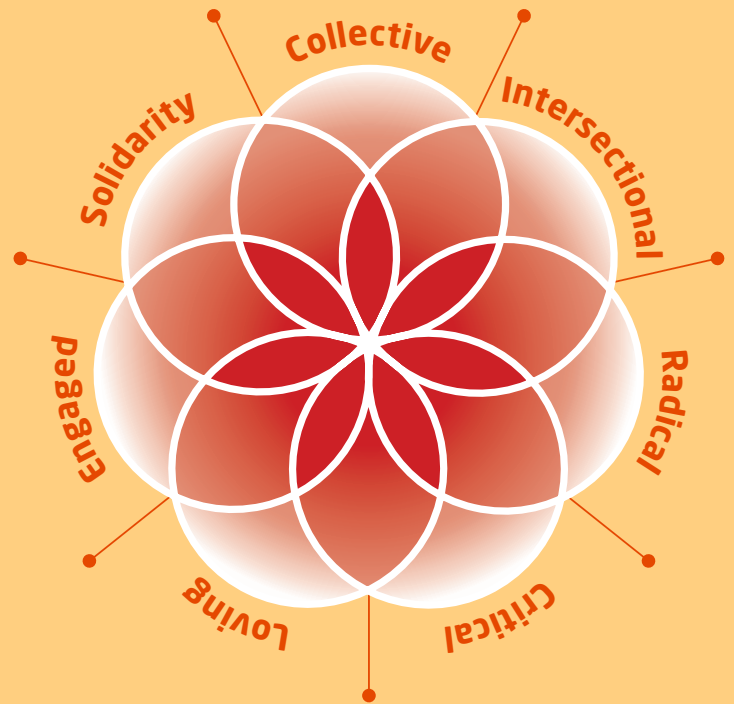


The King's Fund >

The Circles programme

Leadership development for women



The programme price is **£3,900 + VAT**.

We have bursary places available for women working in the charity sector and in early career positions. You can find out more about how to apply on our [website](#).

Circles is a year long programme that will start in September 2025. This programme is organised around four seasons of work - focusing on the experience of being a person, working in a system, working within a context and being connected to source (based on the Transforming Experience Framework developed at The Grubb Institute).

The cohort will be made up of around 45 women and the majority of your learning will be delivered online. For each season the core commitment is for two days' participation consisting of:

- three half-day workshops with guest speakers/facilitators (via Zoom)
- two 90-minute facilitated learning reviews with The King's Fund faculty (via Zoom).

Other commitments over the course of the year include:

- participation in an opening and closing event at The King's Fund (in person)
- participation in a 90-minute quarterly 'community-building roulette' with up to five other participants (online)
- a one-to-one coaching session with The King's Fund faculty (online)
- self-directed engagement in and consumption of asynchronous learning materials
- ongoing personal journalling or similar (drawing, doodling, voice-memos etc) to capture and underpin your learning
- engaging with other participants in sessions and on the virtual course platform.

2025-26 dates

All the activities listed below take place online apart from the opening and closing events at The King's Fund

Discussion group and learning circle

Skills workshop and learning circle

Contemplation circle

Opening event at The King's Fund (in person)

Tues 9 and Wed 10 September 2025 (all day)
Intro session including the season one discussion group and learning review

Season one: The experience of being a person

Skill:
Tues 7 October,
9.30am-1.00pm

Thurs 23 October,
9.30am-1.00pm

Learning circle:
Wed 8 October,
9.30-11.00am

Season two: The experience of being in a system

Discussion:
Tues 25 November,
9.30am-1.00pm

Skill:
Tues 9 December 2025,
9.30am-1.00pm

Tues 13 January 2026,
9.30am-1.00pm

Learning circle:
Wed 26 November,
9.30-11.00am

Learning circle:
Wed 10 December,
9.30-11.00am

Season three: The experience of being in context

Discussion:
Tues 24 February,
9.30am-1.00pm

Skill:
Tues 17 March,
9.30am-1.00pm

Wed 21 April,
9.30am-1.00pm

Learning circle:
Wed 25 February,
9.30-11.00am

Learning circle:
Wed 18 March,
9.30-11.00am

Season 4: The experience of being connected to source

Discussion:
Tues 12 May,
9.30am-1.00pm.

Skill:
Tues 2 June,
9.30am-1.00pm.

Tues 23 June,
9.30am-1.00pm

Learning circle:
Wed 13 May,
9.30-11.00am

Learning circle:
Wed 3 June,
9.30-11.00am

Final closing event at The King's Fund (in person)

Wed 8 July 2026 (all day)

Bursary information

At The King's Fund we are committed to ensuring that the Circles programme reflects a meaningful diversity of women's experiences and background. We have bursaries available for this programme and you can find out more about them on our [website](#).

For more information and to submit your application for this programme, please visit our [website](#).