

Coronavirus  
Covid-19

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## CORONAVIRUS - HOW YOU CAN HELP

Being a good neighbour

To everyone who has approached us, and to those of you who are trying to find ways to help your communities, thank you. Your kindness and generosity in these difficult times are a reflection of all that is best about the city we share and the people who call it home.

As a rule, right now, the best thing that most people can do is

- stay at home
- limit social contact
- follow NHS guidelines.

If you're able to help others then 'Think Local and Act Local'. Where you can, offer support to your

- wider family
- friends
- neighbours

to help make sure that they receive the essential supplies and medicine that they may need. Many people will already have established arrangements for support which are expected to continue but for those of you offering to help, Volunteer Edinburgh has some guidance on [how to be a good neighbour safely](#).

Volunteering

If you have specific skills that you would like to volunteer, please consider organisations like [Volunteer Edinburgh](#) and [EVOG](#), particularly in regards to food distribution. These organisations are working hard to connect supply and demand at the very local and community level.

If you are part of an existing or newly formed community group, please contact EVOG who have developed a [directory](#) and are connecting the amazing community responses across the city. EVOG is working hard to connect supply and demand of food at a very local and community level. EVOG is asking people to complete a [basic form](#) or for more information email [info@evoc.org.uk](mailto:info@evoc.org.uk). You can also find out more about the Scottish Government's [national plan for volunteering](#) and [other options](#) to volunteer with, for example British Red Cross.

## What the Council's doing

To keep essential services running and support vulnerable people across the city, we're constantly monitoring how we deploy our staff. We're working to identify where our services need help and at this point in time, we're relying on our own internal capacity to meet those needs. We'll be monitoring this over the weeks ahead and will work with Volunteer Edinburgh to share any ask of citizens and community organisations.

## FETLOR YOUTH CLUB

Dear Friend of FetLor,

As we find ourselves in challenging times, we wanted to get in touch with an update on how hard we are working to adapt to the new landscape and our response to Covid-19.

[Read full details here](#)

**FETLOR**  
**YOUTH CLUB**

## GREENSPACE SCOTLAND Easter weekend



The Easter weekend is a normally a time when we are all thinking about getting outside, enjoying the spring weather, and meeting up with friends and family. But this year, as we head into the Easter weekend, a reminder that the Government's advice is to stay home.

[Read full details here](#)

## FESTIVALS THEATRE TRUST

The list in link below is creative ideas for adults, especially older adults and their carers. The list has exercises for older people 50+ age group, also dementia friendly and useful for carers, includes chair and standing exercises, podcasts, free library of books for reading, visual arts, care home activities etc. [Full information here](#)

## THRIVE EDINBURGH

A sense of belonging arts programme from your sofa..... As we all practice social distancing and take care of ourselves and each other, we thought it would be great to share some great online resources and ideas for keepings our minds active and creative. Our colleagues at the Mental Health Foundation are busy planning the SMHAF 2020 response to Covid-19. They've shared some great links together which we have added to and these re all set out here.

<https://www.edinburghhsc.scot/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Art-from-our-sofa.pdf>

## NHS LOTHIAN

### STRESS CONTROL

As all physical Stress Control classes have been stopped for the foreseeable future due to Coronavirus, Dr Jim White, the creator of Stress Control, will be running live stream classes free of charge starting on Monday 13th April. [If you are interested in signing up for these, please click here](#)

### MENTAL HEALTH INFORMATION STATION

Due to COVID-19, the weekly Mental Health Information Station is not open to the public. But you can still speak with an NHS Mental Health professional on a Thursday between 9.30am and 4.30pm. Please call on 0131 537 8650 and ask for the Mental Health Information Station. If staff are busy, you can arrange a call back. Or you can email: [MentalHealthInformation@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:MentalHealthInformation@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk) at any time with specific queries and a request for a call back.

## NORTH EDINBURGH ARTS

Even though we have had to shut NEA to the public, our team is working hard, safely, behind the scenes to connect with and support many of our regular participants who are isolating and shielding at home. To take our usual services out to where they are needed. The café has started prepping hot meals for distribution, the sharing shelf is taking essentials out on delivery too, and we're in contact with many of our local neighbours to help make sure they are ok during this very challenging time. [Read full details here](#)



[Online activities](#) - We're delighted to share a new programme of online activities for children and adults to enjoy at home. We've love to see your creations and hear about your creative experiences at home...



## PILTON YOUTH AND CHILDRENS PROJECT



### PYCP Update Week 3 Coronavirus Crisis

Most staff are working from home now but we have some staff driving around in the minibus and in their own cars delivering and picking up supplies for families in isolation.

Our Intensive Support Workers are in regular contact with all their young people and providing emotional support and help where needed. They are using video calling to offer

sessions and we have also set up some virtual groups.

Staff are training themselves up on Zoom and have had some comedy moments getting set up for meetings but now starting to reap the benefits and making use of spare time for training and more importantly keeping in touch with other organisations that are wanting to help.

We have received some kind donations and funding to help us during the lockdown and budgeting and planning how to make the most of how and where it can be best spent.

### For the first 2 weeks we:

- Delivered hot meals in partnership with North Edinburgh Arts and Muirhouse Link Up Project and packed lunches made up on behalf of City of Edinburgh Council.
- Handed out food parcels, toiletries, baby products, cleaning and sanitary products to families
- Posted out supermarket vouchers to families in need
- Delivered meals for other charities in the area
- Sent out text updates to groups of young people that we are most concerned about in terms of understanding Government updates around social distancing etc.
- Set up a weekly programme for our social media, with information about activities, how to look after wellbeing and useful information for families.
- Created and sent out an information sheet for families on sources of help, key information about employment/ benefits issues

### Week 3

- We are continuing to deliver meals and packed lunches to PYCP families 3 days a week and 20 sets of Hot Meals to families each week, we are also doing deliveries.
- We have written, tweeted and emailed organisations to try and find hand sanitiser and other protective clothing for staff out on the front line delivering food and parcels
- We are starting to hand out more supermarket vouchers to local families in need
- We are setting up a forum page to start up after Easter holidays to help local parents and their children with home schooling help – We have a team of volunteers ready to help answer questions
- We are setting up a dedicated phone line for parents to WhatsApp questions to us so we can try and help or signpost to the right organisation
- We have bought 20 kindle fires to give out to families who need internet to help them keep in touch with friends or help with homework and will try and help with WIFI costs for the next few months if we can find a way

- We have Amazon vouchers for families to use to buy stationery, school supplies or anything else they need. We are happy to make the order and have them delivered to the family's door
- We are making sure that our food bank is regularly refilled and we are handing food out as quickly as we are buying it
- We are providing news and entertainment on our Facebook PYCP/97 page and hope to link our Homework Forum to it

#### Beyond this week

- If families are struggling with paying bills, receiving final demands we will try and give a helping hand to cover these costs
- We will try and make sure all our children and young people have access to a PC, tablet and WIFI to help with homework and keep in touch with their friends and their PY Workers
- Post food vouchers to families in need.
- Provide food parcels to families that really need it the most or who are isolated
- Keep our social media up to date and provide information to all our children, young people and their families.

## Spring 2020

### Support for Families in North West Edinburgh

Support and Information for Parents and Carers - *New opportunities to learn, to do things at home independently or with friends in same household/ family at home or garden and of course online.* <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Parentline Scotland/ Parent Helpline – Children 1<sup>st</sup>/ Edinburgh Together - Free helpline, email and web-chat service offering advice and support for parents and carers

Mon-Fri 9am- 9pm Sat and Sun 9am-12 pm. Tel: 08000 28 22 33

<https://www.children1st.org.uk/help-for-families/parentline-scotland/> includes tips on talking to your children about the Corona-Virus

Parent Club - The Scottish Government's has put together lots of information to help you and your family cope with this huge change to our daily lives. [www.parentclub.scot/](http://www.parentclub.scot/)

NSPCC - For parenting advice and support, contact trained online helpline counsellors Tel: 0808 800 5000, weekdays 8am to 10pm and weekends 9am to 6pm, email [help@nspcc.org.uk](mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk) or visit [www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/our-services/nspcc-helpline/](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/our-services/nspcc-helpline/)

Local Support for Parent and Carers - For up to date information on the support available for Parents and Carers in any part of Edinburgh contact the Lifelong Learning Parent and Carer Support Team by emailing [supportingparentsandcarers@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:supportingparentsandcarers@edinburgh.gov.uk) or text 07845 015979 and the team will call you back.

Family and Household Support - Support and advice from Housing and Family Support staff on foodbank referrals, benefits, budgeting, debt and help with tenancies. Email [northwest.familyandhouseholdsupport@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:northwest.familyandhouseholdsupport@edinburgh.gov.uk)

Maximise - Families who have a child who attends school at Craigmoynton CHS, Craigmoynton, Pirniehall and Forthview Primaries can receive free welfare and benefit advice or family support. Tel:

0131 442 2100 or 0131 446 2300. You can also receive this support if you are a parent/carer with care experience by calling 0131 442 2100/ 0131 446 2300.

Children 1<sup>st</sup> Dads Work - Support for Dads and Male carers about raising children with confidence, their mental health and day to day parenting. Contact Niko Tel: 07908 399 944

Lone Parent Helpline-One Parent Families Scotland [www.opfs.org.uk](http://www.opfs.org.uk) - Information and advice for single parents. Open Mon-Fri 9.30am-4.00pm Tel: 08088 010323

NHS Mental Health Information Station - is not open to the public. But you can still speak with an NHS Mental Health professional on a Thursday between 9.30am and 4.30pm. Please call on 0131 537 8650 and ask for the Mental Health Information Station. If staff are busy, you can arrange a call back. Or you can email: [MentalHealthInformation@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:MentalHealthInformation@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk) at any time with specific queries and a request for a call back.

Occupational Therapy Helpline - for parents of children with additional support needs. Offers support and advice around your child's everyday life skills and difficulties experienced during COVID -19 pandemic. Tel: 07866848453 9am-12pm Tue-Fri. No appointment system, may need to wait until phone line becomes free

Salvesen Mindroom - are continuing to provide a service to parents, carers, professionals and children and young people affected by learning difficulties. Contact available via telephone, emails and video calls. Tel: 0131 370 6730 Email: [directhelp@mindroom.org](mailto:directhelp@mindroom.org) Facebook [www.facebook.com/nomindleftbehind/](https://www.facebook.com/nomindleftbehind/) Twitter <https://twitter.com/MindroomInform>

Scottish Domestic Abuse 24 hr Helpline - Support for Women experiencing domestic abuse or forced marriage and their friends and family. Translation facilities available for callers whose first language is not English. Tel: 0808 802 3333 or email [helpline@sdafmh.org.uk](mailto:helpline@sdafmh.org.uk) online chat at [www.sdafmh.org.uk](http://www.sdafmh.org.uk)

Social Care Direct- Children and Families Social Work - Request help or advice about a child or vulnerable adult requiring support due to illness, disability or at risk or harm. Tel: 0131 200 2324 Out of Hours 0800 7316969

Stress Control Classes six-session cognitive-behavioural therapy class used extensively in community-settings by the NHS are now running online. <https://edspace.org.uk/news/stress-control-classes-online/>

VOCAL Support for Carers - Telephone support available for carers, including parents where the caring role of their child requires additional time. Email: [centre@vocal.org.uk](mailto:centre@vocal.org.uk) Tel: 0131 622 6666.

Vocal Family Support Addictions - Support for parents, friends, partners and other family members who are affected by someone else's drinking and drug use. New referrals being accepted. Email: [fsa@vocal.org.uk](mailto:fsa@vocal.org.uk) Tel: 0131 622 6666

Young Minds - Support for children and young people's mental health and emotional wellbeing. For information and advice for young people and parents and carers go to [www.youngminds.org.uk](http://www.youngminds.org.uk). Free helpline for parents and carers: 0808 802 5544 or email [parents@youngminds.org.uk](mailto:parents@youngminds.org.uk)

Support for Young People

HOT Health Opportunities Team - Offer health and wellbeing support to young people in the Portobello, Craigmillar and Gilmerton areas. Mental health and sexual health support is currently available through a confidential telephone consultation on Wednesdays 4-8pm and Thursdays 3.45-6pm and they are setting up an online Feel Good group. For more information or to book a time to chat email: [getsupport@health-opportunities.org.uk](mailto:getsupport@health-opportunities.org.uk) or send a message on Facebook- Health Opportunities Team, Twitter @hothoose Instagram @hothoose

6VT - staff are working remotely – supporting young people via messenger, email [contact@6vt.info](mailto:contact@6vt.info), facebook, twitter, instagram or the contact them on their website [www.6vt.info](http://www.6vt.info). The service has virtual online drop ins for young people aged 13-21 every Mon, Wed and Fri at 7pm.

Young Minds - Support for children and young people's mental health and emotional wellbeing. [www.youngminds.org.uk](http://www.youngminds.org.uk)

Young people experiencing a mental health crisis needing urgent help can contact the Young Minds Crisis Messenger by texting 85258, this is available 24 hours a day, every day. All texts are answered by trained volunteers, with support from experienced clinical supervisors. Texts are free from EE, O2, Vodafone, 3, Virgin Mobile, BT Mobile, GiffGaff, Tesco Mobile and Telecom Plus.

Childline - Help and advice on a wide range of issues [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)  
Telephone, online chat, email or forum support. FREE Helpline Tel: 0800 1111

#### Family Activities

Active Schools have launched some Active at Home ideas for children and young people  
<https://www.joininedinburgh.org/sports/active-schools/activeathome/>

Library Online Membership - If you are not already a member, join your local library for free and access magazines and newspapers online, download ebook, audiobooks and learning resources  
[www.yourlibrary.edinburgh.gov.uk](http://www.yourlibrary.edinburgh.gov.uk)

Edinburgh Zoo - Watch the animals while the zoo is closed on the live webcams  
[www.edinburghzoo.org.uk](http://www.edinburghzoo.org.uk) Discovery and learning resources can be accessed at  
[www.bit.ly/ZooToYouActivities](http://www.bit.ly/ZooToYouActivities)

Starcatchers - has launched a new series of Wee Inspirations idea cards for parents at home with young children. Fun, creative ideas to engage little ones without a lot of resources, stress, and no pressure to 'achieve' anything. [www.starcatchers.org.uk/wee-inspirations/?fbclid=IwAR1GwYIbHVHmQVVaj0ldzL26h0Su969m-0ap2Kai-JxkwccufhOzID2p03k](http://www.starcatchers.org.uk/wee-inspirations/?fbclid=IwAR1GwYIbHVHmQVVaj0ldzL26h0Su969m-0ap2Kai-JxkwccufhOzID2p03k)

The Yard - are offering online activities and songs for children with additional support needs on their Facebook page. [www.facebook.com/TheYardScotland](https://www.facebook.com/TheYardScotland)

#### CHILDREN'S PARLIAMENT

All our lives have changed very quickly because of the Coronavirus, which is also called COVID-19. A lot of adults are in the news and online saying what it is like for them – at Children's Parliament we want to share how it is for children too.

One of our jobs at Children's Parliament is to make sure that adults understand about children's lives. So, as you tell us about your experiences, hopes or worries we will share these with adults that make decisions. To get started, we have created a survey, so that you can tell us how you are doing

today: [How are you doing?](#) We will ask children to do this survey every month so that we can see if and how things are changing. The April survey will be open until [April 26<sup>th</sup>](#). We plan to create a new website where every week we will post stories and ideas collected from Members of Children's Parliament across Scotland. We will let you know when it is ready, so please do check back in with us at [childrensparliament.org.uk](http://childrensparliament.org.uk).

## **OPPORTUNITIES and RESOURCES FOR THE ARTS SECTOR**

Please find below links which contain useful information for the arts sector:

- Visual Arts Scotland: <https://www.visualartsscotland.org/blog-article/the-emergency-art-workers-support-fund>
- Creative Scotland: <https://www.creativescotland.com/what-we-do/latest-news/archive/2020/03/covid-19-impact-funds>
- Craft Scotland: <https://www.craftscotland.org/journal/article/maker-guide-to-coronavirus>
- Creative Edinburgh: <https://www.creative-edinburgh.com/articles/creative-edinburgh-coronavirus-update>
- SCAN (Scottish Contemporary Art Network): <https://sca-net.org/news-feed/view/updated-our-statement-keeping-your-voice-heard-in-the-face-of-covid-19>

## **FUNDING**

[Funding for Scotland's Creative Sector During COVID-19 Outbreak](#) - Emergency funding has been announced to help Scotland's creative sector through the coronavirus crisis.

Creative Scotland has launched three new funding programmes designed to provide further support to sustain the country's creative community during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. New bursaries, and supplementary funding, is being provided to support those most in need at this time, particularly those who are least likely to benefit from the recently announced Job Retention Scheme and Self-employment Income Support scheme.

The three new funds which have been announced are:

- The [Creative Scotland Bridging Bursary Fund](#) which will provide financial support for individual creative practitioners and/or freelancers who are most deeply impacted and disadvantaged by the cancellation of work due to the COVID-19 emergency to sustain their creative practice in Scotland. The £2 million fund will offer one-off bursary payments of between £500 and £2,500 to help support the immediate needs.
- A £1.5 million [Screen Scotland Bridging Bursary](#) programme, providing one-off bursaries of £500 to £2,500 to freelance PAYE and self-employed screen sector workers who are experiencing immediate financial difficulty due to loss of income as a result of COVID-19.
- The [Open Funding: Sustaining Creative Development](#) (a revised approach to the organisation's Open Project Fund) will support creative practitioners to continue to develop work. Applicants will be encouraged to use funding to explore how best to sustain their practice, and reimagine their work, during the current climate and in the months to come. Funds may also be used for the development and presentation of work. The £7.5 million fund will support up to 12 months of activity with a maximum award of £50,000.

Creative Scotland advises would-be applicants to check the most up-to-date information and advice from the [UK Government](#) on its support programmes for the self-employed and freelancers before making a request for Creative Scotland finance.

## Covid-19 Film and TV Emergency Relief Fund

A fund to help support the UK's creative community, which has been severely impacted by the coronavirus pandemic.

Maximum value:	£2,500
Application deadline:	22/04/20

### Background and Objectives of Fund

The British Film Institute (BFI) has joined forces with the Film and TV Charity to provide this programme. The COVID-19 Film and TV Emergency Relief Fund has been established with donations totalling £2.5 million from Netflix, the BFI, BBC Studios, BBC Content, WarnerMedia and several generous individuals. The Fund will provide emergency short-term relief to active workers and freelancers who have been directly affected by the closure of productions across the UK.

### Who Can Apply and Further Information

The Fund will be open to those working in production, distribution and exhibition - behind the scenes - in film, TV and cinema who are facing significant financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 crisis.

### How to Apply

Applications are open for two weeks, closing on Wednesday 22 April 2020 (18:00 BST). Further guidance on the fund along with access to the online application process can be found via the [Film+TV Charity website](#).

## Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme (CBILS)

The Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme will support long-term viable small and medium-sized businesses in the UK to access bank lending and overdrafts, responding to cash-flow pressures caused by the coronavirus.

Maximum value:	£5,000,000
Application deadline:	None specified

### Background and Objectives of Fund

This scheme is funded by the Government and delivered by the British Business Bank. At Budget 2020, the Chancellor announced that the Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme (CBILS) will temporarily replace the Enterprise Finance Guarantee (EFG). The Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme (CBILS) will support, primarily, small and medium-sized businesses to access bank lending and overdrafts during the coronavirus outbreak.

The scheme will operate in a similar way to the Enterprise Finance Guarantee (EFG) scheme, but will offer more attractive terms for both businesses and lenders, with the aim of supporting the continued provision of finance to UK businesses during the COVID-19 outbreak. The scheme facilitates business finance to smaller businesses that are viable but unable to obtain finance due to having insufficient security to meet the lender's normal requirements. The borrower always remains 100% liable for the debt. In this situation, CBILS provides the lender with a government-backed guarantee against the outstanding facility balance, potentially enabling a 'no' credit decision from a lender to become a 'yes'. CBILS supports a range of business finance products, including:

- Term facilities
- Overdrafts
- Invoice finance facilities
- Asset finance facilities

To apply for an CBILS-backed facility, businesses may wish to consider approaching one or more participating lenders to discuss their borrowing needs.

### Who Can Apply and Further Information

To be eligible for support via CBILS, the small business must:

- Be UK based, with turnover of no more than £45 million per annum.
- Operate within an eligible industrial sector.
- Have a sound borrowing proposal, which, were it not for the COVID-19 pandemic, would be considered viable by the lender, and for which the lender believes the provision of finance will enable the business to trade out of any short-to-medium term difficult.

### How to Apply

CBILS is available through the British Business Bank’s 40+ accredited lenders, which are listed on the British Business Bank website [here](#). In the first instance, businesses should approach their own provider – ideally via the lender’s website. They may also consider approaching other lenders if they are unable to access the finance they need. Decision-making on whether the business is eligible for CBILS is fully delegated to the 40+ accredited CBILS lenders. These lenders range from high-street banks, to challenger banks, asset-based lenders and smaller specialist local lenders.

### University of Edinburgh Community Grants Scheme

The scheme helps the development of projects, community activities and sustainable local action through funding and collaboration. The University of Edinburgh supports local people's vision for a better Edinburgh.

Maximum value:	£500
Application deadline:	17/04/20

### Background and Objectives of Fund

The aims of the Edinburgh Local Community Grants scheme are to:

1. Increase engagement between the University and local communities.
2. Have a positive social impact.
3. Create learning opportunities (including informal and non-traditional forms of learning).

### Who Can Apply and Further Information

The University of Edinburgh welcome applications for projects or activities that will involve and benefit people living and/or working in the Edinburgh City Region (The Region includes the City of Edinburgh, Fife, West Lothian, Midlothian, East Lothian and the Scottish Borders). Applications are welcome from not-for-profit organisations and social enterprises. Further details of the scheme can be found via The University of Edinburgh’s [website](#).

### How to Apply

The [application form](#) and guidance on how to apply can be accessed from the University's website along with tips for success and a guidance document. The application process is simple and a member of the Edinburgh Local team will be on hand to support you if you have any questions, just contact [local@ed.ac.uk](mailto:local@ed.ac.uk).

### Epic Awards

The Epic Awards are designed to draw attention to the work taking place within the voluntary and amateur arts and crafts sector in the UK and Ireland.

Maximum value:	£250
Application deadline:	31/05/20

### Background and Objectives of Fund

The Epic Awards are an initiative of the Voluntary Arts Network, the national development agency for arts participation. The Awards are also supported by the Arts Council. The Epic Awards have been designed to draw attention to work taking place within the 60,000+ voluntary and amateur arts sector across the United Kingdom and Ireland. The awards will give groups an opportunity to raise their profile and to win a package of prizes including training, equipment and publicity. Selected projects will be expected to have something to say, have moved practice forward or approached ways of working differently.

### Who Can Apply and Further Information

Voluntary or amateur art and craft groups/organisations in the United Kingdom and Ireland are eligible to apply ie:

- Those arts and crafts that people undertake for self-improvement, social networking and leisure, but not primarily for payment.
- Groups that are self-organised.
- Not-for-profit groups.

Award categories: The range of art forms within the voluntary and amateur arts/craft sector is wide and includes folk, dance, drama, literature, media, music, visual arts, crafts and applied arts, and festivals. Further information on this fund can be viewed from the [Voluntary Arts website](#).

### How to Apply

Online and downloadable application forms are available from [here](#).

### European Cultural Foundation - Culture of Solidarity Fund

Funding to support imaginative cultural initiatives reinforcing solidarity and the notion of Europe in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

Maximum value:	£50,000
Application deadline:	27/04/20

### Background and Objectives of Fund

Provided by the European Cultural Foundation, the aim of the European Culture of Solidarity Fund is to support imaginative cultural initiatives - big or small - that reinforce solidarity and the notion of Europe as a shared public space in response to the current coronavirus crisis and its aftershocks. The

Fund is open to individuals, collectives and organisations from all sectors and civil society at large with initiatives and ideas that:

- Expand the notion of Europe as an open and shared public space for everybody in times of inward- looking and national decision-making.
- Express and act in hands-on solidarity with people and communities across closed borders.
- Share experiences, knowledge, skills, stories, ideas and resources of solidarity across Europe, especially outside mainstream public attention.
- Sustain people-to-people interaction beyond European borders and in times of travel restrictions and social distancing.
- Maintain cultural life and social experiences with a European outreach in times of home lockdown and prepare the ground for a cultural revival of Europe after the crisis.
- Develop new approaches in operations of cultural work and new alliances across sectors to deal with the current challenges imposed by the crisis.

Special attention will be paid to proposals coming from:

- Regions where so far there is little to no emergency funding made available for the cultural and creative sector institutions.
- People and communities that face discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, (cultural) background, people with disabilities and members of the LGBTQ+ community.

#### Who Can Apply and Further Information

The Fund is open to individuals, collectives or organisations (NGOs, public institutions, private enterprises and freelancers) from the creative sector as well as other fields and sectors of society including academic and educational, environmental, social entrepreneurship, health and social care, human rights, etc. Applicants can represent the private, public or civic sector. Applicants can be based anywhere in the world, but their proposal must clearly contribute to a European Culture of Solidarity, the overall focus of the Fund.

#### How to Apply

Further details and guidance on this fund can be found on the [Cultural Foundation website](#). Applications must be submitted via an [online form](#).

#### JPI Cultural Heritage Launches Cultural Heritage, Identities & Perspectives Call 2020

The Joint Programming Initiative for Cultural Heritage has launched its 2020 call on Cultural Heritage, Identities & Perspectives: Responding to Changing Societies.

Maximum value:	€6.53m
Application deadline:	22/09/20

#### Background and Objectives of Fund

The 2020 call for Cultural Heritage, Identities & Perspectives invites research proposals on the role of heritage in society from different (inter)national perspectives and value systems. This includes questions such as what role heritage plays in the formation of identities, how institutions can manage heritage in an inclusive manner, and to what extent digitization contributes to meaningful access to heritage.

All project proposals must include at least three (and a maximum of five) research teams that are eligible for funding from three different participating countries/agencies.

Applicants are encouraged to collaborate in a cross-disciplinary manner in order to combine knowledge and expertise from the humanities and social sciences, arts, and the technical and/or physical sciences. Interdisciplinary exchange is necessary to develop innovative research into cultural heritage. Five topics have been selected for the call, and applicants are invited to combine questions from and perspectives on several topics:

- Rethinking the implicit role of cultural heritage in society
- Perspectives on and constructions of cultural heritage
- Cultural heritage management approaches: co-creation, connecting communities, and sustainable development goals
- Innovative and inclusive (digital) access to cultural heritage
- Impacts of cultural heritage: cultural, economic, user, public and social values

#### Who Can Apply and Further Information

The countries participating in this call are Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, France, Greece, the Kingdom of The Netherlands, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Sweden and the United Kingdom. Further details of the fund and how to apply can be found [here](#).

#### SCOTLANDS TOWNS PARTNERSHIP FUNDER FINDER

[Please find HERE the March issue of the STP Funding Finder](#). Please note some newly added funds may have deadlines approaching. And you will see that we have added a COVID-19 category, we hope you will find this useful.

#### Deadline Approaching

- Environment - Historic Environment Scotland - Coasts and Waters Heritage Fund : £3,000 - £20,000 : 30 April 2020
- [Environment - Viridor Credits Environmental Company – Scottish Landfill Communities Fund | up to £25,000 | 30<sup>th</sup> April, 31<sup>st</sup> July](#)
- Energy - Carsphairn Renewable Energy Fund : N/A | 29 April, 29 July and 28 October 2020
- Community - Miss A M Pilkington : N/A : 30 April 2020
- Community - Hugh Fraser Foundation : N/A : 30 April 2020
- Community - St Andrews Community Trust | £200 - £10,000 | 14 May 2020, 10 September 2020
- Community - Fort Augustus and Glenmoriston Community Fund | £10,000 | 15 May, 14 August and 30 October 2020
- Community - The Bute Family Trust : N/A : 1 May 2020
- Community - Foundation Scotland - Baillie Gifford Community Awards Programme | £500-£2,000 | 2 May 2020

#### Newly Added Funding

- COVID-19 - Scottish Government Business Measures | total of £2.2b
- COVID-19 - Scottish Government Non-Domestic Rates | from 1 April 2020 -31 March 2021

- COVID-19 - Scottish Government | £1 billion Business Support Fund
- COVID-19 - Scottish Government | £350 million fund to support welfare and wellbeing
- COVID-19 - SCVO – 3<sup>RD</sup> Sector Resilience Fund | £20m
- Regeneration - Sustrans Scotland – Pocket Places Scotland : max £20,000 : 31 July 2020
- Environment - NFU Mutual Charitable Trust : up to £50,000 : 29 May 2020
- Environment - Historic Environment Scotland – Historic Environment Repair Grants : up to £500,000 : 31 May 2020
- Environment - Patagonia – Environmental Grant : \$12,000 : 30 June 2020
- Energy - Energy Saving Trust – Resource Efficient Scotland SME loans : £1,000 - £100,000
- Culture and Arts - Merchants House of Glasgow : avge £4893 : N/A
- Culture and Arts - Carnegie Dunfermline Trust : £300 - £10,000 : N/A
- Culture and Arts - Gamma Trust : £250 - £5,000 : N/A
- Culture and Arts - Turtleton Trust : N/A : 31 December 2020
- Culture and Arts – The Radcliffe Trust – Music : N/A : 31 July 2020
- Culture and Arts – Idlewild Trust : N/A : 10 September 2020
- Culture and Arts - Scottish Music Centre - Training and Continuing Professional Development Fund : max £1,000 : 30 June 2020
- Culture and Arts – Young Scot - Nurturing Talent - Time to Shine Fund : max £1,000 : 14 June 2020
- Culture and Arts - PRS for Music Foundation - The Open Fund for Organisations : max £10,000 : 8 June 2020
- Employment and Training - Ufi Charitable Trust - VocTech Impact : £150,000 - £300,000 : 25 June 2020
- Innovation and Growth - The Fore Trust : N/A : opens Monday 6 April 2020
- Community - The Tudor Trust : avge £52,000 : N/A
- Community - National Lottery Community Fund – (Scotland) - Young Start : N/A : N/A
- Community – Sylvia Aitken Charitable Trust : N/A : N/A
- Community - The Rayne Foundation : N/A : N/A
- Community - Social Business Trust (SBT) : N/A : N/A
- Community - Thomas Wall Trust : max £1,000 : 31 May 2020
- Community - Trusthouse Charitable Foundation Major Grants : £7500 - £60000 : N/A

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