



Adventures Grant

2026 Information Booklet



Girlguiding Lancashire
North West County



Introduction

Launched in 2024, the new LNW County Adventures Grant is designed to provide financial assistance to Guides, Rangers or Leaders who are attending Girlguiding international trips, or where they are working towards an award.

What is the grant for?

The grant covers the following: -

1. International and UK trips organised by County, Region or National
- 2 Duke of Edinburgh expeditions or residentials
- 3 Queens Guide expeditions or residentials
- 4 Going Away with Scheme

The grant replaces all previous grant schemes available from LNW in relation to those selected to be part of international trips.

Unfortunately, the grant does not cover camps, pack holidays or unit holidays organised at division level or below, even when they are travelling abroad. We also cannot accept hardship grant applications.

Applications

Applications should be made using the Adventures Grant application form which is available on the LNW website or by request from deputyCC@girlguidinglancsnorthwest.org.uk.

Applications should be fully completed, answering all questions, providing as much detail as possible for us to consider whether a grant should be awarded. Incomplete entries may be returned to the applicant. Applications should be completed by the person applying for the grant otherwise the entry may be returned to the applicant.

Applicants under 1 above should be able to demonstrate their commitment to fundraising for their trip and where possible show that they are not solely reliant on grant funding. Grants in excess of 10% of the total cost will only be considered in exceptional circumstances.

Amount of Grant

LNW have set aside a fixed amount or 'pot' for each round of funding and grants will be awarded by giving successful applicants a share of this pot. This pot will be reviewed annually by the LNW County trustees.

Instead of automatically receiving a fixed amount, we invite applicants to carefully consider what they need and their reasons for asking for this amount, taking into account other fundraising already undertaken, grants received, and activities planned.

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Deadlines and Dates

Grant applications will be accepted throughout the following dates:

Round 1 - 1st March to 31st May

Round 2 - 1st September 30th November

Round 1 applications will be decided by 30th June

Round 2 applications will be decided by 31st January

We will reach a decision and inform you if you have been successful within two weeks of the above dates.

Further information

Please see our frequently asked questions on the next page for more information.

Important notes

- Please complete all questions on the application form
- Please keep a copy of your application form
- Retrospective grants will not be accepted
- The form should be completed only by the applicant

Frequently Asked Questions

Who can apply for a grant?

The scheme is open to Guides, Rangers and Leaders including Leaders in Training.

What can I receive funding for?

Grants will be awarded to those either working towards their DofE, Queens Guide, GAW license who require funding for an expedition or residential; or fundraising for a Girlguiding international or UK based trip organised outside their own Division.

How much is the grant?

LNW have set aside a fixed amount of funds for each round of applications if the applicant is successful will decide on what share applicants will receive.

Applicants should carefully consider the level of grant they will require, taking into account other fundraising they have done or have planned.

For trips and camps, including internationals, grants in excess of 10% of the cost of the trip will only be awarded in exceptional circumstances.

How do I apply for a grant?

Please complete the Adventures Grant application form in full giving us as much detail as possible.

Where do I send my application form?

The completed form can either be sent to the address shown on the back page of the form or emailed to deputyCC@girlguidinglancsnorthwest.org.uk.

What if I have questions about the form?

Contact Gill Cookson from LNW at deputyCC@girlguidinglancsnorthwest.org.uk.

Can I receive funding for UK trips as well as overseas?

Yes, we have removed the requirement for trips to be overseas only.

Do I have to be selected for a trip to be able to apply?

No, we have removed this requirement from the grant scheme.

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I improve my chances of obtaining a grant?

Applicants need to fully complete the form and provide details of what they have done so far to fundraise for their trip and any planned activities. They need to tell us how much they expect to raise from those activities.

What if I am travelling with a group?

If the application relates to a group trip or event, we may decide to award a grant to the group overall, and not just to the applicant.

When do I apply?

Applications will only be accepted between 1st March and 31st May, and between 1st September and 30th November annually. Retrospective applications will not be accepted.

Do you acknowledge receipt of applications?

Yes, an email acknowledgement will be sent on receipt of the application form so please ensure your email address is provided on application.

When are the application deadlines?

Round 1 applications are due by 31st May each year.

Round 2 applications are due by 30th November each year.

How long do applications take to process?

Grants will be decided by 30th June for round 1 and 31st January for round 2. Decisions will be notified to applicants within 2 weeks following these dates.

Will everyone be successful in their application?

We will review and discuss all applications equally and whilst we will try our best to ensure everyone is accommodated, we cannot guarantee that all applications will be successful.

How are grants decided?

LNW have set aside a fixed amount for each round of applications. Each application will be reviewed and voted on by the LNW County trustees who will decide on who will receive a share of the funds and how much they will receive.

How are grants paid?

If your application is made in respect of an international trip, this will be paid direct to Region HQ. All other grant payments will be discussed with the successful applicants.



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