

FUNDING BULLETIN – March 2021

Welcome to the latest edition of the monthly *Funding Bulletin*, brought to you by the Hampshire CVS Network. Bringing you the latest information on all things grants and funding related including announcements, top tips and upcoming events. Should you have any queries or require support to access funding please contact your local CVS partner, full details can be found here: www.hampshirecvs.org.uk/network

Latest Funds Announced

- [Lloyds Foundation Fund](#) - Small and local charities in England and Wales helping people overcome complex social issues can now apply for two-year unrestricted grants of £50,000 from Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales. The funding will be open year-round, meaning charities can apply at a time that suits them and will not be restricted by deadlines.
- [Turing Scheme](#) - The new £110 million Turing scheme will support UK students to take advantage of the benefits of studying and working abroad from September 2021. The scheme will look to target students from disadvantaged backgrounds. Applications from schools or FE/VET organisations must be submitted on the Turing Scheme's online application portal by the deadline of 7 May 2021. HE organisation applications must be submitted by the deadline of 9 April 2021.
- [Tesco Bags of Help Grants Programme](#) - Launching on 1st April. Community groups and schools can now apply for funding of up to £1,000 for projects in England, Wales and Scotland that benefit their local community. The funding has been made available by the Tesco's Bags of Help programme and can cover a broad range of projects. A public vote determines which groups will receive a grant. Following the vote, the project that received the most votes in its area will receive a grant of up to £1,000. There will be a new vote every three months.



ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE

- [Fidelio Charitable Trust](#) - Fidelio welcomes applications for grants in support of the Arts particularly for Music, including Opera, Lieder, Composition and Dance. Fidelio aims to provide support for individuals (over the age of 21) or groups of exceptional ability. The closing dates for receipt of applications in 2021 are 5.00 pm on: Friday 5 February, Friday 14 May and Friday 17 September.
- [Baring Foundation - Arts and Mental Health Programme](#) - Grants are available to arts organisations in the UK for projects that promote the role of creativity in the lives of people with mental health problems from ethnically diverse backgrounds. Deadline: 12pm midday on Wednesday 21 April.
- [Ragdoll Foundation](#) - Grants are available to support arts, cultural and youth-focused organisations working with children and young people in the UK through the arts, artists and creative media. Deadline: 7 May 2021.




HEALTH & SOCIAL WELFARE

- [Armed Forces Covenant Trust: Force for Change Programme](#) - Funding for local projects that help Armed Forces communities across the UK reduce isolation and promote integration as the nation recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic. There will be three application rounds in 2021. The deadline for the first round is 12 April 2021 (midday).
- [Hilden Charitable Fund](#) - Grants for UK charities working in the areas of homelessness, penal affairs, asylum seekers and refugees, community-based initiatives for disadvantaged young people (16-25), and projects in developing countries working on community development, education, and health (with particular interest in projects that address the needs and potential of girls and women). THE NEXT closing date for applications is FRIDAY APRIL 16th 2021.
- [Cameron Grants for Innovation in Mental Health](#) - Seed funding grants are available for UK based charities and other not-for-profit groups and organisations to trial new and innovative ways to support people in the UK who are suffering with poor mental health.



ENVIRONMENT

- [Green Recovery Fund – Second Round](#) - The second round of the Green Recovery Challenge Fund supports nature projects across England with funding worth up to £40m. Grants from the £40m first round of funding were [awarded in December 2020](#). The Green Recovery Challenge Fund is open for applications £50,000 to £250,000. Deadline 12noon 14 April 2021.
- [Climate Action Fund – Round Two](#) - Grants are available for community-led partnerships in the UK to make changes in their community that they believe will have the biggest impact on climate change. Application deadline: 5pm on 8 April 2021 for your initial idea.



CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

- [The Woodward Charitable Trust](#): Children's Summer Playscheme - Grant size: Up to £1,000
Open to: Small local playschemes that provide a wide-ranging programme of activities to children between 5-16 years old. Apply between Monday 15 March and Thursday 8 April 2021, 12 noon.
- [The Pixel Fund](#) - Grants are available for UK-based charities and community interest organisations to support projects that promote the mental health and wellbeing of children and young adults.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- [Thom's Wall Trust](#) - Our charities grant programme aims to support people with an emphasis on building confidence, knowledge and skills, and therefore increasing prospects of employment. We offer grants up to £5,000 towards specific projects or core activities that support literacy, numeracy, digital and additional skills. The deadline for submitting an Expression of Interest form is Friday 30th April 2021. The next round of funds will be awarded in July 2021.
- [Arnold Clark Community Fund](#) - the Arnold Clark Community Fund will be open to all UK registered charities and local community groups who need financial assistance due to the coronavirus pandemic. The final deadline for applications is 31st May 2021.
- [Foyle Foundation – Small Grants Scheme](#) – The Small Grants Scheme is designed to support charities registered and operating in the United Kingdom, especially those working at grass roots and local community level, in any field, across a wide range of activities. No deadline.

SPORTS & LEISURE

- [Football Foundation - Return to Football Fund](#) - Applications are invited to a new fund that seeks to support grassroots football clubs and organisations in England with restarting or delivering new activities. Application deadline: 28/03/2021.
- [Biffa Award – Recreation](#) - Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations for projects that will benefit people in their spare time in communities located within the vicinity of a Biffa operation.
- [Hargraves Foundation](#) - Grants are available for charities and educational institutions that support those under the age of 18 years, and living with a mental health condition, disability or growing up in poverty through the mediums of sport and education.

This Month's Top Tip:

Ask for feedback

Regardless of how well-written and persuasive your project proposal may be, in a time of ever dwindling resources, you are bound to see an unsuccessful application come your way. When this happens, it is important to find out why this is the case. It may be that the funders received an unusually large number of high quality applications or that they may simply have felt that your project was not relevant to their charitable objectives. This kind of information can be invaluable for developing future fundraising strategies and improving your proposal writing skills.



Upcoming Event

[Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales grants Q&A](#)

A Q&A webinar with the members of the grants team will be held on 30th March between 2pm – 3.30pm. This webinar is for small and local charities in England and Wales with an income of between £25,000 and £1 million a year that are helping people overcome complex social issues who are considering applying to this fund.

Funding Finder Service

To help your organisation find available grants specifically tailored to a particular project or area of work, non-profit groups in Hampshire can **access a free tailored search** to help you discover what's available. This service is provided by Basingstoke Voluntary Action on behalf of the Hampshire CVS Network. To find out more please visit: www.bvaction.org.uk/funding-finder