

Charity Excellence Funding List - Potential AI Grant Makers

There is only very limited AI funding for non profits so we've compiled a list of grant makers that fund technology, and innovative, transformative or systemic projects. For offline use, we've listed funders (roughly) as UK, UK countries, counties and regions and, international. To access the latest funding, search online and including companies that support charities, use either of our funding directories. Everything is free. Any suggested additions or amendmenst to this list would be very welcome - ian@charityexcellence.co.uk

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Funder Name	Details	Region/ Country	City/ English County	Cause/Category
Society Foundation	Supports charitable organisations working to help disadvantaged people move towards paid employment, specifically: the recently homeless or vulnerably housed, ex-offenders and young people (16-24 years old) not in employment, education or training (NEET). Funding for capacity building activities, including IT infrastructure and equipment, staff training and development, and external consultancy/support. It typically offers micro-grants up to £2,500 to small or growing organisations with a turnover below £500,000. It has an annual funding round. It's funded by the executive search company Society who have UK offices in London and Edinburgh.	UK Wide	London	Young People,Tech,Small Charities,Homeless,Social Welfare & Poverty,Community Groups & Clubs,Justice
Alec Dickson Trust	Support young people who, through volunteering or community service, aim to enhance the lives of others, particularly those most marginalised by society. They particularly like to fund volunteer initiatives that are innovative and try to do things a bit differently. Up to £500. The trustees meet approximately once every three months.	UK Wide		General Funding,Young People,Disability,Small Charities,BAME,Homeless,LGBTQI,Social Welfare & Poverty
Arts Fundraising & Philanthropy	Up to £2,500 to fundraising groups & networks developing in-person as well as virtual training events, conferences or seminars. Any relevant expenditure for an event or activity between April and September 2023. Up to £2,500 for any single event, or group of events, benefitting a community of people, who are either freelancers or staff from at least five different arts, cultural or heritage organisations. Seem to fund annually. Deadline in 2023 was 28 Feb.	UK Wide		Arts & Heritage,Tech
Bethnall Green Ventures	Funding accelerator twice a year that gives out monetary support, mainly to start-ups, using tech to drive social and environmental change.	UK Wide		Tech
Stephen Lloyd Awards	Anyone resident in the UK, or any organisation or charity established in the UK that has an innovative idea that can lead to practical, sustainable social change. Providing experts that can deliver practical, free support to shortlisted candidates as well as Award winners. At the shortlist stage up to ten awards of up to £2,000 to further develop their ideas. An annual award. The 2025 Awards opened on 19 Mar for about 2 months.	UK Wide		Individuals
Catalyst - Digital, Justice and Equity	A database of funding for digital, funders who actively welcome applications for digital work and programmes funding justice and equity focused work (from anti-racism to climate justice), although only about 25 grant makers, and not all open. It won't launch until April but is available now in airtable. The Tech search category on Funding Finder has about 100 funders.	UK Wide		Tech,Justice

City & Guilds - Local Community Skills Fund	To support a wide range of initiatives that will make a positive impact on UK communities. One key focus is to fund innovative local and community-led projects that may not be eligible for traditional funding sources. This could include anything from setting up a community garden to running a digital skills workshop. The fund also seeks to help disadvantaged people develop the skills they need to find employment by providing training and support. Additionally, the fund will address specific skills gaps in local areas and reach out to communities where access to training and development opportunities is limited. Up to £10,000 and most grants will be around £6,000. For registered charities with income under £1m, CICs, FE colleges and other educational establishments. Larger charities and community groups can apply but there are some restrictions. Apply at any time.	UK Wide		Small Charities, Education, Social Enterprise/CIC, Social Welfare & Poverty, Community Groups & Clubs, Less Popular Causes
Clothworkers Foundation	In 2025, they were rated as a 5 star grant maker and Highly Commended in our People's Choice Award for best grant making team. UK registered charities, CICs, and other registered UK not-for-profit organisations - capital funding. Minority communities facing both disadvantage and discrimination, to promote integration with mainstream society by providing specialist services, and/or access to mainstream services. Following their 2025 review, they prioritise organisations that are embedding lived experience of the issues they tackle into their decision-making and projects that will help organisations make significant change to their delivery, reach or sustainability (not necessarily all three). Will fund IT, including digital/audio visual equipment, software and websites. The proactive programme is by invitation only. I think applications are accepted at any time.	UK Wide		Young People, Buildings & Equipment, Tech, Disability, BAME, Homeless, Social Enterprise/CIC, Women, LGBTQI, Social Welfare & Poverty
Different Foundation - AI For All Programme	They provide up to £2,500 for smaller UK charities (£150k-£1.15m turnover) advancing inclusive AI initiatives. They seek to promote access and opportunity for members of underrepresented and diverse communities in AI innovation. They also connect funded partners with respected leaders in AI. Their 2025/2026 focus: addressing digital bias, elevating diverse voices, and developing AI that works for everyone. The website states 2026 Funding Rounds: Mar and Sep, but still not updated as at 27 Feb. I've emailed them. Most don't respond though.	UK Wide		Tech, Disability, Small Charities, BAME, LGBTQI
Disability Grants - Assistive Technology	A list of various grant makers that will provide funding for computers and assistive technology for disabled people.	UK Wide		Tech, Disability, Funding Finder
Disability Grants - Young People	UK Funding Finder - listed alphabetically, but you can sort using various criteria, such as equipment, tech and by condition.	UK Wide		Young People, Buildings & Equipment, Tech, Disability, Funding Finder
DPO Centre Charity & Community	Offers grants of up to £10,000 to subsidise access to data protection consultancy services at an 80% funded rate. Eligible applicants are UK-based charities and not-for-profits. Political organisations are excluded. Funding covers consultancy services such as data mapping, policy drafting, impact assessments, training, privacy-by-design, and compliance readiness. Only one application per organisation is considered in each 12-month period. There is one round annually; the next round opens 1 Mar 26.	UK Wide		Tech
Fat Beehive Foundation	Up to £2,500 to registered charities with income under £400,000 to improve their digital presence by building websites and digital products. Apply any time, with applications considered at quarterly trustee meetings - normally Apr, Jul, Oct, and Jan.	UK Wide		General Funding, Tech, Small Charities
LandAid - Routes Out of Homelessness	Open to most non profits that work with young people aged 16-25 who are, or who are at risk of, or who have experienced homelessness. Priorities: North-East, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland, groups of young people who may be disproportionately at risk of homelessness, including young people of colour, young refugees and young people identifying as LGBTQ+ and which would be transformational for the charity and/or local area. Last round closed end Feb 24.	UK Wide		Young People, Buildings & Equipment, BAME, Homeless, Social Enterprise/CIC, LGBTQI

Mail Force Charity	Initially set up by the Daily Mail to raise funds for PPE, it's now raising funds for Computers For Kids, to provide schools and colleges with laptops, sim cards etc. The FAQs don't mention Scotland, but it is a registered charity in Scotland, as well. To date they've raised £25m.	UK Wide		Young People,Tech,Education
Movement for Good Awards – Large	It has 4 themes: education and skills, rural or community development, arts, heritage or culture and climate change or environment. A blend of project and core funding costs. They're looking for specific projects or innovative initiatives with clear outcomes and benefits. Grants of £10,000 and more. The funding can be used within three years and for a blend of project and core funding costs. the last deadline I have was Aug 24.	UK Wide		Arts & Heritage,Core Funding,Environment,Education
Mrs F B Laurence's Charitable Trust	UK registered charities for projects with a social welfare focus and those working with disadvantaged people. In particular, projects that are hands-on, new and innovative. Spend £130k.	UK Wide		Veterans,Small Charities,Social Welfare & Poverty
National Lottery - UK Fund	They say that they're looking to fund organisations that want to do more to help communities come together and help make us a better-connected society. You must either work across the UK, or be able to inform, influence or scale across the UK. Funding size: £500,000 to £5m. They expect most projects to run from 2 to 5 years, but may consider funding for up to 10 years. They fund most non-profits and core costs. Ongoing applications, no deadline. The National Lottery (£58m) was the top infrastructure charity funder in the 360 Giving Infrastructure Report 2022/23.	UK Wide		Core Funding,Tech,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty,Multi Year Funding,Infrastructure Charities
Nesta	Grant and Challenge Funding Programmes support UK-based charities, social enterprises, public sector bodies and innovators to design, test and scale solutions to major social challenges. Funding is delivered through time-limited grant rounds, challenge prizes, innovation funds and accelerator-style programmes, and typically supports research, pilots, experimentation and scaling activity rather than core service delivery. Eligibility, funding type and grant size vary by programme. Drafted using AI - verified by a human.	UK Wide		Research,Tech,Social Enterprise/CIC,Start Ups
Nominet Members Give Hub	You need to find a member to nominate you but they have a fund of £50,000 available every month and members can apply for funding up to £10,000 per financial year, which can be awarded to any UK registered organisation for projects that align with their commitment to making the world more connected, inclusive and secure.	UK Wide		General Funding,Tech
October Club	Fund small and growing charities with voluntary income of between £500,000 and £2.5m pa for a transformational project based across several UK regions. Applications typically November - February each year. They support one charity per year. Average amount raised in recent years has been £500k.	UK Wide		General Funding,Small Charities
PRS Foundation - Talent Development	To bring together organisations working at the frontline of talent development across the UK - ensuring transformational support is available to a broad range of music creators based in the UK working at any career level and in any genre. Organisations selected for the Network will be able to access grant support of up to £25,000 pa for Phase 1 of the initiative (2024-27).	UK Wide		Arts & Heritage,Multi Year Funding
Social Tech Trust	Social Tech Trust supports early-stage ventures using technology to deliver positive social and environmental impact across the UK, focusing on areas including communities, health and wealth. Funding is provided through a mix of grant-based programmes and impact investment, typically linked to structured accelerators and themed initiatives rather than open, rolling applications. Support is aimed at mission-led organisations and social ventures developing technology-enabled solutions, often with a strong emphasis on equity, diversity and lived experience. Grant amounts, application deadlines, number of funding rounds per year and geographic eligibility are programme-specific. They have an interest in AI.	UK Wide		Tech

Steel Charitable Trust	It commits to spending 50% of its annual grants budget to support Luton. For the rest of the UK (including Bedfordshire, but excluding the area covered by Luton Council), the Trust will direct its support only towards charities working with or on behalf of children and young people, under 26 years of age, with an overarching focus on creating educational and/or access opportunities for those in circumstances, groups or locations that face economic challenges, social marginalisation or poor outcomes in later life. UK registered charities with income at at least £50k pa. Minimum grants are £10k. May fund multi year. Will fund capital, such as tech and buildings.	UK Wide		Young People,Buildings & Equipment,Tech,Education,Multi Year Funding
Thomas Wall Trust	Up £5,000 towards specific projects or core activities that support literacy, numeracy, digital and additional skills for learning likely to assist employment prospects. Registered charities, with income from £25k to £0.5m pa. Welcome proposals which target people experiencing multiple deprivation or other groups facing major hurdles to employment e.g. women, people with physical, mental, or learning disabilities, refugees and asylum seekers. Will consider multi-year funding for up to 3 years.	UK Wide		Individuals,Young People,Tech,Disability,BAME,Education,Women,Social Welfare & Poverty,Multi Year Funding
True Colours Trust - UK	Fund small UK registered charities and CICs with income under £350,000. Disabled children and young people; children and young people (0 to 25 Years) with life-limiting conditions; and their families. Priority to work with children and families from BAME communities and areas of high deprivation. Will fund tech, equipment and vehicles. Apply at any time. Up to £10k.	UK Wide		Young People,Buildings & Equipment,Tech,Disability,Small Charities,BAME,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty
Ufi VocTech Trust	The charity is a UK-wide funder that supports the development and use of digital technology to improve adult vocational learning. Their mission is to help adults gain skills for work by funding innovative digital learning tools, approaches and platforms. They run several programmes each year that fund: Use digital technology to improve adult vocational education. Help learners who are furthest from opportunity or underserved by traditional training. Address real-world skills challenges, particularly for adults aged 16+ in work-focused contexts. Support activities such as prototyping, testing with learners, refining approaches, and moving solutions towards market readiness. Most non profits are eligible. Each programme has its own deadline(s).	UK Wide		Tech,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC
UK Research & Innovation	UKRI is the UK's national public funder of research and innovation, providing £8 billion in grant funding through its seven Research Councils, Innovate UK and Research England to support research, development and innovation across disciplines including science, engineering, medicine, social sciences, environmental research, the arts and humanities. Funding is delivered through open competitive calls listed on UKRI's Funding Finder, with eligibility typically restricted to approved UK research organisations, universities, institutes and UK-registered businesses, depending on the specific scheme. Grants may support research projects, fellowships, studentships and innovation-led activity.	UK Wide		Health & Wellbeing,Research,Tech,Environment,Funding Finder,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty
VINCI Foundation UK	Grants for UK charities and other not-for-profits to improve access to employment, mobility and housing for people suffering from social exclusion. Grants to purchase, upgrade or refurbish transport, equipment, ICT, tools, furniture and facilities for long-lasting projects costing up to £100,000 to alleviate social exclusion and strengthen communities.	UK Wide		Buildings & Equipment,Tech,Social Welfare & Poverty
W.G. Edwards Charitable Foundation	Registered charities, from large institutions to small community-run organisations, providing care for older people (65+ years) in the UK. Capital projects, refurbishment and for equipment, in addition to innovative schemes for ongoing care and projects, such as IT for the elderly, fitness classes, lunch clubs, gardening projects, etc. Due to the high demand, they prioritise applications for work in areas of deprivation and which focus on arts and wellbeing. Around 100 organisations each year are successful in obtaining grants usually between £1,000 to £1,500. Meetings of the Foundation take place quarterly, in January, April, July and October. The funding rounds are open for a very short period. The last one i have was 8 to 12 Dec 25. Spend in year ending Apr 23 was £130k.	UK Wide		Arts & Heritage,Buildings & Equipment,Older People,Tech,Small Charities,Social Welfare & Poverty

WCIT – IT4Good	They no longer fund non profits with income over £1m, or schools. For UK IT projects/activities that support the themes of education, inclusion, IT for charities, and understanding of IT. Open to most non profits. Up to £15,000. All applications must fall under one of four priority areas: Inclusion, Education, Public understanding and Use of IT by charities. Will fund most types of non profits. The grants panel meets quarterly.	UK Wide		Tech,Small Charities,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty,Community Groups & Clubs
Westhill Endowment Trust Fund	Supports organisations delivering outcomes in Christian education, including projects that may involve people of all faiths or none, and also provides educational resources on free loan; funding supports faith-motivated educational and community transformation work. Westhill generally consider applications for grants requiring investment of between £500 and £20,000. Their Grants & Projects Committee meets on a termly basis. The larger sums are usually for projects running over two years. Spend in year ending 31 Jul 24 was £539,450. Drafted using AI - verified by a human.	UK Wide		Education,Faith,Multi Year Funding
Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation	For early-stage, high-impact social enterprises and charities that address significant social or environmental challenges through innovative and scalable solutions. It funds both non-profits and mission-driven for-profit enterprises, with a strong emphasis on founder-led organisations that are post-pilot and ready to scale. Funding is unrestricted, provided over up to three years, with grants explicitly stated as up to US \$300,000, and is complemented by intensive non-financial support including board-level engagement and operational guidance. Applications are accepted year-round on a rolling basis. The Foundation supports work in Europe (including the UK), the United States, Africa and India, focusing on organisations that serve underserved populations and demonstrate early evidence of impact and a clear path to growth..	UK Wide,Africa,Europe,India,North America		Core Funding,Environment,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty,Start Ups
Ayup - Tech for Good	UK Funding Finder - tech for good funders.	UK Wide,England Local	Yorkshire	Tech,Funding Finder
Peter Sowerby Foundation	Charities, CICs, community groups and registered healthcare providers. They do not accept unsolicited applications but, if you have an idea, you can get in touch via the contact page with a brief synopsis of your project, summary budget and proposed timeline They have 2 funds. Good Causes - from small grants of a few £1000s to multi-year grants up to £100,000. Community, including the arts, environment and conservation, and education. Largely support UK-wide projects, but have occasionally provided grants to international ventures and are particularly interested in North Yorkshire. Will fund multi-year. The Health Breakthrough Fund provides larger scale grants to those projects that are providing innovation and transformation in health and social care. As at Jun 25, its large grants for health and wellbeing will place greater focus on helping to "sustain successful projects at risk of closure".	UK Wide,International	Yorkshire	Health & Wellbeing,Arts & Heritage,Environment,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Community Groups & Clubs,Multi Year Funding
Hunter Foundation	Focused upon self-sustaining interventions that can solve intractable problems. As a venture philanthropy we are the risk capital as it were. We are prepared to take risk on innovative approaches to seemingly unsolvable problems. Our areas of focus are entrepreneurship, education, opportunity for all and poverty reduction. And our model is a simple one - find innovative partners, disrupters, fund them against pre-agreed Key Performance Indicators whilst always remembering our customer, the individuals the innovation is there to serve.	UK Wide,International		Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty
LinkedIn – Future of Work Fund	For registered charities and not-for-profit organisations globally, including the UK, that focus on workforce development and economic inclusion by helping people access, prepare for and succeed in an AI-powered workforce, with a strong emphasis on young adults and career starters facing barriers. The fund provides revenue funding alongside in-kind support, and grant sizes vary by organisation (no fixed minimum or maximum is stated by LinkedIn), with one funding round currently open for 2026; applications close on 15 Mar 26 (12pm PT - that's Pacific Time, it's 7pm UK GMT). Eligible organisations must be able to receive philanthropic funding directly and demonstrate meaningful use of AI innovation or preparation for AI-enabled careers.	UK Wide,International		Tech

Microsoft – Azure Grant for Nonprofits	Offers registered charities up to US \$2,000 pa in Azure cloud credits, which can be used for services including cloud hosting, data storage, analytics and AI services (such as Azure AI tools). The grant is provided as technology credit, and must be renewed annually. Drafted using AI - verified by a human.	UK Wide,International		Tech
Clarion Housing - Community & Digital	To encourage community engagement and promote health and wellbeing, including for young or older people, projects that regenerate local facilities or estates, or provide access to training or educational courses. Projects need to directly benefit Clarion residents and their neighbourhoods, but can also support the wider community. Constituted community groups, registered charities, social enterprises and parent teacher associations, with income under £500k pa. Up to £5k. They also have a West Ealing grant of up to £5000. Clarion is the UK's largest housing association. Head office is in London with a presence in the majority of local authorities in England.	England	London	General Funding,Young People,Buildings & Equipment,Older People,Tech,Small Charities,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty,Community Groups & Clubs
The Space Commissions	For cultural organisation based in England, including museums, libraries, community organisations and local councils with a cultural project, you can apply for a digital commission of up to £16,000 (including VAT) to develop your project (£8,000 for audio projects). The last deadline was 29 May. I don't know how often these funding rounds are.	England		Arts & Heritage,Tech,Social Enterprise/CIC,Community Groups & Clubs
Health Lottery Foundation	To fund projects in England, Scotland and Wales that unite people to improve health, wellbeing and happiness. It's open to small community projects through to national charities. It will focus on 6 key themes: chronic disease, disability inequity, healthcare IT, health disparity, preventative care, and young people. This first open grant round focuses on projects that work with young people. In this round, they will award £500k, between 20 and 30 grants. The last round was open in Jun. In 2025, they plan to give out £2m to £3m, in three ways: Open grant application windows, where organisations can proactively apply, closed grant windows, they research where there is a need and grants awarded based on voting from the public. Ethics Note; funded by gambling. The first round in 2026 was 2 to 27 Feb.	England,Scotland,Wales		Health & Wellbeing,Young People,Tech,Disability,Small Charities,Social Enterprise/CIC,Community Groups & Clubs
Access Foundation	The Foundation offers grants to charities in: England and Wales, Scotland, Australia, Ireland, Malaysia, New Zealand, Romania, Vietnam, Sri Lanka and the USA. The funding is intended for charities and other not-for-project organisations that are working with disadvantaged and vulnerable people to tackle digital inequality, to help ensure that people from all backgrounds and walks of life have access to the same opportunities. Grants £25,000 to £50,000. Applications will be accepted from registered charities, CICs (limited by guarantee), and educational establishments for exclusively SEND pupils. Apply at any time.	England,Scotland,Wales,Asia,Europe,North America,Oceania	Cheshire,Cumbria,Durham,Yorkshire,Lancashire,Merseyside,Manchester,Northumberland,Tyne & Wear	Tech,Disability,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty
Ferdinando and Luigi Innocenti	Launched by Lorenzo Innocenti, the Lambretta millionaire, it focuses on young people facing disadvantage by empowering young people to lead their own projects and discover new passions. Its partnerships include BBC Children in Need and Richard Branson's Big Change charities, and it has funded initiatives like Agency Academy to train disadvantaged youth for careers in digital, creative, and technology sectors. Total spend to Dec 23 was £163,032. It operates in England, Wales and Italy. Application is by invitation only. You can check who the trustees are on their Charity Commission records - number 1201646.	England,Wales,Europe		Young People,Tech,Social Welfare & Poverty
NHS Tayside Charitable Foundation	Being the NHS, what we think of as vast sums is probably spare change for them. They have 4 funding options. Innovation - groups can apply for funding up to £25,000 over a maximum of 2 years to establish innovative projects to tackle issues affecting our community. Prevention - groups can apply for funding up to £150,000 over a maximum of 2 years to help support the priorities focused on prevention. Investment - NHS Tayside colleagues can claim up to £500 for fundraising activities generating over £1,000 to help deliver the charitable priorities. NHS Tayside Staff - NHS Tayside has a number of Restricted funds donated for a specific ward or purpose, which staff can apply for.	Scotland	Dundee	Health & Wellbeing,Social Enterprise/CIC,Community Groups & Clubs

GoFibre - GoFurther Fund	The Scottish independent broadband provider offers grants of up to £3,000 from a £12,000 pot for charities, community groups and organisations based in the Scottish Borders that deliver projects creating environmental benefit, community wellbeing, education and skills, or internet safety and digital inclusion. However, they have made grants as far north as Aberdeen and also in Northumberland. Rounds seem to focus on different geographical areas.	Scotland	Durham,Northumberland	Health & Wellbeing,Tech,Small Charities,Environment,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Community Groups & Clubs
Endrick Trust	Small grants £1000 up to £5,000 for registered charities in greater Glasgow working to support people affected by poverty or to advance citizenship or community development. Will consider requests for both core and project funding. They also make large grants to one or more projects annually, which are exceptional, innovative or soundly based on need and which require large grants in the range of £5,000 to £50,000. The total value of annual grants awarded is £100k. Two funding rounds each year.	Scotland	Glasgow	Core Funding,Small Charities,Social Welfare & Poverty
AI Scotland National AI Adoption	Open to small to medium-sized business or social enterprise based in Scotland - access to learning and grants until 31 Mar 26. Presumably that's the date on which the real Skynet will become self aware.	Scotland		Tech,Social Enterprise/CIC
Culture and Business Scotland Fund	non-profit culture organisations delivering cultural activity in Scotland can apply to the Culture and Business Scotland Fund, designed to support innovative and mutually beneficial partnerships across Scotland. Grants seem to be about £8,000. Open to SCIOs, CICs and companies LBG. Since the launch of the programme in 2017, a total of just over £3.1 million has been invested with 169 C&BS Fund investments made across all 32 local authority areas, including sponsorship by businesses to the value of just under £1.75 million. The last deadline I have was 31 Mar.	Scotland		Arts & Heritage,Social Enterprise/CIC
Digital and Technology Adoption	Community and Voluntary Organisations in the Highlands and Islands can apply for up to £5k towards digital and technology specialist advice and also for a capital grant based on their requirements. No deadline but the programme is scheduled to run Jun 25 until Mar 29. Thanks Funding Scotland.	Scotland		Buildings & Equipment,Tech,Small Charities,Social Enterprise/CIC,Community Groups & Clubs
Douglas Hay Trust	To help physically disabled children under 18 years living in Scotland. Funding for holidays, education, computers, essentials such as clothes, bedding and shoes. It may also be able to help towards home improvements. The website isn't working, the link is to the application form, which should be made by the local authority, health/social workers or other charities supporting children.	Scotland		Individuals,Young People,Tech,Disability
Lintel Trust	A Scottish charity supporting housing-related community projects. Its Small Grant Fund offers £500 or £1,000 for local initiatives tackling social isolation, promoting digital participation, enabling older or disabled people to live independently, and helping people move from homelessness into secure tenancies. Eligible applicants are registered charities or community groups based in Scotland with a close connection to a housing association, housing co-operative, or local authority, an annual income under £50,000. Applications are accepted online and reviewed quarterly. Researched using AI - verified by a human.	Scotland		Older People,Tech,Disability,Small Charities,Homeless,Social Welfare & Poverty,Community Groups & Clubs
SafeDeposits Scotland	For organisations across Scotland to deliver projects and activities that enhance local communities by addressing issues such as Sustainability and the environment, Employability and career skills, Social inclusion, Technology and digital inclusion and Improving the local community. Grants up to £5,000. Grants are awarded on a quarterly basis, with up to three grants available in each quarterly funding round Next deadline 28 Feb. Key Words: employment, loneliness.	Scotland		General Funding,Tech,Environment,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty
Scottish Procurement Alliance	A not-for-profit organisation, they distribute any surplus generated over the financial year via their Community Benefit Fund, which is administered by the Lintel Trust They make grants across Scotland on the themes of social inclusion, financial inclusion, digital participation, local community projects, employability and environmental Last year, a total of £220,000 and I've seen one they made of £20,000. You need to be nominated by one of their organisations.	Scotland		Tech,Small Charities,Environment,Social Welfare & Poverty

Wood Foundation	Wood Foundation is committed to empowering transformational change through economic, education, and societal investments. Its varied portfolio of work focusses on three key strands: Venture philanthropy transforming livelihoods in Sub Saharan Africa, developing young people in Scotland, and facilitating economic development in Scotland. I'm not sure that they accept unsolicited applications. Charity number SC037957. Spend is circa £6m pa.	Scotland,Africa		Young People,Education,Social Welfare & Poverty
National Lottery - Great Ideas Wales	To support innovative and strategically important project ideas that encourage positive social change in Wales. Voluntary/community organisations and statutory bodies. Grants for up to 5 years and can fund project activities, operating costs and organisational development costs. Minimum value of £20,001, no maximum. No deadline. The National Lottery (£58m) was the top infrastructure charity funder in the 360 Giving Infrastructure Report 2022/23.	Wales		General Funding,Core Funding,Small Charities,Multi Year Funding,Infrastructure Charities
Barrow Cadbury Trust – Economic Justice	Tackling systemic barriers to economic justice in Birmingham, for example low wage economies, unequal wealth distribution or inequalities linked to protected characteristics such as gender and race. Website states that they are not currently accepting applications for funding but will be putting out calls in the future.		Birmingham,West Midlands	Humanitarian,BAME,Women,Social Welfare & Poverty
Clare Foundation - Angels Den	Their Angels Den is held annually if you are a Bucks based UK Registered Charity, or CIC. It's an innovative way to bid for funding. On 10 Sep, eight charities will present a two minute pitch, to six Angels for a share of £120,000. The 2025 closing date was 19 May.		Buckinghamshire	Health & Wellbeing,Young People,Older People,Environment,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty
CityFibre Community Fund	CityFibre is the UK's largest open access, fibre-only operator. Their Community Fund supports digital inclusion, innovation and community engagement in areas where CityFibre operates to to address key digital challenges, enhance social value, and foster stronger community connections by offering a small grants programme. It's available in Cambridgeshire & Peterborough, Norfolk, Hampshire, Suffolk, Kent & Medway, Leicestershire & Warwickshire, East & West Sussex, Bedfordshire, Northamptonshire & Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire & Berkshire. I can't find amounts or a deadline. I e mailed them. No response.		Cambridgeshire,Norfolk, Hampshire,Suffolk,Kent, Leicestershire,Warwickshire,Sussex,Bedfordshire,Buckinghamshire,Northamptonshire,Berkshire,Hertfordshire	Tech,Small Charities,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty,Community Groups & Clubs
Cheshire East Council Grants	Four new community grant programmes for 2025-2026. Cost of Living Community Response Fund to support projects that tackle poverty, build local resilience, and reduce reliance on food banks. Grants up to £10,000. Digital Communities Fund (UK SPF) - a capital grant for digital infrastructure improvements in community facilities. Grants up to £7,000. Enabling Prosperity and Wellbeing Fund (UK SPF) - for projects that promote health, wellbeing, sustainability, and community capacity. Grants up to £10,000. Healthy Neighbourhoods Fund (funded by the Integrated Care Board) for community-based health interventions to reduce hospital admissions. Grants up to £15,000.		Cheshire	Health & Wellbeing,Buildings & Equipment,Tech,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty
Jigsaw Foundation	Funding for charities, residents and community groups, voluntary organisations, social enterprises and local partner agencies in Jigsaw Homes group locations in the North West and East Midlands. Themes - health and wellbeing and social inclusion, employment, individual capacity building, enterprise and training, environmental improvement, sustaining tenancies or financial and digital inclusion. They also have a Hardship fund, up to a maximum of £500, for individuals who are in immediate and significant hardship or are at serious risk of becoming in significant financial hardship.		Cumbria,Lancashire,Manchester,Merseyside,Cheshire,Derbyshire,Leicestershire,Lincolnshire,Northamptonshire,Nottinghamshire,Rutland	Health & Wellbeing,Individuals,Tech,Small Charities,Environment,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty,Community Groups & Clubs

Key Fund	Support social enterprises, charitable organisations and small businesses in the North of England or the Midlands with diverse needs, across a wide range of sectors, including the Arts, Health and Social care, Education, Health, Digital, Eco and Community Development. Social investments from £5k to £300k.		Derbyshire, Yorkshire, Cumbria, Durham, Lancashire, Manchester, Merseyside, Tyne & Wear, Lincolnshire, Midlands, West Midlands, Herefordshire, Leicestershire, Birmingham, Northamptonshire	Health & Wellbeing, Arts & Heritage, Buildings & Equipment, Crisis Funding, Tech, Environment, Education, Social Enterprise/CIC, Social Welfare & Poverty
Exeter Grants Programme	Support projects that have a focus on one or more of the Council's 8 priority themes: Address Inequalities, Improve Health and Wellbeing, Get People Active, Support Communities Working Together to Address Local Needs, Encourage Volunteering, Improve Where We Live, Support community-based arts and cultural activities and Promote Digital Inclusion. In addition there are half a dozen links to various other sources of funding, mainly in Devon.		Devon	Health & Wellbeing, General Funding, Arts & Heritage, Tech, Small Charities, Funding Finder, Sport, Social Welfare & Poverty, Community Groups & Clubs, Infrastructure Charities
Talbot Village Trust - Capital Grants Programme	Capital costs over £10,000 (final award may be less) from a total funding pot of £300,000. Eligible Dorset organisations must have at least one year of signed accounts and demonstrate that expenditure is strategic and planned. A 25% matched funding requirement must be secured before funds are drawn down. Costs can include purchase, refurbishment, or repair of buildings and physical spaces, IT or major equipment over £10,000. The 2026 deadline was 1 Feb. Drafted using AI - verified by a human.		Dorset	General Funding, Buildings & Equipment, Tech
Talbot Village Trust - Small Grants Programme	Up to £5,000 from a total pot of £160,000, open to Dorset organisations with an annual turnover under £250,000 (national charities not eligible, with some exceptions). Groups with less than one year of accounts can apply, and awards may be split over two years. No match funding is required. Eligible costs include core or operating costs aligned with the fund's mission, revenue costs for specific projects or services, and small capital items such as equipment or minor repairs. The 2026 applications closed 25 Jan 26.		Dorset	Buildings & Equipment, Core Funding, Tech, Small Charities, Social Enterprise/CIC, Social Welfare & Poverty, Community Groups & Clubs, Multi Year Funding
Virgin Money Foundation	Supports neighbourhood-level charities and community organisations working in areas within the top 20% of the Index of Multiple Deprivation, with funding focused on the North East of England and the City of Glasgow. Their current grant making priorities are tackling digital poverty and enabling digital inclusion, supporting projects that help people gain digital skills, confidence and access to technology, and that deliver lasting community-led change. Funding is delivered through specific programmes rather than open rolling grants, with some funds operating on an invitation-only basis, and eligibility, grant size and timescales varying by programme.		Durham, Tyne & Wear, Northumberland, Yorkshire, Glasgow	Young People, Buildings & Equipment, Core Funding, Tech, Education, Social Enterprise/CIC, Social Welfare & Poverty, Community Groups & Clubs
Belgae Trust	IT, mental and emotional health, education (young people), small arts organisations and the environment. Charities and CICs within Hampshire and surrounding areas. Smaller charities and projects with a value of less than £100,000 will be prioritised. It says up to £5k but annual spend is only about £4k in total.		Hampshire, Dorset, Wiltshire, Sussex, Surrey, Berkshire	Health & Wellbeing, Young People, Arts & Heritage, Tech, Small Charities, Environment, Education, Social Enterprise/CIC
CIL - Neighbourhood Fund	Minimum grants £10,000 - maximum grant £500,000. Open to a wide range of projects, including capital funding and FAQs state they will fund digital projects. Organisations can bid for repeat funding. No deadline. Open to most non profits.		London	General Funding, Buildings & Equipment, Tech, Social Enterprise/CIC

Propel	Giving the capital's civil society and communities the flexibility, trust and capacity to make long-term, systemic change in London. Starting with a small grant to give equity-led organisations the capacity to explore what systemic changes they want to make, or a larger grant to build on and scale up existing work to deliver and develop change, the initial grants will lead onto an opportunity to bid for a long-term (5+ years), extended flexible funding partnership. Priority to communities experiencing racial inequity, deaf and disabled people, LGBT+ people and women and girls.		London	Disability,BAME,Women,LGBTQI
Battersea Power Station	Emergency top-up data fund and the Power to Connect campaign - donations of old, working laptops and tablets to help families and NHS patients. To help disadvantaged communities with home-schooling and keep families connected.		London	Tech,Education
City Bridge Foundation - Access To Justice	£6.5m in grants to 'led by and for' not-for-profit organisations across Greater London delivering free social welfare advice and driving social action and systems change in areas such as housing, welfare benefits, debt, employment, and immigration. Two streams are available: 3-Year Development Grants of £75,000 and 5-Year Transformation Grants of £200,000, £300,000 or £450,000, supporting core costs and long-term objectives. Applicants must non profits that work in one or more London boroughs, hold or be working towards an advice quality mark, pay London Living Wage, have audited accounts, safeguarding policy, and at least three trustees. The first round of funding made (I think 20-25 grants) and was open 14 Nov 25 to 7 Jan 26.		London	Core Funding,Small Charities,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty,Multi Year Funding
London Homelessness Foundation	Provides funding for London-based organisations working directly with people experiencing homelessness. LHF prioritises early-stage, higher-risk projects needing proof of concept, initiatives that strengthen sector collaboration, and international projects in areas with little homelessness provision. LHF funds only London agencies, with a focus on innovation, systemic change, and projects that help people rebuild their lives. Applications begin with an initial enquiry form; no fixed deadlines published.		London	Homeless,Social Enterprise/CIC,Start Ups
Westway Trust	Social enterprises, charitable, voluntary and community organisations working within the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea (London). They offer a range of grant programmes to support local residents, groups, and projects in North Kensington, with a focus on six priority areas: isolation, spaces for young people, recreation and exercise, economic participation, arts and culture, and the environment. Grants vary in size and purpose, with some targeted at systemic change and others supporting community events or emergency needs. Grants can be as much as £70,000.		London	Young People,Arts & Heritage,Buildings & Equipment,Small Charities,Environment,Social Enterprise/CIC,Sport,Social Welfare & Poverty
Granada Foundation	For non profits Greater Manchester, Liverpool City Region, Lancashire, Cheshire, High Peak, Westmorland and Furness and Cumberland, where your project has already secured some committed match funding or can demonstrate credible plans to apply for other grants. Fine arts, the sciences, education and recreation or other leisure-time occupation. Grant sums of £500 - £10,000 with average grants £2,000. Larger grants can be awarded if the project is felt to be particularly innovative and imaginative and have a strong artistic or scientific content. May offer multi-year grants in exceptional circumstances but will not fund capital projects. Two funding rounds annually but I think you can apply at any time - the funding application deadlines are by invitation.		Manchester,Liverpool,Cheshire,Cumbria	Arts & Heritage,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Community Groups & Clubs,Multi Year Funding
Onward Community Fund	To support local groups and projects in Lancashire, Merseyside and Manchester. Up to £2,500. Examples could include: IT training, youth projects or community events. Projects should aim to address one or more of the following: WORK, FOOD, GREEN or DIGITAL. For 4, they are looking for projects that aim to support communities that are facing increased challenges as a direct result of the cost-of-living crisis. Four funding rounds annually.		Manchester,Merseyside,Lancashire	Food,Tech,Small Charities,Environment,Social Welfare & Poverty,Community Groups & Clubs

Rothley Trust	Small grants to assist groups with charitable work in NE England, including CICs. Priorities - Children and Young People, Community, Energy Saving Projects, Education, Disability, Medical and Ex Services. Will fund equipment or the provision, refurbishment or repair of premises. This can include energy saving devices, IT equipment and website start-up and development costs.		Northumberland,Tyne & Wear,Durham,Northern England	Health & Wellbeing,Young People,Buildings & Equipment,Veterans,Tech,Disability,Small Charities,Environment,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty
TOE Local Environment Fund	Trust for Oxfordshire awards grants up to £25,000 to deliver projects that support at least one of the following priorities: Access, Biodiversity and Community. They award Small Grants of up to £1,000, grants of £1,000-£15,000 and Transformational Grants of up to £25,000. They tend to fund not-for-profit organisations including voluntary groups, parish councils, charities and CICs. They have quarterly funding rounds. The 2026 deadlines are 5 Jan, 7 Apr, 6 Jul, and 5 Oct. All at Midday.		Oxfordshire	Environment,Social Enterprise/CIC,Community Groups & Clubs
Wynn Foundation	Aim to support charities and community organisations across Shropshire that help to address - disability, underprivilege, homelessness, older people and young people. Small, yet much needed, contributions and improved accessibility to support, learning and technology help to redress the balance of equal opportunities, including for transportation, meals, sports kit and technology. Grants typically £500-£1500 with a maximum fund of £3000. Quarterly funding rounds.		Shropshire	Young People,Buildings & Equipment,Older People,Tech,Disability,Small Charities,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty,Community Groups & Clubs
One Community - QFUTURES Community Fund	The Q Futures Community Fund, delivered by Quickline Communications through One Community, offers grants of up to £5,000 for projects across Kirklees that improve digital access, skills and pathways into employment for marginalised groups, funding work such as digital skills training, coding clubs, STEM activities and parental engagement, with priority for under-represented groups, people facing employment barriers, children and young people, women and girls, deprived communities and families.. Deadline 7 April 26.		Yorkshire	Young People,Tech,Small Charities,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Women,Social Welfare & Poverty,Community Groups & Clubs,Multi Year Funding
Williams Family Fund	To support children & young people, in Yorkshire, particularly those who have experienced adversity. Grants up to £10,000. Open to most non profits. Priorities: Children in or coming out of care, Young carers, Children and families affected by fostering and/or adoption, Children living in poverty, Increasing opportunities for children and young people, Social care, Providing the digital infrastructure and other support to enable children and young people to access education and other activity that promotes learning. The last round I have closed 20 Jan.		Yorkshire	Young People,Tech,Education,Social Enterprise/CIC,Social Welfare & Poverty,Community Groups & Clubs
Deutsche Stiftung für Engagement und Ehrenamt	This national foundation supports engagement and volunteering in Germany with funding opportunities across various sectors. They maintain a comprehensive list of funding alternatives organised by thematic areas including digitalisation, climate change, and social cohesion. My thanks to Florian Weimert of Street Child for finding this one for us.	Europe		Tech,Environment,Funding Finder,Social Welfare & Poverty
Digital Freedom Fund	Supports strategic litigation on digital rights in Europe that contributes to advancing human rights in the digital sphere.	Europe		Humanitarian,Tech
European AI & Society Funding	A range of funders for AI.	Europe		Tech,Funding Finder

New European Bauhaus Facility	The New European Bauhaus Facility 2025-2027 is a new and unique funding tool for the New European Bauhaus (NEB). It is an initiative of the EU that fosters the development and scaling up of innovative solutions for the transformation of neighbourhoods to become not only sustainable, but also inclusive and beautiful. The deadline for the first calls for proposals under the research and innovation component was 12 Nov 25. It's a multi-annual funding tool that funds basic research, testing, and demonstration projects, with an estimated €120 million pa from 2025 to 2027.	Europe		Buildings & Equipment
Tata Trusts - India	Wide range of programmes, including healthcare, nutrition, WaSH, digital inclusion and transformation, social justice, environment, skill development, disaster relief, sports and individuals.	India		Health & Wellbeing,General Funding,Humanitarian,Arts & Heritage,Tech,Environment,Education,Sport, Social Welfare & Poverty
Adobe Foundation	Adobe Inc., a global software company. In the UK it has offices in London (EC1), Reading (Berkshire (RG)) and Edinburgh (Lothians, EH), with its global headquarters is in the USA (California). It operates worldwide, with offices in 30+ countries, supporting communities where it has a presence. Through the Foundation, the company supports charities and non-profits focused on creativity, digital literacy, social equity and opportunity, and community engagement, with support including grant funding, longer-term programmes and employee engagement, delivered directly or via trusted partners. Funding priorities and application routes vary by programme and geography..	International		Tech
Bezos Earth Fund	The \$10 billion grant commitment will be disbursed by 2030. They have allocated up to \$100 million to the AI Grand Challenge for Climate and Nature, designed to identify and accelerate projects that leverage artificial intelligence to tackle pressing environmental challenges. The first recipients, 24 of which received \$50,000 each in Jun 25. Most seem to be universities. They say that they're looking for big ideas. You can find more detail on their programmes web page.	International		Tech,Environment
Tutor Forward	Empowering NGOs Through Custom Tech Solutions: Fondation Tutorator partners with nonprofits worldwide to co-create tailor-made software – valued up to \$1,000,000 USD – at no cost through their in-kind grant program, Tutorator Forward. There are no restrictions on focus area: if your work creates positive social or environmental impact, you're eligible. They help NGOs improve operations, manage beneficiaries, and enhance their overall impact. The 2025 round was 2 May to 22 Jun.	International		Tech
Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation	Seeks to dramatically improve the lives of people and the world around us through innovative strategies, systems changing approaches, and disrupting technologies.	International		General Funding,Tech
Google AI Futures Fund	It opened 12 May 25 and is open year round. For early mid stage start ups, they can get early access to DeepMind models like Gemini, Imagen, and more, one-on-one support from AI researchers, engineers, and designers at Google Labs, cloud credits to help scale their products faster and direct funding but Google doesn't say how much.	International		Tech,Social Enterprise/CIC
GSR Foundation	GSR Foundation were Highly Commended in our 2025 People's Choice Award for the best grant making team. Global crypto market maker and liquidity provider GSR has pledged an initial \$10mn (over £8.3mn) to establish the , an independent grant making charity that will support nonprofit organisations across the world. It has launched the foundation in response to the barriers to participation in tech, and in celebration of 10 years of business. the foundation will work to make access to tech opportunities more equitable and equal through strategic grant making and the sharing of thought leadership.	International		Tech

Microsoft Social Entrepreneurs hip	Founders Hub / Startup Support Programme provides in-kind support rather than cash grants, offering eligible UK-based startups access to Microsoft technology credits (up to US\$150k), AI tools and technical support to help them build and scale their businesses. Support can include Azure cloud credits, access to AI services (including generative AI via Azure OpenAI where eligible), technical guidance, and go-to-market resources, with entry-level access open via application and more advanced support available through invite-only programmes. Applications are open on a rolling basis.	International		Tech,Social Enterprise/CIC
Mozilla Foundation	Supports global charities, nonprofits, researchers, technologists and civic organisations working to build a healthier, more trustworthy internet and responsible technology, with a strong focus on public-interest AI, digital rights, privacy, transparency and democratic participation. Funding is delivered through time-limited programmes and open calls, such as incubators, fellowships and challenge funds, and supports project-based work that produces clear public benefit, often with an expectation of open, shareable outputs. Eligibility varies by programme but typically includes UK and international nonprofits (or equivalents) and mission-aligned organisations able to receive funds from a US foundation. Grant sizes and deadlines are set per call.	International		Tech
Open Technology Fund - Internet Freedom Fund	This fund supports innovative internet freedom projects, including technology development, research, digital security projects, and convenings. OTF prioritises projects from individuals or organizations who are applying for the first time, identify as under-represented within the field, and address areas that are underfunded. Awards are between \$10,000 and \$900,000 for up to 24 months. Ideal applicants seek funding between \$50,000 and \$200,000 for efforts between 6 and 12 months.	International		Tech
Open Technology Fund - Other Sources	Funding for Internet freedom, journalism, software development, and human rights projects from sources, including Start Up, Justice, LGBTQI+ and region specific funds for the Middle East, Asia Pacific, Latin and South America and Africa.	International, Africa,Asia,Middle East,South America		Tech,Funding Finder,LGBTQI,Justice,Start Ups
EU Funding Opportunities For NGOs	An EU Commission web page that provides details and links to a number of EU funding opportunities for NGOs in social inclusion, gender equality and equal opportunities, culture and media, foster citizenship and civic participation, research and innovation, development and humanitarian aid and transport, energy and ICT.	International, Europe		Humanitarian,Arts & Heritage,Research,Tech,Funding Finder,Social Welfare & Poverty
Humanity AI Initiative	UK charity grant makers may not be interested in the collaborative funding of AI but thankfully some international foundations are. A \$500 million collaboration led by the MacArthur Foundation, Mozilla Foundation, Omidyar Network, and others – aims to support people-centred, socially beneficial uses of artificial intelligence. The programme will begin making grants in 2026, managed by Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors. Until then, participating foundations are carrying out “aligned grant making” to prepare for the formal launch. Funding will focus on areas such as democracy, education, personal security, work, and the arts. At present, no unsolicited applications are being accepted, and full application details have not yet been released. I'll keep you posted.	International, North America		Tech
Open AI Grants - People-First AI Fund	Only US\$50m. Spare change for them, I suppose. It's only open to US 501(c)(3)s. Grants will be unrestricted. They are particularly interested using AI in creative ways to expand access, improve programmatic and service delivery, build resilience, and advance work in areas like education, economic opportunity, healthcare, and community-led research. It was open 8 Sep to 8 Oct 25 but they say this is just the first step in new work in this area. My thanks to James Newall of the GSR Foundation for spotting this one.	North America		Core Funding,Tech

