



# The National Lottery Community Fund

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# About The National Lottery Community Fund

National Lottery players contribute around £30 million to good causes every week.

The National Lottery Community Fund distributes around £600m a year to communities across the UK.

## Our goals:

- We support ideas and activities that matter to people and communities.
- We use our funding and relationships to help create stronger, more connected communities.
- We support charities and community organisations across the UK to be vibrant, diverse and active.



# Funding priorities in England



## Stronger relationships

We support ideas that bring people together, strengthening relationships in and across communities



## Shared and sustainable places and spaces

We support people to shape and sustain the places that matter to them, like a park, community centre or online network



## Early action to prevent problems and tackle disadvantage

We support activity that empowers people to fulfil their potential, working to address problems at the earliest possible stage



# Our priorities in response to the cost of living crisis and ongoing impact of Covid 19

We'll continue to support people and communities most adversely impacted by COVID-19.

We want to do more than support organisations to survive; we want to support communities to thrive and grow including helping them with cost of living increases and investing in ideas that overcome the challenges the cost of living crisis might have on communities.



# Our approach

- Open to all
- Flexible
- Proportionate
- Conversational



# Who can apply?

You can apply if your organisation is a:

- voluntary or community organisation
- registered charity
- constituted group or club
- not-for-profit company or Community Interest Company



Who we can't accept applications from:

- Individuals or sole traders
- Companies that can pay profits to directors, shareholders or members
- Organisations based outside the UK
- Organisations that don't have at least two trustees who aren't married / in a civil partnership / long-term relationship, living at the same address, or related by blood
- one organisation applying on behalf of another



# National Lottery Awards for All

- Grants from £300 up to £20,000 for up to 2 years.
- Can apply at any time (Maximum of value of £40,000 in any 24 months)
- Applications are on-line using a response to 1 question
- Decisions typically within 12 weeks (currently 16)



# Reaching Communities & Partnerships



- We can fund individual organisations or partnerships
- Grants of over £20,000, running for up to 5 years
- Can apply at any time
- Applications are on-line with other formats available

## Will fund:

1. Direct costs / project related costs
2. Organisational development
3. Core / fixed costs
4. Capital costs



# Reaching Communities & Partnerships

## How to apply

### Your Proposal for Funding Form

We'll ask you:

1. What your organisation does
2. What you'd like to do
3. Where your work will take place
4. How you'll involve your community
5. How your work fits with local activities
6. Who will benefit & what difference you'll make
7. How much money you need & what you'll spend it on
8. How long you need the money for



# Reaching Communities & Partnerships

## How to apply continued

If your application is eligible and fits well with our priorities, we'll ask for more information:

1. More detail about your proposal
2. Proposed budget
3. Overview of your financial position
4. Recent bank statement



# The Open Door Exercise





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## WHAT?

- Drop Ins for food and conversations
- Social and cultural events.
- Group and one-to-one access to advice on managing budgets and advocacy.
- Community wellbeing activities.
- Opportunities to volunteer.

## WHO?

Older People, living alone often on low income and with health issues. They lack social connections, sit at home isolated from peers, lacking confidence, low self esteem, local services not meeting health needs.

## Funder Priorities

1. Stronger relationships?
2. Tackling Disadvantage?
3. Shared and sustainable places and spaces?

## The Difference You Make?

- Feels less isolated
- Increase in confidence
- Increased self esteem
- Increased skills
- More inclusive local services.



## Find out More

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