

[Alpkit: Go nice places, do good things grant](#)

Up to £500 grant for individuals or groups to help people directly affected by COVID-19. Apply any time to help elderly or vulnerable people, reduce the effects of self-isolation, help foodbanks or help the homeless or those in temporary accommodation. Apply online.

[Antonio Carluccio Foundation](#) – on hold until further notice

Up to £5,000 for charities working to promote nutrition / food and to support organisations feeding those in need, from this foundation set up by the Italian / UK chef before he died.

[Arts Council](#) on hold

Read their update page to see what other funds there are to help cultural organisations. They funded national portfolio organisations £90m. Others could apply for up to £35,000 to get back on their feet or continue making work under 'Let's Create'.

[Audio Content Fund](#) – short notice for next rolling round which closes 11th May 11am

They want to help fund independent production companies to create radio before end June to reach audiences. If you know a community radio station, get them to partner up.

[Awards for All](#)

They offer up to £10,000 grants on a rolling basis for 6-month projects that help those at high risk from COVID-19, groups facing increased challenges, and those connecting communities. Don't apply for a non COVID-19 project.

[Barclays Foundation: Find an employee who works for them](#)

Barclays has set up two strands under this foundation. It will fund charity partners through £50m for charities working with vulnerable people. Another £50m will be used to match employee donations to charities of their choice. Not yet properly open.

[BBC Children in Need Grants](#) – on hold

They are pausing all new applications for main and small grants programmes - a temporary measure so they can focus on existing local grantees, and to take account of the effects of the pandemic on the UK's children and young people. Their FAQs are quite useful.

[B&M Stores Support for Foodbanks](#)

Each store can give local foodbanks £1,500 to buy essential groceries, cleaning goods and toiletries. Apply by email: foodbank@bmstores.co.uk with your local foodbank, charity number, address and full name of person authorised to collect the donation. Tell them your preferred nearby B&M branch you wish to visit. They will then reply on how to get donation.

[Big Society Capital](#) - sign up for their updates if you want to get a loan

They have given £25 million to a new Resilience and Recovery Loan Fund managed by Social Investment Business for charities and social enterprises; £29 million to smaller, emergency loans for social enterprises / businesses; and a further £50m to be reprioritised.

[Buttle UK - Chances for Children](#)

Individual grants to improve the social and emotional wellbeing of children and young people will focus on their ability to engage in education / learning during COVID-19. A child's support worker can apply particularly for those affected by domestic violence (no longer living with the perpetrator) as well as 16-20 year olds needing educational help.

[Charities Aid Foundation](#) – on hold

Their rapid response fund received requests for over £20 million so have paused their £10,000 grant scheme for smaller groups affected by Covid-19. Not open to those recently formed to provide support to their communities. Sign up for mailings & look at funding list.

[Comic Relief](#) – on hold - dealing with Big Night In £70 million raised

Some of the money raised through the 'Big Night In' will go towards COVID-19 related work but will open much later in year. Reason to read their FAQs? Do if you are a current grantee. They have funded larger partners such as NHS Charities Together, Rosa Women's Fund, Buttle UK, Refugee Action Migration Exchange, Age UK, Crisis, Mind and Fareshare etc.

[Connected Communities Match fund](#)

During this crisis, Trust for London will have a more flexible 'Connected Communities Fund' to help community groups across London to access support. Apply to help older people, deaf and disabled people, and those in high risk groups particularly affected. This only works if you have a crowdfunding idea on strengthening voice, advice work, or community action. Croydon is one of the outer London boroughs supported. Income under £100,000 only. You will raise money from more than 5 people and involve users in the planning.

[Corona Funding for Impact Start Ups](#)

They want to help [social start-ups and small businesses in the UK, Denmark or Germany](#), otherwise healthy but in danger of running out of capital over the coming 3-6 months. Fill in their short form and they'll come back to you. Only for social enterprises (social business).

[Coronavirus Mental Health Response Fund \(CMHRF\)](#)

This rolling fast track online application process wants to help voluntary organisations to provide mental health services (or additional support) through CMHRF grants. Up to £20,000 or £50,000 for projects lasting up to 12 months. They assess applications every 2 weeks. You get told within a month. If you are not eligible for these (too small, not constituted, user-led self-help group) head to <https://www.nsun.org.uk/> for small grants.

[COVID-19 Emergency Surplus Food Grant from WRAP](#)

£10,000 grants for small surplus not for profit food redistributors are open to the 4th June 2020, 1pm. Apply for storage, temporary rentals, distribution costs, PPE, and volunteers.

Up to £50,000 grants for medium to larger operators open to 21st May 2020, 1pm to cover food costs from food businesses (not existing redistributors) and additional challenges. Quick and fast, this is first come, first served. Apply online if not already in receipt of grant.

[CRISIS 'In This Together'](#) – on hold to catch up with applications

They have received 175 applications at 9th April 2020 for their £5,000 grants for short term responses to the emergency or £50,000 grants to cover long term needs / expansion. Email: bestpractice@crisis.org.uk with your organisation name to get told when they open again.

[Croydon Council Support for Groups: Croydon's VCS COVID-19 emergency fund](#)

If you are delivering activities over and above your normal activities so are facing financial challenges, contact Croydon Council for small immediate grants e.g. additional supplies, volunteer expenses etc. Not for new ideas. Only apply for what you really need (rather than maximum amount). You'll also need to give names and addresses of those receiving food. Up to £5,000 for new informal groups. More established groups ask for £10,000.

[Croydon Cultural Relief Fund](#) £2,000 to £5,000 online only

If your cultural group is offering free online activities such as concerts, group dancing, choirs, colouring competitions or more, apply to them (the council funding pot has been diverted from the Cultural Partnership, Youth Arts and Greater London Authority). Before you apply, contact the Council's culture team: culturegrants@croydon.gov.uk to discuss.

[Edward Gostling Foundation](#)

Apply for up to [£10,000 grants as a smaller UK charity \(3 years of accounts, less than 6 months' free reserves\)](#) if you are [providing frontline services](#) to people with mental and / or physical disabilities or long-term illnesses. Not for core costs. Takes 2 months to hear back.

[Energy for Tomorrow](#)

Centrica gives out grants to start-ups who want to tackle climate change, help people reduce their energy bills and deliver positive impact communities. Ongoing deadline. Charities, CICs and for-profits can apply. Short paper application form.

[Esmée Fairbairn Foundation](#) – on hold

They [announced £14m in fast-response grants](#) to people they work with already (children, arts, environment, food and social change). Currently closed to new applicants, they publish all their grants to 360Giving (so you can check who / how people got funded).

[European Social Catalyst Fund](#)

European funders are still offering grants. This one brings public and private groups together to improve social services, now has 11th September 2020 as deadline for £100,000 to build / scale / capacity building your grand European project. Look at Funding Central for more.

[Fair4All Finance](#)

Their Covid-19 Resilience Fund offers credit unions and other community finance institutions 'Affordable Credit Scale-up Programme' to help them deliver affordable credit to people in vulnerable circumstances in the future.

[Funding Enlightened Agriculture \(FEA\)](#)

Small, unsecured [loans \(£5,000 to £20,000\) for established community food businesses and agroecological growers](#) (constituted). They pay out funds within 14 days of application.

[Greater London Authority - Stronger Communities Fund](#) - on hold

Up to £5,000 for sport / physical activities to increase social integration in London. Email: StrongerCommunitiesFund@groundwork.org.uk and they will let you know when it opens.

[Greggs Foundation Coronavirus Emergency Appeal](#)

Greggs Foundation is providing £500 urgent funding for emergency food parcels, hardship payments and other support for charities, community groups & schools. Email them.

[Heritage Emergency Fund \(National Lottery\)](#)

£3,000 to £50,000 grants for wide range of groups (libraries, archives, parks and gardens, landscapes and nature) especially where heritage most at risk or limited / no access to other support or organisations at risk of severe financial crisis due to Covid-19. They are now open to 30th June 2020. They want to be as flexible as possible. Apply as a not for profit (previous recipient) and manager of heritage. It's not a standard form (complete in 1 go).

[Hilden Summer Play Scheme](#) by 29th May 2020

Up to £1,500 grants to voluntary groups to run summer play schemes lasting 2-6 weeks for children aged five to 18 years living in disadvantaged communities. They prefer those helping refugee children and Black & Minority Ethnic (BME) groups. Your group will have less than £150,000 income. Your play scheme budget will be less than £12,000. Print out online form and post to the Fund. Email them if you get stuck: hildencharity@hotmail.com

[Hope for the Young – COVID-19 Emergency Fund](#) for individual refugees

If you support young refugees & asylum seekers during COVID-19, apply for £250 grants to help them for 12 weeks. They want to ensure their immediate health and well-being. You may need to provide proof of immigration status to get grants to cover essential costs (food, medicine, toiletries, pay as you go phone credits etc). Apply on website. 1-week response.

[Hospitality Action](#) – on hold

[They are aiming to give out £270,000 in £250 grants to hospitality industry families.](#)

[In Kind Direct](#)

They offer charities new, quality household essentials and toiletries sent by manufacturers and retailers. Register for free to access huge savings on their online catalogue (small charge for products, including nappies, toilet rolls, hand cleaning supplies, period products, PPE etc

[London Community Response Fund](#) Wave 2 open now

Up to £10,000 to help groups meet immediate community needs e.g. food, essentials and short-term staffing costs through crisis response grants. Larger 'delivering differently' grants up to £50,000 to help organisations change the way they deliver work so you can continue to meet community needs during covid-19 (if working in arts, advice, children and young people, domestic abuse & VAWG; equity / inclusion; food; homelessness; infrastructure (civil society support); people at risk; and refugees and migrants). You might want to switch to digital channels or redeploy staff to boost capacity. If you applied in Wave 1 (closed, had 700 applications), you can re-apply in Wave 2. They are keen on groups buying food and essentials for people needing support; offering support to access internet or telephone; making changes to services e.g. increased postal route; buying laptops to work remotely; responding to new needs; and meeting increased costs of providing services (deep cleaning accommodation); and making services accessible. For larger grants, show partnership / collaborative working. You can also email info@londonfunders.org.uk to ask more.

[L&Q Foundation Place Makers](#) - deadlines 1st of each month – Croydon is South West

Support your local community during the Covid 19 pandemic by applying for grants up to £10,000, next deadline 1st June 2020, for those over 70, vulnerable, foodbanks, social welfare, health and wellbeing, addressing anti-social behaviour, smaller groups, those affected by domestic abuse. Apply online. Read their prospectus first

[Mayor of London Warmer Homes](#): Still running

£4,000 grants for low income Londoners who own their own homes or rent privately to improve their energy efficiency e.g. wall and loft insulation; first time central heating; boiler upgrades; solar PV panels. They can't do home visits yet but they want applications.

[Morrisons Foundation](#) – under COVID-19 apply for £10,000

They support charities working directly with homeless people e.g. outreach and support for rough sleepers, hostels and shelter services; support and advice. Your group must be more than 1 year old, filed accounts on time, work directly with homeless people, and accepts BACS.

[National Emergencies Trust](#) – funds [London Community Foundation COVID-19 response](#)

NET gives out money collected from the public through the London Community Foundation. If you have more than 3 trustees, are constituted, not religious or political, you can apply for the London Community Response (same as the Crisis or Delivering Differently grants).

[National Lottery Community Fund Reaching Communities](#)

They are offering £300 million to support communities and help organisations overcome liquidity issues caused by COVID-19. Organisations who are not looking for COVID-19 related funding are asked to not to submit an application at this time. They expect to fund 6 months' worth of crisis support. Work out your cashflow, accounts and bank statements before applying online or by email: Londonandsoutheastteam@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk

[National Survivor User Network](#) £1,000 for peer self-help support

They help peer support community action and mutual aid for mental health so apply to support people living with mental ill-health, trauma and distress during Covid-19 period. Join NSUN to apply (membership free for user led groups).

[NatWest and The Prince's Trust](#)

Open to 18 to 30-year olds self-employed or running their own businesses, these £5,000 grants will maintain core business operations during this time or pay for essential equipment. Businesses less than 4 years old can apply.

[Neighbourly Community Fund](#) £400 grants to help communities

You'll need to join Neighbourly to apply. They help communities suffering economically, socially or from ill-health. Send simple online expression of interest. Waiting list.

[Nisa Stores Charity Fund](#)

All Nisa Stores have a charity fund to support small, local charities. Try calling or popping in (safely) to your local store to see if you can apply through them.

[Resilience & Recovery Loan Fund](#)

This new fund helps charities and social enterprises been 2+ years with a turnover of £400k to £45m, facing problems as expected income / activity been delayed or disrupted. Not for everyone. Consider carefully a loan of £100,000 - £500,000 to tide your cashflow over.

[Resource Alliance Global Fundraising Awards](#)

Send your application in for the fundraisers / changemakers navigating the sector during Covid-19. Four categories: 2020 Global Fundraiser of the Year; Activator Award; Rule Breaker Award; Change Accelerator Award. Deadline 31 July 2020.

[Santander Foundation Covid-19 Fund](#)

Example of existing foundation funding other charities directly, giving £500,000 to Age UK and £500,000 to the Alzheimer's Society to help them offer frontline support.

[Sport England Community Emergency Fund](#)

This new £20m emergency fund helps sports clubs and groups supporting people to be active if experiencing short-term financial hardship / ceasing of operations due to pandemic. Up to £10,000 grants to cover day-to-day costs (rent, utility costs, insurance, staffing costs or facility hire) up to 31st July 2020. Not for schools, individuals or new activities. Focus on disadvantaged groups in deprived areas.

[Standard Life Foundation](#) apply to help living standards or personal finances

New fast track grant scheme for constituted body with 3+ non-executive directors / trustees not employees of the organisation / affiliated to it. Apply for what you need, with most grants up to £200,000 (most likely to be £30,000 to £120,000). Flexible, future thinking funder, its worth reading their website before applying. First come, first served.

[Tampon Tax – for regional larger, growing charities mainly](#) 31st May 2020

Apply to address consequences of COVID-19 on disadvantaged women and girls, especially if your constituted group wants to stretch its wings across regions. Not really for smaller, local groups (find a regional partner who can make onward grants to you) so they can use your expertise, increase their geographical reach and impact. For Violence against Women and Girls, Young Women's Mental Health and Wellbeing, or General (BAME, education etc).

[Tesco Bags of Help COVID-19 Communities Fund](#) – still open in Croydon but not all London

£500 grants to help community groups supporting vulnerable people during the pandemic. They expect to run out of money shortly to help you with core / organisational needs.

[The Bring Joy Foundation](#) – on hold but have raffle of facebook portals for over 70s

They will launch another fundraising drive to get donations so they can support your craft, communication and assistive technology projects for over 70s who are isolated and lonely.

[The Dulverton Trust](#) – e.g. of funder helping previous grantees and a few new ones

They help charities aiming to improve youth opportunities, welfare, conservation, or humanitarian support. Included as has good explanation of how it decides priorities.

[Schroder Charity Trust](#)

They offer £5,000 grants to charities supporting education and young people, health, heritage, arts and culture, armed forces and environment. They meet twice a year and last year funded 100 of the 500 applicants. Online application has new COVID-19 question.

[Tech Force 19: Department for Health and Social Care](#)

Technology companies setting up digital support solutions quickly for people needing to stay at home due to coronavirus can apply for £25,000 grants. Examples: matching qualified carers to those in need; tools to recruit, train and coordinate volunteers; making it easier to discover mental health services and support.

[Trust for London](#) 2nd June or 6th October 2020 deadlines

They are still funding charities during the pandemic but recognise your plans may need to adapt e.g. social distancing delivery or setting up digitally or other. 2018-2022 strategy focuses on Good Homes and Neighbourhoods; Better Work; Decent Living Standards; Shared Wealth; Pathways to Settlement; Stronger Voices; and Connected Communities. Apply if your project will influence local / regional policy, tackle issues in imaginative ways, engage beneficiaries in advocacy and you deliver high quality work. Under larger grants (£75,000) you tackle poverty root causes through employment, advice, social justice. You may want to help low-paid workers into better-paid work, develop innovative approaches to tackling immigration or help victims of harmful practices (not FGM). Ensure you address inequality, violence and influence wider policy, learn and have user involvement. Chat to Trust FIRST before applying on 020 7606 6145. Apply by 2nd June 2020 (1pm)

[Yapp Trust](#) up to £3,000 per year, up to 3 years for small charities

Aims to make grants totalling £300,000 to 100 small charities each year to sustain their existing work, with one priority being children and young people aged 5–25. They give priority to ongoing needs. Apply by 30th June 2020

[Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation](#) – quarterly donations

You need to be recommended by your local branch as a small charity during COVID-19 (annual income under £100,000). You will support vulnerable people's health, those suffering from poverty or loss of income. Examples include foodbank supplies (impact of children no longer receiving free school meals), working remotely and adapting services, increased volunteer expenses, and small capital costs linked to COVID-19.

[Youth Future Foundations](#)

Their emergency grant programme not yet open but they will offer not for profits working with young people aged 14-24 help to overcome barriers to finding meaningful work. You need 3 years' track record with NEETs, over £100,000 income, not be in crisis financially, be committed to external evaluations, and offer a new solution to youth unemployment.

[Youth Music Emergency Fund](#) - grants up to £10,000 – apply by 22nd May 2020

They want to help music-making organisations in England offering inclusive music-making with children and young people affected by coronavirus. You might struggle with cashflow, maintaining services, adapting structures or support children during the crisis. The fund opens on the 8th April with six rounds, the last of which closes on the 22nd May.

[Waitrose Community Support £1 million support fund](#)

This £1m support fund will be given out by Waitrose shops to their local communities. There is also support fund to help staff facing additional costs as a result of the pandemic. You could ask for care packages to help local charities, the elderly and more vulnerable customers. Speak to your local Waitrose shop (to a Partner).

[Wellcome Trust](#)

The Gates Foundation and Wellcome Trust are contributing £50m to speed development of and access to Covid-19 therapies – trying to coordinate research efforts and remove barriers to drug development. Useful article on how COVID-19 works. Not giving out grants.

[Will Charitable Trust Covid 19 fund](#)

They help people with learning disabilities, blind people or those suffering from cancer. They prefer charities with a proven track record and convincing evidence of ability. During COVID-19 they will help emergency funds up to £5,000 (June may make larger awards)

[Zakat Foundation](#)

The National Zakat Foundation helps people from the Muslim community through hardship funds, housing, work and education. Use their online form, checked by advisor, to apply as individual struggling to manage during lockdown.

This alphabetical list of funders focused on Covid-19. As you might have experienced, these funders change their grants rapidly at the moment due to overwhelming demand, so do check their website before applying (click on the funder title for the website).

Last updated 4th May 2020. It does include funders on hold so that you know who they are.

This is not an exhaustive list of funding. For other funding pots, including local and regional opportunities, check out [Funding Central](#), the [Directory for Social Change](#), [Locality](#) and the [Charity Excellence Framework](#). You can also look at [Charity Bank's list of emergency funds](#). And of course, CVA's [Coronavirus Funds Page](#).

CVA will send out useful funding tools and tips, websites and useful seminars, all designed to help you manage or adapt your income generation strategies.