



The Barratt Foundation Grants – Guidance Notes for Applicants

Introduction

Thank you for your interest in a grant from the Barratt Foundation. Through this grants programme, we are looking to support charities with an annual income of under £2m that align with the Barratt Foundation's vision and focus.

A note from Andy Button-Stephens, Head of the Barratt Foundation:

Thank you for taking the time to apply to the Barratt Foundation. We are looking to find and fund vision-aligned charities that are doing impactful work for young people and communities across the UK.

We understand how challenging fundraising is and the significant time and cost of applying. We have reviewed our application process with this in mind and tried to keep the process as simple as possible, whilst ensuring the Barratt Foundation Trustees have the right quantity and quality of information to make an informed decision.

The Barratt Foundation has limited funds and despite our efforts to be as clear as possible with our criteria, we will still receive more applications than we are able to support. We promise to review every application thoroughly and carefully, and hope this guidance is helpful in shaping a strong application.

Many thanks and good luck! I look forward to reading your application.

Andy

Our vision & focus

The Barratt Foundation helps communities throughout the UK to thrive, by focusing on children, young people and those most disadvantaged.

We recognise that disadvantage can come in many forms, and **we choose to focus on children, young people and people experiencing poverty and inequality of opportunity; prioritising education, employability, social mobility, homelessness and mental health projects.**

Prioritising this way means we are **less** able to support the following social issues and beneficiary groups:

- the elderly
- current or ex-military service personnel
- health, hospice & end of life care
- the environment
- animal welfare

Where possible, our aim is to engage Barratt employees in meaningful volunteering and fundraising opportunities.

About this guidance

These Guidance Notes provide more information for applicants regarding the Barratt Foundation's Grants, including:

- Who can apply
- Our criteria
- What we fund
- What we don't fund
- How much you can apply for
- How to apply
- Key dates and timeframes

Please note the Barratt Foundation has limited funds and receives many more applications than it is able to support. We hope this guidance is helpful in helping you decide whether to apply and shaping a strong application.

Who can apply?

We will accept applications directly from charities and nominations from employees of Barratt Developments PLC and its subsidiaries. Where an application is being championed by a Barratt employee, we would encourage Barratt employees to team up with their nominated charity to apply together.



Our criteria

Successful applicants must demonstrate how they meet the following criteria:

Criteria	
Vision & focus	Your charity and application must align with our vision & focus: <i>The Barratt Foundation helps communities throughout the UK to thrive, focusing our support on children and young people and those most disadvantaged.</i> <i>We recognise that disadvantage can come in many forms, and we choose to focus on children, young people and people experiencing poverty and inequality of opportunity; prioritising education, employability, social mobility, homelessness and mental health projects.</i>
Cause	Your cause is inspiring and your goals are ambitious. You can demonstrate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the urgent scale of the problem and the need for your work • how your charity and its goals address the problem
People	We believe in your charity leadership, governance and strategy. Your people, story and strategy are compelling and you are open about your performance.
Impact	You can demonstrate the difference you make as a charity and how our funding contributes to that. There are clearly defined and measured beneficiaries, outputs and outcomes.
Finance	The charity is financially robust and openly showcases its finances, use of reserves, costs and annual budget.
Engagement	Where possible, you can engage Barratt employees in meaningful fundraising, volunteering and engagement opportunities.
Locations	You are making a difference in the communities where Barratt operate and operate across multiple divisions. Barratt locations can be found here.

How much can I apply for?

We are flexible and anticipate making in the region of 8-20 grants ranging from £5,000 to £30,000.

On the application form you'll be asked how much you're applying for, how you would use this funding and what difference it would make.

Timeframe and key dates:

1. Deadline - **please apply by 5pm on Monday 22nd April.** We will not accept applications after this date.
2. Decision – the Grants Committee will be meeting in May to review all applications.
3. Notified – you will be notified of the outcome of your application by the end of June.
4. Donations – we endeavour for all of the donations to be made by the end of July.

What we fund

Charities that:

- have a total annual income of under £2m
- demonstrate alignment with our vision, focus and criteria
- clearly articulate the reach and impact of any donation we may make
- operate regionally or nationally (as opposed to one specific town or county)
- express how it could involve Barratt employees in volunteering and/or fundraising for the charity
- commit to share an end of project/ 12 month report on reach, impact and engagement

Charities that operate in one local area only (a specific town or county) aren't eligible to apply. Please fill out our [Expression of Interest](#) instead of applying. Expressions of interest will be passed onto your local Barratt office to be considered for a local Community Fund donation of £1,500.



What we don't fund

We do not provide funding for the following organisations:

- Organisations with a total annual income of £2m or higher.
- Organisations who have applied in the last 12 months
- Organisation we have made a grant to in the last 24 months
- Organisations who can't demonstrate how they align with or contribute to the Barratt Foundation's vision of helping communities throughout the UK to thrive, by focusing on children, young people and those most disadvantaged.
- Organisations that support the following social issues and beneficiary groups - the elderly, current or ex-military service personnel, health, hospice & end of life care, the environment and animal welfare.
- Organisations that are not charities registered in England and Wales or Scotland - we follow the Charity Commission's guidance on organisations that are registered, excepted and exempt. This means that we can't fund the following:
 - Individuals
 - Community Interest Companies (CICs), Community Benefit Societies and social enterprises
 - local authorities and councils
- Organisations working predominantly outside England, Scotland and Wales - we don't fund work that takes place outside of Great Britain.
- Organisations who don't have an up-to-date record of submitting their Annual Report & Accounts on time on the Charity Commission/Scottish Charity Register website - we only support organisations who have a history of submitting their Annual Report & Accounts to the regulator on time.
- Organisations that require people to take part in a religious activity as part of the support provided – we are able to fund religious organisations where the activities are open to all.
- Organisations who don't have a safeguarding policy and who aren't open to engaging on their approach to safeguarding.
- Organisations who don't have a diversity and inclusion policy and who aren't open to engaging on their approach to diversity and inclusion.

We typically do not fund the following activities or areas of work:

- one-off or annual events such as galas or festivals, even if they are for fundraising purposes
- sponsorship, auction prizes or similar for fundraising events
- feasibility studies
- generic or mass mailing fundraising appeals
- activity that takes place overseas, including overseas trips
- public works of art or monuments
- campaigning and lobbying
- activities that have already taken place or projects that have already completed

How to apply

Having read this guidance note, please follow these simple steps:

- 1) Take our [eligibility quiz](#) to check that your organisation is eligible to apply for our funding.
- 2) Complete your application using our online application form – the link for which will be at the end of the [eligibility quiz](#). To help you prepare your answers, you can download a [copy of the application questions here](#).
- 3) Upload a copy of your Safeguarding and Diversity and Inclusion policies.

Once you have submitted your application you will receive an email confirming that we have received your application.

Thank you for your interest in a grant from the Barratt Foundation.