Network for Social Change Charitable Trust
Charitable Grants 2024-25

Charitable Major Project grants

These are normally grants for 3-6 years, with annual sums of £100,000 – £250,000. In 2024-25 our Major Projects were:

Permaculture Association, for Landworkers' Alliance, a transformational grant to enable the scaling up of their member-led network of farmers and land-based workers.

Labour Rights, a group of projects addressing justice for workers and protecting labour rights. Violation Tracker blows the whistle on corporate malpractice; Cat's Cradle provides worker training and education; Working Families campaigns on the Employment Bill.

Windrush Justice, in partnership with other funders and Action for Racial Equality, this project seeks justice for those people whose UK citizenship is impacted by the "hostile environment". Most victims are originally from Jamaica, Nigeria, Ghana and Barbados.

Community Resilience, a project aiming to increase the capacity of local communities across the UK to sustain themselves and adapt in the face of mounting disruption from climate change and other sources.

Flying Fair, aiming to reduce the demand for flying. We are supporting a group of four organisations: the Aviation Environment Trust (AET) works for sustainable aviation policies, and aims – with local campaigners – to limit airport expansion; Possible campaigns for climate solutions to transport challenges, and has pioneered the Frequent Flyer Levy; New Economics Foundation undertakes and publishes economic analysis in support of aviation demand management.

Reclaim Finance for Fossil Fuels and Insurance conducting in-depth research and analysis on the practices of financial institutions in the insurance sector, aimed at supporting them to adopt climate strategies.

Charitable Pools grants

Generally one-off funding from £8,000 up to £25,000. There is one round per year.

Advance Myanmar Supporting one of the organising groups behind the non-violent protests in Yangon, Myanmar

Alder Hey Children's Charity Addressing oral health inequality in Merseyside and the surrounding areas by providing free dental kits and advice to in-patients and their families at Alder Hey

Appeal Supporting women with criminal justice appeals by fighting individual cases for women, providing holistic support, and campaigning in the media and influencing politicians

Artis Foundation Supporting primary school children in areas of high deprivation, nurturing their creativity to heighten knowledge, and develop core life skills and confidence

Book Clubs in Schools Core funding to allow Book Clubs in Schools to scale up its programme of peer-led book clubs for children and young people

Centre for Innovation in Voluntary Action For Oxfordshire Liveable Streets, to ensure that proposed extensive traffic reduction measures in Oxford are introduced by the Council

City of Sanctuary UK To recognise and reward good practice within maternity and health services for asylum seekers and refugees

CleanConscience Working with refugees and asylum seekers, to help them find a route into employment and to integrate into society

Conflict and Environment Observatory Supporting international advocacy on the environment, peace and security across a range of environmental and humanitarian disarmament instruments

Coventry University Addressing escalating youth violence within Palestinian society in Israel using a holistic approach to enhance self-esteem, resilience, development and community engagement

Detention Action Core funding to support people in immigration detention to ensure a fair and humane immigration system

Endless Medical Advantage Core funding towards sustainable primary healthcare interventions for vulnerable and refugee communities in Lebanon

Every Casualty Counts Documenting the stories of individual global victims of current wars and promoting discussion of this during Remembrance Day activities

Fairness Foundation Core funding to reduce wealth inequality and its spillover effects on society in the UK

Faith in Community Scotland Core funding for the Poverty Truth Community, a movement for change led by people living with poverty

Finance Innovation Lab Influencing the scope, direction and outcomes of the government's pension review to deliver transformative change for savers, pensioners, the wider economy and the planet

Friends of the Earth England Wales and Northern Ireland (EWNI) Continuing two legal challenges to the lawfulness of the government's Net Zero Strategy/CBDP by a combination of constructive engagement backed up by possible judicial review

Gambling with Lives Supporting people bereaved by gambling suicide, ensuring more families have the support they need to survive and cope with their changed lives

GeneWatch UK To produce and disseminate a report on the use of new genetic engineering methods, known as gene editing

Get Further Supporting young people in Bradford to pass gateway English and Maths qualifications that unlock opportunities in education and work

Global Girl Project Core funding towards mobilising the most marginalised girls throughout the Global South, using education, leadership and skills capacity building

Greater Change Influencing local councils to support people experiencing homelessness by providing personalised cash grants

Inquest For UNGRIPP, working to end imprisonment of people serving an Indeterminate Sentence for Public Protection (IPP)

Macc Providing cash grants for people forced into destitution by their immigration status through the Greater Manchester Migrant Destitution Fund

North West Hazards Trust Assisting workers to identify and raise climate change issues in their workplace, and to negotiate with employers practical steps to mitigate the impact of climate change
Nourish (Scotland) Democratising the UK food economy by creating a new piece of public infrastructure for food justice
Peace Brigades International (PBI) Supporting environmental defenders in Latin America, a region suffering intersecting climate and human rights crises
PORA Zimbabwe Producing a fiction feature film advocating against the sexual abuse of minors through early marriage and encouraging girls' education in Zimbabwe
Prospero World For Roots2Justice, building the legal resilience of grassroots communities affected by corporate abuse, and environmental and climate degradation
Settle Support Supporting young people coming out of care to manage their money, tenancies and wellbeing, and ultimately to avoid eviction and homelessness
Shared Future CIC To build a new network of passionate, informed and active Participatory Budgeting 'climate champions' in North West England
Spotlight on Corruption Building a civil society manifesto and plan of action to prevent corruption and preserve integrity in government decision making around climate
The Earth Community Trust For Stop Ecocide International, campaigning to make ecocide an international crime at the International Criminal Court
The Martin Ryle Trust For Scientists for Global Responsibility, seeking to reduce military influence on UK universities and schools, through greater involvement of scientists and engineers with anti-militarist views
Trust for Research and Education in Arms Trade (TREAT) For Campaign Against the Arms Trade, updating core CAAT information materials including Introduction to Arms Trade booklet
Voice 21 Delivering oracy provision in special schools and/or alternative provision settings, where students learning is affected by special educational needs or disabilities (SEND)
Woodcraft Folk Support the outdoor education sector to better respond to the climate emergency through training, practice sharing and adapting activities
Xenia Core funding to bridge differences between women of all backgrounds and build a more connected community using arts, heritage and conversation

Charitable Fast Track grants

Generally one-off funding of £5,000 – £8,000. In 2024-25 we awarded 48 charitable Fast Track grants through 4 funding rounds. Grants were:
Advance Myanmar For Burmese Rohingya Organization UK, to amplify Rohingya survivors' voices in global justice processes
Afghan Association of London Addressing challenges faced by Afghan women in London, such as social isolation, language barriers, limited access to employment and financial insecurity
Ajyal Foundation for Education Providing female hygiene kits for displaced women and girls in Gaza

Amos Trust For We Are Not Numbers (WANN), supporting young Palestinian writers writing about their daily experiences in Gaza
Beyond Equality CIO Develop training for youth and community workers to help them work with young men and boys to address negative behaviours towards women and girls
Black Girls Hike For Diversity in Nature Festival 2025, in Worcestershire, dedicated to sustainability in nature, conservation and environmentalism, for Black women
Centre for Innovation in Voluntary Action Improving the infrastructure of funding and support for small racial and climate justice organisations, by bringing a range of interested funders together
Co-operative Community Investment Foundation For workers.coop (the UK federation of workers' co-ops), to establish a peer-to-peer mentoring system for workers' co-ops to build confidence and share learning
Dipped in Creativity Engagement CIC Supporting young women at risk of: exclusion; youth violence; not in education, employment or training; and/or experiencing mental health challenges
Disability First CIO Funding an additional disability benefits advisor, enabling wider reach in Blackpool, Cumbria and South Lancashire
Empathy Museum For Foxglove Legal CIC, a participatory exhibition at a prominent London gallery featuring the stories of the exploited workers behind AI and Big Tech
English PEN Campaigning for protection of the human right of freedom of expression for writers at risk
Feedback Global Using a landmark legal ruling to force factory farm developers to reveal and account for the climate impacts of industrial meat production
Foundation for Integrated Transport For Transport Action Network, to challenge the current National Policy Statement for road and rail, which continues to sideline carbon emissions in decision making
Freedom for Girls Uganda Delivering the Train the Teacher project, removing stigma & shame from menstrual health experiences in school
GalGael Pioneering modes of social action to build community resilience by working together on shared tasks that reveal our common humanity
Global Justice Now Trust For Oikologia, to fund wages of two Right to Information paralegals working on environmental and human rights in India
Hear Me Out Music Core funding for creative programmes with people in the immigration detention and asylum system
Highfields Community Association Supporting Leicester garment workers facing exploitation, by offering workplace remediation, advice, legal guidance, and wage recovery
Independent Diplomat Providing seed funding to launch a new initiative to develop people-led solutions to climate displacement, one of today's most critical global challenges
Independent Diplomat For Shahmama, advocating for social justice and accountability for Afghan women
Independent Diplomat For Solidarity Economy Association, campaigning to demilitarise the Alouk Water Station located in al-Hasakeh, Syria

Joseph Rotblat Memorial Trust For British Pugwash, campaigning against the worsening outlook for nuclear threat reduction and how that trend could be reversed
Joy Baker Fund Helping set up the Joy Baker Fund on a correct legal foundation and with initial grant funds, to ensure the best legal advice is available to home-educating families
Latin America Bureau Mobilising support for environmental defenders, highlighting their successes and challenges, and finding ways to protect them and the environment
LGBT UNITY GLASGOW Assisting LGBTQ+ refugees and asylum seekers in adapting to their new environments and achieving self-sufficiency
Liberty Choir Evaluating the value of the Liberty Choir music programme in both male and female prisons, to understand their different needs
Mbabzi School Partnership Funding secondary school fees for primary school graduates in Malawi
Network of Photographers for Palestine Promoting Palestinian photographers' work to provide a true story through their photography about the suffering of their people
Quaker Congo Partnership UK Training women and young people in peacebuilding techniques in Eastern DR Congo
Real Farming Trust For Hardwick Estate, supporting it to become England's first community-run Estate and advance the case for English land reform
Sacred Heart Primary School, Barrow in Furness Providing teaching support for primary-age children in an area of high multiple deprivation
SafetyCurtain For Fragments Theatre in Jenin, Palestine, which utilises the arts as a means of personal development and social transformation
SHARE Oxford Supporting the growth of the Library of Things and Repair Cafés
SHED For Humans for Rights Network, evidence gathering and exploring avenues for redress regarding cross border violence
Sortition Foundation Supporting the development of a permanent Citizens Assembly in Greater Manchester, and to inspire other Metro areas to follow their example
Space Generators Developing a network of climate emergency centres, supporting groups to transform vacant properties across the UK into inspirational eco-community hubs
Stump up for Trees Re-wilding Welsh coal mining landscapes by planting broadleaved trees
Tandem Supporting a weekly social group and a new pilot breathing/mindfulness workshop, helping service users to move on from mental breakdown
The Barn at Easington Strengthening and diversifying grassroots female-led recovery networks
The Movements Trust Supporting and amplifying a sustainable social movement sector working to mitigate climate and environmental disaster
The Poverty and Environment Trust Mobilising nationwide public advocacy for Parliament to pass legislation to support the growth of community-led renewable energy
The Survivors Trust Campaigning for implementation of the recommendations developed by the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA)

Time for Art Delivering creative sessions for asylum seekers in a hotel in Oxford
Tipping Point UK Building a people-powered tipping point for climate, economic and racial justice
Transform Justice Advocating reform of the Single Justice Procedure used for most criminal prosecutions
Watershed Investigations Investigating the extent and impacts of the chronic shipping pollution in Mumbai harbour
WISH Providing professional counselling for women in Tower Hamlets with complex mental health needs, who have no access to existing NHS Mental Health services