The National Lottery Community Fund

Dorset Funding Fair
10 March 2021

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Agenda

1. Our purpose & priorities
2. Our funding offer
3. Who & what we can fund
4. How to apply

Our purpose

We support people and communities to thrive.

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.

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Our vision – People in the lead

People Led

Ensuring the people you work with are meaningfully involved in the development, design and delivery of your work.

Strengths based

Supporting people and communities to build on the knowledge, skills and experience they already have to make the changes they want.

Connected

Demonstrating a good understanding of other activities and services in the community and showing how your proposal will complement these.

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Our approach

- Open to all
- Flexible
- Proportionate
- Conversational

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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

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Our priorities in response to the pandemic

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.

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Our funding offer

Have a look at our website for

National Lottery Awards for All

Reaching Communities & Partnerships

All applications should go through the website unless you have specific communication requirements.

National Lottery Awards for All

- Grants from £300 up to £10,000 for one year
- Can apply at any time (Only one award in any 12 months)
- Applications are online using a response to 1 question
- Decisions typically within 12 weeks

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Reaching Communities & Partnerships

- We can fund individual organisations or partnerships
- Grants from £10,001 or more, 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

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Reaching Communities & Partnerships Application Process

Visit TNLCF website, check eligibility & apply online

Receive acknowledgement and possibly a request for extra information

Decision by the South West Panel and either invited to submit a Full Proposal or receive an unsuccessful email

Meet with your Funding Officer & submit a Full Proposal

Confirm completion of your Full Proposal & await a decision by final Decision Panel

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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

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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

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Safeguarding

If your proposal involves working with children, young people or vulnerable adults, you need to have a policy in place that explains how they'll be safe.

The NSPCC have lots of helpful advice about setting up and following good child safeguarding policies. NCVO also host a number of safeguarding resources.

If we do fund your organisation,
you must comply with our safeguarding policy.

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Reaching Community & Partnerships
If you're successful

Grant set up

- Return your offer letter within one month
- Start your grant within six months

End of year & grant reporting

- How you've involved people from your community
- What difference the funding has made
- What you're learning
- How you're spending the money

https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/managing-your-grant/over-10k

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Questions