

the Tudortrust

The Tudor Trust is an independent grant-making trust which supports charities and community groups working in any part of the UK. Tudor doesn't focus its funding on specific themes or programmes but instead wants to support a wide range of organisations working to support positive change in people's lives. Tudor supports work which tries to meet the many different needs of people at the margins of society in ways which encourage inclusion, integration and independence.

Our funding guidelines outline our approach to supporting organisations. We **particularly want to help smaller, community-led organisations which work directly with people at the margins of society**. We do not have fixed funding priorities but are looking for a number of key characteristics in the organisations we fund.

These include:

- Organisations working within a marginalised community or working with a particularly marginalised group of people or 'community of interest'.
- Organisations which encourage and develop positive social connections and relationships.
- Organisations which are embedded in their community and which can identify and channel the potential within that community.
- Organisations which listen to and are responsive to their users and which give users a voice.
- Organisations which offer longer-term engagement and support.

We focus on smaller organisations and don't make grants to organisations with an annual income of more than £1 million. You don't have to be a registered charity to apply to us. We can make grants to other types of organisation (for example constituted community groups or community interest companies) as long as you can explain clearly how you would use our grant for charitable purposes.

Many of the grants we make go towards core costs (including salaries, overheads and running costs), but we can also make project grants and capital grants.

There are a few types of organisation and work that we will **not** consider for funding; these are listed in our funding guidelines so please check before you apply.

How to apply

Tudor has a two-stage application process, with the first-stage application being made via our online portal. At the first stage we ask you fill in a brief online form, and to upload an introductory letter, the answers to five set questions and your most recent annual report and accounts (or a recent bank statement if you are too new to have accounts). Full information on the application process is our website www.tudortrust.org.uk

Proposals can be sent to us at any time: there are no deadlines.

We aim to make around 320 grants a year. Our guidelines are designed to allow a wide range of organisations to apply to us for funding for a huge variety of work - on average we receive around 2,600 applications a year. Therefore only around one in eight applicants will go through to the second stage of the application process.

Please read the funding guidelines carefully before starting your application. You can download our current funding guidelines from our website www.tudortrust.org.uk

The Tudor Trust: vital statistics

- In 2019-2020 we made 344 grants totalling £20.9 million.
- The average grant in 2019-2020 was just under £74,000.
- In 2019-2020 41% of our grants went to groups with a turnover of less than £100,000 a year, and 39% went to groups we had never funded before.
- In 2019-2020 10% of our grants went to groups with a focus on mental health, 10% to groups providing support to refugees and asylum seekers, 7% to groups working in the field of housing or homelessness and 4% to groups working with people with disabilities.
- In 2019-2020 16% of our grants went towards targeted work with BAME communities, or to BAME-led groups.

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