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Low Carbon Across the South East (LoCASE)

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to support small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the South East to tackle and adapt to climate change through saving energy and making their business more competitive.

- Any business can qualify to use this money towards having energy efficiency measures installed for their business, with both the cost of materials and installation being covered
- For a business that offers low carbon or "green" goods or services, a business development grant is also available, which can be used against a wide variety of costs such as marketing, consultancy, equipment, IT software, product/process development, accreditation and certification

Grant funding will form 40% of the cost of an eligible project, with the remaining 60% matched by the applicant business.

Deadline: Spring 2019

For more information: <https://tinyurl.com/y9245618>

Weston Anniversary Fund

Grants of between £30,000 and £150,000 are available to registered charities, places of worship and state schools for capital projects that benefit local communities in the UK. The funding is for capital projects that will make a significant difference to local communities in the UK. Eligible projects include:

- New community facilities
- Improvement of community facilities
- New fixed playground equipment, climbing walls or multiuse games area in a public playing field
- Purchase of large or expensive items if it is crucial to supporting local people e.g. minibus for elderly day care, equipment for a training room, community café fit out
- Purchase of land or property with a minimum of a 25 year lease with a clear community benefit

Total project costs must be at least £30,000 and not exceed £300,000. Grants must be spent and projects completed by 31 December 2020.

Deadline: 30th June 2018

For more information: <https://tinyurl.com/y967pdwb>

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News and Events

Big Lottery Fund - Reaching Communities

The Big Lottery Fund has paused its Reaching Communities Fund as it develops the application process, trains new staff, and embeds new ways of working into the Fund. Big Lottery hopes that the changes made to the Fund will make it easier for groups and communities to apply for funding, and will increase its ability to make the best funding decisions.

Currently, voluntary or community groups in England can apply for grants of between £10,000 and £500,000 to cover the costs of projects that make positive changes within their own community. The Reaching Communities Fund will re-open 2nd April 2018 with new conditions.

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/gn43y3j>

Government Unlocking £330 Million From Dormant Accounts to Build a Fairer Society

Up to £330 million from dormant bank and building society accounts will be used to help the homeless, disadvantaged young people, local charities and other good causes in the UK over the next four years. Around £280 million will be allocated to initiatives across England to help disadvantaged young people into work, provide housing for families and vulnerable people, and tackle problem debt. Of this:

- £135 million will be used by Big Society

Capital (BSC) to fund stable and long-term accommodation for vulnerable groups as well as to provide support for local charities and social enterprises

- £90 million will also be invested in support of projects that help disadvantaged young people into employment
- £55 million is set to be awarded to financial inclusion and capability initiatives which will tackle issues such as problem debt

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y869hsa9>

Stronger Kent Community Fairs

The Fairs are a chance for local community groups, charities and voluntary sector organisations to showcase what they do, and for local communities to see what's happening in their area and how to get involved. There is also the opportunity to get funding advice. The events are free to stallholders and visitors. Upcoming Stronger Kent Community Fairs 2018:

- Dartford - Thursday 8th March, The Orchard Theatre, Dartford, 11am-1pm
- Swale - Friday 16th March, The Alexander Centre, Faversham, 11am-1pm
- Gravesham - Thursday 22nd March, The Old Town Hall, Gravesend, 11am-1pm
- Dover and Deal - Saturday 9th June, Landmark Centre, Deal, 11.30am-1.30pm
- Canterbury - Friday 15th June, Westgate Hall, Canterbury, 11am - 1pm
- Thanet - tbc
- Shepway - Friday 13th July, Folkestone

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KCC Funding Contacts

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

Mark Reeves	KCC Village and Community Halls Grants	mark.reeves@kent.gov.uk
Chris Metherell	Capital funding for sports facilities	chris.metherell@kent.gov.uk
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

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-grants-and-funding>

- Quarterhouse, Folkestone, 11am – 1pm
- Tunbridge Wells – tbc
- Sevenoaks - Saturday 9th September, New Beacon School, Sevenoaks, 2pm-4pm
- Maidstone - Wednesday 10th October, The Hazlitt Theatre, Maidstone, 11am-1pm
- Tonbridge & Malling – tbc
- Ashford - Friday 14th December, Ashford College, Ashford, 11am – 1pm

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/lbwo2h4>

Arts

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>

Arts Award Access Fund

Grants of up to £1,500 are available to Arts Award centres in England working on Arts Award projects with young people for whom access and inclusion is an issue.

Deadline: 2nd March 2018

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

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 in-

ternationally, 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: 30th March 2018

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

The Moth International Short Story Prize

This competition will support the work of short story writers through monetary awards and writing retreat opportunities. It will also publish award winning work, giving the writers in question a creative platform for their work.

Deadline: 30th June 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y75n5y86>

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

Student Start-up of the Year Competition

The competition provides young people and recent graduates who have ideas for a business with the opportunity to win a host of prizes and £2,500 cash investment.

Deadline: 25th February 2018

For more information:
<https://enterprisenation.com/student>

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<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-grants-and-funding>

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

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-grants-and-funding>

Innovate UK

Innovate UK is an executive non-departmental public body, sponsored by the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy. It aims to drive productivity and growth by supporting businesses to realise the potential of new technologies, develop ideas and make them a commercial success.

Innovate UK run a range of national and European funding programs providing grants to UK businesses. All kinds of businesses can apply - from pre-startup and new companies to large multi-nationals. Businesses can apply for funding to do one or more of the following:

- To test the feasibility of an idea and make sure it will work
- Create a new product, process or service, or improve an existing one, through research and development
- Work with other businesses or research organisations on collaborative projects

Some of the Innovate UK funding competitions focus on specific industry sectors: emerging and enabling technologies, health and life sciences, infrastructure systems, manufacturing and materials. Other funding opportunities are open to businesses in any sector.

Deadline: Various

For more information:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/innovation-apply-for-a-funding-award>

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 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 pro-

jects 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.

Deadline: 28th February 2018

For more information:

<http://tinyurl.com/qtwghmf>

LEADER: Kent Downs and Marshes & East Kent

Grants of between £2,500 and £50,000 are available for organisations to develop projects that will assist, strengthen and develop themselves and their local rural 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

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<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-grants-and-funding>

RBS Skills and Opportunities Fund

Grants of up to £35,000 are available to charities, social enterprises, community groups, state-funded schools and colleges for projects in disadvantaged communities that help people start a new business or increase financial capability.

As a general guide, RBS fund projects that offer training, support, qualifications, work placements, employment, self-employment, career guidance and enterprise opportunities. For example (and this is not an exhaustive list), projects in the past have targeted women with low literacy and numeracy and no work experience, the homeless, unemployed people, disadvantaged young people, women in rural areas, students about to leave school, ex-offenders and those with a history of addiction.

Deadline: 23rd February 2018 (1st Round)

For more information: <http://skillsandopportunitiesfund.natwest.com/>

- 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/>

South East Business Boost (SEBB)

Grants of up to £10,000 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 may be used to cover the following:

- 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.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/k523aq7>

Kent and Medway Growth Hub - Ask Phil

Ask Phil" is a fully funded service designed to help new and existing businesses of all sizes find the most suitable type of business support available in their area.

Phil and his team are available online, on the phone and through social media channels to take any questions you may have about your business and to make sure you can access the support on offer.

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yafhg22h>

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 spaces within religious buildings, Scout or Girlguiding buildings

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<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-grants-and-funding>

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>

- 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.

Deadline: 1st March 2018, 3rd May 2018

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

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/>

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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/>

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>

Conservation and Environment

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

Imminent Deadline: 15th February 2018

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

Sustainable Energy Awards 2018

The aim of the awards is to promote sustainable energy by highlighting outstanding and innovative projects which have the potential to be replicated. Awards are available in the following categories: Consumers, Public Sector, Businesses, Young Energy Leaders. There is no monetary prize, but nominees and winners will benefit from communications support and increased visibility to stakeholders, the press and the general public.

Deadline: 23rd February 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y88ebpc9>

Greggs Foundation's Environmental Grants

Grants of up to £2,000 are available to not-for-profit organisations and schools towards projects that improve the physical environment in a way that also benefits the wider community, addressing one or more of the following:

- Improving the local environment
- Insuring involvement of local communities
- Delivering a sustainable and measurable difference
- Supporting people in need

Funding can be used to cover the purchase of equipment, sessional salary costs, purchase of trees/plants, small capital projects and learning activities. Organisations that are based near Greggs shops will be given priority.

Deadline: 9th March 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/hohw5oo>

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British Ecological Society Outreach Grants 2018

Grants of up to £2,000 are available to individuals and organisations to organise public engagement events in ecology.

Deadline: 21st March 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yd3nuodt>

Community Trees Fund

Grants of between £100 and £700 will be available to groups wishing to carry out tree planting projects. The programme funds trees of appropriate species, size and numbers. Children under the age of 16 years must be actively involved in the planting process.

Deadline: 31st March 2018

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

Natural England - Hedgerows and Boundaries Grant

Grants of up to £19,000 are available for farmers and other land managers in to help provide environmental benefits on their land, such as the restoration of hedgerows, boundary fences, dry stone walls, stone-faced banks. The scheme can also help to reduce flood risk as part of an integrated approach to catchment management.

Deadline: 30th April 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yc2bas26>

Natural England - Wildlife Offers: Countryside Stewardship

Grants are available through four new funding strands to farmers and land managers in England to protect wildlife and enhance the environment. They comprise:

- Arable Offer
- Lowland Grazing Offer
- Mixed Farming Offer
- Upland Offer

All landowners who make a valid application for any of the four new packages this year will be guaranteed funding through the scheme.

Deadline: 31st July 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yb4nftt8>

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 should not be a major part of the application.

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

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

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 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.

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<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-grants-and-funding>

The Childcare Business Grants Scheme

Grants are available to encourage more good quality, affordable and reliable childcare to give working families more childcare provision choices. This scheme will also help entrepreneurs to start up and run their own businesses in England. The Scheme is open to newly-registered early years childminders, childcare providers on domestic premises and Childminder Agencies (CMAs) in England. There are three types of grants available:

- A £500 grant for an early years childminder or childcare provider on domestic premises
- A £1,000 grant for an early years childminder or childcare provider on domestic premises of children with special educational needs and disability (SEN/D)
- A £1,000 grant for a Childminder Agency (CMA)

All costs incurred for the set-up of a business will be considered as eligible. This includes: courses attended, health checks, DBS checks, public liability insurance, house or commercial building insurance cover, additional car insurance to cover the transportation of the children in care, and any additional equipment that is purchased.

Deadline: 31st March 2018

For more information: <https://www.childcarebusinessgrants.com/>

Deadline: 5th March 2018, 2nd July 2018

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

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: 25th April 2018, 29th August 2018

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

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/y869aa2q>

General

UK Games Fund - Pitch Development Programme

Grants of up to £5,000 for early-stage UK games teams with limited professional experience, offering a chance to refine and improve pitching skills and develop a playable demo.

This scheme is aimed at developers who don't meet the UK Games Fund criteria (see below).

Imminent Deadline: 12th February 2018

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

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Armed Forces Day Grant Scheme

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to help organisations and individuals in the UK to host an Armed Forces Day event which can take place within two weeks of the Armed Forces Day event, which takes place on Saturday 30 June 2018. Armed Forces Day events can come in any size or shape, from national and regional celebrations, local events organised by councils, ex-Service organisations, community groups and schools.

Parades of veterans, cadets and/or currently serving personnel are very popular, as are presentations of veterans' badges. Other ideas for activities include: picnic in the park, themed BBQ, knees up at home, street party, fete.

Deadline: 30th April 2018

For more information: <https://www.armedforcesday.org.uk/get-involved/>

UK Games Fund

Grants of up to £25,000 to help new and young games development businesses create working prototype games. The Fund will offer grants to support video games projects, as well as creating jobs, nurturing talent and furthering the growth of games clusters all around the UK.

Deadline: 12th February 2018

For more information:
<http://ukgamesfund.com/uk-games-fund/>

DFID - Small Charities Challenge Fund

Grants of up to £50,000 are available to support and strengthen the work of small UK registered charities to help enhance their capacity to carry out work in priority countries in efforts to tackle poverty and work towards achieving the Global Goals: <https://tinyurl.com/oowb284>

Projects can be set up in one or more of the lowest 50 countries in the UN Human Development Index (HDI) or certain countries DFID considers to be of high or moderate fragility.

Deadline: 29th March 2018

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

Rent Recognition Challenge

Grants of up to £100,000 are available for UK entrepreneurs to develop applications that help

renters boost their credit scores, access credit and get on the housing ladder. The initial round of grant funding will go to six promising proposals, to support the development of a prototype product from April 2018 to October 2018.

Deadline: 9th March 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y8mr25sr>

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/neefqun>

Health and Disability

Hospital Saturday Fund - Medical Projects

Grants are available for medical capital projects, medical care or research, medical training and running costs, for registered health charities in

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<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-grants-and-funding>

Warburtons Trust - Community Grants

Small grants of up to £250 are available for local projects, activities and organisations that have charitable aims and that will be of real direct benefit to families. Funding is available for projects that focus on supporting families that need the most help and are in line with the following:

- Health - help families lead healthier lifestyles.
- Financial stability - help families manage their finances.
- Worklessness - help families recognise the economic and social benefits of employment.
- Health education - help educate families about healthy lifestyles (no Project Grants).
- Aspiration - help raise career aspirations to improve prospects for them and their families.
- Employability and skills - help raise employment prospects for family members seeking employment

Community grants can be used for something specific that will benefit the cause the organisation supports, such as buying equipment or supporting a community day.

Imminent Deadline: 16th February 2018, 15th May 2018 and 15th August 2018

For more information: <https://tinyurl.com/y72cc4g2>

the UK. There are two grant schemes:

- Standard Grants of £2,000
- Larger Grants of up to a maximum of £10,000

Applicants should note that the Large Grants are awarded for specific projects, research or equipment rather than running costs.

Deadline: Standard Grants - 23 April 2018, 16 July 2018, 8 October 2018 and 4 January 2019; Large Grants - 18 June 2018, 26 March 2018, 10 September 2018, 1 December 2018

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

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. 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>

ACT Foundation

Grants are available to individuals and other charities, with the aim of enhancing the quality of life for people in need, specifically the mentally and physically disabled and the aged. Grants generally are available for:

- Building - funding modifications to homes (where a Disabled Facilities Grant has already been awarded), charities, special

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- schools, hospices
- Equipment - provision of specialised wheel-chairs, other mobility aids and equipment including medical equipment to assist independent living
- Financial assistance - towards the cost of short-term respite breaks at a registered respite centre

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:
<http://www.theactfoundation.co.uk/>

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) - 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.

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/>

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 as-

essment 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/>

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>

Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) - 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. 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.'

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

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

Schools

Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to school Breakfast Clubs, to help them 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.

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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>

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/y85xowfj>

Social Inclusion

Building a Stronger Britain Together

Grants of up to £50,000 (and in-kind support) are available for frontline civil society and community organisations that are working to challenge extremism in their communities. Grant funding will be given for clearly defined proposals. This might be, for example, a project to help 15 to 18 year olds find full-time employment after leaving school in an area where far right groups are attempting to recruit vulnerable young adults.

Deadline: 22nd February 2018

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/guabz99>

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The Reach Fund

Grants of up to £15,000 (or more in exceptional circumstances) are available to assist charities and social enterprises in England that require extra support to become 'investment ready'. 'Investment readiness' has long been highlighted as an issue that prevents charities and social enterprises from accessing social investment. The total value of the Fund is £4 million.

Applications will only be accepted from organisations who have been referred to the Reach Fund by a designated Access Point. An Access Point is a social investor who has been approved to refer organisations they are working with to the fund. A full list of Access Points are available at <http://www.reachfund.org.uk/directory>

Grants must be used to implement an investment readiness plan which will be developed by an applicant's Access Point.

Deadline: None specified

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

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-grants-and-funding>

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.

Deadline: 28th 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

Deadline: 28th February 2018

For more information:
<http://tinyurl.com/jwgsoo7>

Help the Homeless

Capital grants of up to £5,000 are available to small and medium-sized charities in the UK working to assist homeless people to rebuild their lives and return to the community. Projects must assist individuals in their return to mainstream society, rather than simply offering shelter or other forms of sustenance.

Deadline: 15th March 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/79za6pb>

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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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 are 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 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/ybvjrrnl>

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>

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

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

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Santander - The Discovery Foundation

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities, Community Interest Companies and credit unions to fund local projects helping disadvantaged people. Activities should support one or more of their three priority themes:

- **Explorer:** improving people's knowledge - such as Money Management workshops helping disadvantaged people learn how to budget
- **Transformer:** improving skills and experience - for example, training to help socially isolated people develop skills to get back into work or volunteering opportunities for disadvantaged young people
- **Changemaker:** innovative solutions to social challenges - what about a new social networking program for visually impaired young people to access the internet?

Funding is available:

- For small local projects and lasts for up to 12 months
- For complete projects, the Foundation does not make contributions or part funding
- To cover part-time salaries, equipment or materials but they must be specific to the project

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information:

<http://www.santanderfoundation.org.uk/discovery-grants.aspx>

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>

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 holi-

days 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/>

Sport

Rowing Foundation Grants

Grants of between £500 and £3,000 are available to support rowing in Britain with preference shown to encouraging participation in rowing by the young or disabled through the provision of equipment.

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Kelly Family Charitable Trust

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for registered charities, working locally or regionally, whose activities nurture and support family life. The funding is for activities which involve all or most family members in initiatives that support and encourage the family to work as a cohesive unit in tackling problems that face one or more of its members.

The three principal areas that the charity wishes to support are:

- Interventions and support that help families to manage better and prevent the fracture of the family unit, eg relationship counseling, mediation
- Families where sexual abuse, physical abuse, domestic violence, alcohol abuse and drugs abuse threaten the integrity of the family unit
- Prisoners and in particular their families, during and after the period of imprisonment

Applications are also welcomed from sports and health-related charities whose activities comply with the above criteria. Applications are also considered for core funding from relatively new organisations seeking to become established.

Deadline: 1st March 2018, 1st September 2018

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

Imminent Deadline: 14th February 2018, 11th June 2018 and 5th November 2018

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

Lawn Tennis Association - Grants Programme

Grants are available for groups and organisations to increase the number of people playing tennis and improve the quality and standard of tennis facilities.

Deadline: 28th February 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/yd5fccxu>

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, 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>

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>

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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/zl2ozjv>

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>

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>

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/>

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

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Ageless Thanet Community Fund

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to community groups, charities, voluntary organisations and individuals, with an idea to make Thanet a great place to grow older and which will help reduce isolation and loneliness in older people.

For example, if you and a group of 50+ residents want to set up a gardening group to beautify your community, but lack the tools and equipment to make this happen, or if you would like to start a music group for a group of 50+ residents, but need the instruments to make this happen, then you may be eligible to apply to the Ageless Thanet Community Fund.

Ageless Thanet is Big Lottery funded, as part of the 'Fulfilling Lives: Ageing Better' programme. Led by Social Enterprise Kent. <http://sekgroup.org.uk/ageless-thanet/>

Deadline: Continuous rolling programme

For more information: Call 01843 210005 for a friendly chat with Amanda, Heather or Pam or email Amanda at a.hill@sekgroup.org.uk

- 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://tinyurl.com/y9vweopx>

Young People

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>

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>

Kent Community Foundation - Youth Social Action Fund

Grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 are available to registered charities, constituted commu-

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nity groups and other charitable organisations including Social Enterprises and CIC's to raise the level and quality of youth social action and to create enjoyable opportunities and skills development for young people, benefitting local people and places. Social action involves activities such as campaigning, fundraising and volunteering, all of which enable participants to make a positive difference to their communities.

Deadline: 20th February 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/y9wzs8rt>

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

Deadline: 28th February 2018

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

Peter Cruddas Foundation

Grants are available for registered charities that are working to support disadvantaged and disengaged young people as they move towards pathways into education, training and employment.

Funding is available for the following priority areas:

- Pathways/support for young disadvan-

taged or disengaged people (between the ages of 14 and 30 years) into education, training or employment

- Work experience/skills projects for young people aged 16 to 30 years

Deadline: 1st March 2018, 1st September 2018

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/ly95q2a>

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

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

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

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/>

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Kent Community Foundation - Funding for Individuals

Kent Community Foundation has four distinct funding streams that offer direct support to disadvantaged young people, including young carers, children with disabilities or with a long-term illness:

- **Ivy and Jane Charitable Fund** - Young Carers up to the age of 18 who look after someone who has a disability, illness, mental health condition, or a drug or alcohol problem. Grants of up to £1,000 are available for purchasing particular items of need such as school uniform, books or laptops. The fund will also consider activities that the young carer might otherwise miss out on, thereby helping them to have enjoyable childhood experiences.
- **Ward and Partners Charitable Fund** - children with physical disabilities, long term illnesses and/or life limiting conditions. Grants of up to £2,000 are available for requests for respite, equipment, short breaks and 'make a wish' holidays for terminally ill children.
- **Rooney Foundation Fund** - children with physical disabilities, long term illnesses and/or life limiting conditions. Grants of up to £3,000 towards requests for respite, equipment, short breaks and 'make a wish' holidays for terminally ill children
- **Kent Young People's Fund** - children and young people in Kent and Medway who are disadvantaged, vulnerable, marginalised or at risk in some way. Grants of up to £500 for activities and opportunities that the young person otherwise would not be able to afford and from which they would therefore be excluded. For example; school trips, extracurricular activities or purchase of an item, such as a laptop.

Deadline: None specified

For more information: <http://www.kentcf.org.uk/apply/individual-funding/>

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 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: 17th May 2018 and 13th September 2018

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

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: 31st July 2018

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

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Colyer-Fergusson Charitable Trust

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

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

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

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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:

- 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>

European Youth Initiative Fund

Grants of up to €10,000 are available to youth organisations to mobilise young people, promote integration and build positive relationships between displaced youth and host communities in Europe.

Deadline: 4th March 2018

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/y8mbmtud>

Barbara Ward Children's Foundation

Grants are available for charitable organisations undertaking projects for severely disadvantaged children and young people anywhere in the world. Funding is for the benefit of children who are seriously or terminally ill, disadvantaged, underprivileged or have special needs. Grants can range from one-off grants to project-related grants that run for two or more years. The funding is for work that fall within the following :

- Education
- Support, care and respite
- Holidays
- Health and wellbeing
- Sport, play and leisure

Deadline: None specified

For more information:

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

European Youth Foundation Pilot

Grants of up to €50,000 are available to non-governmental youth organisations or networks to encourage cooperation among young people in Europe through European youth activities which serve the promotion of peace, understanding and cooperation in a spirit of respect for the Council of Europe's fundamental values, such as human rights, democracy, tolerance and solidarity

Support is offered for the following types of activity:

- Educational, social, cultural, and humanitarian activities of a European character
- Activities aiming at strengthening peace and cooperation in Europe
- Activities designed to promote closer cooperation and better understanding among young people in Europe, particularly by developing the exchange of information
- Activities intended to stimulate mutual aid in Europe and in the developing countries for cultural, educational, and social purposes
- Studies, research, and documentation on youth matters

Deadline: 28th February 2018

For more information: <https://www.coe.int/en/web/european-youth-foundation/home>

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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
The Kent Social Enterprise Loan 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
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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>

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-grants-and-funding>

Funding Deadlines

Please note that not all funders have specific application deadlines

Idlewild Trust (Arts, Conservation)	http://www.idlewildtrust.org.uk/	08/02/2018
Mrs Smith and Mount Trust (Mental Health, Learning Disability, Homelessness)	https://tinyurl.com/mfj35r4	09/02/2018
Polden-Puckham Charitable Foundation (Peace and Security, Environmental Sustainability)	https://tinyurl.com/ybpbrvjr	09/02/2018
Queen Elizabeth Scholarship Trust (Scholarships and Apprenticeships, Crafts)	http://www.qest.org.uk/	12/02/2018
D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust (Arts, Health and Medical Welfare, Environment)	https://tinyurl.com/y79x72xu	14/02/2018
Whicker's World Foundation Documentary Funding (Documentary Film)	https://tinyurl.com/ybcnuq45	14/02/2018
Erasmus+ - Jean Monnet (2014-2020) (Lifelong Learning)	https://www.erasmusplus.org.uk	22/02/2018
Hinrichsen Foundation (Music)	https://tinyurl.com/y7zw2596	23/02/2018
National Vegetarian Week 2018 - Event Grants (National Vegetarian Week)	https://tinyurl.com/qbop9vu	25/02/2018
Nesta - Rethinking Parks Fund (Digital Innovation, Parks Management)	https://tinyurl.com/y9oe3ofu	27/02/2018
RIBA Awards (Architecture, Architectural Profession)	https://tinyurl.com/y9mauz4q	27/02/2018
British Archaeological Awards (British Archaeology)	https://tinyurl.com/y8cdtn9p	28/02/2018
Electrical Fire Safety Fund (Fire Prevention Initiatives, Local Communities)	https://tinyurl.com/yb8bzw34	28/02/2018
Inman Charity (Medical, Social Welfare, General Welfare)	http://www.inmancharity.org/	28/02/2018
Ouseley Church Music Trust (Choral Services)	http://www.ouseleytrust.org.uk	28/02/2018
People's Trust for Endangered Species (Conservation, Research, Field Work)	https://ptes.org/	28/02/2018
The Esmee Fairbairn Collections Fund (Museums, Galleries, Research, Development)	https://esmefairbairn.org.uk/	28/02/2018
The Kay Kendall Leukaemia Fund (Research, Leukaemia)	http://kklf.org.uk/	28/02/2018
The Montane Alpine Club Climbing Fund (Climbing Expeditions)	https://tinyurl.com/yb4vh2gu	28/02/2018
Baily Thomas Charitable Fund (Learning Disabilities)	http://www.bailythomas.org.uk/	01/03/2018
Henry Moore Foundation (Visual Arts)	https://tinyurl.com/ybjagst6	01/03/2018
Marc Fitch Fund (Local History, Research, Publications)	http://www.marcfitchfund.org.uk	01/03/2018

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