

FUNDING SOLUTIONS – 20.4.20

Welcome to this week's special bulletin. There are now a range of responses to the Corona Virus crisis from a number of funders, and this bulletin addresses some of them. The landscape is changing on a daily basis, so please check in with each funder before spending time on an application. This also cannot be considered a complete summary, but for the moment, I have split this bulletin into three parts :

- Local funding and support responses to Covid-19
- National Funding and support responses to Covid-19
- Business as usual – Funding Solutions Newsletter

COVID 19 - THE LOCAL RESPONSE

Fullabrook CIC have developed a package of support for voluntary and community groups, and pop-up groups supporting residents of the 13 parishes of their area of benefit during the Corona virus pandemic. If you or someone you know is delivering emergency support for people living in the parishes of Ashford, Berrynarbor, Bittadon, Braunton, East Down, Georgeham, Heanton Punchardon, Ilfracombe, Marwood, Morteohoe, Shirwell, West Down, and West Pilton during this time, please contact admin@fullabrook-cic.org for more information and an application pack. Fullabrook CIC are operating a fast-track grant system at this time, so are able to make a quick funding decision.

North Devon Council is joining with Devon County Council in the new COVID-19 Prompt Action Fund providing grants of up to £500. Both councils are contributing 50% of the total of the grants awarded to each group with funding partly coming from contributions from each North Devon district councillor's community councillor grant for the year. The grants have been introduced to help tackle the social and economic impacts of the virus outbreak and help those who are most vulnerable in North Devon communities, they can be used towards activities including:

- safe delivery of essential goods and services to people who are isolating, including food and medicine
- supporting people to access online information and services
- starting virtual support groups to help people who are isolated to stay connected and to improve mental health and wellbeing
- transport related projects, including the use of voluntary car schemes to deliver essentials, medicine and meals

Applications are invited from established Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) sector groups, town and parish councils, charities or businesses, or a combination of these working together. Groups, small local businesses and individuals without their own separate bank account may also apply, but they will need to have the support of a recognised organisation – such as town and parish council, local Community and Voluntary Services (CVS) organisation, village hall or other established local voluntary groups – acting on their behalf as guarantor or as the holder of the funding. More information about applying, the application form and the terms and conditions can be found Devon County Council (DCC) website. DCC are administering the joint fund.

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/coronavirus-advice-in-devon/document/covid-19-prompt-action-fund/>

North Devon Council have launched a new community support hub to ensure the most vulnerable residents are not forgotten during the Coronavirus pandemic. A new dedicated phone-line and online form are now available to those who need support who haven't already got help from family, friends, neighbours and their local community. The service will vary according to where people live

but will typically see the co-ordination of grocery shopping, prescription collections and social contact. In the major towns and villages, NDC will work alongside health and wellbeing partners One Northern Devon who have a network of volunteers on a street by street level. In the more rural areas, the Council will be working in partnership with parishes and other community groups set up to support people during the crisis. We are asking that the public check that their local neighbours are getting support and if they are worried about them, then contact the support hub who can make enquiries. The number to call is 01271 388280 and further information is available at www.northdevon.gov.uk/coronavirus/communities-and-voluntary-sector-support/

Devon Communities Together is running the Towns, Parishes, and Community Buildings Covid-19 helpline - 0808 1963390. They are here to help communities come together to respond to the pandemic with the most effective, safe, and co-ordinated responses. The helpline staff have access to emerging information, extensive expertise in community resilience, and hold an oversight of community responses across Devon. They are experienced in setting up and supporting networking and resilience, especially within rural areas, and as a rural community council and member of Action with Communities in Rural England, we can access a wealth of knowledge sharing and best practice from across the country. They can help with a range of issues including but not limited to:

- Organising volunteers and setting up community support groups
- Supporting parish councils and community groups through the pandemic
- Looking after your community building and public spaces throughout coronavirus restrictions
- Linking individuals to their local covid-19 response group
- Best practice in handling a wide range of covid-19 related issues at a community level
- Supporting vulnerable members of your community
- GDPR and safeguarding

The helpline will be staffed 9am to 5pm on weekdays for the foreseeable future. Please telephone 0808 1963390 or email info@devoncommunities.org.uk and someone will get back to you. <https://www.devoncommunities.org.uk/coronavirus-information>

Devon Community Foundation - The Devon Coronavirus Response and Recovery Fund is supporting local charities and community organisations in two stages. Firstly, the fund will focus on organisations that are supporting vulnerable groups affected by Coronavirus. At a later date, grants will be available for other organisations whose operations have been affected by COVID-19. <http://devoncf.com/home/coronavirus-help-support/>

COVID 19 - THE NATIONAL RESPONSE

Alpkit - Grants of £500 for projects that demonstrate an immediate impact on those affected by the covid-19 virus crisis for: helping elderly or vulnerable people; minimising the impact of self-isolation; supporting foodbanks; helping the homeless or those in temporary accommodation. <https://www.actiontogether.org.uk/alpkit-go-nice-places-do-good-things-grant>

Antonio Carluccio Foundation - In light of the current crisis, The Antonio Carluccio Foundation is extending its current level of grants for 2020 to £500,000. The Foundation offers grants of up to £10,000 for organisations working to feed those in need and promote a better understanding of food origins and nutrition. More information about this fund. <https://antonio-carluccio-foundation.org/covid-19-response/>

Arts Council England has made £160m of emergency funding available to organisations who will need it during the COVID-19 crisis, and has changed the funding requirements for individuals and organisations currently in receipt of funding. <https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/covid19>

Barclays Foundation have announced a £100 million COVID-19 Community Aid Package – The package consists of two strands. £50million will be donated to charities chosen by Barclays and £50million will be donated by matching their employees' personal donations (individual organisations cannot apply for this funding. The money will be disbursed principally in the UK, but also in Barclays' international markets, including the USA and India. <https://home.barclays/news/press-releases/2020/04/barclays-launches-p100-million-covid-19-community-aid-package/>

Buttle UK - Chances for Children - Grants targeted at improving the social and emotional wellbeing of children and young people and their capacity to engage in education and learning. There is a particular focus on:

- maintaining educational activity and stimulus within the home environment
- establishing and/or maintaining internet access and communications
- household essentials.

<https://www.buttleuk.org/news/buttle-uks-covid-19-response>

Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) Coronavirus Emergency Fund will help smaller charitable organisations in the UK affected by the impact of COVID-19. Grants of up to £10,000 are available. You can apply for unrestricted funding for core costs, staffing, volunteer costs, supplies and equipment, communications or other critical charitable areas. This fund has already paused for the moment due to volume of applications. <https://www.cafonline.org/charities/grantmaking/caf-coronavirus-emergency-fund>

Clothworkers' emergency capital programme (CECP) - Grants of up to £5,000 for essential capital items to adapt or increase services in response to covid-19. Priority will be given to organisations with income of less than £2m per annum supporting vulnerable and 'at risk' groups and whose beneficiaries are based outside of London.

<https://www.clothworkersfoundation.org.uk/clothworkers-emergency-capital-programme/>

Comic Relief - Some money raised through Sport Relief 2020 will go to frontline organisations. Support for grantees will occur through adapting activities, reviewing time-frames, or re-budgeting remaining funds. They will update their website and the FAQ's with more information over the next few days. <https://www.comicrelief.com/covid-19-faqs/>

Crisis has established an emergency grants fund to support local groups who are financially affected by additional demands on their resources and who have expanded their provision to meet the current needs of those experiencing homelessness across the UK. Local organisations and charities providing services to those experiencing homelessness can apply for grants of up to £5,000 for short-term responses to the coronavirus emergency; and grants of up to £50,000 to fund long-term needs and potential expansion or change in service delivery. www.crisis.org.uk/get-involved/in-this-together/emergency-grants-fund

The Elton John AIDS Foundation's COVID-19 Emergency Fund is accepting applications for solutions that have strong potential to address specific challenges that have arisen for people already living with or at severe risk of HIV/AIDS and who are now at heightened risk as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Such solutions should aim to demonstrably mitigate the threat of COVID-19 on maintaining current levels of access or increasing access to HIV-related prevention, testing, care and treatment adherence services. The Fund is looking to support local community-based organisations, which have been awarded an Elton John AIDS Foundation grant since January 2017, for solutions lasting up to six months. <https://london.ejaf.org/covid19/>

Help Musicians UK - the £5million pound Coronavirus Financial Hardship fund has been created to alleviate some of the immediate financial pressures that many professional musicians are currently facing with regard to their mounting household expenses. Eligible musicians can apply for a one-off payment of £500 if they are suffering significant financial hardship.

<https://www.helpmusicians.org.uk/news/latest-news>

John Lewis Partnership - The Community Support Fund is making £1million available to communities across the UK. Teams in each shop will work together with their communities to choose the best way to use the fund. Help could include setting up additional local delivery services to support the self-isolating, the vulnerable, the elderly and those looking after them; delivering boxes of staples to local care homes and community groups, and donating products to create care packages for customers to share with vulnerable neighbours.

https://waitrose.pressarea.com/pressrelease/details/78/NEWS_13/12169

Leathersellers' Company has launched a fast track application process for one-off grants of up to £3,000. It could be particularly useful for funding small projects or to cover unexpected costs arising from COVID-19. Applications are open to UK registered charities who support the homeless or those at risk of becoming homeless, provision of food and essential support, victims of domestic violence; nursing care to vulnerable patients. <https://leathersellers.co.uk/charitablefund/>

Localgiving and People's Postcode lottery – magic little grants of £500 for local charities that support and inspire people to participate in sports or exercise. Localgiving have announced they will support projects that help people to stay active during social distancing, such as online fitness classes delivered via video conferencing software or Youtube. <https://localgiving.org/magic-little-grants/>

National Lottery Awards for All England - Grants of £300 to £10,000 with priority given to organisations:

- supporting people who are at high risk from covid-19
- supporting communities most likely to face increased demand and challenges as a direct result of measures to prevent the result of covid-19
- with high potential to support communities with the direct and indirect impact of covid-19

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/national-lottery-awards-for-all-england>

National Lottery Heritage Fund is a £50m emergency fund of grants of between £3,000 and £50,000 available for organisations supporting: historic sites, industrial and maritime heritage, museums, libraries and archives, parks and gardens, landscapes, nature. Priority will be given where there is limited or no access to other sources of support and an organisation is at risk of severe financial crisis due to covid-19 <https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/news/heritage-emergency-fund-launches-help-sector-updated>

Neighbourly community fund offers Micro-grants of up to £400 to support good causes that are helping communities affected by the coronavirus outbreak. Grants are awarded to good causes whose work involves supporting members of the community suffering economically, socially or from ill health as a result of the outbreak. <https://www.neighbourly.com/NeighbourlyCommunityFund>

The Prince's Trust and NatWest have launched a £5million grant fund for young entrepreneurs affected by coronavirus. The Fund is available to entrepreneurs aged 18-30, who can apply for grants and tailored support from today. Grants can be used to maintain core business operations during the crisis, as well as meet any existing financial commitments, such as paying for essential equipment or settling invoices from suppliers. In conjunction with these grants, the initiative will also offer one-to-one support and guidance to applicants who need it. www.princes-trust.org.uk/about-the-trust/news-views/princes-trust-natwest-enterprise-relief-fund

Princes Countryside Fund - Rural Response Emergency Grants Programme - With thanks to players of People's postcode lottery, the Fund can award grants of up to £2,500. To be eligible for a grant you will need to demonstrate that your project is providing emergency relief to vulnerable or isolated individuals in rural or farming communities to cope with the effects of Coronavirus. This may include but is not limited to:

- Fuel costs for grocery and prescription delivery from rural community shops, pubs and hubs
- Costs associated with emergency support by farm and agricultural support groups
- Rural foodbanks and food delivery

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

Sport England - This new fund aims to help community sport and physical activity organisations who are experiencing short term financial hardship or the ceasing of operations due to the ongoing coronavirus crisis. Awards will be between £300 and £10,000. In exceptional circumstances Sport England will consider awards of more than £10,000. <https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/our-funds/community-emergency-fund>

Standard Life Foundation offers Grants from £5,000 upwards to tackle financial problems and improve living standards for those on low-to-middle incomes in the UK. More details about the fast-track grant scheme. https://www.standardlifefoundation.org.uk/funding/coronavirus_funding

Sylvia Adams Charitable Trust - Early years' preventative work - Small and medium-sized registered charities working with disadvantaged children aged 0-3 years in England and Wales can apply for small, grants to help them during the coronavirus pandemic. The Sylvia Adams Charitable Trust has changed the application guidelines and processes for the spring application round of its Early Years' Preventative Work Fund to make one-off payments of £5,000 available to charities with an income of less than £750,000 which may need extra assistance. Charities applying must show a likelihood of increased demand for their services and/or a loss of anticipated income. The closing date for applications in this round is the 28th April 2020. <http://sylvia-adams.org.uk/what-we-will-fund/>

Tesco Bags of Help covid-19 community fund is offering support through Bags of Help covid-19 community fund grants of £500 (and food donations), for local group including: women's refuges; food banks; hospices; homeless charities; social isolation groups; schools; charities supporting the elderly. <https://www.tescopl.com/news/2020/covid-19-helping-the-communities-we-serve/>

The Bring Joy Foundation- Funding for local community groups to supply craft materials, activities, communication tools and assistive technology to seniors to support them in their isolation. <https://www.bringjoyfoundation.org/>

Thomas Pocklington Trust - COVID-19 Emergency Fund for the Sight Loss Sector – grants to support the essential role sight loss organisations play in providing vital services to blind and partially sighted people, Thomas Pocklington Trust (TPT) has suspended its normal grant funding activities and set up an emergency fund for sight loss organisations. £500,000 of essential support will be available to sight loss sector organisations which are providing critical services for the physical and emotional well-being of blind and partially sighted people in these uncertain times. Grants will be available of up to £10,000 pounds or the equivalent of two months' running costs (whichever is less) for use over the next six months. <https://www.pocklington-trust.org.uk/covid-19-emergency-fund-for-the-sight-loss-sector/>

The National Lottery Community Fund - All National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF) funding decisions in the next six months (up to £300m of funding) will be devoted to responding to the

COVID-19 crisis. The NLCF will prioritise existing grant holders and applicants with activities specifically geared to supporting communities through this crisis, and helping organisations overcome liquidity issues caused by COVID-19.

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/about/coronavirus-updates>

The Schroder Charity Trust - Grants up to £5000 for supporting education and young people, health, communities, environment and conservation, heritage, arts and culture, international development, the armed forces. <https://schrodercharitytrust.org/frequently-asked-questions-faqs>

UFI Charitable Trust (UK) - VocTech Now provides grants of between £10,000 and £25,000 to support vocational learning providers to rapidly transition to remote teaching and training and deliver accessible learning at a time of significant change. The aim of the fund is to enable those in work or training to continue to engage with their vocational learning programmes during this period of travel disruption. <https://www.ufi.co.uk/voctech-now-guidelines>

Waste and Resources Action Programme - Wrap - Emergency surplus food grant: phase 2 - Grants of between £5,000 and £10,000 to fund capital and revenue costs for organisations who can redistribute surplus food from retailers, wholesalers, and food manufacturers, to people in need or those considered vulnerable. More information about this fund. <https://wrap.org.uk/content/covid-19-emergency-surplus-food-grant>

Yapp Charitable Trust is giving grants of up to £3,000 are available to registered charities in England and Wales, with a total annual expenditure of less than £40,000. This would be used to cover core costs and staffing in one of their priority areas. <https://yappcharitabletrust.org.uk/>

Youth Futures Foundation is offering Development grants between £30,000–£100,000, and impact grants of between £100,000–£800,000 for organisations working with young people aged 14–24 to help overcome barriers to finding meaningful work. <https://youthfuturesfoundation.org/grants/>

AND IN OTHER NEWS

DM Thomas Foundation Central Grants Programme has been extended to the 22nd July 2020. The Foundation distributes a total of around £200,000 per quarter.

Grants of up to £30,000 are available per year for up to two years to registered charities for projects that improve education and health for young people in three key areas:

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

The Foundation is a small charity and generally will not make awards of over £30,000 (per year).

Funding can be requested for one-off projects or for up to 2 years work.

Applications from schools and hospitals are welcomed as long as they are made through an appropriate registered charity. If favoured, grant applications for up to £5,000 can be approved by the Director, up to £10,000 can be approved by the Grants Committee, and applications for more than £10,000 are recommended to the Trustees for final approval.

<https://dmthomasfoundation.org/what-we-do/grants/dmtf-central-grants/>

Finnis Scott Foundation makes grants for any charitable purpose, but their present policy is to focus grant-making in the areas of horticulture and plant sciences, as well as fine art and art history. The funding is open to charities and charitable organisations, including School Parent Teacher Associations. Grants of between £500 and £10,000 are available. Exceptionally, larger grants may be considered at the Trustees' discretion. Preference is given to making grants to smaller charities where

the grant would have a significant impact. The Foundation funds both capital and revenue projects. The next closing date for applications is the 5th June 2020. <https://www.finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

The Henry Smith Charity provides grants of between £20,000 and £60,000 per year for up to three years to charitable organisations (charities and not-for-profit organisations, including social enterprises) that help people when other sources of support have failed, are inappropriate, or are simply not available. The charity has six funding priorities that describe the work they support and how they want to bring about change for the most disadvantaged people in the greatest need. These are:

- Help at a critical moment – Helping people to rebuild their lives following a crisis, critical moment, trauma or abuse.
- Positive choices – Helping people, whose actions or behaviours have led to negative consequences for themselves and others, to make positive choices.
- Accommodation / housing support – Enabling people to work towards or maintain accommodation.
- Employment and training – Supporting people to move towards or gain employment.
- Financial inclusion, rights and entitlements – Supporting people to overcome their financial problems and ensure that they are able to claim their rights and entitlements.
- Support networks and family – Working with people to develop improved support networks and family relationships

Grants can cover running costs, salaries and project costs for organisations that can demonstrate a track record of success and evidence the effectiveness of their work. Eligible organisations include charities and not-for-profit organisations (including social enterprises) in the UK with a turnover of £50,000 – £2 million (in exceptional circumstances up to £5 million). Applications can be submitted at any time and decisions are usually made within 6 months.

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

Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust – Power and Accountability Fund supports projects that challenge how power is concentrated, shared and used and how it is changing through globalisation, new technology, new channels of communication, extreme inequality and other factors. Specifically, the Trust wants to support people to create a world in which power is more equally shared, and in which powerful institutions are responsive and accountable to wider society and aligned with the long-term public interest. Applications should address the following:

- Strengthening corporate accountability
- Strengthening democratic accountability
- Encouraging responsible media.

In addition to the specific focus areas above, JRCT is open to occasionally supporting other work that furthers the vision of this programme, is highly innovative, with the potential to bring about systemic change and is exceptionally difficult to fund from other sources.

Projects can be UK-based or can be pan-European. Applications aimed at increasing the accountability of the UK government and other UK bodies for the impact of the policies and practices that they pursue within global institutions are also considered.

Applicants must have an account for the Trust's grants management system in order to be able to make an application. Applicants that don't already have one, must register for an account at least two weeks before the application deadline of 24th August.

A broad range of organisations and individuals are eligible to apply. <https://www.jrct.org.uk/power-and-accountability>

Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust Sustainable Futures Fund recognises that climate change caused by human activity is threatening the well-being of humanity and that the wealthiest countries

and individuals are responsible for a disproportionate share of emissions, whilst the poorest countries and sections of society are the most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change. In order to tackle this issue, the Sustainable Futures fund focuses grant making on:

- Identifying the true costs and risks of resource depletion, climate change and other environmental problems
- Campaigns, initiatives and work that promote alternatives to consumerism
- Campaigns and movements that give a voice to young activists and marginalised groups on issues of economic and environmental justice.

Grants are available from a few hundred pounds to over £100,000 and may be single payments or spread over up to three years. Funding priorities are:

- Better economics – with grants funding work that explores how sustainability rather than traditional forms of economic growth
- Beyond consumerism – funded work will include that which engages people individually and collectively in moving away from consumerism and towards more sustainable ways of living
- New Voices – funding for campaigns and movements that enable marginalised groups and young activists to have a voice in decisions which affect them

The deadline to apply is the 24th August 2020. <https://www.jrct.org.uk/sustainable-future>

King's Fund in partnership with the National Lottery Community Fund has launched a new £3 million Healthy Communities Together programme to empower voluntary and community sector organisations and the local health and care sector to work together to boost the health and wellbeing of their communities. The programme is open to applications from groups of voluntary and community organisations and public sector organisations working together in a local area in England and is designed to target areas experiencing the most disadvantage. The fund will operate across six different locations in England.

The programme consists of two phases. In phase 1, a maximum of six areas will receive up to £50,000 funding from The National Lottery Community Fund and a package of learning and development support from the King's Fund for up to nine months to develop their partnership and project plans. The closing date for application for phase 1 is the 27th May 2020 with projects for phase 1 are projected to start in September 2020. At the end of this phase, each site will be invited to apply for phase 2 of the programme for further funding and support. Successful partnerships will receive up to £450,000, as well as ongoing learning and development support from The King's Fund, over a further three years. <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/the-healthy-communities-together-programme#section-1>

NFU Mutual Community Giving Fund is open to charities, schools, and community groups who can apply for grants of up to £1,000 in areas that are local to NFU operations in the UK. Applications are likely to be more successful if they meet one or more of the funds priorities. These are:

- Connecting the community; reducing social isolation, providing opportunities, and encouraging resilience
- Providing care and support to vulnerable members of our community
- Relieving poverty; improving the health and wellbeing of our communities
- Advancing education and experiences for young people

Priority will also be given to requests that are supported by NFU Mutual staff members or one of their local branch offices, and beneficiaries that have not been given funds previously.

The next closing date for applications is the 30th June 2020.

<https://www.nfumutual.co.uk/about-us/responsible-business/nfu-mutual-community-giving-fund/>

Persimmon's Charitable Foundation has committed to relaunching its Building Futures scheme for 2020. As part of its sponsorship of Team GB, Persimmon will donate more than £1 million to support children in sport, health and education. They are calling on local groups within your area which support children to apply. It can all be done online at www.persimmonhomes.com/building-futures

Persimmon's Community Champions initiative has run since 2015 and gives away £64,000 every month in single donations up to the value of £1,000. So far over £3.5 million has been donated in the UK. Persimmon has decided that from April 2020 all funding will go directly to groups supporting the over 70s. However, they need your help to find these groups. If you know of any, can you let them know that funding is available? www.persimmonhomes.com/community-champions

Pink Ribbon Foundation has announced that it is currently accepting applications to its grant making programme. Grants of up to £5,000 are available to UK charities:

- To relieve the needs of people who are suffering from, or have been affected by, breast cancer by providing, or assisting in the provision of, information, care or emotional, practical and financial support.
- To advance public education in the understanding of breast cancer, its early detection and treatment, in particular but not exclusively by commissioning, or conducting, research into the causes, detection and treatment of breast cancer and by disseminating the results of such research.

Higher grants may be awarded if the trustees feel there is a special reason to do so. Any charity working in the field of breast cancer can apply for a grant. Applications from general cancer charities must demonstrate that the grants requested will be applied to benefit those affected by breast cancer. Where applications relate to general services, details must be given of how many (and what proportion) of the total number benefiting from the charity's work are affected by breast cancer. The closing date for applications is the 29th May 2020.

<http://www.pinkribbonfoundation.org.uk/who-we-help/#apply-for-a-grant>

Theatres Trust's Theatre Improvement Scheme awards capital funding as grants of up to £20,000. The Trust works in association with the Wolfson Foundation and each year funds projects with a specific theme – in 2020 the theme is to reduce their environmental impact. From sedum roofs to new windows, building management systems to more efficient water heaters, funding will be given to projects that demonstrate how a small intervention can have a big impact.

Theatres and projects of all sizes are eligible as long as they can demonstrate excellence in the pursuit of becoming an accessible theatre. Applicants must also:

- Own or manage theatres with titles or signed leases of more than 15 years on buildings in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland
- Run a year-round programme of live performance, of no less than 30 performances a year
- Have a bona fide UK charitable or not-for-profit legal structure and be able to provide certified or audited accounts for at least two years.
- Operate theatres that achieve excellence through their producing and programming or architectural significance

Potential applicants are encouraged to contact the Trust to discuss their project before applying. Application forms should be downloaded from the website and emailed to

advice@theatretrust.org.uk The closing date for applications is 12 noon on the 14th September 2020. <http://www.theatretrust.org.uk/how-we-help/grants-funding/theatre-improvement-scheme>

The Triangle Trust has announced that the next closing date for applications to its Development Grants programme is noon on the 4th May 2020. This Development Grant provides funding towards core rather than project costs and is aimed at strengthening an organisation as a whole. During this funding round, the Trust will provide grants to not for profit organisations working towards the

rehabilitation of offenders or ex-offenders. Applicants must be a registered charity, not-for-profit social enterprise or community interest company working within the UK. The Trust particularly welcome applications from organisations working in Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales. Grants are available from £10,000 up to £80,000 for a duration of 6 months to 3 years. The amount of funding requested must be proportional to the development that will be undertaken. A maximum of £30,000 per year or £2,500 per month for smaller developments can be requested. The Trust are open minded on the type of initiatives applicants may wish to develop in order to increase their resilience. Grants can cover any costs incurred by the applicant in increasing their resilience and future sustainability. <https://www.triangletrust.org.uk/>

Wolfson Foundation's Funding for Special Schools and Colleges grants programme is available for projects that are focused towards helping pupils to develop skills which would help them to gain employment or live independently after leaving school or college. The funding covers capital costs such as buildings and equipment. The applicant organisation should meet all of the following criteria:

- be a registered charity, local authority
- be registered with the relevant regulatory authority, where applicable, and have at least a good rating

The project should be for a new building, refurbishment work or equipment and aim to produce one or more of the following outcomes:

- Increased access to services for new and existing users
- Improved quality and range of services
- Improved financial stability of the organisation

There is a 2-stage application process and the next stage 1 closing date is the 1st July 2020.

Applications successful at this stage will have until the 1st September 2020 to complete the stage 2 application. <https://www.wolfson.org.uk/funding/funding-for-places/funding-for-special-schools-and-colleges/>

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