please refer to page 25 for contact information for each Community Liaison Officer

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The John Brabourne Awards

Awards of between £1,000 and £5,000 are available to support up-and-coming talented individuals to further their career in the UK film, commercial television and cinema industries. An award can cover costs including production and development finance, post production and festival distribution, living/travel expenses, childcare, etc. Between eight and twelve awards will be made.

Deadline: 31st January 2018

For more information:
<http://jbawards.org.uk/>

Help Musicians UK - The Fusion Fund

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for professional musicians to undertake UK-based projects that develop and test new work, ideas or potential career directions through inspiring periods of collaborative research and development.

Applicants may include costs for the following: venue and rehearsal space, recording, travel, access, accommodation costs, subsistence, fees for musicians, artists or collaborators time to allow for the project to happen. Any other reasonable costs associated with the project will be considered.

Deadline: 23rd February 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y95v96ul>

Sky Arts - Art 50: Post Brexit Britain - Who Are We?

Grants of up to £50,000 for UK-based artists, from all walks of life and genres, to create a piece of work which says something important and passionate about what it means to be British when the country leaves the European Union. Funding is for artists to make a piece of theatre/dance/music/film/art/collage that responds to the question. Works should be bold and provocative.

Deadline: 12th January 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y93v2usw>

Arts Council - Grants for the Arts

Grants from £1,000 to £100,000 are available for individuals and art organisations to support a wide variety of arts-related activities, from dance to visual arts, literature to theatre, music to combined arts.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/zbg8exk>

Business and Employment

Community Business Bright Ideas Fund

Grants are available to help community groups set up their own business and carry out the necessary consultations with local people and feasibility studies to develop a community business idea the community wants and needs. Two levels of funding are available:

- Ideas stage – grants of between £1,000 and £10,000
- Pre-venture stage – grants of between £1,000 and £15,000

Previous projects include community transport schemes, community café's, community education and community food clubs.

Imminent Deadline: 1st December 2017

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9c9f9c5>

Kent Community Fund - Employability, Skills and Enterprise

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to organisations for projects that raise the aspirations and increase the skills and opportunities of people who are far from the labour market due to a range of challenging circumstances that can present barriers to employment.

This may include young people/NEETs, young parents, ex-offenders, ex-forces, those with financial barriers to gaining training, and those with learning disabilities, mental health issues or

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Councils for Voluntary Service in Kent & other organisations

The following are organisations within Kent who can offer fundraising support to community and voluntary groups including advice and on-going project support:

<p>Stronger Kent Communities A new consortium to deliver capacity building, volunteering support and improving communication and networking in Kent's Voluntary and Community Sector.</p>	<p>Tel: 01227 467230 Email: info@strongerkentcommunities.org.uk Internet: http://tinyurl.com/y9op56jn</p>
<p>Action with Communities in Rural Kent (ACRK) Covers: Rural Kent</p>	<p>Tel: 01303 813790 Email: info@ruralkent.org.uk Internet: www.ruralkent.org.uk</p>
<p>CVSNWK Covers: Dartford, Gravesham, Swanley (North West Kent)</p>	<p>Tel: 01474 354479 Internet: www.cvsnwk.org</p>
<p>Funding For All Mentors VSC organisations/groups across Kent (and Medway) in bid writing skills, funding strategy, business planning, tendering, etc.</p>	<p>Internet: http://www.fundingforall.org.uk/</p>
<p>Imago (formerly VAWK) Covers: Kent and Medway</p>	<p>Tel: 01892 530330 Internet: http://www.imago.community/</p>
<p>Involve (formerly Voluntary Action Maidstone) Covers: Maidstone</p>	<p>Tel: 01622 677337 Email: office@involvekent.org.uk Internet: www.involvekent.org.uk/home</p>
<p>Kent CAN Supports voluntary community and social enterprise sectors across Kent and Medway</p>	<p>Tel: 01622 677614 Internet: http://www.kentcan.org/</p>
<p>Kent Community Foundation A charitable foundation set up to encourage philanthropy for the benefit of the people of Kent</p>	<p>Tel: 01303 814 500 Internet: http://www.kentcf.org.uk/</p>
<p>Kent and Medway Growth Hub - Ask Phil A service for business that needs information on grants, funding and free business advice</p>	<p>Internet: http://tinyurl.com/yafhg22h</p>
<p>KM Charity Team Organises collaborative fundraising events that can be used by any cause to support their fundraising. Events include KM Abseil Challenge, KM Charity Walk. Manages annual application process for KM Charity of the Year.</p>	<p>Internet: http://www.kmcharityteam.co.uk/</p>
<p>Red Zebra Community Solutions (formerly CASE Kent and East Kent Voluntary Action Support) Covers: Kent & Medway</p>	<p>Telephone: 01227 772248 Email: info@redzebra.org.uk Internet: http://www.redzebra.org.uk</p>
<p>Swale Community & Voluntary Services</p>	<p>Tel: 01795 473828 Email: office@swalecvs.co.uk Internet: www.swalecvs.org.uk</p>

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LEADER: Kent Downs and Marshes & East Kent

Grants of between £2,500 and £50,000 are available to rural businesses, farmers, foresters, growers, landowners, environmental organisations, cultural, heritage and community providers, as well as voluntary and charitable organisations to develop projects that will assist, strengthen and develop themselves and their local area. The emphasis of the Programme is on providing Jobs and Growth. To be successful, applications must also contribute to one or more of Defra's six priorities for LEADER, which are to:

- Increase farm productivity
- Support micro and small businesses and farm diversification
- Boost rural tourism
- Provide rural services
- Provide cultural and heritage activities
- Increase forestry productivity

Kent Downs and Marshes Leader covers the rural areas of Ashford, Maidstone, Medway, Swale (west of Faversham), and the Romney Marshes. East Kent Leader covers parts of Swale, Canterbury, Thanet, Dover, Shepway and Ashford.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme (grants are available until December 2019)

For more information: <https://www.leaderprogrammekent.org/>

physical disabilities. Kent Community Foundation would like to hear from projects that:

- Provide accredited training for the disadvantaged
- Provide meaningful work experience
- Run life skills/employment skills workshops
- Run a social enterprise, employing and training those who need it most, using profits to further their charitable/social objectives
- Strategic projects which aim to prevent young people becoming NEET
- Create apprenticeships for disadvantaged young people

The Foundation is particularly interested in projects that are volunteer-led or make good use of volunteers to support their work, and initiatives that are rooted within the local community and led by local people responding to local need.

Imminent Deadline: 30th November 2017, 23rd February 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/gtwghmf>

The Start-up Challenge Business Competition

Aspiring entrepreneurs aged 16–30 years old, are being invited to take part in an opportunity to win up to £10,000 investment to start their own business or grow an existing one. To enter the competition, applicants submit as short business proposal. Shortlisted candidates will be invited to a Dragons' Den style online pitch. A panel of judges will vote on the best pitches and the entrepreneur(s) with the best idea will be invited to go through to the a Youngtrepreneurs Boot Camp, where they will meet the other finalists, be taught by leading entrepreneurs on business start-up and go through enterprise challenges.

Deadline: 17th December 2017

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ya3ylcdb>

Young Start-up Talent

Young Start-up Talent is a community-based project aimed at young entrepreneurs aged between 16 and 25 years old, who are looking to start their own business. Initially launched in the

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South East Business Boost (SEBB)

Grants of up to £10,000 (and support and guidance) are available to businesses in **Kent & Medway** to help boost companies and increase employment. The aim of the scheme is to improve business resilience, profitability and competitiveness. The programme will provide 'growth grants' to local businesses, creating new jobs and 'new to the firm' products. It will also support 'pre-start' companies and 'start-up' companies. Grant funding from SEBB may be used to cover the following types of expenditure:

- Business Development: funding required enabling expansion of the business (for example, new technology and related processes)
- Plant, Machinery & Equipment: costs of and installation of machinery and hardware, and training required to operate it
- Intangible Items: including costs of purchasing new IT software and training

The programme can fund up to 30% of the cost of qualifying projects. Certain sectors are not eligible - please check.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information: <http://tinyurl.com/k523ag7>

Gatwick Diamond region in 2010, the scheme is available across four counties in the South of England, including London, Kent, Hampshire and Sussex. A £50,000 prize fund in each county is available, consisting of business products and services.

Deadline: 22nd December 2017

For more information:
<http://youngstartuptalent.co.uk/about/>

Horizon 2020 - Supporting Experimentation in Innovation Agencies

Grants are available to incentivise innovation agencies to engage more in policy experimentation and to use RCTs (Randomised Controlled Trials) to evaluate the impact of their schemes, and to encourage "innovating the innovation support system" through brand new schemes or significantly improved ones. Two types of grants to innovation agencies are available:

- Strand 1: A fixed lump sum of €60,000 for small-scale experimental pilot projects
- Strand 2: €300,000 - €500,000 for large-scale experimental pilot projects

Deadline: 27th March 2018 (first stage of a two stage application process)

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ybyas5c4>

RDPE Countryside Productivity Improving Farm Productivity Grants

Grants are available to farmers in England for projects which improve productivity in the farming and forestry sectors and help create jobs and growth in the rural economy. The scheme will support:

- The use of robotic equipment to aid crop and livestock production
- Increasing the use of renewable energy produced on farm by improving energy storage and distribution
- The use of LED wavelength controlled lighting to aid crop production
- More efficient use of livestock slurries and manures, and digestate

Deadline: 3rd December 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9hod5u5>

Vulcanus in Japan Programme

Grants are available to students of engineering or science, and aims to contribute to the improvement and stimulation of industrial cooperation and to better mutual understanding between Japan and the EU. Students will:

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KCC - Combined Members Grants

Kent County Councillors (also known as Members) have grants available to support a wide range of community initiatives, including:

- Local events and activities
- Purchase or repair of equipment and furniture
- Promotional materials and website creation/redesign
- Mentoring support to assist local groups to become more sustainable
- Sports projects
- Community safety schemes
- Small-scale pilot projects

Grants are available to properly-constituted organisations – such as voluntary and community groups, societies and charities, social enterprises and parish/town councils – for projects that benefit local communities. Members may jointly support a project where it benefits more than one area/community.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme until the funding is spent

For more information: <http://tinyurl.com/q83zif3>

- Study the range of advanced technologies employed by a leading Japanese company
- Learn Japanese and understand and appreciate Japanese culture with a view to an enriching one-year experience abroad
- Be well placed in a future career to interact with Japanese businesses and people

Grants cover the cost of travel to and from Japan and living expenses in Japan. The language course, seminar and accommodation is provided free of charge.

Deadline: 20th January 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y72bhw5t>

spaces within religious buildings, Scout or Girlguiding buildings

- Outdoor spaces: e.g. public parks, nature reserves, community gardens, footpaths, bridleways or cycle-paths
- Play and recreation: e.g. play areas, skate parks, Multi Use Games Areas (MUGAs), sports grounds, pavilions or changing rooms

Projects must be open to the wider general public for at least 104 days a year.

Imminent Deadline: 30th November 2017, 1st March 2018

For more information:
<http://www.veoliatrust.org/funding>

Community

Veolia Environmental Trust

Grants of up to £75,000 are available to projects located within the proximity of a qualifying Veolia site (use the Veolia Postcode Checker to confirm this). Funding is available for:

- Community buildings and rooms: e.g. community centres, village halls, community

KCC Village and Community Hall Grants

Grants are available for local communities to improve an existing hall or build a new hall. Projects supported by the scheme include:

- Building an extension
- Building a new hall
- Improved facilities for disabled and older

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people

- Upgrade of toilets/kitchens
- Replacement windows and heating systems
- A new roof
- Improved insulation

The scheme is open to village halls and community centres that are managed by a registered charity. A grant is conditional upon match funding.

Deadline: 31st December 2017

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/ydxqhmu3>

ACRE - Rural Community Buildings Loan Fund

Loans are available for helping community groups renovate, refurbish and construct buildings such as village halls, church halls and community centres. The average loan taken out by hall committees is around £15,000 – but larger loans are considered.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/mx7o7lp>

Biffa Awards - Recreation and Community Buildings

Grants of between £10,000 and £75,000 are available to improve community spaces and places for outdoor recreation (green spaces, woodland walks, play areas, sports facilities). The project must be located within 5 miles of a significant Biffa operation or within 10 miles of an active Biffa Landfill site. You can check this using the Postcode Checker on the Biffa Awards website. The project's site must also be within 10 miles of any licensed landfill site (visit the Environment Agency website). The total cost of the project should be less than £200,000 and there must be a minimum of 104 days of full public access to the project per year.

Deadline: 28th February 2018 (Recreation and Community Buildings), 15th July 2018 (Community Buildings)

For more information:

<http://www.biffa-award.org/>

SUEZ Communities Trust

Grants of up to £50,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations for improvements to local community facilities, historic buildings and structures, sport and recreation facilities. Projects must be located within three miles of a qualifying SUEZ UK waste treatment site and within three miles of a licensed landfill site (this can be any landfill site, not just those owned by SUEZ UK) - use the Suez Postcode Checker to confirm this. All projects must have unrestricted public access for a minimum of 104 days.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://www.suezcommunitiestrust.org.uk/>

Cole Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for small local registered charities undertaking projects for social and community work in Greater Birmingham, Cambridgeshire and **Kent**. Funding is available for work in the following areas:

- Social welfare, all age groups
- Housing/homelessness
- Community and environmental development
- Opportunities for young people
- Promotion of improved quality of life
- Personal or community empowerment

Deadline: 16th March 2018

For more information:

<http://www.colecharitabletrust.org.uk/>

Coalfields Community Investment Programme (Dover)

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to projects taking place in eligible wards within **Dover (Aylesham, Middle Deal & Sholden and Mill Hill)** that make a positive difference in addressing the following themes:

- Skills: Growing the skills of people in order to increase their opportunities
- Employment: Developing pathways to increase the number of people in work

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- Health: Supporting projects that increase participation in activities/services that improve the health and wellbeing of people in former coalfield communities

Deadline: 15th December 2017 (eligibility survey required by 8th December 2017)

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/hmc26yr>

Wilkinson (Wilko) - Helping Hands

Each Wilko store has a small budget to support local community groups and projects. If you need a small raffle prize or pot of paint or even something a little bigger, visit your local store and pick up an application form from the customer service desk.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/zfkpcg9>

Screwfix Foundation

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to UK registered charities for projects that fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and community facilities for those in need across the UK.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/k7287or>

Golding Homes - Community Chest Fund (Maidstone)

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for community organisations to run activities and deliver projects that will benefit their local community in the Maidstone and the surrounding areas where Golding Homes' properties are located. Examples of projects that can be supported include:

- Equipment for clubs or community groups
- Projects to engage young people
- Sports and leisure activities
- Skills training

Deadline: 1st January 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/jgj7aee>

Cobtree Charity Trust (Maidstone)

Grants are available for charitable organisations undertaking social welfare projects in Maidstone. The scheme aims to fund a wide range of projects, including those focusing on:

- Elderly people
- Young people
- People with disabilities

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
cobtreecharitytrust@outlook.com (email)

Conversation and Environment

Grow Wild Community Project Funding

Grants of up to £4,000 are available to groups and projects working on activities to connect communities and celebrate UK native wildflowers, plants and fungi. Projects must be working with one or more of the following target groups:

- Young people aged 12-18
- Students and young people aged 18-25
- People living in urban areas
- People experiencing disadvantage and reduced access to services
- Adults that are less engaged with their community and environmental activities

Deadline: 15th January 2017

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9mbxcop>

Kent Community Foundation - The Phillips Fund

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for a wide variety of projects which benefit the community and landscape. Examples of projects include: community garden projects, regeneration of hedgerows or village ponds, creation of wildflower meadows or new native woodlands, planting of native trees and hedging regeneration and restoration of local habitats. The fund will consider funding the cost of planting hedges, saplings, seeds etc. but the capital cost of equipment

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Community Trees Fund

Grants of between £100 and £700 will be available to groups wishing to carry out tree planting projects from 4th December 2017. The programme funds trees of appropriate species, size and numbers. The eligibility criteria in 2017 included:

- Applications must be made on behalf of a community group which must be a charity/not for profit organisation.
- Children under the age of 16 years must be actively involved in the planting process
- Planting must take place on publicly accessible land, usually in public or charity ownership
- The community group must be able to raise 25% of planting costs
- Hedge plants, willow and retrospective costs will not be funded

Deadline: 31st March 2018 (the scheme opens on 4th December 2017)

For more information: <http://www.treecouncil.org.uk/Grants>

should not be a major part of the application.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/ydady5w5>

Stanley Smith (UK) Horticultural Trust

Grants of up to £4,000 are available to charities and voluntary organisations for projects that are of significance to horticulture, gardening or botany with a strong horticultural element.

Typical projects are as follows:

- Gardeners' training schemes run by appropriate organisations (but not to individuals)
- Restoring gardens of historic interest
- Developing new gardens for public access
- Exhibitions, book publications, research and educational programmes relating to horticulture
- Expeditions to collect and protect plants of scientific and horticultural value
- Study-visits by horticulturists or botanists with strong horticultural links

Deadline: 15th February 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/434ewl5>

Faith and Places of Worship

National Churches Trust - Community and Repair Grants

Grants are available for places of worship of any Christian denomination in the UK through the following programmes:

- Community Grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 for projects that have an estimated cost of at least £25,000. The grants are for projects which introduce facilities to enable increased community use of places of worship. All types of community projects will be considered, but should include toilets or catering facilities
- Repair Grants of between £5,000 and £40,000 to help with the cost of urgent and essential structural repair projects with estimated costs of at least £100,000

In addition there are micro grants of £2,000 for churches awarded a Community Grant to set up a social action project that meets the needs of local people.

Deadline: 5th March 2018 and 2nd July 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yyszqlpn>

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First World War: Then and Now

Grants of between £3,000 to £10,000 are available for community projects that explore, conserve and share the heritage of the First World War. The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) want to fund projects that enable communities (geographic, cultural or those linked by experience or interest) to understand more about the heritage of the First World War and that make a difference for a wide range of people.

In particular, HLF would like to help young people aged 11-25 to take an active part in the Centenary commemorations. The outcome that HLF value the most is that 'people will have learnt about heritage.'

The programme has a short application form and is suitable for everyone, including first time applicants.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information: <https://tinyurl.com/he5ee3w>

National Churches Trust - Project Development Grants

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to help churches in the UK develop high quality sustainable repair and community projects. The grants are likely to assist with the cost of staff time such as a project manager or a professional advisor, and/or to produce a report that will help progress the project plans to a stage where they can be considered by large grant-giving bodies and to meet RIBA stage 1 requirements. Places of worship of any Christian denomination can apply.

Deadline: 10th January 2018, 25th April 2018 and 29th August 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/mb2rqup>

National Churches Trust - Partnership Grant Programme

Grants of between £2,500 and £10,000 are available to local churches trusts for urgent repair projects (with estimated costs of between £10,000 and £100,000). The place of worship should open to the public, beyond worship, for a minimum of 40 days a year, in line with other grant-giving bodies. In addition, at least three members of the congregation must join the Friends of the National Churches Trust for a minimum of three years.

Deadline: In 2018, but not yet specified

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y7r5st52>

National List of Charitable Grants for Churches

The Church of England's National Stewardship & Resources Team has produced a booklet for fundraisers that has 6 funding categories relevant to your church, as well as useful websites and organisations to contact. The list was last updated in May 2017.

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ybf6xbtv>

General

Comic Relief - Tech for Good 2018

Grants of up to £47,000 are available for not-for-profit organisations based in the UK for proposals to develop or scale web, mobile or internet based technologies which deliver new or improved services to beneficiaries. Projects should focus on any of Comic Relief's four strategy themes:

- Investing in Children and Young People

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Lord's Taverners Accessible Minibuses

Lord's Taverners give minibuses to provide vital mobility for youngsters with special needs and or a disability to enable them to engage and participate in sporting activities. Each minibus is custom designed and costs in the region of £61,000. Applications will be considered from schools/organisations that cater for young people under the age of 25 who have a physical/sensory/learning disability.

Deadline: Not specified

For more information: <http://www.lordstaverners.org>

- Empowering Women and Girls
- Building Stronger Communities
- Improving Health and Wellbeing

A wide range of digital interventions will be considered but must be focused on specific user needs in their design, delivery and development.

Deadline: 20th December 2017

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y7rvewvp>

British and Foreign School Society

Grants are available for UK registered charities to advance educational opportunities for children and young people up to the age of 25 years in remote or impoverished areas of the UK and around the world. Priority will be given to projects:

- Which widen educational access and opportunity and reduce the barriers to achievement
- In areas of deprivation or educational disadvantage, including areas that have suffered some form of natural disaster

Deadline: 18th December 2017

For more information:
<http://www.bfss.org.uk/grants/>

Polden-Puckham Charitable Foundation

Grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 per year (for up to three years) are available to charities, for pioneering and practical projects that ad-

dress the Foundation's main areas of interest which are:

- Peace and Security - the development of ways of resolving violent conflicts peacefully, and of addressing their underlying causes
- Environmental Sustainability - work that addresses the pressures and conditions that risk global environmental breakdown.

Deadline: 9th February 2018

For more information:
<https://www.polden-puckham.org.uk/>

Royal British Legion - External Grants

Grants of up to £50,000 are available for charitable organisations to carry out projects that benefit ex-Armed Service personnel and their families. Projects must address at least one of the following themes:

- Employment and training
- Support for families
- Homelessness and outreach
- Supporting the elderly

Funding can cover project costs, capital costs and service costs.

Deadline: 26th January 2017

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y93d7rd7>

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Astor of Hever Trust

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for registered charities in **Kent** (or the Grampian area of Scotland) for projects in the following fields: arts, medicine, religion, education, conservation, youth and sport, with preference given to local youth organisations, medical research and educational programmes.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
astorofhevertrust@btinternet.com (email)

Garfield Weston Foundation

Grants are available for a wide range of projects in the areas of welfare, youth, community, arts, faith, environment, education, health and museums and heritage. Funding is available for the following areas:

- Capital Costs - such as a building project, repairs, equipment etc.
- Revenue/Core Costs - this funding is unlikely to be more than approximately 10–20% of the organisation's total annual income
- Project Costs - funding for a very specific project or activity and would include all the costs involved in delivering the project, including staff costs and a reasonable percentage of overheads if relevant

The Foundation recommends that the applicant has around half of its funding identified before applying

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://garfieldweston.org/>

Turn2us Grants Search

The Turn2us Grants Search is a free to use database which contains details of over 3,000 charitable funds that give grants and other support to **individuals** who may either:

- Be in financial need and have welfare needs, or
- Require help with the costs associated with education and training courses

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/neefgun>

Health and Disability

Family Fund Trust for Families with Severely Disabled Children

Grants are available to help families in the UK who care for severely disabled young people up to the age of 17. To meet the Family Fund definition of severe disability, children and young people must have additional complex needs or have a serious or life-threatening illness.

There must be evidence that the child's additional needs impact on the family's choices and their opportunity to enjoy ordinary life. The fund gives awards for a wide range of activities, services and products, to enable families to enjoy everyday life.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://www.familyfund.org.uk/>

Boshier-Hinton Foundation

Grants of typically up to £5,000 are available for charities in the UK working with children and adults with special educational or other needs, and their families. Requests to support projects which are innovative and developmental are particularly welcomed.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9u97wjl>

Alcohol Research UK - Research Innovation Grants

Grants of up to £75,000 are available for projects that address emerging issues in alcohol research, employ novel theoretical or methodological approaches, or pilot new work in treatment or service delivery.

Deadline: 16th January 2018

For more information:
<http://alcoholresearchuk.org/grants/>

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Guide to Disability Grants

Disability Grants is an online service that aims to provide free accessible information on grants to support disabled adults and parents/carers of disabled children.

For more information:
<https://www.disability-grants.org/>

Heritage

Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF) - Project Viability Grants

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for charities and social enterprises to carry out an initial assessment of whether it is viable to bring a historic building in the UK back into a sustainable use. Grants are for project development costs only and not for on-site capital works. Funding is available for any work that is essential for taking the project forward towards the goal of revitalising an historic building.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://ahfund.org.uk/grant/>

Museums and Heritage Awards for Excellence

The annual Museums and Heritage Awards are now open for entries to a total of eleven categories, covering all major aspects of the museums, galleries and heritage attractions sector in the UK. The awards ceremony will take place on 16th May 2018.

Deadline: 1st February 2018

For more information:
<http://awards.museumsandheritage.com/>

Swale Borough Council - Heritage Grants

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to support local, small scale community projects centred around improving Swale's heritage offer, maximising the opportunities available to residents and visitors.

Deadline: 31st March 2018

For more information:
<http://www.swale.gov.uk/heritage-grants>

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Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF) - Development Grants

Grants of up to £25,000 are available for not-for-profit organisations in the UK to cover some of the costs of developing and co-ordinating a building project and taking it towards the start of work on site. Grants are for project development costs only and not for on-site capital works. Funding can be used for any work that is essential for taking the project forward towards the goal of revitalising an historic building. Examples include of eligible expenditure include:

- Employment of a project co-ordinator
- Fees for consultants - such as architect, quantity surveyor, structural engineer, etc.
- Property valuation by a RICS registered valuer
- Fundraising consultants and/or costs associated with developing a capital bid
- Business planning consultants
- Costs of community engagement work, such as pop-up events, consultations
- Legal costs and VAT costs that cannot be reclaimed.
- Organisation's overheads/administration costs

Deadline: At any time for grants of up to £5,000; for grants more than £5,000 - 16th February 2018, 11th May 2018, 24 August 2018, 2nd November 2018

For more information: <http://ahfund.org.uk/grant/>

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Schools

Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants

Kellogg's has teamed up with Forever Manchester to award grants of £1,000 to school Breakfast Clubs, to help them provide breakfast to those children who need it most. You can apply for an award at any date and you will hear within one month if you have been successful. Please note the fund may close if oversubscribed.

Your Breakfast Club must be based in a school in England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland. A limited number of grants are available so priority will be given to schools that have 40% and above of children eligible for pupil premium funding.

Only one grant per school in each academic year is available.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ycozz8z5>

Andy Fanshawe Memorial Trust

Grants are available to fund projects that allow disadvantaged young people in the UK to take up opportunities to develop an exciting interest in the great outdoors. Eligible outdoor activities include walking, climbing, cycling, kayaking, sailing, horse riding and residential courses at outdoor centres. The scheme is open to schools and youth groups rather than individuals, but the Trust does occasionally fund an individual the committee feels would benefit from support.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://www.andyfanshawe.org>

Institute of Physics - School Grant Scheme

Grants of up to £600 are available for projects or events linked to the teaching or promotion of physics and engineering in schools and colleges based in the UK, catering for students in the age range five to 19.

Grants can be used to support a wide range of

projects. For example a school based science week activity or extracurricular activities such as a science club.

Deadline: 1st February 2018, 1st June 2018, 1st November 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/34zbem6>

Shell - Bright Ideas Challenge for Schools

Secondary school students, aged 11-14, have an opportunity to win prizes of up to £5,000 for their school by imagining what cities could look like in 2050, and how they will be powered. Prizes include:

- £2,500 National Champion Awards
- £1,500 Regional Winners
- £1,000 Finalists Awards
- £750 Mini-Prizes
- Science Museum Vouchers

Deadline: 27th April 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y85xowfi>

Social Inclusion

Triangle Trust 1949 Fund - Development Grants

Grants of up to £80,000 over three years are available for charities, not-for-profit social enterprises and community interest companies in the UK that are working to support unpaid carers. Any costs incurred by the applicant in undertaking its core business can be covered by the grant. The purpose of the Development Grant is to support the development of a solid foundation for the future. The application process is two-stage.

Deadline: 3rd May 2018 for organisations working with carers.

For more information:
<http://www.triangletrust.org.uk/>

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Feminist Review Trust

Grants of up to £15,000 are available for projects in the UK and internationally that transform the lives of women. The Trust particularly welcome applications from non-OECD countries in the following areas:

- Lesbian and transgender rights
- Violence against women and girls
- Disabled women and girls

Grants will support hard to fund projects, pump-priming, interventionist projects, training and development projects, one-off events, core funding and other projects.

Deadline: 31st January 2018

For more information:

<http://www.feminist-review-trust.com/>

Kent Community Foundation - Vulnerable Adults Theme

Grants up to £5,000 (up to £7,500 considered in exceptional circumstances) are available for local projects that address the challenges faced by elderly adults and support people to stay safe, well, healthy, independent and most importantly, combat social isolation. Those in our communities who are particularly vulnerable are: those with a learning difficulty, those with a physical disability, those living with a mental health issue, victims of abuse, care leavers, refugees and asylum seekers, carers. The fund would like to hear from projects that:

- Give vulnerable people the opportunity to socialise with others; combatting isolation and social barriers
- Provide life skills and work experience for adults with learning difficulties, physical disabilities, or mental health issues
- Protect and support victims of abuse
- Support carers who look after family members or loved ones at home, including offering respite or social activities for carers
- Integrate marginalised groups into the wider community

They are particularly interested in projects that are volunteer-led or make good use of volunteers to support their work, and initiatives that are rooted within the local community and led by local people responding to local need.

Imminent Deadline: 30th November, 23rd February 2018

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/zdl16yb>

Kent Community Foundation - Elderly & Isolated Adults Themed Fund

The Kent Community Foundation (KCF) are offering grants of up to £5,000 (£7,500 in exceptional circumstances) for local projects that address the challenges faced by the elderly, supporting people to stay well, healthy and independent and, most importantly, combat social isolation.

For example, the Foundation would like to hear from projects that:

- Give elderly people the opportunity to have regular social interaction
- Provide practical support to individuals living alone, such as one-to-one befriending schemes or transport services
- Provide intergenerational activities
- Enable older people to use their skills and experience to make a contribution to their communities
- Offer activities that encourage participation in sport and physical activity or opportunities to participate in arts

Imminent Deadline: 30th November 2017, 23rd February 2018

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/jwgsoo7>

Buttle UK - Families Programme

Grants of up to £300 are available for the purchase of essential items to meet the needs of children in the UK who living in severe poverty, suffering deprivation as a result and who are facing additional social issue. Support is restricted to the following:

- Children aged 18 years or under living with parents or carers
- Young people aged 20 years and under who are living independently who are estranged or orphaned

Funding is available for critical household items

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NESTA - ShareLab Fund

Grants of between £15,000 and £30,000 are available to individuals, early-stage legally-incorporated companies and charitable incorporated organisations for ideas that use collaborative digital platforms, e.g. apps or websites, to address social needs and relieve pressure on existing local public services in the UK. These platforms are likely to take the form of a web-based digital tool, such as an app or a website that helps find, connect or mobilise assets, time, skills, money, resources or people to address a social challenge. The ideas Nesta wishes to fund should be focused on preventing social problems from starting, from growing worse, or from creating follow-on needs. Example areas could include:

- Connecting the elderly
- Addressing transport poverty
- Sharing community resources
- Reducing waste and improving sustainability
- Supporting communities to help themselves
- Supporting people with low-level care needs
- Encouraging children to learn and play
- Addressing anxiety and mental health issues in young people
- Tackling homelessness

Deadline: 5th January 2018 (expression of interest)

For more information: <https://www.nesta.org.uk/sharelab-fund>

as follows: gas or electric cookers, essential household items, furniture and kitchen equipment, clothing in exceptional or emergency situations, baby equipment, fridges and freezers, washing machines, children's beds and bedding. Normally only one item can be considered per application. All applications must be made through an organisation that is supporting the family or young person .

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ybvjrrn1>

Lloyds Bank Foundation - Enable

Grants of up to £15,000 are available to strengthen charities and CIOs in England and Wales which work with people experiencing multiple disadvantage at one of the following critical points in their life:

- Offending
- Children and young people leaving a care situation

- People moving from community based or institutional care for mental ill health
- Unemployment
- Homelessness/vulnerably housed
- To independent living for those with a learning disability
- From dependency on alcohol, drugs, gambling
- From an abusive or exploitative relationship - domestic violence
- From trafficking or sexual exploitation
- To UK settlement - refugees and asylum seekers
- To parenthood for young parents
- Those taking on caring responsibilities
- For older people losing independence

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yaom6kc9>

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ERDF Calls in South East LEP Area

The European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) focuses on supporting business competitiveness, creating jobs, investment in research and innovation, and the low carbon economy. The South East Local Enterprise Partnership (SELEP) currently has three calls open for applications, against all three priority axes:

- **SME Support Call** - Grants from a minimum of £500,000 are available run a project enhancing the competitiveness of small and medium sized enterprises (SME) in the South East LEP area
- **Research and Innovation Call** - Grants from a minimum of £500,000 are available to run a project supporting research and innovation in the South East LEP area
- **Low Carbon Call** - Grants from a minimum of £500,000 are available for projects supporting the shift to a low carbon economy in the South East

Deadline: 26th January 2018

For more information: <http://www.southeastlep.com/european-funding/erdf>

Skidders' Benevolent Trust

Grants of up to £250 are available for individuals and families (through support agencies) who are in need of essential household items and reside in selected areas in England which include **West Kent and Romney Marsh (Kent part)**. The Trust's main priority is to help the following:

- Those living with mental health issues
- Those in recovery from substance/alcohol use
- Victims of domestic violence
- Those in receipt of a state retirement pension
- Those who have some kind of disability or chronic illness
- Families on a very low income

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ydemmpzt>

Tudor Trust

Grants are available to support smaller groups, embedded in their communities, which work directly with people who are on the edges of mainstream society in ways which encourage inclusion, integration and independence. Grants can be used for:

- Core organisational costs

- Project grants
- Capital grants for buildings or equipment
- Grants to help strengthen the organisation

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme. The Trust operates a two-stage application process.

For more information:
<http://tudortrust.org.uk/>

Family Action Welfare Grants

Grants are available for essential personal and household needs to assist families and individuals with low incomes, particularly those living on benefits. Grants that are available nationally:

- **Older People:** support to promote independence; improve the quality of life and isolation for those aged 60 and over
- **Sickness/Disability:** support to pay for disability aids that will benefit the applicant in their home. Funds are also available for medical treatment or to defray the expenses of convalescence and recuperation
- **Mental Health:** support for adults (over the age of 18) with a clinical diagnosis of a mental health problem
- **Domestic Abuse:** support for families or individuals who have recently experienced domestic abuse

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The average grant is in the region of £200 to a maximum of £300 in most cases. Grants of up to £500 can be made under the Sickness/Disability priority area. Applications are not accepted directly from individual members of the public. All applications must be made on-line by a suitable referring agency.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y77dtqsh>

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation

Grants of up to £50,000 are available to charitable organisations that are working to address local issues in areas of extreme urban deprivation, or in remote and fragile rural communities. There are several grant programmes:

- Small Grants of up to £6,000 for revenue costs such as core costs, salaries, overheads, project costs; one-off capital cost for new buildings, repairs and improvements, purchase of equipment
- Standard Grants of between £6,001 and £12,000 for revenue or one-off capital costs
- Large Grants of over £10,000 and up to £50,000 for one-off capital costs only
- Village halls and community centres can apply for capital grants of between £1,000 and £50,000 for new builds, repairs, improvements or extensions
- Hospices only can apply for capital grants of between £6,000 and £50,000 for new builds, repairs, improvements, extensions and equipment purchase

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/h5ru3xy>

Controlling Migration Fund

Grants are available to local authorities (including those in partnership with other public bodies and/or the voluntary sector) to support local areas facing pressures linked to recent immigration. The type of proposals that will be considered include:

- Activities to build community cohesion and encourage integration

- Tackling the increase in rough sleeping by non-UK nationals
- Tackling rogue landlords

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/zsedjn8>

Capacity Building for Community Sponsorship of Refugees

Grants are available for training and support of community groups that have expertise in refugee resettlement, to become community sponsors of vulnerable people fleeing conflict coming into the UK through the Government's Refugee Resettlement Programme. The scheme enables community groups to take on the role of welcoming and supporting refugee families in the UK. Sponsor groups can include charities, businesses, local authorities, community groups and third sector organisations.

Imminent Deadline: 15th December 2017

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yc2xnnnc>

Sport

Maidstone Leisure Trust - Grants for Sport and Active Leisure Activities

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to clubs, organisations and individuals involved in sport and active leisure activities in the Borough of Maidstone. The funds are being made available to support existing or new, small-scale local community clubs and organisations whose activities support sporting and active leisure activities for the local community. Individuals with funding needs for their sport (such as for specialist equipment) will also be considered.

Imminent Deadline: 2nd December 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/z9272vg>

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Sport England - Community Asset Fund

Grants of between £1,000 and £150,000 are available for community organisations, sports clubs, statutory bodies and educational establishments to enhance local community spaces which encourage people to play sport and get active. The programme aims to:

- Improve and protect existing sports facilities that support the needs of local communities
- Invest in new and different places that meet the needs of local communities
- Ensure Sport England's capital investment reaches organisations that have not accessed Sport England's funding before.
- Create a more resilient, sustainable, less grant dependent sport sector

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://www.sportengland.org/funding/community-asset-fund/>

Sport England - Small Grants

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations to help more people play sport. Projects should contribute towards:

- An increase in the proportion of 14-25's playing sport once a week
- A growth in regular (once a week) participation for all those aged 14+
- A reduction in drop off at ages 16-24
- Growth in participation by people (aged 14+) with a disability

The fund can help with costs associated with eligible sporting activities, for example:

- Purchasing new kit or equipment
- Coaching fees
- Helping youth groups to work together with local sports clubs

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/zl2ozjy>

Football Foundation - Premier League & The FA Facilities Fund Small Grants

Grants of up to £10,000 are available for the provision of capital items, or to refurbish/improve existing football facilities. Grants, which cannot exceed 50% of the total project cost, are awarded to support the costs of the following list of projects or items:

- Replacement of unsafe goalposts
- Portable floodlights
- Storage containers
- Changing pavilion/clubhouse refurbishment and external works
- Grounds maintenance equipment
- Pitch improvement works
- Fencing

Larger grants of up to £500,000 are also available through a separate Football Foundation scheme.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/yctdcfh5>

Kent Sport Small Grants (for organisations and individuals)

Grants are available to any not-for-profit or statutory organisation providing sports opportunities. For example, sports clubs, schools and local authorities, and current FANS members in full-time education.

The aim of the fund is to encourage more people in Kent and Medway to participate in sport. Grants are as follows:

- Organisations - up to £500 towards a range of costs including sports equipment,

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- events, coaching fees and facility hire
- Individuals (FANS members) - up to £400 for specialist equipment, travelling and training costs to events

Deadline: 1st March 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/zvc4epd>

Peter Harrison Foundation - Opportunities through Sport Programme

Capital grants (revenue funding may be considered for a new project or for continuing success or survival of an established project) are available to registered charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs for the following:

- Projects which provide a focus for skills development and confidence building through the medium of sport
- Projects that have a strong training and/or educational theme within the sporting activity
- Projects providing sporting equipment or facilities for disabled/disadvantaged people
- Projects with a high degree of community involvement
- Projects that help to engage children or young people at risk of crime, truancy or addiction

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ybn9pftf>

Rugby Football Foundation - Helping Hand Grants

Grants of up to £1,500 (on a match funding basis) are available to enable rugby clubs in England to carry out capital projects which will support the retention and recruitment of players. Eligible projects include:

- Pitches (land purchase, pitch construction, drainage and levelling)
- Clubhouses (all areas apart from bars)
- Floodlights
- Equipment which supports the playing of the game (grounds maintenance, goalposts and perimeter fencing)

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9bybydp>

Boost Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £500 are available to UK charities and non-profit making organisations with a focus on sport that help disabled and disadvantaged individuals to participate in sport. Some of the projects Boost have supported include: swimming, badminton, judo, boccia and running.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://www.boostct.org>

Swale Borough Council - Sports and Physical Activity Grant Scheme

Grants of up to £1,000 are available for clubs, registered charities and social enterprises to support local, small scale community projects centred on sporting, recreational and health activities that will help make communities in Swale more active. Grants can be used to fund both capital and revenue projects.

Deadline: 31st March 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/q7we2pw>

Young People

BBC Children in Need - Main Grants

Grants of over £10,000 are available to support projects for up to three years to not-for-profit organisations that work with children and young people of 18 years and under who are experiencing disadvantage through:

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

Organisations must be working to combat this disadvantage and to make a real difference to

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children and young people's lives. There is no upper limit for Main Grants but very few grants over £120,000 (or £40,000 per year) are made and most grants are for much less.

Deadline: 16th January 2018, 17th May 2018 and 13th September 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/h2ul65m>

BBC Children in Need - Small Grants

Grants of up to £10,000 are available for not-for-profit organisations that are working with children and young people who are 18 years old and younger living in the UK and who are experiencing disadvantage through:

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

Imminent Deadline: 1st December 2017, 1st March 2018, 13th May 2018, 2nd September 2018, 2nd December 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/orbn759>

DM Thomas Foundation for Young People The Foundation

Grants of up to £30,000 are available to charities that work with disadvantaged children and young people. The scheme aims to help young people gain skills through education projects and relieve suffering through health-related projects. The Foundation has a particular focus on:

- Children and young people with disabilities
- Children and young people who are sick in hospital
- Children/young people who are homeless
- Children and young people who are life limited (requiring palliative care)

Deadline: 6th February 2018, 8th May 2018, 24th July 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/nummt6a>

The Ironmongers' Company

Grants of up to £10,000 are available for charities to support projects that provide opportunities for disadvantaged children/young people to fulfil their potential. Projects must meet all of the following criteria:

- For children and young people under the age of 25 who are disadvantaged
- Consist of educational activities that develop learning, motivation and skills

The Company is interested in enabling primary age children to develop a strong foundation for the future. Projects could, for example, support special educational needs, address behavioural problems or promote citizenship, parenting or life skills. Preference will be given to projects piloting new approaches where the outcomes will be disseminated to a wider audience.

Deadline: 15th December 2017

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/8kd8u8u>

Les Mills Fund for Children

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to registered charities and accountable non-profit organisations who do their most to improve the education and physical and emotional wellbeing of children. The scheme is committed to creating a healthier and fitter planet for our future generations - ensuring that as many children as possible can get the opportunity to grow up healthy, fit and most importantly; happy. Applicants may focus on one or more of these areas:

- Living in Poverty
- Physical & Mental Health Problems
- Health & Wellbeing
- Living With Disability

Deadline: 6th February 2018, 8th May 2018, 24th July 2018, 9th October 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9nyl9bl>

Colyer-Fergusson Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £75,000 are available to local not-for-profit organisations for projects that im-

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prove the quality of life for people in **Kent**, and most notably those who are the most disadvantaged. The Trust is currently prioritising 'Young People with Poverty of Opportunity' and focuses on disadvantaged and vulnerable young people in Kent between the ages of 14-25.

The Trust is using its funds to support these young people to help them successfully transition into adulthood, offering three programmes:

- **Hardship Award Programme** - aimed at disadvantaged young people living in Thanet, Shepway, Swale and Medway and are intended to meet the costs of practical items such as interview clothes
- **Investing in Young People Programme**
- **Funding for Apprenticeships and Vocational Learning Programme**

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://www.cfct.org.uk/>

Buttle UK - Young People Programme

Grants of up to £2,000 are available to enable vulnerable young people in the UK to overcome financial barriers preventing them from achieving their education, training or employment goals. Funding can be used to pay for: equipment to take up a training opportunity, interview clothes, a computer for studies or travel costs to get to college. Part of the funding can also be used to help a young person set up a comfortable home environment. This could include, but is not limited to: bed/bedding, cooker, fridge, pots and pans.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/haxssjl>

Kent Community Fund - Children, Young People & Families

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for local projects that are making a real difference to the lives of disadvantaged children and young people in Kent and Medway. For example, the Foundation would like hear from projects that:

- Provide opportunities for young people to participate in enriching activities they might otherwise be excluded from

- Encourage early intervention work with vulnerable children and families
- Work with at-risk children and young people to prevent problems developing at a later stage, such as offending behaviour or teenage pregnancy
- Support disadvantaged young people to raise their aspirations and achievement
- Help disadvantaged young people on a pathway into further education, training or employment

Imminent Deadline: 30th November 2017, 23rd February 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/ztpxelq>

Alec Dickson Trust

Grants of up to £500 are available to individuals or groups of young people aged 30 or under, to help them put their ideas into action and run projects that benefit the lives of others – particularly the most marginalised and disadvantaged. The Trust would like to fund volunteer initiatives that are innovative and try to do things a bit differently, such as using social media creatively or using existing resources in new ways.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://www.alecdicksontrust.org.uk>

Toy Trust

Grant of up to £5,000 are available for registered charities undertaking projects to support disadvantaged children aged 0-13 years. Funding is available to help disadvantaged children aged below 13 years and their families to:

- Alleviate suffering
- Support children through awful experiences
- Encourage achievement through adversity
- Purchase vital equipment
- Provide care
- Bolster existing initiatives
- Initiate brand new projects
- Satisfy basic needs

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Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://www.btha.co.uk/toy-trust/>

Paul Hamlyn Foundation - Youth Fund

Grants of between £10,000 and £60,000 are available to help not-for-profit organisations working with young people (aged 14-15), to cover their core operating costs in order to become better prepared for achieving more. Priority will be given to organisations working in areas of social and economic deprivation. Examples of eligible expenditure include:

- Part-fund the salary of a key individual, whether the Chief Executive or a post such as a Head of Operations/Finance
- Policy work
- Additional fundraising or income generation capacity
- Upgrading IT systems
- Staff training or development
- Running costs such as utilities

The applicant's approach must be to seek to build on and develop young people's strengths and talents, helping them to reach their potential.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/ph68c6n>

Wooden Spoon Charity

Grants are available for organisations, such as schools and charities that are working to support

disadvantaged and disabled children and young people under 25 years of age in the UK. Projects must normally be of a capital nature. The funding is for projects that address the following areas:

- Health and wellbeing
- Sensory rooms and gardens
- Specialist equipment and facilities
- Playgrounds and outdoor activities
- Education projects

Educational or disability sports focused projects must have a rugby element.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/yckmgeg3>

The Gibbons Family Trust (Thanet)

Grants are available to charitable organisations working for the benefit of children and young people up to the age of 25 years living in Devon or Isle of Thanet. The Trust makes about 68 grants each year - the average grant is about £1,400. Trustees can award grants:

- To charitable residential and day care establishments for children and young people, including those who are disabled
- For or towards the maintenance and educational advancement, training and recreation of children and young people

Deadline: 31st March 2018

For more information:

<https://gibbonstrusts.wordpress.com/>

Kent County Playing Fields Association (KCPFA)

Grants of up to £1,000 and loans of up to £25,000 are available to parish councils and voluntary organisations towards the cost of providing children's recreational facilities. Examples of projects which may be eligible for support include the purchase, layout and extension of playing fields and the provision, modernisation and adaptation of children's playgrounds, pavilions, clubhouses, sports halls and other recreation facilities.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information: <http://www.kentpfa.org.uk/services/>

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Kent County Council Grant & Loan Schemes

These schemes are either administered directly by KCC or by a third party on behalf of KCC

Combined Members Grant	Each County Councillor has £22,000 per annum to allocate as community grants.	Contact the Community Liaison Team (details below)
Small Capital Grant Scheme for Sport	Grants for sports groups to improve facilities and widen participation.	Chris Metherell Tel: 03000 412182 chris.metherell@kent.gov.uk http://tinyurl.com/mpvnj43
Kent Sport Small Grant	Grants of £50-£500 to community sports projects, organisations and nationally ranked individual performers.	Sophie Ward Tel: 03000 417225 sophie.ward@kent.gov.uk http://tinyurl.com/lhz6nhp
Kent Trust for Youth Sport	There are two funding streams available to help young people within the County to participate in sport - £500 for individuals and £1,000 for groups.	admin@kt4ys.org.uk http://tinyurl.com/mjdf4a
Village and Community Hall Grants	Capital grants for new halls or improvements to existing facilities. The fund can support extensions, a new toilet and/or kitchen, a replacement roof, etc. Maximum grant is the smaller of £50,000 or 50% of total cost.	Mark Reeves Tel: 03000 417160 mark.reeves@kent.gov.uk http://tinyurl.com/q3jfbtr
Kent Big Society Fund	Loans of between £10,000-£100,000 to support social enterprise organisations. The aim of the Fund is to spread the culture of social enterprise and break down the barriers which prevent enterprising social businesses from accessing finance.	http://tinyurl.com/ab96uct

KCC Community Liaison Officers by District:

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Dartford – bill.ronan@kent.gov.uk 03000 416626 / 07710 339894	Swale – bill.ronan@kent.gov.uk 03000 416626/07710 339894
Dover – shuna.body@kent.gov.uk 03000 415859 / 07850 924247	Thanet – shuna.body@kent.gov.uk 03000 415859 / 07850 924247
Gravesham – bill.ronan@kent.gov.uk 03000 416626 / 07710 339894	Tonbridge & Malling – anne.charman@kent.gov.uk 03000 416923 / 07717 665893
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www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/have-your-say/community-engagement
<https://twitter.com/communityengage>
<https://www.facebook.com/communityengagementkcc>

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Funding Deadlines

Please note that not all funders have specific application deadlines

Alice McCosh Trust (Natural History, Environment)	https://tinyurl.com/ob9bbqu	30/11/2017
HCA Heritage Crafts Maker of the Year (Heritage, Traditional Crafts)	https://tinyurl.com/ya8jajs9	30/11/2017
Shell LiveWIRE Smarter Future Programme (Young People, Entrepreneurship)	https://tinyurl.com/ybu8z6f7	30/11/2017
Sylvia Adams Charitable Trust (Early Years, Disadvantaged Children, Prevention)	http://sylvia-adams.org.uk/	30/11/2017
Hospital Saturday Fund (Medical, Capital Projects, Research)	https://tinyurl.com/yadqcvob	01/12/2017
Law Society Charity (Human Rights, Legal Education, Justice)	https://tinyurl.com/8s8y92d	01/12/2017
Waterloo Foundation - Environment Programme (Environment)	https://tinyurl.com/pqx8lh9	01/12/2017
Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust (Northern Ireland, Rights and Justice)	https://www.jrct.org.uk/	04/12/2017
Sony World Photography Awards (Photography Competition)	https://tinyurl.com/qt2hnmq	04/12/2017
Henry Moore Foundation (Visual Arts, Sculpture, Bursaries, Fellowships)	https://www.henry-moore.org/	08/12/2017
HLF - Townscape Heritage (Heritage, Conservation, Towns and Cities)	https://tinyurl.com/y9kqkxza	08/12/2017
Wingate Foundation (Jewish Life and Learning, Performing Arts, Music)	https://tinyurl.com/8323jic	08/12/2017
Artists' International Development Fund (Literature, Music, Theatre, Dance, Visual Arts)	https://tinyurl.com/j3tyew9	13/12/2017
The Dan Maskell Tennis Trust (Tennis, People with Disabilities)	https://tinyurl.com/nfyxnjo	13/12/2017
Help the Homeless Grant Scheme (Homeless People, Capital Projects)	https://tinyurl.com/79za6pb	15/12/2017
The Finnis Scott Foundation (Horticulture, Plant Sciences, Art, Art History)	https://tinyurl.com/y9jwfk62	15/12/2017
Ulverscroft Foundation (Visually Impaired)	https://tinyurl.com/yba759vu	15/12/2017
British and Foreign School Society (Education, International, Impoverished Areas)	http://www.bfss.org.uk/grants/	18/12/2017
Masonic Charitable Foundation - Hospice Grants (Bereavement Support)	https://mcf.org.uk/charities/	02/01/2018
Darwin Initiative - Fellowships Award (Skills Development, Biodiversity)	https://tinyurl.com/yd9qmrkz	04/01/2018
Armed Forces Covenant Fund - Local Grants (Armed Forces Community, Integration)	https://tinyurl.com/q6bl4ne	04/01/2018
Theatres Protection Fund UK Small Grants Scheme (Theatres, Capital Improvements, Communities)	https://tinyurl.com/y8n6djkm	07/01/2018

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