



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, and facilitating collaboration across our membership, to producing research to deepen understandings of civil society's needs, London Funders supports our members to be more effective, joined-up and informed in their funding practices.

Through working with place-based giving schemes across London; powering an ambitious £100m collaborative funding programme; and creating exciting collaborative spaces for funders and civil society to make funding decisions together, 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...

"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

"We are excited to be a part of London Funders, it is great opportunity for us to share knowledge, expand our learning opportunities and collaborate with our fellow funders."

Global's Make Some Noise



"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 e-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

Member Memo – monthly e-bulletin

Our monthly ‘Member Memo’ keeps members updated on all things London Funders - from upcoming network meetings and events, to opportunities to connect and collaborate with other members. It’s a handy ‘Memo’ to keep members informed about the different ways they can engage with us and with each other, building our movement of funders working together to build a better London.

“The monthly Member Memo and weekly Funder Five for Friday emails keep us up to speed on what’s happening and what’s important. We also love the annual conference which is bursting at the seams with inspiring ideas and individuals!”

Texel Foundation

Member Benefits

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.



“Being part of London Funders is invaluable in connecting us to a diverse and dynamic community of funders. It’s provided us with a platform to exchange insights, learn from others, and strengthen our local impact.”

Richmond Foundation

Member benefits

Networks

Our Networks allow members to 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
- **Sector specific networks:** as a cross-sector network, we know that different funders face different challenges and so we hold quarterly meetings for our Corporate and Local Authority members to connect with similar funders, hear about others' approaches, and share reflections about what they'd like to see from London Funders related to their work

Member benefits

Festival of Learning

As our annual flagship learning 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 maximises 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.”

London Funders member

Member benefits

Autumn Conference

Our Autumn Conference is a chance for funders from across the membership to come together to celebrate, learn from and connect with the changemakers, community leaders and funders paving the way for a better future. Together, the Conference is an opportunity for us to explore how we – as a cross-sector network of funders – can work in solidarity with the communities we support. Have a read of the highlights from our latest Conference [here](#).



“The conference was a great opportunity to allow people from different organisations to have the same conversation. It provided an opportunity to think about issues more holistically – what can London’s funders continue to do to support this approach?”

The Mayor’s Fund for London

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 of/investment in London's civil society.

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

2025/26 subscription rates

- Band 1 (Over £20 million) £4,150
- Band 2 (£15,000,001 to £20 million) £3,745
- Band 3 (£11,000,001 to £15 million) £3,360
- Band 4 (£9,000,001 to £11 million) £2,995
- Band 5 (£7,000,001 to £9 million) £2,625
- Band 6 (£5,000,001 to £7 million) £2,205
- Band 7 (£3,000,001 to £5 million) £1,840
- Band 8 (£1,000,001 to £3 million) £1,470
- Band 9 (£500,001 to £1 million) £1,070
- Band 10 (Under £500,000) £680



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