

## **Bishop Radford Trust Frequently Asked Questions**

- **What criteria do I need to meet to apply for funding?**

Any requests for funding must come within our charitable objects, which are to support the work of the Christian church both in the UK and internationally.

- **How much can I apply for?**

There are no formal upper or lower limits on the amount that can be applied for. Most grants are between £1000 and £10,000. Higher level and/or longer term grants develop out of close involvement with the recipient church or organisation.

- **How many years of funding can I apply for?**

Most grants are for one year ALL active grants are reviewed annually using the Grant Impact Form

- **Does the Bishop Radford Trust give to overseas charities?**

Yes, but we only make grants through UK registered charities.

- **What does the Bishop Radford Trust not support?**

We do not support:

- ✗ Building projects
- ✗ Non UK registered charities
- ✗ Individuals
- ✗ Core funding requests (except where we have close involvement and the impact is significant)
- ✗ Campaigns / lobbying
- ✗ Research studies.
- ✗ Activities that have already taken place i.e. retro-funding.

- **What criteria increase the chances of the grant request being successful?**

The following is a list of criteria that we use when assessing an application:

- It is helpful to supply a detailed budget breakdown showing how the money will be spent.
- Impact measurement: we like to see clearly defined projected outcomes from the activity with measurable targets.
- We believe it is good practice to look for other sources of funding. If 50% or more of the funds for the total project have been raised elsewhere, this increases the likelihood of our supporting the grant.

- **How do I apply for a grant?**

Complete our online application form or download it from our website, complete it and email it to enquiries@bishopradsfordtrust.org.uk or send it via post to Mr D Marks, Devonshire House, 1 Devonshire Street, London, W1W 5DR.

- **Will all applications be acknowledged?**

We do not acknowledge receipt of the application, however, we do respond to all applications received via email or letter. We run a small, family trust so we do not guarantee that we will get back within a specific timeframe. We usually respond within 3 months.

- **How are the grant applications assessed?**

Grants are reviewed in the office. Decisions to commit funds are brought to trustee meetings on a quarterly basis.

- **Is there a cut off date for applications for the year?**

No, you can apply for funds throughout the year. If all of the funds have been committed for the year, we will close the grant application process on the website. We announce when it is due to reopen.

- **What should I do if my grant application is declined?**

If your grant application is unsuccessful because it does not fit our eligibility criteria, we ask that you do not reapply in the future, unless the reason given for rejection of the grant can be addressed.

- **What should I do if my grant application is approved?**

If your grant is approved, we ask for you for bank details as we only pay monies by telegraphic transfer. We will also ask you to sign a Grant Agreement Form.

- **What does the grant agreement stipulate?**

The Grant Agreement Form stipulates that you commit to using the funds for the agreed activity. It also requires you to fill in and return our 'Grant Impact Form' at the completion of the activity.

- **Where do we find the Grant Impact Form?**

The Grant Impact Form can be downloaded from our website:  
<http://bishopradsfordtrust.org.uk/apply-for-funds/>

- **Why is it called the Bishop Radford Trust?**

The Trust was named after Bishop Andrew Radford, a family friend for many years who died unexpectedly when the trust was being set up.