



Grant Guidelines

Made by Sport Clubs in Crisis Grants Programme

What is the Made by Sport Clubs in Crisis Grants Programme?

We're pleased to have teamed up with Made By Sport to offer local sports clubs and organisations the opportunity to apply for a grant which can help support young people as they start to recover from the effects of the latest lockdown.

The coronavirus pandemic has had a significant impact on young people across the UK, and thanks to Made By Sport, we can offer this chance for sports clubs and organisations to access vital funding which can help them to continue bringing sport into young people's lives.

Made By Sport is a charity which raises awareness of the power of sport and funding for organisations that use sport to support young people across the UK. The 'Clubs In Crisis' fund is part of a wider campaign that believes sport is the best vehicle for creating societal change for young people across a myriad of challenges they face in the modern world.

We'll be administering the fund on behalf of Made by Sport and awarding unrestricted grants of £2,021 to clubs who match the criteria.

What is the funding for?

The funding can support sports clubs or organisations working within the sport for development sector (this includes any physical activity), which are able to demonstrate that the Covid-19 pandemic has adversely affected them, either operationally or financially, and which require funding to save, resume or adapt their activity. Please see Appendix 1 for more details about what constitutes Sport Development.

How much can I apply for?

A one-off grant of £2,021. If you don't need as much as that but would like to apply anyway, please do.

What can the funding be spent on?

The funding is unrestricted so can be spent on core costs as well as on programme or capital costs. Funds can also be used towards match funding or for leverage for a larger programme. In normal circumstances, Made by Sport funding would not be able to be used for either debt repayment or for costs incurred before the funding was agreed. However, each participating Community Foundation will ensure that applications for these types of costs are assessed and considered in light of the pandemic if the unique requirement to cover these costs meets the aims of the Fund.

Who can apply?

This programme supports clubs or organisations which *intentionally* use sport to deliver wider social outcomes. The organisations we are looking for operate mostly in disadvantaged communities, often working collaboratively with other partners to meet local need, and may offer cross-sector activities.

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This programme will support clubs and organisations based in Worcestershire including charities, social enterprises, Community Interest Companies and other not-for-profit organisations.

Grants will be awarded to organisations with a turnover less than £75,000 with priority given to those groups with a turnover less than £25,000.

Specifically, we will fund clubs and organisations which can demonstrate that they are using sport to work towards one or more of the following outcomes:

- Developing Life Skills
- Improving Mental Health
- Reducing Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour
- Developing Employability Skills
- Building Stronger Communities

Examples of projects that fall into those headings include:

Developing Life Skills

Greenhouse Sports uses inspirational sports coaching and mentoring to engage young people and improve their life chances. They partner with schools to provide opportunities for young people who may be disengaged, vulnerable or facing disadvantage to develop the social, thinking, emotional and physical skills that help them thrive.

Improving Mental Health

Westport runs various projects using sport to improve mental health. Bristol Active Life Project works in partnership with people who experience Severe and Enduring Mental illness (SMI) by enabling them to improve their own health and wellbeing through taking part in sport and exercise opportunities in the local community.

Reducing Crime and ASB

TSA Projects deliver programmes in partnership with charities to engage with hard-to-reach young people. They provide a positive space for young people to communicate safely about potentially dangerous situations, and encourage a range of activities, including sport-based programmes, to support their personal development, safety, confidence to ensure they stay away from criminal activity.

Employability

The Blair Project is a karting project that develops employability opportunities and Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) skills for young people aged 15-18 by designing and 3D printing karts they then race.

Community Cohesion

Boots & Beards started life aiming to get young people off their screens and exercising through hiking. Now the project focuses on bringing together people from all parts of the BME community to go on likeminded adventures, exploring and promoting Scotland's natural landscape.

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Who cannot apply?

Purpose:

• Community sport clubs and organisations which only focus on developing and widening opportunities to participate (traditionally those voluntary sports clubs and organisations overseen by governing bodies) which are not *intentionally* working towards one of these five sport for development outcomes:

- Developing Life Skills
- Improving Mental Health
- Reducing Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour
- Developing Employability Skills
- Building Stronger Communities
- Organisations which are unable to demonstrate that the pandemic has affected them, either operationally or financially should not apply.

Geography:

Organisations constituted and operating outside of Worcestershire (if you are working in a different county please check the Made By Sport website for other funding available)

Constitution:

- Individuals
- Sole traders
- Private companies
- Government linked bodies (excluding clubs who have received National lottery or Sport England Funding)

Organisation Size:

Organisations with an annual turnover of over £75,000 cannot be supported by this programme.

When can I apply?

Applications for the first round of the Made by Sport programme open on 12th April 2021 and will close on 24th May 2021. Applicants will be notified of the decision before the end of June 2021. Depending upon funds remaining, a second funding round will open for applications up until 27th August 2021. The sooner you apply the better as we expect high demand for the funding and we only have a certain amount of funding to award.

How do I apply?

To apply, please complete an online application form on the Made by Sport Page:

<https://ukcf.secure.force.com/forms/Worcestershire/MadeBySports>



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What information will I need to apply?

We'll ask you to complete an application form which will have various sections, including:

- Information about your eligibility for the fund – your constitution, where you operate, your organisation size, your purpose against the five social outcomes and so on.
- Further information about your organisation including your contact details, who you work with, how you are funded, how many young people are in your organisation and who it is run by.
- What you would like the funding for.

As well as the completed application form you will also need to provide the following:

- A copy of your organisation's governing document/constitution/set of rules that set out the purpose of your organisation and how it is managed.
- Evidence of a bank account in the name of the organisation. The bank account must have at least two signatories. Alternatively, if you belong to a small organisation that does not have a bank account, another charitable organisation can look after the funds for you. But, you must provide written authorisation from the organisation that will do this.
- A copy of your organisation's most recent accounts or financial information that show your organisation's balance of funds, income and expenditure. If you do not have financial records that cover a full year, then you will need to provide the records you currently have.
- A copy of your organisation's safeguarding policy if you work directly with children or vulnerable adults.

Please note, applications cannot be assessed if the above supporting documents are not provided.

What happens after I apply?

Each application will be fully assessed by the Worcestershire Community Foundation. We may contact you for further information.

You will be advised of the outcome of your application within a week of the panel meeting, and a Conditions of Grant Offer letter and acceptance form will be forwarded for you to sign and return. This will explain both general and any project-specific conditions that the Trustees are applying.

Monitoring and evaluation

At an appropriate time, usually six months, after the grant has been paid we will send you a grant monitoring report form. This form asks for details of how the grant was spent and what was achieved. In addition, a member of staff or a member of the grants panel may contact you to arrange a visit to find out more.

Need more information?

If you need more information about the Made by Sport Clubs in Crisis Grant Programme please contact:

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Appendix 1 - Defining Sport for Development

What differentiates sport for development from community sport?

Sport for development is defined as the intentional use of sport to achieve other social outcomes and is a powerful tool to help young people deal with these issues. Community sports clubs and organisation's deliver better mental health, less crime and anti-social behaviour, pathways to employment, life-skills and community-cohesion.

Community sport - focusses on developing and widening opportunities to participate, traditionally within voluntary sports clubs and organisations overseen by governing bodies.

Sport for development - intentionally uses community sport provision to deliver wider social outcomes, usually through third sector and voluntary, community and social enterprise (VCSE) bodies. Mostly in disadvantaged communities, these organisations often work collaboratively with other partners to meet local need and may offer cross-sector activities.

Outcomes based funding:

The fund will only fund sport for development projects and organisations which work towards one or more of those outcomes:

Developing Life Skills

We will support projects and organisations which develop the soft skills that will ultimately improve the life chances of young people, specifically projects which work towards any of the six key areas of life skills development identified by the WHO:

- 1) Communication and interpersonal skills.
- 2) Decision-making and problem solving.
- 3) Creative thinking and critical thinking.
- 4) Self-awareness and empathy.
- 5) Assertiveness and self-control.
- 6) Resilience.

Improving Mental Health.

We will support projects and organisations which promote positive mental health through physical activity, which:

- Achieve increased confidence and resilience.
- Encourage positive social interaction.
- Specifically address mental health issues such as depression, anxiety or ADHD.
- Focus on general wellbeing and wellness.

Reducing Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour

We will support projects and organisations which reduce crime and anti-social behaviour, either through providing diversionary activities at key times, or through modifying and promoting positive behaviour.

Developing Employability Skills

We will support projects and organisations which either develop employability skills or those which provide actual pathways to employment.

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To differentiate projects working towards this outcome from projects working towards the general soft skills outcome, we will prioritise projects working towards one of the following three outcomes, for young people aged 16 and above:

- 1) Communication and interpersonal skills, including working well with others.
- 2) Reliability and dependability, including meeting deadlines and turning up on time.
- 3) The ability and willingness to learn new skills, whether job-specific or more general.

In terms of specific pathways to employment, we will include funding for volunteer pathways and qualifications in sport.

Building Stronger Communities

We will support projects and organisations which build and rebuild communities, for example:

- Those which encourage integration or bridge divides between groups of people.
- Those providing opportunities for vulnerable or marginalised groups.

We appreciate that many projects and organisations may work towards more than one of these outcomes and will ensure that this can be demonstrated through the application process.