

Listed below are the grants approved in April 2024 to local organisations meeting our funding priorities or those agreed with our fund-holders.

In addition to the below, 35 grants under £1,000 were made that totalled £10,370, and grants totalling £3,000 was awarded to individuals.

Grants Approved April 2024

Grant Recipient	Amount Approved	Summary of Award	Programme Name
Grassroot Communities	£5,000	For the Youth Grassroot Activators Programme, which engages young people from marginalised communities and supports them through a programme of experiential learning and enables youth led social action.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Redcatch Community Garden	£2,660	To continue a weekly Community Lunch which also meets local mental health, isolation and cost of living challenges.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
The Haven	£5,000	For peer-led activities that facilitate connection to self, each other and nature to address anxieties around health and food security and reduce social isolation.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Bristol Refugee Festival	£5,000	Towards the Engagement Programme, which connects refugees and asylum seekers with each other and communities across Bristol and the surrounding areas.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Southmead Somali Association	£5,000	To provide a meeting place for older people in Southmead with talks, walks and an opportunity to raise local issues.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants

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Black Mothers Matter CIC	£5,000	To deliver 1-2-1 support and for attendees of the community groups who are facing multiple and complex challenges during the antenatal/postnatal period.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Shirehampton Methodist Church	£5,000	Core costs for continuing to run Shirehampton Hub and running and support costs for volunteer-led wellbeing activities.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
All Saints Parish Church	£4,862	An after school family cafe providing a warm, welcoming space for families to come together to socialise, connect and provide peer support over hot drinks and snacks.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Survivors Leading Essential Education & Change	£5,000	To provide an emergency response service led by those with lived experience of sexual violence and economic disadvantage: 1-1 emotional and practical crisis support.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Friends of Hillfields Library	£5,000	For the weekly over 60s activity group, Silver Explorers, in Hillfields.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Hillfields Community Garden	£5,000	For core costs of this community gardening group in Hillfields, providing various groups supporting health and wellbeing.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Bristol Panthers FC Football Club	£4,228	To fund a training pitch and friendlies for a year to give players affordable access to LGBTQ+ inclusive community sport.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Family Centre (Deaf Children)	£4,890	For monthly meet ups for young people aged 11-21 affected by hearing loss.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Friends of Hannah More Primary School	£2,880	DIY workshops for local women to build confidence, increase wellbeing, introduce practical techniques, and provide opportunities to form new social connections.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Meadow Vale Community Association	£5,000	Employment of a community engagement worker to enable MVCA to open the centre weekly as a welcoming space which residents can meet in.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants

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Trinity Community Arts Ltd (Newtown Network)	£5,000	Community workshop sessions to create a celebratory mural for Newtown and gardening sessions to bring colour to communal spaces.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
University of the Third Age (Bristol U3A)	£3,500	To empower older people in two priority neighbourhoods in south Bristol, Bedminster and Stockwood, by promoting the mental, physical, and social benefits of becoming part of Bristol U3A.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
South Bristol Toy Library	£1,100	Towards rent for this volunteer-led group to run their toy library.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Organisation for Sickle Cell Anaemia Research	£3,000	To run a Community Welcoming space to support people living with Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia, their families and carers.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Nextgen Circle CIC	£3,780	For a community footballing league in Bristol to engage young people and divert them from knife crime through sport.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Lush Greens	£4,862	To employ a volunteer coordinator to strengthen connections with local organisations and community groups, and to deliver a weekly volunteer workday.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Hartcliffe Coderz	£4,470	To run regular coding drop-in sessions in Hartcliffe for young people, fostering community engagement and youth skill development, while enhancing resilience, social connections, and peer-to-peer support.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Soul Trail Wellbeing CIC	£4,000	To deliver 8 hikes for the global majority community in the rural countryside.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Gig Buddies Bristol	£4,458	Towards expanding the Gig Buddies project to support more neurodivergent people in Bristol to access music and culture.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Improving Lives of Older People (ILOP)	£3,970	For the weekly Talk and Tech group in Bedminster, an opportunity for people aged over 55 to socialise and learn a new skill.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants

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Bs13 cooking club	£5,000	For monthly cooking and social eating sessions in Hartcliffe, where one member takes a lead on the menu, providing dishes from many cultures.	Bristol City Council – Social Action Small Grants
Community of Purpose CIC	£3,900	Towards holiday activities and food for 8-12 year olds during May, October and February half terms.	BYCA
StreetSpace Knowle	£2,700	To deliver 3 activity sessions during each half term for children living in the Knowle area.	BYCA
Bristol Somali Youth Voice	£3,900	To deliver 5 activity sessions during each half term for children living in the Easton area.	BYCA
Mud Pie Explorers CIC	£2,970	To deliver 11 activity sessions for young people across the 3 half term holidays.	BYCA
Southmead Somali Association	£2,700	To deliver 5 activity sessions during each half term holiday for children living in the Southmead area.	BYCA
All Saints Parish Church	£1,800	To deliver 2 activity sessions per half term holiday for children that live in Eastville, Frome Vale & Hillfields.	BYCA
Oasis Hub South Bristol	£3,900	To deliver 4 activity sessions in Knowle West and Whitchurch during each half term.	BYCA
Children's Scrapstore	£3,000	We want to continue our provision of play and food sessions, particularly to develop the current offer, expand our numbers and show our commitment to the children and community.	BYCA
Hartcliffe & Withywood Community Partnership	£1,800	To deliver 2 days of activities for up to 50 young people from Hartcliffe and Withywood during each half term.	BYCA
Hartcliffe Club For Young People	£2,700	To deliver 3 activity days during each half term.	BYCA
Lawrence Weston Out Of School Activities	£3,600	To provide activity sessions for young people during the half term holidays.	BYCA

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Learning Partnership West CIC	£1,800	To deliver 2 activity sessions during each half term for children living in the Hillfields area.	BYCA
Oasis Community Hub North Bristol	£3,900	To deliver 5 activity sessions during each half term holiday for children who live in the Lawrence Weston and Avonmouth areas.	BYCA
Travelling Light Theatre Company	£1,500	To deliver 5 activity sessions in total across the 3 half term holidays for children living in Lawrence Hill.	BYCA
Youth Moves	£3,900	To provide 14 activity sessions plus food across the 3 half term holidays for children who live in Hartcliffe and Knowle.	BYCA
Ambition Lawrence Weston	£2,070	To provide 3 days of activities during each half term.	BYCA
Incredible Kids	£3,600	To deliver 4 sessions per half term for disabled children at The Vench in Lockleaze.	BYCA
Groundwork South Trust	£3,900	To deliver 5 activity days in each half term holiday for up to 150 young people from Lockleaze.	BYCA
Manor Woods Valley Group	£2,200	To provide 3 activity sessions per half term holiday for children living in Withywood, Knowle and Bedminster Down.	BYCA
Churchill & Langford Minibus Society	£4,400	This is a community-building project, based around creating shared experiences through which neighbours can connect, create friendships and provide mutual support to one another.	Catalyst Grant
Your Park Bristol & Bath	£29,339	To improve parks in the Hartcliffe and Withywood area of Bristol, supporting a more diverse user group and social cohesion. We will develop these cross-community relationships and create safer, more accessible spaces for all.	Catalyst Grant
High Littleton CofE Primary School	£19,291	Continuous Play Provision in the school grounds.	Catalyst Grant

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Alive Activities Ltd	£4,500	Towards the Elders Health and Wellbeing Project	Catalyst Grant
Genesis Trust	£20,000	Life Projects staff are vital to our success and helping clients to improve their lives, wellbeing and prospects. We would like to ask for a grant towards Life Projects staffing.	Catalyst Grant
Bristol Food Producers Network Limited	£5,000	To help address food insecurity by opening up access to land in Bristol through identifying vacant land and creating an equitable land matching process	Express Grant
StreetSpace Knowle	£4,793	To fund a youth club for the 8-13 age group to contribute to the positive development of children, promote community cohesion, and enhance the overall well-being of young people.	Express Grant
Many Minds	£5,000	Towards a collaboration between Many Minds and Royal West Academy (RWA) to make a live inclusive and immersive performance in the main gallery as part of the These Mad Hybrids exhibition.	Express Grant
Bridging The Gap Together!	£4,945	To continue and expand a regular well attended Dungeons and Dragons (D&D) activity group for Neurodiverse young people.	Express Grant
Forest Child	£2,500	I would like to run one family Forest School session and three women only support group sessions in the woods, for families and women who have fled domestic violence.	Express Grant
Migrateful	£5,000	Towards managing the refugee and asylum seeker chef training programme, the operations and marketing of cookery classes and provide ongoing holistic support to chefs.	Express Grant
Seed Sessions	£2,000	To offer top-up counselling and mentoring sessions to their participants who have gone through the group's counselling/music mentoring programme.	Express Grant

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Southmead Somali Association	£5,000	For general running costs for this group's drop-in services and support for Black and minorised communities in North Bristol.	Express Grant
Whitchurch Ladies Wildcats	£2,065	An expansion of our women's football club, opening a second competitive team, using bigger pitches and reaching more women in our community.	Express Grant
Fight Against Blindness	£5,000	Specialist Bristol psychological service for children and young people with sight loss and visual impairment, helping them improve their mental health and reach their full potential, socially and educationally.	Express Grant
Bristol After Stroke	£4,145	To run a Physiotherapy Rehabilitation course, Next Steps, aimed at boosting stroke-affected people's mobility and confidence, and increasing their awareness of related health and lifestyle issues.	Express Grant
Downend & District Youth Boxing Foundation	£3,830	Complete overhaul of dilapidated sports hall as part of larger educational project with SEN provision.	Express Grant
Family Centre (Deaf Children)	£4,980	Core funding to assist in implementing the Income Generation Strategy in order to enhance existing support services, in-house income generation expertise, community reach and financial sustainability.	Express Grant
Firebird Theatre	£5,000	To help increase the organisation's membership and to increase access to the arts for learning disabled people in Bristol.	Express Grant
Juice Community Project	£5,000	To fund our holiday activities with provide for local children which include fun activities and lunch.	Express Grant
Lawrence Weston Out Of School Activities	£5,000	For the annual rent for this After School Club, offering support to families in Lawrence Weston.	Express Grant

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We Hear You (Positive Action on Cancer)	£5,000	Support for the cost of four weekly one-to-one counselling sessions for people with life-threatening conditions in B&NES	Express Grant
Pride Bristol	£5,000	Funding to develop and pilot LGBT+ Allyship training for local organisations and charities.	Express Grant
RISE Youth Dance	£2,500	To provide capacity for the group to increase the participation of young people aged 6-11 who do not have easy access to participate in dance in Lockleaze.	Express Grant
Southmead Project	£5,000	We are seeking support towards the salaries of the specialist counsellors who work in our long-term counselling service.	Express Grant
Vision North Somerset	£5,000	A Project 'Seeing Friends' reduces isolation and loneliness amongst visually impaired people in North Somerset through social connection.	Express Grant
Borderlands	£5,000	Weekly English classes for one year for 150 asylum seekers staying in initial accommodation hotels in Bristol, helping to improve their English and access services.	Express Grant
West of England Rural Network	£5,000	Supporting the Community Oil Buying Scheme which is aimed at guarding against fuel poverty but also as a vehicle for signposting the needs of the older and more vulnerable community.	Express Grant
Congars Cafe	£2,724	To fund the running costs of three different support groups in the Community Cafe 2024 - 25.	Express Grant
Keynsham & Saltford Dementia Action Alliance	£2,500	Toward the cost of the Music for the Mind sessions that support individuals with dementia and their carers.	Express Grant
Conductive Education Bristol	£2,640	To assist with the core running costs of weekly groups for children with complex physical, communication and learning needs (aged 4 years - 16 years).	Stoke Park Friends' Fund Grant

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BAND Bristol Association for Neighbourhood Daycare	£1,000	To support childcare providers accessing additional staff hours to support children with learning disabilities attending their club.	Stoke Park Friends' Fund Grant
Milestones Trust	£20,000	To support people with learning disabilities to access appropriate accessible transport so that they can access social and leisure opportunities.	Stoke Park Friends' Fund Grant
Springboard Opportunity Group	£1,300	Toward subsidised training workshops for parents and carers in using Makaton Sign Language with non-verbal children with disabilities and those with speech & language delays and disorders.	Stoke Park Friends' Fund Grant
Incredible Kids	£3,000	Toward a playworker to support young people with learning disabilities to access family play and support from Incredible Kids.	Stoke Park Friends' Fund Grant
Mendip Access Adventure Foundation	£3,000	Toward a ski training social group benefiting individuals with a learning disability.	Stoke Park Friends' Fund Grant

Donor Directed and Donor Advised grants (£1,000 and above) approved in April 2024

Grant Recipient	Amount Approved
Bath City Farm	£15,000
Bath Share & Repair	£1,000
Bristol Citizens Advice Bureau	£1,000
Bristol Drugs Project	£1,000

Bristol Law Centre	£10,000
Caring in Bristol	£1,000
Caring in Bristol	£1,000
Easton Community Children's Centre	£1,000
Easton Jamia Mosque	£1,000
Global Goals Centre	£1,380
OTR - Bristol	£1,000
Social Mobility Business Partnership	£17,500
StreetSpace Knowle	£2,200