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| **Meet our Funding & Development Officer**  |
| Following on from Small Charities Week, this is the perfect opportunity to recognise the vital role that Bexley’s small charities and community groups play in supporting local people.At BVSC we know the challenges facing these organisations (staffing, rising employer NI costs, volunteer retention, funding, and securing space to operate to name a few) and **we are here to help!** We offer 121 support, group training and regularly advocate on behalf of the sector, taking forward the recommendations of this report from Cranfield Trust.To find out more about the support we offer, please contact: *Jamie Kesten:*[jamie@bvsc.co.uk](https://www.bvsc.co.uk/civicrm/mailing/url?u=14807&qid=764269)01322 524 682 (option 4)  |

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| **The Naturesave Trust** |
| The more connected people feel to nature, the more likely they are to take action to care for it.The Naturesave Trust will consider applications for specific projects from charities, social enterprises and grassroots community organisations whose activities are based within the UK.They are looking for grant applications from charities, community groups, and organisations who are working to connect communities to nature through a variety of ways (more information listed on their website). **Deadline:** 10th July 2025 |
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| **The Weaver's Company**  |
| The Weavers Company's charitable work focuses on the rehabilitation of offenders, particularly young offenders, both in prison and after release and helping young people at risk of criminal involvement to stay out of trouble.They are keen to support projects that work with young people (up to 25) from disadvantaged and socio-economically challenged groups to ensure that they are given every possible chance to reach their full potential and to participate fully in society.**Deadline:** 13th November (to be considered February 2026) |
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| **Magdalen Hospital Trust** |
| This trust makes grants to promote the welfare of young people, under the age of 25 who suffer from various effects of social deprivation, abuse,  inadequate housing, lack of education or training, and difficulties with unemployment and broken families.Funding is available for UK Charities working with vulnerable children and young adults, especially those at risk of sexual and other forms of exploitation. It is preferred that the funding is used to fund projects rather than core costs.**When to apply:** Between 1st and 31st of October 2025  |
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| **Barclays Community Sport Fund** |
|  Barclays are creating opportunities   through access to sport. Barclays want to grow participation at   every level and have grants dedicated   to getting more women qualified across   the UK to coach girls’ football at a  grassroots level. Increasing the number of high-quality   female coaches in the girls’ game is   crucial to improving standards, meeting   the increased demand of girls now   playing, and showing girls – through   local female role models – that they   can be involved in football in a variety   of ways.**Deadline:** 22nd August 2025 |
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| **The Movement Fund** |
| Sport England offers funding through grants and crowdfunding pledges of up to £15,000 for physical activity projects in the community. Their main focus is to support projects that match their goal of getting more people active, reducing the number of inactive people and tackling long-standing inequalities.They are especially interested in supporting projects that give opportunities to groups of people who typically haven't had as many chances to be active.**No deadline** |
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| **Deaf & Disabled People's Organisations Fund** |
|  This programme is run by Lloyds Bank   Foundation for small and local charities   and CICs with an income between   £25,000 to £500,000 that are led by   and  working with Deaf and Disabled   people who are experiencing poverty. Organisations can apply for a three-   year unrestricted grant of £75,000. There will be a live webinar (sign up [here](https://www.bvsc.co.uk/civicrm/mailing/url?u=14813&qid=764269)) on 16th July to talk through the   programme including eligibility and the   shortlisting criteria. There will also be a   chance to ask any questions. **Deadline:** 4th September 2025 |
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| **Scottish Power Foundation** |
| The Foundation supports registered charities based and working in the UK for projects that enhance the quality of life in local communities. To be considered, your application must address at least one of the following: * Education, training and research
* Biodiversity and climate change
* Art and culture
* Social Initiatives**Deadline:** 18th July 2025
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| **The National Lottery Community Fund** |
|  The Solidarity Fund is for organisations   dealing with the causes of inequality   (such as poverty, disadvantage and   discrimination). Your organisation’s work must be led   by, and accountable to, people with   lived   experience of the issues you’re   trying to change. They could be your   organisation’s leaders or deeply   involved in your work in other ways.**No deadline** |
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| **Hinrichsen Foundation**  |
| Grants are available for charities and organisations across the UK to deliver music projects that focus on the performance, commissioning, or recording of contemporary music.The Hinrichsen Foundation will support projects and activities that align with The Hinrichsen Foundation's values and objectives for contemporary and experimental music.There is a variety of grants available.**Deadline:** 5th September 2025 |
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| **Big Give's Christmas Challenge** |
|  Due to high demand, the deadline to   apply for Big Give's Christmas   Challenge has been extended!  Big Give’s Christmas Challenge is the   UK’s largest match funding campaign,   doubling donations for seven days from   *#GivingTuesday.***New Deadline:** 5pm, 16th July 2025 |
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| **Morrisons Foundation** |
| The Morrisons Foundation supports registered charities making a positive difference in local communities. Grants are available for capital send or direct project delivery. The Morrisons Foundation prioritises applications from small charities, those with an income of less than £1m, but applications from larger charities are welcome.**No deadline** |
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| **Funding for Health & Welfare Issues** |
|  The Vinehill Trust provides funding to   address underfunded and overlooked   health issues, focusing on projects that   directly benefit individuals and   communities, especially those that are   marginalised or under-served. This funding is for specific initiatives   and projects and is not unrestricted   funding. Applications must align with   The Vinehill Trust’s priorities**No deadline** |
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| **The Thomas Pocklington Trust** |
| The Thomas Pocklington Trust are seeking organisations from within or without the sight loss sector, that have the expertise to deliver significant impact.The focus should be on educational transitions, ensuring that blind and partially sighted people gain the skills, confidence, and experiences they need to move forward in education, training, and employment.**Deadline:** 15th September 2025 |
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| **Black Funding Network** |
|  Black Funding Network are looking for   small, Black-led grassroots   organisations with clear goals, a   compelling story, and a passion for   community impact. You will need to be available to attend   two, online pitch practice sessions as   well as the Autumn Funder event in   September. **Deadline:** 10th July 2025 |
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| **Go! London Funding Opportunity** |
| Grants of up to £40,000 are available for initiatives that encourage young Londoners to get active and access opportunities through sport and physical activity. This funding is available to community organisations that work with children and young people aged 4–24 from low income backgrounds.**Deadline:** 15th September 2025 |
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| **Funding for Relief of Poverty and Hardship** |
|  The Skinners’ Company are funding   grassroots organisations working in   local communities to deliver specific   project. The project themes include:* Families
* Older people
* People with disabilities
* Early years
* Domestic violence

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| **Funding for small Charities** |
| The Fore have unrestricted funding   designed to have a transformational   impact on your whole organisation to   support growth. This grant can be used for any purpose   and the particular focus is on grassroot  organisations who are working with   underserved communities and those   who have struggled to access funding   in the past.**Deadline:** 22nd July 2025 |
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| **VCS Smoking Cessation Grant** |
| Bexley Health Neighbourhood Care CIC (BHNC), are currently offering a small community grants initiative aimed at funding individuals and groups within Bexley’s voluntary, community, and faith sector, to create smoke free spaces, hold smoke free events and promote the stop smoking message amongst their members.For more information, please contact:Natasha CollettPreventative Services Manager [natasha.collett@nhs.net](https://www.bvsc.co.uk/civicrm/mailing/url?u=14849&qid=764269)**Deadline:** 20th July 2025 |

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