



Community
Southwark

Annual Funding Conference 2025

Information about funders

Alan and Babette Sainsbury Fund

Website: <https://abscharitablefund.org.uk/>

Areas of funding: Intercommunity dialogue, refugees and asylum seekers, supporting disadvantaged young people in Southwark.

Applications by invitation

Berkeley Foundation

2025 Resilience Fund opened on 3rd March. Stage 1 application deadline is **28 March 2025.**

The criteria is on their [website](#). Eligible charities and CICs can apply for up to £90,000 over three years. It supports small-to-medium-sized charities and CICs to invest in organisational development and build resilience for the future.

Funding is available over three years to support organisations that are working to build leadership skills in young people affected by racist or Islamophobic violence, empowering them to positively impact their own lives and the communities in which they live.

Should you wish to talk to someone at The Foundation about the opportunity, please feel free to get in touch with michael.frean@berkeleyfoundation.org.uk

Charterhouse in Southwark

Website: <https://www.charterhouse-in-southwark.org/>

Areas of funding: Children and Young People in Southwark

Area: Southwark

- Multi-year funding applications only (3 yrs.)
- Up to £10,000 per year.
- Two rounds a year (June and October) with 10 grants in total (5 grants each round)
- Next round of funding will be decided in June 2025.
- Applications will close on the 16th May 2025.

Application process in order:

COMMUNITY SOUTHWARK |

Registered charity (no. 1105835) and a company limited by guarantee in England and Wales (no. 5090324).

1. Expression of interest email – Please email first to ensure the funder and charity are a good fit.
2. Telephone call and visit - This will be organised by the funder.
3. Application form - Download from the website and submit before the deadline.

Haberdashers Company

Website: <https://haberdashers.co.uk/charities>

Amount: Up to £5,000

Funding for small charities and community interest companies in specific locations, including Lewisham and Southwark.

The Programme is intended for small organisations for whom a grant of up to £5,000 would make a significant contribution to their work. You have to be working in one of the specified geographical areas on one of the Focus Areas which are groups supporting:

- Early Years (0-5 year olds)
- Young people who experience disadvantage (social mobility)
- Young people with experience of the custody system
- Young people who experience homelessness

Organisations are encouraged to contact them with questions about the application form or the application process. Emails can be sent to grants@haberdashers.co.uk.

- Charities and CICs with an income of £500,000 or less are welcome to apply for the Small Grants' programme
- Applications from charities and CICs with an income of less than £250,000 are actively encouraged
- Your organisation must have a website

Henry Smith Charity

Website: <https://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/>

Area: National

Grants to reduce social and economic disadvantage

New funding strategy to be launched in Spring 2025

Impact on Urban Health

Website: <https://urbanhealth.org.uk/>

Area of operation: Southwark and Lambeth

Applications by invitation

Inspiring Elephant Community Fund

Website: <https://elephantandcastletowncentre.co.uk/community/>

Amount: Up to £5,000

Deadline: 27/03/2025

Area: Elephant and Castle



Grants to local groups and organisations in Elephant and Castle. Priorities for this year's grants should focus on one or more of the following key areas:

- Health and wellbeing
- Young people and training
- Communities and sustainability

In 2025 in addition to the funding on offer, applicants are also invited to apply to run their initiative from the purpose-built Community Hub space on the second floor of Castle Square free of charge.

To be eligible to apply to the Community Fund organisations must meet the following points:

- Be a not-for-profit organisation that is formally constituted (have a signed governing document in the organisation's name)
- Have good financial management procedures and a bank account
- Delivering activities that either take place within the Elephant & Castle Opportunity Area, or activities that directly benefit people who live, work or study in the area
- Be connected with and meeting the needs of the local community in and around Elephant & Castle Town Centre – specifically the Elephant and Castle Opportunity Area

London Catalyst

Website: <https://www.londoncatalyst.org.uk/>

Area: London

Project grants: New projects or services that will targeted at people disadvantaged as a result of long-term ill-health, disability and poverty. These are awarded to organisations with an income of £500,000 or less.

We offer single or multi year grants (up to 3 years).

Maximum grant for one year is £10,000.

Samaritan grants: a hardship fund which we make available to frontline health, social work and advice agencies to offer immediate assistance to people in an emergency. The partner agency distributes small one-off grants on our behalf.

London Funders

Website: <https://londonfunders.org.uk/>

Not a funder but the only cross-sector membership network for funders and investors in London.

National Lottery

Website: <http://tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes>

Various funds for Southwark, including Awards for All and Reaching Communities.

Newcomen Collett Education Foundation

Website: <https://www.newcomencollett.org.uk/>

Our grantmaking priorities are:

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- Helping schools and other groups to buy equipment for the benefit of children.
- Supporting extra curricula activities for children and young people. For example, school trips, after school clubs, holiday clubs, uniformed organisations.
- Helping organisations which provide educational opportunities to schools and colleges in the Borough of Southwark. For example, visiting theatre companies and musicians.

We will usually visit organisations to ensure that the scheme is viable. However, with only £100,000 a year to give in grants, it is unlikely that we will ever fully support a project, and involvement of other grant-giving bodies is usually needed.

We are unable to guarantee continuing support to projects, and for this reason, are unwilling to take responsibility for funding the cost of salaries and administration.

You can apply for a grant only once in any 12-month period.

Partnership Southwark

Website: <https://www.selondonics.org/in-your-area/southwark/>

Area: Southwark

Partnership Southwark are working with service users, carers and local communities to better join up services and support, tackle the causes of inequality and improve the health and wellbeing of Southwark residents.

Peckham Settlement

Website: <https://www.peckhamsettlement.org/> Grants of up to £3,000 for groups working in SE15.

Peter Minet Trust

Website: <https://www.peterminet.org.uk/>

Area: Southwark and Lambeth

Supports small and local charities.

Around £200,000 a year in grants in Lambeth and Southwark. Fund charities that are rooted in their communities and bring communities together, helping residents overcome severe and multiple challenges. We want local charities to be stronger and more stable so they can carry on working alongside residents to overcome these challenges and be active in these communities. About to launch new strategy.

Rotherhithe Consolidated Charities

Website: <https://www.rotherhithecc.co.uk/>

Area: Rotherhithe

Grants are available to constituted community groups, organisations, and charities for activities, services, events, and projects that benefit people in the Ancient Parish of Rotherhithe that are in need. We are particularly interested in initiatives in the area of benefit that support:

- Low-income residents and families, e.g. Cost-of-Living Support; food, clothing and similar provision; and warm space provision.



- Children and younger people from low-income families, e.g. through free, creative, recreational and sports activities, clubs, camps and workshops; and skills.
- Older people living in isolation, e.g. activities supporting people living in sheltered housing, social housing and/or care homes; and
- Community cohesion - festivals, celebrations, events and initiatives that bring residents from diverse backgrounds together and improve community cohesion.

Please contact the RCC Clerk, email: clerk@rotherhithecc.org.uk tel: 020 7593 2004 to discuss your proposal prior to application.

Southwark Charities

Website: <https://www.southwarkcharities.co.uk/>

Area: Southwark

Southwark Charities makes grants to a range of local community groups and charities, meeting its eligibility criteria, who are working with older people aged 55 and above residing in Southwark.

Contact Matthew Allgood, Grants Manager, Southwark Charities for an initial discussion about your proposal. Email: grants@southwarkcharities.org.uk, Tel: 020 7593 2004

Southwark Council

Website: <https://www.southwark.gov.uk/community-engagement/grants-and-funding>

Southwark Council has a range of funding for community projects.

St Olaves Foundation

Website: <https://www.stolavesfoundationfund.org.uk/>

The St Olave's Foundation Fund provides financial support for Youth Organisations/Groups/Schools based in the London Borough of Southwark that provide activities for young people under the age of 25 years old and who are resident in the London Borough of Southwark in pursuit of their education and who are in demonstrable need of financial assistance.

Team London Bridge

Website: <https://www.teamlondonbridge.co.uk/buildingcommunities>

Team London Bridge is a Business Improvement District. A Business Improvement District (BID) structure allows the London Bridge business community to employ a small team to work exclusively for them, delivering projects and services funded by BID levy contributions. Their community grants programme will re-open in 2025.

The Ubele Initiative

As an African diaspora led, infrastructure plus organisation, we believe in empowering Black and Minoritised communities in the UK, to act as catalysts for social and economic change. Deliver specific funds to Black and Minoritised communities.

Website: <https://www.ubele.org/>



United St Saviour's Charity

Website: <https://www.ustsc.org.uk/>

Small grants: The Small Grants Programme also opens twice a year – in spring and autumn with decisions made within 2-3 weeks from the closing date. Maximum £3,000. Grants for street/estate parties or similar one-off events are normally awarded a flat £1,000.

Large grants: The Large Grants Programme normally opens for applications twice a year: in spring and late summer/autumn (normally March/April and August/ September).

Large grants applications involve a two stage process, starting with a simple Expressions of Interest followed by a longer full application for shortlisted groups. There is a minimum 6 month lead-in time.

Unrestricted for groups working in Southwark alone. New strategy to launch in 2025.

Wakefield Tetley Trust

Website: <https://wakefieldtrust.org.uk/>

Wakefield Tetley Trust exists to serve the people of Tower Hamlets, Southwark and the City of London by providing grants to local community-based charities and organisations.

Other sources of funding information and guidance

Sign up for Easy Fundraising www.easyfundraising.org.uk

Community Southwark's funding database: <https://communitysouthwark.org/vcs-support/funding/find-funding/> and funding e-bulletin sign up: <https://shorturl.at/jEO4y>

Book a support session: <https://communitysouthwark.org/book-a-support-appointment/>

