

Community Impact Bucks' COVID-19 Briefing #8

#Fund Alert

Short regular briefing from Community Impact Bucks

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Dear Sir/Madam,

There are now a variety of funds available for organisations which need support due to the COVID-19 measures. Here are two new recently announced opportunities.

More COVID-19 fund information can also be found on our [COVID-19 Advice for Groups](#).

FUND ALERT: FARMING AND RURAL COMMUNITY

The Prince's Countryside Fund has launched its Rural Response Emergency Grants Programme offering up to £2,500 in emergency funding to **farming and rural community support groups** which are helping to counter the effects of isolation during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Groups can apply for grant funding of up to £2,500 if they are:

- providing emergency relief to vulnerable or isolated individuals or;
- providing support to farmers and farm businesses affected by the Coronavirus pandemic or;
- helping rural or farming communities to cope with the Coronavirus pandemic

For more information and to apply, click [here](#).

FUND ALERT: ARTS AND CULTURE SECTOR

The Arts Council England will be opening applications to its new COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund on 9th April.

This emergency response fund is for organisations outside of the National Portfolio. With a total of £50 million available, they will give grants of up to £35,000.

The main focus for this fund is ensuring **the arts and culture sector can continue and survive** during the COVID-19 situation; applications will need to demonstrate how the fund will enable this.

Eligible organisations must have experience of delivering work that was funded (directly or indirectly) by bodies such as Arts Council England, National Lottery Heritage Fund, National Lottery Community Fund, local authorities, universities, public sector bodies, trusts and foundations, libraries, etc.

There will be two rounds of this fund but applicants can apply to only one of these rounds. **Round one opens on 9 April 2020**, with a deadline of 16 April 2020; **round two opens on 16 April 2020**, with a deadline of 30 April 2020.

To read The Arts Council England's announcement, click [here](#).

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