



Meet the Funders 2026

Connecting innovators with potential funding opportunities

Apologies from Funders Unable to Attend

Sport England

Park Charitable Trust

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Sport England

Movement Fund

The fund offers up to £15,000 for physical activity projects in the community. The focus is on people who face barriers to activity and projects designed to help them join in.

Support available: Grants or pledges from £300 to £15,000

Length: Projects can run up to 12 months

Timescales: No submission deadline. Apply at least 12 weeks before you want to start activity or spend money.

Who can apply:

- Sports clubs
- Community groups#
- Charities
- Local authorities
- Not for Profit organisations
- Schools - where the project will benefit the wider community

For more information and to ensure accuracy go to www.sportengland.org/funding



Park Charitable Trust

The fund supports new projects or programmes for students – primarily but not exclusively for girls. See website for more information

Support available: Grants from £2,500 to £5,000

Length: Projects can run up to 12 months

Timescales: Next round of funding for academic year 26/27 announced in September 2026

Who can apply:

- School or educational institutions (all faiths)
- Registered charities
- Community Interest Companies
- Social Enterprise
- Not for Profit organisations

For more information and to ensure accuracy go to www.parktrust.or.uk/grant-initiative



Jack Petchey Foundation

The fund supports youth organisations and uniformed groups in London and Essex

Support available: Grants from £5,000 to £25,000

Length: Projects can run up to 12 months

Timescales: Projects must start in 2027 and completed in 12 months. Expressions of Interest by July 6, 2026

Who can apply:

- Organisations that ran the Jack Petchey Achievement Award Scheme in 2025 and are currently running it
- Your organisation has applied for a Leader Award Grant in 2025 or 2026
- Your organisation either owns or leases their buildings/premises/land in which they run services for young people

For more information and to ensure accuracy go to www.jackpetcheyfoundation.org.uk



Henry Smith Foundation

The Foundation funds organisations and their leaders with bold ideas dedicated to making social change now. Visit their website to explore the right opportunity

Support available: Numerous grants for multiple purpose

Length: Depends on grant

For more information and to ensure accuracy go to www.henrysmithfoundation.org.uk



Trust for London

One of London's largest funders, they give out around £10,000 000 annually to fight for a fairer London

The fund supports many forms from community groups helping people build skills and knowledge to large scale campaigns and research.

Support available: Grant funding and social investment

For more information and to ensure accuracy go to www.trustforlondon.org.uk



London Marathon Foundation

One of the UK's major funders of projects and initiatives that inspire children and adults across the UK to lead active and health lives with a focus on three priority groups.

Support available: Grants from £10,000 to £80,000

Timescales: Multiple stages for application. Next round of applications July 8, 2026, followed by September 23, 2026

Criteria:

- Take place in areas of greatest need. For example, areas with fewer spaces and facilities for physical activity or where communities are likely to be affected by high levels of deprivation.
- Have a close connection to the community they support. For example, delivery staff come from the community.
- Improve and activate a space, places or facility beyond the funding period.

For more information and to ensure accuracy go to www.londonmarathonfoundation.org



Groundwork

Working with Postcode Lottery to delivery Grassroots grants to 700 small, local organisations in England for core operational costs

Support available: Unrestricted grants up to £2,000

Timescales: Applications received from January 7, 2026 to September 2026.

Who can apply:

- Voluntary or community organisations including charities, whose annual turnover is no more than £25,000
- Priority shown to organisations that meet a set of criteria to be found on their website.
- Complete eligibility checker online to receive application link

For more information and to ensure accuracy go to www.groundwork.org.uk

