



Working together in Trafford

Funding Bulletin

Local Trafford/Greater Manchester & National Funding September/October 2024

Anton Jurgens Charitable Trust - Grants up to £10K.

Registered charities working to improve the lives of socially disadvantaged and disabled individuals of all ages across the UK can apply. To be eligible, charities must be registered in the UK and have an annual income of less than £500,000.

Deadline: Applications can be submitted online at any time, with review periods taking place twice a year in the spring and autumn.

For further information and to apply visit:

<https://www.antonjurgensfonds.nl/en/applications/ajct/>

Bowland Charitable Trust

Grants for charitable organisations with outdoor and character-building projects for young people in North-West England as well as for educational, religious, and cultural activities and institutions in the North-West of England. The programme is intended to promote: Outdoor and character-building projects for young people in North-West England and Educational, religious, and cultural activities and institutions. Grants tend to be in the range of between £1,000 and £20,000 with larger grants made as the exception.

Deadline: Ongoing.

Applications are made in writing, contact Carole Fahy on

carole.fahy@cannco.co.uk or call 01254 688051.

B&Q Foundation Homes & Community Spaces - Grants up to £5K.

UK registered charities can apply for projects that aim to improve community spaces for those most in need. The funding is to decorate, renovate, or create spaces, both indoors and outdoors, where people can feel at home and have a sense of belonging. This includes individuals experiencing homelessness, financial hardship, poor health, disability, or other disadvantage or distress. Projects that may be eligible for funding include creating community gardens, redecorating properties, installing new boilers, and creating new buildings or rooms. Larger funding amounts may also be awarded depending on the strength of the application and the project. The application process is open, and interested charities should submit an expression of interest in the first instance. This is intended to be a quick measure of whether the applicant organisation is eligible for a grant. Organisations that are eligible will

receive an email from Neighbourly inviting them to submit a full application via the Neighbourly platform.

Deadline: 28th Oct - 6.00pm and 15th Nov.

For further information and to apply visit: <https://bqfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

Buttle UK Chances for Children – Grants up to £2,400.

Grants available to support the needs of vulnerable children and young people (aged 2-18) who have experienced a recent crisis or change in life that has had a significant impact on their wellbeing and their education. The funding provides a flexible range of support, such as items and activities to support learning and development (laptops, books, wi-fi, educational toys, tuition, etc); clothing and school uniforms; social, sporting and leisure activities; and items for children/young people's bedrooms. Applications will only be accepted from frontline professionals working for a registered charity, housing association or public sector organisation, including schools and colleges.

Deadline: Applications can be made at any time.

For full details and to apply visit: <https://buttleuk.org/apply-for-a-grant/>

Charles Hayward Foundation Small Grants - Up to £7K

Available to charities in the UK to support preventative and early community-based intervention programmes that focus on helping older people stay in their own homes and maintain their independence. The funding is looking to support projects that address isolation and depression in older people through activities like informal day care or social and recreational programmes; provide support and assistance for older individuals living in their own homes; cater to the emotional and practical needs of older caregivers; and meet the specific requirements of people with dementia.

Deadline: There are no deadlines and applications can be submitted at any time.

For more information and to apply visit:

<http://www.charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk/older-people/>

DWF Charitable Foundation

The DWF Foundation (also referred to as the Foundation) is an independent charity, founded by DWF. It has the sole aim of providing funds, resources, and mentoring support to help individuals, groups, and communities to achieve their full potential. The DWF Foundation supports registered charities with an impact in one or more of the following areas:

- Homelessness
- Health and wellbeing
- Employability
- Education
- Environment and Sustainability

These themes also align to DWF's purpose and enable us to work together to maximise the support given to communities.

Grants are given to initiatives that develop and improve local communities by:

- Tackling a specific community issue.

- Helping voluntary and community groups become more effective and efficient.
- Encouraging the involvement in the community of those too often excluded.
- Enabling young people to develop skills for the benefit of the community.

Deadline: 31st October 2024.

For more information and to apply visit: <https://dwfgroup.com/en/about-us/dwf-foundation/foundation-application-form>

Friends of the Elderly Grants for Older People on Low Incomes - Up to £400

Four grant streams open for older people who are of/over state pension age, have savings of less than £4,000, and who do not fit the criteria for other funders. The funding is available to: Resident in England and Wales; Of/over state pension age; Who are living on low incomes and with little savings; Who do not fit the criteria for other funders. Whilst priority will be given to funding essential items including clothing, food, medicines, and books, the funding can also be used to help with the cost of replacing everyday items, small home repairs and mobility adaptations; help older people get online; and to help with unexpected bills. Applications must be made via a third-party Referral Agent such as a charity, local authority, housing association, Information, Advice and Guidance provider or social services representative.

Deadline: Applications can be made at any time.

For more information and to apply visit: <https://www.fote.org.uk/our-charity-work/grants-2/>

GMCVO - The Enterprising Communities Fund

Are you an organisation or business trading for social good and looking to grow your activities?

GMCVO are excited to be working in a unique partnership with the Greater Manchester Credit Union Consortium, Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA), Access – The Foundation for Social Investment and Esmée Fairbairn Foundation to deliver local investment with real impact. This new fund follows the success of our Access to Growth Fund, which closed in 2022.

Who is this investment fund for?

Any organisation or business trading for social good and working in Greater Manchester (Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Stockport, Tameside, **Trafford**, Wigan) that is looking to grow their trading activity and has been trading for at least 6 months. **What we offer:** Unsecured investments between £20,000 and £100,000. Blended finance: this means the investment includes a grant of an average of 20% of your total investment. An initial interest-only period of up to 6 months may be available.

Deadline: Ongoing.

For more information and to apply: [Enterprising Communities Fund | www.qmcvo.org.uk](https://www.qmcvo.org.uk)

Happy Days Children's Charity Trips, Respite Breaks & Group Activity Holidays for Disadvantaged Children and Young People with Additional Needs

The charity awards funding for different types of activities to support families with children aged 3-17 who have a disability, a special need or have been abused. Activities include family day trips, and family holiday breaks. Applications can be submitted by parents, guardians, grandparents, or siblings, as well as GPs, consultants, nurses or social workers.

Groups that work with special needs children, including SEN schools and women's refuges, are also eligible to apply for funding for either a day trip, theatre visit, or a group activity holiday.

Deadline: Applications can be made at any time.

For more information and to apply visit:

<https://www.happydayscharity.org/applications>

Irwell Valley Homes – Irwell Valley Foundation

Support for Irwell Valley residents living in Trafford that are looking to return to education, training and employment including new business start-ups. Applicants can **apply up to a maximum of £5000**.

We welcome applications from non-Irwell Valley residents to our **Boosting Communities and Improving Places grants** providing projects brings benefit to an Irwell Valley neighbourhood. Applicants **can apply up to a maximum of £10,000** providing their project meets one of the following priorities:

- Supporting people into employment or training
- Helping people to manage their money and deal with debt.
- Supporting people to get online and access digital services.
- Creating opportunities for young people.
- Promoting health and wellbeing.
- Combating loneliness and social isolation.
- Supporting BAME communities.
- Supporting older people and those who are vulnerable or isolated.
- Food provision.
- Domestic violence.
- Homelessness.

All application forms can be found online.

Deadline: Ongoing.

For more information about our criteria and to apply, visit:

<https://www.irwellvalley.co.uk/about-us/irwell-valley-foundation/>

Manchester Community Central – Cost of living crisis Greater Manchester Funding Programme 2024-2025

Are you a voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE) organisation with an annual income between £50,000 and £250,000 and based and working in one of the ten localities of Greater Manchester?

Does your organisation regularly support people most affected by social inequalities who are struggling to cope with the worst of the cost-of-living crisis?

If your answers to the above questions are YES, then you could be eligible for one of thirty-six £5000 grants available across the ten localities.

Deadline: The grant application deadline is midday, 12 noon on Friday 13th September 2024.

For further details and to apply visit: The grant application form is [here](#) and detailed funding guidance is [here](#)

Myriad: Spark Project Fund

The MYRIAD: Spark Project Fund offers funding for test and learn projects exploring how culture and creativity can reduce mental health inequalities in global majority communities. Through these projects we aim to create opportunities to explore new practice, new approaches and new partnerships and we are inviting expressions of interest from statutory, VCFSE and cultural sector organisations.

Funding is available to support up to six small projects (approximate value £15K). They welcome approaches from organisations that are able to contribute match funding although this is not essential.

Deadline: 16th September, Midday.

For further details and to apply visit: <https://forms.office.com/e/0R9Ajtk0R>

Neighbourhood Investment Fund

The fund is open to established groups, voluntary groups, and other community groups, as well as groups of residents working together for the first time. School Parent Teacher Associations can also apply if they have the support of local residents, parents and the project benefit the wider community as well as the school.

Deadline: Applications can be submitted at any time.

For further details and to apply visit: [Apply for a neighbourhood investment fund | Neighbourhood investment funds | Manchester City Council](#)

National Lottery – Social connections and community activities funding

Social connections and community activities are at the heart of creating healthier, happier lives and a flourishing society. That's why we support amazing community-led projects.

They offer funding from £300 to £20,000. And can support your project for up to two years. You can apply for funding to deliver a new or existing activity or to support your organisation to change and adapt to new and future challenges.

Deadline: Ongoing

For further information and to apply visit: [National Lottery Awards for All England | The National Lottery Community Fund \(tnlcommunityfund.org.uk\)](#)

National Lottery – Reaching Communities England

They fund projects and organisations that work to make positive changes in their community. By community we mean people living in the same area, or people with similar interests or life experiences. They offer funding that starts at £20,001.

Deadline: Ongoing

For further information and to apply visit: [Reaching Communities England | The National Lottery Community Fund \(tnlcommunityfund.org.uk\)](#)

National Lottery – New Climate Action Fund

The Climate Action Fund is supporting communities across the UK to take action on climate change. They want to involve more people in climate action. And to inspire bold and exciting change. From Wednesday 27th March 2024 you can apply for funding from the Climate Action Fund to help do this. They will fund projects that reach more people by either:

Linking climate action to the everyday lives and interests of local communities. And inspiring them to take action. And **Influencing communities at a regional or national level.** Like linking up groups across locations. Or a campaign that inspires change across one country, or the whole UK.

Deadline: You'll be able to apply until at least the end of 2024. We plan to close to applications in early 2025. We will announce the final deadline nearer the time.

For further information and to apply visit: [Climate Action Fund - Our Shared Future | The National Lottery Community Fund \(tnlcommunityfund.org.uk\)](https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk)

National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF) Partnership Fund – Grants over £10K (Anytime)

Voluntary and community organisations, charities, schools, and statutory bodies in England can apply for grants to help develop a more strategic approach to improving their community through developing and growing new and existing partnerships with other organisations. This can be area-based partnerships or communities of interest. The funding is available to build strong relationships, improve community spaces, and help individuals reach their full potential. The funding will support the development of new and existing partnerships, and help organisations address pressing issues such as the cost-of living crisis and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. The grants can be used for project activities, operating costs, organisational development, and capital costs. The Fund will support ideas that align with their three funding priorities - bringing people together, improving community spaces, helping individuals reach their full potential.

Deadline: Applications can be submitted at any time.

For further information and to apply visit:

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/partnerships-england#section-1>

National Lottery – The UK Fund – Funding Size: £500,000 to £5m

The UK Fund is one of our first significant commitments as part of our new strategy, 'It starts with community'.

We're looking to fund organisations that want to do more to help communities come together and help make us a better-connected society.

Your project must either work across the UK, or be able to inform, influence or scale across the UK.

We want to fund projects that:

- strengthen relationships between people whose experiences of life have not been the same. For example, relationships between people of different ethnic backgrounds, generations, occupations or geographies.
- create connections between online and offline worlds.
- help make sure people from all backgrounds can shape the future of their communities.

We'll fund ambitious projects that aim to create longer-term, transformational change. We'll take an equity-based approach to tackle inequality. This means we'll fund where there's greatest need.

You can read our blog for [examples of projects we're likely to fund.](#)

Area: You must either work across the UK, or be able to inform, influence or scale across the UK.

Length of Grants: We expect most projects to run from 2 to 5 years. We may consider funding for up to 10 years.

Deadline: Ongoing.

For more information and to apply visit: [The UK Fund | The National Lottery Community Fund \(tnlcommunityfund.org.uk\)](https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk)

NW Hearts Charity Grant Applications are now open

NW Hearts are delighted to let you know that their next window for grant applications is now open and ideas for suitable projects can be submitted via the portal.

NW Hearts Charity are committed to improving the outcomes for people with heart disease across Greater Manchester. To this end, we intend to fund a wide range of projects, over and above what the NHS can provide.

Applications are welcome from hospitals, health & social care providers and the voluntary and community sector.

Deadline: Sunday 29th September 2024.

For further information and to apply visit: [Grant Programme - NW Hearts](#)

The Albert Gubay Charitable Foundation

This foundation provides charities in England with grants across a wide range of priorities including (but not limited to) **support for older people, survivors of domestic abuse, people who are homeless, and people with learning disabilities**. Their average grant size is around £50,000 but they have made awards from £8,000 to £172,000 in the last year.

Deadline: Ongoing.

For more information visit: <http://www.albertgubayfoundation.org/> and enquiries can be made by email to enquiries@theagfoundation.org or by post to Derwent Estates Ltd, 3 Denmark Street, Goose Green, Altrincham, WA14 2SS.

The Cancer & Inequalities Fund Round 2 is Now Open for

The 10GM Cancer & Inequalities Grants Programme is offering grants of up to **£5,000** for Greater Manchester-based voluntary, community or social enterprise organisations (VCSE) to deliver innovative projects that will raise awareness of the early signs and symptoms of cancer and identify and understand the barriers people face when receiving a cancer diagnosis.

The fund is looking for projects that will educate and raise awareness of the early signs and symptoms of specific cancers, engage their communities in conversations around these cancers and how to access timely healthcare and work towards empowering their communities. Projects are encouraged to link in with local healthcare providers such as local GP practices to support your project or work together with them to deliver your ideas.

Deadline: Ongoing.

Application pack, grants guidance and terms and conditions can be found here: [Cancer and Inequalities Fund \(10gm.org.uk\)](https://www.10gm.org.uk)

The Energy Resilience fund has investment amounts from £10,000 to £150,

The finance to enable community and social enterprises to retrofit energy generating/saving technology on community owned or managed buildings, with an initial focus on stabilising or reducing energy costs.

Deadline: Ongoing.

For more information and to apply, please visit:

thekeyfund.co.uk/funding/community-business-fund-2/

Transpennine Route Upgrade Community Fund

GMCVO are excited to share that you can **apply now for small grant of between £1,000 and £5,000** to improve local spaces and services along the 70-mile Transpennine Route Upgrade (TRU) as part of a new community fund, delivered by GMCVO.

With billions of pounds being invested to transform train travel between Manchester, Huddersfield, Leeds and York, TRU has launched the community fund to give back to the communities it is working in. Community projects within 5 miles of the core TRU route and its key diversionary routes will be eligible to receive funding.

Deadline: 12:00pm Monday 16th September

For more information and to apply, please visit: [Transpennine Route Upgrade Community Fund | www.gmcvo.org.uk](http://www.gmcvo.org.uk)

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation Small Grants

Charities and not for profit organisations in the UK can apply to address urban and rural deprivation in the UK. Eligible organisations must have an annual income of less than £250,000. They must also be able to demonstrate a clear need for funding and how the grant will be used to make a difference. In addition, the applicant's postcode must be located within the following areas on the Indices of Multiple Deprivation - for projects located in an urban area, the applicant must be in the bottom 15% most deprived areas; for projects located in a rural area, the applicant must be in the bottom 50% most deprived areas. The funding is available to support project/salary/core running costs. Applicants need to match fund 50% of the project costs.

Deadline: Applications for the small grants scheme can be submitted at any time.

For more information and to apply visit:

<https://www.trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/our-grants/small-grants>

Youth, Schools & Colleges

Henry Smith Charity Holiday Grants for Disadvantaged and Disabled Children - Grants of £500 to £2,750 (Anytime)

Schools, youth groups, not for profit organisations and charities can apply to support recreational trips or holidays within the UK for groups of disabled or disadvantaged children (aged 13 or under). Priority will be given to applications coming from the 20% most deprived areas in the UK. Grants can cover up to two-thirds of the cost of a holiday or trip lasting one to seven days. Applications must be made at least six weeks before the trip or holiday is due to take place.

Deadline: Ongoing.

For more information and to apply visit:

<https://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/explore-our-grants-and-apply/>

Wooden Spoon Society's Capital Grants - £Not Specified (Anytime)

Schools and not for profit organisations have the opportunity to apply for funding through the Wooden Spoon Society's Capital Grants programme. Wooden Spoon is the British and Irish Rugby charity which supports projects help mentally, physically disadvantaged children. Each year the charity supports around 70 projects. Through the programme funding is available for Buildings and extensions; Equipment and activity aids; Sensory rooms and gardens; Playgrounds and sports areas; Soft playrooms. The funding available is for capital items only and will not support revenue costs such as staffing and other ongoing costs. There is no maximum grant limit but projects under £5,000 are unlikely to be considered. Wooden Spoon's contribution may be up to 100% of the cost, though beneficiary organisations will be encouraged, where practicable, to raise a proportion themselves. Since being founded in 1983, Wooden Spoon Society has made grants of over £28 million to more than 1,000 projects. If a project is educational or disability sports-focused, there must be a key rugby element to engage children and young people.

Deadline: Ongoing.

For more information and to apply visit: <https://woodenspoon.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

Arts, Culture & Heritage

Maria Bjornson Memorial Fund

The Maria Bjornson Memorial Fund is giving out grants towards **artistic enterprises, arts-related activities and individual artists**. Typical amounts for successful applications range from **£2,000 to £20,000** and larger amounts have also been given out infrequently.

Deadline: Ongoing.

To apply: Applications should be sent to them by post to The Maria Bjornson Memorial Fund, Charles Russell Speechlys LLP, 5 Fleet Place, London, EC4M 7RD.

Faith & Places of Worship

Benefact Trust Building Improvement Grants

To protect and enhance Christian buildings, ensuring their continued use and viability, and the safeguarding of their heritage. Open to applications from churches, cathedrals, denominational bodies, and Christian charities in the UK and Ireland, and will support capital costs such as essential repairs, improvements, equipment purchases, conservation and restoration, aesthetic enhancements, and energy efficiency measures.

There is no minimum or maximum award specified, but applicants will need to secure at least 30% of their total project costs before making an application. Funding

will be awarded at the discretion of the trustees and applications can be made at any time.

Deadline: Discretionary (Anytime).

For more information and to apply visit: <https://benefacttrust.co.uk/which-grant-is-for-me/building-improvement-grants/>

Health & Sport

Utilita Football Re-Booted Grassroots Fund

Funding to support grassroots football clubs, leagues, or volunteers. Utilita is a UK-based energy company that also sponsors several football clubs and competitions in the UK. The Grassroots Fund is open to both clubs and leagues that are FA accredited and in need of financial assistance to make a big difference. Support will be tailored to meet the needs of each application, such as vouchers for building materials to fix up a club house, contributions towards the cost of tradespeople, gifts to show appreciation to volunteers, new kit, or support to recover from crime and vandalism. Multiple applications can be made for grants or gifts.

Deadline: Applications can be submitted at any time and funding decisions are usually made within 28 days. The fund is limited, and early application is recommended.

For more information and to apply visit:

<https://www.teamgrassroots.co.uk/fund/>

Other useful Funding & Social Investment Resources

[Action Funder](#)

[Arts Council Funding](#)

[The National Community Lottery](#)

[Charity Bank](#)

[Charity Excellence Framework](#)

[Directory of Social Change](#)

[Forever Manchester](#)

[Get Grants](#)

[GMCVO](#)

[Good Finance](#)

[Good Things Foundation](#)

Government Grants

Grants Finder

Grants Online

Heritage Lottery Funding

<http://www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/funding>

<https://www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/funding/distributors>

<https://www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/funding>

Lloyds Bank Foundation

NCVO (National Council of Voluntary Organisations)

Social Investment Business

Sport England

Turn2Us

If your Trafford VCFSE (Voluntary, Community, Faith & Social Enterprise) group or organisation would like support to help find funding for a specific project or service area please email us on info@thrivetrafford.org.uk for further details.