

Latest **Grant Funding Opportunities (Date: June 2026 - Issue 2)**

Sector: The Voluntary, Community, Faith and Social Enterprise (VCFSE) Sector

Scope: This funding research focuses on the latest grants available to VCFSE organisations in Suffolk.

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<p>Join the <b>Funding 4 Suffolk Portal</b> that enables Not for Profit organisations in Suffolk (with an annual income below £1 million) to freely search for funding for their projects - <a href="#">register for this free resource</a>. Supported by Suffolk's Local Authorities and Community Action Suffolk.</p>				
<p>The <b>Stronger Suffolk VCFSE Support Programme</b> has been developed in direct response to the challenges highlighted in the State of the Sector report. These include financial pressures, rising demand, workforce and volunteer shortages, and the need for stronger leadership, governance, and organisational resilience. <a href="#">Visit the Stronger Suffolk portal</a></p>				
<p><b>Suffolk County Council / Suffolk Youth Social Action Programme</b></p>	<p><b><u>Youth Social Action Programme – Supporting Young People to Lead Change in Suffolk</u></b></p> <p>Suffolk County Council and partners are inviting VCFSE organisations, schools, colleges and community groups to register interest in supporting a new Youth Social Action (YSA) Programme for young people aged 11–20 (up to 25 for young people with additional needs).</p> <p>Through a series of youth-led Hackathon events, young people will identify issues that matter to them and develop ideas to improve their communities. Some ideas will progress into funded projects.</p> <p>We are seeking organisations interested in joining a trusted network of supporting partners who may be matched with young people to help develop and deliver youth-led projects. This could include providing practical support, safeguarding, local expertise, venues and acting as the accountable body for grant funding.</p> <p><b>Stage 1 Pre-Application – Open Now</b></p> <p>Interested organisations are invited to complete a simple Stage 1 Pre-Application to express interest and help us understand your organisation, community reach and areas of interest.</p> <p>Please note: Completing the Stage 1 pre-application does not guarantee funding or project allocation but enables organisations to be considered when relevant youth-led opportunities emerge.</p>	<p>Project delivery / Youth-led community activity</p>	<p>Typically, £500 – £10,000 (depending on project scope)</p>	<p>VCFSE organisations, schools, colleges and community groups in Suffolk interested in supporting youth-led community action</p>

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	<p>Please email <a href="mailto:YSA@suffolk.gov.uk">YSA@suffolk.gov.uk</a> to find out more and request the Stage 1 Pre-Application form.</p>			
<p><b>Post Code Places Trust</b></p>	<p><b><u>Post Code Places Trust: East of England Round</u></b></p> <p><u>Who can apply?</u> Registered Charities, Community Interest Companies, and Charitable Community Benefit Societies with an annual income between £10,000 and £1 million, with at least three Trustees/Directors.</p> <p>The applying organisation's <u>mission focus</u> is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enabling participation in the arts, or</li> <li>• Preventing or reducing the impact of poverty, or</li> <li>• Supporting marginalised groups and/or tackling inequality, or</li> <li>• Improving mental health</li> </ul> <p><u>Priority</u> may be given to organisations that meet one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applying organisations have an annual income of £250,000 or below</li> <li>• Work in communities located in the top 15% of the English Index of Multiple Deprivation</li> <li>• Organisations whose main activities are focused on supporting marginalised groups. This could include, but is not limited to, disabled people, communities experiencing racial inequity, and LGBT+ people.</li> <li>• Are in areas that have not recently received funding. For this, we will primarily be looking at postcode areas (eg. EHX XXX) that have not received funding in the last 12 months. You can find a list of organisations supported <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul> <p><u>Grant values</u>: up to £50,000 in total over the three years, depending on your organisation's income.</p> <p><u>Grant funding purpose</u>: Unrestricted.</p>	<p>Unrestricted</p>	<p>See main description</p>	<p>See main description</p>

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	<p><u>Application Round 2: Opens: 9am 24th June – Closes: 12 noon 1st July 2026</u>            Application Round 3: Opens: 9am 24th September – Closes: 12 noon 1st October</p> <p><a href="#">Visit the Post Code Places Trust – East of England Round web-portal</a>  <a href="#">Frequently Asked Questions</a></p>			
<p><b>Government Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC)</b></p>	<p><b><u>DHSC Men's Health Fund (England)</u></b></p> <p>Following the governments Men's Health strategy, £3 million (expected to be awarded across 25 projects) aims to support programmes for two groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• men aged 35–59 who are unemployed, economically inactive or facing economic precarity; and</li> <li>• older men (60+) experiencing key life transitions (e.g. retirement, bereavement, relationship breakdown, caring responsibilities etc.)</li> </ul> <p>Project examples given include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peer-support groups</li> <li>• Sports-based initiatives</li> <li>• Gaming projects</li> <li>• Creative arts programmes</li> <li>• Nature-based activities</li> <li>• Faith-based support groups and other community-based, non-clinical interventions.</li> </ul> <p>Round 1: Fund <b>Webinar</b>: Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 10:00 - 11:00 AM, click <a href="#">here</a> to join</p> <p><u>Round 1 Application Deadline: 5pm, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2026</u></p>	<p>Activities / Support Services</p>	<p>£75,000 and £125,00 (split over multiple years) – spent by March 2029</p>	<p>Registered Charity, CIO, Social Enterprise, Community Interest Company limited by guarantee (not shares), Community Benefit Society</p> <p>A minimum of three unrelated trustees or directors</p>

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	<p><a href="#">Men's Health Community Fund - GOV-UK Find a grant</a></p> <p><a href="#">Frequently Asked Questions</a></p>			
<p><b>November charity</b></p>	<p><b><u>November Men's Mental Health Community Fund (England)</u></b></p> <p>Following the governments Men's Health strategy as investment partner:</p> <p>Movember funding envelope (£3 million - split over 15 projects across England): supports projects for young men aged 16–35, with a focus on community-based approaches that strengthen social connection and encourage men to prioritise their mental health – seeking help when needed.</p> <p><u>Group A – Population-based inequity</u> – Young men who face barriers to accessing appropriate support due to factors such as stigma, discrimination, service accessibility, or unmet needs.</p> <p>Examples include (but are not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• gay, bisexual and young men who have sex with men (GBMSM)</li> <li>• young men with disabilities</li> <li>• young men with special educational needs and autism</li> <li>• young men from Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities</li> <li>• young men who are homeless or experiencing housing insecurity</li> <li>• young men living in coastal communities affected by health and socioeconomic disadvantage</li> </ul> <p><u>Group B – place-based inequity</u> – Young men living in neighbourhoods in England that fall within Indices of Multiple Deprivation (MD) deciles 1–5. Please use the IMD Decile Map - Grant Eligibility Checker to confirm whether the areas your Project serves meet this criterion.</p> <p>Information <b>Webinar</b> (<a href="#">registration required</a>), 2pm, Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2026.</p> <p><u>Fund now open, with Expression of Interest deadline: 5pm, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2026.</u></p>	<p>Activities, Projects</p>	<p>between £150,000 and £300,000 for up to three years</p>	<p>Registered Charity, CIO, Social Enterprise, Community Interest Company limited by guarantee (not shares), Community Benefit Society (with a charitable asset lock and clearly defined members</p> <p>All eligible organisations must have a minimum of three trustees, directors, or management committee members who are not related to each other, all aged over 18 years.</p>

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	<p><a href="#">Visit the Movember Grants webpage</a>  <a href="#">Full guidance</a></p>			
<p><b>The Card Factory</b></p>	<p><b><u>Corporate External Community Fund</u></b></p> <p>Registered Charities (annual income below £3million) must be operating within one or more of our three themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Families experiencing financial disadvantage</li> <li>• Hardship and crisis support (acute)</li> <li>• Vulnerable children and young people</li> </ul> <p><u>Fund opens: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026, with a deadline of Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026.</u>  Funding decisions announced: September 2026.</p> <p><a href="#">Visit the Card Factory Community Fund webpage</a></p>	Unrestricted	£10,000	Established Registered Charities with an annual income of less than £3 million
<p><b>Henry Smith Foundation</b></p>	<p><b><u>Supporting racially minoritised young men aged 18–25 in the Criminal Justice System</u></b></p> <p>Our new £2.6 million, Equity in Justice Fund will support the delivery of specialist services to racially minoritised young men aged 18–25 who are in contact with the criminal justice system. We will make 13 grants of £200,000 each, over three to five years. At least half of the fund is ring-fenced for organisations led by and for the racially minoritised communities they serve, where at least 50% of trustees and staff come from those communities.</p> <p>Context: Too many young men face barriers to education, employment and secure housing as they move into adulthood. For those who are in contact with the criminal justice system, those barriers can be even greater.</p>	Revenue	13 grants of £200,000 each, over three to five years.	Registered Charity, CIC, Community Benefit Society providing direct service delivery

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	<p>The right support can make a lasting difference. Someone who shows up whether you are inside or out. Who is still there when you go back in. Who does not disappear when the contract ends.</p> <p>If your organisation works in this space, or you know one that does, visit our fund page to find out more, check eligibility and register for our webinar on Tuesday 23 June, 2pm - 3pm. <a href="#">Book a place here</a>. (check website page for webinar recording).</p> <p><a href="#">Visit the Henry Smith Fondation - Equity in Justice Fund webpage</a></p>			
<p><b>The Sheila Coates Foundation</b></p>	<p><b><u>Rapid Impact Fund (Autumn 2026): Supporting autistic students</u></b></p> <p>We award grants up to £5,000, to mainstream secondary schools and colleges to deliver projects that support autistic students.</p> <p>We are particularly interested in approaches that strengthen collaboration between schools/colleges, autistic students, and parents or carers, ensuring that their knowledge, ideas and aspirations shape decisions to improve and sustain attendance and/or enable students to achieve and thrive.</p> <p><u>Apply between 21th April and 14th July 2026.</u></p> <p><a href="#">Visit the Rapid Impact Fund webpage</a></p>	<p>Activities</p>	<p>Up to £5,000</p>	<p>mainstream Secondary Schools and Colleges</p>
<p><b>Masonic Charitable Foundation</b></p>	<p><b><u>Supporting Children Grants</u></b></p> <p>The Foundation now has rolling grant programmes with no deadlines as follows:</p> <p><u>Children:</u> Early Years (0-5) with a focus on poverty and neglect  <u>Children:</u> Children affected by domestic abuse  <u>Children:</u> Children with Special Education Needs or Disabilities</p> <p>Small grants are for smaller charities whose annual income is between £25,000 - £500,000. They are to fund overhead costs. Small grants range from £1,000-£5,000 per year, for up to three years.</p> <p>Large grants are for larger charities whose annual income is between £500,000 - £5million. They must</p>	<p>Revenue</p>	<p>Small grants £1,000-£5,000</p> <p>Large grants: £10,000-£60,000</p>	<p>Registered Charities (annual income levels see guidance)</p>

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	<p>be restricted to a project. Large grants usually range from £10,000 to £60,000. They can be awarded over one to three years.</p> <p><a href="#">Visit the Masonic Charitable Foundation website</a></p>			
<p><b>The Anchor Foundation</b></p>	<p><b><u>Grants for Christian Charities Promoting Social Inclusion</u></b></p> <p>The Anchor Foundation grants up to £12,000 per year to Christian Charities in the UK or overseas that encourage social inclusion through ministries of healing and the arts. Funding can be awarded for up to three years.</p> <p>The Foundation will consider applications for either capital (equipment) or revenue funding. Only in exceptional circumstances will grants be given for building work.</p> <p><u>The next deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026.</u></p> <p><a href="#">Visit The Anchor Foundation website</a></p> <p><a href="#">Examples of Projects Funded</a></p>	<p>Equipment or Revenue</p>	<p>Up to £12,000</p>	<p>Christian focused Registered Charities</p>
<p><b>The Radcliffe Trust</b></p>	<p><b><u>Grants to support Heritage &amp; Crafts</u></b></p> <p>The Radcliffe Trust awards grants to support the development of the skills, knowledge and experience that underpin the UK's traditional cultural heritage and crafts sectors. This includes support for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emerging craftspeople.</li> <li>• Craft and conservation projects and training.</li> <li>• Projects demonstrating creative outcomes by designer-makers.</li> <li>• Projects with potential for capacity building within the sector.</li> <li>• Special needs projects focusing on the therapeutic benefits of skills development.</li> </ul> <p>There are two application rounds per year.</p> <p><u>Apply now - the next deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026.</u></p>	<p>Revenue</p>	<p>between £2,500 and £7,500</p>	<p>Registered Charities and Not-for-Profits or exempt organisations</p>

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<b>The Radcliffe Trust</b>	<p><b><u>Grants to Support Classical Music Performance &amp; Training</u></b></p> <p>UK charities and not-for-profit organisations can apply for funding to support classical music performance and training especially chamber music, composition and music education.</p> <p>The Radcliffe Trust Music Grants programme generally awards grants in the region of £2,500 to £5,000 and is particularly interested in supporting music for children and adults with special needs, youth orchestras and projects at secondary and higher levels, including academic research.</p> <p>Applications are considered under eight headings: composition and contemporary music; bursaries for courses and summer schools; music therapy/special needs; academic research/projects; youth orchestras; performance projects; educational projects (excluding mainstream primary and secondary schools); and miscellaneous.</p> <p><u>Apply now - the next deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026.</u></p> <p><a href="#">Visit The Radcliffe Trust website</a></p>	Revenue	Between £2,500 to £5,000	Charities and Not-for-profit organisations
<b>Freelands Foundation</b>	<p><b><u>Learning Through Making Fund</u></b></p> <p>UK-based visual arts organisations whose work benefits the public or has a charitable purpose can apply for grants of up to £25,000. The funding is for hands-on visual arts education projects taking place in the UK between 1 January and 31 December 2027.</p> <p>Funding can support materials, transport, specialist expertise, access to facilities, research that tests new ideas through hands-on activity, workshops, events, learning activities, or new hands-on making activities added to existing programmes.</p> <p>Applications are submitted via a one-stage email form. <u>The deadline is 12pm, 11<sup>th</sup> September 2026.</u></p> <p><a href="#">Visit the Freelands Foundation - Learning Through Making Fund webpage</a></p>	Activities / Learning Programmes	Up to £25,000	Registered Charities, Local Authority Galleries or Museums, Charitable organisations based within universities, CICs and Community Benefit Societies

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<b>The D'oyly Carte Charitable Trust</b>	<p><b><u>Grants for Arts, Health &amp; Heritage Projects – Larger Registered Charities</u></b></p> <p>Large charity grants are available for those with an annual income above £5 million.</p> <p>The trust awards grants of between £500 and £8,000 for creative health and heritage crafts projects that improve the lives of disadvantaged people.</p> <p>Activities could include community music-making, arts-based health projects, short breaks for young carers, animal-assisted therapy, horticulture, and projects that use traditional craft skills to support training and employment.</p> <p>Large charity grants: <u>First stage applications must be submitted by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026</u>, with second-stage applications accepted until 5pm 2 October 2026.</p> <p><a href="#">Visit The D'oyly Carte Charitable Trust website</a></p>	Projects	Between £500 and £8,000	Registered Charities or Regulated Exempt Charity with annual income above £5 million
<b>Arts Council England</b>	<p><b><u>Funding for Artists to Develop their Artistic Practice (England)</u></b></p> <p>Arts Council England - Developing your Creative Practice programme is open for applications. Grants of up to £12,000 are available to support the development of independent creative practitioners working in dance, theatre, music, visual arts, literature, combined arts or museums practice. The aim is to offer practitioners the time and space to work on ambitious and innovative research and development opportunities to make a step-change in their practice.</p> <p><u>The next closing date for applications is 12 midday on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2026.</u></p> <p><a href="#">Visit the ACE Developing your Creative Practice web portal</a></p>	Development support	Up to £12,000	Creative Practitioners
<b>The School for Social Entrepreneurs (SSE)</b>	<p><b><u>SSE: Social Enterprise Investment Support Programme</u></b></p> <p>Our Social Investment Gateway Programme, a free 12-month support offer designed to help charities, social enterprises and community organisations prepare for social investment. The work is supported by Access – The Foundation for Social Investment.</p>	Trading development support	See description	Registered Charities, Social Enterprises

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	<p>The programme is aimed at organisations that want to strengthen trading and move closer to being ready for social investment within the next three years. Applicants must be intending to grow their organisation through applying for social investment in that timeframe.</p> <p>There are two types of grants on offer as part of this programme. Applicants can choose one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>A Match Trading Grant of up to £18,000</b> – A grant designed to challenge trade, but that can only be drawn down as trading increases. The Match Trading grant will be drawn down over 12 months in five instalments.</li> <li>• <b>A repayable grant of up to £24,000 (average grant around £22,000)</b>. SSE is piloting repayable grants. There are 10 repayable grants on offer over both rounds. SSE wants to learn how "repayable grants" might help organisations get into social investment and will share the risk with you. The aim is to work with organisations who will learn with SSE.</li> </ul> <p>Eligible applicants are expected to have an active trading model with plans to grow over the next year and an annual income above £100,000, measured as total income rather than trading income. Organisations below that threshold can contact SSE if they consider their trading model ready to proceed.</p> <p>Support includes tailored learning, diagnostic input, peer coaching, investment surgeries and opportunities to meet social investors, alongside help to develop market activity, pricing and sales, financial strategy, systems, governance, impact evidence and risk management. The programme will run from 11 November 2026 to 21 October 2027.</p> <p>The SSE team is running two information sessions. Registration is required: <a href="#">24 June (14:00)</a> or <a href="#">6 July 2026 (11:00)</a>.</p> <p><u>The deadline for applications is Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026.</u></p> <p><a href="https://www.the-sse.org/programme/social-investment-gateway-programme/">https://www.the-sse.org/programme/social-investment-gateway-programme/</a></p>			

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<p><b>The National Lottery</b></p>	<p><b><u>National Lottery Community Fund: Awards for All</u></b></p> <p>Who can apply? Not for Profits, Parish/Town Council, Schools*, Statutory bodies, with a least two unrelated Trustees/Directors</p> <p>Grants are from £300 to £20,000. And can support your project for up to two years.</p> <p>You can apply for funding to deliver a new or existing activity or to support your organisation to change and adapt to new and future challenges.</p> <p>We can fund projects that'll do at least one of these things:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• bring people together to build strong relationships in and across communities</li> <li>• improve the places and spaces that matter to communities</li> <li>• help more people to reach their potential, by supporting them at the earliest possible stage</li> <li>• support people, communities and organisations facing more demands and challenges because of the cost-of-living crisis.</li> </ul> <p>Application deadline: Ongoing. Apply at least 16 weeks before you want to start the activities or spend any of the money.</p> <p><a href="#">Visit the National Lottery Community Awards for All Grant Portal</a></p> <p>Schools* potential projects should be available to the wider community to access and not duplicate statutory services.</p>	<p>Revenue or Capital</p>	<p>Between £300-£20,000</p>	<p>Not for Profits, Parish/Town Council, Schools*, Statutory bodies, with a least two unrelated Trustees/Directors</p> <p>See full guidance re: Asset Lock policy.</p>