



London Funders: Membership Offer

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Who are London Funders?

London Funders is the only cross-sector membership network for funders and investors in London's civil society.

We're the place where funders come together to connect and collaborate, where ideas are generated and acted on, and where people work to ensure that resources are channelled to the right places.

- We **inform and influence**, seeking and sharing knowledge so that funding and policy environments meet Londoners' needs
- We **involve and inspire**, convening with purpose so that people and organisations can embrace opportunities to grow together
- We **innovate and incubate**, exploring new ideas and approaches, and ensuring those with potential have the support to thrive





What we do

With everything from regular events and meetings to facilitating collaboration across our membership, London Funders supports our members to be more effective, joined-up and informed in their funding practices.

From working with place-based giving schemes across London, to powering an ambitious £100m collaborative funding programme, we develop and showcase practical ways of doing things differently - helping our members to support civil society and create a better London.

You can read more about our current programmes, news and opinion on our website www.londonfunders.org.uk

What our members say...

“Congratulations on everything that London Funders is doing. I really love your weekly updates and events. Having been in the CSR space for many years it is fantastic to see something that is so truly collaborative and effective. Well done.”
Corporate member

"It has been a pleasure to work with the entire London Funders team. I think the work you do both for the funding sector, but more importantly to support Londoners is exceptional. I have been very proud to champion London Funders.”
Social Investment Business



“London Funders is a trusted partner that pushes best practice and is looked up to by all”
London Borough of Hackney

Member benefits

Funder Five – weekly bulletin

Our member-exclusive weekly bulletin lands in your inbox every Friday. You'll receive hand-picked updates about developments affecting the sector, including news from fellow members, upcoming events, the latest research, and opinion pieces.

"I just wanted to say thanks (again) for another incredibly useful and timely Funder Five for Friday. I always read them with interest, and often share items with the team, trustees and/or partners. This week in particular, I have shared several items as very relevant to things we are working on and thinking about. Thank you!"

Cripplegate Foundation

Monthly insight meetings

Our agile and responsive monthly insight meetings provide an opportunity for members to hear from our friends in the sector, share intelligence, data and insights, in relation to issues affecting Londoners as they emerge.

Seasonal learning question

We want to drive a learning culture where shared data, intelligence and insights can lead to better decision making and action. Each season, we invite members to reflect on and answer a themed learning question. Through a combination of blogs, workshops and events, we build on our learning to explore how we can collaboratively shape wider funder practice and positively impact London's communities.

Member benefits

Networks

Our Networks allow members convene with purpose and embrace opportunities to grow together. They enable members to build strong and trusted connections, share learning, receive peer challenge and support, and collaborate. We have a range of networks open to members – [contact our Membership Manager](#) for the full list of active networks

- **Local funder forums:** [borough-based forums](#) are a great opportunity for funders to learn about local issues, build strategic connections with others and explore new ways to enhance support for local communities
- **Member-led networks:** chaired by fellow London Funders' members, our [thematic networks](#) bring members together over specific funding themes and issues. Meetings are a space to hear about other members' programmes and current activities, horizon scan and troubleshoot
- **Equity & Justice Network:** a dedicated space for members to have meaningful discussions about more inclusive approaches to funding; share their reflections around how we can remove the barriers that have led to the underfunding of some groups; and how we can challenge status quo

Member benefits

Festival of Learning

As our annual flagship event, the Festival of Learning brings members together to share learning from the last year and our ambitions for the next. It's a space where members can build new relationships as well as deepen old ones.

Ranging from webinars, workshops, guided walking tours and silent discos, our previous Festivals have collectively brought together over 1,400 of you, across 70+ sessions, with funders and communities sharing their learning on everything from cross-sector collaboration to embedding equity in grant making.



“London Funders maximizes the unique space it occupies to bring funders together to make ‘strategic impact decisions’ on investment and funding across a host of areas. The potential for strategic impact to make the transformational differences in inequality, poverty etc. that people and communities have a right to expect, cannot be underestimated and is something we, as funders, must strive for.”

What our members say...



“Just wanted to say how much our team got out of the Festival. We had a brief sharing of the wide range of sessions we’d attended at our grants team meeting and people had found lots of different ideas and tools, which we can explore further... thank you for all the enormous hard work involved in organising. It’s much appreciated!”

Legal Education Foundation

“Thank you for hosting such a useful & informative network meeting last week! Listening to other funders describe the challenges & joys of such a vibrant space was really interesting. Thanks to your speakers & conversations with other participants, I have lots of learnings & ideas to develop”.

Young Barnet Foundation

Other member benefits

- Opportunities to take part in funder collaboration
- Exclusive use of our jobs board – advertise your staff and trustee vacancies for free
- Personalised introductions to fellow London Funders members
- Participating in and contributing to London Funders’ research and reports
- Support from London Funders staff
- AGM voting privileges (not available to associate members)

“I wanted to take a minute to acknowledge the amazing work of LF over the past year and the very well -deserved award. The We Stand With the Sector work was outstanding. It galvanised response based on values, principles of equity and need and grounded in evidence and learning. The leadership, coordination, real time evidence, insight and learning and support to funder collaboration whilst putting the organisations and communities we are here to support at the heart was exceptional. Well-deserved recognition for you and the team.” **National Lottery Community Fund (in response to London Funders 2021 Charity Award)**

Who can join?

Any individual or agency distributing funding in London and investing in the voluntary and community sector is welcome to join us. Our members include every London local authority, public sector funders, independent foundations, Lottery distributors and businesses.

The membership year runs from 1 April-31 March. Subscription rates are based on organisation's annual support/investment of London's civil society.

Please note: Organisations who join mid-year receive a pro-rata rate.

2024/25 membership rates

- Band 1 (Over £20 million) £3,950
- Band 2 (£15,000,001 to £20 million) £3,565
- Band 3 (£11,000,001 to £15 million) £3,200
- Band 4 (£9,000,001 to £11 million) £2,850
- Band 5 (£7,000,001 to £9 million) £2,500
- Band 6 (£5,000,001 to £7 million) £2,100
- Band 7 (£3,000,001 to £5 million) £1,750
- Band 8 (£1,000,001 to £3 million) £1,400
- Band 9 (£500,001 to £1 million) £1,020
- Band 10 (Under £500,000) £650



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