

# The National Lottery Community Fund



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# The National Lottery Community Fund



- National Lottery players contribute around £30 million to good causes every week
- The National Lottery Community Fund distributes over **£700m a year** to communities across the UK
- Largest single source of funding for community activities in the UK
- In the London, South and South East region we have 5,561 live grants totalling £1 Billion.

# Our funding in your area – Croydon

Since 2020

**£14.58million of awards over 506 grants**

- National Lottery Awards for All - £4.46million over 351 grants
- Reaching Communities - £7.16m over 27 grants

**116 live grants totalling £12.2million**

- Awards for All funds £1.5m over 86 grants
- Reaching Communities funds £5.3m across 23 grants



# Our funding in your area – Kingston-upon-Thames

Since 2020

**£4.93million of awards over 115 grants**

- National Lottery Awards for All - £781,814 over 57 grants
- Reaching Communities - £2.84m over 17 grants

**29 live grants totalling £2.6million**

- Awards for All funds £360,700 over 20 grants
- Reaching Communities funds £2.3m across 9 grants



# Our funding in your area – Merton

Since 2020

**£6.85million of awards over 142 grants**

- National Lottery Awards for All - £928,830 over 79 grants
- Reaching Communities - £4.3m over 19 grants

**30 live grants totalling £4.8million**

- Awards for All funds £186,200 over 12 grants
- Reaching Communities funds £4.6m across 18 grants



# Our funding in your area – Richmond-upon-Thames

Since 2020

**£7.22million of awards over 191 grants**

- National Lottery Awards for All - £1.6m over 122 grants
- Reaching Communities - £4.2m over 19 grants

**44 live grants totalling £4.5million**

- Awards for All funds £531,400 over 30 grants
- Reaching Communities funds £4m across 14 grants



# Our funding in your area – Sutton

Since 2020

**£5.68million of awards over 164 grants**

- National Lottery Awards for All - £1.29m over 115 grants
- Reaching Communities - £3.84m over 13 grants

**32 live grants totalling £3.1million**

- Awards for All funds £386,700 over 24 grants
- Reaching Communities funds £2.7m across 8 grants



# Our funding in your area – Wandsworth

Since 2020

**£14.12million of awards over 292 grants**

- National Lottery Awards for All - £2.3m over 182 grants
- Reaching Communities - £8.24m over 32 grants

**67 live grants totalling £8.9million**

- Awards for All funds £751,400 over 41 grants
- Reaching Communities funds £6.7m across 23 grants



# It starts with community



Visit the website to see:

[Our Strategy](#)

[Our ambitions for our funding in England](#)

# Our community led-missions



# Funding Available

National Lottery Awards for All  
(£300-£20,000)

Reaching Communities  
(Above £20,001)

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



# Who can apply?

**You can apply if your organisation is a:**

- registered charity
- constituted voluntary or community group/organisation
- not-for-profit company or Community Interest Company
- statutory body such as a local authority, council or school.

**We can't accept applications from:**

- Individuals or sole traders
- 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.

**If not listed, please check our website to see if your organisation is eligible - [www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk](http://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk)**



# What can you spend the money on?

- Organisation running costs
- Equipment & materials
- One-off events
- Staff costs
- Training costs
- Transport
- Utilities
- Volunteer expenses
- Land, building or refurbishment projects



On Reaching Communities we also fund organisational development costs, including cost to help you become more environmentally sustainable

# **National Lottery Awards for All**

**(£300 - £20,000)**

# National Lottery Awards for All

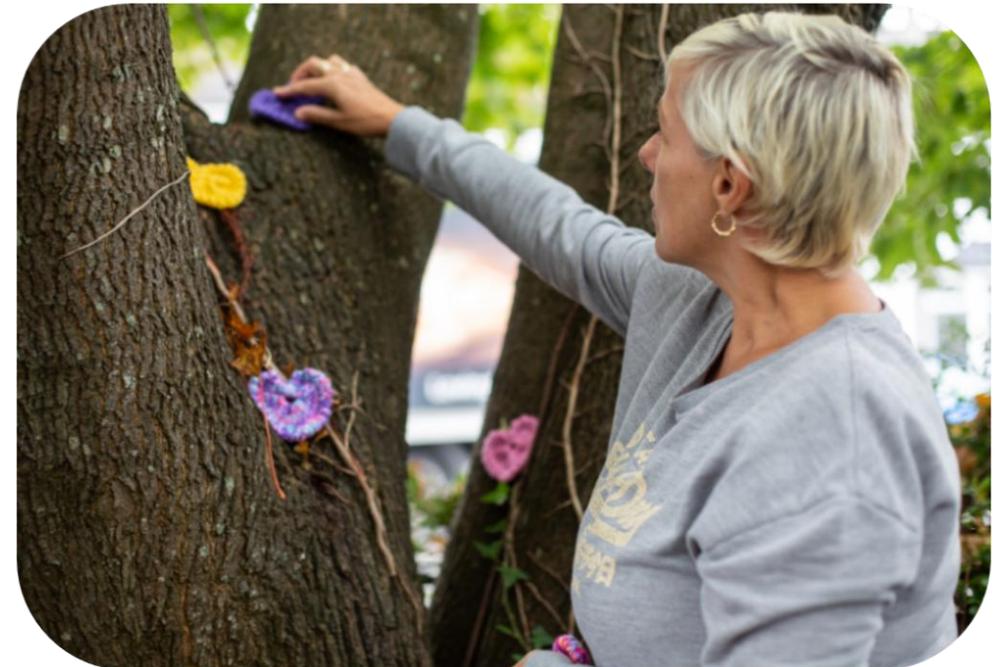


- Grants from £300 up to £20,000 for up to two years
- Can only hold one grant at a time and for a maximum of £20,000 within a 12-month period
- Prioritises groups with lower incomes
- One-stage online application process - apply at any time

Please note, Awards for All is one of our busiest programmes and we are currently experiencing very high levels of demand

We can fund projects that do at least one of these things:

- Bringing people together to build strong relationships in and across communities
- Improve the places and spaces that matter to communities
- Help more people to reach their potential, by supporting them at the earliest possible stage
- Support people, communities and organisations facing more demands and challenges because of the cost-of-living crisis



- 1. What would you like to do?**  
(50 - 300 words)
- 2. How does your project meet our funding priorities?**  
(50-150 words)
- 3. How does your project involve your community?**  
(50-200 words)



# National Lottery Awards for All

# Environment

## National Lottery Awards for All England - Environment.

This funding stream has been designed specifically for applicants that support communities to meet our environment mission.

We can fund projects that do at least one of these things:

- Help people connect with and care for nature in their area.
- Make a positive difference to the environment.

Please note you cannot hold both an Awards for All and Awards for All Environment grant. [For full information please see our web page.](#)



# **Reaching Communities (over £20,001)**

# Reaching Communities

- Grants over £20,001, running for up to 5 years
- Two-stage application process
- Applications are online with other formats available
- Requests should be proportionate to organisation's income and experience





We will fund projects that:

1. Support places, people or communities experiencing poverty, disadvantage or discrimination
2. Support people and communities to shape the decisions that affect their lives
3. Align strongly with at least one of our missions

# Priority 1

# Supporting those most in need



To do this we will prioritise:

- Places with higher levels of poverty, disadvantage or discrimination
- Communities that are least set up to help and support people
- Projects or organisations supporting people or communities experiencing poverty, disadvantage or discrimination.
- Projects that work to address barriers to participation

## Priority 2

# Supporting communities to shape the decisions that affect their lives

To do this we will prioritise projects that involve your community. For example:

- Meaningfully involving the community in designing, developing and delivering your project
- Your organisation being run and led by people with personal experience of the issues you help deal with
- Supporting people to influence decisions that affect them
- Communities having real control over things that are important to them



## Priority 3

## Our Missions

We will also prioritise projects that fit best with at least one of our missions

### Come together

by providing inclusive places, spaces and activities. Especially for communities where people are least able to come together

### Help Children & Young People to Thrive

by developing positive social and emotional skills

### Tackle Health Inequalities

by addressing the conditions in which people live, work and grow

### Be Environmentally Sustainable

by engaging with climate issues and having a positive environmental impact. And improving access to quality natural spaces

There are four questions, each with a word limit of 750 words

1. What would you like to do?
2. Who will benefit from your project?
3. How does your project support people and communities to shape the decisions that affect their lives?
4. Why are you the right organisation to do this work?





If your proposal is invited to the next stage, we will ask you to submit the following:

- A more detailed project plan
- Financial information about your organisation
- A project budget

A member of our funding team will work with you make sure we have all the information we need to make a decision.

On average it takes around 9 months to get our funding.

## Grant set up

- Return your offer letter and recent bank statement within one month
- Start your grant within six months
- Grant induction meeting, explaining our terms & conditions.

## 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

[Find out more about managing your grant](#)



# Other Funding in England



- We will be launching other funding programmes in the future. These are all detailed in [our vision for funding in England](#)
- We will also be developing a [new Partnership Approach](#) in England to help deliver our strategy
- To get updates please visit [News](#)

# Questions

# Contact us

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