

How to apply for money from the Cultural Development Fund



Easy read booklet

What this booklet is about



We are **Arts Council England**. We pay for arts and culture in the UK.



This booklet is about the **Cultural Development Fund**. This is money from the government for creative and cultural ideas.

The government want to spend money on creativity and culture so that more work is made for more people.



The **Cultural Development Fund** will help to

- ✓ Make places nicer to live, work, visit and invest money in
- ✓ Make local leadership and partnerships stronger.



Information about the fund money

We think that a **partnership** is the best way to apply for the fund money. This might be with the local Council or another organisation.



Open

The fund will be open from

9am Monday 6 June

This is for an **expression of interest**. This means you write to say you are interested in applying for the fund money.

You must send your expression of interest to us by

Midday on Friday 29 July 2022

You can make a full application from

9am on Monday 19 September 2022.

To

Midday on Friday 18 November 2022

Your organisation can apply for between

£2 million to £5 million.



June

6



July

29



November

18

More about Information about the fund money



You can apply for money to

- ✓ Give you support with access if you need it
- ✓ **Pay for building work** – only if the RIBA Plan of Work has been completed to at least Work Stage 1.



Your activities must start no earlier than 5 April 2023

Activities must end no later than **31 March 2026**



You will need at least 15% funding money from other places to apply.

This could be public funding, corporate sponsorship, crowdfunding or in-kind support.



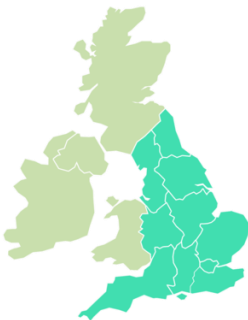
We will let you know if you get the funding money in **March 2023**.

Who can apply for Cultural Development Fund money



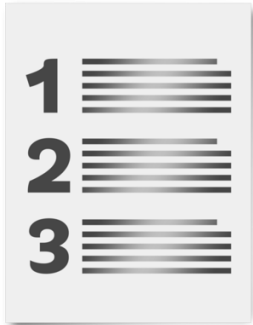
You can apply for **Cultural Development Fund** money for

- ✓ Places in England with a clear plan to develop creativity and culture
- ✓ Places in England outside London
- ✓ A partnership in your area – this has to be led by a local authority, Local Enterprise Partnership, or another organisation or group
- ✓ Places that can show they are serious about culture and making culture grow in the area
- ✓ Places with less people and rural areas in the countryside – you will have to say how you can make creativity and culture happen



We also want to hear from the **109 Levelling up for Culture places** – these are places where not many people take part in the arts.

Activity we cannot support



We cannot support and give money to

- x Activities that are not part of creativity or culture
- x Activity that isn't good for the public
- x Activity in London
- x Costs that need to be paid before 5 April 2023
- x Costs that are already paid for by other money
- x Capital projects that can't be finished by **31 March 2026**
- x Building projects that do not meet the rules of land and buildings requirements
- x Assets that you plan to sell
- x General running costs like paying staff, insurance or other costs to run a building
- x Goods, works or services that are already happening before you applied for the fund money.

How to get help



You can get help with the form from our Customer Services Team. You can talk to the team about other things too.

You can get in touch by email

enquiries@artscouncil.org.uk



artscouncil.org.uk/contact-us

More help on answering the questions is in the **full guidance for applicants.**

You can find it on our website:



artscouncil.org.uk/CDF