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Funds Overview:

1. More than a Pub Funding Programme
Rural and urban communities that wish to take over the ownership of their failing local pub can apply for an grant funding of up to £100,000 as well as business development support through the More than a Pub programme. This is the 2nd phase of the programme which supported 190 communities and saw 28 pubs open their doors under community ownership from 2016 to 2019. The programme is run by the Plunkett Foundation and supported by Power to Change. A total of £2.2 million is available. To be eligible to apply for funding the pub will need to be run for the benefit of the community. The programme will remain open for applications until September 2020.
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2. Funding Available for Renewable Energy Projects in Rural Communities
Schools, Parish Councils and other community based organisations in rural England that want to develop renewable energy projects which provide economic and social benefits to their communities and also make money by selling it back to the grid, can apply for funding through the £10 million Rural Community Energy Fund (RCEF) to investigate and install green energy; including solar battery storage, wind, hydro and geothermal heat projects. The RCEF provides support in two stages. A feasibility grant of up to approximately £40,000 to pay for an initial investigation into the feasibility of a renewable energy project; and a grant of up to £100,000 for viable green projects. Applications can be submitted at any time.
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3. Fund to Develop Support for Unpaid Carers
The Government has launched a new fund to support innovative projects supporting unpaid carers. The £5 million Carers Innovation Fund will invest in innovative ways of supporting unpaid carers, outside of mainstream health and care services. This funding will be used to improve support across the country and help build more carer-friendly communities. Examples of the kind of projects the fund would invest in include:

- technology platforms – for example, to help carers to take a break from their caring responsibilities
- support groups – like carers' cafes and Men's Sheds, which develop peer support groups and offer short courses to help reduce isolation

Projects will be expected to show a positive effect on:

- carers' health and wellbeing
- carers' ability to manage work alongside caring responsibilities
- carers' ability to take a break from their caring role
- reducing loneliness and social isolation

Applicants will need to demonstrate their idea is a fresh approach that is better than existing provision, will benefit the local community and can be expanded and replicated. The voluntary sector, charities, SMEs and commercial organisations can all bid for funding to prove their concept, with the aim of securing longer term funding from other sources. Carers and other experts will sit on the evaluation panel to make sure proposals are feasible.
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4. Public Engagement Funding Programme for Libraries
The Carnegie UK Trust has announced that public libraries can apply for a share of funding through the second phase of Engaging Libraries Programme to deliver projects that involve and share with the public research in health, society and culture, and to foster partnerships between public libraries and researchers. A total of £500,000 is available. Engaging Libraries Phase 2 has three core aims. The programme aims to:

- energise and empower people through engagement with research about health society and culture in one of the following ways
- enable people to access, use and respond to research
- enable people to value and think critically about research
- enable public libraries to build upon and explore their civic role as safe spaces for participation and engagement with research
- facilitate partnerships between public libraries and universities or Independent Research Organisations (IROs).

Public libraries are encouraged to bring their own ideas and definitions of these areas and to identify issues which resonate for their library service and the community they serve. Around twenty projects will be funded. Public libraries can apply on their own or in partnership with other libraries. The level of funding available is:

- £12,000 – £25,000 for applications from a single library service
- £12,000 – £50,000 for a joint application

The Trust is also encouraging partnerships with different organisations and individuals, including schools, artists or musicians. The closing date for applications is at 5pm on the 25 September 2019.
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5. Funding to Research the Social and Economic Value of Health
The Health Foundation's £1.5m Social and Economic Value of Health in a Place Research Programme invites researchers to submit ideas for research that will generate new knowledge on the ways in which the physical and mental health of a population shapes their social and economic outcomes. The Foundation wants to support five projects with funding between £200,000 and £300,000 for a maximum duration of two years. These projects will develop the concepts and metrics needed to help understand how the health status of a population may influence the social and economic outcomes of that population. The priority areas for this call are:

- understanding the relationship between a given population's health and the health of individuals within that population
- establishing the definitions and metrics needed to examine the relationship between the health of a population in a place and the social and economic outcomes of that place.

There is a two-stage application process for this programme. Applicants must initially submit an outline proposal application form; these applications will be reviewed and successful applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal. The closing date for submitting outline proposals is 12.00 on 25 July 2019.
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6. Grants for Projects that Help the Homeless
Help the Homeless makes grants of up to £5,000 to small and medium sized charitable organisations (with a turnover of less than £1 million) whose aim is to help homeless people return to the community and enabling them to resume a normal life. They accept applications only towards the funding of 'capital' projects and are unable to accept applications towards running/core costs. The closing date for the next round of funding is the 15 September 2019.
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7. Funding for Housing Projects that Cater for People with Special Needs
The Quaker Housing Trust has announced that the next deadline for applications is the 16 August 2019. The Trust provides grants and interest free loans to housing projects that cater for people with a wide range of needs, including:

- mental & physical health problems
- learning difficulties
- would otherwise be homeless
- escaping domestic violence
- single parents
- young families
- moving out of institutional care
- addiction problems
- refugees, asylum seekers, migrants
- survivors of trafficking

To be eligible for funding, applicants need to have legal charitable status and be a small organisation (with an annual turnover of not more than £1 million and without access to sufficient income, reserves, nor other fundraising, to pay for the work). The Trust will support capital expenditure across a wide range of practical elements such as:

- buying property or land
- building new housing
- converting, renovating or refurbishing property
- expanding an existing housing project
- making a housing project 'greener'
- and smaller practical things which turn a house into a home.

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8. Funding for Schools to Purchase Musical Equipment
Schools, teachers and individuals in full time education that wish to purchase musical instruments and equipment or to fund music courses and training, can apply for funding of up to £1,500 through the Universal Music Sound Foundation's Instrument and/or Equipment Awards. To date the Foundations (formerly known as the EMI Music Sound Foundation) has made awards to over two thousand schools, individual students and teachers to improve their access to music through the purchase or upgrade of musical instruments and equipment. The funding has to be made for music education that is beyond statutory national curriculum music teaching. The Foundation cannot fund retrospectively and schools are not eligible for financial assistance under this scheme if they have already purchased their instruments or if they do so before their application has been approved. The Foundation also funds courses and training opportunities for music teachers who work within schools. The closing date for applications is the 11 September 2019.
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9. Grants for Musicians and Bands
Artists or bands are able to apply for a grant of £5,000-£15,000 to significantly develop their careers over the next two years. Applications can be submitted by the artists themselves or those who are working on their behalf, for example, a manager, an independent label or publisher. Priority will be given to those that have not been funded by PRS for Music Foundation in the previous 12 months. The Fund is open to Artists/Bands that are at a crucial tipping point in their careers, showing current progression and growth as an artist with the potential to significantly develop their careers over the next two years. Grants of £5,000 – £15,000 are available with the average in the region of £10,000. Grants can cover:

- recording – i.e. a new album, EP, single, producer, engineer, mixer fees, studio hire, session musician fees, etc.
- touring (in the UK only) – i.e. travel, accommodation, musician fees, set/production design, tour management, equipment hire, etc.
- marketing and promotions – i.e. PR, radio pluggers, digital marketing, music videos, merchandise production, etc.

Priority will be given to contributing to expenditure which helps the artist to develop professionally and creatively. Applications can be made by artists/bands directly or representatives of the artist who may be a Manager; Label; Publisher; Booking agent; PR/Pluggers; Lawyer or Trusted advisor to the artist. The next deadline to apply to the Momentum Fund is the 13 August 2019.
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10. Finnis Scott Foundation
Established under the Will of Lady Montagu Douglas Scott (Valerie Finnis) in 2006, the Finnis Scott Foundation makes grants for any charitable purpose, but their present policy is to focus grant-making in the areas of horticulture and plant sciences, as well as fine art and art history. The funding is open to charities and charitable organisations, including school Parent Teacher Associations. Grants of between £500 and £10,000 are available. Exceptionally, larger grants may be considered at the Trustees' discretion. Preference is given to making grants to smaller charities where the grant would have a significant impact. The Foundation funds both capital and revenue projects. The Trustees meet on a quarterly basis; the next meeting is on the 16 October 2019. Apply by the 20 September 2019 for this meeting
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11. Fund to Reduce Waste from Plastic Packaging and Textiles
The government is inviting organisations to apply for funding under a £4.7 million grant scheme to help boost the recycling of plastic packaging and textiles. Organisations in England can apply for government funding of between £200,000 and £1 million for innovative solutions for their new products, recycling of hard-to-recycle plastic packaging such as plastics for garden furniture, plastic films and pouches, as well as funding for innovative projects that boost the recycling of textiles when they have reached the end of their life. This scheme will provide funding support for new capital infrastructure projects that will help to recycle difficult plastic packaging and textile materials. This grant will support economic / commercial activity. For plastics this could include innovative sorting or recycling equipment, and smarter systems to enable sorting of different polymers. For textiles this could include machinery for recycling textiles, technology for disassembling or sorting textiles, automated processes for removing items from textiles such as zips, and technology to sort textiles by fibre type and colour. The closing date for applications is the 2 August 2019.
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12. The FA and Football Foundation Launch Futsal Fund
The Football Association and Football Foundation have launched a new £300,000 fund aimed at developing the sport of Futsal in England. Futsal is a five-a-side game, normally played on a flat indoor pitch with hockey-sized goals and is a size-four ball that has a reduced bounce. The sport is played across the world and is officially recognised by both UEFA and FIFA. The scheme offers grants of either £1,500 or £3,000 to develop new youth futsal leagues across the country to increase the opportunity for players to play futsal on a regular basis in a structured games programme. The grant can be spent on the following:

- facility hire
- equipment
- referees/co-ordinator fees
- marketing & promotion
- affiliation & insurance fees
- FA safeguarding & welfare courses for on-site league co-ordinators
- FA DBS for on-site league co-ordinators
- FA First Aid for on-site league co-ordinators

The funding is available to County Football Associations who are running or plan to run leagues; youth football or futsal leagues; adult leagues; setting up youth futsal provisions; affiliated clubs wishing to develop youth futsal leagues; PL & EFL Community Trusts; and FA University Community Football Hubs. Priority will be given to applications in the following categories:

- youth futsal leagues – u18s and below
- youth football leagues – u18s and below
- county FA's

Applications are now open and close at 5pm on the 2 August 2019.
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13. Mandarin Excellence Programme - Funding for Schools
Applications are now invited from state schools in England to join the Mandarin Excellence Programme for the 2020 – 2021 academic year. Grants of a minimum of £20,000 per year are available to state-funded secondary schools in England. In order to take part in the programme, it is highly desirable that schools should:

- have an Ofsted rating in your most recent inspection of 1 (outstanding) or 2 (good)
- already be committed to a strong presence of two or more languages on curriculum
- be committed to teaching Mandarin Chinese to MEP pupils for whom that is not their first language

Schools on the programme should also be able to do the following:

- provide a programme of at least eight hours a week, made up of a combination of class-time teaching, extra-curricular teaching, self-study and intensive language courses in China and the UK. This should include four hours of teacher-taught classroom lessons, ensuring a rigorous programme of study for all pupils in the programme
- act as or work with a hub school, growing the number of schools and pupils in the local area on the programme, to contribute towards meeting the national minimum target of 5,000 Mandarin pupils on track to a high level of fluency by 2020. This includes retaining pupils on the programme so that they reach a high level of fluency, through the delivery of the rigorous programme of study and other activities work to ensure that pupils will be on course to complete HSK IV and V exams within 6 years of starting the programme. Pupils should also be on course to complete Chinese GCSE and A Level, IB or Pre-U qualifications during and beyond the programme lifespan.

Some pupils will have the chance to visit China. The next intake of Mandarin Excellence Programme schools will need to start delivering the programme in September 2019.
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14. Funding to Enhance the Cultural Impact of Arts Organisations
Arts, cultural and creative organisations can apply for small-scale repayable finance from the Cultural Impact Development Fund to enhance their social impact and help them to become more resilient. The aim of this £3.7 million fund is to enable risk-taking, ambitious organisations in the arts and cultural sector to take on small-scale repayable finance in order to achieve social outcomes and increase their capability to articulate, achieve, monitor and evaluate their intended social impact. The Cultural Impact Development Fund is pioneering the use of financial incentives to drive the achievement of social impact targets in its investment portfolio, making it one of the few impact investment funds with a clear trade-off between the financial and the headline social outcomes. The financial incentive takes the form of a reduction to the headline interest on a given loan in cases where the total loan term is 36 months or more. Managed by Nesta and funded by Access – The Foundation for Social Investment, the finance is provided by its partners Big Lottery Fund and Big Society Capital. Unsecured loans (and revenue participation agreements, where appropriate) of between £25,000 and £150,000 with repayment term of one to five years and interest rates ranging between 5.5% and 8.5% are offered to socially-driven arts and cultural organisations operating in England – these include:

- arts and cultural venues
- museums, libraries and archives
- non-venue based organisations (e.g. touring organisations, production companies, festivals, etc.)
- sector support organisations (e.g. development agencies, workspace providers, cultural education organisations).

Applications to the fund can be made at any time.
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15. Grants for Small Charitable Organisations Working in Disadvantaged Neighbourhoods
Round 3 of the Greggs Foundation North East Core Funding programme is now open for applications. The programme aims to help charities to thrive and to make a lasting difference by making grants that increase the capacity of the organisation to provide quality services. Around £600,000 per year is donated to charities. Grants can cover the core revenue costs of organisations working in disadvantaged neighbourhoods for example, running costs (bills etc.), and core salaries (managers or neighbours rather than project workers or seasonal staff). The Foundation prefers to support existing work with a proven track record that targets the following priority groups:

- people with disabilities
- homeless people
- voluntary carers
- older and isolated people.

Grants of up to £15,000 per year are available for a maximum of three years. This Round closes on the 21 September 2019.
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16. Funding Support for Former Mining Communities
The Coalfields Community Investment Programme provides grants to community and voluntary groups to tackle key challenges that still affect the top 30% most deprived coalfield communities in England has re-opened for applications. Grants totalling £125,000 will be available in this funding round for projects that address the following themes:

- skills - growing the skills of people in order to increase their opportunities
- employment - developing pathways to increase the number of people in work
- health - supporting projects that increase participation in activities/services that improve health and wellbeing.

The maximum grant per project will be £10,000 of which a maximum of £2,000 may be for capital expenditure. To apply, organisations need to complete an eligibility survey to determine whether the applicant organisation/group meets the criteria to apply for funding from the Coalfields Regeneration Trust (CRT). The Eligibility survey opened on 17 June 2019 and closes at 5pm on 30 August 2019. The deadline for applications is 13 September 2019 at 5pm.
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17. Funding for Projects that Support Disadvantaged Young People
Grants are available through the BBC Children in Need Main Grants programme to not for profit organisations and schools that work with young people who are experiencing disadvantage through homelessness, distress, abuse or neglect. Many kind of disability behaviour or psychological difficulties; and / or living in poverty or situations of deprivation. Applications should demonstrate how your project will change the lives of children for the better. Grants of over £10,000 are available with no upper limit stated, however BBC Children in Need make very few grants over £120,000. Organisations eligible to apply will be, not for profit i.e. schools; registered charities; voluntary organisations; churches; and community groups, etc. In the case of schools this must not be for work that they have a duty to fund. The Fund is open to applications all year round, but there are a number of deadline and award dates throughout the year. The next deadline is 11:59pm on the 13 September 2019.
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18. Initiative to Help Firms Capitalise on Offshore Wind Markets
The Offshore Wind Growth Partnership (OWGP) is a £100 million initiative designed to help businesses maximise opportunities in the global offshore wind supply chain market. Activities will initially focus on helping supply chain companies with strategy and leadership, project management, people excellence, process excellence, health and safety culture, and quality management. It will also work with the offshore wind developers to provide greater long-term visibility of project pipelines that will help supply chain companies to plan and, if necessary, invest in new capacity or capacity. Support will include a range of financial, technical, expert advice on manufacturing and commercialisation, as well as helping for innovation. This will:

- help UK companies currently in the UK offshore wind supply chain
- enhance the ability of UK companies to export products and services around the world
- enable companies from other sectors to enter the offshore wind supply chain
- inspire companies to develop the next generation of innovative products and services to meet specific industry requirements.

The programme is expected to support over 650 UK companies to access the domestic offshore wind market. The OWGP will invite companies to apply for support on a regular basis. The first pilot opportunity is expected to be in September 2019 with further programmes starting in early 2020.
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19. The EDF ER Blyth Offshore Demonstrator Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund
Funding for charities and community groups in Blyth, East Bedlington, Cambois and Seaton Valley. The Fund will consider applications between £500 and £10,000, in exceptional circumstances application will be considered for up to £20,000. Priority will be given to applications originating from within Blyth, Cambois, East Bedlington and Seaton Valley. Consideration will also be given to applications for funding originating from outside the Priority Area, provided that persons residing within the Priority Area may benefit from the approval of such applications and satisfactory proof of such benefit (in the opinion of the Panel, acting reasonably) accompanies such applications. The fund will support:

- capital, activities and development, i.e. community organisations to support capital, activities and development
- access to training and/or educational activities for disadvantaged gifted and talented young people, i.e. individuals to allow people to take up training or education opportunities available to them
- access to amateur sport or other arts for disadvantaged gifted and talented young people, e.g. opportunities in sport and the arts for gifted and talented young people
- sustainable development by the provision of sustainable means of achieving economic growth and regeneration (Sustainable Development - development which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability for future generations to meet their own needs) e.g. social enterprises to support the cost of start-up or expansion.

The Fund will not support the core cost of continuing services. Closing Date for applications 22 July 2019.
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20. The FB and PFB Lough Fund
The fund exists to support charitable activity in north Northumberland, within a 20-mile radius of Berwick Town Hall. Applications should demonstrate how a grant will be used to either tackle disadvantage, strengthen communities, or make the area a better place to live (this last point might include cultural, environmental or sporting activity). Registered charities are welcome to apply for core / unrestricted running costs, or specific projects, as they see fit. Other types of not-for-profit organisation are welcome to apply for funding for specific charitable projects, organisations of all types are welcome to apply for grants of one, two, or three years' duration. The minimum grant size is £5,000pa and the maximum is £25,000pa. The deadline for applications is Monday 5 August 2019, 9.00am. Applications will be considered the result of their application by early October.
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21. Funding to Help Charities Build Homes for Vulnerable People and Families
A new fund has been launched to help charities build homes for vulnerable people and their families. The aim is to support 30 organisations to house 10,000 people over the next 10 years through long-term, flexible loans and quasi-equity investments ranging from £250,000 to £2 million. Applications can be submitted at any time and pre-application discussions are welcomed. The Community Investment Fund is offered by Social and Sustainable Capital. The Fund invests in community based, locally led organisations which are providing essential support and services to improve the well-being of local residents, developing the local economy and creating positive social change for all individuals in the community. Applicants will:

- be a community led social sector organisation with a neighbourhood focus
- be based and have operations in England
- have a clear social mission with significant measurable, direct outcomes and good corporate governance
- have strong management with proven capability to deliver, robust business plan and financial projections, clearly demonstrate how investment repayment will be made.

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22. Funding to Develop Technologies to Help People Affected by Abuse
Civic Retail is working with the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation and The Clothworkers Foundation to launch the Tech Abuse Funding Programme. Not for profit organisations with experience of working with people affected by abuse are being offered the chance to apply for funding. Proposals are welcomed for projects that define, develop and test digital tools and approaches that will make an immediate difference to people experiencing abuse. This round will aim to fund up to 12 organisations with grants of up to £50,000 (up to £75,000 for consortia bids) for projects lasting up to twelve months. The programme will support eligible non-profit organisations committed to improving their digital services to enable people to recognise abuse sooner, find the right information at the right time, access real-time services, stay safe and rebuild their lives. The funding is for digital tools, approaches, products and services at early idea, concept and stages of development and will support ideas which directly address, overlap, link to, or cut across the following key design challenges:

- realising it is abuse
- finding the right information at the right time
- effective real-time support services
- recovery

Bids submitted by two or more charities or not-for-profits in the domestic and sexual abuse sector in partnership or consortia can apply for up to £75,000. The funding will include a three-month discovery stage where ideas can be further developed and user research undertaken before development and delivery work commences in looking to the remaining nine months to develop a solution. It is also open to organisations fully or partially significantly on an existing, early stage prototype of a product by following a supported process of discovery, definition and development. The closing date is 12 noon on 4 July 2019.
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23. Grants to Improve Playing Fields and Sports Facilities
Grants of between £2,500 - £5,000 are available from the Angus Irvine Playing Fields Fund to local community groups, sports clubs and charities to increase opportunities for young people in disadvantaged areas, to play outdoor sport. Grants can be used for the development and improvement of playing fields and other facilities; volunteer training including the provision of qualifications; purchasing specialist disability equipment; or the development of long-term sustainability, for example marketing and finance expertise. Applications for grant to help unlock additional funding from other funders are encouraged. Grants will typically be in the range from £2,500 - £5,000 although a larger grant may be possible in some circumstances. Applications can be made for grants towards some or all of the following types of projects with the intention of growing capacity to reach more young people:

- the development and improvement of playing fields and other facilities
- the development and training of volunteers including the provision of qualifications
- the purchase of specialist disability equipment
- the development of long-term sustainability, for example marketing and finance expertise.

Where it can be demonstrated that a grant will help unlock additional funding from other funders, this is encouraged. Applications can be submitted at any time.
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24. Funding for Financial Literacy Projects
The charity gives grants to not for profit organisations that deliver activities which make a lasting impact on the lives of people living in financial hardship. The MSF Charity is delighted to support voluntary groups delivering financial life skills which make a lasting impact on the way people think, behave and manage their money. Grants of up to £5,000 are likely to be available for projects that aim to make people in 'Life Changing Transitions' become more financially capable. Grants will be offered to build financial capability by assisting groups who support:

- bereavement
- redundancy
- retirement
- relationship breakdown
- homelessness
- offenders
- resettlement

Eligible applicants will be registered charities, Community Interest Companies (CICs) and other not for profit companies and Credit Unions. Preference is given to projects that break new ground in approach, delivery or in audience and are either capable of replication to a wider audience and/or are collaborative i.e. working with other organisations in the field, or geographical area as appropriate. The programme opens on 2 September 2019 and closes on the 30 September 2019.
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25. Women Make Music Grants Programme
Women songwriters and composers of all genres and backgrounds have until the 1 October 2019 to apply for the next round of the Women Make Music programme. The programme supports the development of outstanding women songwriters and composers at different stages of their career. It aims to:

- break down assumptions and stereotypes
- raise awareness of the gender gap
- encourage women who may be creating new music in the UK
- encourage profiles who may otherwise not have applied for PRS for Music Foundation funding.

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to support touring, recording, promotion and marketing, community projects involving high-quality music creators, music creator residencies and live performance featuring new music.
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26. Grants for Community Music Projects
Grants are available to community based groups and schools who would benefit from a "helping hand" to bring music to their community and fulfil their potential in becoming truly sustainable music programmes. The funding which is being made available by the charity Music for All, can be put towards musical instrument costs, workshops/training, using music to break down barriers, providing a variety of educational opportunities as well as helping to find ways to integrate many diverse and minority groups positively into society. Grants of up to £2,500 are available, but due to increased demand most awards will be for less than this amount. Community music groups and educational organisations are eligible to apply. Applicants are encouraged to look for other sources of funding to add to the amount needed to deliver the project. Funding of up to £500 is also available to individuals who do not have the means to access musical instruments and lessons. The next deadline for applications is the 1 November 2019.
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27. Heritage Horizon Awards: grants of £5million and over
The National Lottery Heritage Fund is looking for inspiring applications from heritage organisations in the UK for the Heritage Horizon Awards, worth £5 million and over. Requirements for potential applicants include:

- projects will need to have substantial proposals for recognising the contribution of the National Lottery. For the first time, The National Lottery Heritage Fund may choose to negotiate naming rights
- applications from a full range of heritage are welcome. When making the awards, there will be a particular focus on The National Lottery Heritage Fund's current strategic priorities: landscape and nature and heritage at risk.

An Expressions of Interest stage they will give applicants an early steer on whether or not they are likely to be successful and will let you know whether or not you have been shortlisted by December 2019. he most promising applicants will be invited to present project proposals to a panel of trustees. A shortlist of 10-12 successful bidders who are invited to make an application will then be publicly announced, with development funding available. All successful applicants will need to have demonstrated exceptional proposals including a wide range of people in heritage. You can apply for a Heritage Horizon Award if you are a: not-for-profit organisation or a partnership led by a not-for-profit organisation. The concept behind the Heritage Horizon Awards is: "Backing big ideas, unlocking possibilities". This means, they expect all projects to be:

- transformative
- innovative
- collaborative

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28. Grants for Projects that Fight Poverty and Discrimination
From the 31 July 2019, registered charities and community groups can apply for grants of £500 - £20,000 through the Postcode Community Trust for projects to help people - ensuring they have the skills, opportunities and rights to improve their lives. To be eligible, projects should focus on:

- the prevention of poverty;
- promotion of human rights
- combatting discrimination for some of society's most vulnerable groups.

Please note that only registered charities can apply for grants above £2,000. Applicants successful at this stage will be invited to submit full proposals between 11 September and 25 September 2019.
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29. Funding to Create Employment Opportunities for Ex-Offenders and People Recovering from Addiction
The Forward Enterprise Fund is £2m social investment fund that supports individuals, charities and social enterprises run by, or creating employment opportunities for, ex-offenders and people in recovery from addiction. The fund is a partnership between Social Investment Business and The Forward Trust backed by Access – The Foundation for Social Investment, Big Lottery Fund and Big Society Capital as part of their wider Growth Fund initiative. This fund is aimed at individuals, charities and social enterprises that prioritise creating employment opportunities for people breaking the cycle of crime and addiction. The Fund provides access to unsecured loans between £25k - £150k for revenue and / or capital projects (typical interest rate 7.5%) for up to a 5-year term. Eligible organisations will also have access to grants to pay for up to 10 days of pre-investment business support. Organisations who receive investment will also be able to apply for post-investment business support for individuals at start-up enterprises with a bright idea can also access Crowdfunder support with match funding available from the Forward Trust. Eligible applicants will be:

- a business or organisation must be within England
- a business or organisation working with or intending to work with ex-offenders or people in recovery from addiction, creating employment opportunities for people from these communities
- led by ex-offenders or people in recovery from addiction.

Organisations wishing to raise start-up money via a campaign on Crowdfunder can also apply for match funding from the Forward Trust. The first stage is to complete an expression of interest form (which includes an eligibility check) on the Forward Enterprise Fund website.
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1. [UK Announces Enabling Data Access in Accountancy, Insurance & Legal Services: Innovation Lab Competition](#)
2. [Launch of the Whole House Retrofit \(WHR\) Innovation Competition - The government is calling for applications to a new competition to help accelerate a reduction in the cost of retrofitting domestic properties to the same standard as new builds.](#)
3. [Applications Being Accepted For Transform Foundation Website Grant Programme](#)
4. [Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust's Positive Pathways Programme Open to Applicants](#)
5. [Hello Tomorrow Global Challenge Launched with €100,000 Grand Prize for DeepTech Start-ups](#)
6. [Steeles Awards for Disabled Entrepreneurs - 2019 Round](#)
7. [Nature Grants for Schools](#)
8. [The Classical Association Grants](#)
9. [Veolia Environmental Trust Grants](#)
10. [£3 Million Available to Fund Veterans' Community Centres](#)
11. [Magic Little Grants 2019](#)
12. [Funding to Help Develop Community Businesses](#)
13. [Funding Available to Increase Engineering Knowledge Among Young People](#)
14. [Grants to Promote and Secure Better and Safer Roads](#)
15. [Enterprise Hub Launchpad Competition Opens for Applications](#)
16. [Mansic Charitable Foundation - Early Years Opportunities Grants Programme Re-Opens for Applications](#)

31. **Policy, Strategy and Consultations:**
 1. [Evaluation of the Support to Youth Employment by the Youth Employment Initiative and the European Social Fund](#)
 2. [25 Year Environment Plan Progress Report](#)
 3. [Taking Ownership: Community Empowerment through Crowdfunded Investment](#)
 4. [UK International Research and Innovation Strategy](#)

32. Looking for Funding?
Northumberland County 4 Community is a user-friendly and professional community funding database for Northumberland which has already helped secure millions of pounds worth of support to the area. It is an online funding database and a step-by-step process which enables you to identify and select funding schemes and awards that are appropriate to your project, and:

- a convenient one-stop-shop of funding information.
- an information source with thousands of funding schemes including grants, loans and awards from local, regional and national UK government, European funding, charitable trusts and corporate sponsors.
- content ranging from modest community funds at one end of the spectrum to major, multi-level European initiatives at the other.

To access Northumberland County 4 Community you must register some basic details. Northumberland County Council funds this service, and partners and community users can access this free of charge. Registration will give you immediate, free and unrestricted access to the comprehensive database of funding opportunities and business advice services. You can browse or search for funding, generate reports, access news items in full and set up alerts to receive updates regarding suitable funding opportunities. To register as a user click this [link](#).

If you have any questions or wish to contribute a funding opportunity please contact David Baird Tel: 01670 623888

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1. Simply browse the overview to each fund
2. If anything catches your interest? Simply click on the [here](#) link at the end of the paragraph, and this will take you directly to the funders website
3. You can then view and print any information from there

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