**Charities to Contact for Possible Funding Opportunities**

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**Jerusalem Trust** - [Jerusalem Trust (sfct.org.uk)](http://www.sfct.org.uk/Jerusalem.html)

(Salaries possible)

The objects of the Trust are:

* to advance the Christian religion and promote Christian organisations and the charitable purposes and institutions they support;
* to advance Christian education and learning.

The trustees’ priority areas are as follows:

**Evangelism and Christian Mission in the UK**

* Christian projects that develop new ways of working with children and young people, including children who have little or no contact with the church;
* Support for Christian youth work;
* Evangelistic projects, especially new and emerging evangelists;
* Work with prisoners, ex-prisoners and their families.

**Christian Education**

* The development of Christian curriculum resource materials for schools in RE and across the curriculum;
* Support of RE as a subject, both in curriculum development and teacher training;
* The support, training and retention of Christian teachers in all subjects;
* Adult lay Christian training and education;
* Projects which encourage Christians in leadership in schools;

**Henry Smith Foundation** [A Grant Giving Charity](https://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/)

(Salaries possible)

The four priority areas for the Christian Projects grant programme are as follows

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| **Priority  1** | Meeting the spiritual needs of older people, including those with dementia |
| **Priority  2** | Meeting the spiritual needs of those with a learning disability and those who have cognitive impairments |
| **Priority  3** | Reaching out to the unchurched – especially young people and young families – by nurturing their spiritual interest and well-being |
| **Priority  4** | Projects which support and care for Anglican clergy at times of acute need |

The priorities all have equal weighting, no one is more important than another. If you are considering applying, check that your project strongly fits one of these priorities. If your project fits more than one priority that’s OK too.

If you are applying under Priority 3 – reaching out to the unchurched please note:

* we are looking for projects which are primarily and explicitly about promoting the Christian faith, that lead to tangible progress and growth in people’s faith journeys and that lead directly to church growth.
* we are not looking for projects motivated by Christian faith that are delivering social action, such as: general community outreach work, work focussed on reducing poverty and inequality or enhancing community cohesion.

**Garfield Weston** - [Garfield Weston Foundation](https://garfieldweston.org/)

(Salaries possible)

**Faith**

This category demonstrates the impact the Foundation’s grants are able to make to local communities by providing funds towards simple but practical projects that enable religious buildings to be used for an inclusive range of charitable purposes by their local communities.

Capital grants include funds towards the instillation of basic amenities such as lavatories and kitchen facilities and for restoration works to historic church buildings.

**Youth**

Charities supported within this category consistently demonstrate the commitment of volunteers and professionals across the country to support and inspire young people to achieve their potential.

From small local groups, such as girl guides and youth clubs to larger national youth development charities, the Foundation is proud to invest in our nation’s future generations.

**The Joseph Rank Trust** [The Joseph Rank Trust](http://ranktrust.org/)

(Salaries possible)

The Trustees have identified two main areas of interest, as follows:

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| 1. | Projects that demonstrate a Christian approach to the practical, educational and spiritual needs of people of all ages. |
| 2. | The adaptation or improvement of Church properties (including new build) with a view to providing improved facilities for use by the church and its work in the community in which it is based*.* |

In considering all other appeals, the Trustees take into account the primary objective of the Trust, which is to advance the Christian faith. After earmarking funds to support this important area of the Trust's work, the Trustees are prepared to consider other unsolicited appeals, although resources remaining to support such appeals are limited.

Unsolicited appeals are selected for consideration by the Trustees that demonstrate, in their view, a Christian approach to the practical, educational and spiritual needs of people.

**Laing Family Trusts** - [Laing Family Trusts](https://www.laingfamilytrusts.org.uk/)

They are a Christian grant making body whose website says:

A significant percentage of the grants awarded are made on a one-off basis for capital purposes such as the purchase or construction of new premises, the extension, redevelopment or refurbishment of property, or the purchase of equipment and vehicles. Most other grants are directed towards specific projects which will meet a clearly defined and demonstrable need within the applicant charity’s beneficiary/client group which cannot be met from statutory sources. Evidence of longer-term sustainability, potential for replicability & partnership working are important factors in the Trustees’ decision-making.

**Enovert Community Trust**

**(formerly Cory Environmental Trust in Britain) is an environmental body which supports community and environmental projects.**

The Trust awards grants under the terms of the Landfill Communities Fund (LCF), providing funding to a broad range of projects that have as big an impact on the community as possible.

The Trust is committed to supporting community and environmental projects across the UK. These include improving community halls, the creation of new play areas and skate parks, and restoring green spaces.

If you have a project or an idea for a project, please call to check whether your project would be eligible and for guidance on putting your application together.

They meet every 4 months to consider applications. They target specific areas each year. There are none in Kent in 2022 but this may well change in the future.

**Biffa Award – Community Buildings**

They fund projects in a variety of areas including community buildings and recreation.

Biffa Award’s Main Grants Scheme is aimed at community and cultural groups and organisations, situated in the vicinity of landfill sites, that are in need of funding to improve the quality of life in their community or to conserve wildlife. There are four themes - Community Buildings, Recreation, Cultural Facilities and Rebuilding Biodiversity. Under these themes they provide funding to create or improve community amenities. For example, upgrading kitchens, meeting rooms and toilets in village halls and community facilities; creating new playparks; installing new seating, lighting and exhibitions within theatr

The project site must be within five miles of a significant Biffa operation or within 10 miles of an active Biffa Landfill site. Check your project’s postcode using the Postcode Checker on the website.

**Fellowship of St Johns Trust Association** [www.fsje.org.uk](http://www.fsje.org.uk)

**Different grants including:**

**THE HOLY CHILDHOOD**

The charity makes grants for Christian ministry/education in schools or churches with children aged 4-11.

Applications are considered by the Trustees quarterly at the next available meeting. Please appreciate that the Trust may receive more applications than it is able to respond to with grants.

**BERNARD MIZEKI GRANTS**

These grants are available for lay ministries and the training and development of lay ministry.

**Kent Community Foundation**

We award grants to support a number of primary issues in the county, contributing towards everything from specific projects to everyday running costs. Our grants come from over 80 different funds set up by generous people and organisations.

They have specialist funds for children, young people and families.

**Youth Evangelism Fund**

Applications can be made for amounts up to £2,000 and **must be made by someone under the age of 18** from any denomination. That young person may be assisted in making the application by their youth leader or parent, but it must be clear that the first part of the application is being made by the young person. The second part should be filled in by the youth leader so we have a contact point and so as to comply with our safeguarding procedures.

“Are you under 18? Have you got a great idea of how you could introduce your friends to Jesus but feel like you need a bit of financial help to make it a reality? We’re here to help! From taking your non-christian friends on a youth camp, running a pizza and film night, going to a fun park, running a youth alpha or buying christian resources for your friends, the Youth Evangelism Fund was set up for exactly that.

With £80,000 to give away, we want to hear from young people with ideas about how a bit of financial support could help them reach their friends with the good news of Jesus.”

This fund was originally opened in 2006 and has given away over £750,000 to date.

**Colyer Fergusson**

<http://www.cfct.org.uk/what-we-fund/>

They have several areas where they give money, the most appropriate for us is

Investing in young people.

Making grants to support disadvantaged young people living at the margins of society to improve their skills, build their confidence and break down the barriers to their employment.

**All Churches Trust – Growing Lives**

<https://www.allchurches.co.uk/growinglives>

Growing Lives is a grants programme run by the Allchurches Trust aimed at helping churches and Christian organisations throughout the UK connect with children and young people with grants of up to £25,000. The programme can fund equipment in order to run activities, or structural changes to enhance a building to be able to offer its initiative - such as by upgrading a kitchen or venue space.

More than a quarter of a million pounds has already been given to churches and Christian organisations all over the UK under the new programme, which is enhancing our support for churches and groups looking to build local partnerships through projects focused on improving the lives of young people (aged 0 to 18) and encouraging church growth as young people discover faith for themselves and begin to play an active part in church communities.

Grants of up to £25,000 are available, and the amount you receive will depend upon the cost of your project and the level of need in your community, ranging from 10% of project cost through to 80%. In contrast to our other open grant programmes, you can apply for funding under the Growing Lives programme even if you have received a grant from All churches Trust within the last two years (as long as the Growing Lives application is for a different project). You can apply for a grant [**here**](https://allchurches.grantapps.net/form1) (please do remember to select the Growing Lives programme on the drop down at B1 on the application form).

**Burnsprice Foundation**

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

This is for young people to apply for community projects.

*What makes us unique is that we want applicants
to be the young people themselves, supported by adult supervision.
We give grants****directly****to young people aged 11-18.*

We would like to hear from you if you are seeking funding for a project that could build bridges between people, put something right in the community, change attitudes, improve the environment, or make a real difference to people’s lives.

**The Albury Charitable Foundation** - Relief of those in need particularly children -  [The Alburys Charitable Foundation (tacf.uk)](https://tacf.uk/)

**DWF Foundation** -   Education, Employability, Homelessness, Health and wellbeing, Environment and sustainability [DWF Foundation Online Making and Application Session | DWF (dwfgroup.com)](https://dwfgroup.com/en-ie/news-and-insights/events/dwf-foundation-application-workshop)  DWF Foundation | DWF (dwfgroup.com)

**Ashley Family Foundation** - £10k - “Community – We are attracted to projects that bring people together, to help each other out and make their community a better, more joyful place. We support a range of community projects, including those focused on helping people who suffer from isolation and/or social disadvantage.” <https://www.ashleyfamilyfoundation.org.uk/>

**Steel CT** - up to £25K - Disadvantaged children in families. [The Steel Charitable Trust](https://steelcharitabletrust.org.uk/)

**Skipton BS** - £3K Items or tangible social activities for Community Centres providing a benefit to many in the local community<https://www.skiptoncharitablefoundation.co.uk/>

**London Community Foundation** - [London Community Foundation Available grants (londoncf.org.uk)](https://londoncf.org.uk/apply/available-grants) -worth subscribing  to monthly newsletter

**The National Lottery Community Fund**  [Reaching Communities England | The National Lottery Community Fund (tnlcommunityfund.org.uk)](https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/reaching-communities-england?dm_i=1QF7,87WJA,ADJDHT,XQ2PI,1#section-3), [National Lottery Awards for All England | The National Lottery Community Fund (tnlcommunityfund.org.uk)](https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/national-lottery-awards-for-all-england?dm_i=1QF7,87WJA,ADJDHT,XQ2PI,1)

**Benefact Trust – Community Impact Grants**

Benefact Trust’s Community Impact Grants Programme supports projects that will make a positive and transformative impact on lives and communities.

 This programme empowers Christian organisations across the UK and Ireland, who are doing incredible work tackling major issues in society.

 At the same time, their Community Impact Grants help churches to grow their congregations and promote the Christian faith.

 The programme is open to applications from churches, cathedrals, denominational bodies, Christian charities, and schools and educational institutions with a clear Christian ethos.

The programme supports direct capital and/or revenue costs (including salaries), and funding is available under the following programme areas:

**Growing congregations and Christian communities** which includes

 Children’s and youth projects

 Resourcing and training for church leaders

 Evangelism and faith development

 Outreach and wider engagement through music and the arts

 Construction of new chapels for hospices or other charities

**Addressing social challenges facing communities**

**Enabling wider community use of church buildings**

**Empowering Christian education**

The projects can last from1 to 3 years, they insist you have found funds elsewhere for a 1/3 of the project.

<https://benefacttrust.co.uk/which-grant-is-for-me/community-impact-grants/>

**Sir Halley Stewart Trust**

They will make**Main Grants**, which are normally:

* Between £5,001 and £60,000 in total, although in exceptional cases grants of up to £80,000 may be considered on a case-by-case basis
* Spread across one, two or three years, with a £30,000 maximum per annum
* Given in the form of a salary contribution (although occasionally grants are made to support the overall costs of a project)

**2)** **Small Grants** – there are a limited number of small grants available each year, which are one-off grants for projects costing up to £5,000.

They are committed to advancing Christian religion.  Trustees are particularly interested in innovative and practical ecumenical projects in the UK; and also those in countries outside the UK where there is a special and specific need.

<https://www.sirhalleystewart.org.uk/eligibility-and-guidelines/>

**The Bishop Radford Trust**

This is a charity which supports Christian ministry in the UK and internationally.

They offer foundation grants up to £2000 for a variety of projects.

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

**The Yapp Charitable Trust –**

They offer grants only to registered charities with a total annual expenditure of less than £40,000.

They only fund running costs to ongoing projects. They cannot give to promote religion but that would not prevent community projects. Please check carefully before applying.

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

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

**The Willat’s Charity –**

**The Willats' Trust are keen to support Christian outreach workers who minister in areas of high deprivation in the UK. Their grants last for up to three years and enable the workers to focus on the mission to which they are called.**

They have two rounds of applications each year which are assessed by their board of trustees. **The first round of applications is now open** and closes on 28th February 2024.

[www.willatstrust.org](http://www.willatstrust.org)