

GRANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Our Mission

Not all young people have the same opportunities in life. There are many parts of Bristol where young people aren't given the support, skills or confidence to make choices that will positively shape their future. Through the Origin Foundation, we help provide support to these underserved young people, giving them a chance to realise their potential and positively contribute to their community. By providing grants and funding to existing local charities and organisations, we help them to further support Bristol's youth and make an even bigger impact. The Foundation considers both single and multi-year grants (3 years max), usually between £5,000 and £25,000 per year.

A) Eligibility

Applicants must be a Registered Charity or Community Interest Company (CIC) benefitting communities in the Greater Bristol area.

CIC's must have been established for at least three years and have an annual income of at least £50,000 with at least 25% of income from trading.

Sectors supported:

a) Children and Young People (Young people defined as 18 to 30 years of age) particularly prioritising organisations and projects which support disadvantaged children and young people to gain some or a combination of the following:

- 1) new skills through programmes and courses,
- 2) qualifications,
- 3) confidence building through programmes and initiatives that develop life skills,
- 4) employment experience and opportunities,
- 5) business focused initiatives that enhance commercial skills.

b) The Arts Supporting performance venues and activities for disadvantaged Children and Young People.

c) Community Cohesion Projects which support equality, diversity and social inclusion for **Children and Young People** from all communities in the city.

d) Initiatives that support Children and Young People in underserved communities dealing with challenges such as food poverty.

Exclusions:

Whilst we appreciate the hard work and effort that goes into raising funding for any charity and the incredible work and impact they can have, The Origin Foundation is specific in its aims to help and support children and young adults in Bristol based on the above criteria and therefore the following are not eligible:

- Medical research
- Single condition medical charities
- Grants for Individuals
- Animal welfare charities
- Sponsorship

National charities, and those based outside of Bristol are less likely to be supported. CICs whose core business model is substantially grant-reliant are unlikely to be successful.

B) How to Apply

If you plan to apply, please send a brief enquiry by email, to the rob.hingston@originworkspace.co.uk, trustee of Origin Foundation. This should be a brief single paragraph, with no attachments, outlining the focus of your application and how much you wish to apply for. We will then confirm that the proposal is a good fit with the Foundations priorities and that the grant request level is appropriate and which point you will be asked to complete our application form (available @ <https://www.originfoundation.co.uk/>). There are two levels of revenue grant:

- Small – up to £10,000
- Medium – £10,001 to £25,000

Capital Grant applications can be larger. Applicants may suggest a preference for any level of grant, but the final amount may vary at the discretion of the trustees.

Applications for Small and Medium grants may be for project costs, capital costs or core costs. Project costs may include a reasonable proportion of core costs relevant to the project. You can request funding for up to three years e.g. a small grant could be for up to £10,000 per annum (£30,000 in total).

Budget Information:

If you are applying for core costs, then please provide budget information for your whole organisation. If you are applying for project costs, please provide a project budget

C) Safeguarding

Origin Foundation takes the safeguarding of children and adults at risk seriously, and we require organisations applying for funding to have an up-to-date, relevant safeguarding policy for their beneficiaries. We ask you to submit a copy of your safeguarding policy with your application.

D) Deadlines

Trustees meet quarterly, usually in February, May, August and November. Applications will be acknowledged by email. The Trust aims to make a decision within three months of the receipt of a valid application. All applications will receive a response whether successful or not. If you do not receive notification by three months, please contact us. Following an application, please do not reapply for at least twelve months (from the date of your original

E) Reporting

Small & Medium Grants For single year grants, please send us a brief report via email at the end of your project, or after 12 months if we are supporting core costs. If you wish to reapply, please send your report with your application. Your report should be no more than 2 pages long and should include both details of the number of people you have supported and the change or outcomes you have achieved with the funding. For multi-year grants, please send a brief report towards the end of each 12-month period. A specific deadline will be given in your award letter.
Capital Grants We will agree reporting conditions at the time of our grant 5.

Contact Details

Queries: Please make sure you have read the application guidance carefully first. Please make contact by email in the first instance:

Email applications and enquiries are preferred. Applications and should be sent to:

<https://www.originfoundation.co.uk/contact-us/>

If you are unable to send your application by email, please send it to: The Origin Foundation, 40 Berkeley Square, Bristol, BS8 1HP.