

Funding for Travellers

This document is a collection of potential funding opportunities for those organisations involved in the support of Travellers.

The text on each potential funding body is compiled from extracts from their respective websites at the date stated in the document's filename.

Some of the funding opportunities listed below were closed at the date of the searches. If they are closed permanently then they have been omitted, but those that are likely to re-open later in the year have been included.

This document is not meant to be exhaustive, nor complete. It is a snapshot of the most relevant funding opportunities at that particular time.

Allen Lane Foundation

<http://allenlane.org.uk/our-funding/>

The Allen Lane Foundation is interested in funding work which benefits people in the following groups, or generalist work which includes significant numbers from more than one such group:

- Asylum-seekers and refugees (but not groups working with a single nationality)
- Gay, lesbian, bi-sexual or transgender people
- **Gypsies and Travellers**
- Migrant workers
- Offenders and ex-offenders
- Older people
- People experiencing mental health problems
- People experiencing violence or abuse

Some examples of the kind of activities which might be suitable for funding are:

- Provision of advice or information
- Advocacy
- Arts activities where the primary purpose is therapeutic or social
- Befriending or mentoring
- Mediation or conflict resolution
- Practical work, such as gardening or recycling, which benefits both the provider and the recipient
- Self-help groups
- Social activities or drop-in centres
- Strengthening the rights of particular groups and enabling their views and experiences to be heard by policy-makers
- Research and education aimed at changing public attitudes or policy
- Work aimed at combating stigma or discrimination
- Work developing practical alternatives to violence

The average award is around £5,000-£6,000. You can apply for funding to a maximum of £15,000 – but this is generally only offered to larger organisations.

Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust

<http://www.jrct.org.uk/rights-and-justice>

JRCT is concerned that the rights of vulnerable and marginalised communities in the UK are being eroded, particularly Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) communities, migrants and refugees. They believe that equality and human rights play a vital role in protecting the most vulnerable and in turn benefit the whole of society. They need to grow public support and

empathy for the rights of vulnerable racial and religious minorities, to hold governments to account and to strengthen the hand of those advocating with and for these communities.

Funding priorities:

1. Protection and promotion of equality and human rights and their enforcement in the UK
JRCT welcomes applications for:

- policy advocacy and campaigning to protect and promote equality and human rights for the most vulnerable
- the provision of accurate information and analysis about human rights and equality to inform decision-makers and the wider public
- holding government and public bodies to account for their implementation of equalities and human rights commitments
- awareness raising of equality and human rights amongst the broader public
- work to develop new voices in the human rights and equality sphere and to create connections between human rights and economic justice issues.

2. Promoting rights and justice for minorities who face the most severe forms of racism
JRCT welcomes applications from civil society organisations that tackle injustices faced by racial and religious minorities, in particular, by Muslim communities, **Roma, Gypsies and Travellers** across Europe. This includes:

- monitoring and advocacy for legislation and policies to promote rights for these communities
- activities to promote political empowerment, in particular, amongst and led by women within these communities
- efforts to build solidarity amongst advocacy organisations and between advocacy organisations and wider civil society
- work to challenge ideologies and movements that encourage racism and xenophobia and tackle attitudes and policies that deny equal treatment for vulnerable minorities.

3. Promotion of rights and justice for refugees and other migrants by identifying and tackling root causes, structures and systems that may deny them their rights
JRCT welcomes applications to strengthen the ability of migrants to assert and defend their rights through:

- support for alliance building and grassroots organisation, including engagement with non-traditional allies
- advocacy and campaigning to prevent the abuse of migrants' rights
- promoting access to justice through civil society organisations which spread knowledge of migrants' rights and judicial procedures and embed advances in the enforcement of rights.

Other factors

JRCT focuses on work at both a national and European level, although work at a European level is limited and must have direct relevance to communities living in the UK. Funding for European work related to refugees and migrants is primarily channelled through the European Programme on Integration and Migration.

Whilst their focus is to support national advocacy and campaigning, the Trust is open to applications which aim to effect structural change at local and regional levels of policy-making, provided the applicant can demonstrate the wider significance of the work. Across the policy, JRCT places an emphasis on supporting those who have direct experience of racism and oppression.

Specific exclusions

In addition to the Trust's general exclusions, JRCT will not fund:

- work related to specific aspects of equality: age, disability, gender, sexual orientation
- work concerned with relationships between communities rather than tackling structural injustices
- service provision or training projects.

The next deadline for applications to the Rights and Justice programme is Monday 12 December 2016. Please note that they have split deadlines for our programmes - for further information see: <http://www.jrct.org.uk/when-to-apply>

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation

<http://trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/>

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation gives grants for running costs or one-off capital costs to charities and not-for-profit organisations.

In July 2008, the Trustees reviewed its grants policy and decided to concentrate on projects addressing Rural Issues and Urban Deprivation.

Rural Issues:

They accept applications from organisations which are addressing issues in rural areas. 'Rural' in this context means cities, towns, villages and areas with 10,000 or less inhabitants which are classified in the latest government Indices of Multiple Deprivation as being in the most deprived 50%. They are interested in, for example, projects providing transport for the elderly, disabled or disadvantaged; contact networks for the young disabled; projects which encourage a sense of community such as community centres and village halls; employment training schemes especially those promoting local, traditional crafts; projects addressing issues such as drug/alcohol misuse or homelessness.

Deprivation:

They will accept applications from local or national charities or not-for-profit organisations which are working with residents of urban areas (i.e. more than 10,000 inhabitants) which are classified in the latest government Indices of Multiple Deprivation as being in the most deprived 20%. They are interested in, for example, youth clubs; training schemes to help people out of unemployment; drop in centres for the homeless.

Applicants must clearly show in their application how their project fits into one or both of these categories.

Within these overarching themes, they are interested in three areas:

Community Support

For example: work with young people; community centres; support for carers; older people's projects; help for refugees; family support; community transport; sports projects; rehabilitation of ex-offenders; alcohol and drug misuse projects; domestic violence prevention and aftermath.

Disability and Healthcare

For example: projects in deprived areas for people of all ages with physical and/or sensory disabilities; support for people with mental health issues; hospices.

Arts, Education and Heritage

For example: arts projects for people with disabilities; performance or visual arts with a clear and strong community impact; alternative education projects; supplementary teaching; heritage projects in marine or industrial areas which involve local people and have a demonstrable community benefit.

In the financial year 2014-15 they received 1,140 applications and made 342 grants. The average grant was:

- Large Grant was £24,474
- Standard Grant £7,276
- Small Grant £2,905

They are accepting Large and Standard Grant applications for the Grants Committee meeting scheduled for mid-February 2017. They will probably close the list for this meeting in late December, but this will depend on the number of applications they receive between now and then.

Small Grant applications can be made at any time through the year and will receive a final decision within 6 weeks.

Tudor Trust

<http://tudortrust.org.uk/>

Tudor makes grants, and provides other types of support, to voluntary and community groups working in any part of the UK. They particularly want to help smaller, community-led organisations which work directly with people who are at the margins of society: organisations which support positive changes in people's lives and in their communities.

Many of their grants go towards core organisational costs such as salaries and day-to-day running costs. As well as core funding they can also provide project grants, capital grants for buildings or equipment and grants to help strengthen your organisation.

There is no maximum or minimum grant, although in practice it is unusual for us to make a grant of less than £10,000 Most grants are made over one, two or three years.

Tudor doesn't have specific funding programmes. Their focus is on smaller forward-looking groups, led by capable and committed people. Some of the other characteristics they are looking for include:

- **Organisations working directly with people who are at the margins of society**
- A focus on building stronger communities by overcoming isolation and fragmentation and encouraging inclusion, connection and integration
- Organisations which are embedded in and have developed out of their community – whether the local area or a 'community of interest'
- High levels of user involvement, and an emphasis on self-help where this is appropriate
- Work which addresses complex and multi-stranded problems in unusual or imaginative ways
- Organisations which are thoughtful in their use of resources and which foster community resilience in the face of environmental, economic or social change

Tudor has no deadlines - they make grants on a rolling basis and so you can apply at any time.

Tudor's trustees are also particularly interested in supporting smaller, under-resourced organisations: in their experience smaller organisations are particularly well-placed to deliver positive change because they know their communities and can be highly responsive to need, providing an individualised and holistic response to the people they support. The best smaller-scale organisations also encourage participation and inclusion and contribute to the resilience of communities by offering opportunities for connection and engagement.

They are therefore much more likely to fund groups with an annual income of less than £1 million. In practice the majority of the organisations we support are much smaller than this: last year over 80% of their grants went to groups with an annual income of less than £500,000. If you are from a larger organisation and want to discuss whether it is worth making an application please call the Information Team on 020 7727 8522 for advice.

Henry Smith Charity

<http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/WhatWeFund-Revenue.html>

Applications can be made for Revenue funding i.e. projects and organisational running costs.

Priority is given to work with groups experiencing social and/or economic disadvantage (people with disabilities, for example) and to work that tackles problems in areas of high

deprivation (by which they mean those that fall within the bottom third of the National Indices of Deprivation).

Through our Main Grants Programme they make Revenue grants in the categories listed below:

Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME)

Culturally appropriate services for Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic communities; including those that promote integration and access to mainstream services.

Carers

Advice and support; including respite services for carers and those who are cared for, and educational opportunities for young carers.

Community Service

Support services for communities in areas of high deprivation; including furniture recycling projects, debt advice services and community centres.

Disability

Rehabilitation, support services, training and advocacy for people who are disabled; this includes people with learning disabilities as well as physical disabilities.

Domestic and Sexual Violence

Advice, support and secure housing projects for families affected by domestic violence or sexual violence. Perpetrator programmes can be considered where organisations have secured, or are working towards, Respect accreditation. We are particularly interested in services which can demonstrate their outcomes measurement such as data collected through the CAADA Insights programme.

Drugs, Alcohol and Substance Misuse

Rehabilitation and support services for people affected by, or at risk of, drug and/or alcohol dependency, and projects providing support to their families.

Family Services

Support services for families in areas of high deprivation.

Homelessness

Advice and support services for homeless people and those at risk of homelessness.

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender

Advice, support and counselling services for people who are Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual or Transgendered.

Mental Health

Advice and support services for people experiencing mental health problems, and projects that promote positive mental health.

Older People

Residential, health and emotional support services, such as befriending services and the running costs of day care centres. Priority will be given to projects in areas of high deprivation and those where rural isolation can be demonstrated.

Prisoners and Ex-offenders

Rehabilitation and resettlement services for prisoners and/or ex-offenders; including education and training projects that improve employability, and projects that provide support to prisoners' families.

Prostitution and Trafficking

Advice and support services for sex industry workers; including advice on housing support and personal health, escaping exploitation and exiting prostitution.

Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Advocacy, advice and support services for refugees and asylum seekers, and projects that help promote integration.

Young People

Projects and services that help maximise the potential of young people who experience educational, social and economic disadvantage; including young people in, or leaving, care.

They only make grants for core funding.

In 2015 the average grant size through our Main Grants Programme was £79,000, usually spread over two or three years.

Yapp Charitable Trust

<http://www.yappcharitabletrust.org.uk/>

They make grants for running costs to small registered charities in England and Wales to help sustain their existing work. They only offer grants for core funding to registered charities with a total annual expenditure of less than £40,000 who are undertaking work that focuses on one of their priority groups:

- Elderly people
- Children and young people aged 5 – 25
- People with physical impairments, learning difficulties or mental health challenges
- Social welfare - people trying to overcome life-limiting problems of a social, rather than medical, origin (such as addiction, relationship difficulties, abuse, offending)
- Education and learning (with a particular interest in people who are educationally disadvantaged, whether adults or children)

Grants are normally for a maximum of £3,000 per year and they will fund for up to three years.

Awards for All, England

<http://www.awardsforall.org.uk/england/index.html>

Awards for All, England offers grants for projects that improve communities, and the lives of people within them.

There are the four Awards for All outcomes. You must show how your project meets at least one of them to be considered for a grant.

- People have better chances in life – with better access to training and development to improve life skills.
- Stronger communities – with more active citizens working together to tackle issues within the community.
- Improved rural and urban environments – which communities are able to better access and enjoy.
- Healthier and more active people and communities.

They will fund activities that benefit the community, including:

- hosting an event, activity or performance;
- purchasing new equipment or materials
- running training courses
- setting up a pilot project or starting up a new group
- carrying out special repairs or conservation work
- expenses for volunteers, pay for workers and professional fees
- transport costs.

Awards for All offers grants of between £300 and £10,000 for grassroots and community activity that aims to improve life for local people and neighbourhoods. It doesn't have a deadline and you can apply at any time.

It is their most popular grants programme so we will prioritise groups with smaller incomes. Due to high demand on the programme, organisations that have a large annual income may not be able to get funding through Awards for All.

You can apply to Awards for All England if you are a community or not-for-profit group, parish or town council, health body, or school. You do not need to be a registered charity to apply. You must have a bank account that requires at least two people to sign each cheque or withdrawal.