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# Lloyds Bank Foundations 2015 Charity Achievement Awards

## FACT SHEET

This year marks 30 years of Lloyds Bank's support for its charitable Foundations, which have distributed £575m to small and medium charities across the UK helping to tackle disadvantage since 1985.

In celebration of our 30th anniversary we are delighted to announce the [2015 Charity Achievement Awards](#), designed to recognise the amazing, life changing work done by charities like you.

The awards are your chance to shout about and demonstrate the impact you are achieving and the innovative ways in which you are working, against six key categories.

The awards will happen in two stages; initially being held across the nine government regions of England plus Wales, the Channel Islands and Northern Ireland. Winners from these 12 areas will then go forward to the UK finals which will culminate in a prestigious ceremony held on 8<sup>th</sup> October at Banking Hall, the historic London Headquarters of Lloyds Bank.

Winning charities will be awarded a small unrestricted grant, be invited to the final UK awards ceremony and will be given publicity support by Lloyds Bank Foundation in relation to their award.

**The awards are now open for entry and the online form can be accessed [here](#). The deadline for applications is midnight on 1<sup>st</sup> June.**

## 1. Eligibility

Due to the varying terms and conditions of grants made across the different Foundations, the eligibility of charities differs accordingly. In all cases, charities must have an annual turnover of under £1m. In addition, charities:

**in England and Wales** will be eligible if they were in receipt of an active grant from Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales in January 2015\* or have been awarded a new grant by April 2015.

**in Northern Ireland** will be eligible if they were in receipt of an active grant from Lloyds Bank Foundation between April 2013\* – March 2015.

**in the Channel Islands** will be eligible if they were in receipt of an active grant from Lloyds Bank Foundation for the Channel Islands between January 2014\* and April 2015.

\* grants may have been awarded or started some time previous to this date but should not yet have ended and the charity must still be doing work against it. For example any two year grant that started from January 2013 onwards would still be active and therefore eligible.

## 2. Categories:

**Outstanding Impact**

**Against the Odds**

**Valuing Volunteers**

**Championing Change**

**Unsung Hero**

**Enterprising Collaboration**

**Foundations Charity of the Year**

There will also be an overall winner of the Foundations Charity of the Year Award for an outstanding charity that will be selected from all other winners (you cannot apply for this award).

**Note:** You are permitted to enter as many categories as you like but must submit a full application form against each one.

## 3. Key Dates:

**14<sup>th</sup> April – 1<sup>st</sup> June** – awards open for entry – apply [here](#)

**17<sup>th</sup> July** – winners from regions and nations announced

**8<sup>th</sup> October** – Charity Achievement Awards UK finals at Banking Hall, London

## 4. Award Criteria

Please think carefully about which of the six categories best allow you to talk about your achievements and priorities.

You will be asked to make a series of statements on the application form to tell your story and show why you should win an award. You should use the following prompts as the basis for your answers:

<p><b>Outstanding Impact</b></p> <p>For a charity whose service/activity is making the most positive impact to your community</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Who has your charity helped and what impact has this had on their lives?</li> <li>- How has the service/activity had an impact on the wider community?</li> <li>- Please provide evidence to support this</li> </ul>
<p><b>Against the Odds</b></p> <p>For a charity that has survived tough times and come out thriving</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- What difficulties did your charity face?</li> <li>- What measures did the charity take to ensure they survived and came out thriving?</li> <li>- What was the result of your efforts?</li> </ul>
<p><b>Valuing Volunteers</b></p> <p>For the charity that has made the best use of and given the best support to volunteers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- What opportunities does your charity give to volunteers?</li> <li>- How have volunteers been supported?</li> <li>- What difference do volunteers make?</li> </ul>
<p><b>Championing Change</b></p> <p>For a charity that has had a significant impact on policy, commissioning, practice or debate at a local or national level</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- What did your charity influence?</li> <li>- How did you get the public policy, practice or debate to change because of your influence?</li> <li>- What has the impact been?</li> </ul>
<p><b>Unsung Hero</b></p> <p>For an individual who deserves recognition for the valuable contribution they have made to your charity, e.g. a member of staff, a volunteer, a trustee, a service user, etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- What is their role?</li> <li>- What has the individual done that makes them a hero?</li> <li>- What difference has their role made to your charity?</li> </ul>
<p><b>Enterprising Collaboration</b></p> <p>For the most impactful partnership between a charity and another organisation or business (this could include an Enhance Charity relationship)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- How does the collaboration work and who does it involve?</li> <li>- What has the collaboration achieved?</li> <li>- How do you see it continuing to benefit your charity in the future?</li> </ul>

Your application will also need to be supported by an endorsement from someone who is not submitting this application. For example, this could be from a volunteer for the Charity Volunteer Award or from a partner for the Collaboration of the Year Award.

#### **4. Terms and Conditions:**

- 1) Charities that are eligible to enter must be in receipt of a grant from the Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales, Lloyds Bank Foundation Northern Ireland and Lloyds Bank Foundation Channel Islands, according to the terms outlined in the 'Eligibility' details in section 1.
- 2) By entering, charities are giving their consent to be potentially featured in filming for the awards ceremony or to engage in media and promotional activity.
- 3) Lloyds Bank Foundations are not responsible for entries that are lost, delayed, misdirected or incomplete or cannot be delivered or entered for any technical or other reason.
- 4) Lloyds Bank Foundations covering England and Wales, Northern Ireland and the Channel Islands accepts no responsibility for any damage, loss, liabilities, injury or disappointment incurred or suffered by you or the charity as a result of entering the competition or accepting any prize.
- 5) The judge's decision is final.
- 6) The Charity Achievement Awards will be judged solely on the application form submitted. Additional materials or contact with the Lloyds Bank Foundations, will not have any bearing on the decisions made by the judges.
- 7) The material provided by applicants and the decisions made by judges for The Charity Achievement Awards will remain entirely unconnected with the grant you have received and the way it is monitored in future.

**For further information or assistance with your entry please visit:**

<http://www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/about-us/charityachievementawards>

**or email: [achievementawards@lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk](mailto:achievementawards@lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk)**