

Listed below are the grants approved in May 2025 to local organisations meeting our funding priorities or those agreed with our fund-holders.

In addition to the below, 32 grants under £1,000 were made which totalled £12,421.20. 19 grants were awarded to individuals totalling £28,000.

Grants Approved May 2025

Grant Recipient	Amount Approved	Summary of Award	Programme Name
Aspiration Creation Elevation CIC	£9,980	To deliver More Than Music a project which uses music creation as a vehicle to therapeutically transform the lives of systemically marginalised young people.	Catalyst Grant
Young Carers Development Trust	£15,000	Towards the core running of this charity enabling them to run the Long Term Mentoring education programme.	Catalyst Grant
Manor Farm Community Hub	£5,000	Toward basic equipment for this new community centre.	Catalyst Grant
Soap Soup Theatre	£1,000	Toward creative workshops for intergenerational participants.	Catalyst Grant
VOSCUR	£19,977	To support core costs to enable Voscur to deliver its core infrastructure work, including capacity building, voice and influence and partnership brokerage over next 6 months.	Catalyst Grant

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Emmaus Bristol	£5,000	For a healthy eating project with 35 formerly homeless people, building cooking skills, food awareness and connecting with local community food projects.	Express Grant
Bristol Mind	£5,000	To help asylum seeking adults reduce their isolation, feel happier and form new connections by being in nature, growing food and cooking together.	Express Grant
EcoWild	£2,000	Toward piloting a nature connection programme, to enhance confidence, wellbeing, and self-care through guided walks and creative activities in Nightingale Valley.	Express Grant
Crux Climbing CIC	£5,000	To continue to run regular sessions for children and young people with additional needs including outdoor and indoor climbing.	Express Grant
Coexist Community Kitchen CIC	£5,000	To complete the expansion of a catering kitchen which will enable the group to generate revenues to fund its community programmes.	Express Grant
Weston-super-Mare Foodbank	£5,000	To support the ongoing costs of the Weston-super-Mare Foodbank service.	Express Grant
Bristol Legacy Foundation	£1,000	To advance the African Heritage Community Legacy Implementation work, focusing on developing reparatory justice programmes, and creating sustainable, tangible legacies for future generations through an Away Day.	Express Grant
Aid Box Community	£5,000	Towards Aid Box Community's new drop-in and bigger free shop for refugees and asylum seekers.	Express Grant

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Preventative and Restorative Counselling Services (PARCS) CIC	£5,000	To continue to deliver free therapeutic services for young people and their families affected by poor mental health, youth violence and social exclusion.	Express Grant
Autism Independence	£5,000	Towards supporting families with a young autistic person to access advocacy around Educational Health Care Plans.	Express Grant
creativeShift	£4,995	For an Arts on Referral programme for communities in inner city and east Bristol, particularly parents and carers of young children.	Express Grant
Feeding Bristol	£2,000	Towards Food Justice Fortnight, a city-wide celebration and awareness raising series of events across the city; celebrating communities and people who are making a difference	Express Grant
Voices of Aphasia	£5,000	To launch the Bristol Aphasia Choir, creating accessible music-making opportunities for people affected by aphasia.	Express Grant
Friends of Redcatch Park	£1,000	Toward a community event and big picnic in June to promote friendship, inclusion and togetherness in Knowle.	Express Grant
Vocalise Magazine CIC	£2,000	Toward the production of the Vocalise magazine which connects Ashley Ward, celebrates local voices, and promotes wellbeing.	Express Grant
Bereavement Support Keynsham	£1,200	Toward the running costs for this group which provides free bereavement support for local people.	Express Grant
Bath Area Play Project	£5,000	For Family Playdays which provide unique play opportunities that are easy to replicate at home, over the summer holidays, reducing isolation and providing family support.	Express Grant

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Sevenside Community Rail Partnership	£4,800	For the Rail Ways of Care project that offers rail journeys and social connection experiences for unpaid carers, providing respite, confidence in rail travel and improving railway accessibility.	Express Grant
Better Bilingual CIC	£1,500	'World of Flavours': a family-friendly arts workshop to co-create collages inspired by favourite dishes from refugees' home countries - to display in communal areas at Hotel Mercure Holland House, Redcliffe.	Express Grant
Children's Scrapstore	£2,000	Towards the Bristol Playday across 3 locations in the city (North, South and East Central), a collaboration of 21 different organisations delivering play work in the city.	Express Grant
Nova Sports and Coaching	£1,000	To deliver essential training to key frontline organisations to improve their engagement with neurodivergent people and people with learning disabilities.	Commissioners Crime Prevention Fund (OPCC)
Bristol Horn Youth Concern (BHYC)	£1,000	Safeguarding and EDI/Anti-racism awareness following more young Afghans accessing there services.	Commissioners Crime Prevention Fund (OPCC)
Changing Tunes	£1,000	To support a Senior Musician's transition from prison-based work to youth-focused preventative settings.	Commissioners Crime Prevention Fund (OPCC)
Circles South West	£1,000	Towards staff costs.	Commissioners Crime Prevention Fund (OPCC)
St Mary Redcliffe Church	£1,000	To deliver a workshop on anti-misogyny and violence against women and girls.	Commissioners Crime Prevention Fund (OPCC)

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Young Bristol	£1,000	Emergency First Aid training to 16 of our staff members across our youth club network and on our Youth Club on Wheels.	Commissioners Crime Prevention Fund (OPCC)
The Nelson Trust	£1,000	Towards a half-day training by Gendered Intelligence to improve staff awareness and inclusivity for transgender and non-binary clients.	Commissioners Crime Prevention Fund (OPCC)
Incredible Kids	£3,000	To fund a playworker to support young people with learning disabilities to access family play and support.	Stoke Park Friends' Fund Grant
Milestones Trust	£3,000	To fund live music events for people with learning disabilities in community spaces across Bristol.	Stoke Park Friends' Fund Grant

Donor-directed and Donor-advised grants (£1,000 and above) approved in May 2025

Grant Recipient	Amount Approved
Ashley Community Housing Ltd	£1,315
Eastside Community Trust	£11,055
Tobacco Factory Arts Trust	£2,000
Room 13 Hareclive	£1,000
Avalon Camps	£1,000

Arnos Vale Cemetery Trust	£65,713
Young Bristol	£47,986
Bravo Medics	£5,000
Underfall Yard Trust	£1,500
Caring in Bristol	£1,000
Rose Bowl Awards	£2,894
Devon Community Foundation	£2,562
East End Community Foundation	£3,522
Bridge Foundation	£2,000
Wiltshire Community Foundation	£1,004
Somerset Community Foundation	£2,058
Cambridgeshire Community Foundation	£2,489
Dorset Community Foundation	£1,341
Sussex Community Foundation	£5,627