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This weekly guide provides information on the funding options for private individuals who wish to donate funds to organisations tackling the COVID-19 pandemic in the UK.

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NPC GATHERS DATA ON VULNERABLE GROUPS

There are large amounts of data available from government and official sources, which describe the health and economic vulnerability of places and communities.

NPC has taken that data and built tables to show where these vulnerabilities lie: the tables are accessible to charities and funders. They help to show the places that are currently suffering the most from Covid-19, and those that have underlying risk factors—such as age, health and the economy.

Currently, the data is currently calculated according to the number of local charities in a local authority per 1,000 people. However, this is only the start and there are many more useful sources of data that could be added to the data set.

NPC wants to include more funder data, plus data on charities, mutual aid groups and social enterprises. NPC would also like to explore demand data from charities, to better understand what they are experiencing on the ground and to set that against the official figures. It can only do this with the support of others who have relevant data. If your organisation can support, [please get in touch](#).

<https://www.thinknpc.org/resource-hub/covid-19-data/>

NCVO LAUNCH GUIDANCE FOR TRUSTEES

The coronavirus pandemic has presented charity boards with the challenge of making critical decisions over service provision, operations and sustainability. Last month NCVO set out the [key questions trustees needed to think about](#). This advice has been updated this month to reflect the changing situation..

Next Thursday afternoon, as part of the webinar series on coronavirus and the sector's response, NCVO will be running a webinar for trustees, entitled '*Governing during a pandemic, what are the key things trustees need to be focused on?*'. The session will provide practical tips on key issues trustees should be consider and signposting to useful resources to help trustees navigate this uncertain time. The webinar will cover:

- What trustees should focus on right now
- Top tips for how this can be achieved remotely
- Key legal and regulatory updates
- How to begin to plan for the future

https://booking.ncvo.org.uk/training/event_series/ncvo-webinar-governing-during-a-pandemic-what-are-key-things-trustees-need-to-be-focused-on



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LONDON COMMUNITY RESPONSE FUND – WAVE 2

The London Community Response Fund (LCRF) has moved from its Wave 1 programme of small emergency grants to Wave 2. Wave 2 has two funding streams:

- **Crisis response** – grants of up to £10,000 to enable you to meet the immediate needs of communities, from food and essentials, to equipment and additional short-term staff costs;
- **Delivering differently** – grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 to enable you to change the way you deliver your work to ensure it continues to meet the needs of your communities, from switching to digital channels to redeploying staff to boost your capacity at a time of increased demand. In some circumstances we may consider grants above £50,000 but there must be a strong rationale in your application for this.

In Wave 1, which offered small emergency grants, LCRF was able to award 100 grants from over 800 applications.

There will also be a Wave 3 dedicated to sector sustainability.

LCRF fund was launched by London Funders, with backing from City Bridge Trust and the Mayor of

London, to provide coordinated funding to support groups responding to the needs of London communities affected by the CV19 pandemic.

There is an open-access portal for community organisations to apply for funding.

Grant applications are assessed by the grant assessors of the aligned partners. Once approved the aligned funders have 48 hours to fund a project before it is sent to the unrestricted funders for consideration.

Pooling their information means the grant assessors can determine if organisations have already passed due diligence screening by any aligned funder, enabling swift processing of applications.

The London Community Response Fund is currently hosting expert groups covering the following themes:

1. Advice
2. Arts and culture
3. Children and young people
4. Domestic abuse and violence against women and girls
5. Equity and inclusion
6. Food
7. Homelessness
8. Infrastructure (civil society support)
9. People at risk
10. Refugees and migrants

<https://londoncommunityresponsefund.org.uk/>



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360GIVING COVID TRACKER

360Giving Covid Tracker registered a total of £12.85 million on 30th April.

The data captures funding from 28 funders and 835 recipients.

The Covid Tracker uses the 360 Giving data standard to determine how much money is going toward COVID-19 responses from funders.

When submitting data to the platform, funders can tag their donations with the label "COVID-19" to allow 360 Giving to track the total.

Additionally, 360Giving has updated its data visualisation to support collaboration through the pandemic. The tools allow funders to see which recipients they share with other funders.

<https://covidtracker.threesixtygiving.org/>

ACF MEMBER SURVEY

Findings from ACF's member survey show 61% of charitable foundations are realigning grants or setting up new funds in response to COVID-19. ACF estimates that this will release a further £750 million of funding to tackle coronavirus.

Key findings from the report:

- 92% of responding foundations say they are being more flexible about reporting and payment schedules for grants
- 61% are already realigning grants, or setting up new funds
- 43% are planning to allow grantees to convert restricted funding into unrestricted
- 38% are inviting grantees to request advance payments to ease their cashflow
- 22% are advocating on behalf of those affected by the crisis

<https://www.acf.org.uk/news/covid-19-the-crisis-in-charities-and-the-response>



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HOUSE OF LORDS DEBATE CHARITABLE SECTOR

On Thursday 30th April, 66 members of the House of Lords spoke in a debate considering the fundraising and organisational challenges faced by the charitable and voluntary sector during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Lord Addington commented on the importance of supporting the sector not only during the crisis, but as we exit it as well. He welcomed the financial input from Government so far but emphasised that the £750 million input covers only 18.7% of the estimated £4 billion loss to the sector, a motion supported by other members.

Baroness Prashar echoed the sentiment that the Government's response has been inadequate thus far given the scale of problems being faced by charities. She called on the Government to work with funders, regulators and philanthropists to provide leadership and support, as well as actively creating a climate where giving can thrive. She reminded members that philanthropists can act as catalysts to mobilise networks and local communities, but charitable giving cannot fill the £4 billion gap. Therefore, Government must put in place future measures and approaches to help the sector adapt and focus on new ways to meet the funding gap which will be required in the future.

<https://hansard.parliament.uk/lords/2020-04-30/debates/7C721552-0014-4B93-913C-A33F56ED7049/CharitableAndVoluntarySector>

NHS CHARITIES TOGETHER RAISES £50 MILLION

The NHS Charities Together has now raised over £83 million, including £32 million donated in response to Captain Tom's fundraising effort and £5 million from the Duke of Westminster.

NHS Charities Together is the legal entity that channels voluntary funding to the NHS. Funds raised are being distributed equitably across the NHS Trusts and Health Boards to support the health and wellbeing of NHS staff above and beyond NHS provision, providing:

- Counselling to NHS staff
- Technology to connect patients, staff and volunteers to loved ones
- Access to nutritious food and drinks and comfortable spaces for staff to take breaks
- Partnership funding to hospices, community health and social care organisations

The organisation is continuing to raise funds and has launched a COVID-19 Urgent Appeal that will be spent on:

- Urgent response grants
- Social care partnership grants
- Recovery grants

<https://www.nhscharitiestogether.co.uk/covid-19-urgent-appeal-qas/>



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CAF CORONAVIRUS BRIEFING

In a UK-wide pulse survey of charities and donors CAF has identified that one in four charities has seen an increase in demand for their services and only 42% believe they will be able to operate beyond 12 months in their current form.

https://www.cafonline.org/docs/default-source/about-us-publications/caf-report-coronavirus-how-charities-and-donors-are-reacting.pdf?sfvrsn=15276c47_2

CAF OFFERS COVID-19 PHILANTHROPY HUB

CAF's COVID-19 Philanthropy Hub offers information and resources to individual donors. It includes examples of organisations working across the following themes:

- 1. Homelessness**
[Crisis](#), [Centrepoint](#), [Shelter Cymru](#), [Homeless Network Scotland](#), [Thames Reach](#), [Groundswell](#) and [The Passage](#)
- 2. Mental health**
[Mental Health Foundation](#)
- 3. Vulnerable elderly populations**
[London Irish Centre](#), [Crisis Aid](#)
- 4. Vulnerable children and young people**
[WellChild](#), [Feeding Britain](#), [NSPCC](#)

- 5. Foodbanks**
[Trussell Trust](#), [FareShare](#), [Oasis UK](#)
- 6. Domestic violence**
[Chayn](#), [Women's Aid](#)

<https://www.cafonline.org/my-personal-giving/long-term-giving/covid-19-and-caf-philanthropy>

TPW GLOBAL COVID-19 RESOURCES

The Philanthropy Workshop has compiled a summary of global COVID-19 Resources for philanthropists including resources, articles and thought leadership.

<https://tpw.force.com/s/covid-19-resources>

BIG SOCIETY CAPITAL RESOURCE HUB

Big Society Capital has a COVID-19 Resource Hub on Good Finance website covering:

1. Social investors respond to COVID-19
2. Funding and investment guidance
3. A guide for navigating funding possibilities through COVID-19
4. Voluntary, community and social enterprise sector guidance
5. Operational guidance and support
6. Webinars and pro-bono support



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- 7. Connectivity and remote working resources
- 8. News and opinions
- 9. Get in touch

<https://www.goodfinance.org.uk/covid-19-resource-hub-charities-social-enterprises>

NPC'S GUIDE FOR PHILANTHROPISTS

Publishing *How Philanthropists Should Respond To Coronavirus*, New Philanthropy Capital has provided insight on how different sectors will be affected across:

- 1. Elderly care
- 2. Financial security
- 3. Young people
- 4. Education
- 5. Mental health
- 6. Disability
- 7. Prison and rehab
- 8. Sexual harassment and domestic violence
- 9. Housing and homelessness
- 10. Children in care
- 11. Discrimination
- 12. Refugees
- 13. Arts and culture
- 14. Medical funding

These themes highlight the breadth and depth of the crisis and provide a useful framework for those considering thematic funding.

<https://www.thinknpc.org/resource-hub/coronavirus-guide/>

GROWTH IN THE NUMBER AND RANGE OF COVID-19 APPEALS

In the last two weeks, the breadth and scale of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the non-profit sector has started to become apparent. Across the sector non-profits are facing an increase in demand for their services at the same time as they adapt to the new operating environment and face a fundraising freeze.

In the last weeks, many more non-profits have launched appeals specifically in response to COVID-19. Efforts to match funders with organisations have also increased.

There are now a number of resources that list sources of funding. Some of these include appeals as funders seek co-funders to increase flows to specific themes.

- **COVID-19 Funder Toolkit from the Charity Excellence Framework.**

The toolkit now lists more than 550 funders and includes a search function that allows searches by region and theme.

<https://www.charityexcellence.co.uk/>

- **Directory for Social Change Coronavirus Funding Updates**





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Offering daily updates as new funders launch grant schemes.

<https://www.dsc.org.uk/content/coronavirus-funding-updates/>

- **Locality**

This national network for community organisations is listing the funding options that are available to its membership.

<https://locality.org.uk/services-tools/resources/coronavirus-covid-19-information-and-support/covid-19-funding/>

- **Creative Scotland**

Offering a resource directory for the creative industries.

<https://www.creativescotland.com/resources/professional-resources/covid-19-directory>

- **FundsforNGOs**

This New York based organisation is monitoring global funding initiatives to tackle the pandemic.

<https://www2.fundsforngos.org/listing/grant-opportunities-to-tackle-the-coronavirus-outbreak/>

We have included a few examples on the following pages of appeals that highlight the range of responses to the pandemic.

ELDERLY CARE

Bring Joy Foundation has a Keep Busy, Keep Active campaign for elderly people living in isolation due to lockdown and is fundraising for additional income so the grants programme can be re-opened to support more lonely and isolated seniors during this very difficult time.

justgiving.com/campaign/homeisolation

Age UK is aiming to raise £10 million to cover:

- expert advice through a free advice line
- friendship services, including a 24-hour helpline
- more funding to over 130 local Age UKs

<https://donate.ageuk.org.uk/public/donate.aspx?content=coronavirus-b&maxy=b>

FINANCIAL SECURITY

Trussell Trust has launched an information hub for Coronavirus and Food Banks to provide information on what is happening in food banks across the country. The trust is encouraging financial donations.

<https://www.trusselltrust.org/coronavirus-food-banks/>

FareShare has a £150,000 target to support its work to deliver food to vulnerable people.

<https://fareshare.org.uk/help-us/>



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Hospitality Workers Emergency Fund supporting hospitality workers on zero-hours contracts not supported by government schemes.

<https://www.weareripjar.com/emergency-fund/>

The **Care Workers Charity** is raising £1 million in extra funds to support with hardship grants for care workers who need to self-isolate as a result of exposure to coronavirus.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/coronaviruscareworkersfund>

The Licensed Trade Charity has launched a £25,000 appeal to support workers in the drinks industry with hardship funding and advice.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-the-together-we-can-campaign>

The Drinks Trust has launched the COVID-19 Relief Fund for workers who have lost their jobs as a result of the pandemic. Applicants received a fixed amount of £250.

<https://www.drinkstrust.org.uk/cv19-fund>

retailTRUST and the British Retail Consortium have joined forces to raise £10 million for retail staff who are facing financial distress as a result of the coronavirus pandemic. The CaRe20 – Caring For Retail During Covid-19 campaign aims to raise funds to provide financial, emotional, physical and vocational support to retail workers who may be ineligible for government support during the health emergency.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/CaRe20>

Hospitality Action's COVID-19 Emergency Appeal will provide one-off payments to hospitality workers. It is also offering mortgage, rent and mental health advice. <https://www.hospitalityaction.org.uk/blog-and-news/2020/march/housing-and-mental-health-advice-during-the-coronavirus/>

Fashion and Textile Children's' Trust is making grants to help parents and carers who have worked in the UK fashion or textile industry and whose household income has reduced as a result of the coronavirus outbreak. Support includes essential clothing; equipment or bedding; children's bedroom furniture; essential White Goods; specialist items for children with additional needs.

<https://www.ftct.org.uk/support-for-families-affected-by-coronavirus>

ABTA Lifeline is appealing for support for their severe financial hardship fund, they have already received £20,000 from the Martin Lewis fund and need more to support affected travel industry workers with emergency food vouchers, financial advice and mental health support.

<https://www.abtalifeline.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/11/3/corona-virus-support>

Rainy Day Trust helps those from the home improvement industry who are in financial distress with grants and advice and are appealing for more help as the industry contracts and lays off workers.

<https://www.rainydaytrust.org.uk/donate/>



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Neighbourly has launched an appeal for a £500,000 fund to support a series of micro-grants of up to £400, for organisations in UK and Ireland whose work involves supporting members of the community suffering economically, socially or from ill health as a result of the outbreak. They are working with partner businesses M&S, Lidl, Aldi, Danone and Coca-Cola European Partners who have contributed about half of the fund and seeking more donations.
www.neighbourly.com/NeighbourlyCommunityFund

YOUNG PEOPLE

The Childhood Trust has launched the Champions for Children campaign to help London-wide charities raise funds to support over 100,000 disadvantaged children and families affected by the global crisis. The £2,500,000 campaign provides unrestricted funding to support young people and children’s charities as they seek to repurpose or recover their services and regain resilience in order to deliver support where it is most needed
<https://www.childhoodtrust.org.uk/champions-for-children1>

Cash for Kids has launched a COVID-19 appeal to make grants available to vulnerable and low-income families with children to cover basic essentials such as food and heating during the COVID-19 crisis. Donors

can choose the geographical area they would like to support. <http://www.cashforkids.uk.com/appeal/>.

Children in Need has an Emergency Essentials programme supporting children and families in crisis. <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/changing-lives/stories/an-update-on-covid-19-from-our-ceo/>

EDUCATION

The **Education Endowment Foundation** has launched an appeal to support schools and charities to:

- Ensure no child goes hungry
- Provide practical guidance and resources for home learning
- Catch-up teaching for children at risk of falling behind

<https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/news/supporting-schools-through-the-covid-19-crisis-eef-and-sunday-times-launch>



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Buttle UK is appealing for funds for its **Chances for Children** programme which will target educational activity and stimulus in the home environment, establishing and maintaining internet access and household essentials.

<https://www.buttleuk.org/news/buttle-uks-covid-19-response>

MENTAL HEALTH

Missing People is seeking additional support to keep its 24/7 Helpline open. The organisation is facing increased demand as people experience new challenges linked to COVID-19. Children from abusive or unsafe homes or adults with mental health issues in particular feel trapped and see their only option is to run away.

<https://www.missingpeople.org.uk/latest-news/1117-missing-people-response-to-coronavirus.html>

The Royal Medical Benevolent Fund has made an urgent appeal for funds to provide mental health support to doctors who are on the frontline of the COVID-19 effort.

<https://rmbf.org/donate/urgent-coronavirus-appeal/>

Samaritans has launched an emergency appeal to keep helplines open.

<https://www.samaritans.org/support-us/fundraising-appeals/samaritans-emergency-appeal-coronavirus/>

WOMEN AND GIRLS

Smallwood Trust has announced a partnership with Glasspool Charity Trust that will distribute essential needs grants directly to women on low incomes via community partners whilst also appealing for funds to continue to support women in need in Scotland.

<https://www.smallwoodtrust.org.uk/smallwood-trusts-response-coronavirus-outbreak>

Rosa has launched a £250,000 Emergency Response Fund to support specialist women's organisations across the UK across a range of issues including mental health, domestic abuse, employment issues and family rights.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/emergency-response-fund-for-the-womeno39s-sector>

Young Women's Trust has launched Young Women's Emergency Fund targeting £50,000 to provide relief payments to vulnerable young women aged 18-30 who are facing acute financial hardship as a result of the pandemic.

https://www.youngwomenstrust.org/what_we_do/media_centre/press_releases/1116_emergency_fund_launched_for_young_women



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HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

CEO Sleepout, which fights homelessness and poverty, has launched a Community Volunteer Groups Emergency Fund to provide cash grants to local community volunteer groups across the UK that are responding to coronavirus measures, such as bringing essential supplies to those who are isolating alone. Once the Emergency Fund has raised £2,500, it will begin distribution of funds.

<https://ceosleepoutuk.com/>

Shelter has launched an Emergency Coronavirus Appeal to increase the number advisers on its telephone and web chat lines.

https://england.shelter.org.uk/donate?reserved_appeal_code=20200318-IG-01

Crisis has launched a Homelessness Emergency Fund to keep their own services open and to fund other charities and services that provide homelessness shelter and support.

<https://www.crisis.org.uk/get-involved/in-this-together/>

Landaid is tackling youth homelessness and is appealing for funds to provide grants of up to £10,000 for immediate relief from the impact of COVID-19 to provide food, a safe spaces to isolate, money to pay the bills, and vital mental health support, as well as to support front-line key workers and helps keep them safe. <https://www.landaid.org/apply-funding>

ARTS AND CULTURE

Make a Difference Trust has launched the COVID-19 Emergency Assistance Fund offering financial assistance to entertainment professionals who are facing hardship as a result of the pandemic.

<https://makeadifferencetrust.charitycheckout.co.uk/covid-19-emergency-assistance-fund>

The **British Film Industry** has partnered with the **Film & TV Charity** for the COVID-19 Film and TV Emergency Relief Fund. Netflix is providing matched funding of £1 million. The fund will support workers and freelancers affected by the closure of productions.

<https://www.bfi.org.uk/news-opinion/news-bfi/announcements/covid-19-film-tv-emergency-relief-fund>

Spotify COVID-19 Music Relief is seeking to match \$10 million to support verified organisations around the world that provide financial relief to musicians. In the UK, the funds will be directed to PRS Foundation, Help Musicians and the Unison Benevolent Fund.

<https://artists.spotify.com/blog/spotify-covid-19-music-relief>

The Actors' Benevolent Fund are supporting professional actors, actresses and stage managers who are in financial distress due to the crisis with rapid grants and support.

<https://www.actorsbenevolentfund.co.uk/>



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MEDICAL FUNDING

Rosetrees Trust has set up a specialist panel to evaluate COVID-19 medical research applications and provide access to philanthropic funding. One specific initiative is seeking to raise £100,000 to support volunteers to make 100,000 visors for NHS workers, of which £50,000 has already been raised.

https://www.gofundme.com/f/akhqf-make-a-visor-save-a-hero?sharetype=teams&member=4183074&utm_medium=social&utm_source=whatsapp&utm_campaign=p_na+share-sheet&rcid=80a524f613234a3ca0bea32bd1bfboeb

Cambridge COVID-19 Research Fund is seeking funding to support research into a vaccine for the virus. https://www.philanthropy.cam.ac.uk/give-to-cambridge/cambridge-covid-19-research-fund?utm_source=en0420&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=alumni

University of Oxford is seeking funding to support research into a vaccine and other drugs to combat the virus. <https://www.research.ox.ac.uk/Article/2020-03-09-support-oxford-s-response-to-the-covid-19-outbreak>

INTERNATIONAL

Kiva launched an appeal to provide relief in the form of loans to entrepreneurs and small businesses

impacted by COVID-19

https://www.kiva.org/covid19response?utm_source=marketing&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=COVID_global

The **World Health Organisation's** Solidarity Response Fund supports the work of the WHO and partners to help countries respond to the pandemic. Funds are for countries most at risk and with the weakest health systems to help them combat the virus. <https://covid19responsefund.org/>

GlobalGiving has raised £3.4 million towards its target of £4 million for its Coronavirus Relief Fund, up from £2.5 million last week. Donors can either contribute to the general fund or fund individual projects directly. GlobalGiving has currently listed more than 200 projects around the world. <https://www.globalgiving.org/projects/coronavirus-relief-fund/projects/#menu>

Médicins sans Frontières has a crisis appeal to support its work in 40 countries. The funding will enable MSF to send teams, medical supplies and protective equipment to support local medical staff. <https://stories.msf.org/uk/urgent-appeal/>

Start Network is leading a global network of aid agencies with a response fund to anticipate and respond to critical virus-related humanitarian needs in low-income countries. The fund is being kickstarted with a donation from IKEA Foundation for €1.5 million. <https://startnetwork.org/news-and-blogs>



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THE FORE – RAFT FUND

The Fore, which provides seed funding and business support to start-ups in the non-profit sector, has launched Rapid Action by The Fore and Trusts (RAFT) Emergency Fund to support its grantees and new organisations. The fund will offer grants of up to £5,000.

Additionally, The Fore has launched a Rapid Action Directory for Skilled Volunteer Requests to connect small charities and social enterprises with professionals keen to help with challenges thrown up by the COVID-19 crisis.

Organisations are looking for skilled volunteers to help a variety of needs including:

- New Cashflow forecasts
- Approaching lenders about loans
- Legal advice around delivery of contracts
- Claiming government support
- Converting to new delivery models

<https://www.thefore.org/news/covid-19-response-help-for-small-charities-and-social-enterprises/>

<https://www.thefore.org/news/covid-19-response-connecting-professionals-with-urgent-skilled-volunteering/>

PRISM THE GIFT FUND

Prism the Gift Fund has so far set up three collective donor advised funds supporting COVID-19 efforts.

1. Compassion London – delivering free meals to those in need, including NHS staff, elderly and vulnerable groups
2. Polly for Women – a free, confidential helpline for women and girls
3. Help Refugees – supporting refugees living in crowded and unsanitary camps

<https://donate.helprefugees.org/campaigns/coronavirus-appeal/>

MAANCH PLATFORM AND FUND

Maanch has created the first global COVID-19 dashboard, giving visibility of projects and transparency for funders to be able to respond rapidly and effectively during the crisis.

Using the intelligence gathered via the platform, Maanch has also launched a global philanthropic response fund to award grants globally and locally.

The fund also offers a layer of due diligence and impact reporting on the projects funded by the funded. This service is available to other existing funds for free. www.bit.ly/MaanchCRF



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THE BIG NIGHT IN MATCHED FUND

Comic Relief has confirmed that the deadline for the Government’s commitment to match major donations of more than £10,000 towards The Big Night In will be extended until 31st May.

During this period major pledges will be matched from the government who will provide uncapped matched funding on the amounts raised or pledged

Major donors will also have the opportunity to restrict their donation to one of the funding themes being managed by Comic Relief and Children in Need.

These are:

Managed by Children in Need

- Children and young people

Managed by Comic Relief

- Elderly people
- Homelessness
- Domestic abuse
- Refugees and migration
- Food poverty
- Mental health

Contact: s.timms@comicrelief.com

NATIONAL EMERGENCIES TRUST

The first £20 million of funds raised from the Big Night In on 23rd April has been ringfenced for the National Emergencies Trust (NET).

NET provides a single point of contact for those wishing to support front-line grantmaking nationally. The appeal has raised been supported by trusts, companies and individuals and continues to distribute the money donated.

The Red Cross acts as the administrator funds, transferring money raised to NET, which is then passed to the UK network of Community Foundations for distribution. As of 24th April, NET had distributed £22.5 million to community foundations.

<https://nationalemergenciestrust.org.uk/coronavirus/>

THE BIG GIVE AND NET

In support of NET’s online appeal on the Big Give platform, philanthropists including James Reed, the Reed Foundation and the Julia & Hans Rausing Trust have offered matched funding of over £600,000 on the platform.

<https://donate.thebiggive.org.uk/covid-19>



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COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

UKCF is encouraging donors to consider general donations via NET or their local Community Foundation for the initial response phase to the pandemic, with a view to supporting individual causes for the recovery and rebuild phase.

All 46 UK Community Foundations are working with the National Emergencies Trust to distribute funding at a local level to grassroots organisations that need money now. £8.2 million has been distributed to 2,514 frontline organizations through grants as of 23rd April.

Additionally, many have launched local appeals for COVID-19 including:

1. Bedfordshire & Luton Community Foundation
2. Berkshire Community Foundation
3. Cambridgeshire Community Foundation
4. Cheshire Community Foundation
5. Community Foundation for Northern Ireland
6. Community Foundation for Staffordshire
7. Community Foundation for Calderdale
8. Community Foundation for Surrey
9. Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland
10. Community Foundations for Lancashire and Merseyside
11. Cornwall Community Foundation



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INFORMATION FOR DONORS SUPPORTING THE GENERAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE

12. County Durham Community Foundation
13. Cumbria Community Foundation
14. Devon Community Foundation
15. Dorset Community Foundation
16. East End Community Foundation
17. Essex Community Foundation
18. Foundation Derbyshire
19. Gloucestershire Community Foundation
20. Hampshire and Isle of Wight Community Foundation
21. Heart of Bucks
22. Heart of England Community Foundation
23. Hertfordshire Community Foundation
24. Kent Community Foundation
25. Lincolnshire Community Foundation
26. Milton Keynes Community Foundation
27. Norfolk Community Foundation
28. Oxfordshire Community Foundation
29. Quartet Community Foundation
30. Somerset Community Foundation
31. Suffolk Community Foundation
32. Sussex Community Foundation
33. The London Community Foundation
34. Two Ridings Community Foundation
35. Wiltshire Community Foundation
36. Worcestershire Community Foundation

CAF CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND

Charities Aid Foundation has had to pause applications to its Emergency Response Fund having received requests over £40 million. The fund launched with a target of £5 million to provide rapid response grants of up to £10,000 to smaller charities affected by COVID-19. The fund will re-open for grant applications once more money is raised.

<https://www.cafonline.org/charities/grantmaking/caf-coronavirus-emergency-fund>

BSC RESILIENCE AND RECOVERY FUND

Big Society Capital has launched a £100 million Resilience and Recovery Loan fund for charities and social enterprises that are experiencing disruption to their business models as a result of COVID-19.

The loans will provide working capital until organisations can get back to business as usual. Examples include:

- Bridging loans until government finance comes through
- Delay in receipt of trading income
- Scaling up to meet additional demand

<https://bigsocietycapital.com/latest/week-3-update-our-response-covid-19/>



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INFORMATION ON HOW TO FUND EFFECTIVELY THROUGH THE CRISIS

The following information summarises advice from London Funders and New Philanthropy Capital.

ADAPT ACTIVITIES

Grantees may experience difficulties achieving some of the outputs or outcomes originally agreed. Seek to maintain grant payments at originally-agreed levels and encourage a conversation if an organisation you are supporting are affected in this way.

DISCUSS DATES

Grantees may struggle to meet reporting deadlines. Encourage them to get in touch to agree more realistic timetables.

FINANCIAL FLEXIBILITY

Grantees may need to use funding to help cover sickness, purchase equipment, or deliver

services differently. Consider supporting organisations that need to move money between budget headings to ensure their work can continue.

LISTEN

Grantees may just need to talk about the situation they are facing. Wait until they call you so that these conversations happen at the right time.

BE PROACTIVE

All the usual fundraising channels are severely limited so, if you are a funder, don't wait to be asked.

BE IMAGINATIVE

Look beyond the media headlines and identify newly vulnerable groups, and work with communities to coordinate with other philanthropists.

CONSIDER WHICH CHARITIES WE CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE

Ask yourself which charities do brilliant work but you never got around to supporting, take the lead in keeping them going.

ENCOURAGE TRANSPARENCY

Be flexible with grantees, but don't suspend reporting. Instead work with them to identify new challenges.

BE TIMELY

Bring forward any planned giving. Charities need it now.

RECOGNISE THE RISKS

Facing up to reality, many great charities will not survive through the coming months. Do all you can, but be prepared for the risks.



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OTHER RESOURCES

PHILANTHROPY IMPACT WEBINAR SERIES

Philanthropy Impact is hosting a weekly webinar to support advisers to help their client fund effectively during the crisis. The series, called Walk in my Shoes, is available on You Tube.

Episode 4: Donor advised funds as vehicles for giving during an emergency

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CNp7_VF_OcM

Episode 5: Contrasting and comparing American and English philanthropy in the context of COVID-19

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMWYbe7J_Ok

Episode 6: Philanthropy and Social Investment

<https://youtu.be/7LwdqAhdo1k>

CAF'S GIVING THOUGHT PODCASTS

CAF's two most recent Giving Thought podcasts provide insight on the role of civils society through the pandemic and how it is being shaped to meet changing demand.

Cassie Robinson on Tech, Civil Society and

Philanthropy <https://www.cafonline.org/about-us/blog-home/giving-thought/podcasts-from-giving-thought/cassie-robinson-on-tech-civil-society-and-philanthropy>

The COVID-19 Crisis: Voices from Civil Society

<https://www.cafonline.org/about-us/blog-home/giving-thought/podcasts-from-giving-thought/the-covid-19-crisis-voices-from-civil-society>



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