



ORMEAU
CREDIT UNION

BEE Community Grant Scheme FAQ's

Building Engagement & Empowerment

Ormeau Credit Union is committed to supporting charitable organisations that are based within our Common Bond area. [Ormeau Credit Union | Membership](#) If you are still uncertain, please contact the office. The overall aim of the **BEE** Grant is to improve outcomes for children and young people aged under 18 living in the Bond area, particularly those experiencing social and/or economic disadvantage.

This grant is open to charities registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (CCNI) that deliver services, activities or support for eligible children and young people within the Bond area. Successful applications will demonstrate clear, measurable benefit to children and young people through work that supports areas such as early years development, education, health and wellbeing, participation in sport and positive activities, safeguarding, family support, and wider community resilience.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM:

Charities registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (CCNI).
Organisations based within the Ormeau Credit Union Common Bond area and delivering services within that area.
Charities providing services or activities for children and young people aged under 18.
Charities supporting children and young people experiencing social and/or economic disadvantage within the Bond area.
Organisations able to demonstrate appropriate governance, safeguarding policies, and financial oversight.
Charities seeking support towards core running costs that enable services for children and young people (for example: rent, utilities, repairs and maintenance, insurance, audit and professional fees).

APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FROM:

Organisations not registered with CCNI.
Organisations outside the Ormeau Credit Union Common Bond area.
Individuals, private businesses, or statutory bodies.
Organisations lacking appropriate governance, safeguarding, or financial controls.
Applications for capital projects, retrospective funding, or non-inclusive / political activities.

TYPES OF THINGS WE FUND:

- Rent
- Utilities
- Repairs & Maintenance
- Insurance
- Audit & Professional Fees
- Salary costs
- Volunteer Costs

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

How much can we apply for?

Grant applications can be for any amount up to a maximum of £3,000.

How long is a grant for?

A grant should be fully spent within 12 months from when it is issued.

What are the deadlines?

The closing date for this round of applications is Friday 19th June 2026 at 1700h. The total value of the fund for the current financial year (to 30th September 2026) is £40,000.00.

How do I apply?

You need to submit an application form by email to info@ormeaucreditunion.com or Google Submission Form by Friday 19th June 2026.

What is required of an organisation that is funded?

The Chairperson of your organisation will need to sign Terms and Conditions before balance is transferred to your Bank Account. Grants will only be paid to an organisational bank account in the name of the applicant organisation. You will then need to retain all proof of expenditure of grant and you will be required to submit an evaluation form once the grant is spent. The Grant team in the Credit Union may seek additional information and/or pay a monitoring or evaluation visit to your project.

Will I receive feedback if my request is not funded?

We will not be in a position to provide feedback. Normally the reason that an organisation does not receive funding is that the request is outside the guidelines, or we do not have enough money to fund the request. Decisions of the Board of Directors are final.

For further information, get in touch.

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