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Ongoing funding sources

[Awards for All - BIG Lottery](#)

£300-£10,000

This grant is for projects that aim to improve local communities and the lives of people most in need. The application form is short and simple, and you will find out if you are successful within six weeks.

[Reaching Communities: England](#)

£10,000 and £500,000 for up to five years

Community building projects that deliver one of five outcomes outlined on the website. Open to voluntary and community organisations, charities and social enterprises.

[Grassroots grants](#)

£250-£5,000

Grants for voluntary and community organisations that have been active for more than 12 months in their community. Applications can be made until March 2011.

[Access to Volunteering](#)

£250-£5000

Available to voluntary organisations that:

- overcome barriers to disabled people volunteering
- increase the number of disabled volunteers
- widen the range of organisations offering support to disabled volunteers

If you miss the deadline your application will be placed in the next round.

[Comic Relief: Grants for VCS and faith organisations](#)

Comic Relief are particularly keen to support work which addresses the needs and rights of people from communities who are often overlooked, such as those from Black and minority ethnic communities or older people.

Current funding streams include: mental health, domestic and sexual abuse, refugee and asylum seeking women, local communities, young people 11-25 and mental health and sexual abuse/trafficking.

[Open Door Volunteer Programme - BVSC](#)

£650

Available to voluntary organisations and charities who are able to offer a 12 week (60 hour) placement to somebody who may be excluded from volunteering opportunities.

[Children in Need: Small Grant programme](#)

Up to £10,000 - next funding round ends 15 July

Available to not-for-profit organisations whose projects focus on the differences made to the lives of disadvantaged children and young people.

[Think Big: Backing young people making a difference in their communities - NYA, UK Youth and O2](#)

£300 with possibility of £2500 if asked to expand your project

Financial support, training and mentoring to help young people (13-25) directly tackle community and social issues.

Useful funding resources

[Funding Central](#) - NCVO

An interactive guide to over 4,000 grants, contracts and loans. Sign up for alerts and enter your details to find relevant grants for your area.

[BVSC 4 Community](#)

A webpage dedicated to helping Birmingham voluntary and community organisations access all the funding that is open to them from government, lottery and other sources.

[Lottery funding](#)

All of the Lottery Funding streams

[Community Builders Fund](#)

Funding for community organisations. Visit their eligibility checker to see if you can access this funding.

[Third Sector](#)

Finance and fundraising pages

[Charity Commission - Charities and Fundraising download](#)

The aim of this guidance is to help charities and fundraisers work in a way that complies with legal requirements and good practice.

[Foundation for Social Improvement](#)

The FSI gives small charities strategic support. The site includes fundraising information, toolkits, resources, links, events and training for small charities.

Voluntary Sector Funding sites

[Bath and North East Somerset Council](#)

[Essex County Council](#)

[Elmbridge Borough Council](#)

[Halton Borough Council](#)

[Kent Funding information](#)



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