



Making a difference in North and East Yorkshire

The impact
of your giving



Two Ridings
Community Foundation

Giving across North & East Yorkshire

Image: Violet Flash Company Arts CIC



Image: Tamara and Lindsay, New Beginnings

Without Two Ridings, we wouldn't exist

This year we asked one of the groups we support to introduce our Impact Report.

"It's an honour to have been asked to write this introduction as New Beginnings would not be where it is today without the support of Two Ridings.

From the offset they saw beyond the now, looking at the long-term impact of their funding for us, always thinking about the team and our people.

The grants and support received from them has been life changing for the women and children we support, all of whom have previously been subjected to domestic abuse.

Two Ridings put critical issues at the heart of its planning and continually invests time in ensuring

the collaborative voice of the third sector is heard.

Working in this sector requires passion and compassion, there needs to be an energy that drives you through and beyond the challenges faced.

The magnitude of what goes on behind the scenes at Two Ridings can't be overlooked, and all the while delivering support in a caring and friendly manner with active listening at the heart of it.

I have complete faith that the commitment of the Two Ridings team will ensure its grant funding decisions have a lasting transformational impact on the region's communities."

Lindsay New Beginnings Peer Support

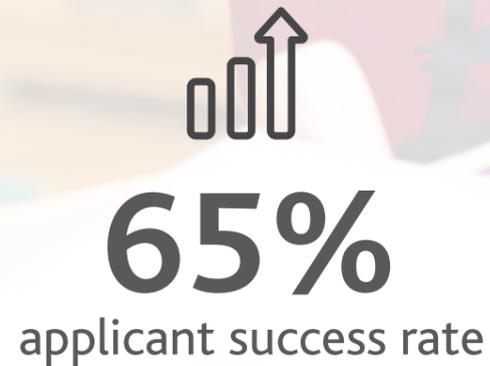


Image: Flash Company Arts meet Their Royal Highnesses

Transforming communities in North and East Yorkshire since 2000

Two Riding Community Foundation makes grants and provides support and leadership to local charitable organisations throughout the region.

We do this thanks to the generous support and social investment of people, businesses, councils and other funders who want to make a difference in the region to address the needs of communities.

Our in depth knowledge, local insights and strong partnerships make us the natural choice to help Yorkshire people connect and thrive.

Partnerships sometimes have the royal seal of approval.

Keeping communities sustainable through hard times

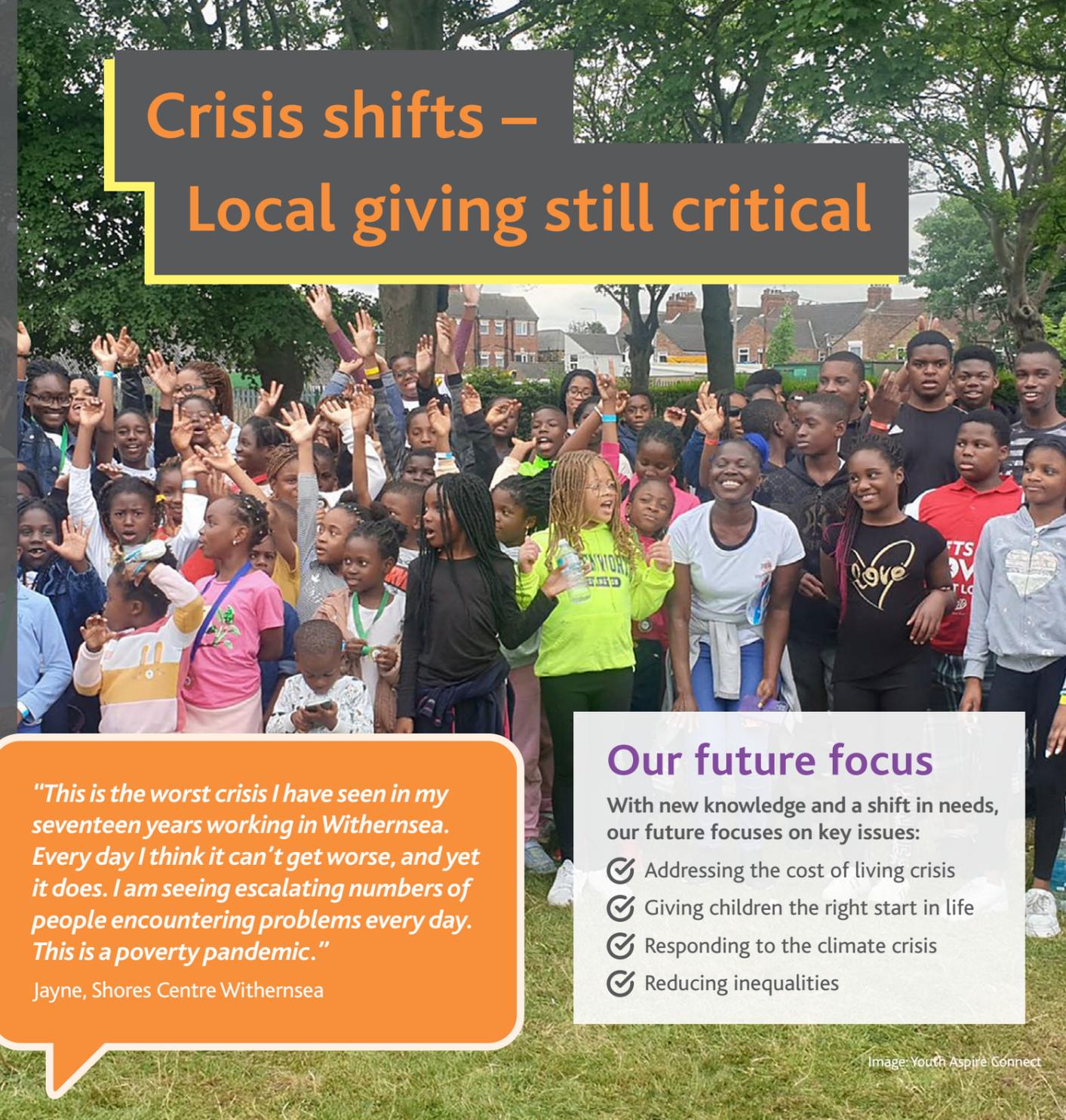
After two years in a pandemic, no one could imagine that there were harder times ahead. But the Covid pandemic slipped into a cost of living crisis in the blink of an eye.

Whatever the crisis, at Two Ridings we are best placed to react quickly to support people and communities in need. It's what community foundations do, and it is what our years of knowledge and strong partnerships are all about.

The role of the community organisations we support is changing. With a downsize in statutory support and increase in demand from local people, alongside a need for additional mental health support, small community groups have gone from being a nice-to-have space to do activities in, to crucial community hubs offering critical support.

At the same time, some organisations have had to close down, many staff are burnt out, some are struggling to cope with the extra burden of others' grief and issues, as well as their own.

At Two Ridings we reacted to this shift by simplifying our application processes, speeding up our grant turn around, encouraging donors to be even more flexible in what their funds can support and making ourselves more available to provide additional support when needed.



Crisis shifts – Local giving still critical

"This is the worst crisis I have seen in my seventeen years working in Withernsea. Every day I think it can't get worse, and yet it does. I am seeing escalating numbers of people encountering problems every day. This is a poverty pandemic."

Jayne, Shores Centre Withernsea

Our future focus

With new knowledge and a shift in needs, our future focuses on key issues:

- ✔ Addressing the cost of living crisis
- ✔ Giving children the right start in life
- ✔ Responding to the climate crisis
- ✔ Reducing inequalities

People are what we are all about

Times are hard, but appreciating people, listening to them, reacting to their needs and being trusted by them is what Two Ridings is all about.

We ensure our people – from our team and the groups we make grants to, to the donors and the local people that are supported – feel connected and have their voice heard.



Local residents 32%

Children & young people 23%

Flood affected residents 8%

Older people 7%

People with mental health issues 5%

People living in poverty 6%

People with physical health disabilities 4%

Black asian minority ethnic communities 3%

Families & parents 1%

Other (including LGBTQ+ & women) 11%

The power of endowment

Our Endowment is worth £8.6m, a huge achievement for us. This was given a real boost with our largest ever donation of £2.1m from Selby District Council to establish the Heart of Yorkshire Fund.

This legacy ensures there is a fund for the Selby District for the long term. Other funds set up this year included support for the Queens Jubilee celebrations and tackling the aftermath of the Tadcaster Floods.

We also leveraged in more funds, including the British Science Association and Wellcome Trust to support groups in Hull through the Ideas Fund.

Donors enable the support we give to continue and grow.

£2.1m
our biggest single donation ever



"The money will be used to tackle poverty and stigma, reduce inequality, prevent loneliness and isolation and improve wellbeing and people's lives. In short, it will bring positive change to hundreds of groups – in fact whole communities - long after the council ceases to exist."

CLlr David Buckle, Selby District Council

Our funding ethos

At Two Ridings our Grants Officers are kind, compassionate and have a good listening ear. They are also able to think outside the box. They thrive off having good relationships with the organisations that apply to us. Our Grant Officers are real people dealing with other real people.

We do everything we can to make life easier for applicants, talking to them before they apply, answering questions at our regular Drop-Ins and always advising them to keep applications short and simple. Whether your application is successful or not, we keep in touch and carry on understanding your needs.

Our panels are made up of local people with strong local knowledge, and often with lived experience of how a fund makes an impact. We distribute grants as quickly as possible and offer constructive feedback if unsuccessful.

"Our mindset is very much 'what can we do to support this', 'what is the barrier and how do we overcome this'. We learn from you and make everything we do as easy as possible for applicants. We aren't perfect but we listen and learn."

Roxanne, Two Ridings

Grant making made easier

Committed to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

At Two Ridings our work contributes to a global effort to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. We use SDGs to measure how we meet those needs in our Yorkshire communities and within our foundation. We focus primarily on four SDGs: Good health & wellbeing, No poverty, Reduced inequalities and Sustainable cities and communities.

58%
grants awarded in
4 weeks or less

"Two Ridings multi-year grants enable Giroscope to plan and develop projects over a realistic period of time. For projects to be successful, different approaches must be tried, and if necessary fail before the right formula is arrived at. Even then, projects will continually be adapted and improved as feedback and experience is gained. A three year cycle works well with this approach."

Martin, Giroscope

Multi-year grants taking pressure off groups

We are looking more and more at multi-year grants to take the pressure off groups having to apply every year. Giroscope in Hull got a three year grant for their food course preparing people for employment in the hospitality industry.

Regular, safe Drop-Ins

Our monthly Drop-Ins are a safe space for community leaders and their teams across the region to meet the Two Ridings team, understand grants, ask questions, share issues and build relationships with one another.

Good health and wellbeing

Access to a healthy life for everyone

Over half of the grants we made focused on improving wellbeing for local people - from creating sociable, stimulating activities to combat isolation to ensuring the mental health needs of communities are met.

Image: Revival North Yorkshire CIC

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



192
grants awarded
54% of our funding

Crucial rural support for isolated people

"Revival has been extremely helpful in lots of ways; delivering food and groceries, transporting us to activities and keeping in touch to see if we needed anything. We always know that Revival is here for both of us."

Everybody is very helpful and kind. We would miss them greatly if they were not there. No one could have done any better for us."

Operating since 2015, Revival support over 200 older and vulnerable people in the Esk Valley's remote moor and coastal villages to remain in their own home as safely and happily as possible for as long as they wish. They also revive community spirit with activities and by working alongside local people and organisations and encouraging long term support from volunteers.

No poverty

Addressing deprivation and food insecurity

Even before the cost of living crisis, food and fuel poverty were rife across Yorkshire. Some areas of our region are amongst the most deprived in the country. Foodbanks have become the norm, financial and benefit advice a must and mental health support needed more and more. 6% of our grants went towards ending poverty and hunger.



Image: Humber All Nations Alliance

24
grants awarded
6% of our funding

Food brings everyone together

"When I arrived at the door of a Polish family, their little girl was crying. It was very moving. They were very grateful to get food that was right for them as a family. Now at the Breakfast Club there is chatter and banter, between the adults and the children. People get fed, start their day well and have an opportunity to socialise in a safe environment. All this came directly out of the food parcel delivery Two Ridings funded."

During Covid Humber All Nations Alliance delivered bespoke food parcels to families taking into account their ethnicity, religion and dietary requirements, this led to starting a Breakfast Club. Now in full swing, the Breakfast Club supports 65 families from many different backgrounds, providing food and chat, setting everyone up for the day.

Reduced inequalities

Making our region fairer for everyone

Local people in our region face inequalities every day and that is why 108 grants went to reducing this. At Two Ridings we ensure people and communities have their voice heard and we champion the organisations that make that possible.



108
grants awarded

13% of our funding

Image: Clean Slate Solutions

Compassionately transforming lives

"Clean Slate Solutions has been with me every step of the way. They were very honest with me from the off and straight away ensured I had all the right-to-work documents. I was offered the chance to meet a charity in York and someone from Clean Slate travelled down with me to meet the potential employer for an interview. I was offered the role and Clean Slate even helped with my monthly train ticket.

Once earning, my attention turned to getting out of the accommodation I was living in, and I was even helped with that and given white goods as a moving-in present.

As my charity role came to an end, I got help securing an interview with a hotel extremely close to my new home and I got the job. Once again Clean Slate supported me with smart clothes, food and transport for my first month there."

Clean Slate Solutions support people with a past conviction into paid employment. Their mentored approach select those who are stable, ready, and committed before referring into their network of willing employers. Compassionately transforming lives...one at a time.

Sustainable cities and communities

Enabling people to thrive

Creating opportunities for people and communities to thrive and be sustainable is what a community foundation is all about. Over a quarter of our funding went to doing that, giving people the chance to learn, train, work and feel valuable.



Image: Selby Hands of Hope



199
grants awarded

27% of our funding

Grants give people opportunities

"Daisy is a young person who came to Rooted in Hull through the Breadwinners project. Daisy has additional learning requirements and had been feeling very isolated, however she got very involved in the project right from the start. Daisy is completely committed to working at Rooted, and with support has passed her Food Hygiene Certificate Level 1. Daisy went on to study Level 2 and passed with flying colours. In preparation for her exam she went to Rooted to relax before it took place. Here, she was invited to get involved in the apiary, and has been involved in beekeeping ever since.*

Daisy has gone on to gain employment and now works in a nursery, preparing meals for babies and children."

Rooted in Hull is an urban farm in the centre of Hull with a vision to connect people back to good quality, local and affordable food. It's a ground-breaking project occupying a meanwhile site, providing a green oasis in a brownfield city-centre location. From the farm they run a diverse range of activities enabling volunteers and service users to get involved in producing sustainable food for everyone. *Real name not used

Giving a voice to all that is good

At Two Ridings we believe in a fair society, one that is connected and robust. More than a regional grant maker, Two Ridings is a trailblazer for change, championing a stronger region, pushing to shift the power.

We reach the most isolated communities and marginalised people, ensuring local people have a voice with no one left behind.

Building a stronger sector

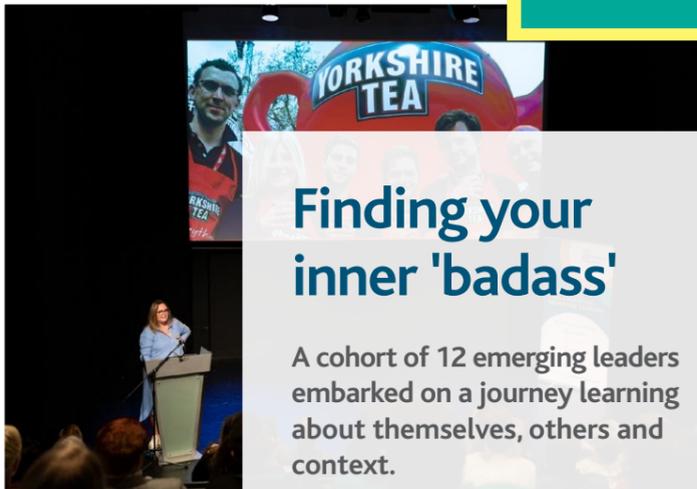
Two Ridings invest in leaders giving them the tools, knowledge and understanding to truly grow; growing themselves, their organisation, the sector and the region.

The HEY Confident Futures network facilitates over 330 leaders, who have grown through collaboration, coaching, peer support and targeted training, building up individual skills and abilities.

Deep and meaningful connections have been forged creating trust and confidence in one another, all culminating in an inspiring Celebration of Leadership event attracting national attention.



Generous, collaborative leadership



Finding your inner 'badass'

A cohort of 12 emerging leaders embarked on a journey learning about themselves, others and context.



"The New to Leadership course gave us the insight how to maximise our strengths. I now have the confidence to look people in the eye. Being a badass is a compliment. It takes guts, it takes being vulnerable. It involves effort. It embraces humanity."

Severine, Bora Shabaa Refugee Group Hull

Championing positive change in Yorkshire



Image: HEY Confident Futures, Celebration of leadership event



Over a 7-month intensive programme they experienced light bulb moments, transitioning into the voluntary sector leaders of the future. They shared their learning journey with others, encouraging them to find their strength and their voice.



Working in a fairer way

All our funding decisions are made by local panels of people, but our Deciding Together and Children and Young People's panels in York and Scarborough go further in shifting the power.

Working in a participatory way, not only do local people make the funding decisions, they actually co-design the whole grant making process. They decide how the criteria is set, how much should be allocated and how it is distributed.

"The Royal Foundation is delighted that by working with Two Ridings, we have played a pivotal role in galvanising funding to support the organisations doing vital work in the community, creating a long-lasting impact for young people in Scarborough."

Amanda, CEO, The Royal Foundation

"Being on the panel has given me a proper confidence boost. I know what issues young people care about and what support and services they need, and I am actively involved in ensuring that change happens and is meaningful to all young people."

Katie, panel member

Participatory grant making

Image: Their Royal Highnesses meeting our people in Scarborough

Connecting Yorkshire

Strong partnerships mean a stronger region

Forging meaningful relationships are core to how we work at Two Ridings, they are also crucial to influence change. Our strong partnerships with national, regional and local organisations and foundations ensures we are part of creating a stronger region for everyone.

Our work goes beyond the traditional funder model and we see value in investing in time in our partnerships and other alliances.

Our collaboration with the Royal Foundation shone a spotlight on our young panel members in Scarborough, the importance of hearing their voice and as to how crucial local funding is to making change.

The places we support

Craven 1% (£33,237)	Ryedale 1% (£31,491)
East Yorkshire 14% (£307,216)	Scarborough 7% (£163,822)
Hambleton 2% (£39,670)	Selby 5% (£116,629)
Harrogate 9% (£190,439)	York 21% (£477,148)
Hull 25% (£554,433)	Other* 10% (£213,960)
Richmondshire 5% (£100,581)	

*Whilst we focus on North and East Yorkshire, we do work further afield in Yorkshire at a donor's request

Inspiring investment into our region

When setting up a fund with Two Ridings or making a donation to the Foundation, donors know that every penny is going to stay in Yorkshire and benefit local people directly.

If you want to transform communities and have a region that is connected and thriving, giving through Two Ridings is the very best approach.

Because our whole team is deeply connected to the communities we service, we have the best insights of those people and places. That knowledge and understanding see donors trust us with their money to make the most impact.

"How do we create potential for others? How do we create the environment and opportunities for everyone? The Leadership programme does that, and those leaders in turn do it for their teams and for the sector."

Abdou, Deputy Director of Partnership, The National Lottery Community Fund

Making an impact with your giving

Set up your own fund

Setting up a fund with Two Ridings is easy and straight forward. It's like having your own charitable trust, but much simpler. It's flexible, you are in charge and it's tax efficient.

We work alongside you, ensuring you are investing in the causes and places closest to your heart, ensuring your money makes the biggest difference. Working directly with us takes away the admin headaches – we do all the compliance, background checks and regulatory work for you.

And we keep it local. With our expertise and connections, and your investment, we can make the biggest difference to the people in the region you love.

Leave a legacy

If you are thinking about charitable giving in the future, leaving a legacy in your will is a lasting gift to those people and places you care about most.

A legacy is tax efficient and allows local funds to benefit, without them being specifically named, giving meaningful longevity to your giving arrangements.

Give collectively

Give a boost to supporting local causes by investing collectively. Building up a fund through a number of donors sees your investment become more valuable and helps more people.

Currently we have a collective cost of living fund which we encourage people to donate to.

Philanthropy advice

Two Ridings help Professional Advisors give the right advice to clients around philanthropy and charitable giving in the region.

We help donors change the world right on their own doorstep.

Why donors invest in us

Starts with a conversation – ends in a deep relationship

The business side of the Bettys and Taylors Group got in touch in 2018 when they wanted to make grants to celebrate their centenary with Trees for Life. They liked how we worked and created a community fund with us in 2019 making small grants to community organisations throughout Yorkshire.

The family behind the Bettys and Taylors group then asked to meet us to talk about more strategic, long term grant making with a targeted outcome. Inspired by the Bettys founder's success through food, they now use Two Ridings to administer their food-related multi-year grants which bring employability skills to young people to prepare for work in catering and hospitality.

But our connections with this iconic Yorkshire brand don't stop there, they are also generous with their in-kind support to Two Ridings, giving pro-bono coaching to our emerging leaders, passing on office furnishings to us and speaking at our events. Our relationship with Bettys and Taylors Group, both the business and the family is rich and rewarding.

"We are extremely grateful to Bettys and Taylor's Family Fund for the grant and trusting us to develop the Breadwinners programme. We have learnt a lot from delivering the project and this will be invaluable in how we approach similar projects in the future. We hope that the work we did with young people on nutrition and how to cook will stay with them for life and contribute towards improving health inequalities in Hull."

Adrian, Rooted in Hull



Image: Carol, Grassington Hub

Giving in a way you choose

"My wife and I started as donors to Two Ridings five years ago as we wanted to create a long term solution that suits our current and future positions. Creating our Endowment fund allowed us to start with monthly donations but also to gift some of our estate in the future via our wills."

We enjoy hearing about the grants made from the funds and growth earned over time.

An Endowment may not have the immediate gratification as a quick flow through grant but knowing the fund keeps giving on a long term basis, beyond our lifetime, is really satisfying.

As both a trustee and Investment Manager, this way of giving feels like the best way to make a difference in the region we care so much about."

Andrew, Donor and trustee, Two Ridings

107
funds administered
by Two Ridings

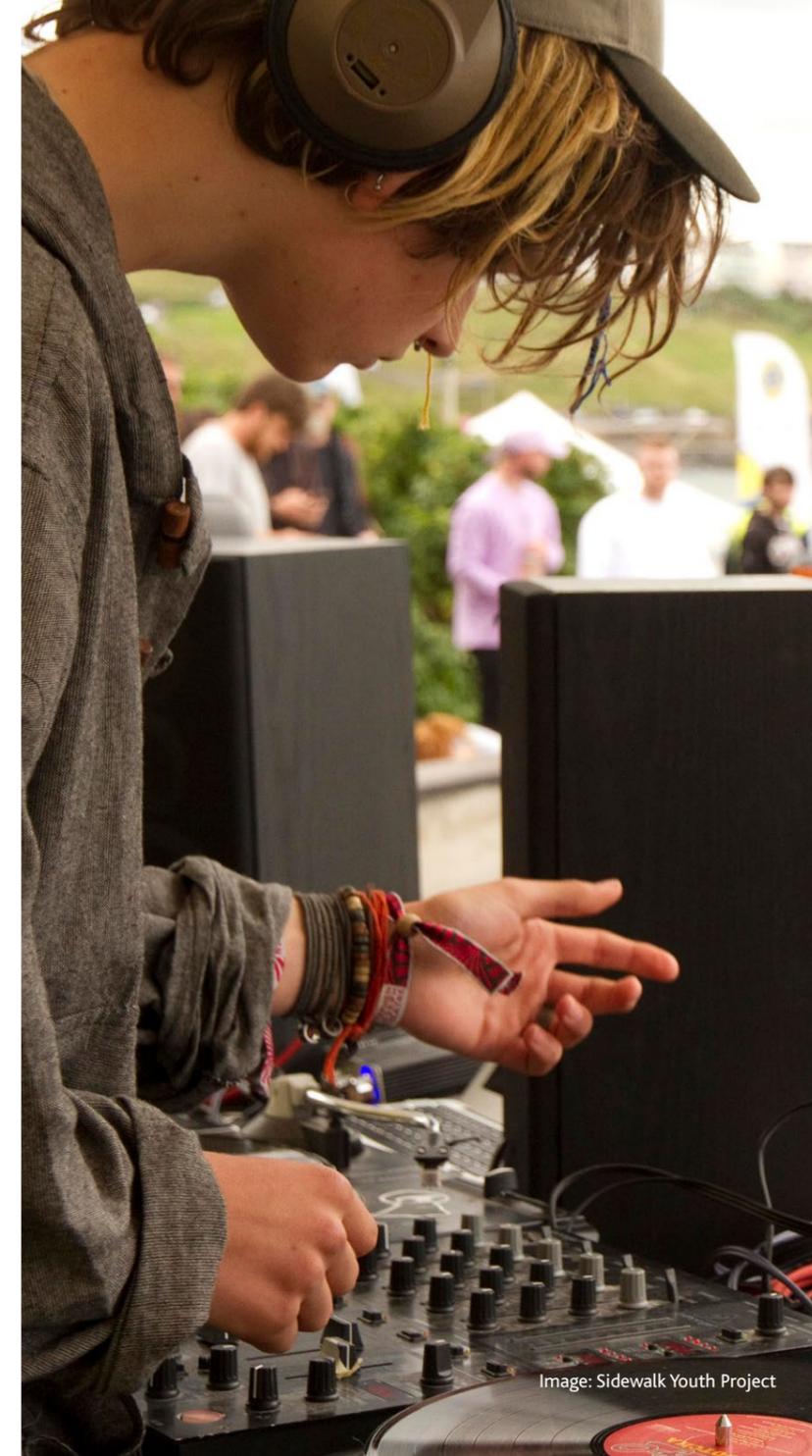


Image: Sidewalk Youth Project

Supporting children through adversity

The Williams Family Fund came about when a family member attended our 2021 Dragons Den event.

"I was invited by a friend to a 'Dragons Den' event but at the time hadn't actually heard of Two Ridings Community Foundation. I was thoroughly impressed by the event, the knowledge and professionalism of the staff and really inspired by the stories of the showcasing groups. I knew that I wanted to learn more about the organisation and its activities, so after the event I followed up with a more formal meeting where I soon became comfortable with the idea of working with Two Ridings."

One year on and I am delighted to have launched The Williams Family Fund supporting children and young people across the region, particularly those who have experienced adversity. Two Ridings play a critical role in helping to identify and distribute resources where they are most needed, acting as a trusted conduit for the Fund to ensure that the people who are in greatest need, receive the help that they deserve."

Tim, Fund holder, Two Ridings



Always a team effort

"I just want to say the grants team have done another amazing job pulling everything together for the panel again – they are a fab team and work so hard. I just wanted to make sure you all knew how appreciated everyone's hard work was."
Sarah, Community Manager, Bettys and Taylors Group

The Two Ridings team are passionate about positive change in Yorkshire. They all work closely with the community groups we support to ensure we are making the process as straight forward as possible and that we are there to help. We know the leaders, the volunteers and in lots of cases the beneficiaries that our grants make a difference to.

We live in all corners of our region, with connections rurally, in the cities and all over the towns. That ensures we understand what's going on at a micro level and what particular issues need addressing.

Our trustees, assessors and committee and panel members make Two Ridings an even stronger foundation. Behind the scenes there are people striving to make a positive difference for the people and communities of our region.

By talking to each applicant, our assessors not only bring projects alive, but also provide people whose first language isn't English, or who don't find expressing themselves through writing easy, an opportunity to shine.

"I sometimes find it hard to express myself in a grant application form, but your follow up calls bring out exactly what I want to say."
Francis, Humber All Nations Alliance

Trustee and Committee member, Peter

"H-CAS have been very well supported over the years by Two Ridings and the Grants team go out of their way to help us. That gives us a great working relationship. I feel fortunate to be on the Grants Committee and a Trustee, it has extended our network and given me an insight into challenges in other areas. Two Ridings and H-CAS share similar values, wanting to make a difference in other peoples' lives, being on the committee enables me to do that."

Peter, the Chief Officer of Humber Community Advice Services (H-CAS) in Hull, has been on the Grants Committee at Two Ridings for two years and more recently became a trustee. He sees this as an excellent opportunity to extend their network and get an insight into the challenges other organisations face in different areas of the region

Image: Trustees at Two Ridings

Thank you for supporting us

At Two Ridings people are at the heart of everything we do. I know this from the way the team responds to challenges the people in our region face, whether that's flooding, the pandemic or as we face our biggest challenge yet - the cost of living crisis.

Our team have delivered exceptional results with care and compassion for everyone they work alongside. But this is only possible thanks to the generosity of you, our donors, generous individuals and businesses who enabled us to make grants of £2.2 million, supporting over 500 groups, improving the lives of thousands and thousands of local people. For that we are so grateful.

Jan Chief Executive

Effecting change in the future

As new chair, I greatly appreciate the generosity of the donors, the skilful hard work of the staff and the commitment of the trustees. I am keen Two Ridings addresses both the immediate and longer-term challenges North and East Yorkshire faces.

Richard Chair of Trustees



Image: Shine 21

Our supporters

Endowment funds

LDJ Design & Display
North Yorkshire Community Fund
Postgate's Foundation
Red & White Fund
Alderman Jackson's Appeal Trust Fund
Community First Prime Opportunities Fund
Community First Whitby Fund
EG & MA Bousfield Fund
The Gilberdyke Endowment Fund
GRE Richard Weare Fund
Hanson 5 Fund
Heart of Yorkshire
John and Carole Mortimer Endowment Fund
Lyn & Trevor Shears Fund
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North Yorkshire Pioneers Fund
North Yorkshire Reward Endowment Fund
Presence Church
Rusholme Windfarm Endowment Fund
The Harry Bolland Fund
The Local Fund for the Harrogate District
The Moss Family Fund
The Whitby Fund
Walk in My Shoes
York Children & Young People's Fund
York Women & Girls Fund
Yorks Coast for the Borough of Scarborough
Yorkshire Forces Families & Veterans Support Fund
Yorkshire Oaks

Partners

Lankelly Chase Foundation
The National Lottery Community Fund
The Rank Foundation
UK Community Foundations
Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport

Revenue funds

Allerton Landscape & Cultural Heritage Fund
Anna Maria Fund
Arts Council England Let's Create
Arqiva Bilsdale Mast
Arts for Change
Bettys Community Fund
Bettys Trees For Life
Bettys & Taylors Family Fund
BSA Ideas fund
Building Forward Together
Catalyst Fund
Coastal Road
Cellnex
Coronavirus Community Fund
Coronavirus (Bettys) Fund
Coronavirus Lankelly Chase
Build Back Better
Coronavirus (DCMS) Fund
Coronavirus (JRCT) Fund
Coronavirus (JRF) Fund
Coronavirus (NET) Fund
Coronavirus (Peter Sowerby) Fund
Coronavirus (Scarborough)
Coronavirus (Liz & Terry Bramall Foundation fund)
Duchy of Lancaster Fund
Surviving the Covid Winter
Disaster and Recovery Fund
East Yorkshire Recovery Fund
North Yorkshire Flood Recovery Fund
MHCLG Flood Resilience fund
Swaledale and Wensleydale Recovery
York Flood Appeal
TNL Community Fund Flood Support
Flood Support
Dragons' Den Fund
East Riding Crime Reduction Fund
Future Communities Initiative
Fraisthorpe Wind Farm Community Fund
George Toplis

GVC

Harrogate Street Aid
HEY Confident Futures
High Sheriff's Fund
HCV NHS App Engagement
HCV Springboard Programme
Humber, Coast & Vale VCSE Programme
Insite Property Solutions
JPG Naylor Fund
JRCT Step Change Fund
Knabs Ridge Wind Farm Community Fund
Lankelly Chase CYP Inquiry
Lankelly Chase Deciding Together Fund
Lankelly Chase YP Participation Grants
Lord Mayor of York Fund
Made By Sport
Mohr Westlake
Nimbuscare
Peter Sowerby Fund
Reboot North Yorkshire
Richard Weare Fund
Rita Hunt fund
Rusholme Windfarm Community Benefit Fund
Scarborough Children and Young People's Fund
Six Penny Wood Community Benefit Fund
Stokesley & Great Ayton Fund
Stubbs Family Fund
Surviving Winter
Full Circle Fund
TLF for the Harrogate District
TLF Harrogate District Lottery
Harrogate Borough Council Small Grants
Two Ridings Small Grants
Women & Girls Fund
Wrigley Fund
York Street Aid
York Street Aid Development
Yorkshire Coast Catalyst
Zero Hunger

Financial overview 2022



Donations & grant income **£2,011,085**
Endowment donations **£2,468,300**
Fundraising **£13,400**
Investment income **£181,052**



Grants awarded **£2,174,853**
Grant making support **£185,654**
Raising funds **£117,467**
Community leadership & development **£218,745**





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