



# The National Lottery Community Fund

Meet the Funder  
Humber

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# Agenda

1. Our funding offer in England
2. Who & what we can fund
3. How to apply
4. Our New Strategy “It starts with community”



African Caribbean  
Community  
Association

## The National Lottery Is.....

- The largest funder for community activities in the UK.
- Players contribute around £30 mil good causes every week.
- TNLCF distributes around £600mil across the UK per year
- In Y&H around 42.5m was awarded last year.

# Our community-led missions

## Our missions

Supporting communities to tackle the challenges they face, strengthening our grass roots. We've set four community-led missions where we will focus funding, learning and efforts.



Communities are healthier



Communities are connected



Communities help children and young people to thrive



Communities are environmentally sustainable

Our funding has always supported these areas. Now we're going further, bringing renewed focus to make a bigger impact.

Our 2030 strategy.

Aim to give focus create greater Impact

These are

supporting communities to

- Come together
- To be environmentally sustainable
- To help C&YP to thrive
- To enable people to live healthier lives.

# Focus on grassroots community

We have listened and reflected to what the community have fed back

For Awards for All

We have double the size of grant £300-£20,000 for up to 2 years.

This is the biggest change in National Lottery funding for a generation.





# 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 A4A



- £300 up to £20,000 for up to 2 years (only one grant per 12-month period)
- Prioritises groups with smaller incomes
- Applications must show meaningful community involvement in planning and delivery of work
- Cannot apply to other programmes for the same project over the same period if awaiting decision
- Applications are on-line, with 3 basic questions with a decisions typically within 16 weeks

Music in  
hospitals  
and care



SolCafe

## RC and Partnerships

- We can fund organisations or partnerships
- Grants over £20,000, running for up to 5 years
- Can apply at any time Applications are on-line

### Will fund:

- 1 Direct costs / project related costs
- 2 Organisational development
- 3 Core / fixed costs or capital



# Our current funding priorities



Ideas that

**Build Stronger Relationships**

Bring people together, strengthening relationships reducing loneliness



**Shared and sustainable places and spaces**

Shaping places that matter, like a park, community center, or online network



**Early action to prevent problems and tackle inequalities at an early stage**

We support activity that empowers people to thrive, addressing problems to improve potential

# Our funding principles



## Putting Communities First

Ensuring the *people you work with are in the lead of finding solutions to problems in their community*, ensuring the people 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.

# Who can apply?



You can apply if your  
Registered charity

Constituted voluntary or community organisation

Not-for-profit company or CIC

Local authority, council or school

**We can't Fund**

Individuals or sole traders

Companies who pay profits to directors, shareholders  
based outside the UK

One organisation applying on behalf of another

If there are less than 2 independent trustees or directors

Not married, civil partnership, long-term relationship,  
living at the same address, or related by blood

# Reaching Communities & Partnerships – how to apply

Apply online

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/>

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 your community helped shape this idea
5. How it fits with local activities
6. Who will benefit & difference you'll make
7. How much money you need & what you'll spend it on
8. How long you need the money for



# Safeguarding



If you work with adults or children at risk, you will need a safeguarding policy to show how you intend to protect them.

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.



**Questions?**