

High Street Fundraising – Retail, Banks & Service Providers

Tesco Fruit and Veg Grants

Tesco have now closed their Stronger Starts programme and replaced it with this scheme open to schools, registered charities and not-for-profit organisations to improve access to healthy and nutritious food. Up to £1,500 is available, with customers deciding the allocation of £500, £1,000 and £1,500 to three chosen charities with blue tokens in instore boxes.

Selco Builders Warehouse Community Heroes 2026

UK charities, community groups and not for profits that benefit their local community can apply monthly between April and November with three winners selected each month to receive either the 1st prize of £2,000 or the 2nd and 3rd prize, both of £1,000, to spend at their local Selco on building materials. In November all the winners are put into a final public vote with three cash prizes of unrestricted funding of £15,000, £10,000 and £5,000. [There is a short form to complete online](#). The nearest SELCO Builders Warehouse is in Kingston.

[The Ladbrokes Coral Trust](#) supports a wide range of charitable causes in which the shops and businesses of Ladbrokes Coral Group Plc operate. Ladbrokes has around 3,500 outlets across the UK. Please note the funding is generated from the profits of gambling.

The categories most commonly given grants are as follows:

- Healthcare – medical research/treatment, hospice services, support/treatment for the physically challenged and impaired and mental health (the majority of the Trust's grant-making is made in this area)
- Education – research/support services for those with learning difficulties, specialist support in deprived areas, sports facilities for the physically challenged and impaired
- Community – projects for people experiencing homelessness and aged, social activity projects for those at risk, animal welfare and environment projects.

To apply, contact your nearest Ladbrokes Coral outlet and ask if the outlet will support a request for a grant from the Ladbrokes Coral Trust. Coral has one shop located in the borough in Richmond Town centre. A [shop locator is available at the link here](#). Please note that the Trust does not maintain a website.

Fine & Country Foundation Small Grants

Small grants are available to homeless charities, poverty prevention schemes and housing associations. Registered charities that support the prevention of homelessness, care of the homeless or constructive projects to get homeless people off the streets permanently can apply for up to £3,000. They operate two grant periods a year, opening in March and October. To begin an application, organisations must request to be nominated for a grant by a local Fine & Country representative. There are branches in Barnes, Richmond and Twickenham. If the Fine & Country location agrees to nominate your charity, an application form can be downloaded and submitted. Section One of the form will need to be completed by the Fine & Country representative. Once submitted, you should be contacted within two weeks to confirm receipt and to request any additional information required.

Megan's £1K Fridays

Every Friday Megan's chooses one charity nominated by their guests and donates £1,000 to support their work in the local community. The scheme has already donated £200,000 nationally. [To nominate a charity complete the simple form here](#). They also have a donation and charity partner scheme linked to local restaurants. There are branches in Richmond and Twickenham. [Suggest a local good cause here](#) and they will do their best to support you.

Bentley Advancing Life Chances National Fund is a new fund that Bentley, the luxury car brand, launched in March 2026. It provides grants of between £2,000 and £4,000 to support charitable organisations working with vulnerable, disadvantaged or under represented communities. The funding is available to organisations working within a radius of one of their 17 Bentley retailer sites or their HQ and manufacturing site in Crewe. One of their sites is in central London. The funding programme has four focus areas of Access, Empowerment, Quality of Life, and Better Future. There will be two funding rounds in 2026. Round 1 opens on 30th March and closes on the 11th May 2026. Round 2 opens 13th July and closes on the 14th September 2026.

ASDA Foundation has a range of grants to support grassroots organisations delivering support in their communities. This includes thematic grants that change in response to current need. Information about current schemes can be found on their website which is regularly updated. The three grant programmes for 2026 are:

- **Young Futures Fund** - improving mental health and wellbeing for teens (13-18 years) to help build better futures, offering £500 - £1,000 (decisions pending – Winter 25/26 funding round closed in January 2026)

- **Local Community Spaces Fund** - supporting grassroots community groups to transform spaces at the heart of their local community, offering £10,000 - £20,000. Applications open Spring 2026 (closing date 28th April 2026)
- **Foodbank Fundamentals Fund** providing food distributors with essential provisions and equipment necessary to sustain and enhance their services for disadvantaged members of the local community. Applications open Autumn 2026.

There are local stores in Twickenham, Roehampton, Kingston and Hounslow.

Screwfix Foundation is a grant giving charity with a clear purpose to support projects that improve, repair and maintain homes and community facilities used by those in need by reason of financial hardship, sickness, disability, distress or other disadvantage throughout the UK. Up to £5,000 is available with quarterly deadlines. The deadlines for 2026 are the 10th of February, May, August and November.

Making a Difference Locally is a scheme established by NISA, a buying organisation for independently owned convenience stores. Through the sale of own brand products, funding is generated to support local communities. Each store owner decides where they want the funding to go and it can be local or national charities they support. There is an [enquiry form here](#) for you to send an initial enquiry. Ideally, connect your request to your nearest NISA store. There are Nisa Local stores in Barnes, Hounslow, Twickenham and Hampton.

The Blakemore Foundation is part of The Blakemore Group which is a family-owned food and retail business that has divisions spanning across retail and distribution. It owns 263 SPAR shops including sites in Kingston and Hounslow. The Foundation offers three types of grants, all of which have a value of £200 and include monetary donations and in-kind fund donations.

Alpkit Foundation

From the makers of outdoor and camping equipment is a grants programme that encourages care for the environment and opportunities to enjoy the outdoors. They are particularly interested in projects that:

- encourage responsible outdoor activity
- have long lasting benefits and introduce new people to the outdoors
- demonstrate value for money.

Grants are for individuals, community groups, schools and organisations, to encourage people to get outdoors and have great experiences that otherwise might not happen.

There are no deadlines and the trustees meet every two months to consider applications. They ask that organisations apply at least three months before the start of the activity they are applying for. [Visit their website](#) for lots of inspiring examples of projects and activity they have supported.

[Home Instead](#) is the UK's leading provider of home care. There is a Richmond borough office in Teddington. They had a review and have decided as of December 2025 to no longer accept unsolicited funding applications. A new process has been devised and will focus on using the Home Instead network of local offices to highlight and champion applications from community groups and local charities. If you are seeking funding you now need to [contact your local Home Instead office directly](#) to discuss your project or organisation. Further information about how to apply for a grant can be found [here](#).

[Co-op Local Community Fund - applications to reopen Spring 2026](#)

There are Co-op shops in Twickenham (Richmond Road and Hampton Road) and Teddington (Kingston Road). You can become a member for free and this entitles you to a range of benefits, including being able to nominate local good causes. Every time you shop at a Co-op, 1% of what you spend on own brand products and services goes to the Co-op Local Community Fund. Combined with the levy on carrier bags, this is distributed to local good causes based on nominations from members. There are regular funding rounds and members can also nominate through their own individual membership account.

[Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation - Small Change Big Difference Fund](#)

Funding is available for registered charities in the UK working to reduce poverty and improve the health of disadvantaged people. Organisations nominated by Yorkshire Building Society's (YBS) members and colleagues will receive donations of between £250 - £2,500 to support initiatives that benefit vulnerable groups - including children, the seriously ill, the elderly, the homeless, and people with disabilities. Funding can be used for projects or items that make a positive difference, such as sensory toys for children with special needs, social activities for the elderly, or staff training for programme delivery. Priority will be given to organisations with an annual income of under £100,000, and those working in areas of deprivation. The nomination must be made by a member of Yorkshire Building Society (YBS), ie. somebody who banks or has a financial product with YBS, or a staff member of YBS. The deadlines for 2026 are 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December.

[Leeds Building Society Charitable Foundation](#)

Alongside the Foundation's purpose of supporting those in need of a safe and secure home, applications must meet one or more of the following funding criteria:

- financial stress
- security and refuge
- quality and sustainability of housing.

Their large grants scheme is only applicable to organisations in Yorkshire and the North East of England. The small grants scheme provides grants of up to £2,500. UK registered charities with an income of under £500,000 are eligible. They will fund core project and/or capital costs. The panel meets quarterly and you can apply online. You do not have to be a customer of Leeds Building Society to be eligible. You can apply throughout the year but the 2026 deadlines are 2 March, 1 June, 7 September and 2 December.

Hall and Woodhouse Community Chest funding supports the improvement of facilities and the lives of residents in the local communities in which they are based in. Mainly situated in Dorset and Devon, they do have pubs in London including The Eel Pie in Twickenham. Grants of £300 - £3,000 are available for organisations delivering activity to and supporting the following:

- youth work and activities
- sports and social clubs
- older people and people with disabilities
- health and social care
- local arts and culture
- conservation and the environment.

It is an annual funding cycle. The next application window will open in 2026.

easyfundraising allows you to receive a percentage from your supporters' purchases online by registering your cause with [easyfundraising](#). Once registered, all your supporters have to do is register with easyfundraising and select your charity as their chosen cause, before shopping as normal with many well-known retailers on the [easyfundraising site](#). Every online purchase they make helps to support your work. Many local charities are signed up and really see the benefits. Include your involvement in your email footer and promote it via your communications.

BURG-WÄCHTER is Europe's largest safe and post box manufacturer and awards security kit packages worth £150 to £200 to community projects or organisations including:

- scout groups
- local sports groups, eg. cycling or football club
- after-school clubs

- healthcare community programmes
- events for children or OAPs
- village activity
- town/village charity.

As long as the initiative is run by or supports the local community, and you have a specific security need, you are welcome to apply. Successful applicants will each receive a tailored security kit to help secure property, premises, equipment or storage areas up to the value of £200. There is no deadline to apply, this is a continuous rolling programme.

Cook Community Kitchen Scheme

The purveyors of high-quality home cooked meals offer a 30% discount on their entire range of food to community event organisers. Since the scheme was introduced, hundreds of voluntary and community organisations have taken up the opportunity and found that it reduces stress and frees up time to support the social aspect of their events. Your event must cater for at least 20 people and you must be happy to share pictures and stories from the event. You have to collect the food from your local COOK shop. To find out more go to your local store. There are COOK shops in Teddington, Barnes, East Sheen, within Squires at Twickenham and Surbiton.

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