THE SCOTTISH SOCIAL ENTERPRISE ECO-SYSTEM MAP 2019

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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.cdsblog.co.uk

Community Enterprise

Community Enterprise provides hands-on support from idea generation right through to business planning and branding. www.communityenterprise.co.uk/get-support

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.dtassoc.org.uk

DSS Business Finance

DSL provides loans to start-up and growing businesses in Scotland and deliver the Scottish Microfinance Fund. www.dsl-businessfinance.co.uk

Community Learning Exchange

The Exchange will fund the costs of a study visit to learn from others doing similar things. www.communitylearningexchange.org.uk

Empowering Communities Fund

Scottish Government funding that supports various community-led regeneration programmes. www.gov.scot/policies/community-empowerment/empowering-communities-fund

Enterprise Accelerator

Enterprise Accelerator offers business support to community organisations with little or no trading but who wish to explore this. www.communitydevelopmentalliance.org.uk/enterprise-accelerator

Firstport

Firstport provides a full package of support to help social entrepreneurs make their ideas a reality. www.firstport.org.uk

Funding Scotland

Funding Scotland is operated by the SCVO to provide access to up to date information on funding opportunities. www.fundingscotland.com/p/www-funding-guide

Highlands and Islands Enterprise

HIE invests in building capacity, empowering organisations 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. inverness.impactHub.net

Individual (Angel) Investors

High net worth individuals who invest in social enterprises. www.angelinvestmentnetwork.co.uk

Inspiralia

Inspiralia Argyll & Bute support social enterprise development, growth and sustainability across Argyll and Bute. www.inspiralia.org.uk

Interface

A central hub connecting organisations to all of Scotland’s business networks, 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. www.interface-online.org.uk

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.

Scottish Community Finance

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Scottish Community Reinvestment Trust (SCRT)

SCRT provides comprehensive, informative and training on social investment to the Scottish Third Sector. www.scrt.scot

Scottish Enterprise

Scottish Enterprise is Scotland’s main economic development agency and aims to deliver a significant, lasting effect. www.scottish-enterprise.com

Social Enterprise Accelerator

The SE Code sets out benchmark criteria by which social enterprises in Scotland can be identified and recognised each other. www.se-code.net

Social Enterprise Community Learning Exchange

SENs offer social enterprises access to peer support, joint working opportunities and a collective learning voice. www.senscot.net/networks

Social Enterprise Fund

Supporting urban and rural communities to become more resilient and sustainable through the ownership of land and assets. www.tntcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/scottish-land-fund

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 seeking to make a social change. www.socialenterpriseacademy.ac/scot

Social Enterprise Collection (Scotland)

A growing collection of papers and reports on the growth of Community Business, Community Enterprise and Social Accounting. gvc.ac.uk/yumoscentre/johnpearcementorial/entrepreneurialism/socialenterprisecollection/scotlandaccess

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Scottish Reinvestment Trust (SRT)

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Social Enterprise EDGE (SEE) Award

Social Enterprise EDGE is a competition funded by the Scottish Enterprise Reinvestment Trust. It is open to any business or organisation in Scotland that has made a significant, lasting contribution to the community it serves. www.edgeprogramme.org.uk

Social Investment Scotland

Social Investment Scotland offer social loan finance, providing flexible funding and growth support. www.sicf.org.uk

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

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Voluntary Code for Social Enterprise (VCSE)

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How to use the eco-system map

This map is for community groups, third sector organisations, social enterprises and social entrepreneurs. It is a tool to navigate through the business support, learning, networking and finance available.

Featured organisations within the map are not necessarily ranked in any order of importance, but rather because of what they offer and how they relate.

You can enter the support map at multiple points by finding the statements that are relevant to you.

Click on the name of any organisation to view more information and contact links.

A quick overview of all organisations can be found on the DIRECTORY page.
More information

This map is for community groups, third sector organisations, social enterprises and social entrepreneurs. If you would like more information about the map, or are an organisation looking to order the printed versions of this eco-system, then contact Community Enterprise on: 01506 862227

Scottish Government
This map was commissioned by the Scottish Government.
www.gov.scot

Scotland’s Social Enterprise Strategy 2016-26
This map is part of Scotland’s 10 year Social Enterprise Action Plan 2016-2026.
www.gov.scot/publications/scотlands-social-enterprise-strategy-2016-2026

BOLD Studio
This map was designed by Scotland’s first and largest Social Enterprise Design Agency, BOLD.
bold.scot

Community Enterprise
The information in this map was researched and collated by Community Enterprise.
www.communityenterprise.co.uk/get-support
Big Issue Invest

Big Issue Invest Scotland provides loans to finance the growth of sustainable social enterprises and charities.

www.bigissueinvest.com
investmentenquiries@bigissueinvest.com
@BigIssueInvest
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
info@firstport.org.uk
0131 564 0331
@Firstport
Business Gateway

Business Gateway provides free business support and impartial advice to start-up and existing businesses in Scotland.

www.bgateway.com
0300 013 47533
@bgateway
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www.scottishchambers.org.uk/services
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0141 425 2900
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- [enquiries@cemvoscotland.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@cemvoscotland.org.uk)
- [0141 248 4830](tel:01412484830)
- [@cemvoscot](https://twitter.com/cemvoscot)
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- [info@communityenterprise.co.uk](mailto:info@communityenterprise.co.uk)
- [01506 862 227](tel:+441506862227)
- [@CommEnterprise](https://twitter.com/CommEnterprise)
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www.scottishcommunityalliance.org.uk/community-learning-exchange
info@scottishcommunityalliance.org.uk
0131 260 9501
@LocalPeopleLead
Community Ownership Support Service

Scotland-wide advisory service providing communities with advice and support on the transfer of public assets into community ownership.

dtascommunityownership.org.uk

coss@dtascot.org.uk

0131 225 2080

@Dtascot_COSS
Community Shares Scotland (CSS)

CSS raises awareness of community shares and supports communities to raise money this way.

www.communitysharesscotland.org.uk
0131 220 3777
@CommSharesScot
Cranfield Trust

Time limited free business support from senior executives in the private sector.

www.cranfieldtrust.org
admin@cranfieldtrust.org
01794 830338
@CranfieldTrust
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inverness@impacthub.net
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@impacthubINV
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www.inspiralba.org.uk
01700 501 642
@inspiralba
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@Firstport
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Partnership for Procurement (P4P)

P4P provides consortia and capacity building support to social enterprises and third sector organisations to tender for contracts.

www.p4p.org.uk
info@p4p.org.uk
0141 280 2560
@p4p_3rdsector
Pilotlight brokers relationships between the private and third sectors to offer medium term strategic business support.

www.pilotlight.org.uk
scotland@pilotlight.org.uk
0131 285 2876
@PilotlightUK
Resilient Scotland

Resilient provides flexible social investment to enable organisations to have an impact on local regeneration.

www.resilientscotland.org.uk
enquiries@resilientscotland.org.uk
0131 524 0300
@ResilientScot
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/scotland
office@sse.org.uk
020 7089 9120
@SchSocEnt
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
info@scottishcommunityalliance.org.uk
0131 260 9501
@LocalPeopleLead
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www.scotcomfinance.scot
info@scotcomfinance.scot
07934690429
@ScotComFin
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- [www.scrt.scot](http://www.scrt.scot)
- [admin@scrt.scot](mailto:admin@scrt.scot)
- [@scottishcrt](https://twitter.com/scottishcrt)
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www.scottish-enterprise.com
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@scotent
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www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/scottish-land-fund
advicescotland@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk
0300 123 7110
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www.senscot.net
mail@senscot.net
0141 280 2570
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www.se-legal.net
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www.gcu.ac.uk/yunuscentre/johnpearcememoriallecture/socialenterprisecollectionscotlandaccess

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0141 331 8330 / 3234

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www.scottishedge.com
0141 264 2535
@ScottishEDGE
Social Enterprise Networks (SENs)

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- senscot.net/networks
- mail@senscot.net
- 0131 220 4104
- @Senscot
Social Enterprise Scotland

Social Enterprise Scotland unites social enterprises and their supporters into a strong campaigning force.

www.socialenterprisescotland.org.uk
hello@socialenterprise.scot
0131 243 2650
@SocEntScot
Social Firms Scotland

Social Firms Scotland is the national support agency supporting Work Integration Social Enterprises.

www.socialfirms.org.uk
sfs@socialfirms.org.uk
0131 225 4178
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Social Investment Scotland

Social Investment Scotland offer social loan finance, providing flexible funding and growth support.

www.socialinvestmentscotland.com
hello@socialinvestmentscotland.com
0131 558 7706
@socinvestscot
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
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@Firstport
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