



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR GREEN CLUBS

The landscape for community, sustainability and sports funding is a changeable one. This information sheet provides a non-exhaustive list of current and recurring funding opportunities that might be of interest to your club.

TOP TIPS

- Follow the media channels and website of your local council for news of upcoming funding programmes
- Sign up to the GAA Green Clubs mailing list for periodic updates on funding opportunities.
- **26 Counties:** Register with your Public Participation Network (PPN) to receive updates on funding opportunities in their council area. <https://www.gov.ie/en/organisation-information/a58b8-community-groups-public-participation-networks/>
- **Six counties:** Stay up-to-date with any relevant funding opportunities sent to your club secretary. Ulster GAA are subscribed to a grants and funding information service (GrantTracker) and relevant opportunities are regularly communicated to clubs.

Funding Opportunities in the 26 Counties:

FUND NAME	WHAT IT IS	WHO MANAGES IT
Community Climate Action Programme Strand 1	Funding provided to local authorities to support projects to build low carbon, sustainable communities	Local Government
Where to get information Register with your local Public Participation Network (PPN) and follow your local council media channels		
Community Environment Action Fund	A fund that supports communities and local groups working with local authorities to carry out small-scale environmental projects	Local Government
Where to get information Register with your local Public Participation Network (PPN) and follow your local council media channels		
Community Heritage Grant Scheme	A fund for the protection and maintenance of heritage sites, include sites of natural heritage	Local Government
Where to get information Register with your local Public Participation Network (PPN) and follow your local council media channels		
Community Water Development Fund	Funding for community projects and initiatives that enhance the local water environment	Local Government
Where to get information Register with your local Public Participation Network (PPN) or visit https://lawaters.ie/funding/		

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Local Property Tax funding	A small percentage of local property tax goes towards climate change initiatives in communities	Local Government
Where to get information Contact local Councillors within your Municipal District to enquire about support for small scale projects		
Community Enhancement Programme	Capital funding for the enhancement of facilities in disadvantaged areas	Local Government
Where to get information Register with your local Public Participation Network (PPN) or contact your Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)		
Community Events Grants Scheme	A grant to assist community event organisers of small-scale community events. Available from some local authorities only	Local Government
Where to get information Register with your local Public Participation Network (PPN) and follow your local council media channels		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity Grants • Creative Ireland Funding • Sports Partnership Grants • Arts Grants 	Funding opportunities and grants that are available through local authorities annually or periodically	Local Government
Where to get information Register with your local Public Participation Network (PPN) and follow your local council media channels for updates		
LEADER Funding	Funding to support locally-led rural development and community capacity building.	LEADER is an EU programme administered locally by Local Action Groups (LAGs)
Where to get information The current transitional funding period is coming to an end, with a new LEADER fund due to open in 2023. Visit https://www.nationalruralnetwork.ie/leader/ for updates on the next programme phase		
Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) Community Energy Grant	The SEAI supports energy efficiency community projects through capital funding, partnerships, and technical support	The Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI)
Where to get information See https://www.seai.ie/grants/community-grants/ and the SEAI Community Programme infosheet at https://learning.gaa.ie/greenclub/energy		
Sports Capital Programme	The main government support programme for the development of sports and physical recreation facilities	Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media
Where to get information Currently closed. Visit: https://www.gov.ie/en/service/d13385-sports-capital-programme/ for updates on the next programme phase.		
Community Benefit Funds	Funding related to renewable infrastructure projects to be used for the wider economic, environmental, social and cultural well-being of the local community	Various bodies. The Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) maintains a register of renewable electricity community development funds
Where to get information https://www.seai.ie/community-energy/ress/community-benefit-funds		

Funding Opportunities in the Six Counties:

Many relevant funding opportunities will be sent to your club secretary by Ulster GAA through the GrantTracker service.

FUND NAME	WHAT IT IS	WHO MANAGES IT
National Lottery Awards for All NI	Funding for projects that make a difference in your community, including for improving the places and spaces that matter to communities.	National Lottery
Where to get information https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/awards-for-all-northern-ireland		
Live Here Love Here Grants	A number of grant opportunities that open at different times of the year, including biodiversity and pollinator grants, climate challenge funding and small community grants	Keep NI Beautiful
Where to get information Consult https://www.liveherelovehere.org/cgi-bin/generic?instanceID=30 for updates		
Power NI Energy Saving Products	Small-scale funding for community groups, teams and projects.	Power NI
Where to get information https://powerni.co.uk/business-electricity/energy-saving-products		
Power NI Brighter Communities	Small-scale funding for community groups, teams and projects	Power NI
Where to get information https://powerni.co.uk/community/brighter-communities		
Sport NI	Sports NI have a number of funding opportunities, some of which are relevant to facilities upgrades and sustainability	Sport NI
Where to get information Consult http://www.sportni.net/Funding/ for updates		
Community Foundation NI	Updates on a number of community funds	Various sources
Where to get information https://communityfoundationni.org/achieving-impact/available-grants/		
Supporting Communities	A site regularly updated with community funding opportunities	Various sources
Where to get information https://supportingcommunities.org/funding-news-1/		