Cash 4 Clubs gives community sports clubs the chance to apply for grants to improve facilities, purchase new equipment, gain coaching qualifications and invest in the sustainability of their club.

Clubs can apply for a grant by filling in the [online application] form at anytime.

Sport England invests Lottery and Exchequer funding in organisations and projects that grow and sustain participation in grassroots sport and create opportunities to excel at their chosen sport.

Sport England manages funding programmes open to a wide range of organisations. These include sports clubs, voluntary or community organisations, local authorities, schools, colleges and universities. The funding programmes are: Small Grants; Sportmatch; Innovation Fund; Themed Funding Rounds; Iconic Facilities Fund

3rd Floor Victoria House
Bloomsbury Square
London
WC1B 4SE
Funding Line: 0845 8508508
funding@sportengland.org

The Youth Sports Trust aims to create a world-leading PE and sports system that reaches, engages and inspires all young people regardless of ability. Although the focus of the Trust is redesigning PE and school sports, the Trust also works with national governing bodies of sports to establish new clubs on school sites.

Information about Youth Sport Trust programmes can be found on the website.

Head office (general enquiries)
Youth Sport Trust
SportPark
Loughborough University
3 Oakwood Drive
Loughborough
Leicestershire
LE11 3QF
01509 226600
info@youthsporttrust.org
Basketball and Netball

England Basketball offers a funding search facility for affiliated clubs to identify relevant funding opportunities and publishes the Club Funding Guide a document that gives guidance on how to apply as well as details on some of the major grant schemes.

England Basketball also has a limited amount of capital facilities funding which it can allocate to affiliated clubs that demonstrate a commitment to England Basketball’s priorities and set criteria. The full criteria and guidelines are available from the England Basketball website.

The AENA Youth Trust is a not-for-profit educational charity which exists to support individuals and organisations in the development of sport for young people (under 21). The Trust will consider applications for the costs of netball equipment and facilities, courses and coaching.

AENA Youth Trust
138 Winston Road
London
N16 9LJ
☎ 020 7249 1098
✉ aenayouthtrust@btinternet.com

Cricket

The Lord’s Taverners is accredited by the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) as the official national charity for recreational cricket. The Lord’s Taverners commits 50% of the funds it raises each year to provide grants in support of youth cricket.

The non-turf pitch grants scheme welcomes applications for grants towards the installation of non-turf pitches, practice ends and nets for youth cricket. For information about youth cricket grant programmes contact:

Lawrence Prittipaul
Cricket Administrator
☎ 020 7821 2821
✉ lawrence.prittipaul@lordstaverners.org

Interest-free loans are available to England and Wales Cricket Board affiliated clubs with a junior section. The England and Wales Cricket Trust allocates the loans to clubs that meet set criteria to develop facilities on their grounds.

The England and Wales Cricket Board also publishes information and guidance on sources of grant aid and funding for cricket clubs.

Expressions of interest with a brief summary of the project and the current status of junior development should be submitted in writing to the County Cricket Development Manager.
The Football Foundation is the UK’s largest sports’ charity directing £40 million every year into grass roots sport.

The Foundation also funds projects that increase participation in football and other sports and address some of society’s key challenges, such as social inclusion, health, education and equalities.

The Foundation runs a range of specific grant streams dedicated to giving rapid but targeted support to thousands of clubs and community groups through its Small Grants, Junior Kit and Goalpost Safety Schemes.

The Football Foundation provides a number of grants:

- Grow the Game is a small grants programme for ‘not for profit’ organisations that use football to increase participation by players and volunteers

- The Facilities Scheme gives grants to develop new or improve existing sports facilities for the community. Examples include grass pitch drainage improvements, pavilions, clubhouses and changing rooms, artificial pitches and fixed floodlights.

Golf

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There are a variety of funding opportunities within golf for organisations and individuals involved at national, county and local level.

Golf Mark accredited clubs are eligible to apply for Club Coaching Grants to assist with recruitment and retention activities for adult and junior golfers.

The English Golf Partnership has produced the booklet Sources of Funding and Resources for Golf.

Rugby

The purpose of the Rugby Football Foundation is to promote and develop Rugby in England. The Foundation administers a capital fund and provides interest-free loans aimed at improving facilities which lead to the recruitment and retention of rugby players.

Rugby Football Foundation
Rugby Football Union
Rugby House
Twickenham Stadium
200 Whitton Road
Middlesex
TW2 7BA
Other Sports

The Alpine Club

The Alpine Club is Britain’s only national club for alpinists. The Alpine Club Climbing Fund supports expeditions comprising club members that have an exploratory element or are attempting a new or unique project.

The Alpine Club
55-56 Charlotte Road
London EC2A 3QF
☎ 020 7613 0755
✉ admin@alpine-club.org.uk

Andy Fanshawe Memorial Trust

The Andy Fanshawe Memorial Trust funds projects that give disadvantaged young people the chance to develop an existing interest in the great outdoors. The trust usually supports projects in the UK run by schools or youth groups.

Ed Douglas, Chair of the Trust
Andy Fanshawe Memorial Trust
181 Abbeydale Road South
Sheffield
S7 2QY
✉ Contact the Trust

The Canoeing Foundation

The Canoeing Foundation is the British Canoe Union’s charity arm. Currently going through a modernisation programme, the Foundation is working to have a positive impact in five areas: Young people, equality, facilities, international work and heritage.

A new website is due to be launched soon. In the meantime, if you require further information or would like to apply for funding in the above areas, contact:
✉ mandy.delaney@bcu.org.uk
☎ 0300 011 9502

The National Hockey Foundation

The National Hockey Foundation aims to provide support for the development of hockey, particularly at a youth level. The grant application form, application guidelines and additional information checklist are available from the National Hockey Foundation website.

The Hockey Youth Trust awards grants to schools and junior sections of clubs to purchase starter kits and equipment and develop youth leagues and indoor hockey. The online grant application form is available from the Hockey Youth Trust website.
The Rowing Foundation promotes participation in rowing of young people (under 18 or still in full time education) and the disabled of all ages. The Foundation gives grants to organisations whose requirements may be too small or otherwise ineligible for an approach to other sources of funds.

The Rowing Foundation
2 Roehampton Close
Putney, London
SW15 5LU
☎ 0208 878 3723
✉ applications@therowingfoundation.org.uk

Funding for Individuals

The Dickie Bird Foundation assists young people (under 18 years) to participate, to the best of their ability, in the sport of their choice and, by doing so, improve their chances both inside and outside sport. The grants are to help with the cost of clothing and equipment or to make a small contribution towards travel expenses.

The Dickie Bird Foundation
47, Ripon Road,
Earlsheaton,
Dewsbury
West Yorkshire
WF12 7LG
☎ 01924 430593
✉ dbfgrants@btinternet.com

The Sports Wheelchair Sponsorship Scheme is to assist with the purchase of manual chairs and is aimed at those between 8 and 25 years of age. The Lord’s Taverners will generally award funds of up to 50% of the cost of the wheelchair to those who apply through their sports club, association or school and whose application complies with the guidelines for the scheme. The grant will be paid directly to the wheelchair supplier.

For more information contact:
Nicky Pemberton
Head of Foundation
☎ 020 7821 2808
The Ron Pickering Memorial Fund invites applications from young track and field athletes who are in education and may need financial help towards training or provision of equipment. Applicants must be aged between 15 and 23 years, medalists from their National Schools AA, AAA U17, & U20 or U23 Championships or in the top six of the appropriate UK ranking lists.

The grant application process starts each year on October 1st, with completed forms to be returned by November 30th. Visit the website to download the application form.

Ron Pickering Memorial Fund
11 Wendover Drive
Welwyn
Hertfordshire
AL6 9LT
01438 714250

SportAid is the charity for elite sports people. SportsAid has given financial support and recognition to talented young sportmen and women when they need it the most – at the start of their journey to international success. SportAid is often the first organisation to recognise their talent.

The Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme makes awards to athletes who meet a number of strict criteria. Athletes must be nominated by their sport’s national governing body who will inform you whether you meet the performance criteria they have set.

Please note, most grant funding schemes are heavily over-subscribed. Making an application is no guarantee that your organisation will be able to secure the funding it requires. In the first instance it is always best to contact the grant making organisation to check your eligibility.

Crawley Community and Voluntary Service provides free fundraising advice and support for voluntary and community sector organisations. Please call 01293 657000 and ask for a member of the development team.

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