



Support offers

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Local offers

Skillgivers updated

A local vehicle leasing company is offering to loan a car or small van to charities subject to availability, so they can deliver services to the Greater Manchester community. Available to registered charities only. For more details email:

hayley@skillgivers.org.uk

Advice / support

Bates Wells Solicitors – charity helpline

Free 30 minute consultation on charity or social enterprise related concerns.

More information [here](#)

Bike Shed Community Response

Motorcycle courier service for essential supplies such as PPE, food, medication.

Mostly around London but also nationwide. More information [here](#)

Blume

Offering support from professionals such as accountants, HR professionals and copywriters during the Coronavirus crisis. Up to 16 hours or 2 days support for each charity. More information [here](#)

Business in the Community

Offering a matching service where community organisations can post support needs or access offers of support already made. More information [here](#)

Coalition for Efficiency

During the Covid-19 pandemic, they are offering free Impact Chats and free access to their online Learning Labs for all small charities and social enterprises (turnover less than £1m). More information [here](#)



Comms Volunteers

Comms Volunteers will connect (free of charge), expert communicators (volunteering their services) with critical organisations involved in health, social care, education and social housing who either cannot afford their help or are too busy communicating the fight against Covid-19. These organisations might need extra help with employee communications, crisis communications, or lobbying local and national government. More information [here](#)

Croner

In response to covid-19, Croner is now offering unlimited access to their HR and Employment Law helpline to all voluntary sector organisations, free of charge. More information [here](#)

UK Artist grant-writing support – Assistance for artists in writing grant applications

UK Artist Grant Writing Support is a network of artists, curators and producers, who are coming together to provide in-kind support to artists requiring help with emergency grant applications. Artists who feel that they need feedback on their application as part of the grant writing process can get feedback on application drafts. Requests are particularly welcome from those who are underrepresented within the arts and face multiple barriers, in particular BIPOC and LGBTQI+. More information [here](#)

Digital

AntzUK

Digital equipment, licenses and training for individuals and organisations working with digitally excluded vulnerable people.

BusinessInfo

Roundup of free services and offerings for businesses during Covid-19
Includes articles about Slack, Prezi, Disciple, Pipedrive More information [here](#)

Charity Digital

A roundup of many digital offerings available for free or discounted rates. Includes details of packages such as Quip, Asana and Babb amongst many others. More information [here](#)



The Charity IT Association (CITA) – IT help for charities

Tech surgery – To support charities in these unprecedented times, and help them move online to deliver their services and charitable aims, CITA are making the Tech Surgery (a CITA Review service) FREE to every charity. The 2 hour Tech Surgery is designed to help you understand how IT can help support your charity and what options might be available. More information [here](#)

Cisco Webex

90 days free access to video-conferencing facility from Cisco plus support from IBM employees to get it going. More information [here](#)

Cyber Resilience Centre for Greater Manchester

Offering 3 months membership at no charge for local businesses with up to 100 employees. Support includes improving cyber resilience through advice, regular updates and other useful tools. More information [here](#)

Digital Boost

Digital Boost is offering free digital advice for charities impacted by COVID-19. You can improve your digital skills by working with one of their expert volunteers. More information [here](#)

Digital Candle

One hour of free expert digital advice for charities. Can help with setting up to work from home; collaborating remotely or transferring from face-to-face to online service delivery plus many other things. More information [here](#)

Media Trust

Media Trust report they have seen a huge increase in media volunteers signing up to help charities. If you need support with your social media, digital marketing, communications strategy or other media related activity click [here](#)

Microsoft 365 Business Basic

Microsoft are offering this free for 6 months for new subscribers for small businesses – includes access to Microsoft Teams for communicating remotely. More information [here](#)



Resources

NCVO

NCVO have made many of their information guides free to access, and have opened them out to anyone for the duration of the crisis. They have information specific to coronavirus, but also all the Knowhow resources are currently free. More information [here](#)

Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE)

A number of resources are freely available from their website relating to Covid-19, and in particular safeguarding issues for both children and adults. More information [here](#)

Other

Pilotlight

If you're a leader of an ambitious charity or social enterprise and experiencing either vast challenges and new opportunities in the current climate, one of Pilotlight's programmes could help you. Applications are now open for three programmes that work in partnership with businesses, to help organisations solve a challenge or opportunity they're currently facing. More information [here](#)