

England Athletics – East Midlands

Regional Grant Aid Scheme & Athlete Scholarship

HOW ARE GRANTS AWARDED?

- An awards panel consisting of the Regional Manager, the Regional Chair and a Regional Council member for England Athletics in the East Midlands will judge all applications on a 4 monthly basis (this will include the regional coach development officer for athlete support package applications)
- All applicants will be contacted in writing to inform them of the decision. The letter will include information on the amount of matched funding that will be required.
- Unsuccessful applications will be returned with guidance for re-submitting where appropriate

OTHER INFORMATION:

- CLUBMARK clubs will be given a 10% reduction overall in the amount of matched funding they need to provide towards the project
- Support and guidance on completing the applications and obtaining matched funding, or how to apply for other funding sources is available through the Regional Performance and Development Co-ordinator or County Athletics Development Officer – contact details below:

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WHAT IS THE REGIONAL GRANT?

England Athletics in the East Midlands has committed £30,000 over the year to help support small projects/activity programmes across the region. Applicants from the list below are eligible to apply for grants up to a maximum of £1000.00 that meet the criteria set out in this form.

A variety of funding sources are available for larger projects – please see the East Midlands Funding Index for a comprehensive guide to accessing funding for community based projects

www.emfunders.org.uk/fundersindex

A further £10,000 has been committed to fund individual or group athlete support packages up to £500.00.

WHO IS THE GRANT AIMED AT?

- Athletic Clubs (separate criteria for road & T&F/Junior/Senior?)
- County Associations
- County Development Groups
- Leagues
- Local Development Groups
- Individual Athletes (athlete support package only)
- Groups of athletes (athlete support package only)
- Athlete / coach partnerships (athlete support package only)

WE ARE NOT ABLE TO FUND APPLICATIONS FROM THE FOLLOWING:

- School Sports Partnerships
- Individual Schools
- Local Authorities
- Athletic Clubs not affiliated to England Athletics

Applications must demonstrate that they meet at least one of the criteria set out below. The more criteria they meet enhances the chance of the application being successful.

- The application clearly demonstrates how it will contribute to increasing the number of active athletes /club members regularly taking part in the sport
 - The application clearly demonstrates how it will improve retention levels
 - The application clearly demonstrates how performance levels of existing athletes will be enhanced
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CRITERIA FOR ATHLETE SUPPORT PACKAGES

- Athletes must be in the U15, U17, U20 age groups on the date of the assessment panel
 - Athletes current performance level must be BETWEEN the East Midlands target and the Progress Review target on the Power of 10 standards
 - Athletes must not be receiving support through regional / national squads
 - Athletes must not be receiving support through any other organisation for the same or similar areas as they are asking for support from England Athletics
 - Support packages must be used to enhance current training programmes and develop the athlete/coach partnership
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EXAMPLES OF WHAT WE WILL FUND – MAIN GRANT

- Volunteer education and development – for example club administrative and developmental roles/coach mentoring schemes. Applications for coach & officials education will not be considered as each county has separate/additional funding available to subsidise the cost of courses
- Applications that directly enhance or improve the standard of athletes/performance – for example buying in the services of specialist coaches or delivering workshops
- Travel Costs and Expenses incurred over and above normal day to day expenses
- Coaches fees (not as part of existing coaching role) – for example establishing a new club or section of a club or delivering school coaching/taster sessions as part of a club recruitment drive
- Tutor fees – workshops etc
- Publicity and promotion
- Sports equipment – excluding personal equipment
- General equipment costs
- Facility hire – not to cover weekly training costs of existing clubs

EXAMPLES OF WHAT WE WILL FUND – ATHLETE SUPPORT PACKAGE

- Provide sports science support to individuals/groups of athletes i.e. physiological testing/nutritional advice and guidance/psychological support/physiotherapy & rehab support
 - Support for strength and conditioning work
 - Travel expenses associated with this over and above regular training and competition expenses
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CONDITIONS OF MAIN GRANT:

- All successful applications will have to demonstrate that matched funding is being obtained from other sources – normally up to a maximum of 40% towards the total cost of the project (this can include in kind contributions and/or reduced facility hire costs)
 - Any publicity material produced that directly related to the project must acknowledge the funding awarded or EA where appropriate
 - Any club based applications from clubs with junior sections must commit to working towards CLUBMARK accreditation (this will apply to senior clubs as and when accreditation is launched for senior clubs)
 - You will be required to complete a monitoring form for the project and provide proof of where all funding has been spent
 - All funding must be spent in a 12 month period - any remaining funding after a 12 month period will be returned to EA
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CONDITIONS OF ATHLETE SUPPORT PACKAGES:

- The maximum financial amount of support given will be £500.00
- All applicants will be expected to contribute 50% towards the total cost of the support package
- The athlete and coach will be required to complete a monitoring form and provide proof of where all funding has been spent
- All funding must be spent in a 12 month period - any remaining funding after a 12 month period will be returned to EA