

Paul Hamlyn Foundation

Grants Announcement

January – March 2024



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 51 grants described here have been awarded between January and March 2024 and total over £19.58 million.

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

Arts Fund

The Arts Fund supports organisations who are working at the intersection of art and social change.

This fund was previously known as the Arts Access and Participation Fund. The grants listed below were approved prior to the fund (and its criteria) being changed.

Black Cultural Archives

Grant amount: £210,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: London

Project: Spaces for Change and Inclusion: Understanding migration to Britain

Description: Black Cultural Archives is the home of Black British History. They use their mission to collect, preserve and celebrate the histories of people of African and Caribbean descent in the UK and to inspire and give strength to individuals, communities and society. This grant will support an ambitious programme to catalogue material relating to the development of the Runnymede Trust, and smaller collections focusing on migration. It will also contribute towards the development of a new role focused on collecting histories of underrepresented groups and developing a public programme to share these collections with community groups.

Bradford Culture Company Limited

Grant amount: £300,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: Yorkshire and the Humber

Project: Bradford 2025 City of Culture Community Engagement

Description: Bradford Culture Company has been established to deliver the Bradford City of Culture programme in 2025. This will include large and small scale projects that will be

delivered across the communities of the Bradford District, creating opportunity and enabling change. This grant will support their community engagement programme working with existing arts and culture organisations to develop skills, broaden their reach, and deliver new large-scale works co-created with communities.

Bristol Beacon (previously Bristol Music Trust)

Grant amount: £400,000

Grant duration: 48 months

Location: South West

Project: Living Transformation Programme

Description: Bristol Beacon is a music charity, venue and music education hub. This grant supports Bristol Beacon to deliver a targeted programme of activity, Living Transformation, concentrating on Southmead, Knowle West and Easton, areas of high deprivation in Bristol. The programme will deliver a wide range of co-created music programmes alongside trusted partners in each of these communities.

Phosphoros Theatre

Grant amount: £181,500

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Core funding

Description: Phosphoros Theatre makes political theatre performed by refugee and asylum-seeking actors. They make and hold space for those with forced migration backgrounds to voice, reflect on and respond to their lived experience and create nationally touring productions. This grant provides core funding to support an ongoing full time Producer role, an ongoing part time Head of Community Engagement role, and the creation of a new role for a young person with lived experience of forced migration.

The Showroom

Grant amount: £217,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: London

Project: Support for programme delivery

Description: The Showroom is a contemporary art space focused on collaborative approaches to cultural production within its locality and beyond. This grant will enable The Showroom to recruit a full time Community Engagement Curator, to commission local artists for a mural on their building, and to facilitate action-research exploring their role in the community and thematic focus.

University of Atypical for Arts and Disability

Grant amount: £270,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: Northern Ireland

Project: Support for core costs and programme costs

Description: University of Atypical for Arts and Disability is a disabled-led sectoral arts organisation. This grant provides core costs and programme costs to enable them to deliver their strategic plan for 2023-28, including developing the Ledger Studio as a performing arts space and hub for D/deaf, disabled and neurodiverse communities, and expanding its Arts Access and Disability Awards supporting best practice in inclusivity across ~30 arts organisations in Northern Ireland.

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

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.

Cap-a-Pie

Grant amount: £149,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: North East

Project: Thinking Differently with Theatre

Description: Cap-a-Pie is a theatre company that inspires thinking and learning, bringing people together in a democratic creative process. Cap-a-Pie will work with children and young people attending schools in the East of Newcastle, and their teachers, to access in-depth nuanced understanding of complex material from different perspectives. Work will also support speaking and listening skills and activate critical thinking skills; this will enable greater engagement and progress with learning.

Creative Futures UK

Grant amount: £229,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: London, South East

Project: Sound Start

Description: Creative Futures transforms the lives of vulnerable children and young people through high quality targeted arts programmes. Creative Futures will work with London Early Years Foundation (LEYF) nurseries to train Early Years Educators coming through LEYF's

apprenticeship and degree courses. The programme will support the development of creative, music-based practice, which will be geared particularly to helping young children progress in their Speech, Language and Communication skills and Social Emotional learning, as well as their music making and creativity.

Fresh Arts C.I.C

Grant amount: £290,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: London

Project: The Bounce Drama Project Phase 2

Description: Fresh Arts provide arts education for children of all ages. They are committed to widening participation in the arts. The Bounce Drama Project boosts the knowledge and skills relating to mental health and well being of children in Years 3 and 4, through drama-based practice. In the second phase of development, Fresh Arts will be developing the model, through co-construction with a group of London primary schools, to support children in all primary school year groups.

Music and Dance Education (MADE)

Grant amount: £96,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: South West

Project: Feeling Good - Impacting children's mental wellbeing through the arts.

Description: Music and Dance Education (MADE) provides stimulating creative arts provocations in partnership with early years settings/schools, youth, community groups and healthcare settings. Feeling Good provides exciting and creative music, dance, drama, and art practice to schools across Cornwall. Working deeply with teachers, teaching assistants and pupils its play-based artistic processes will bring a focused approach to arts in the curriculum building confidence, creativity, and helping to develop mental wellbeing, to improve learning outcomes for this cohort of Cornish pupils.

West of Scotland Development Education Centre

Grant amount: £150,000

Grant duration: 28 months

Location: Scotland

Project: Going deeper with Global Storylines through Theatre of the Oppressed

Description: West of Scotland Development Education Centre (WOSDEC) is a third sector organisation, providing quality professional learning in Global Citizenship to teachers in the West of Scotland. This grant contributes to their plans to work with Active Inquiry, a participatory arts/theatre company based in Edinburgh. Working collaboratively with teachers

in six primary schools, they want to develop WOSDEC's drama-based Global Storylines approach by using Theatre of the Oppressed techniques. The project aims to increase children's sense of agency over their own learning and lives, and engage with global citizenship education, whilst also supporting schools to achieve their curriculum and improvement priorities.

You Be You

Grant amount: £90,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: North West, West Midlands, London

Project: Empowering pupils through the power of South Asian art.

Description: You Be You empower children to learn about themselves, and celebrate diversity and inclusion through the power of art. This grant supports You Be You to grow and develop its arts-based offer alongside its well-established anti-oppression training and support for primary schools. This two-year project sees artists work with teachers and pupils across Bradford, Birmingham and London to positively impact school communities and uplift individuals facing social stigmas or discrimination.

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

Migration Fund

The Migration Fund supports organisations who are building a future underpinned by justice, respect, solidarity, and freedom, so that migrant and diaspora communities can enjoy fulfilling lives.

This fund was previously known as the Shared Ground Fund. The grants listed below were approved prior to the fund (and its criteria) being changed.

Act Build Change

Grant amount: £10,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Exceptional grant support for Act Build Change

Description: Act Build Change support people and organisations to grow, build power and take action. They do this through their website, 1-to-1 coaching and workshops. This grant provides additional support for the organisation to provide wellbeing support to staff and cover emergency staffing needs.

Asylum Support Appeals Project (ASAP)

Grant amount: £150,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Tackling destitution - reducing systemic factors and increasing justice

Description: Asylum Support Appeals Project (ASAP) aims to reduce destitution by protecting the legal rights to food and shelter of those seeking asylum. They provide free legal representation for those appealing against a refusal of asylum support, and train organisations in asylum support law. With this grant ASAP will strengthen civic participation through convening people with lived experience of asylum support, the refugee sector and the advice sector to influence key immigration policies, improve access to support services and advocate for greater access to support.

Revoke

Grant amount: £10,000

Grant duration: 48 months

Location: London

Project: Revoke's political partnerships programme

Description: Revoke is a grassroots organisation advocating for the rights and welfare of underserved young people, particularly refugees, asylum seekers, and those in the care system. This grant will support the organisation to provide exceptional wellbeing support to staff and young people.

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

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.

Art Against Knives

Grant amount: £150,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: London

Project: Strengthening youth voice

Description: Art Against Knives (AAK) provides early intervention to prevent young people from becoming victims or perpetrators of violent crime. The charity's new 3-year strategy centres plans to reinforce core infrastructure. This will drive organisational development and empower young people to affect change in systems that make them vulnerable, and lead on building their own positive futures. This grant provides funding for key personnel to provide

vital operational support in people management, grant management and impact monitoring. It also enables the CEO to focus on strategic partnerships to grow the Young Leaders model.

EveryYouth

Grant amount: £150,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: EveryYouth - Building the network

Description: EveryYouth helps 16 to 25-year-olds experiencing homelessness enter meaningful employment, access mental health support and secure a home of their own. EveryYouth drives a UK-wide movement of leading regional charities who have joined forces to tackle youth homelessness. This grant provides funding for a Senior Network Coordinator who will work to expand the network across the UK, aiming to provide a more equitable level of support to young people in every community.

Power The Fight

Grant amount: £150,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: London

Project: Therapeutic Intervention for Peace (TIP) project and training development

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. Power the Fight's Therapeutic Intervention for Peace (TIP) Project is an evidence-based, co-developed, culturally sensitive, and trauma-informed model aimed at reducing interpersonal youth violence through preventative multi-level interventions. Funding will support Power the Fight to fund TIP in three Charter School Education Trust schools to enable it to refine and scale the programme and develop an e-learning platform to extend the reach and depth of its training delivery.

Young Manchester

Grant amount: £50,000

Grant duration: 12 months

Location: North West

Project: Our Manchester is Young

Description: Young Manchester is a youth-led membership organisation providing vibrant and inclusive local opportunities for young people to shape the future of their city. This grant provides core funding to allow them to sustain and grow their impact and remove reliance on project-specific funding. The Young Manchester team will prioritise activities that lead to systemic change for children and young people.

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

Youth Fund – Follow on Fund

Conscious Youth

Grant amount: £100,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: West Midlands, Yorkshire and the Humber

Project: Follow on funding

Description: Conscious Youth works with young people to foster active citizenship and community cohesion through creative arts, social action, youth groups, fundraising, culture-sharing and personal development workshops in schools and community spaces. This grant provides funding for additional staffing to enable them to increase their service delivery. It will also enable Conscious Youth to develop music as an area of specialism.

Youth Strategic Investment Fund

Reaching Higher

Grant amount: £550,000

Grant duration: 60 months

Location: London

Project: Youth Strategic Investment Fund

Description: Reaching Higher delivers a peripatetic mentoring and leadership programme which challenges young people to be leaders in their own lives. It seeks to bridge the gap for young people between home, school life and the community by embedding and growing its partnerships to create a wider community which shares similar values. This investment will focus on strengthening Reaching Higher's Senior Leadership Team in order to develop their strategic partnerships. They will also continue to embed trauma-informed practice, grow their marketing and communications infrastructure to reflect and support their growth, and develop a formal academic research partnership with the University of Greenwich. This partnership will include upskilling Reaching Higher's internal monitoring and evaluation capacity.

The Advocacy Academy

Grant amount: £50,000

Grant duration: 50 months

Location: London

Project: Exceptional support for 'critical infrastructure'

Description: The Advocacy Academy is an activist youth movement of young leaders fighting for justice and equality. They serve as the political home for grassroots youth organising and are the catalyst for collective action. The Advocacy Academy are moving premises to establish ‘The Liberation Centre’, which is a cornerstone for their strategic ambitions to host, train and enable youth organising practice. This grant will assist The Advocacy Academy to navigate the complex financial agreements and fees at a critical point in the execution of this development.

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

Other grants

Development Fund

Equally Ours (Funders for Race Equality Alliance)

Grant amount: £20,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Embedding race equality

Description: Funders for Race Equality Alliance is a group of funding organisations, networks and individuals working together to achieve race equality in the UK. This grant will provide support and resource for Equally Ours, acting as the Secretariat of the Alliance.

My Life My Say

Grant amount: £18,900

Grant duration: 1 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Next Gen Summit

Description: My Life My Say (MLMS) is a youth-led, non-partisan movement on a mission to change the culture of democracy and get every single young person voting. This grant supports Next Gen - the UK’s leading youth summit. Funding will enable MLMS to facilitate young people’s active participation in the conference, fostering a platform for the next generation to play an instrumental role in shaping the future of Britain.

United Learning Trust

Grant amount: £20,000

Grant duration: 6 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Sixth Form sustainability conferences

Description: United Learning Trust are a group of public and private schools which aim to provide excellent education to children and young people across the country. This grant will

support a series of conferences for Sixth Form students on climate change, an initiative started by Sir Tim Brighouse.

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

Evidence and Learning Fund

Centre for Cultural Value

Grant amount: £15,000

Grant duration: 12 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Centre for Cultural Value Organisational Development and Evaluation Plan

Description: The Centre for Cultural Value is a national research centre based at the University of Leeds. They work alongside cultural practitioners and organisations, academics, funders and policymakers to make relevant research more accessible, support the cultural sector to develop skills in research and evaluation, convene discussions around questions of cultural value, shape policy development and offer funding for research partnerships. This grant will support The Centre for Cultural Value to evaluate its impact, identify areas for development and design a new business model for the next five years.

Here for Good

Grant amount: £3,000

Grant duration: 1 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Draft legal report to the Review of Civil Legal Aid

Description: Here for Good is a strategic legal charity that aims to plug the gaps in advice provision where there is no legal aid available, such as the EU Settlement Scheme and the Ukraine visa schemes. This grant will support Here for Good to undertake legal research to respond to the Ministry of Justice review of civil legal aid.

Institute for Voluntary Action Research (IVAR)

Grant amount: £6,000

Grant duration: 12 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Evaluation Roundtable: supporting funders to respond to challenges, dilemmas and opportunities

Description: The Institute for Voluntary Action Research is an independent charity that works closely with people and organisations striving for social change. This grant supports the development of an action research process to understand the community's needs in relation to

supporting open and trusting practices and what 'trust-based learning' looks like in practice; community of practice sessions; annual convening; webinars; and research into trust-based reporting.

Friends Provident Foundation

Grant amount: £50,000

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Funding for the Foundation Practice Rating

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 lead the Foundation Practice Rating, developed to increase improvements in diversity, transparency and accountability. This grant contributes towards the Foundation Practice Rating for three years.

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

Major Gifts

YoungMinds

Grant amount: £5,000,000

Grant duration: 120 months

Location: UK Wide

Project: Designing and delivering a new strategy

Description: YoungMinds works to improve the emotional wellbeing and mental health of children and young people. It provides advice and guidance for young people, a parents and carers helpline, support and training for professionals, and research and policy work. The grant will enable YoungMinds to reach and engage more young people experiencing disadvantage, inequality and injustice, which are key contributors to mental health problems. They will further develop their youth centred approach, expanding the way YoungMinds connects with young people to generate ideas, share stories and inform the design of their support and services.

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

Our Neighbourhood Fund

Body and Soul

Grant amount: £50,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: London

Project: Responding to the mental health crisis of young people

Description: Body and Soul supports children, young people, and families whose lives have been impacted by childhood adversity and trauma. This grant will go towards core support and supports Body and Soul to respond to increased demand for therapeutic support for young people affected by the current mental health crisis, with a specific focus on racial trauma.

Camden Giving

Grant amount: £100,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: England

Project: Camden Giving: Youth-led participatory grant-making

Description: Camden Giving works with businesses to overcome local inequality. They run participatory grant-making, enabling local residents to give time, skills or money to inform services in their community. This grant supports the organisation's Future Change Makers Fund, a participatory grant-making programme through which 16–25-year-olds make decisions on which youth services the organisation funds. Over the next 24 months, Camden Giving will increase its grant spend, develop new youth-led approaches to reporting, integrate a racial justice focus into the programme, and improve its evaluation.

Coram's Fields

Grant amount: £40,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: London

Project: Coram's Fields under-fives drop-in service

Description: Coram's Fields and Harmsworth Memorial Playground is a children's charity that serves as a safe place for all children to come and play. This grant will support Coram's Fields in providing an under-fives drop-in service helping new parents to build social connections and enabling children to learn and develop through play.

Cultural Learning Alliance

Grant amount: £100,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: England, Wales

Project: Backbone grants 2022-23: Supporting a thriving civil society

Description: The Cultural Learning Alliance is a collective voice working to ensure that all children and young people have meaningful access to culture. Arts and culture bring pleasure, participation, self-expression and essential skills into children's lives. By speaking with one voice and working together, we can realise our ambition for all children and young people to

have an entitlement to quality cultural learning. The Alliance brings together the diverse parts of the cultural sector to work together – including museums, film, libraries, heritage, dance, literature, new media arts, theatre, visual arts and music – with the education and youth sector.

C4WS Homeless Project

Grant amount: £50,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: England

Project: C4WS Winter Night Shelter

Description: C4WS Homeless Project supports people experiencing homelessness to access housing, employment and to rebuild their lives. This grant will enable them to provide critical support through their successful "rotating shelter model" helping guests find positive housing move-ons.

The Peel

Grant amount: £40,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: London

Project: Clerkenwell Youth Development Programme

Description: The Peel is a charity that aims to build a connected community in Clerkenwell, London. They run activities for adults, children and young people, and mental health awareness projects. This grant supports The Peel as they build their Clerkenwell Youth Development Programme providing support for children in educational transitional stages through a youth club, life-skills programme, cultural enrichment, and career development for older children.

Help on Your Doorstep

Grant amount: £40,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: London

Project: Supporting communities in Islington

Description: Help on Your Doorstep is a charity that aims to improve the health and wellbeing of people in Islington, especially those who are vulnerable and isolated. They work with residents to find solutions to the issues which make life difficult, strengthen communities and enable people to improve their life chances. This grant supports Help on Your Doorstep to identify people who are at risk and provide early support to prevent the need for later crisis intervention.

Migrateful

Grant amount: £40,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: London

Project: Support for cookery classes taught by refugees and migrants

Description: Migrateful is an award-winning charity which supports refugees and migrants on their journey to employment and independence and promotes integration. They offer cookery classes where migrant chefs share their cuisine, culture and stories with the general public.

The Parent House Trust

Grant amount: £40,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: London

Project: Core funding

Description: The Parent House is a charity that supports parents in Islington. They aim to reduce poverty and social inequality for families by building parents' confidence and skills through provision of courses, training and wellbeing support. This grant supports the Parent House to deliver one-on-one support, consultations and peer mentoring to parents in Islington in order to strengthen core skills, improve wellbeing and provide opportunities to enter education and work.

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

Strategic Initiatives

Civic Power Fund

Grant amount: £118,650.02

Grant duration: 12 months

Location: UK Wide

Organisation Description: The Civic Power Fund is a new charitable fund that will support community organising and build the infrastructure and leadership it needs to thrive. This grant is a strategic investment in a key partner who is supporting us to deliver our mission around migrant justice, youth organising and youth led change, and shifting power in funding.



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