
Religion and Worldviews Home Educators' Fund

Example application

Which grant would you like to apply for?	I would like to apply for a small grant (up to £200)
First name	Olivia
Last name	Song
Home address	123 Street, Worcester, WR1
Your email address	myname@gmail.com
How did you hear about the fund?	Through my local home ed Facebook group
Are you currently home educating?	Yes
What do you hope to use this funding for? Please tell us about your plans in as much detail as you can.	<p>We would like to use this funding to explore religion & worldviews through music. My daughter is very musical; she plays the guitar and is learning to play the drums. Our idea is to explore and identify songs and musical traditions that relate to different religious paths and from different parts of the world. We are keen to explore how music and song is used in religious ceremonies, and what impact this has for the people involved.</p> <p>One idea she has had is to create a musical sound map by making audio recordings, or taking snippets of songs, and writing a short article about an instrument, song or musical tradition. We plan to build a small webpage to do this, thereby developing skills in web design. Ideally we would like to do a few trips to local places of worship, and we will ask for permission to make a short 30 second recording of the songs and music we encounter. We may also interview the people involved and ask them about what the music means to them. We may also use Spotify to find other sources of music and research the meanings that the words/lyrics have within each faith.</p> <p>Once this project is complete my daughter has suggested that we could share the website with her friends and do a presentation at our local home ed meet up group.</p>
When is your project likely to be finished?	May 1, 2025

How much funding are you requesting for your project/activity?

£200

Please say how the funds will be used and provide a breakdown of costs (eg. room hire £45, travel costs £50, art materials £25)

-Travel costs to 4 local places of worship (bus & train) - £120
-External microphone - £30
-Website hosting - £50

What difference do you think this funding will make to your family/community?

This will make a big difference to my daughter's engagement with religion & worldviews. She loves music; it's all that she wants to do, so it can be hard to introduce her to other subjects. Using music would be a brilliant way of exploring something new and developing skills and confidence in collecting audio clips, research, and interacting with people from different faith backgrounds. I hope it will make a difference to our local home ed group because it might help inspire others and give them new ideas for learning. When the project is finished we will try and share the website with the communities that we visited, so that they can enjoy what we have created and hopefully give us some feedback too.

As a condition of the funding, we will ask you to share a short update about how your project/activity went and what you learnt.

I understand

If you are successful we will ask for the details of someone that can confirm that you are currently home educating in the West Midlands region.

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