

GRANTfinder

About

GRANTfinder provides information on grants, loans and awards from local, regional and national sources, including UK government, European funding, charitable trusts and corporate sponsors.

Access

Available at Exeter and Barnstaple libraries. Please ask library staff for a username and password.

✓ GRANTfinder have temporarily allowed Devon Libraries members to access the database from home. Please contact bipc@librariesunlimited.org.uk or 07376 426236 for a username and password. These will expire at the end of each month.

Log in at search.grantfinder.co.uk, and click the 'Search Grantfinder' button.

Searching

There are 3 ways of searching. **Search tips** are in the yellow box on the right of the screen.

- **Guided search.** Describe your organisation, where your activity or project is taking place and what you are doing, to see possible relevant funding sources. **You don't need to fill in everything.** For example, you can jump straight to 'Where you are,' type in your location, select from the list, and click the 'Search now' button to see funding available in this area.
- **Organisation.** To find out what's available from a specific funding body, such as *Arts Council England*. Enter their name, then select from the list.
- **Text search.** Search by key words. For example, to see what's available to support *literacy*, type this in the text search box and click the 'Search now' button.

Search GRANTfinder

The screenshot shows the GRANTfinder search interface. At the top right is a 'New search' button. Below it is a navigation bar with three steps: '1. Who you are' (selected), '2. Where you are', and '3. What you are doing'. To the right of the navigation bar are buttons for 'Organisation' and 'Text search'. The main content area is titled 'Step 1 - Who you are' and contains three columns for selection: 'Public Sector Organisation', 'Voluntary, Community or Social Enterprise', and 'Private Company'. Each column has a 'Select classification(s)' link and, for the latter two, 'Select area of work' and 'Select eligible expenditure' links. At the bottom right of the main area are 'Next step >' and 'Search now' buttons. On the right side, there is a yellow 'Search tips' box with the following text: 'What's your structure : work? Voluntary, Community or (VCSE) and private sect further filtered by the are company or group opera Filtering by type of exper groups to narrow down t according to revenue (or off) support. Searches for private con include number of emplc and/or stage of developm'.

✓ **Searches can be combined.** To search for funding for literacy projects in Devon, click on 'Where you are,' type *Devon* and select *Devon, South West*, then click on 'Text search', enter *literacy*. Click the 'Search now' button to run your search.

! When **starting a new search**, be sure to click the 'New Search' button or (from the drop-down menus) Search – New Funding Search. This ensures your previous search is cleared.

✓ The **Show criteria** button near the top of the screen allows you to check which classifications and filters you've used in your search.

Filtering your Results

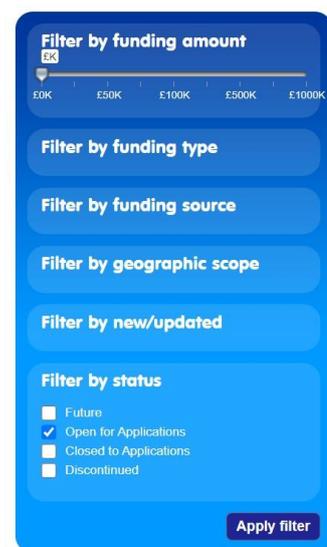
Narrow your search results using the buttons on the right, then click 'Apply Filter'. 'Filter by Status' will allow you to limit your results to funds that are currently open for applications, 'Filter by funding type' will allow you to select grants, loans, tax relief etc.

Viewing your Results

Click on the title of any fund to see the full details.

Downloading your Results

Select the funds on each page that interest you, using the tick-box to the left of the fund title. You can select all items on a page, using the buttons at the top of the list. Your selections will remain as you move through the results pages.



Once you are happy with your selection, click the 'Produce report' button at the top of the screen. From here you can add a title, choose which details to include, and download or email the selected results to yourself.

Additional Features

The toolbar near the top of the screen provides many additional features, including:

- **News.** All GRANTfinder news can be found from the drop-down menu. Funding news relevant to your search will also be displayed in a tab next to your search results.
- **Library** contains articles to support you in applying for funding.
- **Bulletins** showcase the most important funding changes every week.

User Guides

Go to My Resources – My Toolkit (from the drop down menus) to find a detailed user manual and short introductory training videos.

Further Help

Please contact bipc@librariesunlimited.org.uk or call 07376 426236 for further help in using GRANTfinder.