

MAGIC LITTLE GRANTS

Together with Postcode Community Trust, a grant giving charity funded by players of People's Postcode Lottery, Localgiving is delighted to offer charitable organisations the opportunity to apply for grants of £500.

The Magic Little Grants Fund provides local charities and community groups the opportunity to access funding to deliver engaging physical activities which help to overcome barriers to participation.

The aim of the fund is to support the work of organisations that are engaging hard to reach individuals, encouraging them to take part in physical activity to help improve their physical health.

Both Postcode Community Trust and Localgiving recognise the role that sports and exercise can play in bringing communities together, as well as promoting holistic wellbeing amongst groups and individuals.

To benefit from funding, projects must support and inspire people to participate in sports or exercise.

Grants can be used to support the general running costs of new and existing sports and physical activities. For example, this could include: facilities hire, kit & equipment, coaching qualifications, events and trips, and other volunteer expenses etc.

Please note that as applications are reviewed on a monthly basis, your organisation could wait up to two months to receive an update on the status of your application. Successful applicants will receive the grant payment within a fortnight of being notified they have been successful.

How to apply

To access The Magic Little Grants Fund you must meet the eligibility criteria for membership with Localgiving.

- To register your group with Localgiving and apply for a grant click [here](#). Please use the promocode **MLG2020** within the membership payment section to access your free annual membership funded by Postcode Community Trust.
- If you are already a Localgiving member, then you can complete the simple online grant application form by [logging into](#) your account.

This should take no longer than 20 minutes to complete. Please note that as applications are reviewed on a monthly basis, your organisation could wait up to two months to receive an update on the status of your application.

If you have any questions about the registration process please get in touch with our Help Desk by calling 0300 111 2340 or emailing help@localgiving.org.

Eligibility

To be eligible to join Localgiving organisations must first meet the following eligibility criteria:

- “We operate on local / regional community initiatives and are not a national charity”
- “We have a UK bank account in the name of the group”
- “Our charitable aims are not solely for the advancement of religion”

The following organisations can apply:

- Registered charities with either the Charity Commission for England & Wales or Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR)
- Community Interest Companies (CICs)
- Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIOs, SCIOs)
- Social enterprises
- Other not-for-profit community organisations

In order to apply for the funding, organisations are required to meet the following criteria:

- **Income** - You must have an annual income under £250,000.
- **Physical activity projects** – Your planned project must encourage people to participate in sports and exercise.
- **Operating within England, Scotland, or Wales** - Please note that organisations operating in Northern Ireland are not eligible to apply.¹

Groups who meet any of the following criteria are **NOT** eligible for the grant:

- Organisations that have previously been funded by a Magic Little Grant, or any other trust funded by players of People's Postcode Lottery that **have not yet finished the project/activity**.
- Organisations that have previously delivered a project funded by a Magic Little Grant or any other trust funded by players of People's Postcode Lottery that **have not yet completed their monitoring/evaluation form**.
- Organisations that **are a school or are linked to a school**, such as a Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Examples of projects that we cannot fund:

- Activities focused on professional sports or physical arts where the participating athletes/performers are being paid
- Medical equipment that supports the delivery of physical activities
- Medical treatment
- Foreign travel

¹ Owing to differing regulations governing gambling and lotteries across the United Kingdom, we are unable to distribute funds in Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands, Isle of Man and other overseas territories

Evaluation & reporting

All successful applicants will be required to complete a brief monitoring form within 12 months of receiving their award. A link will be sent out to all awardees 3 months after the payment of the funds.

The monitoring form will provide applicants with the opportunity to provide feedback on how the grant was spent, the beneficiaries supported and any successes or challenges along the way.

Acknowledgement

All applicants must acknowledge the support of the players of People's Postcode Lottery through Postcode Community Trust. Further details of how to do so will be provided to successful applicants.

Postcode Community Trust is a charity registered in Scotland, No. SC044772 and is a company limited by guarantee (SC472798). Postcode Community Trust is regulated by the Gambling Commission under certificate 000-037612-N-318384-005 and 000-037612-R-318383-005, and achieves its objectives through funds it receives from [People's Postcode Lottery](#). Players must be 16 or over. Not available in Northern Ireland.

Further Information

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact the Localgiving Help Desk on 0300 111 2340 or via help@localgiving.org.