

Paul Hamlyn Foundation

Grants Announcement
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UK Grants – July to September 2022

Paul Hamlyn Foundation is one of the largest independent grant-makers in the UK. We use our resources to support social change, working towards a just and equitable society in which everyone, especially young people, can realise their full potential and enjoy fulfilling and creative lives.

The 31 grants described here have been awarded between July and September 2022 and total over £4.64 million.

Details of all grants are available in our [grants database](#).

Investing in Young People

We support organisations at different stages of development to improve, consolidate and spread practices that empower young people to shape their lives and lead change.

Youth Fund

Our Youth Fund provides core funding to organisations whose main purpose is working with and for young people (aged 14-25) who face complex transitions to adulthood.

Anti Racist Cumbria

Grant amount: £150,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: England

Project: Anti Racist Cumbria - Growing Grassroots

Description: Anti Racist Cumbria (ARC) exists to identify, challenge, tackle and end racism in Cumbria. It does this through projects that deal with the root causes of systemic racism in schools, businesses, communities and wider organisations. This grant will support the recruitment of a Grassroots Coordinator. The Coordinator will facilitate and amplify the voice of Cumbria's Black and minoritised young people and support them in creating their own anti-racist projects.

Fight for Peace International

Grant amount: £150,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: England

Project: Embedding Youth Leadership and Participation

Description: Fight For Peace works with young people via boxing and martial arts as part of a holistic methodology which includes Education, Employability, Support Services, and Youth Leadership. This grant will support development of an updated youth leadership strategy and framework, which will be packaged and shared with its network of partners. This will support its vision to enhance participation within youth and sports clubs across the UK.

Oxfordshire Youth

Grant amount: £150,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: England

Project: Putting power in the hands of young people.

Project Description: Oxfordshire Youth (OY) is a youth development charity directly supporting young people in Oxfordshire and the grassroots leaders, volunteers and youth organisations who work with them. OY focuses on support for young people facing the most challenging transitions. This grant will fund the recruitment of a Youth Engagement Manager to proactively address barriers to engagement for the young people most affected by violence, leaving-care, homelessness and mental health. This will also help create the infrastructure needed to embed youth voice across its programmes.

The Albert Kennedy Trust

Grant amount: £150,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Safe homes and better futures for young LGBTQ+ people

Description: The Albert Kennedy Trust ('akt') provides support, advice and guidance to young people aged 16-25 who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or questioning (LGBTQ+) and who are homeless or living in a hostile environment. This grant will support recruitment of a dedicated Youth Engagement Manager to expand and develop an outreach project that will centre the needs and voices of the most marginalised young people. This will include developing the youth panel to work alongside the board to ensure mainstream housing providers have the skills and know-how to support people from the LGBTQ+ community.

The Hummingbird Project

Grant amount: £145,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: England

Project: Young refugees organising and collaborating for change

Description: The Hummingbird Project works with unaccompanied young people aged 12–25, who are claiming asylum and have been placed in accommodation in Sussex. It provides specialist one-to-one support and group activities, and also collaborates with young people through its Young Leaders programme to campaign and advocate nationally for better rights and protection. This grant will allow them to introduce a new, paid, 'Ambassador' role, recruited from the cohort of Young Leader graduates, as part of its vision to become more youth led. Funding will also contribute to various staff roles, providing additional capacity within the organisation to support its development and campaigning work.

If you would like to find out more about this Fund please see [here](#).

Act for Change Fund

The Arts Development Company

Grant amount: £7,500

Grant duration: 5 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Act for Change steering group

Description: The Arts Development Company is a Dorset based social enterprise which engages and collaborates with marginalised young people through creative programmes to nurture and increase their life chances. This grant will fund the creation of a steering group of young people who will lead meetings and attend training and development to support the sustainability of the Act for Change Together Festival.

Migration and Integration

We want to support young people who migrate, and strengthen integration so that communities can live well together. Our funding seeks to help organisations to address exclusion, deepen connections and build 'shared ground' that can lead to a more socially equal society.

Shared Ground Fund

The Shared Ground Fund supports organisations working to influence migration system reform, improve access to support services, strengthen civic participation and inform public understanding.

East European Resource Centre

Grant amount: £254,000

Grant duration: 48 months

Location: England

Project: Empowering Eastern Europeans

Description: East European Resource Centre (EERC) is an independent charity that provides information, advice, advocacy and voice to Eastern European migrants in London and beyond, particularly those who are experiencing disadvantage and exploitation. This grant will provide core funding to support EERC to grow its impact across service delivery, information resources and policy influencing.

HOPE not Hate

Grant amount: £240,000

Grant duration: 48 months

Location: England, Wales

Project: Hopeful Towns Network

Description: Hope not Hate aims to challenge racism and help build communities that are inclusive, celebrate shared identities and are resilient to hate. To do this, their work focuses on community action and engagement, research, training and educational services. This grant will support a project that aims to build resilience to hate messaging in towns in England and Wales and a stronger civic society with trust in the rule of law. Funding will support a network of leaders and organisations within towns who will respond to local needs and pressure points and share learning to enable rapid response to provocative elements.

Kent Refugee Action Network (KRAN)

Grant amount: £160,000

Grant duration: 48 months

Location: England

Project: Influencing, Agency and Voice for Young Refugees

Description: Kent Refugee Action Network (KRAN) relieves the hardship of refugees, asylum seekers and their dependents in Kent, providing advice, information, education and support. KRAN has established youth leadership at the organisational level by employing four Youth Ambassadors (YA) through its Youth Ambassadors Programme. This grant will support two more young people to become Youth Ambassadors, using their agency, influence and voice in the public domain.

New Europeans UK

Grant amount: £90,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: England

Project: Improving advocacy in the EU Advice sector

Description: New Europeans UK (NEUK) supports vulnerable EU citizens and their family members to obtain and manage the immigration status that they require to continue living and working in the UK. Since 2021, NEUK has coordinated the EUSS Alliance, a coalition of more than 80 advice organisations serving EU citizens. This grant will help NEUK grow its strategic functions and address the lack of influencing capacity among EU citizen-focused civil society organisations. It will collect evidence and data generated by members of the EUSS Alliance and expand its research, policy and advocacy work to establish the need for specific support for EU citizens.

Opus Independents Ltd

Grant amount: £72,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: England

Project: Independent Race and Migration Correspondents Network Sheffield Pilot

Description: Opus Independents creates platforms for independent information and communication, which amplify voices within the local economy, voluntary, community and campaign sectors. This grant will fund a specialist community correspondent to research and report on issues related to migration and race in Sheffield and South Yorkshire for its existing independent media platform, Now Then Magazine. Through this work, Opus also plans to support local advocacy and campaigning for migrant rights and share practice and learning with a UK network of independent media.

South Riverside Community Development Centre (SRCDC)

Grant amount: £136,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: Wales

Project: Sustaining Grassroots Empowerment

Description: South Riverside Community Development Centre (SRCDC) is a community development charity, which aims to address deprivation, facilitate civic engagement and build social cohesion in the South Riverside and nearby areas of Cardiff. This grant will enable

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SRCDC to recruit a community organiser and two community connectors who will co-produce an influencing model with the support of Bevan Foundation. Through this work, SRCDC will develop an action plan that aims to strengthen civil society relationships in Wales and resolve tensions by listening, offering support and fundraising for joint work.

the3million

Grant amount: £195,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: EU Citizens' rights - Influencing and communications programme

Description: the3million is a campaign organisation for EU citizens in the UK, formed to protect the rights of people who have made the UK their home. This grant will part fund the3million's communications, research and legal/policy analysis and parliamentary engagement and policy influencing functions.

If you would like to find out more about this Fund please see [here](#).

Arts Access and Participation

We believe in the power of the arts as a force for change, and one that enriches people's lives and communities.

Arts Access and Participation Fund

The Arts Access and Participation Fund addresses inequalities of opportunity to access and participate in the arts. We want to support change in the way the arts are created, presented, accessed and experienced.

20 Stories High

Grant amount: £200,000

Grant duration: 48 months

Location: England

Project: Delivering a new vision and mission

Description: 20 Stories High is a theatre company creating work for and with young people in theatre venues and community spaces. This grant will support them to implement a revised vision and mission and develop a renewed focus on wellbeing, activism and new leadership and voices. This includes delivering an ambitious and inclusive programme of work made with communities. Together they aim to embed Equality, Diversity, Inclusivity and Activism (EDIA) at the heart of their work; create more work with and for Deaf, disabled and neurodivergent artists, participants and audiences; and diversify their leadership through new associate roles.

42nd Street

Grant amount: £343,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Project: The Horsefall

Location: North West

Description: Based in Manchester, 42nd Street supports young people with their mental health and wellbeing. This grant will support core staffing and artists fees as part of the continued development of The Horsfall - 42nd Street's dedicated, young person-curated, creative space that supports young people's mental health and wellbeing programme.

Bernie Grant Arts Centre

Grant amount: £305,000

Grant duration: 48 months

Location: England

Project: Development of the Community Programme

Description: Bernie Grant Arts Centre (BGAC) is a Black-focused visual arts space in Tottenham working to remove the barriers contributing to underrepresentation in the arts, putting Black artists centre-stage and advocating for critical change. This grant will support the development of their Community Programme and fund associated staff costs, enabling them to grow their critical work with local Black and global majority communities, and establish robust evaluation frameworks to monitor and assess the impact of their work.

Dundee Contemporary Arts

Grant amount: £260,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: Scotland

Project: Changing the Scottish arts sector for disabled artists

Description: Dundee Contemporary Arts (DCA) is a centre for contemporary arts, that enables audiences, artists and participants to see, experience and create. This grant will support DCA in partnership with LUX Scotland and Collective to bring lasting, systemic change in the Scottish arts sector for disabled artists and arts professionals. This programme of research, evaluation and commissioning will create opportunities for meaningful organisational developments to ensure the institutions and their programmes better reflect society.

Turf Projects

Grant amount: £100,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: England

Project: Supporting local artist collectives

Description: Turf Projects is a grassroots, artist-run, free, contemporary art space in Croydon which hosts two artist collectives, MOSS (a collective of local learning disabled artists) and Art Press (a collective of Croydon artists aged 13-18). This grant will support these collectives to regain their access to the arts post pandemic, promote collaboration, fund associated staff costs and develop an impact measurement system.

If you would like to find out more about this Fund please see [here](#).

Education and Learning through the Arts

The arts play an important role in enriching young people's learning and educational experiences.

Arts-based Learning Fund

The Arts-based Learning Fund supports work which enables pupils in formal education settings, particularly those experiencing systemic inequality or disadvantage, to thrive through engagement with high quality, arts-based learning.

Amber Film and Photography Collective CIC

Grant amount: £259,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: England

Project: Primary Source

Description: Amber is a film and photography collective focused on documenting working class and marginalised lives and landscapes in North East England. This grant will support Amber to work collaboratively with two primary schools to adapt, deliver, trial and evaluate digital and hybrid models of its successful photography and filmmaking approach to supporting children's learning. The project will also develop continuing professional development for teachers in partnership with Newcastle University, produce a range of resources and explore these adapted models with other primary schools in North Tyneside.

Baby People

Grant amount: £104,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: England

Project: Freedom to Learn

Description: Baby People is a Black and minority ethnic led music and arts social enterprise that works with disadvantaged young people in Derby, Nottingham and Leicester. This grant will support Baby People to work with young people in alternative education provisions using their Hip Hop based social pedagogy to support engagement in learning.

Discover Children's Story Centre

Grant amount: £120,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: England

Project: Creative Wellbeing Project

Description: Discover Children's Story Centre is a venue dedicated to engaging and supporting children aged 0-11, families and teachers with creative approaches to literacy. This grant would enable Discover to respond to needs identified by teachers in East London schools relating to children's literacy and wellbeing. Discover plans to roll-out its Creative Wellbeing Project to 20 classes in five primary schools, over three years, using illustration, poetry, storytelling and a range of crafts to support children's development, wellbeing and learning.

Grand Junction at St Mary Magdalene's

Grant amount: £145,000

Grant duration: 23 months

Location: England

Project: Wonderful words: Closing the vocabulary gap

Description: Grand Junction is a community venue running activities for children and adults, and a public arts and music programme. This grant will support Grand Junction to work with primary schools in Paddington and Thanet, Kent, to improve speech, language and communication skills of children with English as an additional language and/or speech and language delay. The programme uses drama practice, storytelling and creative writing to support pupils facing multiple barriers in school to thrive as expressive communicators and deep thinkers.

Royal Academy of Dance

Grant amount: £220,000

Grant duration: 38 months

Location: England

Project: RADiate – inclusive dance for children aged 3-11 with special educational needs and disabilities

Description: The Royal Academy of Dance (RAD) is a dance education charity that delivers multiple initiatives that engage a range of target audiences in dance. This grant will support the provision of the RADiate programme of inclusive and accessible dance for primary-aged children with special educational needs and disabilities. Funding also supports early career dance artists and RAD BA Ballet Education degree students via paid assistantships and mentored placements creating pathways into inclusive dance teaching.

Speech Bubbles CIO

Grant amount: £232,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: England

Project: Speech Bubbles - Theatre making for children with communication needs

Description: Speech Bubbles delivers drama programmes for young children with communication needs and supports other theatres to do the same. This grant will fund core costs to support organisational development and expand the reach of the central Speech Bubbles programme to benefit children aged 5-7 with speech, language and communication needs.

If you would like to find out more about this Fund please see [here](#).

Other grants

Development Fund

Power The Fight

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Grant amount: £12,000

Grant duration: 6 months

Location: England

Project: Protecting young Black lives, celebrating Black professionals

Description: Power the Fight tackles violence affecting young people. They work to create long-term solutions for sustainable change and act as a link between the community and policy makers. This grant will fund an event and accompanying report to highlight the contributions of Black professionals in safeguarding Black children in the UK. The event will foreground anti-racist methods of knowledge creation and healing.

Evidence and Learning Fund

Friends Provident Foundation

Grant amount: £30,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Support for the Foundation Practice Rating (FPR)

Description: Friends Provident Foundation is an independent charity that makes grants and uses its endowment towards a fair and sustainable economic system that serves society. They aim to connect, fund, invest and share learning to shape an economy that works for all. This grant is a contribution towards the research costs of the Foundation Practice Rating (FPR), which rates UK foundations on their accountability, representation and transparency on an annual basis

ACEVO (The Association of Chief Executives of Voluntary Organisations)

Grant amount: £30,000

Grant duration: 29 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Home Truths 2 (HT2)

Description: ACEVO is a network of over 1,400 charity and social enterprise CEOs and aspiring CEOs. This grant is to support delivery of the second part of the Home Truths (HT) project which shone a light on the problem of racism and race equity in civil society. HT2 will focus on and accelerate practical action in civil society to centre race equity and ensure organisations positively impact Black and minority ethnic people inside and outside the sector, identifying real-life interventions on race equity that exemplify a further, faster approach.

Strategic Interventions Fund

YMCA George Williams College

Grant amount: £100,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: England

Project: Building a healthy data ecosystem for the youth sector

Project Description: YMCA George Williams College - incorporating The Centre for Youth Impact - is a community of UK organisations that work together to progress thinking and practice around impact measurement in youth work and services for young people. This grant provides core support to the Centre, enabling the organisation to engage in collaboration focused on delivering infrastructure functions across the youth sector as part of the Youth Sector Infrastructure Collective.

Comic Relief

Grant amount: £250,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Pop Culture for Social Change: Power of Pop (PoP) Fund

Project Description: Comic Relief is a charity based in the UK, with a vision of a just world, free from poverty. This pooled fund will support the intersection of migration, racial injustice, popular culture and social change working with organisations at the cutting edge of this work. The programme aims to embed a comprehensive learning approach in order to strengthen and grow the field in the UK.

Voice, Influence and Partnerships

Culture Commons

Grant amount: £20,000

Grant duration: 12 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Policy impact: promoting equality, diversity and inclusivity in culture

Description: Culture Commons is an organisation that blends public relations, stakeholder management, campaign strategy and traditional lobbying in order to help amplify the voices of creative organisations who want their work to have an impact on policy at local, national and international levels. This grant will support them to build the evidence base for a series of policy recommendations specifically designed to make the UK's creative and cultural sectors more equal, diverse and inclusive.

Enact Equality Ltd

Grant amount: £15,000

Grant duration: 12 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Advocacy and system change

Description: Enact Equality works to advance racial justice and equality in the UK. This grant will provide core costs to support their work advocating for race equality and creating system change. This involves influencing decision-making, empowering young people from disadvantaged or racialised backgrounds, and working with leaders to foster equality, social justice and tangible change.