

Funding Support for the voluntary sector during COVID19



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Barclays Foundation

Barclays Bank has announced the establishment of the Barclays Foundation, which will provide a #COVID19 Community Aid Package of £100 million to charities working to support vulnerable people impacted by the pandemic.

<https://home.barclays/news/press-releases/2020/04/barclays-launches-p100-million-covid-19-community-aid-package/>

CEO Sleepout

CEO Sleepout, which fights homelessness and poverty, has launched a Community Volunteer Groups Emergency Fund to provide cash grants to local community volunteer groups across the UK that are responding to coronavirus measures, such as bringing essential supplies to those who are isolating alone. Once the Emergency Fund has raised £2,500, it will begin distribution of funds. Volunteer groups who wish to register to apply for a £250 grant can fill in the form at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfm2q6JGpXM7CuweTEBtllmPnepFsN1jydDJEF8wg84gtKCKA/viewform>

COVID-19 Emergency Surplus Food Grant: phase 2

The aim of the grant is to provide vital financial support to small not-for-profit (NFP) organisations who can redistribute surplus food from the likes of retailers, wholesalers, and food manufacturers, to people in need or those considered vulnerable.

This £1 million grant scheme is open to micro-to-small sized NFP operations that currently operate food redistribution activity. Eligible applicants may apply for grants of between £5,000 and £10,000. The grant may be used to fund the eligible capital and revenue costs.

The grant can provide funding support to help deal with any increased demand and capacity issues, additional resource, or costs for transporting the surplus food from the food business to a charity or end beneficiary. We are unable to fund the likes of kitchens facilities for meal preparations, cooking, or onward giving of food through the likes of community stores, breakfast clubs, and soup kitchens. Closing date: 4 June, 2020, 13:00

<https://wrap.org.uk/content/covid-19-emergency-surplus-food-grant-phase-2>

England and Wales Cricket Board funding

Cricket clubs and leagues can now apply to two funding schemes designed to help them through the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Emergency Loan Scheme

The England and Wales Cricket Board Emergency Loan Scheme aims to support affiliated cricket clubs during the COVID-19 crisis by providing funding to assist clubs to cover any shortfall in essential day-to-day running and maintenance costs until normal recreational cricket activity can be resumed.

Return to Cricket Grant Scheme

The Return to Cricket Grant Scheme aims to provide cricket clubs and leagues with assistance in exceptional circumstances, where other potential sources of financial support are not available, e.g. constitutionally a loan is not an option or there is a high risk of default in paying back a loan.

<https://www.ecb.co.uk/be-involved/club-support/club-funding/emergency-support-programmes>

Enterprise Relief Fund

The Prince's Trust and NatWest have set up an Enterprise Relief Fund offering grants that can be used to maintain core business costs, as well as to meet any existing financial commitments such as invoices from suppliers and essential equipment. The grants will also support young people diversify their business so that they can respond to the crisis.

Business owners aged 18-30 who set up their business in the last 4 years are eligible for grants from the scheme, but business owners aged 18 – 30 who are not eligible are still encouraged to get in touch for 1 – 1 support from the Trust.

In addition to this funding by NatWest, Social and Community Capital, a charity funded by NatWest, has announced £500k to be available as grants for social enterprises and community businesses.

<https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/about-the-trust/coronavirus-response/enterprise-relief-fund>

Heritage Emergency Fund

The National Lottery Heritage Fund has put together a £50million fund of between £3,000 and £50,000 to support the heritage sector as an immediate response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

The UK-wide fund - money raised from The National Lottery - will address immediate pressures over the next few months for those organisations most in need.

Deadline: 30 June

<https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/news/heritage-emergency-fund-launches-help-sector-updated>

#IWILL FUND

Grants of up to £10,000 to help young people support each other during bereavement.

Deadline: Express an interest before 12pm (noon) on 31 July 2020.

https://www.coopfoundation.org.uk/funding_support/iwill-fund-bereavement/

Mental Health Response Fund

A new grants fund focused on supporting VCS mental health providers in England to respond to an anticipated increase in need as a direct result of the coronavirus pandemic. The funding is available for registered charities to either:

Scale up existing activity – for example, your organisation may manage a helpline or a forum that is experiencing an unprecedented amount of requests

Adapt existing activity – for example, you may have traditionally delivered all of your services in-person and now want to adapt them in order to continue meeting the needs of existing, or new, service users

Introduce new activity – You may want to introduce a new service that will meet the specific needs of your service users that arise due, in part, to the coronavirus crisis

Two sizes of grants are available:

Service Delivery Grants

- Large grants: up to £50,000
- Small grants: up to £20,000. The minimum grant available is £5,000.

Organisations can only apply for one grant, regardless of grant size.

For organisations applying for work across at least three English regions we will consider awards of up to £100,000. Please use the large grants application form in these instances.

No deadline

<https://www.nsun.org.uk/news/covid-19-accessing-funds>

Morrison's Foundation COVID-19 Homeless Support Fund

The Foundation has pledged £500,000 towards the Homeless Support Fund. The fund is designed to support registered charities caring for the homeless during the coronavirus emergency and ensure help gets to those who need it most.

Grants up to £10,000 are available to cover three broad areas:

- Outreach and support for rough sleepers, including provision of essentials
- Delivery of services in hostels and shelters
- Information and advice

No deadline

<https://www.morrisonfoundation.com/latest-news/covid-19/>

Sport England has an emergency fund for Sports Clubs and Sports Groups

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The fund will give grants up to £10,000 to deliver immediate funding to those most in need. It's specifically targeted at organisations, including those not currently supported by Sport England, who have a role in supporting the nation to be active but who are experiencing short term financial hardship or the ceasing of operations due to the ongoing crisis.

Deadline: 31 July

<https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/our-funds/community-emergency-fund>

Standard Life Foundation

Standard Life Foundation has opened a new fast track grant scheme in light of the Coronavirus, funding work that relates directly to the pandemic. The grant programme is for projects that can be started in the new few weeks and tackle financial problems and improve living standards for those on low-to-middle incomes in the UK. The Grants will range from £5,000 to larger amounts. Information on how to apply can be found on their Coronavirus funding page and applications should be submitted via email.

https://www.standardlifefoundation.org.uk/funding/coronavirus_funding

Tesco Bags of Help

Tesco Bags of Help is responding to the current Coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis by setting up a new short-term fund to support local communities. Due to the need to respond quickly to the emergency we have created a streamlined application process and payment process to make it easier to get funds distributed quickly. If your application is successful the fund will provide a single payment award of £500 to organisations who are supporting vulnerable groups. The programme is set up to support organisational need in this time of crisis rather than fund specific projects.

<https://tescobagsofhelp.org.uk/grant-schemes/tesco-cv-fund/>

The Edward Gostling Foundation

The Edward Gostling Foundation supports charitable organisations that work with people living with a mental and/ or physical disability or long term illness. The Foundation has suspended its usual criteria for grant-making during the COVID-19 crisis, to concentrate on helping smaller charities providing frontline community services. It will be awarding grants of up to £10,000 to eligible charities with less than 6 months' worth of free reserves, to support core operating costs.

<https://www.edwardgostlingfoundation.org.uk/content/apply-grant-0>

The Masonic Charitable Foundation

The Masonic Charitable Foundation has opened the Freemasons' COVID-19 Community Fund, with a total of £95,241 raised as at 22 April 2020. Funds raised will support charities and projects that are helping people through these challenging times. The MCF will match ALL donations up to £1m. Funds will be distributed to a registered charity or any other COVID-related activity, as agreed by the COVID-19 Regional Communications Group.

<https://mcf.org.uk/>

The Shanly Foundation

The Shanly Foundation has set up a Coronavirus Emergency Response Fund of £150,000 to help organisations who are working directly against the Covid-19 pandemic. The Shanly Foundation primarily support community organisations in the counties outside North, West and South London such as scouting and guide groups, and local charities. In light of the Coronavirus pandemic they are now only accepting applications from organisations who are directly involved in the fight against Covid-19, or who are supporting the most vulnerable during it.

<https://www.shanlyfoundation.com/grants/make-an-application/>

The Sir Jules Thorn Charitable Trust

The Sir Jules Thorn Charitable Trust was established to provide for medical research and medicine generally, but also donates towards appeals of a humanitarian nature. In response to COVID-19, the trust is offering flexibility for all current grantees, as well as welcoming applications for grants of up to £1,500 from eligible small charities through its Ann Rylands scheme.

<https://julesthorntrust.org.uk/>

Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation

Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation has launched its Coronavirus Response Fund to support smaller charities during the Covid-19 outbreak. The £100,000 fund will make donations of £250 to £2,000 to charities that are helping UK communities to cope with the impact of the coronavirus pandemic. Charities can apply for support with running costs, staff and travel costs as well as volunteer expenses.

<https://www.ybs.co.uk/your-society/charitable-foundation/index.html>

Youth Music Emergency Fund

Youth Music is a national charity investing in music-making projects that help children and young people aged 0-25 to develop personally and socially as well as musically. Grants of up to £10,000 are available as an emergency response to support music-making organisations affected by the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

Deadline: 15th May

<https://network.youthmusic.org.uk/youth-music-emergency-fund>

£10k emergency fund to support good causes during coronavirus pandemic

Baylis Media owner The Louis Baylis Trust has launched a £10,000 emergency fund to support good causes across its newspapers' patches during the pandemic. Successful applicants will also be profiled in the Maidenhead Advertiser. Advertiser editor James Preston said: "We have been overwhelmed by the selfless work that is taking place in our communities during the crisis. We are living in dark days, but it is incredibly heartening to see good causes pulling together to help those who desperately need our support. Thank you to the trust for providing this money. Together we can make a difference."

<https://www.maidenhead-advertiser.co.uk/section/980/apply-for-a-grant>