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SECTION 1 - GRANTS WITH DEADLINES

Community and Community Development

Funding opportunity: Urgent structural repair projects to churches

The National Churches Trust, which supports projects at a wide range of places of Christian worship, has announced that it is offering the opportunity to apply for a limited number of grants towards urgent structural repair projects. In 2012 the Trust will concentrate on projects involving urgent repairs to roof and rainwater goods with estimated costs of at least £50,000 (including VAT and fees). In addition, the Trust hopes to be able to provide grants towards installing facilities such as toilets and catering facilities to benefit places of worship and local communities.

Applications can be submitted up to the **1st September 2012**.

<http://nationalchurchestrust.org/supporting-you/grants/overview.php>

Funding to help older people cope with financial hardship and exclusion

Comic Relief has announced that funding is available through its new interim Older People's programme "Managing Money Better". Through the programme grants of more than £10,000 are available for projects that help older people cope with the challenges of this particularly harsh financial climate and the resultant exclusion and hardship it is causing. This programme will be aimed at supporting older people (65+) to build their knowledge and skills to manage their money more effectively, ensure access to good, independent financial advice, guard against financial scams and abuse and cope better with cold homes. Comic Relief are especially interested in how older people can be supported to manage the extreme rising fuel and food prices. In addition, the programme aims to encourage partnerships with voluntary sector organisations and banks, building societies, credit unions, energy companies and others to recognise and respond better to the needs of older people.

There is a two stage application process and the deadline for stage 1 applications is the **13th February 2012**.

<http://www.comicrelief.com/apply-for-a-grant/programmes/managing-money-better-comic-reliefs-new-older-peoples-programme>

New themes from Church of England fund

Following a review of its funding activities, the Church of England's Church and Community Fund has announced that it is now accepting applications under its new strategic funding schemes.

The overall aim of the fund is to grow the Church of England and develop its capacity to engage with the whole community. Through the new funding themes, community projects run by parish churches, deaneries, dioceses and other bodies connected to or working in partnership with the Church of England can apply for funding for projects that:

Significantly expand the Church's engagement with neighbourhood renewal

Seek innovative ways of developing established community projects so that they either grow existing or evolve into new communities of Christian Faith

Replicate models of successful community engagement across the wider church.

The level of grants available range from £10,000 to £20,000; except for the theme relating to the replication of projects where grants are in excess of £20,000.

The first closing date for applications is the **13th March 2012**.

<http://www.ccfund.org.uk/engage/what-s-new/post/16-funding-themes-open-for-applications/>

Heritage Grants over £1 Million – Lottery funded

Under the Heritage Grants scheme funding is available for projects that relate to the national, regional or local heritage of the UK.

To be eligible for funding a project must:

Help people to learn about their own and other people's heritage

Conserve the UK's diverse heritage for present and future generations to experience and enjoy

Help more people, and a wider range of people, to take an active part in and make decisions about heritage.

HLF welcome applications from single organisations and partnerships. Priority is given to not-for-profit organisations, and partnerships led by not-for-profit organisations. If private owners are involved, HLF expect the public benefit to be greater than any private gain. In addition, the HLF also makes grants of £50,001 - £1 million; and Grants in excess of £5 million. These are subject to different application deadlines information on which can be access through the link below.

The next closing date for applications is the **15th February 2012**.

<http://www.hlf.org.uk/howtoapply/programmes/pages/heritagegrants.aspx>

Funding for active young people

Young People between the ages of 16 – 24 that wish to make a positive difference within their community, can apply for grants of up to £2,000 through the Starbucks Youth Action programme.

The programme is open to young people for projects in Greater London; Belfast; Birmingham; Bristol; Cardiff; Dublin; Edinburgh; Leeds; and Manchester. Previous projects supported include introducing bee-hives to an inner-city park in Manchester, tackling cyber-bullying in Cardiff; and supporting cheer-leaders in Kensington.

The closing date for applications is 9 am on the **5th March 2012**.

<http://starbucks.co.uk/responsibility/community/youth-action>

Funding to develop the capacity of community groups to bid for empty homes funding

Funding has been made available via DCLG for a £100m Empty Homes Programme and following extensive lobbying from HACT, a decision has been taken to ring fence some of this money specifically for community led housing organisations.

The programme will run from **April 2012–March 2015** and provides an opportunity for community led organisations to gain access to housing, either by leasing empty properties from their owners or by acquiring them if finances permit.

In order to ensure that the programme is as widely promoted as possible and to help organisations in bidding, Tudor Trust are funding HACT and Self-Help Housing.Org to run a capacity building programme aimed at maximising take-up.

Briefing sessions are taking place in January around the country for community-led organisations looking to bid, as well as this there will be online resources and one-to-one assistance available. Further information, including details of the briefings is on the [Self-help-housing.org website](http://Self-help-housing.org).

To register interest in attending a briefing session, please email linda.masetti@hact.org.uk with your name, role, organisation and contact details. <http://hact.org.uk/self-help-housing>

Financial inclusion grants

The Friends Provident Foundation makes grants of up to £200,000 to not-for profit organisations for projects that address financial exclusion within disadvantaged communities. The funding is distributed through the Financial Inclusion Programme 2009-2012.

The Foundation will consider applications for work that will make a strategic contribution to the overall outcome of financial inclusion in the UK. The Foundation will consider requests for capital or revenue funding, core funds or project costs.

The Foundation is willing to consider applications from any type of legally independent organisation, but can only support work that is legally charitable. Actions previously supported through the Foundation include:

Making money management advice available to young people via mobile phones and interactive digital TV

A research project to look at the difficulties that people with a learning disability are having in gaining access to banking services.

The next closing date for applications is the **10th February 2012**

<http://www.friendsprovidentfoundation.org/page.asp?section=90§ionTitle=Overview+of+the+Financial+Inclusion+Programme>

Funding to support deprived communities

The Community Development Foundation (CDF) has announced the launch of the Communities First Fund.

The £80m government-funded programme that will run for four years, **until March 2015**, consists of a £30m Neighbourhood Matched Fund programme for some of the most deprived areas in the country and a national £50m Endowment Match Challenge.

Through the Neighbourhood Matched Fund, the 600 most deprived areas in England will be awarded between £17,000 and £200,000 to give out as grants within their locality. The CDF is currently seeking members for 600 grant-giving panels. The supermarket chain Asda will provide publicity and support for the programme at both local and national levels. In many areas, charities will also be able to access match funding from the Asda Foundation.

The £50m Endowment Fund will be available only once £100m in match funding has been raised from other sources. The target is to help donors create funds valued at £150m, £100m of which will be private donations topped up by £50m of government match. The fund is currently in the process of raising money and eligible organisations will be able to apply to the programme in 2015.

<http://www.cdf.org.uk/web/guest/community-first>

(2) Sport, Culture and Leisure

Sports funder reopens match funding scheme

Sport England has announced that the Sportsmatch scheme will re-open for applications in April 2012.

Sportsmatch makes awards to not-for-profit organisations that have secured sponsorship to deliver new community projects to grow or sustain participation in sport. Sportsmatch uses money from the government to encourage new sponsorship of grassroots community sport. Priority is given to applications seeking to match sponsorship from the commercial sector but donations from private individuals or charitable trusts are also acceptable provided they meet our sponsorship eligibility criteria. Awards of between £1,000 and £100,000 can be made to match funding from no more than five sponsors, with each sponsor contributing a minimum of £1,000.

Previous grant recipients include Devizes School, a secondary school and specialist sports college in Wiltshire . They obtained a three year sponsorship from a local construction firm, Gaiger Brothers, which amounted to £10,000 per year. The school matched this with a further £10,000 from Sportsmatch and were able to run an annual multi-sports coaching camp during the school summer holidays.

<http://www.sportengland.org/funding/sportsmatch.aspx>

Funding for talented young artists

Sky Arts is offering five young artists £30,000 each to fund their work for a full year as part of the Sky Arts Ignition: Futures Fund - in association with IdeasTap. The fund is designed to help bridge the gap between formal education and becoming a working artist. The Sky Arts Ignition: Futures Fund is open to individual artists working in visual art, theatre, performance art, film, music, dance or literature. To apply, you must be an IdeasTap member aged 18-30 on 24th February 2012 and be based in either the UK or Ireland. It's free to become an IdeasTap member and just takes a few minutes to sign up. Two winners will be selected during this round of funding.

Applications close at 5pm on **Monday 24th February 2012.**

<http://www.ideastap.com/Opportunities/Brief/6305b58b-81f6-4598-87b0-9fa400dc118e#Overview>

Grow the Game Funding Programme

The Football Foundation has announced that it is accepting applications for funding through its "Grow the Game" programme.

Through the programme, funding of up to £5,000 is available for projects that increase participation by both players and volunteers within the game. Applications are welcome from organisations that are 'not for profit' and planning to set up two new football teams over the next two years. To be eligible for funding organisations must have a signed constitution (with a dissolution clause), child protection policy, equal opportunities policy, bank statement and income/expenditure records.

The type of activities that can be funded include (but are not limited to):

- Facility hire

- Hire of FA qualified coaches
- Referees fees
- CRB checks
- Affiliation fees
- Promotion and publicity; etc.
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The closing date for applications is the **6th March 2012**.

<http://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/apply/grow-the-game/>

Funding for Schools to Purchase Musical Equipment

Schools in the UK, that wish to purchase musical instruments and equipment can apply for funding of up to £2,000 through the EMI Music Sound Foundation's Instrument and/or Equipment Awards.

To date the Foundation has made awards to over two thousand schools, individual students and teachers improve their access to music through the purchase or upgrade of musical instruments and equipment. The funding has to be made for music education that is beyond statutory national curriculum music teaching. The Foundation cannot fund retrospectively and schools are not eligible for financial assistance under this scheme if they have already purchased their instruments or if they do so before their application has been approved.

The closing date for applications is the **10th February 2012**.

<http://www.emimusicfoundation.com/index.php/site/awards/>

(3) Education and Lifelong Learning

School and community links

Primary and junior schools are invited to enter the “Make it Happy” competition with this year's theme being ‘Make it Healthy’. The aim is to reward the innovative and creative use of IT to link schools with other members of their community. The projects could reflect an interest in physical health, or emotional and mental wellbeing. They could be confined to pupils and teachers, or they could involve parents and carers. They could even go out to the community – locally, nationally or internationally, perhaps via passing on information or by connecting with healthcare facilities. There will be 9 regional winners across England and one winner from each of: Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales each receiving a prize of £1200. Each of these winners will be invited to a special day in London, including a trip on the London Eye, a tour of the Houses of Parliament and a special awards ceremony and tea with MPs and Peers in the Members’ Dining Room. In addition there will be overall first, second and third prizes selected from the 12 winners who will receive the following cash prizes: 1st prize - £4000; 2nd prize - £2500; and 3rd prize - £1500. **The closing date for the competition is the 8th April 2012**

<http://makeithappy.cc4g.net/>

Partnership Grants Open To Applications

The Royal Society has announced that the latest round of Partnership Grants is now open for applications.

Through the scheme grants of between £250 and £3,000 are available to support teachers, scientists and engineers help develop science projects. The aim is to make the teaching of science more interesting within primary and secondary schools. The Partnership grants scheme forms partnerships to allow teachers to increase their scientific knowledge and to give scientists and engineers the chance to develop their communication skills and engage with enquiring young minds. Any UK primary or secondary school teacher or practicing scientist/engineer can apply as long as the students involved in the project are between 5 and 18. Applications must be made together with the partner, and need to be signed by the teacher, partner and schools’ headteacher.

Examples of previously funded projects include:

St Michael on the Mount Primary School received a grant of £2,050 to help pupils to learn about the human body by constructing a 15 foot skeleton. Working with engineers from Airbus UK, every class constructed a working model of their particular body part, giving the pupils the opportunity to apply some of the scientific principles they had discovered.

Netheard High School, Dereham (Norfolk) received £2,488 for ‘Our Star’. The project gave the whole school the opportunity to explore the solar system at first hand.

The deadline for applications is the **24th February 2012**.

<http://royalsociety.org/Partnership/>

Funding for special needs projects

Charitable organisations (and schools specifically for children and young people with disabilities or Special Educational Needs) working towards educating young people, especially young people with disabilities and/or from disadvantaged backgrounds can apply for funding of up to £30,000 through the Equitable Charitable Trust. The Trustees award approximately £1 million a year and seeks to identify and support

good projects that address needs not adequately met at present, including those with potential to be introduced to large numbers of schools.

Grants made by the Trust fall into three broad categories.

- Education projects or services that support the learning and development of disabled children and young people in the UK;
- Education projects for disadvantaged children and young people in the UK, particularly those that support delivery of the National Curriculum or vocational learning opportunities; and
- Education projects that will help increase participation in, or improve the quality of, education for disadvantaged or disabled children and young people in developing countries.

The length of funding can range from one to three years. Previously supported projects include supplementary Maths, English and Science classes for disadvantaged 5-18 year olds; education projects to reduce teenage pregnancies; capital grants for the renovation and refurbishment of facilities for children with complex needs and disabilities; and music education projects for children and young people with profound and multiple learning difficulties. For example, the Down Syndrome Support Group in Bradford received £5,500 towards the salaries of speech and language therapists at a project providing support to children and young people with learning disabilities in Bradford.

Applications can be submitted at any time and are considered on a rolling basis by the Trustees.

<http://www.equitablecharitabletrust.org.uk/Grants/GuidelinesforApplicants/tabid/317/language/en-GB/Default.aspx>

(4) Health and Social Welfare

Supporting small UK charities that help people with physical or mental disabilities

The Archer Trust is a UK Christian charitable grant-making trust, that aims to support small UK charities that help people with physical or mental disabilities or people facing disadvantage. Preference will be given to those organisations working in areas of high unemployment and deprivation. The trust will fund projects in the UK and overseas (only via UK charities which can ensure that funds are being well used). The grants available range from £250 - £3,000.

Applications can be made at any time. Trustees meet twice a year, normally in March and September to consider applications.

<http://www.archertrust.org.uk/>

Healthy Hearts Grants

Heart Research UK Healthy Heart Grants support innovative projects designed to promote heart health and to prevent or reduce the risks of heart disease in specific groups or communities. Grants of up to £10,000 are available to community groups, voluntary organisations and researchers who are spreading the healthy heart message.

The types of projects supported in the past have included:

The Foresight Project in Grimsby which encourages visually impaired people to take regular exercise using tandem bicycles.

The Ross-shire Bravehearts project in Inverness which educates adults with learning difficulties about heart health so they can take part in physical activities.

Superleague team, Wakefield Wildcats, which uses star rugby players to educate children about heart health. There are two applications rounds per year.

The next closing date is the **28th February 2012**.

<http://www.heartresearch.org.uk/grants/healthyheartgrant>

Funding towards the enablement of young vulnerable people to attend boarding and independent day schools

Vulnerable children can receive help from the Joint Educational Trust (JET) towards attending boarding and independent day schools. Eligible young people include:

Those aged between 7 and 13 years old

Those that have suffered tragedy or trauma, or be at risk in some way

Those from families who cannot meet the cost of such education unaided.

Referrals for support are often received from education, medical and social work professionals. Schools also refer cases directly to JET.

The next closing date for applications is the **1st February 2012**

<http://www.jetcharity.org/index.html>

(5) Green issues

Anaerobic Digestion Loan Fund Opens for Applications

WRAP, which works to help businesses, individuals and communities reap the benefits of reducing waste, has announced the launch of the Anaerobic Digestion Loan Fund (ADLF). This is a £10m fund designed to support the development of new Anaerobic Digestion (AD) capacity in England. The fund aims to support 300,000 tonnes of annual capacity to divert food waste from landfill by 2015. The ADLF will offer loans of between £50,000 and £1 Million to organisations that are interested in building AD capacity in England in order to provide digestate of sufficient quality for a variety of UK markets and to generate renewable energy in the form of biogas through the diversion of food and other organic resources. The ADLF also aims to ensure that the material is diverted from landfill or from other, less environmentally sustainable operations, up the waste hierarchy.

It is WRAP's intention to open the fund for applications in the following periods:
January-April 2012
June-September 2012
December-March 2012/13.

Further application periods may be published at a later date pending available funds.

http://www.wrap.org.uk/farming_growing_and_landscaping/ad_loan_fund.html

Support for work that relates to the conservation of mammals in the British Isles

The People's Trust for endangered species is inviting applications from voluntary conservation organisations, scientific researchers, individuals and consortia, needing financial support for work that relates to the conservation of mammals in the British Isles and Eire, to apply for funding of up to £30,000 through their UK mammals grant programme. The trust aims to fund scientific research, practical habitat management work, reintroduction and monitoring programmes and educational projects. Projects supported in the past include; Bats in the Lake District; Monitoring of UK bat species in underground sites; and monitoring Irish pine martens. The deadline for applications is the **1st November 2012**.

<http://www.ptes.org/index.php?cat=89>

Millions for Green Buses

The Government has announced that Local Authorities and Bus Operators are able to bid for funding towards the cost of buying low carbon buses. A total of £20 million is being made available to fund up to 90% of the costs associated with purchasing low carbon buses rather than standard diesel equivalent. The fund is also available for very low and zero emission vehicles, such as electric vehicles, and the Department would be interested in receiving bids which covered the demonstrations of such buses in regular use for services. The first two rounds of the Green Bus Fund competition are already helping to deliver over 540 new low carbon emission buses to towns and cities in England.

The closing date for applications to the third funding round of the Green Bus Fund is the **10th February 2012**.

<http://www.lowcyp.org.uk/lceb/policies/greenbusfund.asp>

Grants Available for Community Tree Planting

The Big Tree Plant, a campaign to encourage people and communities to plant more trees in England's towns, cities and neighbourhoods has announced that its funding programme is currently open for applications.

A total of £4 million is available to support community groups to plant trees in towns, cities and residential areas throughout England. The funding is for community and civic groups, or other non-profit organisations to establish community-led tree planting projects in areas that would benefit most. The trees must be planted in streets or in green places that are open to all to visit or where local people will benefit from them. Groups working in areas where more trees would help to improve residents' quality of life are strongly encouraged to apply for the funding.

The deadline for submitting applications is the **14th March 2012**.

<http://www.forestry.gov.uk/england-bigtreeplant>

Funding round to install heat generating technologies and energy efficiency measures

The Building Research Establishment has announced that it is inviting not for profit organisations such as community groups, charities, schools, colleges and faith groups, etc to apply for last funding round to install heat generating technologies and energy efficiency measures. The Community Sustainable Energy Programme has to date awarded £8.5 million to community-based organisations for the installation of microgeneration technologies, such as solar panels or biomass boilers and energy efficiency measures including loft and cavity wall insulation. It has provided £1 million for project development grants that has helped community organisations decide if they could benefit from a microgeneration and energy efficiency installation. Please note that this funding round provides capital grants for heat generating technologies and energy efficiency measures only. The deadline for the receipt of completed applications will be **5pm Friday 29 February 2012**

[Community Sustainable Energy Programme \(England\)](#)

Awards for water reduction

Grants of between £300 and £5,000 are available to voluntary or community organisations, schools, parish or town councils for projects that significantly reduce their reliance on single-use plastics and the amount of plastic waste. The funding which is being made through the Tap Water Awards aims to support projects that develop new solutions to replace pre-existing systems that rely on plastic, that promote the use of tap water, or other related themes. Projects can have a community, local or national impact. In the case of applications from schools, the Tap Water Awards expect projects to take place before or after school, during lunch or in the holiays, unless the school can provide a good reason in your application why this is not possible (for example, you are in a remote rural area). Projects should help children learn about new things that are not part of the school day. This may be achieved by working with a local community group or local people.

The Tap water Awards will accept applications for projects working solely with children with special needs where it may not be appropriate to involve the wider

community. Organisations wishing to apply are strongly advised to contact tapwater.org before applying.

<http://www.tapwater.org/grants>

Funding for Environmentally Friendly Projects

The Green Insurance Company has announced that its Grimple Green Grants Scheme will open for applications in October 2011.

Through the scheme the Green Insurance Company will be seeking applications from individuals and not-for profit organisations for funding for environmentally friendly projects. The Green Insurance Company have up to £40,000 to give away to environmentally friendly projects. They are offering funds of up to £2,000 to small projects and organisations with a special £10,000 grant available to one project voted for by the public. The type of projects that can be supported for example include:
Raising awareness of environmental issues
Educating the younger generation so that they develop good habits early
To improve the energy efficiency of buildings.

<http://www.greeninsurancegiving.co.uk/grants.php>

Waste prevention loan fund

WRAP (Waste & Resources Action Programme) is launching the new £1 million Waste Prevention Loan Fund (WPLF). Loans of between £20,000 and £100,000 are available to businesses, social enterprises and local authorities and aims to reduce waste at source by supporting organisations to introduce business models and processes which make more efficient use of material resources.

Examples include product reuse, repair and upgrading services (e.g. through leasing), and materials recovery and reuse by the manufacturer. Applicants will need to demonstrate new approaches which offer substantial resource savings and can be scaled-up and replicated to have significant benefit at the national level. During phase 1 of the fund, loans are available to help introduce solutions where commercial funding is otherwise not available. The Waste Prevention Loan Fund is now open to Expressions of Interest (EOI).

All applications must start with an EOI, which WRAP will use to evaluate the strategic fit with the objectives of the Loan Fund and initiate a dialogue with applicants. Following this initial screening, WRAP will send further details including the application form to candidate propositions which fit with Loan Fund objective.

The closing date for submitting applications is the **28th February 2012**.

http://www.wrap.org.uk/retail_supply_chain/home_electrical/wplf.html

(6) Economy

Community Business Loan

The £5 million Fund offers financial support for the purpose of starting or expanding a community-based business. RBS expects to support in the region of 1,000 businesses through the scheme.

Eligible businesses can apply for loans of between £30,000 and £500,000.

Community Development Finance Institutions, which allocate funds to other firms, may apply for loans of between £200,000 and £1 million.

To be eligible for funding, your organisation must be all of the following.

- A business with clear social or environmental objectives which reinvests profits for a social purpose

- An established third-sector organisation located and trading in the UK

Investment ready in terms of management, governance and financial position

View the eligibility criteria please visit the website below:

<http://www.rbs.co.uk/business/banking/g3/community-business-loan-fund.ashx#tabs=section2>

Food Retail Industry Challenge Fund

Organisations within the food retail sector can apply for funding through the Department of International Development's Food Retail Industry Challenge Fund to develop profitable business models that will increase demand for food sustainably produced by African farmers and agribusiness.

Previous bidding rounds attracted several projects involving products from Kenya, Ghana, Rwanda, and Malawi. All food products are eligible (including fish and meat) but projects must be focused on UK import of a food product or products from Africa. Previous projects supported include:

Bettys & Taylors of Harrogate who developed a programme to assist Rwandan farmers in increasing the amount of their tea that goes into the company's Yorkshire Tea and premium Yorkshire Gold blends, helping raise their incomes and compete more effectively in global markets by meeting high ethical, environmental and quality standards.

UK and European retailers and brands are eligible to apply for funding. Grants requested from FRICH must be between £150,000 and £1 million and bidders must demonstrate the financial wherewithal to provide finance of an amount at least equal to the grant. Eligible initiatives now include partnerships designed to turn successful pilots into larger scale projects.

The closing date for applications is the **20th February 2012**.

<http://www.dfid.gov.uk/work-with-us/funding-opportunities/business/frich/>

Funding for Building Performance Evaluation

The Technology Strategy Board has announced that up to £8m is available to fund the costs of building performance evaluation studies on domestic and non-domestic buildings. The funding is available to individual companies and other organisations responsible for buildings for the total cost of evaluating the performance of case study buildings they design, build, own and/or operate. This will help builders and developers to deliver more efficient, better performing buildings. In this latest tranche, in the non-domestic stream, the TSB are particularly keen to receive initial applications focused on retail, hospitality and industrial buildings and buildings in any sector that are of small (<1000m²) or medium (<5000m²) in treated floor area or are refurbishments. Applications from first time applicants are particularly welcome. The closing dates for applications are the 14th September 2011; 18th January 2012, and for Domestic projects only **23rd May 2012**.

<http://www.innovateuk.org/content/competition/building-performance-evaluation-.ashx>

Initiative for mature enterprise / support for the over 50s

People over the age of 50 who wish to become self employed or set up their own business can apply for a loan of between £500 and £10,000 through the Prince's Initiative for Mature Enterprise (PRIME) new loan scheme. PRIME is a member of the Prince's Charities group. It was set up on the personal initiative of HRH The Prince of Wales in response to letters he was receiving from people desperate to work but unable to find anyone to employ them – because of their age. To be eligible applicants need to be over the age of 50; must be either unemployed (not in paid employment), facing redundancy (within the next six months) or be self-employed (but still in your first year); and must be a UK resident for at least three years.

The loans are for up to three years and the interest charged is 12% APR. Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.primebusinessclub.com/loans/prime-business-start-up-loan/>

(7) EU/International

Funding to tackle violence against women and children

The European Commission has launched a new call for proposals under the Daphne III Programme 2007 - 13.

The overall aim of Daphne III is to contribute to the protection of children, young people and women against all forms of violence including sexual exploitation and trafficking in human beings. Under this call for proposals a total of €25.8 million of funding is available to support transnational projects that meet the objectives of the Daphne III programme. Projects require a minimum partnership of 2 organisations from 2 different Member States and cannot have an initial duration exceeding 24 months. Funding under the Daphne III Programme is available to non-profit private organisations and public authorities and institutions (local authorities at the competent level, university departments and research centres). EU funding cannot constitute more than 80% of overall eligible project cost and requested amount under this call cannot be less than €75,000.

The closing date for applications is the **23rd March 2011**.

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/newsroom/grants/daphne_call_for_proposals_action_grants_2011_2012_en.htm

Funding for Animation, Creative documentaries and Drama Projects

The European Commission has announced a new call for proposals under its Media 2007 programme. €17 million is available to European production companies to support the development of production projects in the areas of animation, creative documentaries and drama. The maximum financial contribution which may be awarded for Single Project is between €10 000 and €60 000 except for feature-length animations for theatrical release, for which the maximum is €80 000. The maximum financial contribution which may be awarded for Slate Funding and Slate Funding second stage is between €70 000 and €190 000.

The next deadline for applications is the **13th April 2012**.

http://ec.europa.eu/culture/media/programme/producer/develop/index_en.htm

Funding to Support Independent Media Production Companies

Independent European production companies that are seeking funding for the development of audiovisual projects are being invited to submit applications to the Media 2007 "I2I Audiovisual" programme. Under this programme assistance is available to independent European production companies to access finance from banks and other financial institutions by providing funding to:

Cover part of the costs associated with the insurance for audiovisual productions
Completion guarantees for the production of an audiovisual work
Credit financing for the production of a work.

The audiovisual work submitted must be a drama, animation, or creative documentary and the maximum duration of the projects is 30 months. The total budget available under this call is €3 million and the financial contribution may not

exceed 50 % of the eligible costs. The amount of the support available is between €5 000 and €50 000.

The next deadline for applications is **6th June 2012**.

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2011:321:0008:0010:EN:PDF>

Funding to Develop Educational Links with Other EU Regions

Through the Comenius Programme, schools and local education authorities have the opportunity to develop partnerships with other local and regional education authorities within the European Union.

Funding of up to €45,000 will be available through the Comenius Regional

Programme to promote joint cooperation activities between local and regional education authorities. The aim of the programme is to strengthen the European dimension in school education and to offer European learning experiences to teachers and pupils and administrators. The partnerships will give educational authorities, in cooperation with schools and other actors in education, the opportunity to work together on topics of mutual interest. These might concern for example the organisation of school education, cooperation between schools and other local partners (e.g. providers of formal or non-formal learning), or common problems in school education (e.g. new approaches in the organisation of schooling, disadvantaged pupils and early school leaving, teacher qualifications and competence).

To be eligible for funding, each partnership will need to consist of 2 partner regions, each of which must involve:

A local or regional authority with a role in school education

At least one school

At least one other relevant local partner (e.g. youth or sports clubs, parents' and pupils' associations, local teacher training institutes, other learning providers, further education institutions and local employers, community organisations, museums and advisory services).

The deadline for applications to the Comenius Regional Programme will be the **21st February 2012**.

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/comenius-regio-partnerships.htm>

Support for the Development of On- and Off-Line Interactive Works

The European Commission has announced a new call for proposals under its Media 2007 programme. A total of €2.5 million is available to support the development of up to a first playable application) of digital interactive content complementing an audiovisual project (drama, creative documentary or animation). The maximum financial contribution which may be awarded is between €10 000 and €150 000. The financial contribution awarded will in no event exceed 50 % of the eligible costs submitted by the producer (60 % for projects presenting an interest in promoting European cultural diversity).

There are two application deadlines:

- **The 25th November 2011**
- **The 13th April 2012.**

<http://eurlex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2011:279:0033:0035:EN:PDF>

(8) Miscellaneous

Extra funding for low carbon car R&D

An additional £10 million of grant funding is to be made available to research, develop and demonstrate technologies that will achieve significant cuts in carbon emissions from road transport. The additional investment follows the decision by the Office for Low Emission Vehicles (OLEV) to channel the funding it has available for low carbon vehicle technology research and development through the Technology Strategy Board collaborative R&D Government in October means £25 million is now available to UK businesses to accelerate the commercialisation of low carbon vehicles. Grants for each project are likely to range from £500,000 up to in excess of £5 million. A networking event is planned for 10 January 2012, to present the scope of the funding competition and facilitate consortia-building. The competition opens on the 20th February 2012 and expressions of interest must be submitted by **28 March 2012**.

<http://www.innovateuk.org/content/competition/low-carbon-vehicles-the-road-to-market.ashx>

SECTION 2 – ONGOING GRANTS

Community and Community Development

Heritage Fund to support the repair, maintenance or restoration of a building or structure of architectural or historic importance including places of worship

WREN, the Waste Recycling Group, has announced the launch of a new Heritage Fund to support the repair, maintenance or restoration of a building or structure of architectural or historic importance including places of worship. Under the new scheme, grants of between £15,001 and £50,000 are available for Grade 1 (Grade A in Scotland) and Grade 2 *star listed buildings or structures including places of worship situated within 10 miles of an active and licensed Waste Recycling Group landfill site. This funding programme will be directly managed and administered by WREN. WREN is working in partnership with English Heritage, Historic Scotland, Cadw (Wales) and the National Churches Trust who have all helped in the development of this programme. Wren will not consider nor accept applications submitted directly by applicants. All Heritage Fund applications must be recommended and supported by one of the 4 key partner organisations above.

<http://www.wren.org.uk/schemes/heritage-fund>

Grants for War Memorials

Works to freestanding war memorials in England are eligible for support through the Grants for War Memorials funded by English Heritage and The Wolfson Foundation. The Trust's Small Grants Scheme has recently been reviewed so there are some changes in the eligibility criteria for the scheme. There is also a new Application Form and new to Guidance Notes for the scheme. Please check principles and eligibility criteria from the website.

All of their grant schemes provide support to projects that aim to repair and conserve war memorials in their existing form as well as reinstate the memorial to its original design.

Their schemes relate only to existing war memorials and no grant can be offered to support the creation of new war memorials or projects for which work has already started and/or is completed. Graves of any type are not eligible for support under any of War Memorials Trust grant schemes.

War Memorials Trust currently runs three different grant schemes.

They all have different eligibility criteria and separate application forms. Eligibility to a particular scheme will depend on where in the UK the memorial is located, whether it is freestanding or not and what work you propose. Information is available on the website.

Check your eligibility and submit an 'Expression of interest form' to clarify if the Grants for War Memorials scheme is right for your project on Website:

<http://www.warmemorials.org.uk>

Funding community projects

The Community Fund is the Co-operative Group's main grant making programme. Charitable organisations and community groups can apply for grants of between £100 and £2,000 (£500 if the applicant is a newly formed group) to help them find co-operative solutions to community challenges. The Co-operative Group is particularly

interested in supporting locally led and run groups that can demonstrate co-operative values and principles, such as self-help, equality, democracy and concern for the community. Last year the total funding available was over £3.2 million. Applications to the scheme can be made at any time.

<http://www.cooperative.coop/corporate/ethicsinaction/communities/fundsandfoundations/communityfund/>

Funding for Projects that Support Disabled Children and their Families

Local organisations and projects that support disabled children and their families have the opportunity to apply for funding through the True Colours Trust. Grants of up to £10,000 are usually available for one-off purposes, to help smaller organisations develop and deliver programmes for children, their siblings and families.

The Trustees are particularly keen to award grants for:

- Hydrotherapy pools
- Multi sensory rooms
- Mini buses
- Young carers projects
- Sibling projects
- Bereavement support.

The True Colour Trust also makes grants for improving access to affordable palliative care in sub-Saharan Africa. The Trust's strategic programme is focussed on increasing access to opioids in Zambia. It has also launched a small grants programme which is administered by the African Palliative Care Association. This programme provides grants, of between £1,000 - £2,500, to organisations offering palliative services.

http://www.truecolourstrust.org.uk/small_grants.aspx

Support for Projects Working with Disadvantaged Young People, Offenders & Ex-offenders

The Worshipful Company of Weavers has announced that its Benevolent Fund is open to applications.

The Fund is available to small registered charities and seeks to support: Projects working with disadvantaged young people aged from 5 to 30 years of age, to ensure they are given every possible chance to meet their full potential and to participate fully in society

Projects that addresses the social and economic problems faced by offenders, and ex-offenders and their families, and provide them with support, life skills training and a way back into education, training and/or employment.

Grants available are of up to £15,000.

The Charitable Grants Committee meets in February, June and October of each year to consider applications.

<http://www.weavers.org.uk/charitable-grants/grant-application-guidelines>

Support for the poor and marginalised

Porticus UK is inviting registered charities in England, Wales and Scotland to apply for grants of up to £25,000. Porticus UK's mission is to have solidarity with the poor and the marginalised, reflecting Christian responsibility and support for the social teaching of the Roman Catholic Church.

It aims to provide high quality charity advice, grant assessment and administration, and services to donors and partners that promote organisational effectiveness.

Porticus UK seeks to support projects that fall under the following categories:

- strengthening family relationship;
- enriching education;
- transformation through faith;
- ethics in practice.

Grants under the 'Enriching education' strand include projects that focus on Pastoral care in education focused on projects which deal with character building, conflict resolution and values

Grants can be used towards core or project costs, these may include staff salaries and overheads; however they will not generally fund buildings or equipment.

Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.porticusuk.com/index.php>

Funding for kids clubs

The Field Studies Council is an independent educational charity committed to raising awareness about the natural world. The Council works through a network of 17 residential and day Centres in the UK providing courses for schools and colleges at all levels in addition to adult Individuals & Families courses, outreach education, training and consultancy. The Kids Fund aims to bring environmental understanding to disadvantaged young people by attending a course at a Field Studies Council centre. It helps disadvantaged young people to attend a course who may otherwise be excluded due to some form of disadvantage - health, mobility, deprivation or financial.

Funding will normally be up to 80% of the cost of your group's course to an FSC Field Centre to a maximum of £3000.

Applications can be submitted at any time with decisions being made in February, June and October.

http://www.field-studies-council.org/supporters/kidsfund_application.aspx

Funding from national bakery

The Greggs Foundation breakfast club programme supports young people of primary school age who live in disadvantaged areas of the UK. The Greggs Foundation currently supports 164 breakfast clubs throughout England, Scotland and Wales. The Gregg Foundation has announced that its Breakfast Club Programme is currently heavily oversubscribed. As a result, applications are currently being invited from schools in London (within the M25). In other areas the Foundation are inviting schools to apply to be on our waiting list, pending the availability of further funds in

their area. Schools that are interested in opening a breakfast club at your school must be able to show that at least 50% of your pupils qualify for free school meals and that the school serves a disadvantaged community. School should be able to attract adult volunteers to help run the scheme and attendance at the club must be free for all pupils. Recently set up breakfast clubs include clubs at Hillside Community Primary School, in Skelmersdale which received funding of £600 for its breakfast club which around 45 young people attend each day. Swalwell Primary School, in Gateshead where nearly 50% of school children are entitled to free meals received a grant of £1,100

[Greggs Foundation Breakfast Club Grants \(England, Scotland & Wales\)](#)

Funding from Cliff Richard for charitable purposes

Charities working in medical research, with children and the elderly, and those involved with the physically and/or mentally disabled are able to apply for funding to the Sir Cliff Richard Charitable Trust. The Trust aims to support around 200 different charities a year. Only registered charities in the UK are eligible to apply for funding and the level of grants awarded is variable.

Applications are considered on a quarterly basis with about 50 different charities benefitting each time.

<http://www.cliffrichard.org/fanzone/links.cfm>

Special Grants Fund for Civil Society Organisations and Commonwealth Associations

The Commonwealth Foundation has announced the launch of a Special Grants Fund for Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) and Commonwealth Associations (CAs) to undertake strategic and innovative projects that will promote the Commonwealth theme for 2011, 'Women as Agents of Change'. Applications from registered CSOs and CAs across the Commonwealth are being invited to undertake projects lasting between three to six months which meet at least two of the following criteria:

Foster collaboration and learning between women's organisations in more than one Commonwealth country

Involve collaboration with national women's machineries (NWMs) and governments in promoting women and girls' social, economic and political empowerment;

Showcase the achievements of women in addressing social, economic and political change at national or regional levels

Projects which will have an impact on women at a regional level

Bring together women from different geographical, social and ethnic background to promote national and regional priorities.

Priority will be given to applications which address one or more of the following areas:

Capacity enhancement for Women's organisations in policy development and implementation

Implementation of the Commonwealth Gender Plan of Action (PoA)

Women's leadership and participation in democratic governance

Social protection and girls' development

Opportunities for rural women and girls

Women's social, economic and human rights.

Available grants are of up to £2,000. To request a copy of the application form, email

Shabinah s.ossman@commonwealth.int.

<http://www.commonwealthfoundation.com/NewsArticle.aspx?articleID=162>

Funding from Andrew Lloyd Webber for charitable purposes

The Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation aims to promote the arts, culture and heritage for the public benefit. As well as providing Musical Theatre scholarships and supporting projects through The Architectural Heritage Fund, the Trustees welcome applications to support projects in the areas of culture, heritage and the arts. Trustees seek to support projects that make a real and ongoing difference to people's lives. Priority is given to the area of performing arts (music, dance and drama) but other areas will be considered.

Previous projects supported include:

Nordoff Robbins, a specialist music charity, delivering music therapy and other music services to a broad range of people in a broad range of places including schools, hospitals, care homes, prisons etc; and the Orpheus Centre, a unique performing arts college for disabled young adults, based in Surrey. In November 2010 the Trustees of The Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation agreed to fund arts bursaries over a three year period at The Orpheus Centre.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

<http://www.andrewlloydwebberfoundation.com/what-we-do.html>

Funding from Caron Keating Foundation for charitable purposes

The Caron Keating Foundation was set up by Gloria Hunniford and her sons to help all types of cancer charities across the country. The Foundation also supports individuals and families who are affected by the disease. Projects that the foundation is keen to support are those that make a difference such as:

Contributing towards pieces of machinery which detect faster

Counselling services; many different types of hospice care, both at home and in the Hospice itself

Drivers to take cancer patients to and from treatment centres

Complementary therapies to help with pain control

Bereavement counselling.

Projects the foundation has supported include:

The Variety Club of Great Britain which received £11,950 to help children with cancer related illnesses.

Pembrokeshire Cancer Support Wales which received £3,000 towards the cost of reflexology therapy and relaxation classes for cancer sufferers.

Applications can be submitted at any time and are assessed annually by the Trustees in December.

<http://www.caronkeating.org/>

Funding to Help Tackle Knife Crime

The Prince's Trust has announced that the 'Ben Kinsella Fund' is now accepting applications. The fund is aimed at supporting young people aged 14 to 25 in England (excluding the East of England) and Wales, to start up their own project to help promote anti-gun, knife and gang violence messages to their local community.

The projects the fund is seeking to support should:

- promote anti-knife crime messages in schools, colleges or youth clubs;

- promote positive stories about young people;
- encourage positive engagement between young people and the police;
- encourage young people to get involved in their local community.

They are also encouraging projects that target the following groups in the community; girls; children of 12 years and younger; parents. Available grants are of up to £3,000.

For more information about The Ben Kinsella Fund at The Prince's Trust or to apply, please call 0800 842 842 or text "Call Me" to 07983 385418.

http://www.princes-trust.org.uk/need_help/grants/ben_kinsella_fund.aspx

DIY store's waste donation scheme

B&Qs waste donation scheme is co-ordinated in store either by the environmental champion, duty or Warehouse manager who will keep a Waste Donation Form on file for interested groups.

Before any materials are donated, the form must be signed by a representative of the group, and proof that you are a member of that group must be provided. This means they can donate waste materials, for example slightly damaged tins of paint, off-cuts of timber, and end of range materials, to community groups, charities and schools.

Please note that it is company policy that health and safety is taken into consideration, therefore electrical, petrol and gas items are not available for donation. Any waste or surplus stock donated must not be re-sold.

http://www.diy.com/diy/jsp/corporate/content/environment_ethics/ethics/community/waste_donation.jsp

Foundation seeks applications under its small grants programme

Following the review of its funding programme, the Nationwide Foundation has announced that it is currently accepting applications for funding under its Small Grants Programme. Under the programme, grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available to registered charities with a yearly income of less than £750,000. The Small Grants Programme support projects that:
tackle financial exclusion affecting disadvantaged groups across the UK
address housing issues & homelessness among vulnerable groups across the UK.
Applications can be submitted at any time.

<http://www.nationwidefoundation.org.uk/grants.asp>

Support for community projects

The Garfield Weston Foundation offers support to organisations that are registered charities and excepted or exempt charities such as churches, hospitals, educational establishments, museums and housing corporations. Founded in 1958 the Garfield Weston Foundation is a UK based, general grant- giving charity that makes grants in the areas of the Arts, Community Education, Medical, Environment, Health, Religion, Welfare and Youth.

- Applications are considered individually by the Foundation and the following issues are taken into consideration:
- The financial viability of the organisation;
- The degree of need for the project requiring funding;
- The amount spent on administration and fundraising as compared to the charitable activities;

The ability to raise sufficient funding to meet the appeal target;
Whether the organisation has appropriate priorities and plans in place to manage its activities.

There is no limit on the size of grant.
There are no application deadlines.

<http://www.garfieldweston.org/>

Support towards educating young people, especially young people with disabilities and/or from disadvantaged backgrounds

Charitable organisations (and schools specifically for children and young people with disabilities or Special Educational Needs) working towards educating young people, especially young people with disabilities and/or from disadvantaged backgrounds can apply for funding of up to £30,000 through the Equitable Charitable Trust.

The Trustees award approximately £1 million a year and seeks to identify and support good projects that address needs not adequately met at present, including those with potential to be introduced to large numbers of schools. Grants made by the Trust fall into three broad categories.

Education projects or services that support the learning and development of disabled children and young people in the UK;

Education projects for disadvantaged children and young people in the UK, particularly those that support delivery of the National Curriculum or vocational learning opportunities; and

Education projects that will help increase participation in, or improve the quality of, education for disadvantaged or disabled children and young people in developing countries.

The length of funding can range from one to three years. Previously supported projects include supplementary Maths, English and Science classes for disadvantaged 5-18 year olds; education projects to reduce teenage pregnancies; capital grants for the renovation and refurbishment of facilities for children with complex needs and disabilities; and music education projects for children and young people with profound and multiple learning difficulties.

For example, 'Art room' received £5,000 towards ear one of a three year project to pay for salary costs of an education project at a school in a deprived area of Oxford; and 'Math'a'Magic' tour received £17,745 to tour schools in disadvantaged areas of Northern Ireland. Applications can be submitted at any time and are considered on a rolling basis by the Trustees.

<http://www.equitablecharitabletrust.org.uk/Grants/GuidelinesforApplicants/tabid/317/language/en-GB/Default.aspx>

Funding for IT Projects Supporting Disadvantaged Groups

Funding is available to organisations with innovative IT related project ideas that can make a positive difference to disadvantaged and vulnerable groups - in the UK, developing countries and around the world. The funding is available through the Nominet Trust. The aim of the Trust is to fund innovative Internet projects that make a positive difference to the lives of disadvantaged and vulnerable people, primarily in terms of education, safety and inclusion. The Trust is particularly interested in funding projects that can be scaled up and replicated. There is no minimum grant application and applications for over £100,000 require an interview. Organisations wishing to apply need initially to complete an online eligibility questionnaire. Those organisations deemed successful will be provided with a link to a more detailed application form.

<http://www.nominettrust.org.uk/>

Funding for worthy causes related to the motor industry

Easi-Drive, the accident management company has announced a new £60,000 community fund for 2011, designed to support worthy causes related to the motor industry, wheels or transport. In 2010 the fund supported a number of 'wheel' based projects such as; £10,000 to the Motor and Allied Trades Benevolent Fund; Fix-It, the Wigan-based charity that runs vocational training courses in motor mechanics for disadvantaged 14-19 year olds; an Olympic wheelchair for Myles Pearson. Applications can be made online and there is no closing date for application.

<http://www.wheelsforgood.com/>

Funding to enjoy the great outdoors

The Andy Fanshawe Memorial Trust (AFMT) supports projects that allow disadvantaged young people the chance to develop an existing interest in the great outdoors. The Trust usually supports programmes that are run by schools or youth groups, but welcomes applications from individuals, but these must have a referee. The AFMT support a wide range of projects, but are unlikely to support foreign trips. Projects the fund has supported in the past include; A £300 grant of a Youth Forum in Lancashire to support a programme of outdoor activities; £500 grant for a group of young people from Bradford to go on a residential outdoor activities course in Scotland. Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.andyfanshawe.org/index.php>

Funding for faith community work

This programme provides grants of up to £5,000 to enable churches and faith-based organisations, working in very deprived communities, to engage in social action through supporting them to initiate or develop community work. This will then enable groups to either undertake larger pieces of work or significantly improve the existing provision.

The project must be directly tackling the effects of profound poverty and should be working in the 10% most deprived areas in England. Mustard Seed Grants can pay for specific activities but not for on-going revenue expenditure, existing salary costs,

deficit funding, or retrospective spending. It is expected that work supported under the Mustard Seed Programme will grow into more substantive or developed activities. This is a rolling programme where there are no deadline dates.

<http://www.cuf.org.uk/act/cuf-funding>

Support for older persons in need

Aid for the Aged in Distress (AFTAID) welcomes applications from individuals, or their family and neighbours, of state pensionable age (60 years old for women and 65 for men), that are UK citizen and resident, on lower income and have minimal savings.

AFTAID aims to help older persons that are financially stretched beyond their means to the point of genuine distress. AFTAID can provide grants for many varied items such as:

- mobility scooters
- walk-in showers
- radiators
- Cleaning
- central heating boiler
- Video intercom
- 'blind' software for PC.

AFTAID do not make grants for ongoing or retrospective payments, nor can they consider repayment of debt. Referrals can also be accepted on behalf of members of the caring professions and voluntary organisations.

Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.aftaid.org.uk/grantapp.html>

Supporting disadvantaged people in need

The Andy Fanshawe Memorial Trust (AFMT) supports projects that allow disadvantaged young people the chance to develop an existing interest in the great outdoors. The Trust usually supports programmes that are run by schools or youth groups, but welcomes applications from individuals, but these must have a referee. The AFMT support a wide range of projects, but are unlikely to support foreign trips. Projects the fund has supported in the past include:

A £300 grant of a Youth Forum in Lancashire to support a programme of outdoor activities. A £500 grant for a group of young people from Bradford to go on a residential outdoor activities course in Scotland.

Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.andyfanshawe.org/index.php>

Supporting general charitable purposes

The Steel Charitable Trust is a grant-making trust supporting general charitable purposes.

Grants of between £1,000 and £25,000 are made to registered charities in the UK within the areas of:

- arts and culture
- environment
- health
- education
- disadvantaged.

Grants are made at regular intervals during the year and the total level of grants is approximately £1,000,000, 30% of these grants will be made to organisations in the Luton and Bedfordshire area.

Applications can be made at any time as there are no application deadlines.

http://www.steelcharitabletrust.org.uk/grant_policy.htm

Social Enterprise Investment Fund

Big Issue Invest (BII), a specialist provider of finance for social enterprises has raised £3 million for its pioneering Social Enterprise Investment Fund and is looking to invest in more successful social enterprises looking to scale-up their social impact. BII can provide a range of financing options, from loans to equity from £50,000 to £500,000 and with terms of up to ten years. Loans may be unsecured and repayments may be tied to future income, profits or surpluses. Typically, organisations most suitable for investment will already have a trading history and must be able to demonstrate the capacity to deliver while generating sustainable trading income and long-term profitability and social impact. BII is keen to hear from social enterprises and the trading arms of registered charities needing investment.

For details, see www.bigissueinvest.com or call the team on 020 7526 3431.

<http://www.bigissueinvest.com/>

Funding for Community Shops

The Village Retail Services Association in partnership with Esmee Fairbairn Foundation and Co-operative and Community Finance have funding available to support the start up of new Community owned shops in rural areas of England or to save an existing shop by transfer to community ownership. The funding which will be available over the next three years will provide up to £40,000 per shop. This will be made up of a grant of £20,000 together with a loan of £20,000 from Co-operative and Community Finance.

Eligible applicants will include community based organisations located in rural communities of not less than 300 residents. The community is required to raise match funding through community contributions, which could take the form of share capital, donations raised through community fundraising events and grants obtained from other sources to the same or greater value than the grant requested from the Village CORE Programme. At least some of the funds raised should have been provided by the community itself and not solely through external grants.

The application process commences with a telephone interview with one of the programme managers. If the community appear to meet the criteria within the programme timeframe and if Village Core funds are available, application forms are

sent electronically where possible to the main contact person on the committee. The forms must be returned within 6 weeks of the telephone interview.

<http://www.plunkett.co.uk/whatwedo/core/Core.cfm>

Networking and Empowerment Fund for Communities

The Networking and Empowerment Fund is provided by Creating Excellence in partnership with the South West Foundation which administers the grant. Funding is intended to support a variety of networking activities, including give people a voice and influence decisions in their communities and to support funding advice worker networks.

The priority of the fund is to support existing or new networks of funding advice workers that provide funding advice and support free at the point of contact to third sector organisations. 50% of the fund is ring fenced for this purpose.

To be eligible, applicants must:

Be located within South West England.

Have a bank account in the name of the organisation.

Have a set of rules or constitution.

Be able to provide a copy of their latest accounts. (New organisations should

Be able to provide a copy of their latest bank statement or the inside pages of their building society pass book.)

Be able to demonstrate their commitment to equality of opportunity.

For further information on how to obtain this grant locally, please contact the following:

Grant Administrator
South West Foundation
Westway Farm
Bishop Sutton
Somerset
BS39 5XP
Tel: 01275 333 666
Email: info@southwestfoundation.org.uk

Supporting projects that support disabled children and their families on a daily basis

Trustees of the Trust are committed to supporting a large number of excellent local organisations and projects that support disabled children and their families on a daily basis. The Trust has a small grants programme, open to application at any time, which provides grants of up to £10,000, usually for one-off purposes, to help smaller organisations develop and deliver programmes for children, their siblings and families.

The Trustees are particularly keen to support:

- Hydrotherapy pools;
- Multi sensory rooms;

- Mini buses;
- Young carers projects;
- Sibling projects; and
- Bereavement support.

Applications are via an on-line application form accessible through the website:

www.truecolourstrust.org.uk

The True Colours Trust | Allington House (1st Floor) | 150 Victoria Street | SW1E 5AE
Tel: 0207 410 0330 | Fax: 0207 410 0332

Supporting the disadvantaged

Percy Bilton Charity provides grants to registered charities who are focusing their activities at the following target groups:

- Disadvantaged/underprivileged young people - Aged under 25
- People with disabilities
- People over the age of 60

There are two main types of funding: Large grants (One off payments for capital expenditure of £2,000 and over) and Small grants (Providing funding of up to £500 towards furnishings and equipment for small projects). Favours bids from small charities.

There is no set deadline and bids can be submitted at anytime but Board meetings are held quarterly in March, June, September and December to consider large grants.

www.percybiltoncharity.org.uk

Awards to recognise individuals, businesses, charities, community groups and other organisations that are demonstrating the Big Society in their work or activities

The Prime Minister has launched a series of awards to recognise individuals, businesses, charities, community groups and other organisations that are demonstrating the Big Society in their work or activities.

The Big Society Award will be given to 2-3 organisations every month, winners will receive a certificate and be invited to a reception at 10 Downing Street. Anyone, including people who benefit from the group, organisation or individual activities, may make an online nomination, at any

<http://www.number10.gov.uk/bigsocietyawards>

Funds projects that give disadvantaged young people the chance to develop an existing interest in the great outdoors

The AFMT funds projects that give disadvantaged young people the chance to develop an existing interest in the great outdoors.

The AFMT doesn't fund taster sessions or one-off residential trips and they prefer that applicants have done some fund-raising. They are unlikely to support foreign trips or capital projects. Previous grants include:

- Money for an initiative by Carlisle firefighters to take 'last-chance' teenagers on a climbing and personal development course
- Financial support for a young man with ASD to develop his interest in climbing.

They usually support organisations, but an individual can apply.

Grants are usually in the region of £300-500.

www.andyfanshawe.org

Help for underprivileged children

Wooden Spoon is a children's charity dedicated to helping underprivileged children (disadvantaged physically, mentally or socially) and young people to live happier, richer lives. Previous support has been capital toward medical treatment and recovery centres, sports and activity areas, sensory rooms and gardens, playgrounds (includes schools).

Outreach programmes for children and young people in their communities can also receive funding through Wooden Spoon. Further information can be found at

Previously funded projects:

http://www.woodenspoon.com/projects/project_history.php

Website: www.woodenspoon.com/

Funding for a wide range of projects in the community

The Marsh Christian trust supports a wide range of projects/general charitable purposes. Areas which have been funded include: social welfare; literature, arts and heritage; environmental causes; conservation and animal welfare; healthcare and medical research; education and training; and overseas appeals.

Grants are only made to registered charities that are experienced in their chosen field of work with particular consideration given towards charities displaying a Christian emphasis.

There is no deadline for receipt of applications. The Trustees meet monthly, but due to the volume of appeals received responses to new appeals may take up to three months to arrive. However, a response is made to every appeal. Grants are given towards core-funding and range between £250-£4,000 with new applications at the lower end of this scale. Further information can be found on

www.marshchristiantrust.org

Funding for rural community buildings

The Rural Community Buildings Loan Fund aims to fill temporary gaps in funding for specific projects or urgent work on community buildings. The Fund is managed by Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) and enables building, renovation and refurbishment work that would otherwise not take place, to be carried out.

Loans will be made available on the basis that:

The property in question is freehold or leasehold with a minimum of 21 years left on the agreement.

Local funds can contribute at least 10% of the overall project costs.

The loan repayment, together with interest, can be repaid within either 5 or 8 years.

There are no penalties for early repayment of grant; additional payments are welcomed by ACRE.

Eligible costs include:

- Provision of a new building either to replace an existing one or provide one where none exists.
- Extending, renovating and converting an existing building.
- Upgrading a building to meet fire standards, building regulations, security needs and similar legislative requirements.
- Improving accessibility and making other similar changes that will enable new uses and services.
- To support measures that increase energy efficiency.

Applications are submitted on rolling basis, no deadline is set. Although the maximum value of funding is £20,000, it can be flexible.

Applications are made by submitting an application form, which is available on request. Questions regarding eligibility should be directed to local Rural Community Council, who will make an initial assessment of the project based on their local knowledge. They will then submit the form to ACRE for processing and for a decision to be made.

Contact ACRE or the local Rural Community Council for further information.

For further information on how to obtain this grant locally, please contact the following:

Village Hall Information Officer
Action with Communities in Rural England
Somerset Court,
Somerset Road
Cirencester
Gloucestershire
GL7 1TW
Tel: 01285 653477
Email: acre@acre.org.uk

Funding for the Scouts

Over the years Scouting has been extremely fortunate to receive generous donations from many individuals and organisations who wish to support our work at a national and local level.

The result of these donations is that there are a range of funds available, particularly to support local Groups/Units and individual members who require financial assistance in undertaking their Scouting.

To see what grants are available and to apply, please see the following website:

Website: <http://www.scouts.org.uk/developmentgrantsboard>

Funding for a wide range of projects to benefit community life

Clore Duffield Foundation's Main Grants Programme does not fund individuals, but it can match lottery funding, support capital redevelopments and learning space initiatives, and provide project, programme and revenue funding.

Application procedures are straightforward, and the Foundation continues to maintain a balance between supporting large-scale projects, with far-reaching effects, and small-scale community endeavours. Grants range from below £5,000 to in excess of £1m.

All grants are awarded at the Trustees meeting, held twice a year. As there is no fixed schedule for these meetings, applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis.

The Foundation welcomes submissions to the Main Grants Programme for projects from the following sectors:

- Museums, galleries and heritage sites (particularly for learning spaces)
- The arts
- Education
- Health, social care and disability
- Jewish charities with interests in any of the above areas

Learning Spaces

The Clore Duffield Foundation has funded museum, gallery and heritage learning spaces across the UK for over 15 years, from £2.5m Clore learning centres in national museums, to donations of less than £5,000 for single rooms in local history heritage buildings.

In light of this experience, the Foundation provides learning space applicants with basic guidance on cost; lighting levels; location, use and nature of space; dimensions; programming; display; architect's plans; and best practice examples (small- and large-scale).

Applicants should also read *Space for Learning: A Handbook for Education Spaces in Museums, Heritage Sites and Discovery Centres* (2004), which can be downloaded on the website before applying for funding.

For more information or to apply to this fund, please see

<http://www.cloreduffield.org.uk/page.php?id=35>

Christian community project support

The Gibbs Trust supports:

Innovative undertakings by Methodist churches and organisations;

- Other Christian causes, especially of an ecumenical nature; and

A wider category within the fields of the creative arts, education, social and international concerns.

Grants given are usually between £1,000-£3,000.

www.gibbstrust.org.uk

Sport, Culture and Leisure

Football Facilities Grant

The Football Foundation has announced that its Facilities Grant Scheme is now open for applications for projects that improve facilities for football and other sport in local communities.

Organisations that are eligible to apply for funding include football clubs, multi-sports, local authorities, all educational establishments, registered charity organisations & not for profit organisations.

Grants of up to £500,000 are available to support projects that:
sustain or increase participation amongst children and adults, regardless of background age, or ability; and
help children and adults to develop their physical, mental, social and moral capacities through regular participation in sport.

The types of facilities the fund provides grants for include:

- grass pitches drainage/improvements;
- pavilions, clubhouses and changing rooms;
- artificial turf pitches and multi-use games areas;
- fixed floodlights for artificial pitches.

Before submitting applications, the foundation strongly recommends submitting an expression of interest form. For example, St Augustine's RC High School received a £117,446 grant from the Football Foundation towards seven grass pitches. The new pitches allow St Augustine's, a school with a strong tradition of sporting achievements, to continue to produce successful sports teams. The vastly improved site now contains two 11-a-side pitches, one full-size dual rugby/football pitch, two junior 11-a-side pitches, two Mini Soccer pitches and training grid areas. Applications can be submitted at any time.

<http://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/apply/facilities-grants/facilities-grant/>

Community Sports Award

The Barclays Community Sports Award is a new award to recognise the outstanding achievements of individuals and groups that use sport to benefit communities. If you would like to nominate a person, group or not for profit organisation which has used the positive power of sport to make a real and lasting difference in their community then please complete the online form.

Each monthly winner will receive £1,000 for their group or organisation, a limited

edition trophy and will be entered into the end of season award to win a further £5,000, all donated by Barclays Spaces for Sports. The end of season award winner will also receive a VIP trip to London to receive their award from Gareth Southgate. Before entering the award, please read carefully the terms and conditions on <http://www.barclayscommunitysportsaward.com/> as there are certain exceptions.

Classical grants

The Classical Association awards grants in the region of £50,000 each year to classical projects and conferences, mainly in the UK. The Association will consider applications for:

- subventions to summer schools and to institutions offering extra-mural courses in Greek, Latin and classical civilisation;
- bursaries for teachers attending courses abroad, notably the British School at Athens Easter Course;
- support of Greek and Latin reading competitions arranged by CA branches;
- support of regional Greek or Roman days or of school conferences;
- subventions to academic conferences, particularly when of broad appeal and held in major centres, with a view especially to assisting students, teachers and East European scholars to attend.

The CA runs its own bursary scheme for students (undergraduate, graduate, PGCE) and teachers attending the annual CA Conference held in April each year. Decisions on grant applications are normally made by Council which meets at the start of April and in mid-November each year. There is no formal application form but if you would like to make an application please write to the Classical Association with as much information as possible about the project/conference.

Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.classicalassociation.org/Grants/Grants.html>

Funding for netball

The All England Netball Association Youth Trust is open to individuals and organisations in the development of sport for young people under the age of 21. The Trust supports the development of netball in both inner-city and rural areas and aims to support the; provision and maintenance of netball equipment and facilities; promotion and provision of courses, lectures, demonstrations and coaching for pupils, students and teachers involved in netball; provision of facilities for physical recreation in the interest of personal development of young people; promotion and provision of research and study for the development of netball. There is no specific minimum or maximum, but, as the Trust's funds are limited, the maximum is likely to be approximately £5,000. Project must demonstrate a long-term impact/benefit, e.g. facilities will encourage sport, coaching/umpiring qualifications will facilitate participation. Trustees meet three times a year.

Applications can be made at any time.

http://www.EnglandNetball.co.uk/About_Us/AENA_Youth_Trust.php

Funding to encourage young people in the exploration and pursuit of educational, cultural or therapeutic benefits emanating from music

The BRIT Trust seeks applications which encourage young people in the exploration and pursuit of educational, cultural or therapeutic benefits emanating from music. Organisations with a charitable status are eligible to apply. Applications should be received by The Trust no later than August for consideration at their Trust meeting in September for projects planned for the following year.

Further information can be found at www.brittrust.co.uk/funding

Funding for sports clubs – equipment, coaching, facilities

Local grassroots community sports clubs in the UK that require funding for equipment, facilities or coaching can apply for grants of between £250 and £1,000 through Cash-4-Clubs. The Cash 4 Clubs scheme is funded by Betfair and is supported by SportsAid, the charity for sports people. No preference is given as to the types of sport or the age range accessing the activity; however clubs should play an active role in the community, encourage social interaction and fitness, and be registered with their sports' National Governing body.

Previous projects supported include:

Strictly Wheelchair Dancing which received a grant of £750 to purchase new wheelchairs and Solihull Cycling Club which received a grant of £600 to provide coaching staff undertake additional training.

The fund is open to any sports club that is registered with its sports' National Governing body or local authority.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

<http://www.cash-4-clubs.com/>

Funding for enterprising sports projects

The Daily Telegraph, in partnership with the Royal Bank of Scotland have launched a new grants programme to support community and amateur sports clubs across the country. For the next two years, community and amateur sports clubs such as village cricket clubs, the lawn bowls clubs, badminton club, amateur boxing clubs, etc, will be able to apply for a £1,000 Amateur Sports Clubs Grant packages.

Five grants will be awarded on a monthly basis. The funding can be used for a wide range of purposes such as improving facilities, setting up tournaments, etc. To apply for the grant, clubs need to submit an application of no more than 250 words why your community sports club needs a £1,000 grant and what use you would put it to.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/sport/othersports/amateur/8281316/A-1000-amateur-sports-club-grant-could-be-yours.html>

Small grant scheme for sport

Sport England is committed to the creation of a world-leading community sport system. This means focusing the investment on organisations and projects that will grow and sustain participation in grassroots sport and create opportunities for people to excel at their chosen sport. In addition there are funding programmes open to a wide range of organisations.

These include sports clubs, voluntary or community organisations, local authorities, schools, colleges and universities. The Sport England Small Grants Programme has been set up to support local community sport projects which seek to increase participation, sustain participation or develop opportunities for people to excel at their chosen sport. For example, we might help a sports club expand its age range by helping it to buy extra team kit or pay additional coaching fees. Or we may help youth clubs work together with local sports clubs to get more young people playing sport. It is open to any bona fide not-for-profit club or association, statutory body or educational establishment.

Grants of between £300 and £10,000 are available for revenue and small capital projects. The total project costs must not exceed £50,000.

Application is via a single-stage online form.

They offer advice and support to applicants, and the whole process, from receipt of application to decision, will take no longer than six weeks.

http://www.sportengland.org/funding/small_grants.aspx

Funding for Cricket festivals, schemes and competitions

The Lord's Taverners Grants for Other Cricket Projects are provided and administered by the Lord's Taverners Charity and are available for TSOs active in the UK. The scheme is intended to support organisations which seek to encourage youth participation in cricket and other sporting and leisure activities. In particular, the scheme wishes to fund organisations involved with young people who have social, environmental, physical or learning disadvantages.

The application process is ongoing and interested applicants may apply at any time.

Eligible Expenditure:

Eligible expenditure includes:

- Youth cricket festivals.
- Tournaments.
- Regional competitions.
- Youth special coaching schemes.

Funding will not be provided for:

- Refreshments.
- Trophies.
- Overseas tours.
- Clothing.

Individual or team sponsorship.

For further information on how to obtain this grant locally, please contact the following:

Richard Anstey
The Lord's Taverners
10 Buckingham Place
London
SW1E 6HX
Tel: 020 7821 2828
Email: richard.anstey@lordstaverners.org

Bowls Green Loans Scheme

The Green Loans Scheme is provided by Bowls England, the national governing body for Flat Green Lawn Bowls.

Loans worth up to £4,000 are available for affiliated bowls clubs and county associations to maintain and improve their bowling surfaces. Funding can cover refurbishment work, such as new banks and ditches, along with purchasing new equipment such as lawnmowers and aerators.

Key Criteria: Loans are available to all Bowls England-affiliated clubs and county associations.

Eligible Expenditure: Costs and equipment associated with improving bowling greens, including:

- New banks and ditches.
- Automatic sprinkler systems.
- New equipment such as lawnmowers and aerators.

Application Procedure: Contact Bowls England for further information.

Addresses and Contacts: For further information on how to obtain this grant locally, please contact the following:

Arnold Goad
Bowls England
Lyndhurst Road
Worthing
West Sussex
BN11 2AZ
Tel: 01926 612280
Email: arnold.goad@ukonline.co.uk

Funding for Lacrosse

Eligible Expenditure: Examples of eligible expenditure include

- Training for volunteer coaches and officials.
- Equipment.
- Salary costs of professional staff.

- Paid coaching time.

Enquiries
English Lacrosse
The Belle Vue Centre
Pink Bank Lane
Longsight
Manchester
M12 5GL
Tel: 0161 227 3626

info@englishlacrosse.co.uk

<http://www.englishlacrosse.co.uk>

Grants to support healthy hearts – supporting exercise programmes

Heart Research UK is now inviting applications under its Healthy Heart Grants Scheme. Heart Research UK Healthy Heart Grants support innovative projects designed to promote heart health and to prevent or reduce the risks of heart disease in specific groups or communities. Grants of up to £10,000 are available to community groups, voluntary organisations and researchers who are spreading the healthy heart message.

The types of projects supported in the past have included:

The Foresight Project in Grimsby which encourages visually impaired people to take regular exercise using tandem bicycles

The Ross-shire Bravehearts project in Inverness which educates adults with learning difficulties about heart health so they can take part in physical activities Superleague team, Wakefield Wildcats, which uses star rugby players to educate children about heart health.

There are two applications rounds per year. Applications are only accepted during January and February for the May round of grants and July and August for grants awarded in November, each year.

http://www.heartresearch.org.uk/healthy_heart_grants.htm

Monthly sporting awards from high street bank

Barclays Spaces for Sports has announced the launch of its new Community Sports Award. The Award is a new award to recognise the outstanding achievements of individuals and groups that use sport to benefit communities across the UK. Each month, the winner of the award will receive £1,000 for their group or organisation, a limited edition trophy and will be entered into the end of season award to win a further £5,000. Nominations can be made for any individual, group of individuals or not-for-profit organisation. All entries must be made via www.barclayscommunitysportsaward.com on or before 5.00 p.m. on the 20th of each month.

Supporting a broad range of the arts

Old Possum's Practical Trust supports charitable organisations that work to increase the knowledge and appreciation of aesthetic interests.

Its main areas of interest are:

- History
- Arts
- Architecture
- Literature
- Music and
- Theatre

Further information can be sought through e-mailing

generalenquiry@old-possumspractical-trust.org.uk or looking online at

<http://www.old-possums-practical-trust.org.uk>

Funding for sport and other areas from high street bookmakers

Funds are directed towards a wide range of causes, including: schools, hospices and hospitals, youth support, medical, social sciences, arts, environment and animals, sports.

How To Apply:

In the first instance, the support of a local shop should be secured in raising funds on behalf of a cause. Any monies raised are then banked with the trust, with consideration of additional funds being added by Ladbrokes taken by the trust's grants committee.

When To Apply:

The grants committee meets monthly to consider applications.

Catchment Areas:

UK (communities in which the shops and businesses of Ladbrokes Betting and Gaming Ltd or Ladbrokes eGaming Limited operate). Shops in Corsham and Chippenham, Swindon, Bristol, Exeter, Exmouth, Falmouth, Newquay., Penzance, Tiverton, Gloucester, Stroud, Cheltenham, Bridgewater, Yeovil, Taunton, Crewkerne, Bridport. See website for full listing.

General Notes:

Funding comes not from the Ladbrokes company, but via the fundraising efforts of head office and shop staff, customers and 'Event Days'.

LADBROKES IN THE COMMUNITY CHARITABLE TRUST

Ladbroke Betting and Gaming Ltd
Imperial House

Imperial Drive
Harrow
Middlesex
HA2 7JW

Bursaries available for youth sport and disability

The Torch Trophy Trust offers bursaries to help volunteers improve their skills as coaches or officials in youth sport and sport for the disabled. A bursary will cover 50% of costs up to £1,000. Awards can be used for: Providing funding for volunteers; or encouraging and helping club workers at voluntary level. The trust doesn't have deadlines – all applications are looked at as they are sent in.

http://www.torchtrophytrust.org/ttt_site.htm for more details

Health and social welfare

Healthy Hearts Grants

Heart Research UK Healthy Heart Grants support innovative projects designed to promote heart health and to prevent or reduce the risks of heart disease in specific groups or communities. Grants of up to £10,000 are available to community groups, voluntary organisations and researchers who are spreading the healthy heart message. The types of projects supported in the past have included; the Foresight Project in Grimsby which encourages visually impaired people to take regular exercise using tandem bicycles; the Ross-shire Bravehearts project in Inverness which educates adults with learning difficulties about heart health so they can take part in physical activities; and Superleague team, Wakefield Wildcats, which uses star rugby players to educate children about heart health. There are two applications rounds per year.

<http://www.heartresearch.org.uk/grants/healthyheartgrant>

Funding for social welfare projects

The Noel Buxton Trust focuses on three main areas:

- Welfare of children in disadvantaged families/children in care - Available for families with children of primary school age and younger, children in care can be considered up until they leave care
- Penal reform - Welfare of prisoners and their families, rehabilitation of prisoners and work with young people at risk of offending.
- Sustainable development and education in Eastern and Southern Africa.

Applicants are usually expected to be registered charities.

The maximum grant is £4,000 but is usually for much less.

Applications may be made at any time. Successful applicants will normally hear from the Trust within six months.

Go to www.noelbuxtontrust.org.uk to find out more.

Funding for alcohol education projects

The Drinkaware Trust "Ideas Fund" awards small grants of between £100 and £2,500 to local community (and occasionally national) initiatives designed to promote responsible drinking and reduce alcohol related harm. The Trust funds projects ranging from public education campaigns, peer-led education schemes, educational theatre work, conferences, provision for educational materials, training, workshops to other educational events.

In particular the Trust welcome applications that aim to further the strategic objectives of the Trust, which are:

- To reduce alcohol misuse amongst under-18s; and
- To raise awareness about long term health harms caused by hazardous or harmful levels of drinking.

The Trust accepts applications from; registered charities; other voluntary organisations; and statutory organisations and partnerships. In addition the Trust also makes grants of up to £25,000 for larger projects that undertake direct, hands-on work with individuals and the community as well as grants of up to £100,000 to help larger scale projects pack a more powerful punch or reach a wider audience.

An example of a previously funded project is "Party Safe" a partnership project between Rivington School and a local group called Youth Express. Young people from the latter organisation worked together to produce a ten to twenty minute DVD demonstrating the dangers of drinking to excess and showing how quickly things can get out of control.

Another example is 'Early Break' in Manchester that uses a bus which acts as a one-stop shop, providing a place where young people can learn more about alcohol safety and talk openly about alcohol.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

www.drinkaware.co.uk/grants

Grants for enhancing quality of life for those in need

Individuals in need and charities that work to enhance the quality of life for people in need (specifically the mentally and physically disabled) can apply for funding the ACT Foundation's grant programme.

The Foundation makes grants to support:

- the modifications to homes, schools, hospices etc;
- the provision of specialist equipment such as specialised wheelchairs, other mobility aids and equipment including medical equipment to assist independent living; and

- financial assistance towards the cost of short-term respite breaks at a registered respite centre.

Grants can range from £100 to several millions.

Examples of grants that the ACT Foundation has made are:
Woodlands School – Hydrotherapy pool for disabled children; and
Whizz Kids – Mobility aids for children.

Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.theactfoundation.co.uk/>

Education and Lifelong Learning

Funding for schools and charities

Registered Charities and Schools, working within education and who are seeking funding specifically for numeracy and/or - financial literacy projects can apply to the Britannia Building Society Foundation for grants of between £1,000 and £25,000. Over the last six years the Foundation has made grants totalling £3 million.

Applications can be submitted at any time and there is a simple application form which is available on request by e-mailing charitable.foundation@britannia.co.uk or telephoning on 01538 391806. In addition voluntary groups, charities and schools can apply for grants of up to £1,000 through the Britannia Community Fund. The Fund also supports individual members wishing to achieve personal development goals that support the fund's our key priorities with a donation of up to £100. The Community Fund will support any voluntary organisation, school or charity working within Foundations key priorities of numeracy and/or - financial literacy, that operate within a local community where the Building Society has a high density of members.

Applications to the Community Fund can be submitted at any time

<http://www.britannia.co.uk/site/corporate/social-responsibility/index.html>

£125 Million to improve the performance of the lowest performing schools

The Government has awarded £125 million to the Sutton Trust as the lead charity in partnership with Impetus Trust to establish a new major programme to boost the attainment of some of the country's most disadvantaged children. A new charity will be established by the Sutton Trust to deliver the Education Endowment Fund (EEF) which will be used to both initiate grants and seek innovative and bold proposals from schools, teachers, local authorities and charities, to help them improve the performance of poor pupils in the country's lowest performing schools and narrow attainment gaps in the classrooms. For the first two years of the Fund, applications will only be accepted from, or in partnership with, underperforming primary and secondary schools in England. Information on eligibility and criteria is expected to be available from early summer when the new charity will officially be launched, and the first round of grants will be made in the Autumn. **The programme is expected to run for the next 15 years**, delivering as much as £200 million. For further information click on the link below.

<http://www.suttontrust.com/news/news/125-million-to-boost-the-attainment-of-poor-children/>

Funding for teaching Christianity in religious education

The Jerusalem Trust makes available to schools a number of grants to support the purchase of resources for teaching Christianity in Religious Education.

These can include textbooks, teacher resources, artefacts, videos, tapes and CD-roms for use in RE lessons.

The fund is open to all primary and secondary schools in the UK, although priority will be given to non-church state secondary schools. Occasionally grants will be awarded to primary schools who have experienced the loss of resources through critical incidents such as fire or flood.

The maximum size of any grant is £500 and applications can be submitted at any time.

<http://www.stapleford-centre.org/resources/re-grants-for-schools>

Supporting environmental education in the UK

Not for profit organisations and organisation with a charitable purpose can apply for funding through the Mark Leonard Trust. The Mark Leonard Trust is one of the Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts and focuses on environmental education in the UK.

In particular the Trust seeks to support projects that focus on:

- finding practical ways of involving children and young adults;
- sustainable agriculture and bio-diversity;
- sustainable transport, energy efficiency and renewable energy; and
- youth work that supports the rehabilitation of young people involved in anti-social or criminal activities.

Projects supported in the past have included:

a grant of £10,000 to the Federation of City Farms and Community gardens towards a pilot project in Coventry to develop food growing activities in schools; a grant of £10,000 for 'Web of Hope', towards the Youth Prints environmental learning project with disadvantaged young people in Worcester; and a grant of £10,000 to Plumpton College to complete the construction of an environmentally friendly classroom.

Applications to the Trust can be submitted at any time.

http://www.sfct.org.uk/mark_leonard.html

Funding offered for numeracy and literacy projects

The Britannia Foundation offers grants and donations between £1,000 and £25,000 to registered charities and schools working within education, particularly numeracy and/or financial literacy.

Their focus is to support local communities where there are higher densities of Britannia employees and customers.

The Foundation prefers buying specific items of equipment but in some circumstances will consider capital expenditure and salary costs.

http://www.britannia.co.uk/_site/corporate/in-the-community/foundation.html

Funding for educational projects for the young and disadvantaged

The Equitable Charitable Trust is an education charity. It makes grants totaling up to £1 million each year towards projects for children and young people under the age of 25 who are from disadvantaged backgrounds or disabled.

The Priorities of the Equitable Charitable Trust are:

- Education projects or services that support the learning and development of disabled children and young people;
- Formal education projects for disadvantaged children and young people that support delivery of the National Curriculum (i.e. curriculum enrichment projects) or that deliver accredited vocational learning that will increase employability;
- Education projects that will help increase participation in, or improve the quality of, education for disadvantaged or disabled children and young people in developing countries.

For overseas projects, Trustees particularly wish to support projects with potential to deliver benefits over the medium to long term.

Grants can be made for project costs, capital expenditure, equipment and/or the salary costs of a post.

The majority of projects funded by the Trust take place at local or regional level, though national projects and those benefiting children or young people overseas (in developing countries only) are also supported. Grants for overseas projects are only made through UK registered charities.

The length of funding can range from one to three years with grants of more than one year paid in annual installments, with installments beyond the first year dependent on receipt of progress reports that are satisfactory to the Trustees.

The size of grants ranges from £2,500 to £30,000. Most are for sums between £5,000 and £20,000. It is rare for a multi-year grant to exceed £10,000 p.a. and most multi-year grants will be for sums between £5,000 and £7,500 p.a.

Applications can be submitted at any time and are considered monthly by the Trustees. The Trust does not have an application form, but recommends that organisations follow the guidelines on www.equitablecharitabletrust.org.uk/

Green Issues

Grants for wildlife friendly ponds in schools

The British Dragon Fly Society has announced the re-launch of the Peter Miller Memorial Fund. The purpose of the fund is to support the creation of wildlife friendly ponds within school grounds or within the immediate area of a school for the sole use of school based groups. Ideally the grant of up to £250 would contribute towards the cost of purchasing necessary equipment for pond construction and/or towards the cost of materials used in the course of the pond project. Persons over 21 may apply for a grant on behalf of a specified school, but they must have the support of the Head Teacher. In the first instance a letter briefly outlining the proposed project and the possible use of funds should be sent to the Dave Smallshire Dragonfly Conservation Group (DCG) Convenor, 8 Twindle Beer, Chudleigh, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ13 0JP.

<http://www.british-dragonflies.org.uk/content/grants>

Support for a wide range of project including support for the environment and countryside projects

Registered charities, schools and not-for-profit wishing to encourage young people's interest either in the countryside and the environment, the arts or aiming to raise levels of literacy and numeracy can apply for funding to the Ernest Cook Trust (ECT).

The Trust operates two grant making programmes:

1. The small grants programme (under £4,000) supports state schools and small registered charities which would like to undertake projects which meet the Trust's objectives and require a small amount of pump-priming in order for such projects to take place.
2. The large grants programme (Grants over £4,000) is aimed at more comprehensive education programmes.

In 2008/09, the ECT Trustees gave £1.7m to support over 450 educational projects. Grants awarded range from supporting children's literacy and numeracy, to teaching young people how to manage money in London schools, to helping to keep the ancient craft of coppicing alive by supporting apprenticeships in the North West.

Grants are normally awarded for one year only. Trustees meet several times a year to consider applications.

<http://www.ernestcooktrust.org.uk/grants/index.html>

Economy

New £50 Million Business Angel Fund

The £50m Business Angel Co Investment Fund has announced that it is now open for business.

The fund has been created with a grant from the Regional Growth Fund has been designed and established by a consortium of private and public bodies with expertise in business angel investment. It is a private sector body with clear objectives to boost the quality and quantity of business angel investing in England, and to support long-term, high quality jobs in high growth companies. The fund is able to make initial equity investments of between £100K and £1M to SMEs alongside syndicates of business angels, subject to certain geographical restrictions and an upper limit of 49% of any investment round.

The fund is not open to direct approaches from individual businesses and those seeking investment should first secure the interest of the business angel syndicate or network.

Businesses seeking investment can find more information on business angels, syndicates and networks from the British Business Angels Association website.

<http://www.angelcofund.co.uk/>

SECTION 3 - LOTTERY UPDATE

WWII veterans funding

The Big Lottery Fund is committing over £1 million in extra good cause funding in the year ahead for the country's WWII veterans, to make sure they can make their personal battlefield commemorative journeys to the places they saw action.

The additional funding for the scheme comes on the day the Fund is naming the 50,000th individual to benefit from the Heroes Return grant schemes.

The extra funding for the scheme will help ensure veterans still to apply are able to journey in the year ahead to revisit the scenes of WWII events, such as the forthcoming 70th anniversary of the Battle of Crete.

The current Heroes Return2 programme was scheduled to close in January but now remains open until **31st January 2012.**

More information and details of how to apply for a Heroes Return 2 grant are available by calling 0845 0000 121 or visiting

www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/heroesreturn.

BIG's International Communities Programme

BIG announced that their International Communities programme is now open to applications and will run from 2010-2015. The programme aims to help disadvantaged communities overseas by supporting work that tackles the causes of poverty and deprivation and brings about long-term differences to the lives of some of the most disadvantaged people in the world. Voluntary and community organisations who are working with partnerships with NGOs overseas will be able to apply for grants of between £50,000 and £500,000 to fund projects in all parts of the developing world which will improve education, health, allocation of natural resources, human rights, and/or livelihoods. Applications can be made at any time until the **31st March 2014.**

http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/index/fundinguk/new_programmes.htm#newproguk

SECTION 4 - COUNTY NEWS

DEVON (DEFAN)

FAN contact details – Richard Pears (richard.pears@exeter.gov.uk)

Tel: 01392 265348 or 07921 941101

Bulletin contact details – Eddie Gooding

(eddie.gooding@devon.gov.uk)

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North Devon Council – Community Councillor Grants

Current Status:

Open for Applications

Description:

Financial assistance is available for projects or services which benefit the North Devon Community.

Maximum value: £1,500

There is no set limit on the size of the grant which can be applied for. However, the size of grant usually awarded is as follows:

- For projects covering an electoral ward - up to £1,500.

Extended Description:

North Devon Council's Community Councillor Grants scheme is in place to support community and voluntary groups to help develop activities and facilities that will benefit the socio-economic culture and environment of North Devon.

These are awards for a specific project such as an event, a new or re-furnished facility or a pilot of a new service. The grant seeker will approach the district councillor of their ward for support in their application. They are time limited. All project grants will be subject to a funding agreement. The budget will be split equally amongst the district councillors.

Latest Information:

Applications are accepted and considered throughout the year.

Key Criteria:

Organisations eligible to apply include:

- Voluntary organisations.
- Community organisations.
- Village hall committees, Parish Councils, other community and voluntary sector organisations.

Proposed projects and activity should fall under one of the following headings:

- Sports.
- Culture and heritage.
- Environment and sustainability.

- Social welfare.
- Community.

The project must demonstrate:

- A need for the activity.
- A need for financial assistance.
- Local community support.
- Local benefit in accord with corporate strategies.
- Measurable benefit.
- Environmental sustainability.

Applicants to this fund should have the following:

- A constitution
- A bank account.
- Independently signed off accounts.
- Not-for-profit aims.
- Open access (within target group).

Eligible Expenditure:

Eligible expenditure includes:

- Core running costs.
- Specific projects such as an event, a new or refurbished facility, new equipment or the pilot of a new service.
- Equipment.

Restrictions:

Funding for the following will not be considered:

- Donations.
- Projects which cover an area which is primarily the responsibility of another funding agency.
- Double funding from North Devon District Council sources.
- Out of area activities.
- Fund-raising events.
- Projects which promote religious belief or political activities.
- Twinning.
- Civic events.
- Memorials.
- Retrospective funding.

Application Procedure:

Contact North Devon Council for further information and application forms.

Links

[Community Grants:](http://www.northdevon.gov.uk/index/lgcl_community_and_living/lgcl_grant_schemes/nonlgcl_community_grants_intro.htm)

[\(http://www.northdevon.gov.uk/index/lgcl_community_and_living/lgcl_grant_schemes/nonlgcl_community_grants_intro.htm\) »](http://www.northdevon.gov.uk/index/lgcl_community_and_living/lgcl_grant_schemes/nonlgcl_community_grants_intro.htm)

[North Devon District Council: \(http://www.northdevon.gov.uk\) »](http://www.northdevon.gov.uk)

Useful addresses and contacts for this scheme:

Lucinda Tomlinson Grants Officer
North Devon Council
Community and Leisure Services

Civic Centre
Barnstaple
EX31 1EA

Tel: 01271 388433

Contact North Devon Council

Application Form and guidance –

http://www.northdevon.gov.uk/community_councillor_grants_application_form_07.08.doc

Dartmoor Sustainable Development Fund

The Dartmoor Sustainable Development Fund has been set up to encourage innovative sustainable development projects that help to improve the quality of life for current and future generations. The Fund will support proposals that focus on environmental, economic, social and cultural aspects of life.

The level of grant support will not normally exceed 50%. For the voluntary sector it will not normally exceed 75%. Up to 100% will be available in exceptional circumstances and in most cases this will require a considerable contribution in kind, such as volunteer time or loan of equipment, premises, land etc. Although there is no prescribed maximum or minimum grant, the average to date has been around £6,000.

Proposed projects should change the attitude and behaviour of individuals and communities in ways that enhance understanding of sustainable development and the role of Dartmoor National Park Authority, while promoting co-operation and social inclusion.

Priority will be given to eligible projects that:

1. involve young people and combat social exclusion;
2. encourage links between urban groups and those resident in Dartmoor National Park;
3. demonstrate innovation or best practice;
4. lever in contributions from other sources;
5. add value or new dimensions to existing sustainability projects; and/or
6. have little access to alternative public funding; and/or
7. bring organisations together to co-operate in tackling problems or promoting new ideas.

Visit the website for further eligibility information and to get an application pack:

<http://www.dartmoor-npa.gov.uk/index/livingin/li-dartmoorsustdev.htm>

Before you complete your application you should first speak to the Sustainable Development Officer on 01626 831067 or email dsdf@dartmoor-npa.gov.uk.

Fund for innovative ideas

Springboard is an investment fund created to support the development of innovative ideas that will have a significant impact on the economy of Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.

Seedcorn funding to support early-stage development, feasibility studies or step change activities

There is no set intervention rate; investments will typically be between £50,000 and £250,000

The Springboard Fund will not provide displacement funding if there is another source that will provide the funding.

Public, private or voluntary sector organisations are eligible to apply in Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.

Applications can be made at any time and projects will be assessed on viability, value for money and the overall impact it will make. Grants are discretionary.

Application forms are available to download from the website, supported by proof that the recipient is compliant with current UK legislation.

South West Regional Development Agency

Tel: 0845 600 9966

Email: enquiries@springboardfund.co.uk

Website: <http://www.springboardfund.co.uk>

Small grants programme for Devon

The Devon Community Foundation, which is an independent charity committed to supporting local community causes and providing grants to support local causes, has announced a new grassroots small grants programme for local community groups and charities. Community Groups and Charities in Devon, that are volunteer led and with an annual income of up to £30,000 are eligible to apply for a grant of between £250 and £5,000 over three years.

The grant can be used for activities that increases or develops the capacity of small voluntary and community groups. Examples of the type of activities that can be funded include:

- Staff costs to enable employment;
- Training for volunteers;
- Putting on local events or workshops;
- Measures to achieve a quality award or improved standards;
- Activities to support community activity;

Additional activities to expand an existing funded project; The purchase of equipment to benefit the group such as a computer, oven or furniture, etc.

The foundation is quickly running out of funds for the Grassroots Grant Scheme - apply now to avoid disappointment! It is likely that the next round in September maybe the last standard round to be held, as almost all of the funds available have now been awarded. Therefore, if you are planning to apply to the Grassroots Grants Scheme make sure you apply now. We have Outreach support available should you require help with your application - go to the Grassroots Grants page for further details.

http://www.devoncf.com/applying_for_a_grant/index.htm

Sir John and Lady Amory's charitable trust

Funding for good causes, with a particular emphasis on Devon.

Apply in writing.

Catchment Areas: Devon, and elsewhere in the UK.

Donations in institutions exceeding £1,000 each went to: Knightshayes Garden Trust (£17,000); Relief for the Elderly and Infirm (£1,400); Tiverton Market Centre (£2,000); and Churches Housing Action Team, Dorchester Abbey Appeal, Queen Alexandra Hospital.

Sir John and Lady Amory's Charitable Trust

The Island

Lowman Green

Tiverton

Devon

EX16 4LA

Tel: 01884 254899

SECTION 4c – DORSET (DOFAN)

FAN contact details – Eleanor Porteous (E.Porteous@dorsetcc.gov.uk)
Tel: 01305 221246

Dorset AONB Sustainable Development Fund

Funding for projects that will help to care for the Dorset AONB and the people who live and work in it. You will need to check whether your project lies within the AONB boundaries, although in some cases projects from outside these areas can be supported. Broadly, AONB is looking to support projects that:

- Conserve and enhance natural beauty and heritage
- Support the social and economic well being of communities in a sustainable way
- Add value to local products
- Improve the quality of life in rural areas
- Have the support and involvement of local people or meet a recognised local need

In particular projects that encourage everyone to get involved, including young people, remove barriers to all people's enjoyment and involvement in the countryside and encourage links between urban groups and those resident in the AONB. Grants of up to £20,000 are available; please see the website for deadlines.

<http://www.dorsetaonb.org.uk/default.asp>

Tel: 01305 756782

East Dorset community development grants

Funding is available to a wide range of voluntary organisations in East Dorset that work with, and for, the community. The council's Grant Aid Schemes are designed to assist voluntary organisations and individuals who would not otherwise be supported. Groups working on lifelong learning projects, supporting young people and the elderly, the disabled and those disadvantaged by social exclusions will be given greater priority. Grants of up to £10,000 are available to cover both capital and revenue costs, other funding will need to be secured.

<http://www.dorsetforyou.com/index.jsp?articleid=387693>

West Dorset

Advice and various capital grants are available to community or voluntary groups working to generate, develop and promote economic and social wellbeing within West Dorset. Will give funding for new projects, including capital items, and a contribution towards running costs.

Tel: (01305) 251010

<http://www.dorsetforyou.com/index.jsp?articleid=387697>

Wessex Watermark

Support community and voluntary projects that will directly benefit the environment in the Wessex Water Region. Grants of between £100 and £1,500 are available for project costs, with an additional award of £2,500 which is made to a selected special project. Other funding will need to be secured.

Tel: (020) 7591 311

<http://www.conservationfoundation.co.uk>

<http://www.wessexwater.co.uk/watermark>

The Community Foundation Bournemouth, Dorset, Poole

The Community Foundation administers a variety of funds which aim to support not for profit voluntary and community groups across the whole of Dorset. Funds include

- Sports Relief
- JP Morgan
- Burning Issues

Grants vary from £150 - £10,000 depending on fund. Applications can be sent **at anytime**. For any further information or an informal chat please call.

<http://www.localgiving4dorset.org.uk/home/home.php>

Tel: 01202 292255

bdpfoundation@btconnect.com

SECTION 4d – GLOUCESTERSHIRE (GeFAN)

FAN contact details – Barbara Pond (bpond@grcc.org.uk)

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Windsor Family Trust – Gloucestershire based

This is a new donor-led named fund being offered through the Gloucestershire Community Foundation with effect from October 2010. The programme will support youth development work with young people up to the age of 18 years. Grants of between £250 and £5000 are available

The trust will accept applications from any group working in Gloucestershire but are particularly keen to receive applications from the Dursley and Stroud areas of the county. Applications may be submitted at any time and a decision made within 4 to 6 weeks.

The Windsor Family Trust's focus is on informal education, youth development and measures to overcome disadvantage. All applications must demonstrate this key element to their work.

You will also need to show that:-

You are a registered Charity, Social Enterprise* or a voluntary or community group with a constitution, whose aims contribute to the alleviation of disadvantage in Gloucestershire.

Your organisation/group is well managed and has recent, approved, accounts that can be made available to the Foundation.

The activity for which you are making the bid is well planned and achievable within your stated timescale.

Your grant is primarily for the benefit of Gloucestershire people.

Beneficial outcomes that address local disadvantage and/or identified need, and a lasting impact for your group members or community.

Outcomes that enhance the personal, social or learning development of young people aged up to 18 years.

The Trustees will consider bids for:

New activities, facilities or ways of working that meet needs identified by your group members/ beneficiaries.

Core funding to maintain existing service provision of well managed and effective groups.

Projects that improve relationships in our communities.

Services that improve equality of opportunity for minority groups and those disadvantaged geographically.

Training and equipment, where it can be clearly shown that this is essential for the better running of your organisation.

Small pieces of renovation work or fitting out with equipment following building improvement.

Applications from religious organisations, providing the project work does not seek to promote religious beliefs. Applications from 'Churches Together' organisations are accepted.

Applications will be considered for sole funding or for match funding, provided there is clear evidence that the full funding package has been identified & applied for.

If your application is approved, you would have 12 months in which to spend the grant – starting from the date on which you receive your cheque payment. We would expect that you would start your funded activity within six months of the approval – and indeed would be looking for evidence in your application that such a start date is realistic.

For more details and application form please contact The Gloucestershire

Community Foundation

Jane Jarman, Grants Development Manager , on 01452 656386 or e-mail

jane.jarman@edf-energy.com

Funding for good causes – with a preference for Gloucestershire

D G Albright Charitable Trust provides funding for various causes including medical and children's charities.

Funding NOT For: Individuals

Apply in writing

Catchment Areas:

UK with a preference for Gloucestershire

General Notes:

Donations included those to: St Mary's School - Bromesberrow (£6,000); Maggie's Centres (£5,000); Bromesberrow Parochial Church Council (£2,500); British Empire and Commonwealth Museum, the Countryside Foundation for Education, the Family Haven – Gloucester, Game Conservancy Trust, Gloucester Family Support, Gloucestershire Macmillan Cancer Service, SSAFA Gloucester Branch and St. Luke's Hospital for the Clergy (£2,000 each); Butterfly Conservation, Dean and Chapter - Gloucester Cathedral, Gloucestershire Association for the Blind, Gloucestershire Life Education Centre, Swaziland Charitable Trust, Taste for Adventure Centre and the Three Choirs Festival 2008 (£1,000 each); Castle Gate Family Trust and Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust (£500 each); Bibles for Children (£300); and Breakthrough Breast Cancer (£250).

D G ALBRIGHT CHARITABLE TRUST

Old Church School

Hollow Street

Great Sommerford

Chippenham

Wiltshire SN15 5JD

Contact: Richard G Wood, Trustee

Tel: 01249 720760

SECTION 4e – SOMERSET (SOMFAWN)

FAN contact details – John Skrine
(john.skrine@creatingexcellence.org.uk)
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Small grants for communities

The Somerset Community Foundation is a local independent charity that raises funds and distributes grants to a wide range of community projects and voluntary groups that benefit local people.

We support children, youth groups and older people, those with special needs or disabilities, sports groups, and art and drama projects; aiming to build stronger communities for the benefit of everyone in Somerset

The Foundation administers a variety of funds for grant making and will be able to advise on which grants programme fits your needs or recommend an alternative funder if the project falls outside the Community Foundation's criteria. Please call 01458 833133 to talk to a member of the grants team.

Jocelyn Blacker
Grants and Finance Manager
T: 01458 833133
E: jocelyn.blacker@somersetcf.org.uk

The Wellbeing of Yeovil Association

The Wellbeing of Yeovil Community Association was founded in 1980 by local businessmen to support worthy causes which benefit those living in Yeovil and surrounding communities. Over £400,000 of grants have been awarded towards projects large and small in recent years. Grants are contributed towards the capital element of projects such as building costs or equipment. As a matter of policy the Association does not normally contribute to the running costs (revenue) of projects.

A committee chaired by Tim Chappell MBE meets in January, March, June and September each year to consider applications for grants. In the last couple of years the Wellbeing has made over 30 grants including contributions to projects at West Coker School, East Coker Pavilion, Sutton Bingham Canoe Club, Nether Compton village hall, Yeovil Amateur Boxing Club, Time Out Together playgroup, Yeovil Shopmobility, St Peters Church hall, Urban Warriors Yeovil and Yeovil Hospital's Flying Colours appeal.

If you have a worthy cause or project from which the local community will benefit then consider applying to Tim Chappell 01935 812922 or email tim.chappell1@btinternet.com for help from the Yeovil Association. Alternatively if you or your firm would like to make a donation or join the Association then they would be very pleased to hear from you.

SECTION 4f – WILTSHIRE & SWINDON (WSFN)

FAN contact details – Jane Butler (jane@cibwilts.org.uk)

Bulletin contact details – Damian Wood (damian.wood@wiltshire.gov.uk)

Tel: 01225 713217

Funding to tackle anti-social behaviour – DEADLINE SOON

Wiltshire Police Authority, working with the Community Foundation for Wiltshire and Swindon, have established a fund to help local groups address crime and anti-social behaviour, and improve personal and community security. The funds arise from the proceeds of the disposal of unclaimed property, and is usually around £25,000 per annum.

The Fund is particularly keen to support projects which seek to bring communities together to tackle local issues improving trust and understanding, and welcomes projects which offer a new or innovative approach.

We would expect that applications would focus on one or more of the following areas.

- Anti-social behaviour
- Crime in local neighbourhoods
- Drug and alcohol related crime
- Reducing re-offending
- Violence against women and girls
- Youth crime

Funding is available for one year only, and the maximum grant will be £3,000. You may apply for the full amount of your project and match funding is not required.

All applicants must meet the basic eligibility criteria for this fund as follows:

- You must be a Registered Charity
- You must be a local organisation based in Wiltshire or Swindon and have a local management structure.
- The Project you want to deliver must take place in Wiltshire or Swindon.
- You must not hold more than 12 months running costs as free reserves.

The other general restrictions of the foundation also apply. We will not support the following:

- Sponsorship and fundraising events
- General large appeals
- The advancement of religion
- Medical research and equipment
- Animal welfare
- Substitution of monies that should be provided by the statutory sector
- Party political activities.
- Activities which have already taken place.

The Closing date for applications to this fund is FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2012. You will be notified of the outcome of your application by the 30th March 2012.

For further information please contact the Grants Team on 01380 729284.

FROGNAL TRUST

Funders Overall Aim:

To benefit older people, people with disabilities or sight loss, youth, medical research and environmental heritage.

Funding Type: Between £200 and £3,500

Funding For:

Buildings, capital one-off projects, research and start-up costs.

Who Can Apply:

Registered charities only

When To Apply:

Applications should be received by February, May, August and November for consideration at trustees meeting the following month.

FROGNAL TRUST
WILSON SOLICITORS LLP
STEYNINGS HOUSE
SUMMERLOCK APPROACH
SALISBURY
SP2 7RJ

Contact: Mrs Susan Hickley

Tel: 01722 427536

Gannett offering grant aid

THE Gannett Foundation, the charitable arm of the publishers of the Wiltshire Gazette & Herald and the Wiltshire Times, is inviting applications for grants from local good causes.

Over the last ten years, the foundation has given grants amounting to £4million throughout the UK and applications are invited for sums for specific projects between £5,000 and £10,000.

A spokesman for the foundation said: "We value projects that bring lasting benefits to the communities and neighbourhoods served by our newspapers.

"That includes schemes for neighbourhood improvement and local problem-solving, economic development, youth development, education and cultural creativity, help for the disadvantaged or disabled and environmental conservation."

For the first time, this year applications from uniformed youth groups like the Scouts and Guides are being allowed. Applicants must be registered charities and not have received a grant from Gannett within the last two years. The foundation will not fund salaries, professional fees or day-to-day running costs. Schools and political and religious groups are also excluded.

Application forms are available by ringing Sue Cockrem at the Devizes office of the Gazette & Herald on (01380) 723501, or emailing scockrem@newswilts.co.uk.

They can also be downloaded from the website at www.gazetteandherald.co.uk Closing date for applications is Friday, October 14.

North Wessex Downs AONB Sustainable Development Fund

The SDF supports projects that bring environmental, social and economic benefits to the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). The SDF is intended to develop and test new ways of achieving a more sustainable way of life in this area of great beauty and diversity. Projects are encouraged that have a positive impact on the AONB, demonstrate best practice or present imaginative ideas for achieving sustainability.

The North Wessex Downs LEADER programme

The North Wessex Downs LEADER programme aims to improve the rural economy and quality of life for people living and working in the North Wessex Downs. LEADER is available to farmers, foresters, businesses and communities. Favoured themes for projects include local food, local tourism, mitigation for climate change, farm diversification, business transformation and new small enterprise start-ups.

Further information: Oliver Cripps
Acting Assistant Director
North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
Denford Manor
Lower Denford
Hungerford
Berks
RG17 0UN

Direct Line: 01488 680457

<http://www.northwessexdowns.org.uk/www.northwessexdowns.org.uk>

Mike Slade Scholarship (Sports funding in the community for Wiltshire)

The Sports Development Team of Wiltshire Council has launched a talented athlete grants scheme to help identify and support those young people living in the county, who are training and competing at a minimum of national level. Five grants of £1000 are being made available which will help young people to achieve their goals and work towards gaining success at the highest level in World and Olympic Games. For junior residents specifically in the South of the County we are also administering the [Mike Slade Sports Scholarship award](#) which is now open for application. For full details of both schemes please email tamzin.ewers@wiltshire.gov.uk

Wiltshire and Swindon Intelligence Network website (WSIN)

A new website has been created to provide access to a wide variety of information and research for Wiltshire. The new site, www.intelligenetwork.org.uk, is available to all and aims to support planners and policy makers, community leaders and politicians, voluntary groups and the general public in using accurate data. More information can be viewed [here](#).

This site includes the ability to search for funding (see Wiltshire & Swindon Funding Network section) and replaces the Grantnet search facility that Wiltshire Council previously offered.

This service is in addition to the excellent database run by the Charities Information Bureau. The WSIN offers three sites with information for businesses, community groups and social enterprises. These portals give access to:

- 60 second funding search or category browse for easy and quick access
- 24 hour update for comprehensive funding information
- Full scheme & contact details linking you directly to funding providers
- Local information, support and contact details to help your organisation meet its potential
- Local news bulletins on community issues in your area

Your ability to access individual schemes depends on the nature of your organisation and the activities it is engaged in.

Village Hall Grant Scheme for Wiltshire

Community First administers the Village Hall Grant Scheme on behalf of Wiltshire Council. The scheme is for local communities wishing to provide, extend or refurbish Village Halls.

Grants are available for major capital projects of £10,000 or more.

Funding For:

Major repairs such as a new roof or heating system.

Funding NOT For:

Normal repairs and redecorations.

Catchment Areas:

County of Wiltshire. Not Swindon.

VILLAGE HALL GRANT SCHEME

Carol Southall

Village Halls Adviser

Community First

Wyndhams

St. Joseph's Place

Devizes

Wiltshire SN10 1DD

Tel: 01380 722475

csouthall@communityfirst.org.uk

Wiltshire Community Facility & Biodiversity Grants £1,000 - £45,000

Most of the county falls in an area eligible for Landfill Communities Fund grants for capital spending on community facilities or biodiversity projects.

Eligible projects include:

- Community centre / Village hall improvements

- Play areas, skateboard parks, BMX tracks
- Conservation & Biodiversity projects including village pond restoration and community gardens

And applicants can be:

- Community organisations
- Parish or town councils

Applications are considered for:

- normally no more than 40% of the total project cost
- average £10,000-£25,000
- projects where the remaining funds needed have been mostly identified.

Call or email the Grants Office at Community First to find out if your project may be eligible & for details of the application process.

Community First on 01380 722475 or grants@communityfirst.org.uk

Wiltshire Council - Community Area Grants

Funding Type:

Up to £5,000 available

*Up to and including £1,000 may be available for small projects, where there will be no need for you to find matched funding and applications for the whole project can be considered.

*For funding requests over £1,000 financial support from other sources must be identified (matched funding), which can be made up or in part by contributions in kind. No more than 50% of the total cost of a project will be awarded.

Funding For:

To help provide facilities, equipment and activities that are important to the local community. Projects should demonstrate a link to local priorities/community plan and evidence of an identified community need. Involvement of your local Councillor is desirable. To find out the name of your Councillor please see www.wiltshire.gov.uk or contact the Council on 0300 4560 100

Funding is not for:

Political or Religious activities; Statutory bodies to fund their core services (includes direct funding for schools/PTAs); Sole benefit of individuals; private - profit making/commercial organisation; Running costs - e.g. rent, rates, electricity etc; Work which has already started.

This includes projects where orders/instructions have been agreed and resources committed; Projects which could reasonably be expected to secure finance by other means.

How To Apply:

Applicants are encouraged to discuss their project with the Community Area Manager in advance of submitting an application. A list of Area Managers is given in the Guide to Funding Community Awards at the above webpage.

Applicants are encouraged to make electronic applications which may be found on the Council's website www.wiltshire.gov.uk

Otherwise paper applications remain acceptable. Submit your application to the relevant Community Area Locality Team. A full list of the Teams and maps of the area covered are given in the Guide to Funding Community Awards at the above webpage.

When To Apply:

Applications will be considered at each Area Board meeting, applications must be received a minimum of 6 weeks before the relevant

General Notes:

*Where the total cost of a project is over £50,000 a business plan should be provided.

*Where the total cost of the project is over £10,000, three quotes must be provided (with your preferred supplier identified in Section 3 of the application form). Where the total cost of the project is under £10,000, some financial evidence e.g. a quote which you intend to use must be provided.

*Contributions In kind either as volunteer time or materials may be costed into your project calculations, based on a maximum of £50 per day for general volunteers and £100 per day where professional/technical advice is provided e.g. architect drawing up plans. Please include this information in section 3 and 6 of the application form.

*Applications from Town and Parish Councils will not normally receive more funding than that contributed by that Town or Parish Council, since they are able to raise funds through the precept.

*If your project requires planning permission, building regulations or any other form of licence or approval, this must be obtained before submitting your application.

***CONTACT DETAILS:**

General enquiries: Tel: 0300 456 0100

Northern Locality Area Board: Tel: 01249 706448

Email: areabaordsnorth@wiltshire.gov.uk

Central Locality Area Board Team: Tel: 01225 18441

Email: areboardscentral@wiltshire.gov.uk

Southern Locality Area Board Team Tel: 01722 434236

areboardsouth@wiltshire.gov.uk

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/communityandliving/areboards/areboardscommunitygrantsscheme.htm

Support for older people

Support is available for elderly people through Age Concern (Wiltshire). The trust aims to promote the well-being of older people in order to make later life a happy, fulfilling and enjoyable experience.

Age Concern Wiltshire Services include:

- * Support service.
- * Activity projects.
- * Community safety, public education, presentations and campaigning.
- * Gardening service.
- * Home support.
- * Nail care.
- * Products and services.

- * Research and consultation.
- * Technology club.
- * Traders scheme.
- * Volunteering.

Following the national merger of Age Concern and Help the Aged to form Age UK, Age Concern Wiltshire has changed its name to Age UK Wiltshire.

Our contact details have been changed too:

admin@ageconcernwiltshire.org.uk has become admin@ageukwiltshire.org.uk

www.ageconcernwiltshire.org.uk has become www.ageukwiltshire.org.uk

Salisbury City Almshouse and welfare charities

Elderly people - primarily those who have been resident within the Salisbury District for more than 5 years, and are assessed to be in need of sheltered or very sheltered accommodation.

Three units of accommodation are available for consideration for elderly women who are resident outside of the Salisbury District. Young families, with preference given to single parents, and already resident within the Salisbury District can also be accommodated in a small number of general needs houses/flats. People of all ages who are referred by Social Services, medical practitioners or other similar bodies are also considered for grants for relief in need.

Applicable to those in the Salisbury District

Areas of interest include clothing, equipment, heating, furniture and holidays. Education: schoolchildren for clothing; college students for study/travel abroad, books, equipment and instruments; people starting work for uniform/clothing, books, equipment and instruments. Elderly - to provide sheltered almshouses for needy elderly people and a small number of general needs accommodation for young families.

Minimum of £100, maximum of £300. Grants given in 2003 was £21000.

Apply by application form, which should be sponsored by a social worker or other professional.

Applications are considered month relief in need grants are related to the needs of each applicant. Must be reasonable, and must take into account assistance available from other sources.

Clerk to the Trustees,
Trinity Hospital,
Trinity Street,
Salisbury,
SP1 2BD

Tel: 01722 325640

clerk@almshouses.demon.co.uk

The Salisbury Diocesan Aid in Sickness Fund

Aim: To give assistance to those in need who are suffering from severe illness and where income from other sources is not sufficient to provide a standard of comfort which appears necessary in any individual case.

Funds Distributed:
£4,000 (2008/09)

Funding for: Medical; health; sickness; relief of poverty.

Children/young people; Elderly/old people; people with disabilities.

Application in writing.

Catchment Areas:
Salisbury and 25 mile radius

The Salisbury Diocesan Aid in Sickness Fund
Mrs Meg Able
36 Moberly Road
Salisbury
Wilts SP1 3BY
Tel: 01722 329677

SECTION 4g – FORMER AVON (FANWOE)

**FAN contact details – Balbir Nirwan balbir@blackdeva.org.uk
Tel: 0117 939 6645**

Funding Bristol's youth community groups

Bristol Children & Young People's Partnership Fund is a new fund set up by the Council providing grants for small voluntary and community sector organisations **working in Bristol** with 8-12 year olds, for the purposes of improving the transition from primary to secondary school.

The aims of the fund are as follows: To increase confidence and self-esteem in children; to increase positive social and communication skills and ability to make and maintain friendships and narrow the gap in achieving positive outcomes between those children who are disadvantaged and children overall.

The maximum grant is £5,000.

Applications can be made **at any time**.

<http://www.quartetcf.org.uk/showcontent.asp?CollectionID=@0000000606>

Express Programme

Description: Grants from the Express Programme are awarded to small, local

voluntary and community organisations where a small amount of funding can make a difference in disadvantaged areas. The work of your organisation must benefit people who are disadvantaged or isolated. People may be isolated due to poverty, disability, age, location or culture. Priority is also given to groups that:

- * Enable people to take opportunities that would otherwise not be available to them.
- * Involve local people in improving their community.
- * Reflect the concerns and priorities of people living and working in the area.

Area: West of England (Bristol, Bath & North East Somerset, North Somerset, South Gloucestershire).

Amount: The maximum grant is £2,000.

Closing Date: We accept applications to the Express Programme at any time and there are no closing dates. Applications are considered as and when they are received and applicants should be notified of the outcome within six weeks.

Guidelines: Please download and read the guidelines below before applying for a grant.

To apply: Read the guidelines then apply online or download an application form, complete it and return it to us by post or email.

Quartet Community Foundation supports small, community-based charities and voluntary groups in the West of England whose work benefits local people. We give grants to a broad range of causes and welcome applications from both new and established groups. For more details of all the funding streams available from Quartet Community Foundation or for an application form visit www.quartetcf.org.uk/apply or call Ronnie Brown at Quartet Community Foundation on 0117 989 7705. You can also register to receive their monthly bulletin by clicking on the E-newsletter link in their home page.

www.quartetcf.org.uk

SECTION 4h – NORTH SOMERSET

FAN contact details – Angi Lewis (angi.lewis@vansmail.org.uk)
Tel: 01934 836952

Grass roots

The Quartet Community Foundation has announced that it will launch a £1.3 Million Grant Funds for Local Groups on the 1st September 2008. The Grassroots Grants scheme will support local community groups with an annual turnover of less than £30,000 to develop and run projects that meet a range local needs. Grants of up to £5000 will be available to support activities that will make a difference in local neighbourhoods. The funding is divided across the four unitary authorities of the West of England according to population and need levels and the three year totals available include; £582,000 for Bristol groups; £197,000 for Bath and North East Somerset groups; £241,000 for North Somerset groups; and £280,000 for South Gloucestershire groups. In addition, the Foundation has issued the Grassroots Endowment Challenge. This provides individuals and companies with an opportunity to increase the impact of their giving by 50% - at no extra cost to themselves. For every two pounds donated to the challenge, an extra pound will be added by **government until March 2011**. Money raised will be invested in a fund that will support local community projects.

<http://www.quartetcf.org.uk/showcontent.asp?ShowSiblings=N&ParentID=@0000000163&CollectionID=@0000000621>

SECTION 4i – BATH AND NE SOMERSET

B&NES – Formerly FAB, now part of FANWOE.

Contact: Katherine Tanko – Tel: 01225 33 00 90 or 07725 433 110.

Bath & North East Somerset Local Strategic Partnership (LSP)

Performance Reward Programme: Small Grants Fund

Grants of up to £5,000 are available with a total budget of £300,000 over 2 years. Awards will be made through the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) process. The scheme is designed to help local groups play a greater part in helping their community and to get involved in projects that help deliver the Sustainable Community Strategy. Over the two year life of the fund, £150,000 is available for capital spending such as equipment whilst the remaining 50% is for other costs such as training: groups can however apply for a mixture of both. Organisations applying will not need to be registered charities but must have a formal constitution or set of rules. Applications must also demonstrate evidence of community support.

The application form and guidance notes can be found at www.bathnes.gov.uk/cef or by emailing cef@bathnes.gov.uk or calling 01225 477278. If you are unable to access the application form and guidance electronically, then please call 01225 477278 and they will arrange for you to receive hard copies.

Bath & North East Somerset Supporting Communities Fund

Grants of between £200 and £2,000 are available for groups who are working to tackle some of the causes of mental ill health, social isolation and distress, and to promote and improve people's mental wellbeing. The grant will primarily fund capital items, although ongoing or recurring costs will be considered over a short period of time if the project can be shown to be sustainable. There are two funding cycles, with the intention of awarding half of the fund each time. **Funding deadlines are: Friday 27 May and Friday 14 October 2011.** To read the full guidelines and apply online visit:

<http://www.quartetcf.org.uk/fundresults.asp>

Healthy Lives, Healthy People Fund: This fund is provided by NHS Bath & North East Somerset (B&NES) for community work to reduce health inequalities and improve the health and mental wellbeing of people in B&NES. Grants of up to £2,000 are available. Bids are likely to promote services, spread key health messages and/or provide opportunities for people to be part of activities which will promote good health and wellbeing. **Funding deadlines are: Friday 13th May and Friday 14th October 2011.** To read the full guidelines and to apply visit: <http://www.quartetcf.org.uk/fundresults.asp>

£1000 for Energy Efficiency Improvements to Community Buildings

Western Power Distribution Community Chest is offering community venues in Bath and Northeast Somerset up to £1,000 to facilitate energy efficiency improvements to community buildings. The scheme will fund the installation of simple energy saving improvements including:

- Lighting upgrades
- Heating system upgrades (in particular improved heating controls)
- Insulation
- Draught proofing
- Minor repairs (for example to door and window frames)

For full guidance on how to apply visit

<http://www.cse.org.uk/projects/view/1152>

Bridget Newbery on Tel: 0117 934 1413. The Fund is administered by Centre for Sustainable Energy wpdcc@cse.org.uk

SECTION 5 – OTHER REGIONAL FUNDING INFORMATION

BBC Children in Need, PO Box 76, London W3 6FS. Tel: 020 8576 7788

www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey

Local Information for the south west:

**1 Emma Beeston
Regional Manager - South West
BBC Children In Need**

E-mail: emma.beeston@bbc.co.uk

T: Direct Dial 0117 974 7600(x017600) • Bristol Office 0117 974 6600 (x016600) •
Central Helpdesk 020 8576 7788 (x0267788)

F: Local Fax 0117 974 6690 • Central Helpdesk Fax 020 8576 8887

A: Broadcasting House, Whiteladies Road, Bristol BS8 2LR

BBC Children in Need provides grants for up to three years to properly constituted not for profit organisations working with disadvantaged young people aged 18 or under. Within the BBC Children in Need grants programme, organisations can apply for Small Grants of £10,000 or less per year for up to three years and for Main Grants of over £10,000 per year for up to three years.

Funding is available to organisations (including schools) that work with young people who are suffering from:

- Illness
- Distress
- Abuse or neglect
- Are disabled
- Have behavioural or psychological difficulties
- Are living in poverty or situations of deprivation.

Examples of projects that recently received funding include:

Relate Northamptonshire which received a grant of £58, 589) to provide counselling for disadvantaged children and young people in six schools in Northamptonshire, who have experienced domestic abuse, drug and alcohol abuse and family break up.

Bushbury Nursery School in Wolverhampton which received a grant of £67,645 to develop and provide a series of Stay and Play sessions, a Toy library, and outreach work for children and their parents in the Bushbury area.

The next closing date is the **15th April 2012**.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/grants/general_grants.shtml