

Funding opportunities related to Covid-19

Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government Domestic Abuse Fund

The MHCLG has secured £10million to support domestic abuse safe accommodation charities until 30 September. It will ensure that:

- Safe accommodation services can continue operating and keep bed spaces open for victims and their children fleeing from abuse during the Covid-19 emergency
- Safe accommodation services can help more victims access these life-saving services

Applicants must be charities providing domestic abuse safe accommodation services in England. Consortium applications of service provider partners are strongly advised.

The fund closes on 21 May 2020.

See more information on the fund and details on how to apply.

Food charities grant fund

If you run a front-line food aid charity, you can apply for a grant of up to £100,000 to help you continue to provide food to the vulnerable.

Evidence will be required to justify the amount you bid for, including your capacity to distribute a minimum of 30 per cent of the weekly average food for each week of the grant period.

• See more information about the grant fund.

Forever Manchester – Community Support Fund

Applications up to £5,000 for Greater Manchester community groups who are supporting their communities however they can.

• See more information about Forever Manchester – Community Support Fund.

Crowdfunder

Crowdfunder is waiving their platform and transaction fees for projects raising money to support others during the coronavirus crisis.

See more information about Crowdfunder.

Sport England Community Emergency Fund

Sport England is offering grants of up to £10,000 to help community sport and physical activity organisations which have experienced financial hardship due to Covid 19.

It's specifically targeted at organisations, including those not currently supported by Sport England, who have a role in supporting the nation to be active but who are experiencing short-term financial hardship or the ceasing of operations due to the impact of coronavirus.

The application deadline is 31 July.

- Grants of between £300 and £10,000 are available.
- Currently only one application per organisation will be accepted.

- The criteria and application form are available on Sport England's website.
 - See more information about the Sport England Community Emergency Fund

The National Lottery Community Fund

The Fund announced last week that, over the next six months, up to £300 million of National Lottery funding will be awarded across the UK, to address the current crisis.

The National Lottery Community Fund will give priority to:

- Organisations supporting people who are at high risk from COVID-19.
- Organisations supporting communities most likely to face increased demand and challenges as a direct result of COVID-19.
- Organisations with high potential to support communities with the direct and indirect impact of COVID-19.
 - See more information about the National Lottery Community Fund

Enterprise Relief Fund – Princes Trust

Funding is being offered to help 18-30-year olds from across the UK, who are self-employed and/or running their own company, to keep their businesses afloat during the coronavirus crisis.

The Prince's Trust, in partnership with NatWest Bank has launched a programme offering £5 million in grant funding for young entrepreneurs whose businesses have been affected by the coronavirus outbreak.

The Enterprise Relief Fund aims to help 18-30-year old entrepreneurs keep their businesses afloat during the COVID-19 crisis.

In conjunction with cash grants, the initiative will offer one-to-one support and guidance to anyone who needs it and who may be worried about their future.

Entrepreneurs aged 18-30 who are not eligible for the fund but find their businesses to be affected by coronavirus can contact The Prince's Trust for support. Every young person who gets in touch will be offered personalised one-to-one support to connect with mentors or build their skills.

• See more information about the Enterprise Relief Fund

Clothworkers' Emergency Capital Programme

The Clothworkers' Emergency Capital Programme (CECP) will award small capital grants of up to £5,000, allowing charities to purchase essential items to adapt or increase their services in response to the current Covid-19 pandemic.

Priority will be given to organisations supporting vulnerable and 'at risk' groups.

• See more information about Clothworkers' Emergency Capital Programme

Waste and Resources Action Programme: Covid-19 Emergency Surplus Food Grant

The Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRAP) in partnership with the government has launched a £3.25 million fund to support the operations of not-for-profit food redistributors to ensure that any surplus food can reach people in need or those considered most vulnerable.

The grants can be used to fund costs associated with redistribution such as sorting, storing, freezing, labelling / repackaging food, and onward distribution of food to charities or end beneficiaries.

 To apply or to see more information about the COVID-19 Emergency Surplus Food Grant

Authors' Emergency Fund

Emergency funding for UK authors whose work has been affected by Covid-19 is available from the Society of Authors.

Grants of up to £2,000 can be accessed to support authors, illustrators, translators, scriptwriters and more.

Applications are open to all professional authors who are resident in the UK or British subjects and is set aside for those whose author-related activity makes up a substantial amount of their income.

To apply for the Authors' Emergency Fund

B&M Covid-19 Foodbank Support

Each B&M Bargains store is authorised to provide a local foodbank with a £1,500 donation so they can buy essential groceries, cleaning goods and toiletries. The foodbank needs to be a registered charity and one foodbank per store is eligible.

Email foodbank@bmstores.co.uk with details of your foodbank, stating the registered charity number, the registered address and the full name of the representative authorised to collect the donation. Please also state your preferred nearby B&M branch that you wish to visit. We will then reply on how to access the donation.

See more information about B&M Covid-19 Foodbank Support.