**Be Active Wales Fund expands to give more communities a sporting chance**
Sport Wales is expanding its Be Active Wales Fund to help support even more communities across the country to stay active throughout the Covid-19 crisis and beyond.

When the fund was initially launched in July, the two priorities were to provide immediate financial support so that not-for-profit sports clubs and organisations could stay afloat, and also to assist their return to activity by helping to cover the cost of them meeting Covid-19 safety guidelines.

Now, the fund is being expanded so that grants of between £300 and £50,000 are also available to support clubs with their future plans. Funding can help them to be more innovative in their approach, to become sustainable for the long-term, or do more to tackle the inequalities that exist in sports participation.

For example, clubs may have fantastic ideas to increase opportunities for black and minority groups, people with disabilities, or women and girls. Sport Wales also has a specific target of improving opportunities for people living in areas of deprivation as research suggests that these disadvantaged communities have sadly fallen even further behind in terms of participation during the pandemic.

More than 450 clubs have benefited from a share of over £650,000 so far, and millions are still available for Sport Wales to distribute through the Be Active Wales Fund thanks to money from Welsh Government and re-purposed funding from the National Lottery.

Be Active Wales funding is only open to not-for-profit clubs and community organisations. Applicants should only apply for one element of the Be Active Wales Fund at any given time – either to ‘protect’, ‘prepare’ or ‘progress’.

Applicants who have already received funding for either the ‘protect’ or ‘prepare’ elements of the Be Active Wales Fund are also able to submit an application for ‘progress’ funding.

For more information about the Be Active Wales Fund, please visit [www.sport.wales/beactivewalesfund](http://www.sport.wales/beactivewalesfund).

**Cronfa Cymru Actif yn ehangu i roi cyfle i chwaraeon mewn mwy o gymunedau**
Mae Chwaraeon Cymru yn ehangu Cronfa Cymru Actif er mwyn helpu i gefnogi hyd yn oed mwy o gymunedau ledled y wlad i barhau i fod yn actif drwy gydol argyfwng Covid-19 a thu hwnt.

Pan lansiwyd y gronfa i ddechrau ym mis Gorffennaf, y ddwy flaenoriaeth oedd darparu cefnogaeth ariannol ar unwaith fel bod clybiau a sefydliadau chwaraeon nid-er-elw yn gallu goroesi, a hefyd i'w helpu i ddychwelyd at weithgarwch drwy helpu i dalu am y gost o fodloni canllawiau diogelwch Covid-19.

Nawr mae'r gronfa'n cael ei hehangu fel bod grantiau o rhwng £300 a £50,000 ar gael hefyd i gefnogi clybiau gyda'u cynlluniau ar gyfer y dyfodol. Gall y cyllid eu helpu i fod yn fwy arloesol yn eu dull o weithredu, dod yn gynaliadwy ar gyfer y tymor hir, neu wneud mwy i fynd i'r afael â'r anghydraddoldeb sy'n bodoli o ran cyfranogiad mewn chwaraeon.

Er enghraifft, efallai bod gan glybiau syniadau gwych ar gyfer cynyddu cyfleoedd i grwpiau du a lleiafrifol, pobl ag anableddau, neu ferched a genethod. Hefyd mae gan Chwaraeon Cymru darged penodol o wella cyfleoedd i bobl sy'n byw mewn ardaloedd difreintiedig gan fod ymchwil yn awgrymu bod y cymunedau difreintiedig hyn, yn anffodus, ar ei hôl hi yn fwy fyth o ran cyfranogiad yn ystod y pandemig.

Mae mwy na 450 o glybiau wedi elwa o gyfran o fwy na £650,000 hyd yma, ac mae miliynau ar gael o hyd i Chwaraeon Cymru eu dosbarthu drwy Gronfa Cymru Actif, diolch i arian gan Lywodraeth Cymru a chyllid sydd wedi cael pwrpas newydd gan y Loteri Genedlaethol.

Rydyn ni’n arbennig o awyddus i glybiau ystyried sut gallent ddarparu mwy o gyfleoedd i grwpiau sy’n cael eu tangynrychioli mewn chwaraeon ac sy'n llai tebygol o fod yn gorfforol actif. Rhaid i ni weithredu i gynnig mwy o gyfleoedd sy'n mynd i'r afael â'r anghydraddoldeb yma.”

Dim ond i glybiau nid-er-elw a sefydliadau cymunedol mae cyllid Cymru Actif yn agored. Dim ond ar gyfer un elfen o Gronfa Cymru Actif ddylai ymgeiswyr wneud cais ar unrhyw adeg benodol – naill ai ar gyfer 'diogelu', 'paratoi' neu 'gynnydd'.

Gall ymgeiswyr sydd eisoes wedi derbyn cyllid ar gyfer elfennau 'diogelu' neu 'baratoi' Cronfa Cymru Actif gyflwyno cais am gyllid 'cynnydd' hefyd.

I gael rhagor o wybodaeth am Gronfa Cymru Actif, ewch i [www.sport.wales/beactivewalesfund](http://www.sport.wales/beactivewalesfund).