

The National Lottery Community Fund

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The National Lottery Community Fund



- National Lottery players contribute around £30 million to good causes every week
- The National Lottery Community Fund distributes over **£700m a year** to communities across the UK
- Largest single source of funding for community activities in the UK

Our funding in your area – Barking & Dagenham

Last year we awarded:

£3 Million of awards to 54 organisations

- National Lottery Awards for All - £635k to 65 organisations
- Reaching Communities - £1.7m to 5 organisations

We have 66 active grants totalling £6.6 Million

- Reaching Communities funds £4.6m across 16 organisations
- Awards for All funds £752k over 42 organisations



It starts with community



Visit the website
to see:

[Our Strategy](#)

[Our ambitions for
our funding in
England](#)

Our community led-missions



Funding Available

£300-£20,000:

National Lottery Awards for All

National Lottery Awards for All -
Environment

Above £20,001:

Reaching Communities

All applications should go through the website unless you have specific communication or accessibility requirements.



Who can apply?

You can apply if your organisation is a:

- registered charity
- constituted voluntary or community group/organisation
- not-for-profit company or Community Interest Company
- statutory body such as a local authority, council or school.

We can't accept applications from:

- Individuals or sole traders
- Organisations that don't have two unrelated trustees -i.e. not married / in a civil partnership / long-term relationship, living at the same address, or related by blood.

If not listed, please check our website to see if your organisation is eligible - www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk



What can you spend the money on?

- Organisation running costs
- Equipment & materials
- Events
- Staff costs
- Training costs
- Transport
- Utilities
- Volunteer expenses
- Land, building or refurbishment projects



On Reaching Communities we also fund organisational development costs, including cost to help you become more environmentally sustainable.

National Lottery Awards for All

(£300 - £20,000)

National Lottery Awards for All

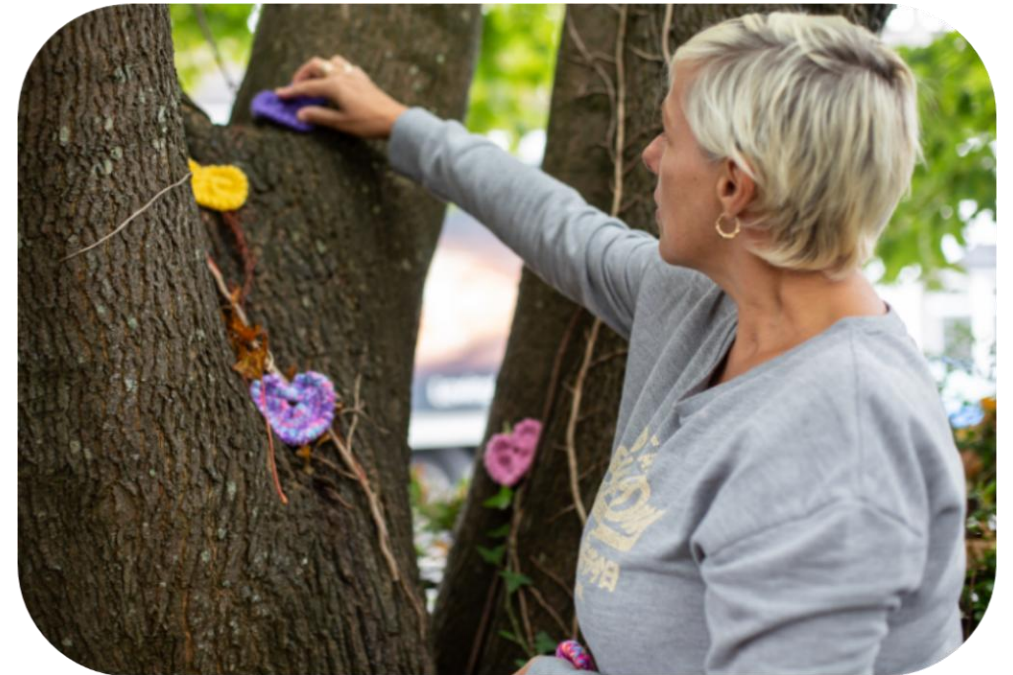


- Grants from £300 up to £20,000 for up to two years
- Can only hold one Awards for All England grant at a time and for a maximum of £20,000 within a 12-month period
- One-stage online application process - apply at any time

Please note, Awards for All is one of our busiest programmes and we are currently experiencing very high levels of demand

We can fund projects that do at least one of these things:

- Bringing people together to build strong relationships in and across communities
- Improve the places and spaces that matter to communities
- Help more people to reach their potential, by supporting them at the earliest possible stage
- Support people, communities and organisations facing more demands and challenges because of the cost-of-living crisis



National Lottery Awards for All

Environment

National Lottery Awards for All England - Environment.

This funding stream has been designed specifically for applicants that support communities to meet our environment mission.

We can fund projects that do at least one of these things:

- Help people connect with and care for nature in their area.
- Make a positive difference to the environment.

Please note you cannot hold both an Awards for All and Awards for All Environment grant. [For full information please see our web page.](#)



Reaching Communities (over £20,001)

Reaching Communities

- Grants over £20,000, running for up to 5 years
- Two-stage application process (can take on average 9 months for a decision across England)
- Applications are online with other formats available if you have communication needs
- Requests should be proportionate to organisation's income and experience





We will fund projects that:

1. Support places, people or communities experiencing poverty, disadvantage or discrimination
2. Support people and communities to shape the decisions that affect their lives
3. Align strongly with at least one of our missions

Priority 1

Supporting those most in need



To do this we will prioritise:

- Places with higher levels of poverty, disadvantage or discrimination
- Communities that are least set up to help and support people
- Projects or organisations supporting people or communities experiencing poverty, disadvantage or discrimination.
- Projects that work to address barriers to participation

Priority 2

Supporting communities to shape the decisions that affect their lives

To do this we will prioritise projects that involve your community. For example:

- Meaningfully involving the community in designing, developing and delivering your project
- Your organisation being run and led by people with personal experience of the issues you help deal with
- Supporting people to influence decisions that affect them
- Communities having real control over things that are important to them



Our Missions

We will also prioritise projects that fit best with at least one of our missions

Come together

by providing inclusive places, spaces and activities. Especially for communities where people are least able to come together

Help children & young people to thrive

by developing positive social and emotional skills

Tackling health inequalities

by addressing the conditions in which people live, work and grow

Be environmentally sustainable

by engaging with climate issues and having a positive environmental impact. And improving access to quality natural spaces



If your proposal is invited to the second stage, we will ask you to submit the following:

- More detailed information about your project and organisation
- Financial information about your organisation
- A project budget

A member of our funding team will work with you make sure we have all the information we need to make a decision.

Other Funding in England



Visit our funding finder on our website to see which funding programmes are open to applications

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/funding-programmes>

Sign up for our newsletter

If you want to find out more about getting funding, sign up to our newsletter at

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/newsletter>

Each month we will share funding opportunities, hints and tips, stories about funded organisations and more.

Questions

Contact us

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