



Bedfordshire and Luton Community Foundation

“Supporting local charities &
community groups”



What is a Community Foundation?

- Registered charity raising funds to give to local community groups
- Part of a national network
- Manage a number of flow-through funds on behalf of our supporters/donors
- Offer advice and support to applicants to aid capacity building



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UK COMMUNITY
FOUNDATIONS
GIVING FOR LOCAL GOOD

About BLCF

- Established in 2001
- Provide approx. £1.2million a year in grants across the county and neighbouring areas
- Based in Cardington, Bedfordshire
- Dedicated and knowledgeable team

Since 2001 BLCF have provided nearly
£6.3million in grants

Supporters/Donors

We manage a number of funds with the support of the following organisations:



WHITBREAD



BUILDING
A STRONGER
BRITAIN
TOGETHER




London Luton Airport Limited



COMIC
RELIEF



 The Panacea
Charitable Trust



Proudly supporting youth social action

#iwill

 Department
for Culture
Media & Sport

 LOTTERY FUNDED




London Luton Airport



LUTON
BOROUGH COUNCIL



Jane Cart Trust



National
Crimebeat 
Young People Creating Safer Communities

Funds available (1)

Panacea Charitable Trust- grants up to £5,000

- Mental Health
- Supporting those in poverty
- Working with people with physical disabilities.
- Grants may also be awarded to projects that address issues of sickness or education



Comic Relief- Grants up to £3,000 towards Core Costs

*only open to charities/community groups with an income of £100K or less

- Connected communities
- Productive communities
- Empowered communities

Deadline for applications 2nd Feb 2018



BLCF general fund – up to £1,000

- For smaller grant applications
- Covers the whole county

Fund currently closed but should open later this year.



Funds available (2)

Building a Stronger Britain (BSBT)- up to £50,000

- Fewer people holding attitudes, beliefs and feelings that oppose shared values.
- An increased sense of belonging and civic participation at a local level.
- More resilient communities.



Grants **OR** In-kind support available

Deadline for applications is 16th Feb 2018

Youth Social Action- grants up to £5,000

- 6 key principles
- Part of the #iwill campaign
- Open to all organisations working in Bedfordshire

Next deadline 2nd February- future dates tbc



Mark West fund- grants up to £5,000

- Supporting women and girls to achieve their full potential, to address issues of inequality.

Fund opening soon- early March tbc

Interested in applying?

- ✓ Check you meet the criteria for the fund
- ✓ Read the guidance notes
- ✓ Check if any necessary match funding required
- ✓ Follow the link to start the online application
- ✓ Submit the application, along with any relevant supporting documents



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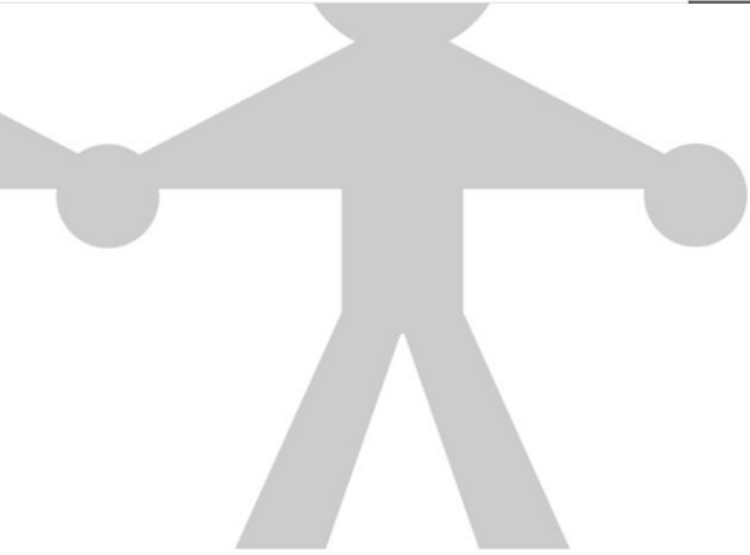
Bedfordshire and Luton Community Foundation

The Bedfordshire and Luton Community Foundation is a grant maker supporting local community groups and charities.

We focus on providing accessible grantmaking based on a deep understanding of community needs and an effective service for donors.

Our aim is to be a catalyst for social change for the community of Bedfordshire and Luton through collecting funds from local businesses, individuals, and national organisations and ensuring a cohesive and targeted approach to grantmaking.

"We aim to build partnerships which effectively connect donors with community projects through efficient grantmaking and philanthropy in order to strengthen the communities in Luton and Bedfordshire"



Building Stronger Britain Together

BLCF General Fund

Comic Relief

Crimebeat Beds and Luton

Jane Cart Trust

LLAL Community Fund

LLAL - Near Neighbours

LLAOL- Community Trust Fund

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Luton School Support Fund

Luton Youth Fund

Mark West Fund

Panacea Charitable Trust

Whitbread Plc. Chairman's Fund

Youth Social Action

USEFUL INFORMATION

- Guidance for Applicants
- FAQs
- Our checks on your information
- Identifying Need

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BLCF Grants +

Vital Signs

Research and social data about Bedfordshire



Small Charities Forum

Established to support small charities & community groups in Bedfordshire.



Funders Network

Re-establishing network to bring grant-makers together



Any
Questions?