



Young People in the Lead team

Role description

What is a Young People in the Lead team?

At The National Lottery Community Fund, we continue to have big plans for making sure that the voices of young people are included in all our work, whether it's through the grants we make, the people we influence or the things we learn.

To do this, we need a passionate team of young people to work closely with our Head of Youth Voice and partner with us throughout 2022.

About our approach

We strongly believe that when people are in the lead, communities thrive. National Lottery funding is open to everyone. As the UK's largest community funder, we're privileged to be able to work with the smallest of grassroots groups right up to large UK-wide charities.

[Read more about us, how we work and the people and projects we fund.](#)

Our Young People in the Lead impact so far

At The National Lottery Community Fund, the first Young People in the Lead (YPIL) team made a huge impact in 2020 and 2021. They worked to make sure that young people's voices are included in all our work.

Here is a snapshot of what they have achieved:

[England YPIL](#) have presented at over 15 national youth and funding events, reaching 2,000 external stakeholders in total. They have created toolkits to raise awareness among staff about good quality youth programmes, helped with post COVID-19 priorities and the importance of

Youth Voice in organisations, while also sitting on positions of influence within UK Government departments and on our Board and Country Committees.

[Wales YPIL](#) have designed and delivered research to understand what matters most to young people in Wales. [The research findings](#) were used to co-design a £10 million grant programme, which will enable young people to be in the lead, so that they can imagine and create a more resilient and mentally healthy future for young people in Wales. The Young People in the Lead advisory panel will be involved in the decision making for these grants in 2022.

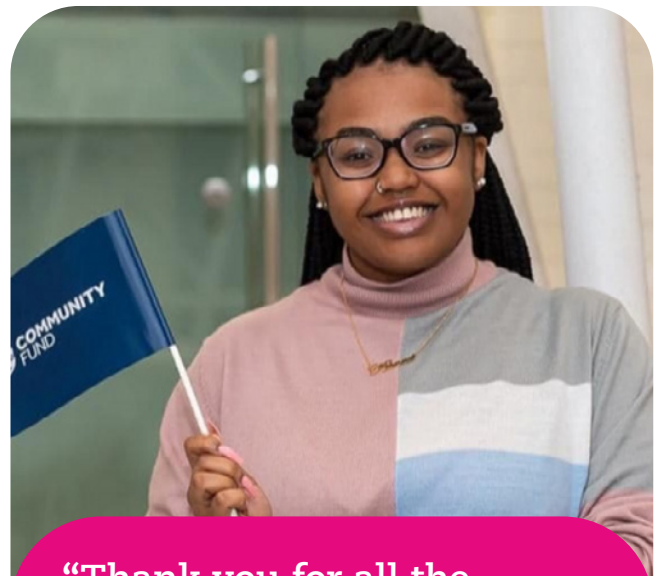
All members of Young People in the Lead teams have the opportunity to pursue their interests and passion projects using their lived experiences, while receiving training and support tailored to their future goals.

Here is what YPIL have to say



“Thank you for giving me the space to share my experience in the YPIL team - a great example of empowering youth voice.”

Ruhina



“Thank you for all the opportunities you have given us - with each one I grow closer to my goal.”

Kianna

What we are looking for

Key skills

- Ability to work in a team
- Decision making
- Good communication
- Knowledge of your community's needs

Desired experience

- Being a role model
- Managing a project
- Involvement in your local community
- Representing other people's views

Key commitments

- Approximately eight hours a month
- Flexible approach to travel across regions
- Attend induction and residential

Main responsibilities

- Be the voice of young people within The National Lottery Community Fund
- Work with the Youth Voice team to design future funding opportunities for youth organisations and young people
- Be a decision maker in funding processes
- Ensure the quality of our funding to young people through visiting projects and partner organisations

Benefits to you

- Tailor made training and support
- Improve your skills and experience in people management, leadership, decision making and project planning
- Gain training in public speaking, influencing and team building
- Time remunerated, all travel and expenses paid for
- Opportunity to be part of change for young people
- Meet other inspiring young people like you

Key dates

- Application deadline - 30 September 2021
- Selection day dates and times - October 2021 depending on location and your availability
- You will need to be able to commit to the role until December 2022 and attend monthly meetings (dates TBC)
- To be eligible to apply you must be currently involved in a National Lottery funded project

In a maximum of 400 words, or in a film, please provide answers to the following questions and send to: YPIL@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk

- What issue in society are you most passionate about and why?
- What skills, experience and knowledge do you have that you think are most relevant to being a Young Person in the Lead?
- Tell us about a community project you would like to create [or are already part of] that will have a positive change on your community/wider society?

Good luck!