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## **FUNDING STREAMS**

<b>Grant</b>	<b>Level of Funding</b>	
Bedfordshire Emergency Coronavirus Fund	Up to £7.5k	Coronavirus implications, revenue or capital project <a href="https://www.blcf.org.uk/bedford/covid-19.php">https://www.blcf.org.uk/bedford/covid-19.php</a>
Bedford Borough Council Support Grant	£10k-25k	Coronavirus implications <a href="https://www.bedford.gov.uk/social-care-health-and-community/public-health/coronavirus/coronavirus-business-advice/business-support-grants/">https://www.bedford.gov.uk/social-care-health-and-community/public-health/coronavirus/coronavirus-business-advice/business-support-grants/</a>
Co-op Community Fund	£300-£2k	<a href="https://causes.coop.co.uk/">https://causes.coop.co.uk/</a> Deadline gets extended regularly, decision window is currently October 2020
Bedford Sports Grant	Up to £200	Individuals or club can apply, for teaching or official qualifications, decisions made monthly <a href="https://bbcdevwebfiles.blob.core.windows.net/webfiles/Business/Sport%20Bedford%20Grant%20Information%20v2%202015%20(2).pdf">https://bbcdevwebfiles.blob.core.windows.net/webfiles/Business/Sport%20Bedford%20Grant%20Information%20v2%202015%20(2).pdf</a>
House of Industry	Up to £20k-£251k	Capital or revenue funding for one emergency purposes. <a href="https://www.bedford.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/advice-and-benefits-grants/grants-for-financial-assist/">https://www.bedford.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/advice-and-benefits-grants/grants-for-financial-assist/</a>
Awards All (England)	Up to £10k	National Lottery grants can include staff costs, training costs, transport, utilities/running costs, volunteer expenses. <a href="https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/covid-19-funding-under-10k#section-3">https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/covid-19-funding-under-10k#section-3</a>

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Harpur Trust	Various levels	Up to £2k for revenue based projects, short application form <a href="https://www.harpurtrust.org.uk/grants-to-organisations">https://www.harpurtrust.org.uk/grants-to-organisations</a>
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Borough Councillor Ward Funds – contact local Borough Councillor, information also <https://www.bedford.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/about-the-council/community-engagement/>

Borough Council Rural Grant Funds - <https://www.bedford.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/advice-and-benefits-grants/grants-for-financial-assist/>

Postcode Community Trust - <https://www.postcodecommunitytrust.org.uk/>

Magic Little Grants - <https://grants.localgiving.org/pct>

Tescos Bags for Help - <https://tescobagsofhelp.org.uk/>

Marston Vale Wind Turbine Community Fund - <https://www.marstonvale.org/wind-turbine>

Bedford Borough Council Town Centre Priority Fund - <https://www.bedford.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/advice-and-benefits-grants/grants-for-financial-assist/town-centre-priority-fund/>

**Community Chest Fund** funding (up to £1,000) core or project funding for established voluntary, charitable organisations and community groups

**Rural Grants Scheme** invites applications for funding from rural organisations or rural Parish Councils and can be submitted at any time, although they are normally considered by the Rural Affairs Committee three times a year, in April, September and January, subject to funds being available. Applications must be submitted by the **relevant Parish Council**.

**The Bedfordshire and Luton Community Foundation** is a grant maker supporting local community groups and charities.

**Reaching Communities** flexible National Lottery funding over £10,000 for up to five years to organisations in England who want to take action on the issues that matter to people and communities.

**Charity Bank** can provide charity loan funding from £50,000 up to £1 million. They invest in organisations that have a social purpose including community groups, registered charities and social enterprises.

**CVS Funding Information** CVS has a page dedicated to Funding Advice. The page features a number of useful workshops for those seeking funding, lists of local, regional and national funders and much more.

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Applications to the **Co-op Community Fund** are accepted from community, voluntary and self-help groups. Grants from £100 to £2,000 are available for anything from equipment to event costs.

**The Dulverton Trust** is an independent grant-making charity and company limited by guarantee. The Trust currently supports a wide range of activities in the categories of Youth Opportunities; General Welfare; Conservation and Preservation.

**Esmee Fairbairn Foundation** funds the charitable work of organisations with the ideas and ability to achieve positive change. Grants are available towards a wide range of work within the arts, education and learning, the environment and social change.

**Foundation East** provides loans of up to £50,000 to enterprises based in Eastern England, who have been unable to obtain funding from traditional sources. Foundation East is also a delivery partner for the 'Start Up Loans for Young People' initiative, offering young entrepreneurs a loan, together with free business mentoring.

**Funding Central** is free website for charities, voluntary groups and social enterprises. The site provides access to thousands of funding opportunities and much more.

The **Flexible Support Grant** fund awards funding to local 'partnerships' who are seeking grants to finance innovative projects that will help to get people back into work.

**Panacea Society** provide grants for projects run by community groups based in, or working for, the benefit of people in the town of Bedford.

**Santander Foundation** provides one-off grants to organisations with charitable status for their work in the UK. There are two grants programmes, both focus on benefiting disadvantaged people and have no deadlines.

**Team BEDS and LUTON** is a County Sports Partnership (CSP) committed to working to increase participation in sport and physical activity across the sporting landscape.

**Sport England** provides grant funding opportunities for sports clubs, voluntary/community groups, schools, colleges and others for projects that fall within one or more of their key strategic aims for development of their approved sports throughout England.

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**Tudor Trust** supports voluntary and community groups working in the UK. It helps smaller, community-led groups which support people who are at the margins of society.

**Wixamtree Trust** makes grants to charitable bodies at the discretion of the Trustees. They focus most of their support on organisations based in Bedfordshire or projects that benefit the people of that county. A small number of national charities with a focus on family social welfare issues are also supported.

## Help with your funding application

**The Voluntary Works Consortium** can provide advice and guidance on how to find funding opportunities for your group and offers support in developing the governance of your organisation, including governing documents, policies, HR issues etc. It can also help with linking potential volunteers with vacancies in your organisation.

Contact:

- [fundingadvice@voluntaryworks.org](mailto:fundingadvice@voluntaryworks.org)
- [development@voluntaryworks.org](mailto:development@voluntaryworks.org)
- [volunteering@voluntaryworks.org](mailto:volunteering@voluntaryworks.org)

## Sports project funding advice

**team BEDS and LUTON** provides advice and guidance with funding applications that relate to the development of sport and physical activity across Bedfordshire and Luton. This work focuses on funding streams available through Sport England. Contact Graham Simpson on 01582 813760 or [graham@teambedsandluton.co.uk](mailto:graham@teambedsandluton.co.uk)

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## Environmental project funding advice

**Groundwork Luton and Bedfordshire** is an environmental charity that works alongside the community to transform places and lives.

Its work is funded from a wide variety of sources and Groundwork works in partnership with local groups, organisations and schools to apply for grants and other funding in order to undertake joint projects.

If Groundwork is involved in delivering a project there will be no charge to partner organisations for preparing funding applications.

Contact Groundwork on 01582 720147 or email [lutonandbedfordshire@groundwork.org.uk](mailto:lutonandbedfordshire@groundwork.org.uk)