

## Sport Funding Update: May 2019

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<b>ROWING FOUNDATION GRANTS PROGRAMME</b>
<b>Deadline:</b>
The next deadline to apply to the Rowing Foundation is 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2019.
<b>Details:</b>
<p>The Rowing Foundation works to promote the participation in rowing of young people (those under 18 or still in full time education) and the disabled of all ages. The Foundation gives grants of £500-£3,000 to help organisations and clubs involved in on water elements of the sport of Rowing who are individually affiliated to British Rowing (other than via their governing body) and whose requirements may be too small or who may be otherwise ineligible for an approach to the National Lottery or other similar sources of funds. The Rowing Foundation prefers to encourage participation in rowing by the young or disabled through the provision of equipment, i.e. boats, sculls, ergos, oars and essential safety equipment.</p> <p>The Foundation's preference is to make grants of £500-£3000 up to 50% of the cost, usually to initiate projects when a club, school or other organisation can demonstrate their ability to complete the project. Grants are made to support rowing only. The initial assessment of applications is based on the information on the form, so it is advisable to fill it in as fully as possible indicating how the remaining 50% of the funds will be raised.</p> <p>Applications are made online and must be endorsed by an officer of the club and accompanied by uploaded recent accounts and not just bank statements. Applications must be for projects or work that is for public benefit; non-elitist; for the benefit of young people; those in full time education; or those who are disabled.</p>
<b>How to apply:</b>
<a href="http://www.therowingfoundation.org.uk/home/">http://www.therowingfoundation.org.uk/home/</a>
<b>VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST GRANTS</b>
<b>Deadline:</b>
The next closing date for stage 1 applications is the 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2019.
<b>Details:</b>
<p>Grants of £10,000 and £75,000 are available to constituted not for profit organisations and registered Environmental Bodies towards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community buildings;</li><li>• Parks and paths, play, Multi Use Games Areas (MUGAs) and recreational facilities;</li><li>• Nature reserves and Bio diversity projects.</li></ul> <p>To be eligible to apply, the applicant organisation needs to be within the vicinity of a qualifying Veolia site (please see post code checker below); the projects must have a total cost of under £250,000 (including VAT and professional costs); the applicant must have secured 20% of funding towards the project prior to submitting a full (stage 2) application.</p>
<b>How to apply:</b>
<a href="http://www.veoliatrust.org/funding/">http://www.veoliatrust.org/funding/</a>

## COMIC RELIEF'S AHEAD OF THE GAME: SPORT & MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMME

### Deadline:

The closing date for stage 1 is 1200 GMT on the 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019.

### Details:

Grants of £150,000-£450,000 for 3-5 years work are available for projects in the UK, Ghana, Rwanda and Uganda that combine improving mental wellbeing with sport or physical activities with specific therapeutic elements. The programme targets the most marginalised people, in the most disadvantaged communities. Comic Relief believes that every person has the right to quality mental health support where and when they need it and has the right to live free from stigma and discrimination. There are two aims to this funding call:

1. A focus on improving mental wellbeing and helping people function better by promoting the use of sports-based approaches that support wellbeing, improve functioning & reduce distress.
2. Ensure mental health is intentional, not incidental - to prioritise organisations running programmes which combine sport or physical activities with specific therapeutic elements, and who have access to mental health expertise.

Applications should represent less than 40% of the organisation's total income in any one year. Capital costs should make up less than 25% of the funding amount applied for. Comic Relief predominantly funds registered charities. Applications are welcome from organisations with a maximum annual income of £10m, and a minimum annual income of £250,000 in the UK or £75,000 in other countries. There is a two-stage application process.

### How to apply:

<http://www.comicrelief.com/funding/current-opportunities/ahead-game-sport-and-mental-health>

## FOOTBALL FOUNDATION'S STAY IN THE GAME GRANT SCHEME

### Deadline:

The closing date for applications is Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 5pm.

### Details:

Grants of £750 are available for men's football clubs to help with the retention of adult male teams. The grant can cover the essential costs of pitch hire, training venues, and affiliation fees. Clubs that operate with two or more male teams and hold the FA's Charter Standard Award (Adult, Youth, Development or Community) or that will commit to becoming FA Charter Standard within the 2019/20 season can apply.

### How to apply:

<https://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/funding-schemes/stay-in-the-game/>

## WREN FCC COMMUNITY FUND

### Deadline:

The closing date for applications is 5pm on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

### Details:

Registered Charities, churches, Parish Councils, Local Authorities & CASC registered sports clubs can apply for grants of £2,000-£100,000 for the provision, maintenance or improvement of community facilities. This can include:

- Village Halls, Community Centres and Museums;
- Public Play Areas. Publicly available Multi use games areas, Skate parks and BMX tracks;
- Sport and recreation grounds including pavilions and clubhouses with full public access;
- Churches – community spaces only;
- Nature Reserves, Public gardens, parks, country parks and woodlands with at least dawn to dusk access.

The funding is being made available through the Landfill Operator Wren's FCC Community Action Fund and is available to projects located within 10 miles of an eligible FCC Environment site.

### How to apply:

<http://www.wren.org.uk/apply/wren-grant-scheme>

<b>THE DAN MASKELL TENNIS TRUST</b>
<b>Deadline:</b>
The next closing date for applications the 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2019.
<b>Details:</b>
Individuals can apply for grants of up to £500 for support for sports wheelchairs, tennis rackets, coaching lessons with a Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) licensed coach or course fees for official LTA development/coaching courses. Groups can apply for: Wheelchairs; Court hire; Coaching fees; and equipment packages which will include: Rackets; Balls; Mini net; and Coaching aids such as cones and throw down marker lines. In the case of wheelchairs, a deposit will be required; for individuals, the amount of deposit required will depend on the wheelchair type requested, clubs will need to raise a deposit of around £250; depending on the type of wheelchair.
<b>How to apply:</b>
<a href="http://www.danmaskelltennistrust.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant.html">http://www.danmaskelltennistrust.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant.html</a>

<b>FOOTBALL FOUNDATION – RESPECT SCHEME</b>
<b>Deadline:</b>
No deadline specified.
<b>Details:</b>
The Football Foundation Respect scheme offers clubs, schools or leagues the opportunity to purchase packs of Respect equipment (captains’ armbands, marshals’ bibs & Respect Signage) which, if used effectively, will help to tackle issues around aggressive, sarcastic and disrespectful spectators and players and promote football. This year there is a new focus on positivity, through a new campaign – “We Only Do Positive” – which focuses on parents and coaches. The FA & Football Foundation aim to ensure that all grassroots footballers are able to play in a safe, fun and inclusive environment. Clubs, leagues & County FAs are able to apply for a voucher, which offers them a 75% discount on Respect packs while stocks last. To access this, you must apply for a voucher (& have it approved) before placing an order. This discount can only be used to purchase Off Pitch and On Pitch Respect packs.
<b>How to apply:</b>
<a href="https://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/funding-schemes/respect/">https://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/funding-schemes/respect/</a>

<b>SPORT ENGLAND'S COMMUNITY ASSET FUND</b>
<b>Deadline:</b>
This is a rolling programme and applications can be submitted at any time.
<b>Details:</b>
Sports clubs, local authorities, schools and community organisations can apply for grants of £1,000-£150,000 to enhance local sports and recreational facilities. The funding can be used to enhance traditional sports facilities as well as outdoor spaces like canal towpaths, woodlands and open spaces; etc. that can be used as part of an active lifestyle. Statutory bodies and education establishments will specifically need to:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a minimum of pound-for-pound partnership funding;</li> <li>• Demonstrate the strategic need for their project proportionate to the scale of investment requested;</li> <li>• Limit requests to a maximum of £150,000 within any 12-month period.</li> </ul>
Sport England typically expect their awards to be either: Small-scale investments typically ranging from £1,000 to £15,000. These will address emergency works due to something like storm or flood damage, or something totally unexpected that is stopping people from being able to stay active right now. Medium-scale investments typically ranging from between £15,000 to £50,000. These will address more substantial changes. This might be an upgrade to an existing facility or developing a new space in the community. By exception, Sport England will consider larger investments ranging from £50,000 to £150,000. This will be when organisations can demonstrate a considerable impact or are targeting under-represented groups. They are also unlikely to have received funding from Sport England previously.
<b>How to apply:</b>
<a href="https://www.sportengland.org/funding/community-asset-fund/">https://www.sportengland.org/funding/community-asset-fund/</a>

<b>THE SPORTING CAPITAL FUND</b>
<b>Deadline:</b>
Applications can be submitted at any time.
<b>Details:</b>
<p>The Sporting Capital Fund is a loan funding opportunity for community sports organisations who want to make a difference in the community through sport, physical activity or in a sport setting and want to grow and become more sustainable by generating more or new income. Unsecured loans of £50,000 to £150,000, repayable over 3 to 5 years are available to help organisations develop new projects, operations &amp; revenue streams &amp; can be used for projects &amp; activities i.e.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equipment to support revenue streams;</li> <li>• Recruitment, training and deployment of staff and volunteers;</li> <li>• Equipment to support business functions, inc. finance, project management &amp; governance;</li> <li>• Other operating costs.</li> </ul> <p>If needed, a repayment holiday of up to 24 months may be available, giving projects time to generate sustainable revenue before starting to repay the loan. Loans will not cover “bricks and mortar” capital i.e. a new roof, but could be an investment, for example, to support a community café as a new revenue stream and pay for café kit and equipment, training deployment of new staff and volunteers, management support to get the café operating and funding towards marketing the new venture. A wide range of organisations can apply from community sports clubs to social enterprises, charities and profit-with-purpose businesses that deliver sport and physical activity. Where appropriate, grant funding through the Access Reach Fund, may be available for organisations that need support to get ready to take on repayable investment. This fund offers small grants to charities and social enterprises who are looking to raise investment with an approved social investor – called Access Points. The grant will be used to help them close a deal or secure an investment.</p>
<b>How to apply:</b>
<a href="https://www.sportingcapital.org.uk/investment/what-we-fund">https://www.sportingcapital.org.uk/investment/what-we-fund</a>

<b>THE FOOTBALL FOUNDATION'S PREMIER LEAGUE &amp; THE FA FACILITIES FUND SMALL GRANTS SCHEME</b>
<b>Deadline:</b>
Applications can be submitted at any time.
<b>Details:</b>
<p>Grants of up to £10,000 are available to schools, grass roots football clubs, local authorities and professional and semi-professional football clubs and their associated community organisations that are looking to refurbish their existing or develop new football facilities. The funding can be used to buy capital items such as portable floodlights, storage containers and other equipment; or to refurbish/improve existing facilities. The aims of this scheme are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the growth of football clubs and activity;</li> <li>• Prevent a decline in football participation;</li> <li>• Make improvements to facilities to address any health and safety issues.</li> </ul> <p>The grants awarded cannot exceed 50% of the total project cost. The Football Foundation strongly recommend that applicants use the pre-application advice offered on our behalf by The FA and the network of County FAs around England. This will normally involve completing the FA's Football Facilities Enquiry Form (FEF) first, which will help The FA to learn more about a project and determine the best way to support the applicant organisation.</p>
<b>How to apply:</b>
<a href="http://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/funding-schemes/premier-league-the-fa-facilities-fund-small-grants-scheme/">http://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/funding-schemes/premier-league-the-fa-facilities-fund-small-grants-scheme/</a>