



- SUPPORT KEY:**
- Development
 - Finance
 - Learning
 - Networking
 - Policy & Info
 - Common Entry Points
- Big Issue Invest**
Big Issue Invest Scotland provides loans to finance the growth of sustainable social enterprises and charities. www.bigissueinvest.com/big-issue-invest-scotland-biis
 - Build It (Firstport)**
Funding of up to £25,000 for individuals to grow an enterprising idea that has been successfully piloted. www.firstport.org.uk/funding/item/287-build-it
 - Business Gateway**
Business Gateway provides free business support and impartial advice to start-up and existing businesses in Scotland. www.bgateway.com
 - Business Mentoring Scotland**
A one to one mentoring programme operated by the Chambers of Commerce. www.scottishchambers.org.uk/services
 - CEIS**
CEIS provides practical and effective business support services to help social enterprises manage and grow their business. www.ceis.org.uk
 - CEMVO**
CEMVO builds the capacity and sustainability of the ethnic minority voluntary sector and its communities. www.cemvoscotland.org.uk
 - Co-operative Development Scotland**
Co-operative Development Scotland is the arm of Scottish Enterprise that supports collaborative and employee ownership business models. www.cdscblog.co.uk
 - Community Enterprise**
Community Enterprise provides hands-on support from ideas generation right through to business planning and branding. www.communityenterprise.co.uk/get-support
 - Community Learning Exchange**
The Exchange will fund the costs of a study visit to learn from others doing similar things. www.scottishcommunityalliance.org.uk/community-learning-exchange
 - Community Ownership Support Service**
Scotland-wide advisory service providing communities with advice and support on the transfer of public assets into community ownership. www.dtascmmunityownership.org.uk
 - Community Shares Scotland (CSS)**
CSS raises awareness of community shares and supports communities to raise money this way. www.communitysharresscotland.org.uk
 - Cranfield Trust**
Time limited free business support from senior executives in the private sector. www.cranfieldtrust.org
 - Crowdfunding**
Crowdfunding is the practice of funding a project by raising small amounts of money from a large number of people largely online.
 - Development Trust Association Scotland**
Supports, promotes and encourages development trusts within communities across Scotland. www.dtascot.org.uk
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 - Funding Scotland**
Funding Scotland is operated by the SCVO to provide access to up to date information on funding opportunities. www.fundingScotland.com/pl www.funding-guide
 - Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE)**
HIE invests in building capacity, empowering communities to acquire assets, enabling growth in the economy. www.hie.co.uk/community-support
 - Impact Hub Inverness**
Impact Hub Inverness helps develop social enterprises in the Highlands and Islands and beyond, and operates a co-working space. www.inverness.impacthub.net
 - DSL Business Finance**
DSL provide loans to start-up and growing businesses in Scotland and delivers the Scottish Microfinance Fund. www.dsl-businessfinance.co.uk
 - Empowering Communities Fund**
Scottish Government funding that support various community-led regeneration programmes. www.gov.scot/policies/community-empowerment/empowering-communities-fund
 - Enterprise Accelerator**
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 - Firstport**
Firstport provides a full package of support to help social entrepreneurs make their ideas a reality. www.firstport.org.uk
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 - Individual [Angel] Investors**
High net worth individuals who invest in social enterprises. www.angelinvestmentnetwork.co.uk
 - Inspiralba Argyll & Bute**
Inspiralba provide support for social enterprise development, growth and sustainability across Argyll and Bute. www.inspiralba.org.uk
 - Interface**
A central hub connecting organisations to all of Scotland's universities, research institutes and colleges. www.interface-online.org.uk
 - International Social Enterprise Observatory**
The first point of contact for Scottish social enterprises considering trading internationally and international social enterprise queries.
 - Just Enterprise**
Just Enterprise provides funded start-up, business support, learning and leadership services to social enterprises throughout Scotland. www.justenterprise.org
 - LaunchMe (Firstport)**
LaunchMe is Scotland's social enterprise accelerator for ambitious social enterprise start-ups. www.firstport.org.uk/programmes/launchme
 - Local funds**
There are a number of local funds investing in social enterprise in specific areas.
 - Partnership for Procurement (P4P)**
P4P provides consortia and capacity building support to SEOs and third sector organisations to tender for contracts. www.p4p.org.uk
 - Pilotlight**
Pilotlight brokers relationships between the private and third sectors to offer medium term strategic business support. www.pilotlight.org.uk
 - Resilient Scotland**
Resilient provides flexible social investment to enable organisations to have an impact on local regeneration. www.resilientScotland.org.uk
 - School for Social Entrepreneurs Scotland (SSES)**
SSES provides ongoing training and support to individuals trying to create and sustain social businesses. www.the-sse.org/schools/6/scotland
 - Scotland UnLtd**
Scotland UnLtd finds, funds and supports social entrepreneurs from an original endowment from the Millennium Commission. www.unltd.org.uk
 - Scottish Community Alliance**
A coalition of community based national networks, promoting cooperation, collaboration and shared resources between them. www.scottishcommunityalliance.org.uk
 - Scottish Community Finance (SCF) Ltd**
SCF Ltd assists communities to raise capital by offering Community Bonds to local individuals and organisations. www.scotcomfinance.scot
 - Scottish Enterprise**
Scottish Enterprise is Scotland's main economic development agency and aims to deliver a significant, lasting effect on the Scottish economy. www.scottish-enterprise.com
 - Senscot**
Senscot works to support a network of grassroots social enterprises across Scotland - connecting, informing, and developing new support services. www.senscot.net/
 - Senscot Legal**
Senscot Legal provides affordable and accessible legal advice services to social enterprises and the wider third sector. www.se-legal.net
 - Social Enterprise Academy**
Leadership, entrepreneurship and impact measurement; learning programmes for people and organisations leading social change. www.socialenterprise.academy/scot
 - Social Enterprise Collection [Scotland]**
A growing collection of papers, and reports on the growth of Community Business, Community Enterprise and Social Accounting. www.gcu.ac.uk/yunuscentre/johnpearcememoriallecture/
 - Social Enterprise EDGE [SEE] Award**
Scottish EDGE is a competition funded by Scottish Enterprise and Postcode lottery to support innovative entrepreneurial talent. www.scottishedge.com
 - Social Enterprise Networks (SENs)**
SENs offer social enterprises access to peer support, joint working opportunities and a collective voice locally and nationally. www.se-networks.net
 - Social Enterprise Scotland**
Social Enterprise Scotland unites social enterprises and their supporters into a strong campaigning force. www.socialenterprisescotland.org.uk
 - Social Firms Scotland**
Social Firms Scotland is the national support agency supporting Work Integration Social Enterprises. www.socialfirms.org.uk
 - Social Investment Scotland**
Social Investment Scotland offer social loan finance, providing flexible funding and growth support. www.socialinvestmentscotland.com
 - Start It (Firstport)**
Funding up to £5000 for individuals with a business idea which addresses a social or environmental issue. www.firstport.org.uk/funding/item/285-start-it
 - Supplier Development Programme**
The Supplier Development Programme offers training, support and information to help SME or 3rd sector organisation win contracts. www.sdpscotland.co.uk
 - Third Sector Interface**
Each local authority has a TSI providing support to the third sector including social enterprises.
 - Voluntary Code for Social Enterprise (VCSE)**
The SE Code sets out benchmark criteria by which social enterprises in Scotland can be identified and recognise each. www.vcsereview.org.uk