

List of Trusts for Community Projects

The majority of these organisations won't fund 'the promotion of religion', but if a project can be seen to be for the benefit of the community, the fact that it is run by a faith group won't necessarily make it ineligible.

The Henry Smith Charity

www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk

County List grants - £500 - £10,000

Not promotion of religion, but will do community activities if your area is in the bottom third of the Indices of Multiple Deprivation.

The Church and Community Fund

www.ccfund.org.uk

Grants of up to £10,000. They won't give a grant to anyone who isn't applying elsewhere for a grant, but will give grants phased over a number of years.

The Church Welfare Association

Grants of up to £3,000. This will support Day Care projects designed to assist and support women and children, particularly single parent families. Most grants go to areas of deprivation.

There is no website, but applications can be obtained from

The Secretary
15 Marina Court
Alfred Street
Bow
London E3 2BH.

Colyer-Ferguson Charitable Trust

www.cfct.org.uk

Apply under the Supporting Communities in Kent programme.

Bernard Sunley Charitable Trust

The **Bernard Sunley Charitable Trust** is a large charitable trust with a wide range of interests and limited written guidance for groups and organisations who wish to apply. Projects can be funded in fields including:

- Education
- Arts
- Community
- Children and youth
- Elderly people
- Health
- Social welfare
- Environment.
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There is no application form, and very brief guidelines for applicants. To apply, you should write to the director of the Trust, giving details of:

- Your charity and its aims
- How much your project will cost
- The size of the grant requested
- How much has already been raised and from whom
- How you plan to raise the shortfall.
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You should include an annual report and any other documentation that you feel could support your appeal. Grants range from £1,000 to £250,000, but most will be for less than £10,000. The foundation can support capital projects, endowments, scholarship funds, research programmes and research funding.

Guidelines are available from and applications should be made to:

John Rimmington
Director
The Bernard Sunley Charitable Trust
20 Berkely Square
London
W13 6LH

Tel: 020 7408 2198

Peter Harrison Foundation

Programme: Special needs and care for children and young people

This Programme is for charities in the South East of England. The Trustees welcome applications for the following types of project:

- Projects that work with or benefit disabled, chronically or terminally ill children and provide support for their parents and carers

- Projects that help to engage children or young people at risk of crime, truancy or addiction
- Projects organised for young people at risk of homelessness or that provide new opportunities for homeless young people

www.peterharrisonfoundation.org

Garfield Weston Foundation

This is a very large trust which gave 574 grants, worth £7.3 million to churches and other religious projects in 2007, mostly for amounts of less than £10,000. In 2002 the success rate for applications was about 50%. They have a broad remit and will fund both repairs and projects which benefit the wider community. They are particularly keen on projects which are 'inclusive'. They don't have many exclusions, but salaries are unlikely to get funding.

Details and application form are at www.garfieldweston.org

Children in Need

This funds projects delivered by organisations working with disadvantaged children and young people, who must be 18 years and under, living in the UK, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands. It doesn't fund promotion of religion.

Disadvantages experienced by children and young people include:

- Illness, distress, abuse or neglect
- Any kind of disability
- Behavioural or psychological difficulties
- Living in poverty or situations of deprivation
- BBC Children in Need accepts applications from organisations that have already have a BBC Children in Need grant providing that you can demonstrate to us that the project is still the best way of addressing the need. Providing the current grant is coming to an end and that you will be able to spend the new grant within twelve months we welcome your application.

www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey

Comic Relief

Comic Relief grants of up to £10,000 support community groups who are using a range of activities, including sport, to:

Increase access to sport and exercise for people who face social exclusion and isolation
 Help people who are experiencing difficulties in their lives to regain their confidence and self-esteem

Build skills of local people
Increase community cohesion

Respond to local economic needs

Groups need to:

- Be working in a disadvantaged or deprived area
- Be small, locally based groups or organisations who have a clear understanding of the needs of their community
- Have limited access to other sources of income

The kinds of groups that can apply are:

- Community groups
- Resident associations
- Community centres
- Social enterprises / Community Interest Companies
- Credit Unions

Comic Relief funds are distributed through the Community Foundation Network.

www.communityfoundations.org.uk

Lloyds TSB Foundation

The Community programme focuses on funding core work that helps disadvantaged people to play a fuller role in the community. We are particularly interested in work that achieves this through:

- improved social and community involvement
- improved life choices and chances
- helping people to be heard.

To be eligible:

- you must be an underfunded charity (12 months of reserves or less)
- if you work locally or in a region you must have an income of £1 million or less
- if you work nationally you must have an income of £5 million or less
- your work must enable disadvantaged people to play a fuller role in the community in one (or more) of the following ways – through:
 - improved social and community involvement
 - improved life choices and chances
 - helping people to be heard
- you will need to be clear on the specific changes and benefits that your work will provide for your users/beneficiaries to help them to play a fuller role in the community

What type of funding do they provide?

- They fund charities to continue and develop existing community-based work, or to develop the organisation or its services. We can support charities in a range of ways – examples include funding to:
 - maintain and or improve their capacity and or effectiveness
 - encourage learning and best practice
 - enable the continued provision of services
 - support the expansion of services
 - help improve the quality of services
 - lobby or campaign at a local, regional or national level.
- We make grants of one to three years that are appropriate to the size and needs of each charity.

www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk

The Co-operative Community Membership Fund

To be successful, a group must carry out positive work in the community and a project must:

- address a community issue
- provide a good long-term benefit to the community
- support co-operative values and principles
- ideally be innovative in its approach.
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The Fund welcomes applications from religious or faith groups for projects that are designed to benefit the wider community. Projects that are deemed to promote a particular religion are excluded from the scheme. For example an application to refurbish a building that is owned by a particular religious group, but is open to members of the community outside that group, would be considered. An application for prayer mats or new bibles would not be supported.

Grants up to £2,000 are offered.

<http://www.co-operative.coop/membership/local-communities/community-fund>

Church Urban Fund

The Mustard Seed Grant Programme aims to:

‘Provide grants to enable churches and faith-based organisations, working in very deprived communities, to engage in social action through supporting them to initiate or develop community work. This will then enable groups to either undertake larger pieces of work or significantly improve the existing provision.’ Grant requests up to £5,000 will be considered.

Examples of projects Church Urban Fund may consider for funding:

- Initiating new work
- Community Audits/Consultations
- Needs assessments
- Making premises fit for new purpose
- Improving Existing Projects
- Trustee/staff/volunteer training
- Quality Assurance (e.g. PQASSO, Investing pilot projects in Volunteers – where appropriate for the start-up equipment size/type of organisation)

Grant Criteria

- The project must be directly tackling the effects of profound poverty and should be working in the 10% most deprived areas in England. Church Urban Fund uses the most up-to-date and appropriate Government issued statistics to assist in assessing all applications. You may access an overview for your area by visiting www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk.
- If the organisation or project is serving a target group that is deemed to be intrinsically disadvantaged, but not working in the 10% most deprived areas in England, the project may still be eligible. Target groups include, but are not restricted to: homeless people, people with drug and alcohol problems, refugees and asylum seekers, people working in the sex industry etc
- The project needs to be based in the local community and to have local community involvement in identifying needs, initiating responses and running the project
- The project must be open to all regardless of faith, ethnic origin, disability, gender, age or sexual orientation, except where there is an expressly identifiable need (such as a gender specific homeless project or counselling/ support service)
- Projects are not required to be Anglican but there should be a strong link between the project and a faith group
- The project must have charitable purposes (charitable purposes are defined by the Charity
- Commission and more details can be found at www.charity-commission.gov.uk)
- What can grants be given for?
- Mustard Seed Grants can pay for specific activities but not for on-going revenue expenditure, existing salary costs, deficit funding, or retrospective spending.
- It is expected that work supported under the Mustard Seed Programme will grow into more substantive or developed activities.
- The grant requested should typically represent at least a third of the total funding required. For capital requests, this total should be the total of the work undertaken, regardless of how it is presented as a grant proposal (e.g. a kitchen refurbishment totalling £10,000 to enable a specific project to start may be considered, however a kitchen refurbishment of £10,000 as part of an overall building project of £100,000 will not be considered).

- Grants should be claimed or part-claimed within six months and fully spent within 12 months of approval.

Priority will be given to:

- Projects based within areas where there are the greatest levels of deprivation in England
- Projects identified by Dioceses as being key to the reduction of deprivation in their area
- Projects which, by their nature, are limited in the funds they can access and therefore are in particular need of Church Urban Fund support
- Projects where Church Urban Fund support will make the greatest impact

<http://www.cuf.org.uk/funding-criteria>