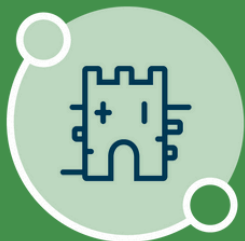


Invest in the **York Community Fund**
for a fairer, safer, healthier York



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What is the York Community Fund?

- An independent fund which supports vibrant and purposeful community action that changes people's lives in York
- An opportunity for local people and businesses who are passionate about York to give collectively and confidently
- A collaborative model administered by Two Ridings Community Foundation, in partnership with City of York Council, York CVS, Joseph Rowntree Foundation and York Together for the benefit of the whole city

Why is it needed?

- York is an incredible city, with great strengths and opportunities, but it is also a place of stark inequalities
- 1 in 9 children live in poverty in the city, and this figure increases to 1 in 3 children in some neighbourhoods
- The high cost of living in the city intensifies the impact of poverty - so called 'double deprivation', particularly in relation to housing costs
- In the most deprived areas, life expectancy is 11 years lower than in the wealthiest areas of the city

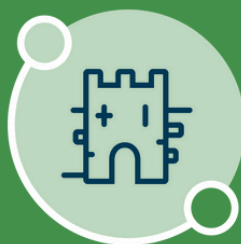
What does the fund address?

York has many dynamic, vibrant grassroots community organisations whose work transforms lives.

Small community organisations account for 86% of the voluntary sector, but receive just 13% of its income.

Greater investment in voluntary and community organisations has multiple benefits, it will:

- Increase these organisations' ability to impact positively on social need
- Stimulate individual and collective participation in the life of the city, enhancing personal agency, reducing social isolation and fostering community engagement
- Grow the resilience and sustainability of these organisations over the long term

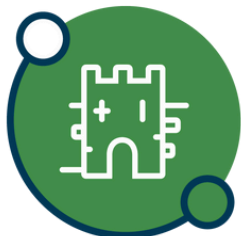


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What will the money be spent on?

The Fund channels investment into the following priorities:

- Equalities and human rights
- Affordability – tackling the cost of living crisis
- Environment and the climate emergency
- Health and wellbeing



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Who will decide what projects will be funded?

Two Ridings Community Foundation conduct due diligence and assessments on all applications to the fund.

A participatory panel, drawn from York's communities and bringing in expertise and diverse perspectives from across the city, will be recruited.

The community panel will determine the detail of the fund's priorities, review grant applications and assessments and decide how the funds are allocated.

The allocations are signed off by Two Ridings' Board of Trustees.



How can I contribute to the fund?

Endowment funds

The gift is held as an asset and invested within the Foundation's endowment in perpetuity.

The investment return provides revenue which is used to support charitable organisations each year.

100% match is offered for any donation above £25,000 (minimum donation level). Match is also be open to any Gift Aid applicable for such a donation.

Flow-through funds

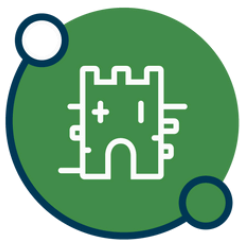
The gift is treated entirely as revenue to support charitable organisations, and spent within a fixed time frame.

The time frame can be short or long-term (for example spent within a year, or over a 5-year period).



What expertise does Two Ridings Community Foundation offer?

- 20+ year track record as the Community Foundation for the region, accredited by UK Community Foundations (communityfoundations.org.uk)
- Managing and administering over 100 funds from donors across North and East Yorkshire, York & Hull
- Independent annual audit and regulation by the Charity Commission and the Fundraising Regulator
- Expertise in charity management, financial management, grant-making, partnership, communications and operations, supported by a 15-member board of trustees
- Long-term commitment to community action in York through extensive grant-making



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