



# List of grant funders for churches



This list has been assembled by researching and cross-checking multiple lists of funds that are currently available. All funders on this list are open to churches.

Each entry on the list contains key information such as the funder's interests, contact information and details of how to apply. The funder's website is included; we recommend that you visit their website before making an application. Most funders have a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) to help you to complete their application forms online.

This list is organised by region to help you find relevant funds for your church.

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# UK-wide grant funders

## Anchor Foundation

Grant making trust supporting Christian organisations

### Funder's interests

Supporting Christian charities concerned with social inclusion, particularly through ministries of healing and the arts.

### Who will they support?

Christian charities in the UK and overseas.

### Grants size

Up to £12,000

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting faith
- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✓ Only in exceptional circumstances will a grant be given for building work

### Themes

- ✓ Christian faith
- ✓ Project costs

### Application details

- Apply online
- Trustees meet twice a year, in April and October

### Contact details

secretary@theanchorfoundation.org.uk  
www.theanchorfoundation.org.uk

### Apply by:

- 31st January for the April meeting
- 31st July for the October meeting

## Beaverbrook Foundation

Grant programme

### Funder's interests

Preserving heritage buildings and supporting charitable appeals.

### Who will they support?

All faith organisations.

### Grants size

Grants range from £5,000 to £300,000 (typically under £40,000)

### Activities supported

- ✓ Funds are distributed to many areas, often focusing on charities and causes that reflect Beaverbrook's own interests, this includes supporting faith.

### Themes

- ✓ Christian faith
- ✓ Project costs

### Application details

- Apply online

### Contact details

020 3325 3987  
jane@beaverbrookfoundation.org  
www.beaverbrookfoundation.org/grants

# Benefact Group

Annual funding programme

## Funder's interests

The Movement for Good Awards is an annual platform for giving, set up by all the businesses that make up the Benefact Group to make a tangible difference in the lives of the people, communities, churches and charities they serve.

## Who will they support?

Anyone can nominate a registered charity, not-for-profit organisation, or community interest company, in the UK, Republic of Ireland, Channel Island or Isle of Man. The nominations are entered into a phased series of 6 draws for a chance to benefit from one of 370 x £1,000 donations.

There will be 5 special draws throughout the year where 10 x £5,000 donations will be awarded.

Larger grants (£10,000+) are also available to help get larger transformative projects off the ground.

## Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting faith
- ✓ Supporting community action

## Grants size

Large and small grants

## Themes

Wide range of themes supported

## Application details

- Online application

## Contact details

[www.movementforgood.com](http://www.movementforgood.com)

# Benefact Trust

Range of grant programmes for churches

## Funder's interests

Projects to promote the Christian faith or any other charitable purpose.

## Who will they support?

Any church or other exempted organisation.

## Grants size

Project costs up to £1 million

Larger grants available for project costings over £1 million

## Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting faith
- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✗ Excludes salaries and running costs

## Themes

- ✓ Building communities
- ✓ Helping people
- ✓ Growing churches

## Application details

- Apply online
- Ongoing applications

## Contact details

01452 873189  
info@benefacttrust.co.uk  
www.benefacttrust.co.uk

# The Beatrice Laing Trust

Various sized grants available

## Funder's interests

Advancement of the evangelical Christian faith and the relief of poverty.

## Who will they support?

Churches and church projects.

## Grants size

£2,000 - £10,000

## Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting faith
- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✗ Usually excludes church restoration and repair

## Themes

- ✓ Christian faith
- ✓ Tackling poverty
- ✓ Tackling disadvantage

## Application details

- First take online eligibility quiz, download cover form then send application by post
- Ongoing applications

## Contact details

www.laingfamilytrusts.org.uk/about-us/beatrice-laing-trust

# Coalfields regeneration Trust

## Grants programme

### Funder's interests

Supporting community organisations in former coalfield communities across three key themes. Health & Wellbeing; Employment; & Skills

### Who will they support?

Coalfields generate has two funders:

Scotland Grants - Grassroots organisations tackling issues in their communities.

Wales Grants - Community organisations in or serving former mining communities

### Grants size

Large and small grants

### Activities supported

- ✓ Project costs
- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✓ Capital costs

### Themes

- ✓ Health and wellbeing
- ✓ Community action
- ✓ Education and training
- ✓ Energy efficiency

### Application details

- Online application

### Contact details

[www.coalfields-regen.org.uk](http://www.coalfields-regen.org.uk)

# Foyle Foundation

## Small Grants Scheme

### Funder's interests

Young people, vulnerable people, the elderly and disadvantaged, Arts, Heritage, Education.

### Who will they support?

A range of charitable organisations including churches.

Excludes charities with a turnover of more than £150k

### Grants size

£2,000 to £10,000

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✓ Funder will consider supporting salary costs

### Themes

- ✓ Essential equipment
- ✓ Enabling ongoing service provision or homeworking
- ✓ Delivery of online digital services

### Application details

- First create online account then apply online
- Ongoing applications
- The Foyle Foundation will stop accepting new applications on 30 April 2025.

### Contact details

020 7430 9119  
sgs@foylefoundation.org.uk  
www.foylefoundation.org.uk

# Garfield Weston Foundation

## Range of grant programmes

### Funder's interests

A wide range of charities that make a positive difference, working in different sectors in the UK.

### Who will they support?

A wide range of community and charitable organisations, including churches.

### Grants size

Either regular grant below £100,000 or major grant above £100,000

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting faith
- ✓ Supporting community action

### Themes

- ✓ Wide range of themes supported

### Application details

- First take online eligibility quiz
- Ongoing applications

### Contact details

020 7399 6565  
garfieldweston.org/for-grant-applicants

## Baptist Building CIO

Grants for small-scale mission-focused building projects in Baptist churches, mainly in rural or deprived areas

### Funder's interests

Partnering with Baptist churches in the UK by offering grants to transform church buildings for mission.

### Who will they support?

Baptist churches.

### Grants size

£5,000 to £25,000 for small-scale projects (costs up to £60,000)

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting church restoration and repair (linked to faith and community action).

### Themes

- ✓ Christian faith
- ✓ Renewing buildings

### Application details

- Check website for details, deadlines and to download application form

### Contact details

07506 663761  
admin@baptistbuilding.org  
www.baptistbuilding.org

## The Leathersellers' Company

Small grants programme

### Funder's interests

Grants typically focus on tackling deprivation and social problems, but a wide range of causes are supported.

### Who will they support?

UK registered charities and CIOs. Applicants must currently be supporting vulnerable people; be working in geographical areas of high deprivation in the UK; and have an annual income under £200,000.

### Grants size

Up to £5,000

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✗ Excludes capital restoration projects for the sole purpose of conservation/heritage; CICs

### Themes

- ✓ Reaching communities
- ✓ Unexpected costs

### Application details

- Online application
- Eight application windows throughout the year. Windows will close when 40 applications have been received.

### Contact details

020 7330 1452  
clerk@leathersellers.co.uk  
www.leathersellers.co.uk/small-grants-programme

# Westhill Endowment

## Grants programme

### Funder's interests

Support for a wide range of projects/interests in activities involving formal and informal religious education.

### Who will they support?

Churches and charities that develop the capacity of organisations to better serve the needs of their beneficiaries, or service users, in the fields of religious education and faith-motivated community transformation.

### Grants size

£500 - £20,000

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting faith
- ✓ Supporting community action

### Themes

- ✓ Education and training
- ✓ Project costs

### Application details

- Online application - Submit 800 character description of project via website. Westhill will either respond with a full application form to be completed and submitted or a reason as to why an application may not be successful.
- Ongoing applications

### Contact details

0121 472 8000  
info@westhillendowment.org  
www.westhillendowment.org

# Grant funders supporting England and Wales only

## Liz and Terry Bramall Foundation

Grants programme

### Funder's interests

The advancement of the Christian faith and other charitable purposes.

### Who will they support?

Churches and charitable organisations, with an emphasis on Yorkshire.

### Grants size

Gives over £8m a year in a variety of different grant sizes.

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✓ Supporting faith and religious activities
- ✓ Emphasis on West Yorkshire region

### Themes

- ✓ Christianity
- ✓ Range of charitable purposes
- ✓ West Yorkshire

### Application details

- Send written applications via post or email
- Ongoing applications

### Contact details

[www.bramallfoundation.org](http://www.bramallfoundation.org)  
[bramallfoundation@raworths.co.uk](mailto:bramallfoundation@raworths.co.uk)

# Yapp Charitable Trust

Grants for running costs and salaries to small, registered charities in England and Wales with a total annual expenditure of less than £40,000

## Funder's interests

Services that help to improve the lives of marginalised, disadvantaged or isolated people.

## Who will they support?

Organisations that help to improve the lives of marginalised, disadvantaged or isolated people.

They can only offer grants to registered charities that have been formally established for a minimum of three years with a total annual expenditure less than £40,000.

## Activities supported

- ✓ Core Funding: Grants for regular activities or services that have been ongoing for at least a year.
- ✗ Excludes new projects, extra services, additional delivery costs, or capital expenditures such as equipment, buildings, renovations, or furnishing.

## Grants size

Up to £3,000 per year for core funding only

## Themes

- ✓ Elderly people
- ✓ Children and young people
- ✓ Social welfare

## Application details

- Apply online; check guidance before applying
- Ongoing applications

## Contact details

0191 389 3300  
info@yappcharitabletrust.org.uk  
www.yappcharitabletrust.org.uk

# Grant funders supporting Scotland only

## Gannochy Trust

Small, main and major grants

### Funder's interests

To improve the quality of community life in Perth and Kinross, and for people across Scotland.

### Who will they support?

Charities and churches that deliver non-faith based projects benefitting the whole community regardless of faith.

### Grants size

Small grants up to £10,000  
Main grants up to £30,000  
Major grants over £30,000

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✗ Churches can only apply if their community project is not faith based

### Themes

- ✓ Supporting community
- ✓ Young people and children
- ✓ People who are disadvantaged or vulnerable

### Application details

- Apply online
- Deadlines for 2025: 10th January 2025, for consideration at the grant-making meeting on 12th March 2025.

### Contact details

01738 620653  
admin@gannochytrust.org.uk  
www.gannochytrust.org.uk

## Foundation Scotland

Range of funding programmes

### Funder's interests

Supporting charities, communities and grassroots organisations across Scotland.

### Who will they support?

Constituted community groups and charities, including churches.

### Grants size

Range of grant sizes available

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action

### Themes

- ✓ Foodbanks
- ✓ Vulnerable people

### Application details

- Apply online
- Check funders website for application deadlines

### Contact details

01315 240300  
enquiries@foundationscotland.org.uk  
www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available

# Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO)

Phase 2 of Third Sector Resilience Fund Scotland

## Funder's interests

Organisations that already deliver services and products but find themselves in financial difficulties directly as a result of COVID-19.

## Who will they support?

Churches primarily delivering services in Scottish communities since before March 2020. The funding need must be directly as a result of the impact of COVID-19.

## Grants size

Up to £75,000

## Activities supported

✓ Supporting community action

## Themes

✓ Supporting communities

## Application details

- To apply, first complete online eligibility quiz
- Ongoing applications

## Contact details

enquiries@scvo.org.uk  
[www.scvo.org/support/coronavirus/funding](http://www.scvo.org/support/coronavirus/funding)

# Grant funders supporting Wales only

## Community Foundation Wales

Range of grants available

### Funder's interests

Groups that are meeting the needs of local communities.

### Who will they support?

Community groups and charities running activities to support the community.

### Grants size

Range of grant sizes available.

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✗ Excludes projects that fall within the statutory sector responsibility e.g. anything that falls within the school curriculum

### Themes

- ✓ Supporting the community
- ✓ Supporting vulnerable people
- ✓ Supporting most-deprived areas of Wales

### Application details

- Apply online
- Ongoing applications

### Contact details

029 2037 9580  
grants@communityfoundationwales.org.uk  
www.communityfoundationwales.org.uk

# Local grant funders

## FSJ Trust – Essex

Grants for charities and Not for Profit groups within Essex

### Funder's interests

Offering grants for core funding, project-based initiatives, refurbishments and equipment for charitable organisations in Essex.

### Who will they support?

Churches and community organisations who are helping communities in Essex.

### Grants size

£2,000 to £3,000

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✓ Supporting faith and religious activities

### Themes

- ✓ Isolated elderly people
- ✓ Vulnerable children and families

### Application details

- Follow the bullet point list of application guidance on the website

### Contact details

amason@fsjtrust.org.uk  
www.fsjtrust.org.uk

## Hadrian Trust – North East England

Grants for organisations in North East England

### Funder's interests

Organisations working to improve the lives of people in the North East of England.

### Who will they support?

Community organisations in Tyne and Wear, Northumberland and Durham. (Including Hartlepool)

### Grants size

£500 to £2,000

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✗ Excludes repair of buildings used solely for worship
- ✗ Excludes major building improvements

### Themes

- ✓ Social welfare
- ✓ Disability
- ✓ Projects that support vulnerable or isolated older people

### Application details

- Complete the on-line application form and submit it, or print it off to fill in by hand and post.
- Application deadline will be three weeks before the grants meetings. Check website for details.

### Contact details

07531 145789  
www.hadriantrust.co.uk

## Sir George Martin Trust – West Yorkshire

Various grant programmes

### Funder's interests

Improving the well-being of disadvantaged and/or vulnerable West Yorkshire people.

### Who will they support?

Church appeals that are connected with disadvantaged/vulnerable community outreach only.

### Grants size

Up to £5,000

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✓ Supporting faith

### Themes

- ✓ Supporting vulnerable people
- ✓ Building resilience

### Application details

- Request an application form from the Trust Manager
- [www.sirgeorgemartintrust.org.uk/how-to-apply/](http://www.sirgeorgemartintrust.org.uk/how-to-apply/)

The trustees will next meet to discuss grant applications on the 9th June 2025, 6th October 2025 and February 2026. Applicants should initially get in touch at least two-three months before each meeting.

### Contact details

01943 605372  
[info@sirgeorgemartintrust.org.uk](mailto:info@sirgeorgemartintrust.org.uk)  
[www.sirgeorgemartintrust.org.uk](http://www.sirgeorgemartintrust.org.uk)

## Sutton Coldfield Charitable Trust – Warwickshire

Various grant programmes

### Funder's interests

Churches and organisations that benefit the residents of the former Borough of Sutton Coldfield.

### Who will they support?

Churches who are delivering services to the community.

### Grants size

Up to £45,000

### Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✓ Supporting faith

### Themes

- ✓ Supporting the community
- ✓ Faith organisations

### Application details

- Email first to register interest in applying
- Ongoing applications

### Contact details

[info@suttoncharitabletrust.org](mailto:info@suttoncharitabletrust.org)  
[www.suttoncoldfieldcharitabletrust.com](http://www.suttoncoldfieldcharitabletrust.com)

# William A Cadbury Charitable Trust – West Midlands

Various grant programmes

## Funder's interests

Charitable organisations and churches in the West Midlands. Programmes are guided by the founder's Quaker principles.

## Who will they support?

Churches, charities and community organisations in the West Midlands.

## Grants size

Small grants up to £2000, large grants of £20,000

## Activities supported

- ✓ Supporting community action
- ✓ Supporting faith and religious activities

## Themes

- ✓ Vulnerable people including the elderly, children, and those with disabilities
- ✓ Projects with a clear Quaker connection
- ✓ Community Action

## Application details

- Apply by sending a brief application to the Trust Administrator via post or online (preferred)
- Ongoing applications

## Contact details

0121 472 1464 between 10am and 2pm - Tuesdays only  
info@wa-cadbury.org.uk  
www.wa-cadbury.org.uk

# Local community foundations

Funds are also distributed across the UK via 46 accredited community foundations.

There is a **community foundation** for every region of the UK, which supports local organisations and groups, often including churches.

- Each of the 46 community foundations will have differing application criteria and processes, so contact your local community foundation to enquire about grants available to your church. The list of community foundations can be found at [www.ukcommunityfoundations.org/](http://www.ukcommunityfoundations.org/)

## Want to find out more?

To find out more or for further advice visit the fundraising hub.

[www.baptist-ins.com/churchfundraising](http://www.baptist-ins.com/churchfundraising)

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