

There is a range of funding available at both a local and national level to support organisations and individuals affected by the Coronavirus. General information on all aspects of the crisis including links to the most up to date Central Government information, can be found via [Hertfordshire County Council's coronavirus pages](#).

**Grants Online** <https://www.grantsonline.org.uk/coronavirus.html>

Grants Online have pulled together a comprehensive and regularly updated list of funding opportunities specifically related to supporting organisations through the pandemic which can be accessed on their website without a subscription.

**Herts Sports Partnership** <https://sportinherts.org.uk/app/uploads/2020/04/Covid-19-Relief-Funding-NEW.pdf>

HSP have produced a funding newsletter which is extremely useful and can be found on their website. It includes information on local authority funding alongside other local, national and sport specific funding.

### Local Funding

**HYOC2020 Enabling Fund** [www.creativehertfordshire.com/resources/year-of-culture-2020](http://www.creativehertfordshire.com/resources/year-of-culture-2020)

Small grants of up to £300 to support the delivery of HYOC2020 projects in socially distant ways. Further information and an application form can be found on Creative Hertfordshire.

**Hertfordshire Community Foundation** <https://www.hertscf.org.uk/coronavirus>

Grants of up to £10,000 for community organisations that have adapted their services to support people now and are looking to longer term need as a result of the pandemic. These grants must be spent by 31st March 2021.

Partnership grants up to £20,000. Groups are encouraged to work together and share proposals for larger bids that will see organisations coming together to meet specific emerging needs. Priority for funding will be given to organisations delivering against the areas of need listed on the HCF [website](#) with particular support given to groups reaching out to new clients who may not have needed their services before the outbreak of Covid19. The final deadline for applications is 15th September 2020.

**HCF Workforce Development Grants** <https://www.hertscf.org.uk/hcft-workforce-development-grants>

Grants of up to £2,000 are now available for learning and development in voluntary and community organisations in Hertfordshire. HCC Adult Care Services are funding this grant scheme for VCS organisations that provide adult social care in Hertfordshire. The grants are managed by HCF Training and Development and can be used to support workforce development, training, coaching, equipment and costs associated with accreditation. For more information and to check your eligibility, visit the [website](#).

**Hertfordshire County Council Locality Budget** <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/about-the-council/how-the-council-works/locality-budgets/locality-budgets.aspx>

You can apply to your local county council directly if you are a local organisation who is offering support to those affected by the coronavirus.

**Crowdfund Hertfordshire:** <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/programmes/crowdfund-hertfordshire>

Crowdfunder are working with a number of partners across Hertfordshire, helping to make great ideas happen through a combination of expert crowdfunding coaching, events and grants. They are looking to support not-for-profit organisations working with local communities in Hertfordshire that aim to make communities stronger, more connected, capable, active, safer, fairer and more inclusive. For any queries relating to these funds please contact Hertfordshire Community Foundation at [ana.siewniak@hertscf.org.uk](mailto:ana.siewniak@hertscf.org.uk)

## **Crowdfund Hertfordshire: Small Business Innovation Fund**

**<https://www.visithertsbusiness.co.uk/get-involved/crowdfund-hertfordshire-small-business-innovation-fund/>**

Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership and Visit Herts are working in partnership to offer small and micro businesses within the tourism, leisure, hospitality, retail, arts and cultural sectors the chance to unlock match funding to help overcome the challenges of Covid-19. The £200,000 Hertfordshire LEP fund will be administered by Visit Herts. Participating businesses will raise money for their project through pledges from their community and loyal customers. Once a business secures their target, successful applicants will be able to unlock between £2,000 - £5,000 in match-funding. To qualify, your business will need to be located in Hertfordshire and be a micro or small business primarily operating in tourism, leisure, hospitality, retail, arts or culture sectors. You will need to demonstrate that your business has been affected by Covid-19 and how you would use the funding to adapt your current business to either operate during lockdown, or to adjust to post lockdown measures as well as clearly demonstrating that the adjustments you intend to make will help protect jobs directly within your business.

Locally you can find information and support for your organisation via your local **Council for Voluntary Service**. You can also find out about volunteering opportunities to support others across the County via **#TeamHerts**.

## **National Funding**

**Grants for the Conservation of Wildlife and the Environment <https://hdhwills.org/grants/>**

Monthly grants are made to support the conservation of wildlife and the environment by the HDH Wills 1965 Charitable Trust. The Trust makes grants of between £250 and £500 (sometimes up to £5,000) to general, environmental and wildlife charities, so long as they are registered with the Charity Commission of England and Wales or they are exempt or excepted charities (within the meaning of the Charities Act 2011). Supported charities will be small in size or be applying for support for a modest project, such that the grant will have a meaningful impact. There are no deadlines, grants may be made towards revenue, capital or project expenditure and email, postal or online applications are accepted.

**Funding to Help Musicians Affected by the Coronavirus**

**<https://www.helpmusicians.org.uk/creative-programme/current-opportunities/do-it-differently-fund-covid-19-round>**

Grants of £3,000 are available to help professional musicians aged 18 and over with no significant backing, who are finding their health, and performance and teaching commitments affected by the Coronavirus. The Covid-19 round of Help Musicians' Do It Differently Fund offers a bespoke package of funding and expert advice, including wellbeing and development services, to help musicians adapt and sustain their music through specific projects or activities during this period of isolation. This might include new ways to distribute music, build online presence, reshape current business plans or refocus on creative ambitions. Groups of 6 members or less can also apply. There will be multiple rounds of the Fund over the next three months but applications can only be made once. The deadline for applications for this round is 5pm on the 14th September 2020.

**Comic Relief Change Makers Programme** <https://www.comicrelief.com/funding/funding-opportunities/change-makers/>

In the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic, Comic Relief has launched a new funding programme to support changes in the way which community and voluntary sector organisations work. Funding of between £150,000 and £600,000 will be available for projects lasting up to 3 to 5 years. The focus is on work in areas that are of particular interest to Comic Relief. This includes addressing homelessness, forced migration, gender justice, mental health, and early childhood development. Organisations will be able to apply in one of two categories. Grants for small and medium-sized organisations that focus on equalities and are user-led; and grants for medium-sized organisations. 20% of the available funding is ring-fenced for efforts led by and working with BAME communities. The deadline for applications has been extended from the 28th August 2020 to 12pm on the 25th September 2020.

**Theatre Artists Fund** [www.uktheatre.org](http://www.uktheatre.org)

The fund has been set up to provide emergency support for theatre workers and freelancers who remain out of work. The fund has reopened as of 27 August 2020 following a donation of £1m from the Arts Council.

**The Arts Council Culture Recovery Fund** <https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/culture-recovery-fund-grants#section-1>

Arts Council England has announced that round 2 of its Culture Recovery Fund has opened for applications. The fund will make grants of between £50,000 to £3 million to cultural organisations that were financially stable before Covid-19, but are now at imminent risk of failure. The type of organisations that can apply include Cultural organisations (both profit and not for profit); local authorities; universities and public sector bodies based in England. The closing date for applications for round two is 12 midday on the 4th September 2020. Visit the [website](#) for information on this and other available funding.

**BBC Children In Need COVID-19 Next Steps Grant** - <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/grants/covid-19-funding-streams/>

The BBC Children In Need Next Steps programme will open for applications from 10 June 2020. The Next Steps programme is our response programme designed to deliver support for children and young people affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible organisations will be able to apply for up to £80,000 for projects commencing in September 2020. These grants can last up to 18 months. The current programme is now closed but further rounds will open in July and October.

**Esmée Fairbairn Collections Fund** <https://www.museumsassociation.org/collections/esmee-fairbairn-collections-fund>

The Esmée Fairbairn Collections Fund, run by the Museums Association, funds projects which develop collections to achieve social impact. Museums, galleries and heritage organisations from across the UK can apply for a grant of between £20,000 and £120,000 for a project lasting up to three years. The next deadline for the Collections Innovation and Engagement Grants is 14th September.

**Music for All <https://musicforall.org.uk/apply-for-funding/>**

Grants of up to £2,500 are available to UK based community groups and schools who would benefit from a “helping hand” to bring music to their community and fulfil their potential in becoming truly sustainable music programmes. The funding can be put towards musical instrument costs, workshops/training, using music to break down barriers, providing a variety of educational opportunities as well as helping to find ways to integrate many diverse and minority groups positively into society. Funding of up to £500 is also available to individuals who do not have the means to access musical instruments and lessons. Due to the Coronavirus crisis, the deadline for applications has been extended to the 1st November 2020.

**North Star Project (artist support for applications and advice)**

**<https://www.middlechildtheatre.co.uk/2020/04/03/get-help-applying-for-emergency-funding-with-the-north-star-project/>**

The New Diorama have always worked to support the best artists and companies through difficult times – now, in this moment of crisis, they want to throw support open to whoever needs it across the sector. They are offering a suite of support for artists and companies through COVID-19 and its affects.

**Grocers' Charity <http://www.grocershall.co.uk/index.php/charity/memorial/>**

Financial support for UK-registered charities, with the selection of recipients being regularly reviewed in line with a policy to support specific areas of need. The relief of poverty (including youth poverty) and help for the disabled usually take priority, with medicine, the arts, heritage, the Church and the elderly also designated.

**The Art Fund Respond and Reimagine Scheme <https://www.artfund.org/supporting-museums/programmes/respond-and-reimagine-grants>**

UK public museums, galleries, historic houses, libraries and archives can apply for grants of up to £50,000 to help them respond to immediate challenges connected to the Covid-19 crisis, and to adapt and reimagine ways of working in the future. Through the Art Fund's Respond and Reimagine Scheme grants are available to provide immediate practical support connected to reopening such as staffing, equipment, training, or planning for future activities, and to provide opportunities for organisations to help them adapt for the future.

If you know of any other opportunities that should be included in this list, please let us know at [hyoc2020@hertsmere.gov.uk](mailto:hyoc2020@hertsmere.gov.uk)