

The Auto Trader Community Fund is NOW OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS.

We are delighted to announce that the latest round of the Auto Trader Community Fund in partnership with Forever Manchester is now open for applications from Community Groups in Greater Manchester.

The Auto Trader Community Fund is offering awards of up to **£2,500**.

The deadline for applications is midday on **Thursday 19th December 2024**.

Fund criteria

The Auto Trader Community Fund welcomes applications from grassroots community groups based in any of the ten boroughs of Greater Manchester.

Who can apply?

The Auto Trader Community Fund aims to encourage and support grassroots community organisations. This means small, community-based and locally controlled groups that manage themselves, encourage people to get involved as volunteers and who just need a bit of financial help to be able to work with their community in the way they'd like.

Applicants must be based in one of the ten boroughs of Greater Manchester and have an annual income of less than **£75,000**.

How much can you apply for?

The maximum award request that will be considered is **£2,500**.

What can you apply for?

Local groups understand how they can best work in their communities, so we don't want to limit the type of request you can make. You just need to let us know what you want to do and what positive things your activity will provide for those in your community.

Is there anything you can't apply for?

Unfortunately, there are a few things that can't be funded, such as activities that have already taken place or been paid for, contributions to major appeals, activities promoting political or religious beliefs and activity which should be provided by statutory services.

If you're not sure if we could consider your application for funding, please contact a member of the Forever Manchester Communities Team, email awards@forevermanchester.com and we'll be happy to help.

Supporting Documents

For help and guidance on your groups supporting documents and to see what we require to be submitted alongside your application, please refer to our guidance which you can find here: [For Supporting Information](#).

Please note that this information forms part of the Fund guidance and should be read in full before you start the application form.

Deadline for Applications

We will close for applications at midday on **Thursday 19th December 2024**. Any applications received after this time will not be considered.

How long will a decision take?

For this round of the Auto Trader Community Fund, we aim to let you know the outcome of your application by **mid-February 2025**. Please do not plan to start any activity until after you hear if your application has been successful.

If you have any questions or have trouble completing your application, please contact us at awards@forevermanchester.com or phone 0161 214 0940.

Our [Frequently asked questions \(FAQs\)](#) provide further information about our funding programmes, who can apply and the application process.

About Auto Trader

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Auto Trader is the UK's largest automotive marketplace. With the largest number of car buyers and the largest choice of trusted stock, Auto Trader's marketplace sits at the heart of the UK car buying process. That marketplace is built on an industry-leading technology and data platform, which is increasingly used across the automotive industry. Auto Trader continues bringing more of the car

buying journey online, creating an improved buying experience whilst enabling all its retailer partners to sell vehicles online.

Auto Trader and Forever Manchester recognise that great things happen in and around Greater Manchester on a daily basis and we want to shout about it. The idea behind the Auto Trader Community Fund is to provide a positive, friendly and accessible approach to gaining much-needed financial support for your group.