

External Funding Alert

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The external funding alert from South Ayrshire Council provides details on new funding opportunities available and approaching deadlines of various programmes. More detail on these opportunities can be obtained by clicking on the links provided or by contacting the External Funding Team. If you wish to be added to our mailing list, email: externalfunding2@south-ayrshire.gov.uk
You can also conduct your own external funding search at:
www.open4community.info/southayrshire/Default.aspx

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Beyond the Usual Suspects

This updated funding guide (produced by [DTAS Community Ownership Support Service](#)) is a practical guide to a range of alternative approaches for raising finance and fundraising. Although aimed at those looking for funding for community assets, its approach is relevant to a wide range of situations.

The guide aims to help you to establish a funding package, looking beyond grants and loans. It has been updated in 2019 to reflect the recent changes to fundraising regulations.

It includes information on:

- raising money from individuals
- legacies and in memoriam giving
- major donors
- events fundraising
- corporate fundraising
- school and community fundraising
- recycling
- Community Share issues and bond

Further information is available from the DTAS website using the link below.

Link: <https://dtascommunityownership.org.uk/resources/coss-publications/beyond-usual-suspects?fbclid=IwAR0aaC1Q5LgFB6IaV6cz0XkSio-WV28cfWv3yG7GEIMOO5SIsU0g0dHun0g>

PROGRAMME UPDATES

The MSE Charity – Due to Open 3 February 2020

This scheme provides grants to help educate and inform people about financial literacy, consumer or debt issues. There is a different themed round each year. The Life Changing Transitions round focuses on building financial capability skills and assisting groups who support bereavement, redundancy, retirement, relationship breakdown, homelessness, offenders and resettlement.

Awards from £2,000 to £7,500 are made to any UK registered charity, community Interest Company, credit union or a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee or social enterprise company. However, organisations should have an income under £500,000 and have less than six months free reserves.

If the grant round is open and not full, you will be able to access the short online application form. It is important to apply as soon as possible as only the first 40 applications will be considered.

Further information may be available by contacting the charity at stuart@msecharity.com

The next grant round, Living with Long Term Challenges opens Monday 3 February 2020 with no published deadlines.

Link: <http://www.msecharity.com>

RESOURCES/INFORMATION/PUBLICATIONS

RESOURCES

BT - Community Web Kit

This scheme is open to small charitable voluntary and community groups in the UK that provide a clear benefit to the local community. A simple-to-build website may be constructed from simple on-screen instructions on the Internet.

As part of the BT Community Web Kit applicants will receive the following:

- Free website hosting.
- Free website addresses.
- The choice of eight templates with five or 15 colour themes depending on the template selected.
- One free format template.
- Enough space for unlimited pages and up to 500 pictures.
- Templates and colour options for all content.
- An easy-to-use Page Editor or an HTML Editor for technically minded applicants.
- Free technical support.
- Welsh language options.

To qualify, organisations must be based in the United Kingdom and provide a clear benefit to the local community. They should be registered charities, non-profit-making groups or volunteer-led organisations. Users are advised to contact the sponsor for details of any specific criteria that may apply.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: <http://www.btck.co.uk/Default.aspx>

WEB RESOURCES

Identifying other sources of funding

If you are looking for funding you may also find these other links helpful:

1. www.guidestar.org.uk
2. www.fundingcentral.org.uk

3. www.charitycommission.gov.uk/SHOWCHARITY/RegisterOfCharities/RegisterHomePage.aspx

4. www.family-action.org.uk/section.aspx?id=1037

(Educational Grants Advisory Service: for post-16 students studying at specific colleges or universities)

5. **Sources of Guidance and Advice**

- **Cranfield Trust**

Link: <http://www.cranfieldtrust.org>

- **Pilot light**

Link: <http://pilotlight.org.uk>

6. **Networking/Advocacy Support**

- **Social Enterprise Scotland**

Link: <http://www.socialenterprisescotland.org.uk/>

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/socialenterprisescotland>

Link: <https://mobile.twitter.com/signup>

- **SENSCOT**

Link: <http://www.senscot.net>

Link: <http://www.facebook.com/ThematicSENs>

Link: <https://twitter.com/senscot>

Link: <http://www.senscot.net/networks1st/notices.php>

- **Community Recycling Network**

Link: <http://www.crns.org.uk/>

- **LinkedIn**

Link: <https://uk.linkedin.com>

7. **Capacity Building**

- **Firstport**

Link: <http://www.firstport.org.uk/>

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/FirstportScotland>

Link: <https://mobile.twitter.com/Firstport>

Link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTuEdRHly5hI8FVpInrWmuQ?view_as=subscriber

- **CEIS**

Link: <http://ceis.org.uk/>

- **Development Trust Association**

Link: <http://www.dtascot.org.uk/>

- **Just Enterprise**

Link: <http://justenterprise.org/>

- **Unit**

Link: <http://unltd.org.uk/path/>

8. **Training**

- **Social Enterprise Academy**

Link: <http://www.theacademy-ssea.org/>

Link: <https://mobile.twitter.com/signup>

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/SocEntAcademy?sk=wall>

9. Tendering Opportunities

- **Supplier Development Programme**

Link: <http://www.sdpscotland.co.uk>

- **Public Contracts Scotland**

Link: <http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/>

10. Industry Trends

- **The Guardian**

Link: <http://www.theguardian.com/social-enterprise-network>

Link: <https://twitter.com/GuardianSocEnt>

- **Glasgow Social Enterprise Network**

Link: <http://www.gsen.org.uk/>

- **Third Force News**

Link: <http://thirdforcenews.org.uk/>

INFORMATION

Just Giving

Online fundraising platform Just Giving is expanding its services to enable any business to fundraise online for charity. This will enable businesses to showcase their employees' achievements, and match their donations with company funds if they choose.

The new tools offer:

- branded company fundraising pages to showcase all a business' employee fundraising activity in one place
- running totals of all donations raised by employees
- the facility for employees to form teams to compete against each other and link their Just Giving individual fundraising pages to their company page
- leader boards featuring the most successful fundraising staff to encourage competition and reward success
- the option for companies to match-fund the sums raised by their employees and to display this total publicly on their company profile
- measurement and reporting of fundraising data

Perhaps you know of a local company that would like to raise funds for your group in this way.

Further details are available via the web link below.

Link: <http://www.justgiving.com/companies>

Resource Efficient Scotland

This scheme is a Scottish Government funded programme delivered by Zero Waste Scotland. It works to engage Scottish business, the public sector including local authorities and housing associations and third sector organisations on the benefits of using resources more efficiently and to help them implement resource efficiency actions within their organisation.

There are three main elements to the programme:

1. **Advice and support service:**

(Tel: 0808 808 2268) this service provides free advice, support, training and access to funding to help organisations implement resource efficiency measures.

- Sector Programmes:**
These programmes provide a strategic sector focused approach with activities tailored around specific resource-use 'hotspots'
- Innovation:**
This area of work involves the development of new resource efficient products and technologies, business models, working practices and de-centralised renewable energy infrastructure – providing solutions for the sector support and advice services.

Support for local authorities is provided through one of the sector programmes.

For more information contact Warren McIntyre, Programme Area Manager - Public Sector Resource Efficient Scotland, 01786 433930 or email warren.mcintyre@resourceefficientscotland.com

Link: <http://www.resourceefficientscotland.com/>

PUBLICATIONS

Event Organisers' Guide

The Can-Do guide is an interactive guide to organising community events. Published by the Cabinet Office the guide aims to dispel a raft of inaccurate myths leading, it is hoped, to a surge in community events over the coming year.

Link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/can-do-guide-for-organisers-of-voluntary-events>

Get your Cash for Culture guide

Cash for Culture from Voluntary Arts Scotland was created to help voluntary-led cultural groups navigate the funding landscape.

The publication has been updated for 2019. Download a free copy at voluntaryarts.org/cash-for-culture or email info@vascotland.org.uk to request a hard copy.

NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE

Arts & Business Scotland – Culture & Business Fund Scotland

This scheme promotes collaboration between Scottish businesses and arts and heritage organisations to deliver new arts and heritage projects. Arts or heritage organisations that attract an eligible business to sponsor an aspect of their work the fund will match that sponsorship, pound for pound. In-kind and cash sponsorship are eligible, but must come from the sponsor's own funds, goods or services. It is funded by the Scottish Government via Creative Scotland and Historic Environment Scotland.

Organisations can apply for match funding up to the value of £40,000 in any one financial year running from 1 April to 31 March.

Any arts or heritage organisation based in Scotland can apply as the lead applicant. However, profit making arts and heritage organisations must evidence the project to be of community benefit to be eligible. The applying organisation must be properly constituted and hold a company bank account.

Information, guidance and application forms are available on the website. Applicants will be able to complete and submit their applications online via the CBFS website

Completed application forms must be submitted at least three months before and no more than nine months before the sponsored activity and proposed match-funded activity begins, before assessment can commence. Fast-track applications for grants valued between £1,000 and £3,000, detailed below, may be submitted and considered two months before the start date of sponsored and match-funded activities.

There are no published deadlines.

Link: <http://www.culturebusinessfund.scot>

The William Syson Foundation

This scheme supports the advancement of the arts, heritage and culture, including promoting, developing and ensuring the practice and enjoyment of the arts, including music, the visual arts, theatre and literature; and the advancement of education, including advancing the appreciation and knowledge of art.

Grants range from £43 to £2000 and Trustees meetings are held throughout the year, generally on a quarterly basis.

Applications should be submitted, in writing to, The William Syson Foundation, 5 Atholl Crescent, Edinburgh, EH3 8EJ.

Further information and guidance may be available by contacting hello@williamsysonfoundation.org.uk

There are no published deadlines.

Link: <https://www.makingmusic.org.uk/funding-opportunity/william-syson-foundation>

The Finnis Scott Trust

This scheme makes grants for any charitable purpose, but their present policy is to focus grant-making in the areas of horticulture and plant sciences, as well as fine art and art history.

The maximum grant available is normally £10,000; however the Trustees will consider larger grants in exceptional circumstance.

Further information, guidance and application forms are available to download from their website. However you can contact the trust on 01604 233233 or email them at administrator@finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk

The next deadline for receipt of applications is 20 April 2020.

Link: <https://www.finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk/>

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Silverhill Trust

This scheme's objectives are to promote the mental, physical and social development of young people in the UK, especially those in poor circumstances (the trustees generally regard young people as being under the age of 21).

Grants ranged from £2,000 to £20,000. However the trustees' policy is to make several large donations rather than many small ones.

Further information and guidance is available by contacting the Trust's administrator on 01463 221 727 or email legal@munronoble.com

Applications should be submitted, in writing, to the Trust's administrators, Munro and Noble, 26 Church Street, Inverness, IV1 1HX.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: None

Wooden Spoon

This scheme funds projects that enhance and support the lives of children and young people (under the age of 25) who are disadvantaged physically, mentally or socially. They want you to work directly with children and young people and have a positive influence on their lives as a result of the activities or service provided.

If a project is for a physical, tangible asset of a permanent nature it must have a minimum predicted life span of five years (preferably ten), be non-transferable and of a permanent nature.

If a project is educational or disability sports-focused there must be a key rugby element to engage children and young people.

While there is neither a minimum nor maximum grant level, it is unlikely projects of a physical nature under £5,000 in value will have sufficient substance and scale to qualify under the “projected life span” criteria.

Organisations with a legal status such as schools, charities, and clubs are all eligible to apply.

Please note that grants will not be considered for salaries, administration costs, professional fees and on-going overheads related to a capital project.

If an application is approved there is a requirement that a minimum of one new Wooden Spoon membership should be taken out by a representative of the applicant organisation for a period of 5 years.

Further information, guidance and application forms are available to download from the website and can be submitted by email to projects@woodenspoon.org.uk or by post to Wooden Spoon, 115-117 Fleet Road Fleets, Hants, GU51 3PD.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: <https://woodenspoon.org.uk/our-grants/>

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Garfield Weston Foundation

This scheme supports a broad range of organisations and activities that share a commitment to making a positive impact to the lives of the communities in which they work, and that are driven by a desire to achieve excellence. They make grants across the UK to organisations in the following categories: Arts; Education; Youth; Health; Community; Museums and Heritage; Environment; Religion and Welfare.

There are no maximums or minimum awards and the Foundation can consider major grants of over £100,000.

The Foundation is only able to support UK registered charities and CIOs (Charitable Incorporated Organisations) working within the UK. They also accept applications from organisations that have ‘exempt’ status – this is restricted to places of worship, hospitals, education establishments, museums and housing associations.

Further information and guidance is available to download from the Foundation’s website.

Link: <http://www.garfieldweston.org/>

People’s Postcode Trust

This scheme funds new projects, or significant expansions of existing projects, in Great Britain. These projects can be up to 12 months in length. They will consider projects which focus on: employability and skills development programmes; the promotion of human rights through combatting discrimination; poverty prevention.

Constituted organisations that have their own bank account in their name can apply for up to £500. Only registered charities can apply for £500 to £20,000.

Stage 1 expressions of interest form will be available on the website from 21 January 2020. Further information and guidance is available by contacting the team on 0131 322 9377 or email them at info@postcodetrust.org.uk

The next deadline for receipt of applications is 4 February 2020.

Link: <http://www.postcodetrust.org.uk/>

Postcode Local Trust

This scheme will provide grants for projects that are beneficial to local areas. Applications are welcome for outdoor projects related to play areas, green spaces, sustainable energy and conservation. These could include: community gardens and play areas using sustainable materials; outdoor education and heritage; green energy projects and flood prevention.

Constituted organisations that have their own bank account in their name can apply for up to £500. Only registered charities can apply for £500 to £20,000. Applications for over £2,000 are open to charities only.

Stage 1 expressions of interest form will be available on the website from 21 January 2020. Further information and guidance is available by contacting the team on 0131 322 9388 or email them at info@postcodelocaltrust.org.uk

The next deadline for receipt of applications is 4 February 2020.

Link: <https://www.postcodecommunitytrust.org.uk/>

The Postcode Community Trust

This scheme focuses on initiatives that benefit communities through: grass-roots sports, arts, recreation and wellbeing programmes which improve a community's physical and mental health; projects that improve the health of communities through, for example, first aid courses, befriending, counselling or reducing isolation.

Constituted organisations that have their own bank account in their name can apply for up to £500. Only registered charities can apply for £500 to £20,000. Applications for over £2,000 are open to charities only. Stage 1 expressions of interest form will be available on the website from 21 January 2020. Further information and guidance is available by contacting the team on 0131 555 7287 or email them at info@postcodecommunitytrust.org.uk

The next deadline for receipt of applications is 4 February 2020.

Link: <https://www.postcodecommunitytrust.org.uk/>

ENVIRONMENT

The FCC Scottish Action Fund

This scheme offers funding to projects through the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund (SLCF). It will consider applications across all types of projects included in the SLCF Objects including: land reclamation, community recycling, public amenities and parks, biodiversity and historic buildings. The objectives are focussed on environmentally-friendly projects which meet a proven community need, offer value for money and are sustainable. They expect projects to benefit the natural, social or built environment and make a positive impact on local communities.

Grants up to £40,000 are available for projects with a total cost of £250,000 including VAT. Charities, community councils, church or community organisations and voluntary groups can apply for funding as long as they are operated on a not-for-profit basis and have a formal constitution and bank account. In addition Local Authorities can also apply.

Further information and guidance is available from their website otherwise contact the team on 01953 717 165 or email them at info@fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk

Please note that projects must be for a single location and fall within 10 miles of any landfill site or transfer station (not just FCC Environment sites) Applicants can check to see if their site is in an eligible area by using the screening tool on SEPA's website – <http://www.sepa.org.uk/data-visualisation/scottish-communities-landfill-fund/>

The next deadline for receipt of applications is 18 March 2020.

Link: <https://fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk/funds/fcc-scottish-action-fund>

Viridor

This scheme offers funding to projects through the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund (SLCF). It will consider applications across all types of projects included in the SLCF Objects including: land reclamation, community recycling, public amenities and parks, biodiversity and historic buildings.

The maximum award is £25,000 and cannot exceed 50% of the total project cost. The total project cost cannot exceed £100,000.

Any organisation or group which is properly constituted and is not-for-profit can apply. However it is recommended that you discuss the project with the Viridor Credits team prior to completing the application form.

For Public Amenity, Biodiversity and Historic Building projects must be within 10 miles of any landfill site or transfer station.

Applicants can check to see if their site is in an eligible area by using the screening tool on SEPA's website – <http://www.sepa.org.uk/data-visualisation/scottish-communities-landfill-fund/>

Viridor can be contacted at enquiries@viridor-credits.co.uk or on 01823 476476.

There is no specific date for submission of a Stage 1 enquiry.

Link: <https://www.viridor-credits.co.uk/scottish-landfill-communities-fund>

MISCELLANEOUS

Riada Trust

This scheme's purposes are: the prevention or relief of poverty; the advancement of education; the advancement of health; the advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science; the advancement of public participation in sport; the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

According to the Trusts 2019 accounts the average grant is £3,500.

Applications should be submitted, in writing to the Riada Trust, c/o Jeffrey Crawford & Co 25 Castle Terrace, EDINBURGH, EH1 2ER.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: None

Robert Barr's Charitable Trust

This scheme supports the relief of poverty, aid for the aged, the infirm and handicapped, the advancement of education, the provision of recreational facilities and the preservation of buildings or other items of national or historic interest.

The Trustees also tend to favour capital projects rather than running costs. Categories of funding include: child and adult welfare; environment and conservation; animal welfare; medical research and support; research and education; international welfare and arts.

The trust provides grant ranging from £2,000 to an average of £16,188 based on their 2018 accounts.

Applications should be submitted, in writing, to Jackie McLaren Dentons UK and Middle East LLP 1 George Square Glasgow G2 1AL.

Further information and guidance may be available by contacting the Trust on 0141 271 5357 or email them at jackie.mclaren@dentons.com

There are no published deadlines.

Link: None

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

Firstport – Boost It

This scheme will offer awards between £30-50K to social enterprises responding to the climate emergency and environmental issues. Unlike other existing funds by the Social Entrepreneurs Fund, Boost It awards will be offered as 'repayable grants', with recipients paying back a small proportion of their profits over a period of three years. All repayments will go back into the programme, allowing Firstport to support more social enterprise ideas to get off the ground.

The funding is part of a £1.8 million investment package to support projects bringing about change in their communities. Interested applicants are encouraged to visit the Firstport website for more information or images. Alternatively contact Maria Ashley on 0131 564 0331 or maria@firstport.org.uk

Shortlisted applicants will be required to attend in-person to pitch to their panel on Tuesday 17 March 2020. You will also be allocated an appointment to attend a Practice Your Pitch and Cashflow Challenge session in the weeks running up to the panel to help you prepare your presentation.

Please note: Firstport aim to get back to all applicants as soon as they possibly can, but if you have not had any contact from them in advance of the panel date, usually a few weeks before, you should assume that your application has not been shortlisted on this occasion. All applicants will receive written feedback.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 3 February 2020.

Link: <http://www.firstport.org.uk/funding/>

TRUSTS

Misses Barrie Charitable Trust

This scheme gives to a wide range of charitable causes. Organisations that support young people, music, drama, physical health, and mental health, the elderly, disabled people and rescue have been funded in the past.

Applications should be submitted in writing to The Misses Barrie Charitable Trust, c/o Raymond Carter & Co 14a High Street, Reigate, RH2 9AY. Applications should be accompanied by up to date accounts. Due to the large number of unsolicited applications each week, you will only hear from the trust if your application has been successful.

Trustees usually meet three times a year.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: None

The W.G. Edwards Charitable Foundation

This scheme is interested in supporting a diverse range of charities which support older people, from large institutions to small community-run organisations. Grants are loosely divided into health and community categories. They give grants for refurbishment of residential care housing for the elderly and for building projects which are nearing completion.

Trustees also consider the provision of equipment to enhance care and improve quality of life. It supports community initiatives such as exercise classes for the over-65s, lunch clubs, horticultural therapy and day trips. They also consider grants for technology projects aimed at benefitting the over-65s.

The Foundation award funds to UK registered charities with an annual turnover of less than £100,000.

Further information is available by contacting them at wgedwardscharity@icloud.com or on 01883 714412. Applications should be submitted, in writing, to 14 Windsor Terrace, South Gosforth, Newcastle, NE3 1YL following the guidance given on their website.

Please note that Buying or leasing transport, salaries, general campaigns, revenue funding, building projects in the planning stages, IT which is for the use of administration, retrospective items

Meetings of the Foundation take place in January, April, July and October. Late applications will be carried over to the following meeting.

The next deadline for receipt of applications is 10 March 2020.

Link: <http://www.wgedwardscharitablefoundation.org.uk/>

Imminent Deadlines

January 2020 – February 2020

- **National Churches Trust - Gateway Grants**

This scheme offers grants to places of worship for costs towards developing a church building project such as feasibility studies, options appraisals, professional fees, surveys and other development costs up to RIBA Planning Stage 1. The aim is to help churches develop appropriate, high quality, well researched projects before approaching a major grant funder. They prioritise applications that can demonstrate strong community engagement and sound plans for economic viability.

Deadline: 9th January 2020
Max Grant: £10,000
Link: <https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/gatewaygrants>
- **Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust**

This scheme favours applications from smaller animal welfare charities registered in the UK and working in the UK or abroad which demonstrate an active re-homing and rehabilitation policy for animals taken into their care, or is involved with conservation of wildlife, when the rescue, rehabilitation and where possible, the release of animals is their main aim.

Deadline: 15th January 2020
Max Grant: £10,000
Link: <https://www.jeansainsburyanimalwelfare.org.uk/applications/>
- **The Radcliffe Trust - Music**

This scheme supports classical music performance and training, especially chamber music, composition and music education. Particular interests within music education are music for children and adults with special needs, youth orchestras and projects at secondary and higher levels, including academic research. The Trustees respond to applications and also initiate their own projects.

Deadline: 31st January 2020
Max Grant: £5,000
Link: <http://www.theradcliffetrust.org/>
- **The Radcliffe Trust – Heritage & Crafts**

This scheme supports the development of the skills, knowledge and experience that underpin the UK's traditional cultural heritage and crafts sectors. This includes support for: craft and conservation training; practical projects, particularly those that include a strong training element; strategic and capacity-building projects which demonstrate clear benefits to the sector; Special Needs projects whose emphasis is on skills development. However, the Trust remains committed to flexible, open and inclusive grant-giving and will consider other projects, should they fall broadly within its remit.

Deadline: 31st January 2020
Max Grant: £5,000
Link: <http://www.theradcliffetrust.org/>
- **Scottish Forestry - Forestry Grant Scheme - Harvesting and Processing**

This scheme is intended to help to bring woodlands into management; promote the economic and sustainable production of timber and timber products through processing; add value to local economies on a non-industrial scale (less than 10,000 tonnes per annum of roundwood for harvesting or extraction equipment, or less than 5,000 tonnes per annum of output for timber processing equipment); provide support to facilitate and enable diversification and to assist with the creation of new small enterprises and related employment.

Deadline: 31st January 2020
Max Grant: £35,000
Link: <https://www.ruralpayments.org/publicsite/futures/topics/all-schemes/forestry-grant-scheme/harvesting-and-processing/>
- **Anchor Foundation**

This scheme supports Christian charities concerned with social inclusion particularly through ministries of healing and the arts.

Deadline: 31st January 2020
Max Grant: £10,000
Link: <http://www.theanchorfoundation.org.uk/>

- G&H Roberts Community Trust**
 This scheme focuses on funding small community projects that support the advancement of education, community development, human rights, environmental protection, conflict resolution and reconciliation. They retain a strong connection to UK based charities, but also support specific projects around the world.
Deadline: 31st January 2020
Max Grant: £2,000
Link: <http://www.ghrcommunitytrust.org/>
- The AEB Charitable Trust**
 This scheme presently makes grant to charities in support of the following: The promotion of interests of wildlife, ecology and nature; The advancement of health, in particular, research into and treatment of Alzheimer's and the care of the confused elderly; The support of museums and galleries, music and the arts in Scotland; assistance to the infirm, the emergency services, disabled and retired members of the Armed Forces. The Trust favours organisations in the Lothians and Borders areas.
Deadline: 31st January 2020
Max Grant: £2,000
Link: <http://www.turcanconnell.com/the-aeb-charitable-trust/>
- The Will Charitable Trust – Blindness & Learning Disabilities**
 This scheme provides financial assistance for activities in the following three categories: blindness, learning disabilities and cancer. In more detail it supports: Care of and services for blind people, and the prevention and/or cure of blindness; Long-term care of people with learning disabilities either in a residential care or supported living environment in a way that provides a family environment and a wide choice of activities and lifestyle or by providing long-term day/employment activities; Care of and services for people suffering from cancer, and their families.
Deadline: 31st January 2020
Max Grant: £30,000
Link: <http://www.willcharitabletrust.org.uk/>
- DM Thomas Foundation for Young People**
 This scheme is dedicated to helping disabled, sick and disadvantaged young people and children (from 0-25) to transform their lives. Applications working in the areas of education or health with one of the following four chosen focus groups may be considered: Children and young people with disabilities; Children and young people who are sick in hospital; Children and young people who are life limited (requiring palliative care); Mental Health of Children and young people.
Deadline: 5th February 2020
Max Grant: £30,000
Link: <http://dmthomasfoundation.org/what-we-do/grants/dmtf-central-grants/>
- The Architectural Heritage Fund – Scottish Community Development Fund**
 This scheme will support regeneration projects in communities, bringing benefits to local areas through the reuse of historic buildings. Approved projects will have the potential to make a significant positive social impact, offer long-term sustainable uses for historic buildings, and will be clearly and strongly community led.
Deadline: 10th February 2020
Max Grant: £15,000
Link: <http://ahfund.org.uk/grant/>
- The Architectural Heritage Fund – Project Development Fund**
 This scheme will assist an organisation to cover some of the costs of developing and co-ordinating a project and taking it towards the start of work on site. The AHF promotes the conservation and sustainable re-use of historic buildings for the benefit of communities across the UK, particularly in economically disadvantaged areas. They give priority to projects involving historic buildings that have statutory protection and at risk.
Deadline: 10th February 2020
Max Grant: £15,000
Link: <http://ahfund.org.uk/grant/>

- The Idlewild Trust**
 This scheme provides financial assistance for activities in the following three categories: blindness, learning disabilities and cancer. In more detail it supports: Care of and services for blind people, and the prevention and/or cure of blindness; Long-term care of people with learning disabilities either in a residential care or supported living environment in a way that provides a family environment and a wide choice of activities and lifestyle or by providing long-term day/employment activities; Care of and services for people suffering from cancer, and their families.
Deadline: 13th February 2020
Max Grant: £30,000
Link: <http://www.willcharitabletrust.org.uk/>
- Christina Mary Hendrie Trust**
 This scheme's charitable purposes are broadly stated, our focus is specifically on assisting other charities operating in Scotland or Canada, specialising in work related to the young (up to the age of 21) and the old (over the age of 65). These ages are given as guidelines are not fixed. Within these criteria they have a particular but not exclusive or predominant interest in hospices and veterans of the armed forces.
Deadline: 15th February 2020
Max Grant: £7,500
Link: <https://www.christinamaryhendrietrust.co.uk/>
- The Stanley Smith (UK) Horticultural Trust**
 This scheme achieves its objects by making grants to individuals, organisations and institutions carrying out projects of significance to horticulture, gardening or botany with a strong horticultural element. The following is a non-exhaustive list of typical projects: gardeners' training schemes run by appropriate organisations; restoring gardens of historic interest; developing new gardens for public access and enjoyment; exhibitions, book publications, research and educational programmes relating to horticulture; expeditions to collect and protect plants of scientific and horticultural value; and study-visits by horticulturists or botanists with strong horticultural links. Email d.rae@rbge.org.uk or call 01312482844.
Deadline: 15th February 2020
Max Grant: £1,881
Link: None given
- The Weir Charitable Trust**
 This scheme aims to support Scottish-based community groups and small charities to provide services across Scotland to help the Scottish community. These groups and charities are likely to have found it difficult to access funds elsewhere. It fund supports services/projects in the following qualifying categories: sport, recreational activities, animal welfare, health and culture.
Deadline: 28th February 2020
Max Grant: £25,000
Link: <http://www.weircharitabletrust.com/>
- Scottish Forestry Community Fund**
 This scheme aims to support community groups and organisations that are encouraging and facilitating greater use of woods by people to derive health, well-being and community benefits.
Deadline: 28th February 2020
Max Grant: £20,000
Link: <http://www.forestry.gov.uk/scotland>
- Sylvia Aitken Trust**
 This scheme supports organisations involved in initiatives that benefit children, young people, students or researchers. In particular the grant aims to aid the development of medical research and higher or further education. The Sylvia Aitken Charitable Trust offers grants to support registered charities throughout the UK. Although preference is given to those based in Scotland, especially if they are local projects. Further information is available by calling 01505610412.
Deadline: 28th February 2020
Max Grant: None given
Link: None given
- Polden-Puckham Charitable Foundation**
 This scheme supports projects that seek to influence values and attitudes, promote equity and social justice, and develop radical alternatives to current economic and social structures. The main priorities are; peace and sustainable security and environmental sustainability. They only support practical projects when they are clearly of a pioneering nature, with potential for influencing UK national policy.
Deadline: 28th February 2020
Max Grant: £15,000
Link: <http://www.polden-puckham.org.uk/>

FORTHCOMING DEADLINES

March 2020 – April 2020

- **The Baily Thomas Charitable Fund – General Grants**
This scheme aids research into learning disability aids the care and relief of those affected by learning disability. Their priorities are learning disabilities (intellectual disabilities) and autism and they will consider projects for children or adults.
Deadline: 1st March 2020
Max Grant: £10,000+
Link: <http://www.bailythomas.org.uk/whatwedo/whatwedo>
- **The Transforming Scottish Indoor Tennis Fund**
This scheme will deliver a national strategy to create a network of regionally based indoor tennis centres in Scotland to ensure that the majority of the country has access to a high quality indoor tennis centre.
Deadline: 1st March 2020
Max Grant: £250,000
Link: <https://sportscotland.org.uk/funding/othersources/the-transforming-scottish-indoor-tennis-fund/>
- **Kelly Family Charitable Trust**
This scheme prioritises its funding in favour of charities whose activities involve all or most family members where possible, in initiatives that support and encourage the family to work as a cohesive unit in tackling problems that face one or more of its members.
Deadline: 1st March 2020
Max Grant: £5,000
Link: <http://www.kfct.org/>
- **The Classical Association Grants**
This scheme is a major giver of grants to classical projects, mainly but not exclusively in the UK. They provide funding for summers schools, conferences, school teaching and outreach and major projects.
Deadline: 1st March 2020
Max Grant: Various
Link: <http://www.classicalassociation.org/grants.html>
- **The Marc Fitch Fund**
This scheme makes small grants towards the costs of publishing scholarly work in the fields of British and Irish national, regional and local history, archaeology, antiquarian studies, historical geography, the history of art and architecture, heraldry, genealogy and surname studies, archival research, artefact conservation and the broad fields of the heritage, conservation and the historic environment.
Deadline: 1st March 2020
Max Grant: Various
Link: <http://www.marcfitchfund.org.uk/>
- **The National Churches Trust**
This scheme is the national, independent, charity dedicated to promoting and supporting church buildings of historic, architectural and community value across the UK. The Cornerstone Grant Programme can award grants towards urgent structural repair projects, or the introduction of kitchens and accessible toilets. Priority is given to projects that demonstrate well-developed plans for the building that are supported beyond the congregation, and into the future.
Deadline: 2nd March 2020
Max Grant: £50,000
Link: <https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/cornerstonegrants>

- RS MacDonald Charitable Trust – main Grants**
 This scheme supports Scottish charities under the funding themes: Tackling Child Abuse & Neglect - services for children whose lives have been affected by physical, mental or sexual abuse; Visual impairment - support for people who are blind or visually impaired.; Neurological conditions – empowering people with neurological conditions to lead better lives and be involved in their communities; Animal welfare - helping animals that have been abused or are in danger of abuse and initiatives that reduce the risk of such abuse.
Deadline: 9th March 2020
Max Grant: None given
Link: <http://www.rsmacdonald.com/>
- Ministry of Defence – Armed Forces Day**
 This scheme is available to assist with Armed Forces Day festivities. It could be an event for your local community to a get-together with family and friends such as a picnic in the park, themed bbq, street party or fête. Try to hold your event on or in the weeks around Saturday 29 June 2019.
Deadline: 27th March 2020
Max Grant: None given
Link: <https://www.armedforcesday.org.uk/get-involved/organise-your-own-event/>
- Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation**
 This scheme's two priority areas are alleviating poverty and improving health / saving lives. They support beneficiaries such as children, the seriously ill, the elderly, the homeless and the disabled in the UK. Donations are sent directly to successful charities at the end of each quarter (April, July, October, and January).
Deadline: 31st March 2020
Max Grant: £2,000
Link: <http://www.ybs.co.uk/cf/foundation.html>
- The Association for Industrial Archaeology – Restoration Grants**
 This scheme provides grants for restoration of historically, technically, architecturally, and/or archaeologically important industrial buildings, structures, machinery, vehicles and vessels within the UK. Applications will usually relate to a single, tangible structure or artefact which must be covered by a Conservation Policy and/or Statement.
Deadline: 31st March 2020
Max Grant: £20,000
Link: <https://industrial-archaeology.org/aia-awards/restoration-grants/>
- SCVO – Cyber Essentials Grant**
 This scheme is a partnership between SCVO and the Scottish Government to help charities to improve their cyber resilience. A key step in improving cyber resilience is achieving Cyber Essentials accreditation. This small grants scheme will support charities through this process.
Deadline: 31st March 2020
Max Grant: £1,000
Link: <https://scvo.org/digital/evolution/cyber-resilience>
- Weavers Benevolent Fund**
 This scheme provides funds to help disadvantaged young people and to address problems faced by offenders, ex-offenders and their families. There is a preference for supporting smaller charities which provide direct services.
Deadline: 31st March 2020
Max Grant: £15,000
Link: <http://www.weavers.org.uk/charitable-grants>
- Crerar Hotel Trust**
 This scheme gives to organisations for the prevention/relief of poverty, advancement of education, health, citizenship or community development. It benefits those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage. It can benefit children and young people, people with disabilities or health problems, people of a particular ethnic or racial origin and for the benefit of the community.
Deadline: 1st April 2020
Max Grant: None
Link: <http://www.crerarhotels.com/crerar-hotels-trust>

- Sportscotland – Sport Facility Fund**
 This scheme supports capital projects that create or improve places that people take part in sport and physical activity. Awards of up to £100,000 are available for sports facility projects within club & communities, school & education or performance sport environments. In clubs and communities they will support: new, upgraded or extended sports facilities; Inclusive changing facilities; facilities that provide or improve access for outdoor sport and adventure activities; floodlights that increase capacity at appropriate sports facilities; major items of sports equipment. They will provide enhanced support to projects within or serving the most deprived communities, according to the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD).
Deadline: 1st April 2020
Max Grant: £100,000
Link: <https://sportscotland.org.uk/funding/sport-facilities-fund/>
- Novum Trust**
 This scheme supports new work with the provision of small short-term grants to initiate projects in Christian action and research. It provides funding for projects that are: essentially Scottish; distinctively new ('Novum'); not readily able to be financed from other sources and short term - normally one year. The Trust focusses on the welfare of young people, the training of lay people or new ways of communicating the Christian faith.
Deadline: 15th April 2020
Max Grant: £2,500
Link: <http://www.novumtrust.org.uk>
- The Finnis Scott Trust**
 This scheme makes grants for any charitable purpose, but their present policy is to focus grant-making in the areas of horticulture and plant sciences, as well as fine art and art history.
Deadline: 20th April 2020
Max Grant: £10,000
Link: <https://www.finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk/>
- Miss A M Pilkington**
 This scheme distributes funds for charitable purposes as set out in the Trusts governing document. These include: the prevention or relief of poverty; the advancement of education; the advancement of religion; the advancement of health; the saving of lives; the advancement of citizenship or community development; the advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science; the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended; the advancement of environmental protection or improvement; the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage; the advancement of animal welfare. Submit applications in writing to EQ Chartered Accountants, 58 Bonnygate, Cupar, Fife, KY15 4LD.
Deadline: 30th April 2020
Max Grant: £2,000
 Link: None
- James Weir Foundation**
 This scheme gives priority to charities in Scotland, particularly Ayrshire and Glasgow that assist individuals suffering from a range of illnesses both physical and mental, hospices, museums, refuges and facilities for ex-military staff.
Deadline: 30th April 2020
Max Grant: None
Link: <http://jamesweirfoundation.org>

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