YMB CHARITY GRANT COMMUNITY AND CHARITY

What difference could you make with £500?



Are you:

- An IMechE Young Member?
- Passionate about engineering?
- Running or hosting an engineering related event?
- Championing a technology that contributes a solution for poverty, food waste, energy deficit, sustainability or other engineering issues?
- Contributing to a cause which promotes and supports engineering heritage?
- Undertaking any other engineering related activity?

The Young Members Board (YMB) Charity Grant supports young engineers from the Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE) pursuing charitable causes that are engineering related. It can be used to support planned or existing projects, ranging from activities and events to promoting engineering as a career through to implementing technologies to help those in societies in the UK and abroad.

The grant can be used to fund any resources you require, including travel, venue hire and materials. Let us know how we can help you make a difference.

In return we ask that you work with us to promote and report on your activity. By working together we aim to raise the profile of engineering and the Institution through our support of Young Member charitable activities. You will also be asked to deliver a presentation to the Young Members Board on what you have achieved with the grant.

This is an excellent opportunity to gain funding for a worthwhile engineering project, whilst offering you additional routes through which to promote the charitable cause you are helping. Apply now for a chance to see your project funded!

YMB CHARITY GRANT: APPLICATION FORM

FULL NAME AND TITLE	
IMECHE MEMBERSHIP NUMBER	
ADDRESS	
EMAIL	
AMOUNT REQUESTED (up to £500)	

1. Tell us about your event/activity. What is currently happening? What are you proposing to do?

Max 500 words

2. How would the amount requested be used? Please provide a cost breakdown of what you would like to spend the money on, if possible.

Max 200 words

3. Which charity and/or community will your event/activity benefit? If you are able to provide an estimated number of beneficiaries then please indicate this here.

Max 200 words

4. How will your event/activity benefit a cause or community?

Max 200 words

5. How do you plan to promote your activity? What support do you require to achieve your planned promotion?

Max 200 words

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6. How does your event/activity relate to engineering?

Max 200 words

7. What skills or competencies do you expect to develop whilst undertaking this event/activity? (you may wish to consider the <u>UK-SPEC</u> for guidance)

Max 200 words

8. If you require the money upfront, rather than received through a claim post-purchase, please explain why it is necessary you receive the funding first.

Max 200 words

I certify that the above information is true and correct. I acknowledge that if I have given incorrect or misleading information, then my application will not be considered for funding.

Signed _____ Date ____/____

Please return this form by email to charitygrants@imeche.org or by post to Iman Kouchouk, 1 Birdcage Walk, Westminster, London SW1H 9JJ

YMB CHARITY GRANT: FAQ

Do I have to be professionally registered to apply for this fund?

No, all that is required is that you are a member of the IMechE. Professional registration is not required. The fund is open to all young members.

How is a Young Member defined?

The IMechE considers a young member to be any Affiliate, Associate or Member who has become professionally registered within the last ten years.

What can I use the money for?

The money is for funding engineers to enable you to do great things as part of a charitable or community activity or event. For instance, it can could pay towards travel, venue hire or materials required. However, as the IMechE are a charity ourselves- and therefore it is not permitted for us to fund another charity- the funds will be issued in the form of a cheque paid directly to you.

Can I request funding before I have purchased items for my charitable project?

Yes. As we are able to fund both existing projects and planned projects, we can (in special circumstances) provide funding prior to the purchase of the items required. Please complete question 8 in the application to explain why the funding is needed upfront.

When is the deadline?

Applications are ongoing. Each year four grants will be awarded in three monthly intervals.

When will I hear back about my application?

We aim to respond to applicants within 21 days of receipt of their application.

When will I receive the funding, if my application is successful?

The Charity Grant will be awarded within 7 days of approval of your application. We will ask for evidence of expenditure to be submitted to us in all cases, be it for items already purchased or items you plan to purchase.

Will I be expected to do anything else after I have received a grant?

If your project is ultimately funded, the IMechE will ask you to promote the support you have received via social media, blogs and other local media, such as newspapers. Alongside any receipts for expenditure of the grant, you will also be asked for a written report and any photos you have of the project so that we can feature your achievement in the quarterly Young Member newsletter. Finally, we will also ask you to deliver a presentation to the Young Members Board to showcase what you have achieved with the grant.

I have another question which is not answered here, who can I contact?

If you have any other queries, please email <u>charitygrants@imeche.org</u> or phone 020 7379 1252.