**Organ funders**

**March 2024**

If you have an unwanted pipe organ, or if you are looking for a second-hand pipe organ, check out Pipe Up For Pipe Organs

[PIPE UP FOR PIPE ORGANS | Heritage charity fighting to save the King of Instruments (pipe-up.org.uk)](https://www.pipe-up.org.uk/)

**The On Organ Fund**

Potential grant size: £2,500

The On Organ Fund makes grants to churches and places of worship for the provision, restoration or rebuilding of pipe organs. Applications must be for organs situated within the British Isles.

Email [secretary@onorganfund.org.uk](mailto:secretary@onorganfund.org.uk)

<https://www.onorganfund.org.uk>

**How to apply**

Applications are considered in May and November of each year and the final dates for receipt of application by the Secretary are 30 April and 30 September respectively. When complete, please post your application to the Secretary. Download an application form from this link: <http://www.onorganfund.org.uk/apply.php>

**Church Care grants**

Potential grant size: £6,000

We give grants of up to £10,000 for the conservation of [organs and organ cases](https://www.churchofengland.org/more/church-resources/churchcare/advice-and-guidance-church-buildings/organs) in Anglican parish churches in England. These grants are offered in partnership with the Pilgrim Trust. Our grants are awarded around 12 weeks after the application deadline.

**Deadline: 3 June 2024**

**Decision: 26 July 2024**

**Website** [Grants for historic church interiors and churchyard structures | The Church of England](https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/churchcare/our-conservation-grants/grants-historic-church-interiors-and-churchyard-structures#na)

**Eligibility criteria**

We fund the conservation of:

* Organs over 70 years old or significant instruments of a later date with historic, artistic or archaeological significance
* Organs that retain the character of the original organ and its builder, with a minimum of alteration

Projects must:

* Conserve the organ in its present state or
* Restore the organ to a clearly established earlier historic state

If you would like to discuss the eligibility of your project, [contact us by email](https://www.churchofengland.org/more/church-resources/cathedral-and-church-buildings/contact-cathedral-and-church-buildings) or at 020 7898 1872.

**Benefact Trust: Building Improvement Grants**

Rolling programme – apply online

<https://benefacttrust.co.uk/which-grant-is-for-me/building-improvement-grants/>

Benefact Trust’s Building Improvement Grants programme provides essential support to protect and enhance churches and Christian charity buildings, ensuring their continued use, viability, and the safeguarding of their heritage.

The programme is open to applications from churches, cathedrals, denominational bodies and Christian charities. Under Building Improvement Grants, we are able to support direct capital costs relating to the following types of work: 1) Essential, one-off repairs or other capital works to ensure the continued use or viability of a building (capital work must be considered urgent or necessary within 12 months) 2) Minor capital works or equipment purchases to meet operational or accessibility requirements (e.g. essential operational equipment, AV equipment, hearing loops, ramps, etc) 3) Conservation or restoration of historic features (e.g. stained glass, carvings, interior furnishings, clocks, tower bells, organs etc) which contribute to preservation and appreciation of a building’s heritage 4) Other aesthetic enhancements (e.g. interior decoration, furnishings or public realm improvements) to improve indoor or outdoor spaces for users 5) Energy efficiency/renewable energy measures (e.g. heating/lighting upgrades, solar panels, etc) which improve the sustainability of church buildings/facilities and enable their continued use

**The Williams Church Music Trust**

Potential grant size: £2,500

The promotion of the study, practice and improvement of instrumental music (including in particular organ music); and the promotion of the study, practice and improvement of singing (in particular choral singing) especially in connection with the services of the Church of England and of Churches in communion with the Church of England.

*NB this is not an organ repair funder.*

Apply in writing. Email: [office@gilberts.uk.com](mailto:office@gilberts.uk.com) or The Williams Church Music Trust, Pendragon House, 65 London Road, St Albans, AL1 1LJ

Charity Commission: <https://register-of-charities.charitycommission.gov.uk/charity-search/-/charity-details/311088/charity-overview>

**Garfield Weston Foundation**

The Foundation supports a broad range of charities across the UK that make a positive difference. Capital grants include funds towards the instillation of basic amenities such as lavatories and kitchen facilities and for restoration works to historic church buildings.

<https://www.garfieldweston.org>