

New funds since 18/09/2020

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<p><b>Community and Third Sector Recovery Programme - Communities Recovery Fund</b></p>	<p>Individuals organisations £5,000 - £25,000</p> <p>Partnerships up to £75,000</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>Grants are available for third sector organisations in Scotland to support people and communities through the shift from lockdown to recovery and tackle the challenges presented by the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>The Communities Recovery Fund is part of the £25 million Community and Third Sector Recovery Programme provided by the Scottish Government. The Programme is delivered by SCVO in partnership with Community Enterprise in Scotland, Highlands and Islands Enterprise, Corra, Development Trusts Association Scotland, Glasgow West of Scotland Housing Forum, Scottish Federation of Housing Associations, National Lotteries Community Fund, and Scottish Communities Development Centre.</p> <p>The Scottish Government's Community and Third Sector Recovery Programme has two strands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communities Recovery Fund provides funding for the delivery of services in communities that were suspended or reduced because of COVID-19, or the creation of new services that tackle new challenges presented.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Community and Third Sector Recovery Programme - Adapt and Thrive Programme</a> will support organisations across the third sector to adapt to the challenges presented by COVID-19 and build back better to thrive in the future. The programme will help organisations to make the necessary changes to operate sustainably so they can continue to have a positive impact on people and communities. This is reported separately.</li> </ul> <p>Organisations can apply for both strands using the same online application form.</p> <p>Grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 are available for individual organisations.</p> <p>Partnerships can apply for up to £75,000.</p> <p>Applications are accepted from charities, community groups, social enterprises, and voluntary organisations.</p> <p>To be eligible organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be based and operating primarily in Scotland.</li> <li>• Be incorporated.</li> <li>• Have had significant disruption to operations and service delivery due to COVID-19.</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Co-ordination.</li> <li>○ Proportionate contribution to overheads (utility bills, rents, rates, staff training).</li> </ul> <p>This is a rolling programme and applications are accepted at any time until March 2021.</p> <p>SCVO is running regular information webinars, and organisations are strongly encouraged to attend one before applying.</p> <p>Guidance documents and access to the online application form are available on the website of SCVO.</p> <p><a href="#">SCVO - Community and Third Sector Recovery Programme</a></p>
<b>Community and Third Sector Recovery Programme - Adapt and Thrive Programme</b>	Up to £250,000	Open	<p>Grants and loans, as well as tailored specialist advice, are available to third sector organisations in Scotland for implementing organisational change needed to adapt to the challenges presented by the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>The Adapt and Thrive Programme is part of the £25 million Community and Third Sector Recovery Programme provided by the Scottish Government. The Programme is delivered in partnership by Firstport, Corra Foundation, SCVO, Just Enterprise, Community Enterprise and Social Investment Scotland.</p> <p>The Scottish Government's Community and Third Sector Recovery Programme has two strands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adapt and Thrive Programme will support organisations across the third sector to adapt to the challenges presented by COVID-19 and build back better to thrive in the future. The programme will help organisations to make the necessary changes to operate sustainably so they can continue to have a positive impact on people and communities.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Community and Third Sector Recovery Programme - Communities Recovery Fund</a> provides funding for the delivery of services in communities that were suspended or reduced because of COVID-19, or the creation of new services that tackle new challenges presented. This is reported separately.</li> </ul> <p>Organisations can apply for both strands using the same online application form.</p> <p>The following types of funding are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 to support the changes an organisation needs to make to operate sustainably.</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flexible, interest free loans from £25,000 to £250,000. All loans recommendations will be based on an assessment of the organisation's ability to service debt.</li> <li>• Blended approach of both grant and loans. The minimum loan portion that can be offered is £25,000.</li> </ul> <p>Alongside with funding, successful applicants will receive tailored, specialist advice to make the necessary changes to adapt and thrive in the new environment.</p> <p>Applications are accepted from charities, community groups, social enterprises, and voluntary organisations.</p> <p>To be eligible organisations must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be based and operating primarily in Scotland.</li> <li>• Have had significant disruption to operations and service delivery due to COVID-19.</li> <li>• Have been financially negatively impacted due to COVID-19.</li> <li>• Have already been in operation and making an impact prior to COVID-19 (before 1 January 2020).</li> <li>• Have a plan (or is planning) to support their community to recover from the health and economic crisis brought about by COVID-19.</li> <li>• Reflect the needs of the organisations and communities they seek to serve.</li> <li>• Be currently (or soon due to be) allowed to operate based on the Scottish Government phases for easing restrictions.</li> <li>• Engage with the support from the Adapt and Thrive Programme to create and deliver a recovery plan for the organisation.</li> </ul> <p>All organisations eligible for the Programme, regardless of turnover, can apply for an interest free <b>loan</b>. Assessment of applications will primarily be based on an organisation's ability to service debt.</p> <p>To be eligible for <b>grant</b> funding, organisations have to meet all the criteria outlined above, and in addition must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have been in a stable financial position prior to COVID-19.</li> <li>• Have had an income of £500,000 or less according to their latest annual accounts.</li> <li>• Show that they are not able to implement the changes needed as part of their recovery plan without additional funding.</li> <li>• Comply with State Aid if activity/investment linked to trading activities.</li> </ul>

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			<p><b>Restrictions</b></p> <p>The following are not eligible for funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extensive capital projects.</li> <li>• Lost income from activities that were planned prior to the pandemic (eg, fundraising events that had to be cancelled or contracts that have been postponed).</li> <li>• Staff costs associated with service/project delivery.</li> <li>• Any retrospective costs.</li> <li>• Any historical debt.</li> <li>• Activities and goods related to current delivery of services or emergency support.</li> <li>• Activities that do not align to the Government’s phasing plan.</li> </ul> <p><b>Eligible Expenditure</b></p> <p>The programme aims to support organisations to implement a recovery plan that will allow them to face the challenges presented by COVID-19, so that they can continue to have a positive impact in their community.</p> <p>Successful organisations will first work on their recovery plan with an advisor and will then be able to apply for grants and/or loans to assist the implementation of the plan.</p> <p>The funding is intended to be flexible and will be awarded on an unrestricted basis. Organisations will be able to adapt and divert the funding to what their organisation needs if circumstances change (for example in the case of a local lockdown).</p> <p>Examples of the types of costs that can be funded include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Costs associated with adapting premises for re-opening (eg, PPE, perspex, glass).</li> <li>• Staff salaries (eg, bringing back staff who have been furloughed so they can support the implementation of the recovery plan).</li> <li>• Consultancy or short-term contracted staff (eg, bringing in a consultant if the organisation does not have the skills/expertise in house).</li> <li>• Contributions towards capital expenditure (eg, adjustments to toilets or washing facilities, or purchasing digital equipment if there is a shift to online delivery).</li> <li>• Stock or materials required to support the implementation of the recovery plan (eg, marketing materials such as customer signage).</li> <li>• Changes to services if these changes directly support the recovery plan.</li> </ul>

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<b>Leaders with Lived Experiences 2020</b>	Up to £50,000	Open (deadline 13/10/2020)	<p>Grants for voluntary and community organisations set up or run by leaders with first-hand experience of a social issue to ensure lived experience plays a key role in shaping how communities across the UK move towards recovery and renewal after the impact of COVID-19.</p> <p>The National Lottery Community Fund gives out money that has been raised by players of the National Lottery.</p> <p>Building on the 2019 Leaders with Lived Experience Pilot Programme, the 2020 programme aims to support lived experience leadership as the UK moves through the COVID-19 crisis. The impact of COVID-19 provides an opportunity to help lived experience to play a key role in shaping how communities move towards recovery and renewal.</p>

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			<p>The funding is for up to two years and enables organisations to focus either on the immediate response to the COVID-19 crisis, or helping communities recover and renew after the impact of COVID-19, or both.</p> <p>Grants of between £20,000 and £50,000 are available.</p> <p>It is expected that between 30 and 40 grants will be awarded.</p> <p>The funding is available for up to two years.</p> <p><b>Who Can Apply</b></p> <p>Applications will be considered from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voluntary or community organisations</li> <li>• Registered charities</li> <li>• Constituted groups or clubs</li> <li>• Not-for-profit companies or community interest companies.</li> </ul> <p>Organisations can apply if they:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Were set up by a lived experience leader</li> <li>• Are run by lived experience leaders</li> <li>• Have a leadership that reflects those they seek to support.</li> </ul> <p>Organisations who have already applied for COVID-19 funding from the National Lottery Community Fund can also apply to this programme.</p> <p><b>Location</b></p> <p>UK Wide</p> <p><b>Restrictions</b></p> <p>The following are not eligible for funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individuals</li> <li>• Sole traders</li> <li>• Companies that are aimed at generating profits primarily for private distribution</li> <li>• Organisations based outside the UK</li> <li>• Applications made by one organisation on behalf of another</li> <li>• Schools</li> <li>• Statutory bodies (including town, parish and community councils)</li> <li>• Statutory activities</li> <li>• Loans, endowments or interest</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electricity generation and feed-in tariff payments</li> <li>• Paying another person to write an application on their behalf.</li> <li>• Political or religious activities</li> <li>• Profit-making or fundraising activities</li> <li>• VAT that can be reclaimed</li> <li>• Alcohol</li> <li>• Capital costs (eg, buying or refurbishing buildings)</li> </ul> <p><b>Eligible Expenditure</b></p> <p>The funding is for projects which meet the Fund's priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lived experience leadership can be central in developing strategies for the renewal of civil society through and beyond the COVID-19 crisis.</li> <li>• Supporting and developing lived experience leadership at all levels of an organisation.</li> <li>• Creating new opportunities for lived experience leaders and lived experience-led organisations to be central to any COVID-19 recovery and renewal response.</li> </ul> <p>NLCF defines the term 'lived experience leader' as 'someone who uses their first-hand experience of a social issue to create positive change for communities and people who share those experiences (and works with them to do that)'.</p> <p>For example, a lived experience leader could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Someone who has been homeless who is working to improve homelessness services</li> <li>• A person with HIV who has set up and is running a peer-to-peer support service for other people with HIV</li> <li>• A person who has lost a loved one to suicide sets up and runs a support group for others who have lost someone to suicide.</li> </ul> <p>A lived experience leader would <b>not</b> be for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A non-disabled person who has volunteered with disabled people, and wants to set up a disability charity</li> <li>• A parent/carer of someone with HIV who has set up a support group for people with HIV</li> <li>• A middle-class person who is running a working-class mentoring scheme.</li> </ul> <p>The following are examples of projects that might apply for this funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Involving lived experience leaders in designing and delivering services that meet the needs of communities most impacted by COVID-19.</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating time and space for lived experience leaders to think more about strategy, objectives and influencing, or developing strategy in general.</li> <li>• Creating time and space for lived experience leaders to influence how communities recover and renew after the impact of COVID-19, in a strategic way. This might be for a specific geographic area or for a particular sector.</li> <li>• Developing networks of support and collaboration between lived experience-led organisations, to create strategies that resolve intersections in lived experience. For example, working with Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) care leavers, or disabled people in lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and queer + (LGBTQ+) communities.</li> <li>• Helping lived experience-led organisations become more resilient and sustainable. For example, through training, personal or professional development, planning to hand leadership over to others, improving digital capacity, or support packages to improve wellbeing.</li> <li>• Supporting existing projects or creating new projects that help lived experience-led organisations and leaders to meet the needs of the communities they serve during the COVID-19 pandemic.</li> <li>• Supporting existing work or creating new projects that help to prevent crises like COVID-19 from impacting some communities (such as disabled people and BAME communities) more than others.</li> </ul> <p>The funding can be used for a wide range of items, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equipment (eg, office equipment)</li> <li>• One-off events</li> <li>• Staff costs</li> <li>• Training costs</li> <li>• Transport</li> <li>• Utilities/running costs</li> <li>• Volunteer expenses</li> </ul> <p><b>How To Apply</b></p> <p>Applications will be accepted until 5pm on 13 October 2020 (5pm).</p> <p>The online application form and guidance are available on the National Lottery Community Fund website.</p> <p><a href="https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/leaders-with-lived-experience-2020#section-1">https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/leaders-with-lived-experience-2020#section-1</a></p>

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<b>Film and TV Charity COVID-19 Recovery Fund</b>	Up to £4,500	Open (deadline 12/10/2020)	<p>This scheme is designed to assist UK film, television and cinema workers most affected by COVID-19 and offer financial and wellbeing support over six months to help them sustain themselves and their careers through and out of the pandemic.</p> <p>Administered by the Film and TV Charity, this scheme has received donations from: Amazon Prime Video; BAFTA; BBC and BBC Studios; BFI using Lottery Funds; Netflix; Sky Group; Sony Pictures Entertainment; ViacomCBS; and WarnerMedia.</p> <p>The Film and TV Charity has launched the new COVID-19 Recovery Fund to distribute funding to UK film, TV and cinema workers who have been hit hardest by the coronavirus pandemic, helping to sustain them and their careers through and out of the current crisis.</p> <p>The new fund will seek to protect the industry's diverse talent pipeline by focusing on supporting those at greatest personal and professional risk as a result of the pandemic.</p> <p>Recent research commissioned by the charity has warned of the disproportionate effect of the pandemic on some groups, especially those who may already face barriers to staying in the industry, including Black, Asian and minority ethnic workers, women, those living outside of London, and people with a disability.</p> <p>The scheme will distribute up to £2 million. Support will be targeted at workers who are the worst hit, the least financially resilient, and those who are the most at risk professionally and personally. The fund offers grants of £750 a month for up to six months (up to £4,500) and the grant will be supplemented with a package of financial advice, wellbeing support and industry access.</p> <p>UK residents who work in film, TV or cinema may be eligible to apply. They must have been in paid industry work for at least 40 days in the last 18 months and currently be in financial difficulty due to COVID-19. Applicants must have earned less than £30,420 in the previous financial year (2019/20).</p> <p>The Fund opened on Wednesday 23 September 2020 (10:00 BST). The deadline for applications is Monday 12 October 2020 (17:00 BST).</p> <p>Applications are made online at the programme website.</p> <p>More details can be accessed <a href="#">here</a></p> <p>For support during the application process, interested parties can call the support team on 0800 054 0000 or email <a href="mailto:recoveryfund@filmtvcharity.org.uk">recoveryfund@filmtvcharity.org.uk</a></p>

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Screen Hardship Fund	Up to £2,000	Open	<p>Support is being provided for freelancers in Scotland who work in film or television and are experiencing immediate financial hardship due to the loss of income as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>This scheme is administered by Screen Scotland - the dedicated partnership for screen in Scotland- which sits within Creative Scotland. The funding comes from the Scottish Government's emergency funding package for the culture sector.</p> <p>Screen Scotland's Hardship Fund is targeted at freelance screen practitioners working in all parts of Scotland's screen sector who are experiencing immediate financial hardship due to the loss of income as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This fund offers a one-off bursary to those who are most deeply impacted and disadvantaged by the cancellation of work as a result of the emergency situation.</p> <p>The overriding priorities for this programme are to retain a vital workforce within Scotland's screen sector which is at risk as a result of COVID-19 and to offer support to those who have been unable to access direct support to date.</p> <p>The total budget for the fund is £700,000. Applicants can apply for a Hardship bursary of up to £2,000. They may request more than £2,000 if the request includes access costs.</p> <p>Applications are welcome from freelancers who work in film or television (scripted or unscripted, live-action or animation), film exhibition, distribution, talent and skills development and film education.</p> <p>Applications opened on Tuesday 22 September 2020. The scheme will remain open until all funding has been expended.</p> <p>Applications are made online at the programme website.</p> <p><a href="https://www.screen.scot/funding-and-support/screen-scotland-funding/screen-hardship-fund">https://www.screen.scot/funding-and-support/screen-scotland-funding/screen-hardship-fund</a></p>
Youth Arts Access Fund	Up to £30,000	Open (deadline 12/11/2020)	<p>Funding to support an increased range of music-making projects for children and young people in Scotland aged 0-25 years as well as introducing projects which deliver across wider art form areas.</p> <p>In August 2020, the Scottish Government announced that the culture and heritage sectors in Scotland were to benefit from a £59 million funding package to protect jobs and help the industry weather the effects of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. As part of this announcement, £3 million was allocated to support youth arts and ensure creative opportunities for children and young people continue to exist across Scotland despite the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>

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			<p>This scheme is administered by Creative Scotland.</p> <p>Building on its Access to Music Making Fund, this new scheme from Creative Scotland is designed to support music-making initiatives among children and young people aged 0-25. The Youth Arts Access Fund will support an increased range of projects, as well as introducing those which deliver across wider art form areas.</p> <p>The overall budget for the fund will be £1.2 million with at least £800,000 for youth music and £400,000 for wider youth arts. Applicants can apply for between £5,000 and £30,000 to deliver projects for up to one year.</p> <p>All applicants can apply for 100% of their proposed programme but the addition of partnership funding and in kind contributions are welcomed.</p> <p>Applications can come from organisations and individuals based in Scotland or who are delivering programmes within Scotland for the benefit of the people of Scotland.</p> <p>Organisations already in receipt of Regular Funding from Creative Scotland can apply but should discuss their intention to apply with their lead officer in the first instance.</p> <p>Applications will not be accepted from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Schools and/or their associated organisations, such as Parent Teacher Associations.</li> <li>• Instrumental Music Services and existing music programmes and services based in local authorities.</li> </ul> <p>In addition, this fund will not support applications which propose to create permanent full-time or part-time posts.</p> <p>Examples of activities that might be supported include (but are not limited to) the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group based activity that covers any aspect of youth arts/music making.</li> <li>• Youth led projects where young people design and lead activity.</li> <li>• Projects that promote partnership working.</li> <li>• Delivery of project activity working across early learning, schools, and other family support and community settings, focused on tackling inequality through targeting priority groups of children and young people.</li> </ul>

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			<p>Creative Scotland will prioritise applications that propose specific actions and partnerships to tackling inequality by engaging at least one of the following groups of children and young people who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are living in poverty or residing in areas of social and economic deprivation.</li> <li>• Are experiencing or at risk of experiencing harm and neglect.</li> <li>• Are looked after (as defined by the Children (Scotland) Act 1995) and care leavers (as defined by the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014).</li> <li>• Are in the early years (0-5) of their life.</li> <li>• Are from Black and/or Minority Ethnic (BAME) backgrounds.</li> <li>• Have a disability and/or additional support needs.</li> <li>• Are at risk of offending or have previously offended.</li> <li>• Are young carers (as defined by the Carers (Scotland) Act 2016) and/or young parents.</li> <li>• Are experiencing or at risk of homelessness, or who have been homeless.</li> <li>• Are experiencing mental ill health.</li> <li>• We endeavour to support a range of projects across the whole of Scotland.</li> </ul> <p>The scheme opened on Thursday 17 September 2020.</p> <p>Deadline for Applications: Thursday 12 November 2020.</p> <p>Funded activities should begin from March 2021.</p> <p>Completed application forms and supporting material can be submitted by email to <a href="mailto:YMLaccess@creativescotland.com">YMLaccess@creativescotland.com</a></p> <p>Applications are made online at the programme website. For more details, contact Creative <a href="https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/youth-arts-fund/accessScotland">https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/youth-arts-fund/accessScotland</a>.</p>
<b>Youth Work Education Recovery Fund (Scotland)</b>	£20,000 to £60,000	Open (deadline 14/10/2020)	<p>Grants are available for public and voluntary sector community learning and development services to support the educational recovery of young people across Scotland impacted by the coronavirus/COVID-19 crisis.</p> <p>The Youth Work Education Recovery Fund is provided by the Scottish Government and administered by YouthLink Scotland, the national youth work agency.</p> <p>The Fund aims to achieve the following objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An increased youth work offer with a focus on the national youth work outcomes and supporting young people's educational, social and emotional recovery.</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased youth work support for young people, families and communities who need it most, including those disproportionately disadvantaged by COVID-19.</li> <li>• Improved partnership working across local CLD partnerships that supports the delivery of education recovery and renewal.</li> <li>• Stronger youth work and schools partnerships, focused on reducing the poverty related attainment gap.</li> <li>• Improved youth work support for young people's mental health and well-being.</li> <li>• Increased access to youth work activities that utilise outdoor learning opportunities.</li> <li>• Increased access to youth work activities that involve expressive arts opportunities.</li> <li>• Increased opportunities for young people to build their confidence and skills for learning, life and work.</li> <li>• Increased opportunities for young people's personal achievements to be recognised (eg, through youth awards).</li> </ul> <p>A total of £3 million will be awarded in grants.</p> <p>Grants of between £20,000 and £60,000 are available.</p> <p>Organisations can contact YouthLink Scotland to discuss the potential for local youth work alliances/partnerships to submit larger bids (exceeding £60,000).</p> <p>The Fund is open to applications from community learning and development services that help young people engage and re-engage with learning.</p> <p>The lead applicant must be a public body or not-for-profit organisations. Commercial organisations may be involved as a partner but not as the lead applicant or direct recipient of the grant.</p> <p>The fund is allocated across the six regional improvement collaborative areas. Applications are invited from partners in each local authority area in Scotland.</p> <p>Priority will be given to collaborative bids.</p> <p><b>Location</b></p> <p>Scotland</p> <p>The following are not eligible for funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposals that cover more than one local authority area. Organisations planning to offer opportunities in more than one area have to complete a separate application form for each area targeted.</li> <li>• Proposals that do not clearly demonstrate youth work processes and outcomes.</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employment training initiatives that are not embedded within a youth work programme.</li> <li>• Counselling, befriending and advocacy projects.</li> <li>• Training courses for staff and volunteers.</li> <li>• Single activity projects with no youth work outcomes eg, sports projects and competitions.</li> <li>• Capital costs in excess of 25% of the total amount requested.</li> <li>• Overseas projects.</li> <li>• Memberships of private clubs eg, gyms, golf and bowling clubs.</li> <li>• Proposals that do not offer good value for money.</li> <li>• Excessive management overheads and core cost recovery.</li> </ul> <p>Eligible Expenditure</p> <p>The overall aim of the Fund is to support opportunities for young people to engage or re-engage with youth work activities that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build their confidence and skills.</li> <li>• Support their health and well-being.</li> <li>• Address the poverty-related attainment gap.</li> </ul> <p>Eligible projects should achieve at least three of the following outcomes for young people:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved literacy and numeracy.</li> <li>• Improved health and wellbeing.</li> <li>• Increased attendance at school.</li> <li>• Increased engagement in learning.</li> <li>• Overcoming barriers to learning.</li> <li>• Developing skills, including interpersonal skills.</li> <li>• Developing employability skills and/or readiness for work.</li> <li>• Securing positive and sustained destinations.</li> <li>• Raising attainment through recognition of wider learning and achievement (eg, youth awards).</li> </ul> <p>The funding can be used for project staff costs, venue costs and activity programme costs.</p> <p>Proposals should follow the most current Scottish Government and local authority guidance on the COVID-19 recovery. Proposals should be flexible enough to ensure that effective youth work activity can take place within that guidance, for example by considering additional health and safety measures or equipment or the use of blended approaches.</p>

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			<p>Projects should take place between November 2020 and the end of August 2021.</p> <p>The deadline for applications is 14 October 2020.</p> <p>Regionally organised applicant support sessions will take place between 22 September and 28 September to support partnership working and to allow potential partners to make contact and share ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forth Valley and West Lothian: 22 September, 10am - 11:30am.</li> <li>• Northern Alliance: 22 September, 1:30pm - 3pm.</li> <li>• South East: 23 September, 10am - 11:30am.</li> <li>• <b>South West: 23 September, 12 - 1:30pm.</b></li> <li>• Tayside: 24 September, 11:30am - 1pm.</li> <li>• West Partnership: 28 September, 10am - 11:30am</li> </ul> <p>To book a place, organisations should contact Roisin Bathe at <a href="mailto:rbathe@youthlinkscotland.org">rbathe@youthlinkscotland.org</a></p> <p>Guidance notes and the online application form are available on the website of YouthLink Scotland.</p> <p><a href="https://www.youthlinkscotland.org/funding/youth-work-education-recovery-fund/">https://www.youthlinkscotland.org/funding/youth-work-education-recovery-fund/</a></p>
<b>Funding for Youth Volunteering Projects Related to COVID-19 Crisis</b>	Up to £500	Open (deadline 27/9/2020)	<p>Short application window opens for volunteering initiatives organised by young people in response to COVID-19.</p> <p>Grants of up to £500 are available for UK based volunteering or community service projects, organised and run by young people (under 30 years old). The projects need to respond directly or indirectly to COVID-19.</p> <p>Youth volunteering has an important role to play as part of society's response to the pandemic and the grants are intended to help young people to get involved with volunteering in response to the pandemic.</p> <p>Previously funded projects have included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Providing period products to foodbanks supporting vulnerable women and families in London.</li> <li>• Delivering isolation packs including books, treats and games to children of key workers.</li> </ul> <p><b>The deadline for applications is 27 September 2020 (8pm).</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.alecdicksontrust.org.uk/">http://www.alecdicksontrust.org.uk/</a></p>

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<b>Garfield Weston Foundation's New £25m Culture Fund</b>	To be announced when programme opens	Opens 5/10/2020	<p>The new one-off Weston Culture Fund aims to support performing and visual arts organisations, arts centres, accredited museums and galleries as they try to recover from the impact of COVID-19.</p> <p>The £25 million fund is designed to support mid to large scale cultural organisations in the UK to help them restart work, re-engage with audiences, adapt to changed circumstances and generate revenue.</p> <p>The fund is specifically for charitable organisations with a pre-COVID regular annual income of £500,000 or greater; smaller organisations will be able to apply for the regular grants programme via the Foundation's website as usual.</p> <p><b>Full details of the fund will be available when the fund opens.</b></p> <p><b>Applications will be accepted from 5 October until 9 November 2020.</b></p> <p><a href="https://garfieldweston.org/">https://garfieldweston.org/</a></p>
<b>Rapid Recovery Challenge</b>	Up to £475,000	Open (deadline 26/10/2020)	<p>Registered UK businesses, charities, community interest companies, community groups and public bodies are invited to apply for support to accelerate innovations that can help vulnerable workers that have been hardest hit by the coronavirus crisis to access jobs and financial help.</p> <p>This programme is funded by Nesta in partnership with JP Morgan Chase Foundation and Money and Pensions Service. Nesta is a registered charity, operating as the UK's innovation foundation and supporting new ideas that are able to address some of the major challenges of modern times.</p> <p>Nesta has identified what it describes as an 'urgent need' to support people at risk of losing their livelihoods and financial security in the wake of the coronavirus crisis. Nesta believes there is a requirement for innovative products and services that can help families build savings easily, enable them to access financial assistance that exists already, provide tailored advice and support, and give much greater access to affordable credit.</p> <p>The Rapid Recovery Challenge has been launched to stimulate innovation in the fields of employment, skills and financial services. The programme will find and support tools and services that improve access to jobs and money for people across the UK, focusing on those hardest hit by the economic shock resulting from coronavirus (COVID-19).</p> <p>Nesta will award 12 participants an initial prize, based on plans to scale their products to 10,000+ users. Depending on their progress, up to six finalists will later be awarded more funds to help reach a further 50,000 users. The whole process is expected to take a year, with the aim that the solutions supported by the prize will ultimately reach one million people in the UK by 2023.</p> <p>The Challenge has two streams:</p>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Job Recovery Stream - supporting solutions that connect younger workers or those in (or who have recently lost) low-paid or insecure work into open jobs that match their skill sets. To help make these connections to live jobs, Nesta expects solutions in this stream may also provide tailored learning, training, or advice to people seeking work.</li> <li>• Financial Recovery Stream - supporting solutions that help younger workers or those in (or who have recently lost) low-paid or insecure work access financial assistance more easily, manage their cash flow or, where necessary, access affordable, responsible credit.</li> </ul> <p>The Challenge will support solutions that positively impact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Those currently or recently (within the past 12 months) in low paid roles. 'Low paid' is defined as earning less than £18,252/year (60% or less the national median annual pay in 2019, £30,420).</li> <li>• Those currently or recently (within the past 12 months) in insecure roles. An 'insecure role' is defined as temporary contracts less than six months, variable (zero-hour) contracts or self-employed earning less than £18,252/year.</li> <li>• Young people, whether employed or unemployed. 'Young people' are defined as those aged 16-24.</li> </ul> <p>The Challenge's target end users are statistically more likely to be women, migrants, those from Black ethnic groups, and those in particular geographic areas. Supporting these groups might be one way, but not the only way, for solutions to have a meaningful impact.</p> <p>Throughout the Challenge, Nesta will support innovators to develop and scale their potential solutions and expand their reach and impact. The two winning projects will be announced at the end of the programme in September 2021.</p> <p>The programme has a total prize fund of £2.8 million. Funds will be released in increments, with funding being awarded at each stage, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In December 2020, 12 semi-finalists (six in each stream) will each receive £125,000.</li> <li>• In May 2021, six finalists (three in each stream) will each receive £150,000.</li> <li>• In September 2021, two winners (one in each stream) will each receive £200,000.</li> </ul> <p>In addition to funding, the challenge will offer participants non-financial support from internal experts and external partners. Participants will have a dedicated member of the Nesta team to help them access this support and navigate all elements of the challenge.</p>

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			<p>To support the most promising innovations from the not-for-profit sector, at least six semi-finalist awards will be made to not-for-profit organisations in each stream. And, in the next stage, at least two finalist awards will be made to not-for-profit organisations for solutions in either stream.</p> <p>Applications are accepted from registered UK entities, including businesses, charities, community interest companies, community groups and public bodies. Organisations can enter in partnership. Proposed solutions must directly benefit the UK population.</p> <p>Applicants should (at minimum) have a well-functioning prototype of their solution that has been piloted with at least 1,000 users.</p> <p>Applicants must select which stream of the Challenge they are applying for: Job Recovery or Financial Recovery. However, applicants are able to separately enter into both streams and solutions that involve elements of both streams are welcome.</p> <p>Restrictions</p> <p>Nesta is unable to accept entries from any organisation that is currently: bankrupt, in liquidation, having their affairs administered by the courts or entered into an arrangement with creditors.</p> <p>Entries will not be accepted from individuals.</p> <p>Eligible Expenditure</p> <p>Funding must be used to develop participants' winning entry in ways that will improve access to jobs and money for people across the UK, focusing on those hardest hit by the economic shock resulting from COVID-19.</p> <p>How To Apply</p> <p>Applications opened on Monday 14 September 2020. The deadline for applications is 26 October 2020 (12:00 GMT).</p> <p>Applications are made online at the programme website. More details can be accessed <a href="#">here</a></p> <p>Those who have questions can get in touch with Nesta by emailing <a href="mailto:rapid.recovery@nesta.org.uk">rapid.recovery@nesta.org.uk</a></p> <p>More details can be accessed by contacting Nesta.</p>
<b>Job Support Scheme</b>	Discretionary	Opens 1/11/2020	<b>Advance notice</b> – Support for UK employers to protect viable jobs in businesses that are facing lower demand over the winter months due to coronavirus, to help keep their employees attached to the workforce.

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			<p>This programme is funded by the UK Government and administered by HMRC.</p> <p>The Job Support Scheme is designed to protect viable jobs in businesses that are facing lower demand over the winter months due to coronavirus (COVID-19), to help keep their employees attached to the workforce.</p> <p>The company will continue to pay its employee for time worked, but the cost of hours not worked will be split between the employer, the Government (through wage support) and the employee (through a wage reduction), and the employee will keep their job.</p> <p>The Government will pay a third of hours not worked up to a cap, with the employer also contributing a third. This will ensure employees earn a minimum of 77% of their normal wages, where the Government contribution has not been capped.</p> <p>Employers using the Job Support Scheme will also be able to claim the Job Retention Bonus if they meet the eligibility criteria.</p> <p>For every hour not worked by the employee, both the Government and employer will pay a third each of the usual hourly wage for that employee. The Government contribution will be capped at £697.92 a month.</p> <p>All employers with a UK bank account and UK PAYE schemes can claim the grant. Neither the employer nor the employee needs to have previously used the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme.</p> <p>Large businesses will have to meet a financial assessment test, so the scheme is only available to those whose turnover is lower now than before experiencing difficulties from COVID-19. There will be no financial assessment test for small and medium enterprises (SMEs).</p> <p>Employees must be on an employer's PAYE payroll on or before 23 September 2020. This means a Real Time Information (RTI) submission notifying payment to that employee to HMRC must have been made on or before 23 September 2020.</p> <p>In order to support viable jobs, for the first three months of the scheme the employee must work at least 33% of their usual hours. After three months, the Government will consider whether to increase this minimum hours threshold.</p> <p>The scheme will be open from 1 November 2020 to the end of April 2021.</p> <p>Employers will be able to make a claim online through Gov.uk from December 2020. They will be paid on a monthly basis.</p> <p>More details can be accessed <a href="#">here</a></p>

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<b>Armed Forces Covenant Trust - NAAFI Fund</b>	£5,000 to £20,000	Open (deadline 23/10/2020)	<p>Grants for Armed Forces bases and stations to support projects that will develop better spaces for recreation, leisure or for serving personnel to relax in while off duty.</p> <p>Fund Information</p> <p>The NAAFI Fund comes from funding made available by the Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes (NAAFI). NAAFI is an official trading organisation of HM Forces, providing catering, retail, leisure and facilities management services to the British Armed Forces.</p> <p>The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust is administering the NAAFI Fund on behalf of NAAFI. The Fund will run for at least 10 years, starting from September 2020.</p> <p>The funding is intended for UK Armed Forces units, located in the UK or overseas; for projects that improve the quality of life for serving personnel and their families living on base or at an Armed Forces unit.</p> <p>In the first year of the NAAFI Fund, the focus will be on funding smaller projects that will help single serving personnel living in Single Living Accommodation, and Armed Forces families. Following the first funding round, there will be two funding rounds per year.</p> <p>Grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 are available for projects lasting up to one year.</p> <p>Applications will only be accepted from Armed Forces bases and stations</p> <p>Although charities and other organisations cannot apply for this programme, an Armed Forces base could choose to work with a charity or other local organisation as part of their project.</p> <p>The following are not eligible for funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charities and other types of organisations.</li> <li>• Where funding is not benefiting people from the Armed Forces community.</li> <li>• Making grants or donations of money to individuals or families.</li> <li>• Topping up existing grants and aid from a government department.</li> <li>• Where money only benefits one person. By this is meant where the whole project would only benefit one person.</li> <li>• Repeat or regular projects that require a source of uncommitted funding.</li> <li>• Investments.</li> <li>• Paying for ongoing costs of existing partnership activity.</li> <li>• Organisational fundraising activities.</li> <li>• Endowments (to provide a source of income).</li> <li>• Projects, activities or services that the state has a legal obligation to provide.</li> <li>• Retrospective funding for projects that have already started or taken place</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Excessive management or professional fees or contingency costs.</li> </ul> <p>This is not an exhaustive list.</p> <p><b>Eligible Expenditure</b></p> <p>Grants should be used for projects or activities that help to bring people together on the unit and help reduce boredom or isolation.</p> <p>The funding can be used to refurbish spaces or purchase equipment. It can also be used for staff costs or fees, but applicants should be able to show us how an activity would be sustained at the end of the grant period if there is an ongoing need.</p> <p>The types of projects that the Fund may support in 2020/21 are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating games rooms with pool tables or electronic gaming equipment that could be used as a recreational space by serving personnel in single living accommodation.</li> <li>• Refurbishing recreational spaces to make them more comfortable for serving personnel.</li> <li>• Providing a bank of mountain bikes that can be loaned out for serving personnel and families to explore the local countryside.</li> <li>• Improving play equipment for children from Armed Forces families.</li> </ul> <p>The project might include the following costs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refurbishment costs to create comfortable recreational spaces, and purchasing the items needed for these.</li> <li>• Staff time for this fixed-term project, including time-managing volunteers that may be involved in the project.</li> <li>• Purchasing items that provide practical support, or that can enable activities to take place.</li> <li>• Purchasing items that may be needed to provide support, such as additional telephones or laptops.</li> <li>• Reasonable costs for storing and transporting items, including wear and tear on private vehicles.</li> <li>• Reasonable overheads that reflect the cost to the organisation of delivering the project.</li> <li>• Equipment for children from Armed Forces families.</li> </ul> <p>The first step is to submit a short summary of 50 words or less by email to <a href="mailto:welfaregrant:naafi.co.uk">welfaregrant:naafi.co.uk</a></p> <p>Ideas that broadly fit with the Fund programme will be given a unique code and link to the online application form.</p>

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			<p>Unique codes will not be issued after the deadline.</p> <p>The deadline for this summary is 12 noon 23 October 2020.</p> <p>The guidance notes are available on the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust website.  <a href="https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/the-naafi-fund/#application-process">https://covenantfund.org.uk/programme/the-naafi-fund/#application-process</a></p>
<b>Ferries Accessibility Fund</b>			<p>The Ferries Accessibility Fund aims to improve the accessibility of ferries and ports and to enhance the ferry travelling experience of disabled people and others facing mobility or access challenges. This includes passengers that have hidden disabilities.</p> <p>The fund was set up in line with a commitment made in "Scottish Ferry Services: Ferries Plan (2013-2022)" in response to one of the recommendations made by the Accessibility Sub-Group of the Ferries Review. The Sub-Group's report noted that the most practical and cost-effective way of enhancing the accessibility of vessels and ports was to address this in the design of new vessels and significant harbour developments. However, the cost of reasonable retrofitting should not be prohibitive and the Accessibility Fund was set up to address this.</p> <p>The fund supports the Accessible Travel Framework for Scotland, whose purpose is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support disabled people's rights by removing barriers and improving access to travel</li> <li>• Ensure disabled people are fully involved in work to improve all aspects of travel.</li> </ul> <p>The Fund is administered by Transport Scotland.</p> <p>Decisions on applications will be taken by a Fund Management Group, which will comprise of representatives from Transport Scotland and the Mobility and Access Committee for Scotland (MACS).</p> <p>A sum of £500,000 was made available. After taking account of projects awarded in the previous 5 rounds between 2014 and 2019, there is a balance of around £144,000 currently still available in 2020.</p> <p>Allocations of funding will be on a match-funding basis. Normally this will be 50/50, which gives the opportunity for £1 million overall to be spent on accessibility improvements over the life of the Accessibility Fund.</p> <p>We have so far supported 23 projects in previous rounds, with a funding total of nearly £1,146,000. These projects have included: Disabled or Assisted toilets on passenger decks; Changing Place (Fully accessible toilet space equipped with hoist and adjustable height bench for adult changing); Hearing Systems; Staff training; Sensory Packs, e.g. for Autistic passengers; and Apps for assisted travel.</p> <p>Eligible organisations</p> <p>Any ferry or harbour operator providing an internal ferry service. This includes local authority ports and ferry services and private sector ports and services.</p>

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			<p>In addition, local authorities and regional transport partnerships or other community groups may wish to lead an application in respect of improvements at eligible ports and services in their area.</p> <p>Application process</p> <p>The Application Pack details the criteria and what information will be required when submitting an application, including Guidance Notes. This will be available when the next round is open.</p> <p>The sixth round of the Accessibility Fund is expected to open for applications in Autumn 2020.</p> <p>Relevant Legislation</p> <p>The Equality Act 2010 ('the Equality Act') provides a broad legal framework covering discrimination against people with specific 'protected characteristics'. One of the protected characteristics is disability.</p> <p>It includes a positive duty to make reasonable adjustments for disabled people, and applies to service providers and those exercising public functions. This requires those subject to the duty to remove or change physical features, provisions, criteria or practices which would put a disabled person at a substantial disadvantage in comparison with a person who is not disabled.</p> <p>Contacts</p> <p>Bob Davie  Transport Scotland  <a href="mailto:bob.davie@transport.gov.scot">bob.davie@transport.gov.scot</a>  0131 244 7243  07929512159</p> <p>and/or</p> <p>Caroline Connelly  Transport Scotland  <a href="mailto:caroline.connelly@transport.gov.scot">caroline.connelly@transport.gov.scot</a>  0141 272 7146  07814 785 899</p>

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