



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who are the grants for?

The grants are for dancers from all genres who are planning to undertake professional retraining. (NB: These grants are not available to dancers who qualify for support from the DCD through its work with the DCD's partner companies).

Will I get funding from both charities?

The amount of funding you will get will depend on how long you have been a professional dancer. Please check whether you are eligible to apply to both DCD and DPF. If you meet the eligibility criteria for both charities, we encourage you to apply for both. If you are only eligible to one charity, please do apply to that charity. To check whether you are eligible, please see also the guidance available from each charity (DPF: [Guidelines-Retraining-Grants.docx \(live.com\)](#); DCD: <https://thedcd.org.uk/support/dcd-retraining-grants/eligibility/>).

Why do I have to apply twice?

The charities have separate Application Committees and therefore there is the need to apply to each charity. The benefit of this is that you are likely to receive more in funding from the two charities, if you require it for your retraining needs.

Are the deadlines the same?

The deadline to apply for the dual grants is the 23 February 2022.

Will I hear about the outcome of my applications at the same time?

You will hear back on the same day, via email, from both charities whether you have been successful or not. Applicants will be notified on 31 March 2022.

Will the charities contact each other about my applications?

We cannot operate this dual scheme unless we can share information between the two charities. If you have ticked the consent box on each form enabling us to share details, the charities will be able to contact each other prior to letting you know the outcome. This helps us to ensure that the grants we give you align most effectively with the requirements as set out in your application. We will not share your information with any other third parties.

How much can I apply for?

You could be eligible for grants of up to £2,500 from each charity. We will make an assessment of how much to award you based on the information provided by you.

What can I apply for?

We suggest you submit your retraining budget with full costs to both charities; you should include total course fees, travel, childcare and any other costs. Course fees will be prioritised in any application; you may also be eligible for other retraining costs, funds allowing. If you are applying to both charities, please submit the same retraining request to each.

What else can you tell me about these grants?

Even if you are eligible to both, you can of course apply to only one of the charities, but this does mean that the amount available to you will be limited to the resources available from that charity. Please note all funding is at the discretion of the charities concerned in line with their stated policies.

The DCD and DPF are working together this year to support dancers with essential financial costs while retraining. We will be providing updates on the scheme, following this grants round, and any further opportunities to apply for funding via this scheme.

If you have any further questions, contact either dancers@thedcd.org.uk or application@dancefund.org.uk