

Applying to a Young Funding Network event – guidelines

In order to apply to pitch at a Young Funding Network event, you'll need to follow these three simple steps:

1. Find a champion!
2. Either write a two-page application or record a simple two-minute video describing your project and what you'd do with £1,000
3. Send us an email with your accounts/projected budget and either the link to your video or your application

What is a champion?

All projects must have a "champion". This is someone who nominates a project for selection and is prepared to back them at the event. We rely on our network to bring the best projects out there!

Even if you've never been to a Young Funding Network event before, you can "champion" a charity or other project to take part! To nominate, you must **not be in the paid employ** of the organisation you put forward (other relationships such as volunteer, trustee or mentor are fine, but please mention this on the application form.)

Champions of selected projects will be asked to:

- stand up and give a quick 60 second endorsement of the project at the event – tell us why it's great!
- pledge at least £30 to the project, as a sign of trust and confidence.

Who can apply?

The Young Funding Network supports projects that aim to achieve social change: they have the potential to enable enduring positive transformation for individuals, communities, and/or society and the environment over the long term. Organisations which are selected to present at the Young Funding Network must have a clearly stated charitable purpose, even if they are not registered as a charity / not for profit / NGO.

The Young Funding Network does not support projects which involve the promotion of any specific religion. Organisations will normally be small or medium-sized, where up to £1,000 would make a useful contribution either to a particular piece of work or to the organisation's core costs. Projects that pitch at the Young Funding Network rarely have an income higher than £200,000. Organisations already funded by the Young Funding Network or The Funding Network (our parent charity) may not reapply. If a project is not successful it may be resubmitted, but only once.

We're looking for passionate presenter with exciting new ideas that could raise £1,000 through our pioneering live crowdfunding events! To apply, please follow the 3 step process below:

How to apply

1. Make sure you have an up-to-date copy of your accounts or projected budget.
2. Complete our two-page application form or shoot a two-minute video, giving a brief introduction to yourself and your project. We recommend that you upload your video on to YouTube and set it as "Unlisted". This will prevent anyone but those with whom you have shared the link to access it.
- 3.. If you are applying using a video please also send us an email with the answers to the below questions in the body of your email:

- Aim (A very brief description of the project in two sentences or less)
- Charity details: Address, telephone, email, website, Twitter, Registered Charity Number. (If your organisation is not a registered charity, please explain in two sentences or less why this project has clear charitable purposes.)
- Any details of any volunteering opportunities available. (In two sentences or less)

Please send your video or written application (plus your accounts) to youthfn@gmail.com. We can't wait to hear from you!

NB* Video upload is optional but it very strongly encouraged. If you'd rather you can either send the file via WeTransfer or by Dropbox.