

Community Impact Bucks' COVID-19 Briefing #63

Resources for fundraisers and #FundAlerts

Short regular briefing from Community Impact Bucks

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Dear Sir/Madam,

In today's briefing, we have collated a range of new support available for fundraisers as well as information on three new funds. Check our [COVID-19 Funding webpages](#) for further funding resources.

RESOURCES FOR FUNDRAISERS

- **Free Meet the Funder event focusing on the HS2 Community & Environment Fund:** join the virtual meet-up to understand the current priorities for the HS2 Community & Environment Fund, gain an insight into the decision making processes by Groundwork and HS2, and have the chance of asking questions directly to the funder. For more information and to book for the event on 2nd September, visit [Meet the Funder](#).
- **Chance to meet the Rothschild Foundation funding team:** the [Rothschild Foundation COVID-19 Fund](#) offers grants of between £5,000 and £50,000 to voluntary organisations in Buckinghamshire (excluding MK) which have been adversely affected by the pandemic or experienced significant increase demand for their services. We are hosting two online roundtables where you have the chance to find out more about the Fund directly from the [funding team](#). Click on the links to find out how to book your free place on one of the virtual roundtables: [3rd September \(2-3pm\)](#) and [23rd September \(10-11am\)](#).
- **Series of recruitment guides for fundraisers:** the Institute of Fundraising has produced The Change Collective guides for the fundraising community to consider the actions and decisions they can take to achieve a more diverse fundraising workforce. The guides include an additional element to reflect on recruiting during the pandemic. To access the guides, visit [the Institute of Fundraising](#).
- **Finding out about funding opportunities:** register with the [Bucks Funding Search](#), a free searchable database of funding opportunities which allows you to tailor your searches and set up email updates direct to your inbox, and check out The Clare Foundation's list of [specialist funders](#) sourced from the Charity Excellence Framework.
- **Introduction to fundraising standards:** the Fundraising Regulator maintains and upholds the Code of Fundraising Practice which sets out the responsibilities that apply to fundraising carried out by charitable institutions and third-party fundraisers in the UK. It has produced a [pre-recorded webinar](#) which helps you understand what the code is, who it applies to, what the code covers and how to use the code, both online and offline. Charities are welcome to use this material as part of their induction and training.

#FundAlerts

To keep up-to-date with the latest announcements and for support on all aspects of funding, visit our [COVID-19 Funding webpages](#) and our top [ten tips on how to write a successful funding application](#). Three new funds are highlighted below:

- **Grant to deliver holistic project to support wellbeing in Buckinghamshire:** Heart of Bucks, the Rothschild Foundation and The Clare Foundation have launched their Buckinghamshire Wellbeing Capacity Fund offering grants of £68,000 plus possible additional £5,000 for partnership working costs. The project must work to create new capacity to support wellbeing in the county and help to ensure recovery from the pandemic is sustainable, with reach into all communities. Details of a workshop to help facilitate the multi-agency discussions needed to form suitable projects will be released shortly. The deadline for applications is 30th September; for more information, visit [Heart of Bucks](#).
- **Grants for small charities supporting older people:** the Independent Age Grants Fund offers grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 to help smaller charities (income under £1m) to support older people living in complex and challenging situations and older people in danger of being out of sight and out of mind. The deadline for applications is 11th September; for more details, visit [Independent Age](#).
- **Grants for small and medium sized charities helping people overcome complex social issues:** the Lloyds Bank Foundation Covid Recovery Fund is open to small and medium sized charities with an income of between £25,000 and £1 million a year that are helping people overcome complex social issues such as mental health, homelessness and domestic abuse. A minimum of a quarter of this funding will go to charities that are led by and for people from Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities. The deadline for applications is 11th September; for more information, visit [Lloyds Bank](#).

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