

Beneficial Foundation Grant Guidelines

Who Can Apply?

Our Grants scheme is designed to support smaller charities registered with the England and Wales Charity Commission for more than 3 years from date of application and operating in the United Kingdom PO1 - PO17 (in particular PO1 – PO6) post code areas. In particular we are looking to assist charities working in the following areas;

- Portsmouth (PO1-PO6);
- Havant (PO9);
- Waterlooville (PO7-PO8);
- Fareham (PO14-PO17);
- Gosport (PO12-PO13);
- Hayling Island (PO11);

What Do We Fund?

We plan to make one-off grants for equipment, capital or project funding to charities which can show that such a grant will make a significant difference to their work. If you cannot demonstrate this, your application will be declined. Please note that demonstrating ongoing sustainability is also important, particularly if you have recently lost local authority or other regular funding.

Capital projects

By Capital we mean bricks and mortar or tangible 'stuff' i.e. a building project, repairs, equipment etc. If you are seeking a Capital grant you will need to have confirmed planning permissions in place at the time of submitting your application. If you are seeking a Capital grant related to a building or land, please confirm ownership or lease arrangements that are in place (i.e. length of lease and years remaining minimum of 15-year lease).

What Don't We Fund?

- Individuals
- Social enterprise without a UK Charity Commission Registration
- Sporting associations that are not registered charities;
- Work that does not deliver a direct benefit in the Portsmouth and surrounding areas (listed above), even if the organisation is a registered charity within these areas;
- Charities that spend the majority of their income outside the Portsmouth area;
- Local authorities and councils.
- National Charities (Except local branches as listed above)

There are some activities we do not provide funding for:

- One-off or annual events such as galas or festivals, even if they are for fundraising purposes;
- Sponsorship;
- Cost of Salaries;
- Feasibility studies;
- Activities that takes place overseas, including overseas trips;
- Start-up costs, organisations that do not yet have a track record of service delivery, or that have not yet produced accounts;
- Campaigning, lobbying and awareness raising activity;

- Endowment appeals.

Organisations with unrestricted reserves (net current assets plus investments) covering more than 12 months' expenditure are unlikely to receive a grant unless they can make an exceptionally convincing case that they are in financial need.

How Much Can You Apply For?

Charities can apply for different grant ranges.

1. £1,000 to £10,000
2. £10,000 to £50,000
3. Up to £100,000

When Can You Apply?

Applications will be accepted until **midnight on 30th November 2019**.

Following appraisal of submitted applications Beneficial Foundation will contact you to let you know if you have been successful. Depending on the number of Project Applications received, Beneficial Foundation plan to respond to all Applications before December 13th 2019.

Incomplete applications **WILL NOT BE** considered.

Other Information

If a grant is awarded it can only be used for purchases after the grant is approved. The Beneficial Foundation does not offer retrospective funding.

Multi-year grants will not be made.

Please avoid using jargon and acronyms in your application.

How To Apply

Applications are to be submitted online on the Beneficial Foundation website from the following link: <http://beneficial.org.uk/charity-application-desc>.

Information / Documents You will need:

1. **Email Address**
2. **Accounts**
 - a. **Last Years Signed Accounts**
 - b. **Income and Expenditure figures for last financial year (if the year after last signed accounts)**
3. **Copy of Latest bank statement (Within 3 months of current date)**
4. **Project Budget**

Notes on Attachments

The maximum size for all attachments combined is 25 Mb. Please note that files with certain extensions (such as ".exe", ".com", ".vbs" or ".bat") cannot be uploaded.