

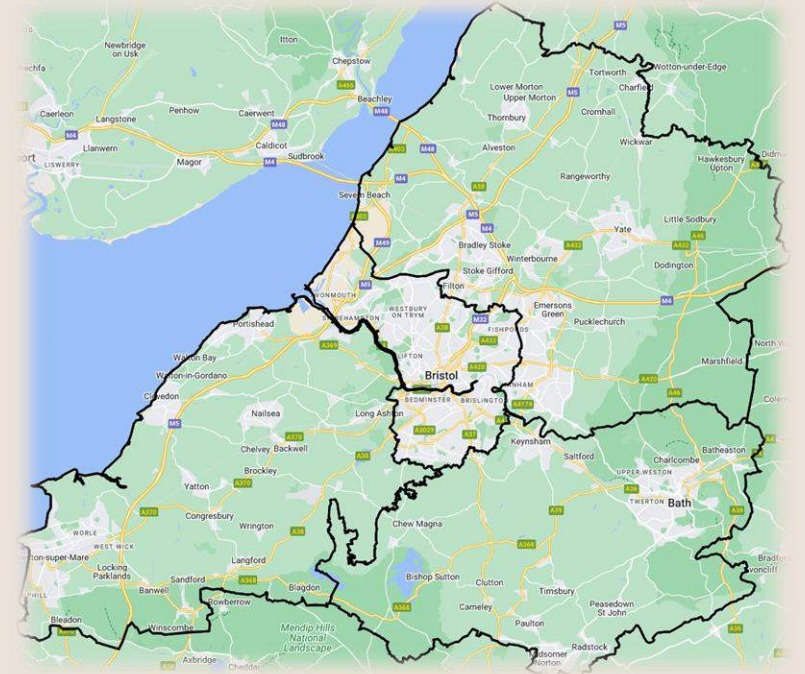
Quartet Express Grant Programme

*Quartet Community
Foundation*



About Quartet Community Foundation

- Your local Community Foundation, serving the West of England
- Grants support locally based groups and organisations with charitable aims
- Grants awarded to activities, projects and services that are supporting local people and communities
- Grants are made possible from funds set up through Quartet



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About the Express grant programme

Who can and cannot apply



- Constituted voluntary or community group
- Registered charity
- Community Interest Companies



- Individuals
- Public bodies
- Private businesses / sole traders

You **must** have at least three registered trustees or directors with the majority being unrelated and not living at the same address. For further information on eligibility visit the **Grants & Support** section of our website.

About the Express grant programme

- A 'rolling' grant programme – no closing dates
- Aimed at smaller groups and organisations working with communities*/ people experiencing inequalities and disadvantage
- Prioritise funding towards activities, projects and services that:
 - Address the impact of economic disadvantage; and / or
 - Improve the lives of those who have limited access to appropriate or affordable services and support

*can be geographic communities and/or communities of people brought together by race or ethnicity, age, disability, gender, or sexual orientation.

About the Express grant programme

We will prioritise applications where we're confident the work:

- Involves people with lived experience of the issues being addressed
- Complements or is making links to existing work supporting the same people or communities

Environment:

- We encourage applicants to consider the environmental impact of the work they are planning.
- You can find more guidance on this under the Grants & Support section on our website.

Environmental advice for charitable organisations



Advice and guidance to reduce your environmental impact.

DOWNLOAD



Examples of grants awarded to LGBTQIA+ groups

- Activities which support access to community such as LGBTQIA+ choirs, sports groups, and social groups
- LGBTQIA+ specific mental health support such as counselling, support groups, and creative therapies
- Intersectional projects such as LGBTQIA+ support groups for Queer People of Colour

Top tips:

- Applications will be stronger which can demonstrate a link with economic disadvantage
- Social groups will need to demonstrate how those who attend are experiencing specific disadvantage such as mental health, isolation, economic disadvantage, healthcare etc.

What we don't fund

- Costs that are incurred before a grant can be awarded
- Individuals
- Activities or services that the government and other public bodies currently have a statutory responsibility to provide
- Groups/organisations or activities that are giving support to a political party
- Activities that are intended to influence people's religious choices
- Activities that are primarily supporting animal welfare
- Arts projects with no strong community or charitable element to them, that are not supporting people/communities experiencing disadvantage
- Sports projects with no strong community or charitable element to them
- One off events are unlikely to receive £5,000, instead grants tend to be around £1-1.5k and events must demonstrate wider community benefit
- Medical research, equipment or treatment
- Activities that raise funds for other organisations

How to apply

- Apply via an online form
- Once you've registered an email address, you're sent an application link
- You can save and come back to it
- We need the following supporting documents:
 - Accounts that show your income and expenditure
 - A relevant and adequate safeguarding policy
 - Details of at least 3 directors
 - A constitution / governance document

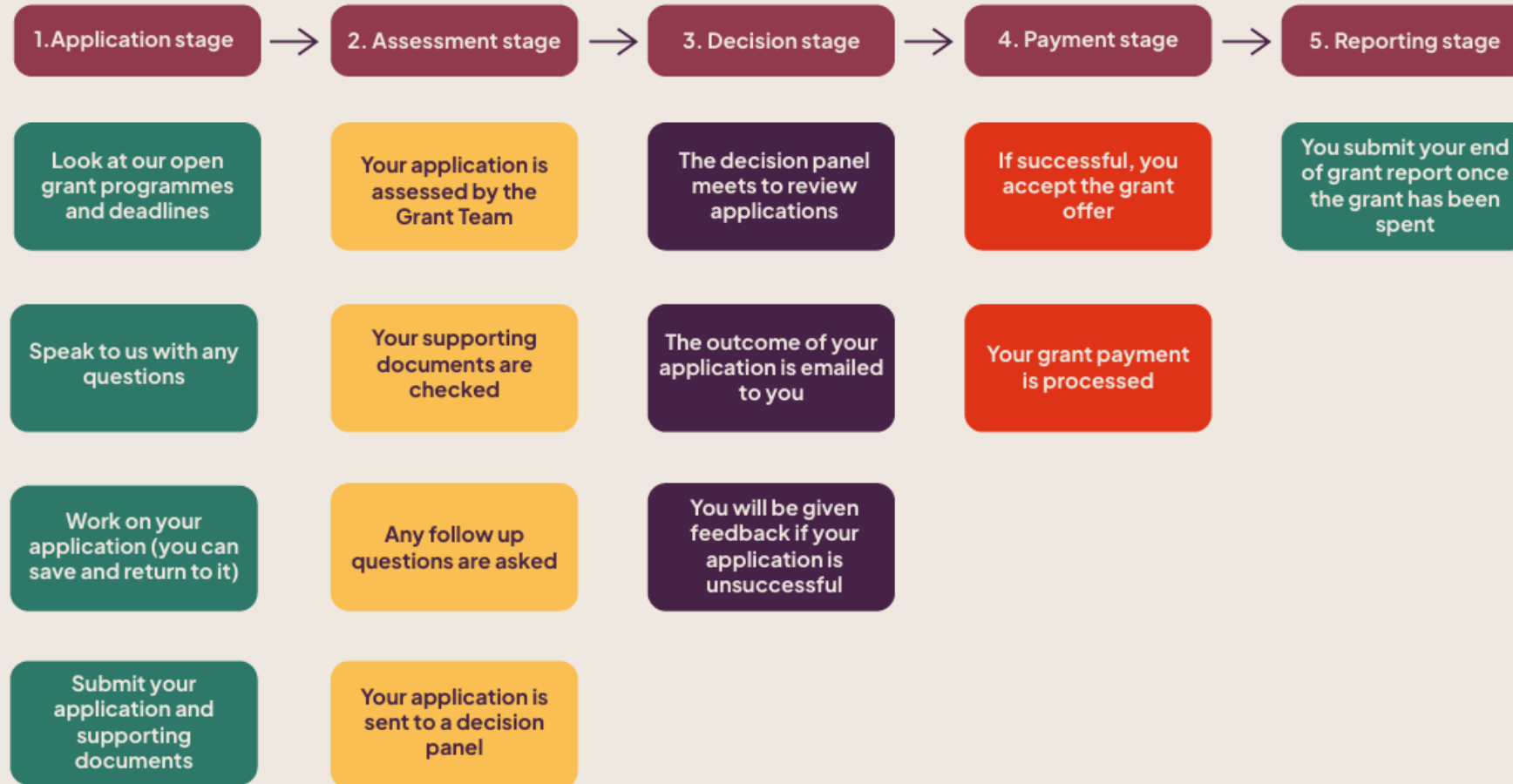
What we're looking for in an application

- Tell us clearly what you're going to do
- How have you identified the need for the work?
- What do you expect to achieve?
- Are you working with anyone else?
- Who are the beneficiaries?
- A clear budget breakdown

Common reasons for unsuccessful applications

- Express has a current success rate of **54%**
- Applications can be unsuccessful because; we were unclear around **local need**, the request was **not a priority for the fund**, or an organisation is **ineligible**
- You cannot receive an Express grant for more than three years in a row without a year break
- Unsuccessful applicants will be provided with individual feedback
- You can reapply to Express if unsuccessful, but if it is for the same activity we expect feedback to have been implemented

Grant application process



Please allow up to 8 weeks between the grant programme deadline and hearing the outcome of your application (Stage 3). Please refer to the specific grant programme guidelines for further information.

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