

# Tackling Inequalities Funding



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## **About the Funding**

Northamptonshire Sport have allocated funding from the National Lottery and Sport England, to work with local organisations and groups who have strong links and relationships with the community to ensure that all residents of Northamptonshire have access to physical activity opportunities that may have been reduced or affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The funding allocated to Northamptonshire Sport aims to support 3 main priority groups.

- *Organisations based in or serving Lower Socio - Economic communities.*
- *Organisations supporting participants from Black, Asian, and Minority Ethnic communities.*
- *Organisations supporting people with a disability and / or people with a long term or life limiting health conditions.*

**Within your application you must make it clear the financial need for this funding and the added offer it will create.**

*Sport England funding requires recipient bodies of small grants to have a recognised constitution in place and we will not be able to fund* **a.** *Activities promoting religious or political beliefs.* **b.** *Individuals.* **c.** *Any private businesses or profit-making organisations unless they are a Social Enterprise or Community Interest Company.*

Applications are limited to programmes taking place within Northamptonshire. Further localised priority will be given to **organisations supporting women and girls and LGBTQ+ residents.**

The funding can be used in a wide range of ways but should be used to ensure that the priority group you work with maintain or improve their physical activity levels over the next few months.

The minimum grant that organisations can apply for is £50, with the maximum application available being for £3,000.

**After the EOI has been assessed, Northamptonshire Sport will contact all applicants by email. Where your application proceeds to phase 2 we will book in a phone call to discuss your application.**

Any organisation who has already received Sport England Emergency Funding is ineligible to apply with a duplicate application. Where additional funding is required, evidence will be needed to show the financial need.

All decisions will be made by Northamptonshire Sport and approved by Sport England. The final decision cannot be appealed but you will be able to re-apply with an amended application.

## Why Is the Funding Available?

There is clear evidence that COVID-19 does not affect all population groups equally. Many analyses have shown that older age, ethnicity, male sex, and geographical area, for example, are associated with the risk of getting the infection, experiencing more severe symptoms and higher rates of death.

### Lower Socio-Economic Group

For men, the age-standardised rate in the **least** deprived decile was **35.9** deaths per 100,000 population and in the **most** deprived decile the rate was 114% higher at **76.7** per 100,000.

For women, the age-adjusted rates were lower at **17.0** deaths per 100,000 population in the **least** deprived decile and **39.6** per 100,000 in the most **deprived** decile, but the percentage difference (133%) was larger.

**You may be asked to provide evidence to show that a high proportion of your membership are from a Lower Socio-Economic group or that you are based within an LSEG community.**

**Some suggestions of evidence include.**

- Proof of how many participants live in a lower socio-economic area. *We can only provide funding to support these members.*
- Proof of how this funding will support participants who are facing financial trouble because of COVID-19. *We can only provide funding to support these members.*

You can check your postcode or participants postcodes here to see if your postcode/ ward is within a Lower Socio-Economic group (**IMD 20% or under**). Wording should read '**This is amongst the 20% most deprived neighbourhoods in the country**' or lower to be a preferred area for funding. Where you are working with residents outside the bottom 20% you are still eligible to apply but you will need to add further depth to your application.

<http://dclgapps.communities.gov.uk/imd/idmap.html>

### Black, Asian or Mixed Ethnicity

An analysis of survival among confirmed COVID-19 cases showed that, after accounting for the effect of sex, age, deprivation and region, people of Bangladeshi ethnicity had around **twice** the risk of death when compared to people of White British ethnicity. People of Chinese, Indian, Pakistani, Other Asian, Caribbean, and Other Black ethnicity had between **10 and 50% higher** risk of death when compared to White British.

Death rates from COVID-19 were higher for Black and Asian ethnic groups when compared to White ethnic groups. This is the opposite of what is seen in previous years, when the all-cause mortality rates are lower in Asian and Black ethnic groups.

Comparing to previous years, all-cause mortality was almost **4 times higher** than expected among Black males for this period, almost **3 times higher** in Asian males and almost **2**

**times higher** in White males. Among females, deaths were almost **3 times higher** in this period in Black, Mixed and Other females, and **2.4 times higher** in Asian females compared with 1.6 times in White females.

**You may be asked to provide evidence to show that a high proportion of your community/ members are from a BAME community.**

**Some suggestions of evidence include.**

- Proof of how many participants are from the BAME community. *We can only provide funding to support these participants.*
- Proof of the skills you have the local contacts, staff, or volunteers to engage with the BAME community. *We can only provide funding to support these participants.*

### **Disabled people or people with Long Term Health Conditions.**

Figures show that younger disabled males (those “limited a lot” in daily life and aged between nine and 64) were **6.5 times** more likely to have died due to COVID-19 than non-disabled males, while disabled females between nine and 64 were even more at risk, with a rate of death **11.3 times** higher than non-disabled females in the same age group.

For older people, the rates were **2.4** higher for men aged 65 and over and **3.2** higher for women than non-disabled.

**You may be asked to provide evidence to show that a high proportion of your community/ members are disabled or have a Long-Term Health Condition.**

**Some suggestions of evidence include.**

- Proof of the number of participants have a disability or a Long-Term Health Conditions. This could include a membership list showing the number of participants with a disability a Long-Term Health Conditions. *We can only provide funding to support these participants.*
- Proof of an Organisation structure where sessions for participants with a disability or a Long-Term Health Conditions are actively promoted and attended. *We can only provide funding to support these participants.*

## **Application Form**

### **Organisation Details**

Name of your organisation\*:

Organisation Type\*:

Address\*:

Organisation website. Social Media pages\*:

Email\*:

Contact Name\*:

Daytime contact telephone number\*:

## **What funding may your organisation need?**

**Which of the 4 priority funding areas does your organisation support? (Do not forget to collate evidence if required). \***

BAME      Disability      Long Term Health Conditions      Low Socio Economic

For LSEG applicants you can check your postcode or participants postcodes here to see if your postcode/ ward is within a Lower Socio-Economic group (IMD 20% or under). Wording should read 'This is amongst the 10% most deprived neighbourhoods in the country'

<http://dclgapps.communities.gov.uk/imd/idmap.html>

**Please describe the work your organisation does and describe who in the community benefits from it. \***

**Please describe the immediate project you would like funding for. \***

Include any evidence you have that this request for funding has arisen as a direct result of your community group or audience being adversely affected because of COVID-19? Also include, what, where and when you see the opportunities taking place. Have you got permission in place if facility based?

**How will you ensure that any funding provided offers inclusive opportunities for all members of the community? \***

Examples being offering additional support to people with disabilities to attend, pre activity telephone calls to vulnerable/ nervous participants.

The Activity Alliance have created a resource pack to assist <http://www.activityalliance.org.uk/how-we-help/resources/reopening-activity>

**How has the need for this opportunity come about because of COVID to create a here and now need for funding? \***

**What is the minimum you would request to support the here and now need of priority groups because of COVID-19?**

You must demonstrate a clear financial need for the funding sought.

**What is the desirable amount you would request to support the here and now need of priority groups because of COVID-19? \***

You must demonstrate a clear financial need for the funding sought.

**Please provide a breakdown on the funding and how the values were calculated. \***

You must demonstrate a clear financial need for the funding sought.

**By applying you agree that you\*:**

You must be able to prove evidence of these areas upon request.

- Have a Safeguarding or Child Protection Policy in place or adopt a recognised policy.
- Have an Equity or Equal Opportunities policy in place or adopt a recognised policy.
- Have a Health and Safety policy in place which includes a start of project risk assessment and ongoing procedure.
- Have a GDPR policy in place.
- Have current Public Liability Insurance cover for a minimum of £5 million prior to the start of the project
- Have ensured all staff (paid or volunteer) have completed a successful Disclosure and Barring (DBS) check if working with vulnerable groups
- Have ensured all deliverers must have the appropriate qualifications prior to the start of the project.
- Have ensured all deliverers must have appropriate first aid qualifications to ensure the safety of the participants AND appropriate safeguarding training.

**By applying you agree that\*:**

- You must be able to prove evidence of these areas upon request.
- You can start you funded programme within 1 month of formal approval
- Any facilities (if used) are open and available
- You will follow all up to date local COVID-19 guidelines
- Majority of the participants meet the requirements set out in the application process.

**You may also be interested in the following areas:**

Free Volunteer Coaching/ Activator Training (18-25-year olds)  
<https://www.ntfccommunity.co.uk/volunteer-coaching-academy>

Mick George Sports Fund  
<https://www.northamptonshiresport.org/fundingfinder/1084>

Workforce Diversity Fund  
<https://www.northamptonshiresport.org/fundingfinder/1120>

Inspiring Bursary Scheme  
<https://www.northamptonshiresport.org/fundingfinder/1119>

Activity Alliance - Reopening an Inclusive Offer  
<http://www.activityalliance.org.uk/how-we-help/resources/reopening-activity>