

Grants for Groups		
Name of Fund/Grant Programme	Grants Available up to	Details/Criteria
Arriva	£300	Projects for people with disabilities, elderly people, young people (including education) and environmental projects.
HJ Banks Fund	£500	Capital items with a lasting benefit for groups in close proximity to a Banks operation, especially those in Tow Law, Wolsingham, West Cornforth. The fund will support community projects, sports and school projects and projects providing services and activities for young or elderly people.
Banks Community Fund *	£5000	Projects will be funded in accordance with Entrust objects A to F and DA. Entrust is the organisation that regulates the use of landfill tax credit. You can find out more information about the landfill tax credit scheme by visiting www.ltcs.org.uk . Your group must operate within close proximity to a current or proposed Banks Group operation or an area that will be affected by a Banks Group operation. You will need to complete an expression of interest form prior to applying to this scheme.
Community Action	£1000	Funded by County Durham Foundation's endowment fund to support small voluntary and community groups with priority given to Durham City, Chester le Street, Teesdale and Darlington but groups from other areas can apply. Projects should help to combat disadvantage, particularly in rural areas, address need and/or show particular innovation.
Darlington Champions (Darlington Building Society, British American Tobacco, Marchday)	£1500	Community projects in Darlington via our Community Action criteria.
David Grant Memorial Fund	£500	Projects in County Durham and Darlington, which help disadvantaged young people, access new opportunities and achieve their potential.
Esh Charitable Trust * Community Aspirations Small Grants Programme	£10,000	Supports community and voluntary organisations with user-led, self-help projects that can show real need and demonstrable benefits. Applications will be accepted under the following six themes for core support, project and capital grants: Community Aspirations, Children and Young People, Vulnerable People, Environmental, Community Regeneration, Education, Capacity and Skills Development, Health.
Four Seasons Health Care	£400	Supports activity projects working with or for the elderly. Your group must operate in close proximity to a Four Seasons Health Care operation; the company have homes in the flowing areas, Belmont, Bishop Auckland, Brandon, Consett, Darlington, Delves Lane, Fencehouses, Leadgate, Peterlee, Pelton.
Healthy Living Activities Pot	£3000	For projects meeting the Safer Stronger Communities Fund objectives whilst actively contributing to improving the health of the participants. This grant is only available in the South Moor, New Kyo, Annfield Plain, Craghead, South Stanley, The Middles and Quaking Houses.
Learn for Free (ESF Global Grants) *	£5000	Grants for groups or individuals in County Durham to pay for training and associated costs (e.g. childcare) to improve chances of employment or help progress in your chosen career if you are low paid. Grants for individuals are unlikely to exceed £2000 and the average grant is approximately £1000. Higher education is excluded.
I'Anson Family Fund	£1000	Community projects in Derwentside via our Community Action criteria.
Joseph Brough	£1000	Priority to Methodist causes undertaking community projects and thereafter projects working with people in greater need including unpopular causes.
Local Network Fund	£7000	A National Government Initiative, which aims to make a difference to the lives of children or young people up to age 19. Projects must demonstrate that the children or young people benefiting are facing poverty or disadvantage, and that your group takes account of young people's views and involves them in decision making. A separate application form must be used which is only available by contacting the Local Network Fund on 0845 113 0161.
Newcastle Breweries	£500	Grants for projects for young people aged between 18-25.
Northern Electric Distribution	£500	Grants for projects in rural ex-Coalfield areas, especially projects focusing on education/young people, environment, health and safety training and child safety.

Northern Rock	£500	Grants for projects/groups supporting homeless people throughout County Durham via our Community Action criteria.
Northumbrian Water Community Projects Fund	£500	Community projects throughout County Durham and Darlington.
Northumbrian Water Environmental Projects Fund	£1000	Environmental improvement projects throughout County Durham and Darlington. For example, landscaping and planting on land open to the public and biodiversity projects, which do not need to meet the public access requirement. Projects will be funded in accordance with Entrust objects A to F and DA. Entrust is the organisation that regulates the use of landfill tax credit. You can find out more information about the landfill tax credit scheme by visiting www.ltcs.org.uk .
Peter & Jane Cook Fund	£500	Supports projects in County Durham and Darlington that are concerned with crime and also work with offenders to assist and encourage rehabilitation.
Rural Fund	£500	Local voluntary and community groups in rural areas of County Durham supporting disadvantaged people such as the elderly, young people and those suffering from illness or disability. Individuals seeking support to access work after long periods of unemployment or individuals involved in rural enterprise looking to diversify their income. Local economic regeneration that is community led i.e. farmers markets, market town initiatives.
Roman Community Fund	£500	Supports groups and individuals within a 10-mile radius of the Roman factory including those in Spennymoor, Ferryhill and Darlington, who work in the following areas: With marginalised and disadvantaged groups such as the elderly and the unemployed, people overcoming problems and improve their and their communities quality of life, provide increased access to existing or new activities, contribute towards regeneration initiatives, develop skills, experience, open up opportunities or share knowledge at a community level.
Sport Relief	£2000	Supports projects, which through sport and exercise aim to strengthen communities and provide opportunities for people who are excluded or disadvantaged. Priority will be given to groups and organisations that promote and support excluded communities and groups that promote sports to improve health and inclusion.
TKA Tallent Chassis	£500	Projects working with Children and Young People in Sedgefield, especially Newton Aycliffe.
Tonks Family Fund	£1000	To offer aspirational experiences and opportunities for disadvantaged children and young people in County Durham and Darlington.
Whitbread Fund	£500	Supports projects that help young people achieve their full potential, youth projects around crime, the environment, unemployment or education. Priority will be given to projects supporting disadvantaged young people and young people with disabilities.
Young People and Education Fund	£2000	Supports voluntary sector organisations, charities, schools, further education colleges and other agencies working directly with disadvantaged young people (aged up to 25) for non-statutory activity that will: Demonstrate active learning from the pilot that can be applied elsewhere and have an idea of how to achieve this, Achieve a multi-agency approach to their work, Access more education and learning, particularly encouraging marginalised or disengaged young people to get involved in activities that will improve self-esteem, help them to achieve, offer new opportunities and experiences whilst increasing their aspirations, Become an active citizen and make a positive contribution to society, Stay safe and avoid harm.

Please note that you will need to use a specific application form for some of these funds. Please check the guidelines carefully

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