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Greenspace Scotland: Young Placechangers Ideas Fund Deadline: 27 November 2018

The Young Placechangers Ideas Fund supports Youth Groups to engage with others in their communities to take action to improve the environmental quality, biodiversity, playability and vibrancy of neighbourhoods.

Young Placechangers are young people between the ages of 12-25 who want to change their local environment for the better. This could be their local greenspace, street, community centre garden, whole village, neighbourhood or town. The Young Placechangers will lead community placemaking projects in their local communities.

Young people and youth groups can apply for up to £3000 to improve local environments and neighbourhoods. They can apply for:

- Seed corn funding - to engage with the wider community and develop their ideas
- Ideas Fund - to involve their local community to further develop their idea and deliver changes on the ground such as the physical improvement of spaces, event programmes and sessional staff/youth worker costs.



Transport Scotland – eBike Grant Fund Deadline: 30 November 2018

Round 2 of the eBike Grant Fund, open to Community Fund and Public Sector Fund applicants.

The eBike Grant Fund is a capital fund available to community groups and third sector organisations looking for up to £15,000 (per application) towards projects that will provide opportunities to trial ebikes.

The Public Sector Fund (up to £100,000) is available to public sector organisations and local authorities for the purposes of providing fleets of pool bikes, bikeshare/hire schemes, and promoting large-scale uptake of ebikes as an alternative to car and van travel. Higher bids will be considered on a case by case basis. The fund supports the uptake of ebikes for functional journeys, therefore this should be the focus for both funds.

Find out more: <http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/grants-loans/>

Big Lottery Fund – Digital Fund

Deadline: 3 December 2018



The Digital Fund is a new UK wide £15 million funding programme to support charities and community organisations. It is about helping the charity and voluntary sector to use digital tools and approaches to support people and communities to thrive.

It is currently offering two strands of funding. Digital Fund Strand 1 (Digital Pioneers) offers grants and a tailored support package. The aim is to help established charities use digital to take a major leap forward. Digital Fund Strand 2 (Digital Natives) offers grants for newer organisations that have already launched promising services that use digital to achieve scale or impact. They expect grants to last from 1 to 4 years. This first phase is specifically about accelerating and upscaling existing digital services. However, in the New Year, they will be announce how the Digital Fund will help build digital skills within smaller organisations.

Find out more: <https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/digital->



Commonwealth
Foundation

Commonwealth Foundation
Deadline: 7 January 2019, 5pm GMT

The Foundation offers grants of up to £200,000 over four years in support of innovative project ideas and approaches that seek to strengthen the ability of civic voices to engage with governments and that have the potential to improve governance and development outcomes through their active participation.

Find out more: <https://commonwealthfoundation.com/grants/>



The Rank Foundation:
Pebble Grants

“This is our small funding stream for UK registered charities and recognised churches which are raising money for projects where the total cost is less than £1million.

If you are raising money for a particular project for which the mainstay is capital costs (building work, refurbishment or the purchase of long-term equipment) or a one-off short-term activity (such as an annual respite break or holiday for disadvantaged young people) and have already raised a third of the total costs, you may be eligible for this. Now accepting applications for their January 2019 trustees’ meeting.

Historic Environment Scotland Round 8 of CARS Programme Deadline: 15 November 2018



Historic Environment Scotland is making grants of up to £2 million available to support cohesive heritage-focused community and economic growth projects within Conservation Areas across Scotland. Local Authorities, National Park Authorities, and not-for-profit organisations can apply.

Applicants are expected to achieve the following outcomes through their CARS programme:

- **Understand.** Priority outcome: Communities are empowered to take an active role in understanding and enhancing the historic environment.
- **Protect.** Priority outcome: Historic sites and properties will be conserved, regenerated and made sustainable and economic activity will be increased.
- **Value.** Priority outcome: People and communities enjoy the historic environment.
- **Lead.** Priority outcome: Economic activity undertaken in and around the Historic Environment will be increased.

Find out more: <https://www.historicenvironment.scot/grants-and-funding/our-grants/conservation-area-regeneration-scheme-cars>



Life Changes: Dementia Friendly Communities Funding Deadline: 14 December 2018

Dementia Friendly Communities aims improve quality of life and well-being of people whose lives are affected by dementia – both people with dementia and unpaid carers.

This round of funding is open call for one year development funding to support those who are at the very earliest stages of starting a community that is Dementia Friendly. They will fund both geographical Dementia Friendly Communities and communities of interest. For geographical communities, they are looking for community-led, grassroots initiatives that have included people living with dementia and unpaid carers in the planning (not just as a member on a steering group). For communities of interest, they are looking for projects that act as exemplars for others and which will also integrate with the wider community and grants of up to £35,000 are available.

Find out more: <https://www.lifechangestrust.org.uk/people-affected-by->



**BBC Children in Need's
Small Grants programme
Next Deadline: 2 December 2018**

Not for profit organisations such as schools; registered charities; voluntary organisations; churches; and community interest groups; etc. can apply for grants of up to £10,000 per year for up to 3 years for projects that help children and young people overcome the effects of illness, distress, abuse or neglect; disability; behavioural or psychological difficulties; and poverty and deprivation.

Find out more:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/4fJVTzz5QmQx5rx0S4NVg0Q/small-grants>

**Henry Smith Charity: Improving Lives
Deadline: Ongoing**



Improving Lives grant programme provides grants to charitable organisations that help people when other sources of support have failed, are inappropriate, or are simply not available.

They support established organisations delivering services directly to beneficiaries. They are looking for services which can demonstrate a track record of success, and evidence the effectiveness of the work.

This is our largest grants programme, through which the majority of our funds are distributed

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



**Baily Thomas Charitable Fund
Deadline: Ongoing**

Funding for Research and Projects that Address Severe Learning Disabilities

Schools, voluntary organisations and charities can apply for grants to help both children and adults suffering severe learning difficulties. The grants can be used to purchase capital equipment, support capital works as well as covering project and core costs such as staff costs, general running and office costs.



Robertson Trust

Deadline: 30 November 2018

Grants to support work that aims to reduce inequalities and strengthen communities. £20,000 for core or project funding to grants in excess of £250,000 for major capital awards.

Requests for Main and Major (revenue and capital) awards are considered at four Giving Committee meetings over the course of each year. Requests for all other types of award (Small, Continuation 2 & 3, Continuation 4 & 5) are assessed as part of a rolling programme with no specific deadlines.

Find out more: <http://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/news/important-update-regarding-new-deadlines-for-applying-for-funding>

The National Archives – Cataloguing Grants

Deadline: 7 December 2018

The National Archives, which is a non-ministerial department, and the official archive and publisher for the UK Government has announced that grants of up to £40,000 are available to not for profit organisations that hold archives to create catalogues of archival collections. These grants are designed to support the transformation of archive services; help archives to improve access to collections; and help archives to increase public engagement with history and the UK's documentary heritage.

Find out more: <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/archives-sector/finding-funding/archives-revealed/cataloguing-grants/>

Big Lottery Fund: Young Start

Deadline: Ongoing



The Young Start programme reopened in August 2018. Through Young Start they are offering funding from £10,000 to £100,000 to help children and young people across Scotland become more confident, so they can realise their own potential.

Work must achieve at least one of the following three outcomes:

- children and young people have better physical, mental and emotional wellbeing
- children and young people have better connections with the wider community
- children and young people get access to new skills and training opportunities which will help them to get a new job or start a business.

Find out more: <https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/young-start#section-1>



Shared Care Scotland - Better Breaks Grants Deadline: 15 November 2018, 5pm

Third sector organisations in Scotland can apply now for funding in 2019/2020 to develop and deliver short breaks projects and services for children and young people with disabilities (age 20 and younger) and their carers.

The Better Breaks programme provides 12-month grants to third sector organisations to develop and deliver short breaks projects and services for children and young people with disabilities (aged 20 and under), and their carers (adult and/or young carers).

A total of approximately £1.2 million is available for the 2019-20 round of this programme. Grants are for one year and will be awarded in March 2019. While the maximum grant available is £50,000, the average grant is more likely to be in the region of £16,000.

The funding can be used for a wide range of short breaks projects and activities. These can include breaks away, days out, and/or shorter, regular activities and sessions. The activities can be for the children and young people with disabilities, for their carers, or for families to enjoy together

Find out more: <https://www.sharedcarescotland.org.uk/shortbreaksfund/>

HMRC Grant Funding 2019-2020 Deadline: 2 November 2018



Funding for voluntary and community sector to provide advice and support to HMRC customers who need extra help understanding and complying with their obligations and claiming their entitlements. Maximum value: £ 45,000

Find out more: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hmrc-grant-funding-application-guidance/hmrc-grant-funding-2016-to-2019-application->



Scottish Veterans Fund Deadline: 30 November 2018

Grants for groups to deliver projects that recognise and celebrate the contribution of Scotland's war veterans or that support veterans, for example, in the transition to civilian life.

Find out more: <http://www.veteransscotland.co.uk/>



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Creative Scotland Made In Scotland Showcase 2019 Deadline: 22 November 2018

This showcase celebrates the wealth and diversity of work that is currently being produced in Scotland. Scottish dance, theatre, and music artists, groups and companies can apply to present artistically ambitious work at the Fringe as part of the Made in Scotland 2019 Showcase. Funding is intended to support the costs of presenting work at the Fringe. The work can be new or an existing production which will be re-staged at the Fringe.

Applications can come from individual artists, companies, organisations, ensembles, promoters, bands and record labels.

Find out more: <https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/targeted-funding/made-in-scotland>

LaunchMe Accelerator Scotland's Social Enterprises - New Round Deadline: 5 November 2018



LaunchMe is an accelerator programme for ambitious, social enterprises in Scotland. It aims to develop a pool of strong, capable and ambitious social firms that can go on to secure investment and achieve social impact at scale.

Successful applicants will receive:

- £10,000 seed funding in the form of a grant;
- intensive one-to-one and group business support from an experienced Business Advisor on issues including business planning, management accountancy, and social impact measurement;
- one-to-one investment readiness support, helping to create an attractive value proposition and confident pitch to potential investors;
- direct links to investor syndicates and introductions to potential investors;
- peer support from fellow participants, with the opportunity to share problems and work through solutions; and
- access to a pool of grant funders who may act as co-investors to any private investment secured through the programme.

Social enterprises in Scotland that are newly founded or existing enterprises working on a new product, service or market, may apply.

Find out more: <http://www.firstport.org.uk/programmes/launchme>

Rosa UK: Now's The Time

Deadline: 14 December 2018



Now's the Time, the second programme from the Justice and Equality Fund, has now opened for applications for up to £100,000. The large grants programme aims to amplify the voices of individuals and groups who are calling for an end to sexual harassment and abuse, in their workplaces and in their communities. They want to resource imaginative, collaborative and creative grassroots activism so are asking organisations to partner up and apply by answering the question: What would you do towards ending sexual harassment in work places and in communities?

They want to fund:

- Prevention work
- Awareness raising activities
- Imaginative and creative grassroots activism
- Influencing work
- Work with groups and communities who might face additional barriers to getting their voices heard, or might be at higher risk of sexual harassment and abuse to amplify those voices
- Work that tries out new ideas
- Work that replicates tried and tested approaches in new settings
- Work that others can learn from

They are particularly keen to see cross-sector partnerships where the expertise of specialist voluntary sector organisations at the forefront of this work is shared with others to help drive broader change.

Find out more: <http://www.rosauk.org/how-to-apply/justice-and-equality-fund/nows-the-time/>

Hostelling Scotland Explorer Fund

Deadline: Ongoing

Teachers and Youth Leaders can apply for funding through the Scottish Youth Hostelling Association (SYHA) new Explorer Fund. The fund aims to help young people from disadvantaged backgrounds take part in a school or youth group residential trip to build confidence, resilience, social and employability skills. Teachers and Youth Leaders can apply for up to 40 per cent support for each eligible young person who would not otherwise have this opportunity due to deprivation or other disadvantage. Applications must be received at least ten weeks prior to arrival and grants are deducted from the final bill.

Find out more: <https://www.hostellingscotland.org.uk/hostelling-scotland-explorer-fund/>

Grow Wild
Deadline: 12 December 2018, 12pm



Grow Wild is offering grants of £2,000 or £4,000 for projects that bring people together through activities that connect their community and celebrate UK native wildflowers, plants and/or fungi. The funding can cover 100% project-specific costs, including seeds, plants, soil, materials, events, workshop charges, specialist experts and contractor costs. Projects need to begin delivery in March 2019 and be finished by 30 September 2019.

Voluntary, youth or community groups can apply. Applicants must be constituted, not-for-profit, or charitable. Grow Wild anticipates funding 50 groups in 2019 across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Find out more: <https://www.growwilduk.com/content/applications-open-grow-wild-community-projects-2019>

Comic Relief—Power Up
Resourcing Women’s and Girls’ Movements for Change
Deadline: 7 December 2018, 12pm



This open funding programme aims to support a diverse range of women’s rights organisations to fight against systems which perpetuate the injustices they encounter in their daily lives. Comic Relief wants to find and support women and girl’s movements to seed, sustain and strengthen change in the countries in which it operates: the UK, Sierra Leone, Ghana, Nigeria, South Africa, Zambia, Rwanda, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Malawi, Zimbabwe, India, Nepal and Bangladesh.

The funding is intended to support the development of specific work (such as campaigns, advocacy and/or services) when it is part of long-term change. There is also interest in supporting work which helps movement constituents develop a common agenda for change, such as developing and sharing analytic frameworks, learnings and research, and work that is focussed on base building, such as growing membership and leadership, building/growing/supporting alliances and solidarity both between and within movements.

This fund is for women and girl led organisations only. Applications will be considered from locally-rooted women’s and girls’ movements that are working collectively towards a shared long-term goal. The funding is available for three to five years. Grants range from up to £300,000 for single applicants or up to £500,000 for partnerships.

Find out more: <https://www.comicrelief.com/funding/current-opportunities/power-up>