

The  
Henry Smith  
Charity

founded in 1628

---

**Babs Evans**  
Head of Grants

# The Henry Smith Charity

---

- Established in 1628
- Henry Smith made his money from property
- He was a Christian and wished to promote the Christian faith, which we continue to do through our [Christian Projects Grants Programme](#)
- He didn't want his kin to be in poverty. We give grants to relatives of Henry Smith in financial need through our [Kindred programme](#)
- He wanted his wealth to be used to help the poor and those in need and our main grants programme is set up to align with this aim

# Main Grants programme

---

- Improving Lives, Strengthening Communities
- £34.3m main grants 2021 and £1.3m Covid support to grant holders, planning £40m in 2022, plus £20m Covid grants (grant holders only)
- You can apply for three-year grants (to a maximum of nine years)
- Over 250 eligible applications are received each quarter
- There's a two stage process (20-25% get through to Stage 2)
- After a Stage 2 assessment visit 85-90% are awarded
- Allow for a six-month process (but Stage 1 decision in about 8 weeks)

# Improving Lives

---

- Outcomes focussed (six funding priorities)
- Organisation Income Range: £50k-£3m
- Grant size: up to £60k per year (running costs or project costs)
- Main reasons grants are not approved: Governance and Management, Safeguarding, Outcomes
- UK-wide

# Priority areas for outcomes

---

- Help at a critical moment
- Positive choices
- Accommodation/housing support
- Employment and training
- Financial inclusion, rights and entitlements
- Support networks and family

# Strengthening Communities

---

- Activities focussed, run by and for communities based in, or next to areas of deprivation (10% most deprived England and Scotland; 15% Wales and NI)
- Organisational Income Range: £20k - £500k
- Grant size: up to £60k per year (running costs)
- Reasons grants not approved: Governance/Management, Safeguarding
- UK-wide

# Christian Projects Grants Programme

---

- Aims to grow people's journey in Christian faith and grow churches
- Three priorities:
  - Meeting the spiritual needs of older people
  - Reaching out to the unchurched
  - Support and care for Anglican clergy
- You can apply for up to three years, minimum £10k per year
- Allow for a five-month process
- [Recently awarded grants](#)

# The Henry Smith Charity

founded in 1628

---

**Guidance:** [www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk](http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk)

**Email:** fill in the enquiry form on the website

**Telephone:** 020 7264 4970

Annual grant making review: [The Henry Smith  
Charity Grant Making Review](#)