

Funding Gazette April 2024





Welcome to the April edition of Cumbria Youth Alliance Funding Gazette. This is a fast-changing environment so always check out the websites before applying for any of the funding listed in this edition as things close and re-open depending upon funding available. Do watch out for deadlines approaching.

Keep up the wonderful work!

Welcome to our April Funding Gazette

CYA would like to acknowledge a wide range of sources of information. We regularly look at funding information from NAVCA, Active Cumbria, NCVO, Merseyside Funding Portal, Get Grants and Focus on Funding from Cumbria CVS. CVS will do a search for funding for your specific project via Grant finder. Contact: cvsfunding@cumbriacvs.org.uk

There are significant opportunities to apply for grants and trusts but now more than ever the competition is stiff, and you need to take time to read the guidelines carefully for each of the charitable trusts and foundations and only apply to those where you do meet the criteria.

Funders tell us that over 30% of the applications they receive don't meet their criteria and they waste time reading through them and rejecting them but more importantly the organisations have wasted their time compiling the application and the supporting documents only for them to be consigned to the bin. Cumbria Youth Alliance can help you with your funding applications -we can supply you with up to 10 potential funding sources that are a good match for your organisation. We can assist by being a second pair of eyes to read through your applications before you send them away and we can be a referee for your application if we have worked together and we are aware of your work.

If you and your team need help with fundraising and you work with children, young people, or families here in Cumbria then give us a shout juan@cya.org.uk or ring us on 01900-603131 to book a zoom call for some one-to-one support.

Don't forget you are not alone Cumbria Youth Alliance can help with all sorts of aspects of your fundraising thanks to support from Cumbria County Council under the Infrastructure Support Contract to support organisations working with children and young people.

- We can source 5 big and 5 small charitable trusts that will give you a good match for what you want funded.
- We can deliver fundraising training how to apply to foundations and trusts -we can deliver this at a time and place to suit your needs and it can include staff, volunteers and /or trustees.
- We can check your bids and see if we can add anything or help it with additional information.
- We can act as a referee for any big bids you are submitting.
- We can help you set up systems to manage your grant so you can report accurately to funders.

If you want to access any of these services email juan@cya.org.uk or ring 01900 603131, mob 07859092981

This funding news gazette is part of Cumbria Youth Alliance's Infrastructure Support to the youth sector, in conjunction with Cumbria County Council.



CYA Infrastructure Support for the sector includes:

- Free training for staff and volunteers including over 80 online modules.
- Free Outcomes and Impact measurement tools and training in how to use them and follow up support.
- Fundraising support e.g. workshops tailored to your needs and research into which funders will fund your project; how to write better bids; proofreading your bids; acting as a referee.
- Monthly funding gazette with news from local and national funders.
- Governance health check your policies and procedures and help or advise on how to review and improve them.
- Free access to a national quality kite mark, SQP, for which CYA is the Cumbria franchise holder.
- Weekly and monthly newsletters which all groups can contribute to; advertise your project or your vacancy here; or find out what is going on around the county.
- We chair the Voluntary Sector Reference Group which brings together the statutory sector stakeholders e.g. local government and health agencies together with local and national funders; you can attend virtual meetings or just have the minutes sent for each meeting.
- Recruitment of Volunteers; we have a database of people who have registered as wanting to volunteer and we put them in touch with groups needing volunteers.
- These activities are all free as funded by Cumbria County Council.

For more information contact juan@cya.org.uk

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Cumbria Youth Alliance Organisational Member of the Chartered Institute of Fundraising



Chartered Institute of Fundraising

Every year, Fundraising Convention offers a unique chance to unite as a sector, nurturing a community spirit where we can find support and encouragement while learning and prospering together.

Last year Fundraising Convention sold out early, so don't delay. Our Early Bird tickets for the event, which save you 20% off standard ticket prices, close today at 17.00!

Buy you in person tickets

Buy your virtual tickets

Eden Funding Fair – Wednesday 24th April 2024

Cumbria LEP Conference Centre, Eden Rural Enterprise Centre, Redhills, Penrith, CA11 0DT This event provides a fantastic opportunity for local groups to directly engage (face to face) with local and national funders and support groups regarding projects/funding requirements. Attending funders and support organisations include:

- **Cumbria Community Foundation**
- Cumbria Action for Sustainability
- The David Snowdon Trust
- The National Lottery Heritage Fund
- Francis Scott Trust
- Frieda Scott Trust
- The Hadfield Trust
- The National Lottery Community Fund
- Action with Communities in Cumbria
- Cumbria Waste Management Environment Trust
- Penrith Lottery
- Active Cumbria
- Cumbria Youth Alliance
- Cumbria Social Enterprise Partnership
- Holiday Activity and Food Programme

Tickets are free, and attendees can choose to book a morning (10am-noon) or afternoon (1pm-3pm) slot. We ask that organisations attend with a maximum of two representatives as spaces are limited.

To book a place, please click on the Eventbrite link below:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eden-funding-fair-tickets-852065118707

Eden Funding Fair Post Event Reflection Workshop (on-line)

Tuesday 30th April 2024 - 10am - 12.30pm

A 2.5 hour online facilitated reflection and consolidation workshop where participants will finalise their funding bid application based on the feedback received during the funding fair. This will also be an opportunity to get some further peer support and extra support and funding bid hints and tips from CVS facilitators. By the end of this session participants should have a finalised funding bid narrative. The workshop is the final module in a three-part programme of support.

The first is an online Design for Wiser Action funding bid writing workshop on 9th April. The second module will be the in-person Eden funding fair on 24th April and this session will complete the programme. To book a place, please click on the Eventbrite link below:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eden-funding-fair-post-event-reflection-workshop-tickets-852091327097

The Foyle Foundation

The Foyle Foundation is a grant making charity that has provided grants valuing over £70 million in the last 15 years. The Foundation currently offers grants through three distinct grant programmes. These are:

- Main Grant Scheme
- Small Grant Scheme
- The Foyle School Library Scheme

Main Grant Scheme

This programme focuses on the two outcomes of Arts and Learning, sharing the same guidance and application form. The programmes aims to (Arts) help sustain the arts and deliver artistic vision and (Learning) support projects with libraries, museums and archives, special educational needs or encouraging sustainability. This Main Grants Scheme is open only to registered charities with grants generally between £10,000 and £50,000.

Small Grants Scheme

The Small Grant Scheme is designed to support smaller charities in the UK, working at grass roots and local community level, in any field across a wide range of activities. Applications are welcomed from charities or community groups that have an annual turnover of less than £100,000. Grants are made for a one-year period between £1,000 and £10,000.

The Foyle School Library Scheme

View our specific blog for more details on this programme that is available for state schools.

Application forms to all of these schemes are easily available on The Foyle Foundation website along with further guidelines on how to apply. There are no deadlines, but it can take up to 4 months for applications to be assessed.

Thomas Wall Trust

The Thomas Wall Trust is a grant-making charity which offers grants for small charities across the UK that are running specific projects that address the educational and social needs of their local communities.

Grants are available up to a maximum of £5,000 and the Trust only accepts applications from registered charities. They have a long list of exclusions that they will not fund, which includes:

- Charities with an income of over £100,000
- General running costs
- Charities established less than 2 years ago
- Building and redevelopment work

Applications can be submitted at any time, and Trustees meet to consider applications twice a year. The charity advises that applications for the July meeting should be submitted by the end of May and, for the November meeting, by the end of September. You will only be contacted if you have been successful.

On order to apply you are required to register on the Trust's website, following which you will be emailed a PDF application form.

Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust

The Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust is a regular supporter of animal welfare charities and gives out around £500,000 each year.

The Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust aims to support projects or activities encompassing one or more of the following:

- The benefit and protection of animals.
- The relief of suffering in animals. •
- The conservation of wildlife.
- The encouragement of a greater understanding of animals.

Grants are normally in the range of £1,000 to £10,000, with decisions made three times a year. Smaller amounts however may be considered and grants of less than £1,000 can be processed outside of the grant deadlines.

If you apply for a grant, you should expect a visit from a member of the charity prior to receiving a grant.

In order to apply applicants are required to complete a Charity applicant questionnaire as well as providing additional information that may be relevant.

The applicant questionnaire and further guidance can be found on the Trusts website.

Garfield Weston Fund

The Foundation supports a broad range of charities across the UK that make a positive difference. They fund a wide range of causes and charities, and their grants vary according to the size of the charity and the work being undertaken.

https://garfieldweston.org/

Better Tomorrows Fund

Background

Set up by David Beeby, High Sheriff of Cumbria 2021-22, the Fund aims to invest approximately £1m over the next three years into quality youth work training and provision, with the ultimate objective of substantially increasing the number of young people having access to support from youth workers. It will encourage people within Cumbria to become accredited in youth work via Cumbria Youth Alliance's training programme, along with funding youth work salaries through this open-access grant fund.

Donor

David Beeby has personally committed a significant amount to the programme and has secured funding from charitable trusts and donors, including Francis C Scott Charitable Trust, the Four

Acre Trust, LLWR, and Cumbria Community Foundation, LLWR, CCL Secure, Carr's Group, CGP Publications, Iggesund, BAE and James Walker.

Who can apply?

Charitable, not-for-profit organisations

Priority will be given to projects that:

- Provide access to youth work for additional young people.
- Create additional opportunities in areas where there is limited or no youth work provision.
- Seek to increase participation from young people from less affluent social economic groups and young people who might not usually take part in youth work their barriers and build their attainment, ambition, and aspirations.
- Put young people at the centre in terms of voice and decision making.
- Support young people who are facing complex transitions, challenges, and barriers to accessing support and opportunities.

What the Fund will not support in addition to our normal exclusions:

- Existing or recent youth work posts
- Overhead costs e.g. rent, IT, publicity
- Individuals

How much can you apply for?

The maximum award will be no more than £25,000 per year. Multi-year funding may be considered for up to three years.

Frequently Asked Questions

We're an existing youth project, would this fund the salary of an additional youth worker?

The intention of this fund is to prioritise areas where there is currently no youth work being delivered, and give more young people access to quality youth work. An additional youth worker would need to support young people who aren't currently engaged in any existing youth work services (i.e., in a different area to current provision).

We're a volunteer led organisation, would this fund our first youth worker?

Potentially yes, if the youth worker could significantly increase the number of young people they are engaged with. 12

We have an existing youth worker whose post runs out of funding soon, could we apply to this

fund to cover the cost?

No. This fund aims to increase the number of young people having access to support from new youth work avenues rather than cover existing overheads.

We have a new youth work post, which was previously a volunteer role. Would this be eligible?

Only if the funded post is providing additional youth work opportunities to more young people. It would not be eligible if the volunteer previously delivered 10 hours of support each week and then wanted funding to cover salary costs delivering the same amount of hours.

We want to offer specialised youth work sessions over a limited period of time in different locations to different groups of young people, would we be eligible?

No. Sessions must take place regularly, such as once a week, and ideally be offered over a minimum of one year to encourage more young people to take part. The sessions should also be delivered in one location (although more will be considered if you are delivering sessions at a number of village halls, for example).

For more information, contact Annalee Holliday, Senior Grants & Programmes Officer annalee@cumbriafoundation.org or 01900 825760. NB; youth work training will start a new intake in September to begin in October 2024, online with evening webinars during term time; contact juan@cya.org.uk for details and an application form.

Travel Actively

Active Cumbria's new programme aimed to provide a wide range of cycling and walking interventions to help attract people into new ways of travelling actively in Barrow and Carlisle. Use the link below to find out more about the Travel Actively Fund which supports the programme. This includes the targeted audiences, application guidance and FAQ's.

https://www.activecumbria.org/behealthybeactive/travel-actively/travel-actively-fund

National Lottery Heritage Fund

The National Lottery Heritage Fund provide different levels of funding to heritage of all shapes and sizes. Their grants range from £3,000 up to millions of pounds. Current programmes include National Lottery Grants for Heritage - £3,000 to £10,000; £10,000 to £250,000; £250,000 to £5 million. The impact of coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic means the Fund will prioritise heritage projects that:

- Promote inclusion and involve a wider range of people (a mandatory outcome).
- Boost the local economy. •
- Encourage skills development and job creation.
- Support wellbeing. •
- Create better places to live, work and visit.
- Improve the resilience of organisations working in heritage. •
- Full information on all National Lottery Heritage Fund programmes is available on their website.

https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/

Cumberland Council's Community Panels

Now open for business, and community groups can apply for support. The panels were designed to put residents at the heart of decision making in their communities. Made up of ward councillors, they will liaise with a network of local partners and residents to ensure effective investment. Each panel has an amount of funding, but can also support projects with lobbying, signposting and leveraging further help.

For more information on the Panels, areas they cover and deadlines for requesting support, follow this link:

https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/news/2024/get-involved-transform-communities

Francis C Scott Charitable Trust

Will support charities working in the most deprived communities in Cumbria who are addressing the key transitions in a child's/young person's life, click here for further details.

http://www.fcsct.org.uk/

Hadfield Charitable Trust

Grants for charitable organisations to carry out projects in the areas of social needs, youth and employment, help for older people, the arts and the environment in Cumbria.

http://hadfieldtrust.org.uk/

Cumbria Community Foundation

The foundation exists to tackle poverty and improve the quality of community life for the people of Cumbria by raising money and making grants, responding quickly to emerging need, working in partnership with donors to distribute charitable funds. Their grants reach people and organisations which really need them.

http://www.cumbriafoundation.org/

Pixel Fund

Reopens for applications in 2024.

The Pixel Fund is offering grants of between £2,500 and £5,000 for UK-registered charities to deliver projects and activities that promote the mental health and wellbeing of children and young adults aged under 26 years old and provide a measurable difference to the charity's users. From 1 February 2024, the Pixel Fund has introduced a new eligibility checklist and reevaluated their application process to help reduce the number of unsuccessful applications.

To apply, groups must first check the new eligibility checklist, before attending a Pixel Fund Applicants pre-meeting to discuss their ideas. Eligible charities will then be required to complete an Eligibility Requirements questionnaire and due diligence form before being assessed and potentially invited to complete a full application.

There is a strong preference for charities with an annual income of less than £2 million. Typically, no single grant will be worth more than 5% of an organisation's annual income.

To apply, groups must first book a place at an Applicant pre-meeting which will be held regularly throughout the year.

https://pixelfund.org.uk/home

Summer HAF

Applications are open for the Summer Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF). The deadline for applications is close of play on Friday 10th May.

Application forms are available from any of the team, Cath, Guy and Ella.

Completed forms must be sent to Cathhaf@btinternet.com who will prepare them for the local authority-based grant panel. Please note that the predicted spend is a separate document and must be returned alongside your application form. For the Summer HAF programme you can apply to deliver up to sixteen days of face-to-face activities.

If you have any questions or need support completing the form, please look through the HAF guidelines which are embedded within the document or contact one of the HAF Team: -

Guy Thompson (Project Officer) – Guy.Thompson@cumberland.gov.uk

Ella Crook (Project Support Officer) – Ella.Crook@cumberland.gov.uk

Cath Clarke (Commissioning Officer) – Cathhaf@btinternet.com

Dora Beeforth Memorial Fund

Small grants are available for groups working with young people (aged 11 to 21 years) from lowincome families in Cumbria to take part in sport or foreign travel.

www.cumbriafoundation.org/fund/dora-beeforth-memorial-fund/

Westmorland and Furness Council

Funding to support community projects through the Community Development Teams who manage a range of funds that are used to invest in communities to bring about a positive and lasting change for the benefit of the whole community.

https://legacy.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/yourcommunitysupport/communitygrants.asp

- 11/04 Steel Charitable Trust
- 11/04 Veolia Environmental Trust
- 12/04 Barclays Community Football Fund
- 14/04 Dan Maskell Tennis Trust
- 15/04 Friends Provident Foundation Building a 4D Economy Grants Programme
- 16/04 National Churches Trust Medium Grants Programme
- 16/04 Wolfson Fabric Repair Grants
- 22/04 Esmee Fairbairn Collections Fund
- 23/04 Baring Foundation Arts and Mental Health Programme
- 23/04 Veterans' Foundation
- 26/04 A B Charitable Trust
- 26/04 Charles Hayward Foundation
- 26/04 Groundwork One Stop Community Partnership Programme
- 26/04 Learning through Landscapes Local School Nature Grants
- 29/04 Shackleton Foundation Grant
- 29/04 Thomas Wall Trust Grants for Registered Charities
- 30/04 7stars Foundation
- 30/04 Baring Foundation Strengthening Civil Society: Fund to Support Expert Legal 'Hub' **Organisations**
- 30/04 Concertina Charitable Trust
- 30/04 National Churches Trust Small Grants Programme
- 30/04 Speaking Volumes Grants for Christian Books in the Community

- 30/04 Tesco Stronger Starts Footie for All Fund
- 30/04 The Royal Society Partnership Grants •
- 30/04 Worshipful Company of Information Technologists Charity
- 01/05 Art Fund Student Opportunities
- 01/05 Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust
- 01/05 Skipton Building Society Charitable Foundation
- 01/05 Vaughan Williams Foundation
- 04/05 Golsoncott Foundation
- 07/05 Warburtons Families Matter Community Grants Programme

Lloyds TSB Foundation

The Foundation funds local, regional and national charities working to tackle disadvantage across England and Wales. Seventy percent of our funding is for core costs, and our focus is on supporting underfunded charities that can make a significant difference to the lives of disadvantaged people by helping them to play a fuller role in the community. Our strong local presence enables us to respond directly and promptly to local needs.

www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/

Magic Little Grants

Small one-off grants (up to £500) are available to local charities and community groups in Great Britain that are running, or planning on running a project that encourages individuals to take part in some form of physical activity to help improve their physical and mental health and wellbeing.

https://localgiving.org/magic-little-grants/

Morrisons Foundation

The Morrisons Foundation has been set up to make a positive difference to people living in England.

www.morrisonsfoundation.com/

National Lottery

The Funding Finder from the National Lottery will help you navigate the different funding programmes to find the right one for you. 'Awards for All' is a very accessible fund.

www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/funding-finder

Percy Bilton Charity

Funding is available to UK registered charities with primary objectives to assist one or more of the following groups: disadvantaged/underprivileged young people (persons under 25); people with disabilities (physical or learning disabilities or mental health problems); older people (aged over 60).

www.percy-bilton-charity.org/percy-bilton-organisations