



Community Action Sutton
Building Stronger Communities

**Funding Opportunities
for Voluntary and
Community Groups
during Covid-19**

Edition 2

This funding opportunities booklet has been produced by Community Action Sutton.

This list is not exhaustive and more funding opportunities can be found online, for example at the [Charity Bank](#) and [MVSC](#). Due to the amount of funding opportunities reported here they have been presented in alphabetical order.

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Name of Funder / Funding

ABTA Lifeline

A general fund for those involved in the travel industry, including agents and operators. Applications are being accepted from those facing hardship due to Covid-19.

Amount

None specified but ABTA are able to provide help with replacing essential household items, as well as funds.

Criteria

Those working in the travel industry that are suffering severe financial hardship and can demonstrate that have sought help from appropriate agencies first.

Timeline

None specified.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.abtalifeline.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/5/4/covid19support>

Name of Funder / Funding

BBC Children in Need

Fund for emergency essentials for children and young people in exceptionally difficult circumstances. The fund can help purchase kitchen appliances, children's beds and bedding, and clothing and equipment.

Amount

Not specified but there is a list of goods they will purchase available through the website.

Criteria

Applications must be made by a registered referrer and can only be to support young people up to the age of 18 experiencing crisis or emergency.

Timeline

Applications are processed within 10 working days and families can only apply once within a 12 month period. This is a general hardship fund so will be available after government restrictions are lifted.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.familyfundservices.co.uk/emergency-essentials/>

Name of Funder / Funding

Barchester's Charitable Foundation

Fund for individuals and small groups to improve the quality of life for older people and adults with physical or mental disabilities, where health or social care needs cannot be met by the public sector. Applicants must be aiming to combat loneliness and enable people to be active and engaged.

Amount

Grants range from £100 up to £5,000

Criteria

The focus of the grant must be to support older people aged 65+ and adults 18+ with a physical or learning disability or mental health problem. Individual applicants must be completed by a third party who knows the individual in a professional or community-based capacity.

Timeline

None specified. This is a general grant so will still be available after government restrictions are lifted.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.bhcfoundation.org.uk/who-we-fund-2020-focus>

Name of Funder / Funding

Cash for Kids

Cash for Kids appeal fund is only available for children who have a genuine need for support; those suffering from food and fuel poverty due to the effect of Covid-19.

Amount

None specified.

Criteria

This Cash for Kids appeal encourages applications from a wide range of service providers who support vulnerable children. This will include representatives from social services, school, health professionals, charities and projects that have governance documentation including a constitution.

Timeline

None specified.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.cashforkidsgive.co.uk/emergency-appeals/national/c6dc0bc5-a549-4702-a259-32bbb44fef10/>

Name of Funder / Funding

Charities Aid Foundation

Emergency funding for charities affected by the impact of Covid-19.

Amount

Up to £10,000 per grant

Criteria

Applicants must be UK registered charities, those registered as charitable or not-for-profit entities, unregistered entities and social enterprises which had income of less than £1million in their last financial year.

Timeline

Organisations should be paid within 14 days of application. NOTE: this fund is currently paused, but another round of applications may open in the future.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.cafonline.org/charities/grantmaking/caf-coronavirus-emergency-fund>

Name of Funder / Funding

Cavell Nurses' Trust

For assistance with short-term financial emergencies, essential white goods, travel expenses for medical treatment, mobility aids, home disability adaptations and rent deposits.

Amount

Not specified.

Criteria

Must be a registered or retired nurse, midwife or healthcare assistant, currently experiencing financial hardship and have less than £4000.

Timeline

Not specified

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.cavellnursestrust.org/help-and-advice/apply-for-a-grant/>



Name of Funder / Funding

Fashion & Textile Children's Trust

Grants for parents and carers who have worked in the UK fashion or textile industry and whose household income has reduced as a result of the coronavirus outbreak. To fund items such as clothing, bedding and essential household items.

Amount

Not specified.

Criteria

To apply for an FTCT grant, one parent/carer must have worked in the UK fashion and textile industry, for at least one year within the last nine years.

Timeline

Not specified.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.ftct.org.uk/support-for-families-affected-by-coronavirus>

Name of Funder / Funding

Friends of the Elderly

A general grant for people of state retirement age living in England and Wales on a low income to cover home essentials, digital connection or financial support.

Amount

The average funding amount is £300.

Criteria

Participants are eligible if they are on a low income with savings of less than £4,000 and are not in a residential home. Applications must be made through a third party referral, including through a local authority, charities or health and social care teams.

Timeline

Not a Covid-19 specific grant. Accepting new applications from 1 July.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.fote.org.uk/our-charity-work/grants/>

Name of Funder / Funding

Glasspool

Hardship grants with no particular restriction on the type of beneficiary that is supported by the grant. The organisation are currently accepting request for one item, such as white goods, beds, baby and children needs, and TV licences.

Amount

None specified but there is a specific list of goods they are purchasing for people available through the website.

Criteria

Applicants should, where appropriate, make an application to a Local Welfare Scheme before applying for this grant. Individuals need to be applied for through a charity or community organisation.

Timeline

None specified as this is not a Covid-19 specific grant.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.glasspool.org.uk/grants/grants>

Name of Funder / Funding

Halifax Foundation

Amount

Up to £1000 available, 12-month grant, rolling programme,

Criteria

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the criteria have been broadened temporarily. Halifax will now consider applications from constituted groups not yet registered as a charity with the Charity Commission or HMRC

Timeline

Maximum 4-month turnaround for a decision

Find out more / Apply

<https://supportingcommunities.org/funding-news-1/2020/3/27/covid-related-applications-designed-to-support-the-community-at-this-time-of-crisis-will-be-prioritised-and-turned-around-as-quickly-as-possible>

Name of Funder / Funding

Hospitality Worker Emergency Fund

An emergency fund for hospitality workers affected by coronavirus. A fundraising appeal has been launched to help build a pot of money to give one off payments to those impacted.

Amount

£250 per successful applicant.

Criteria

Targeted at those working in hospitality roles impacted by coronavirus. No further details specified.

Timeline

None specified.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.wearetipjar.com/emergency-fund/>

Name of Funder / Funding

Help Musicians

Fund to alleviate some of the immediate financial measures for professional musicians due to coronavirus. Help is also offered for health interventions.

Amount

A one-off payment of £500.

Criteria

Applicants need to be a professional musician, self-employed or currently unemployed, not currently in full-time Further or Higher Education, and in need of financial help.

Timeline

Recipients will receive a confirmation email or the money transferred to them within 10 days.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.helpmusicians.org.uk/news/latest-news/advice-relating-to-coronavirus-covid-19>

Name of Funder / Funding

Heritage Emergency Fund

Heritage Fund has made £50million available for a Heritage Emergency Fund to support the UK heritage sector as an immediate response to the Covid-19 crisis.

Amount

Grants between £3,000-£50,000

Criteria

Applicants must be:

- a not-for-profit organisation, and
- a current or previous recipient of a grant directly from us, and
- an owner, manager or representative of heritage, or be able to show you have delivered participatory heritage activity

Timeline

Applications will be accepted until 30 June 2020.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/news/coronavirus-update>

Name of Funder / Funding

Independent Age Grants Fund

To help small organisations working with older people who have been hardest hit by coronavirus.

Amount

Up to £15000.

Criteria

Must be a registered charity with an annual income of less than £1million and at least one paid staff member. The charity's work must be directed at older people.

Timeline

Next funding round 8 June – 2 July. Decisions made by 17 July.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.independentage.org/community/grants-fund>



Name of Funder / Funding

Licensed Trade Charity

Hardship grants for licensed trade people who work in pubs, bars and breweries.

Amount

£50 per week for individual, £75 per week for a couple and £100 per week for a family, given for 4 weeks until Universal Credit is received.

Criteria

Applicants need to be claiming all benefits they are entitled to and be working with employers and financial providers to help. Priority will be given who are in most need but applications are still accepted from anyone with 5 years of more experience in licensed trade.

Timeline

Applications processed and paid within a couple of weeks. These will be given initially for 4 weeks.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.licensedtradecharity.org.uk/coronavirus-advice/>

Name of Funder / Funding

Morrisons Foundation - COVID-19 Homeless Support Fund

Morrisons Foundation Trustees have pledged £500,000 towards the Homeless Support Fund. The fund is designed to support charities caring for the homeless during the coronavirus outbreak and ensure help gets to those who need it most.

Amount

Applications will be considered up to a maximum of £10,000, but the emphasis is on smaller amounts to enable as many charities as possible can be supported from the fund.

Criteria

Registered charities that care for the homeless can apply for support to cover three broad areas:

- Outreach and support for rough sleepers, including provision of essentials
- Delivery of services in hostels and shelters
- Information and advice

Timeline

Usually within 14 days

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.morrisonfoundation.com/latest-news/covid-19/>

Name of Funder / Funding

Neighbourly

Funding for community groups who are existing members of the Neighbourly platform who are helping communities affected by Covid-19.

Amount

The fund is launched with support of partner businesses, including those such as M&S and Lidl, and is a series of micro-grants up to £400.

Criteria

Applicants must be existing members of Neighbourly and supporting those suffering economically, socially or from ill health.

Timeline

NOTE: this fund is currently closed due to the volume of applications. It may, however, reopen in the future.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.neighbourly.com/NeighbourlyCommunityFund>



Name of Funder / Funding

Percy Bilton Charity

Grants to individuals in need on low income, who have a serious long-term illness or who are over the age of 65.

Amount

The grants are for essential items, such as kitchen appliances, bed and bedding, cleaning equipment, house furnishings where there is a safety issue, and essential clothing and footwear.

Criteria

Support workers working within the council must apply on their behalf.

Timeline

This is an ongoing fund and so not limited by government lifting restrictions.

Find out more / Apply

<http://www.percy-bilton-charity.org/applyInd.html>

Name of Funder / Funding

Rainy Day Trust

General hardship grants for those who work in the home improvement or enhancement industry. This includes but is not limited to builders' merchants, DIY shops, and garden centres.

Amount

Regular cash assistance of up to £100 a month paid straight into a bank account or to buy essentials.

Criteria

Applicants or their partner must work or previously worked in the home improvement or enhancement industry for at least one year. Those eligible tend to be those who earn less than £20,000 a year before tax but this can depend on where someone lives.

Timeline

Up to £100 a month. This is not a Covid-19 specific fund and so should continue after government restrictions end.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.rainydaytrust.org.uk/get-help/apply-for-help/>

Name of Funder / Funding

Retail Trust

'CaRe 20 – Care for Retail during Covid-19' is a fund to support those working in retail and their families who are facing financial distress as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, particularly those who may be ineligible for government help.

Amount

The plan is to raise £10million for the overall fund, which will also go towards telephone and online counselling for retail workers, upskilling and retaining those facing redundancy or seeking a new role, and online self-help tools.

Criteria

Retail workers and their families at genuine risk of becoming homeless, unable to provide basic essentials, including appliances, to their family or struggling to pay bills. This can include contractors and temporary staff, and those who support the retail industry in supply and distribution.. Applicants need to submit a bank statement, a payslip or tax return, and a Covid-19 document from their employer.

Timeline

None specified.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.retailtrust.org.uk/about-us/news/care20-caring-retail-during-covid-19>

Name of Funder / Funding

Royal Theatrical Fund

Fund for those who have worked in the entertainment industry that have contracted Covid-19 or need to self-isolate.

Amount

None specified.

Criteria

Applicants will need to have worked in the entertainment industry for at least seven years and unable to work due to illness, injury or old age. Applicants must also claim all benefits and grants from the government before receiving the financial support.

Timeline

The first round of applications has closed, although round should open shortly.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.trtf.com/helpandadvice-1>

Name of Funder / Funding

Society of Authors

Fund for authors, including writers, illustrators, scriptwriters and journalists, whose income has been affected by Covid-19.

Amount

Up to £2,000

Criteria

The fund is intended for those whose author-related activities make up a substantial amount of their annual income and is designed for urgent needs.

Timeline

Applicants will usually hear the outcome of their application within four weeks.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.societyofauthors.org/Grants/Grants-for-writers-in-need>

Name of Funder / Funding

SWARM

The Sex Worker Advocacy and Resistance Movement (SWARM Collective) has set up a hardship fund for in-person sex workers who are in, or at immediate risk of, financial crisis as a result of the Coronavirus outbreak.

Amount

Grants flat rate of £200 per person

Criteria

To receive a grant, you must be an in-person sex worker without any savings.

Timeline

Approximately 5 days of application. NOTE: new applications have been paused while more funds are raised. It is hoped that the fund will open in the near future.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.swarmcollective.org/hardship-fund>

Name of Funder / Funding

Tesco Bags of Help

Funding for community services who are supporting vulnerable groups during the crisis.

Amount

A single payment of £500.

Criteria

Funding is typically awarded to organisations whose services have been disrupted, those who require new services to be in place and those who have an increased demand.

Organisations who can apply include community organisations, charities, schools, health bodies, Parish and Town councils, local authorities and social housing.

Timeline

None specified but funds are intended to be paid quickly. NOTE: due to the number of applications the fund has closed in some locations – check the website before applying.

Find out more / Apply

<https://tescobagsofhelp.org.uk/tesco-cv-fund/>

Name of Funder / Funding

The Care Workers charity

Emergency funding for care workers who are taking time off for illness or self-isolation or for funeral costs.

Amount

Those unable to work for one week may apply for £250 and those unable to work for two weeks can apply for £500. If a care worker is responsible for funeral costs of a next of kin, £500 grants may be available. If a care worker has passed, the next of kin may apply on behalf of the family.

Criteria

Applicants must work in a role involved in or supporting the provision of adult, elderly or disabled care. This includes residential social care, domiciliary care and supported living.

Timeline

None specified.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.thecareworkerscharity.org.uk/covid-19-emergency-fund/>

Name of Funder / Funding

The Junius S Morgan Benevolent Fund

Fund for nurses and health care assistants for essential decorating, furniture and furnishings, and possibly also amenity bills.

Amount

Maximum given to any individual in any one year will not normally exceed £1,500.

Criteria

Applicants must have practised for a minimum of 5 years after registration. Carers or student nurses are not eligible. Applications must be supported by someone acting in a professional capacity and include bank statements and savings accounts.

Timeline

This is a general fund and so not impacted by government restrictions being lifted. NOTE: due to a high volume of applications, the fund has been paused. Check the website for updates.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.juniusmorgan.org.uk/grants/>

Name of Funder / Funding

The National Benevolent Charity

Fund for people dependent on zero hours contracts and who have lost their jobs or have had a substantial reduction in income as a direct result of Coronavirus. The aim of the fund is to help people buy food.

Amount

Up to £300 per household.

Criteria

Legal UK resident, over the age of 18. Claiming all benefits that the person is entitled to. On a zero-hours contract or having a reduced income or no income due to coronavirus. Recipients need to submit a copy of a recent monthly bank statement.

Timeline

Up to 10 days to receive payment. No end date specified.

Find out more / Apply

<https://natben.org.uk/emergency-coronavirus-fund>

Name of Funder / Funding

The Young Women's Trust

Fund for young women who are economically vulnerable and their work and earnings are impacted by the coronavirus. The Young Women's Trust is currently asking for donations in order to support this.

Amount

£150 per women. Young Women's Trust has donated £85,000 of its own money and are seeking to raise a further £50,000.

Criteria

Women, 18-30 who are struggling to afford essentials, referred through partner charities: Women's Aid, Women's Resource Centre and Women for Refugee Women.

Timeline

None specified

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.youngwomenstrust.org/emergency-fund>

Name of Funder / Funding

Turn2us Covid-19 Crisis Fund

To support people who have lost their income as a result of coronavirus and to meet their immediate basic household expenses.

Amount

One-off grants of £500 to cover essential living expenses.

Criteria

Those in immediate financial difficulties due to the coronavirus and have less than £1000 in savings or less than £2000 for couples/families.

Timeline

Applications take 10 working days and are paid directly into bank accounts.

Find out more / Apply

<https://www.turn2us.org.uk/About-Us/Our-Campaigns/Standtogether>



Name of Funder / Funding

Wave 2: London Community Response Fund

Amount

Grants of up to £10,000

Criteria

To enable you to meet the immediate needs of communities, from food and essentials, to equipment and additional short-term staff costs

Find out more / Apply

<https://londoncommunityresponsefund.org.uk/apply>

Name of Funder / Funding

Yapp Charitable Trust

Grants for running costs and salaries

Amount

Maximum of £3,000 per year for up to three years.

Criteria

Registered charities with a total annual expenditure of less than £40,000

Find out more / Apply

<https://yappcharitabletrust.org.uk/>

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