



# External Funding Monthly

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**Welcome to External Funding Monthly**, Dacorum Borough Council's e-newsletter offering information & advice on funding opportunities from outside sources including the European Union, National Lottery, UK Government, Trusts, Foundations & other grant giving bodies.

This newsletter is for all officers & members of Dacorum Borough Council, as well as partnerships, Town & Parish Councils and voluntary & community groups that work within the Borough.

*Hi Everyone*

*Welcome to the July 2010 edition of External Funding Monthly.*

*Kind regards*

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*P.A to Director of Performance, Improvement & Transformation, Chief Executives Unit*

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## LATEST FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### Quick guide to eligibility:

Local Authority	LA
Registered Charity	Ch
Social Enterprise	SE
Voluntary or Community Group	VC
Town or Parish Council	TP
Individuals	In

## Reducing crime and creating a safer Dacorum

### Funding for Alcohol Education Projects (UK) LA Ch SE VC TP

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
- 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
- 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.

Examples of previously funded projects include:

"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.

The London Bus Theatre Company; which received funding to educate young people of South Essex on the dangers of alcohol through the medium of drama and performing arts.

<http://www.drinkaware.co.uk/grants>

### National Home Safety Equipment Scheme (UK) In

The main focus of this new scheme is to provide home safety equipment to the most disadvantaged families in areas with the highest accident rates. 'Safe at Home' will be run by The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) **until March 2011**. RoSPA aims to work with existing and new local Home Safety Equipment Schemes in the areas with the highest accident rates. This support will take the form of information, training and the provision and fitting of home safety equipment. One of the long term objectives of Safe At Home is to promote understanding of the importance of home safety and to build the capacity of local communities to run their own schemes providing equipment and advice to families.

For further information and how to participate in the scheme please contact the Safe At Home team for further information or email: [nhses@rospa.com](mailto:nhses@rospa.com)  
<http://www.safeathome.rospa.com/index.htm>

### **Women's Diversionary Fund (UK)** Ch SE VC

The Corston Independent Funders Coalition and the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) have announced the launch of The Women's Diversionary Fund, a joint £2 million programme to help transform the way women are treated by the criminal justice system. The fund will provide grants to third sector organisations to support further growth in community services for women and contribute to building the confidence of courts in alternatives to custody. The Fund will focus on service development or continuation, filling gaps and further developing services and building organisational and sector capacity. There will not be an open application process, instead third sector organisations currently delivering in this or related fields will be invited to apply.

<http://www.corstoncoalition.org.uk/womens-diversionary-fund-announced>

## Creating a cleaner and healthier environment

### **E.ON Sustainable Energy Fund (England, Scotland & Wales)** Ch SE VC LA

E.ON the power and gas generating and distributing company has announced that **the next application deadline for its Sustainable Energy Fund is the 8th October 2010**. The E.ON Sustainable Energy Fund offers grants of up to £20,000 to community groups, not-for-profit organisations and schools who wish to consider and implement sustainable energy projects in their buildings. Local Authorities can apply in partnership with community groups / schools as long as the community group takes the lead in the application process. Projects that can be considered include; the purchase and installation of one or more renewable energy technologies (e.g. wind, solar thermal, PV, wood etc); the renovation of existing facilities to incorporate micro-generation technology (e.g. the reinstatement of a watermill and the purchase of a turbine to produce hydro-electricity); an energy efficiency makeover for your building that could demonstrate significant energy savings and also behavioural change! amongst users; and the use of new or innovative technology to deliver either energy savings or micro-generation capacity. To be eligible organisations must benefit specific groups namely: education, vulnerable people; and people in fuel poverty.

<http://eon-uk.com/about/2654.aspx>

### **Community Renewable Energy Grants (UK)** Ch SE VC TP

The Naturesave Trust, which was set up in 1995, to fund specific environmental and conservation projects throughout the UK and to encourage the greater adoption of sustainable development, especially within the Small and Medium Sized business community (SMEs) has announced that it now provides start up 'seed corn' grants for community renewable energy projects. The Trust are keen to help communities, in particular, that do not have the initial start up capital to undertake all the preliminary work to get to the planning stage and most importantly for the community to retain as much control as possible over the operating income once the project has been successful. Recently funded projects by the Trust include Pilling St John's Primary School which received funding towards the installation of a wind turbine at the school, providing energy and income to the school and Trees for Health which received funding from the Trust to set up green woodworking area to utilise local coppice wood in Devon. [http://www.naturesave.co.uk/trust\\_naturesave.html](http://www.naturesave.co.uk/trust_naturesave.html)

### **Parks for People (UK) LA**

The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) has announced that the **next closing date** for applications to the Parks for People programme is the **31st August 2010**. Launched originally as a joint initiative with the Big Lottery Fund full responsibility for the programme has now passed to the Heritage Lottery Fund Local Authorities as well as not for profit organisations that own public parks and gardens can apply for grants of between £250,000 and £5 million for the regeneration of parks and public gardens (including squares, walks and promenades). Applicants will need to raise at least 30 % of the project costs from their own sources and partnership funding, either as cash or non-cash contributions. The 'Parks for People' programme has a two-stage application process. If a Stage One Pass is awarded, applicants can submit a Stage 2 application. Recent awards include a £1.84 million grant to restore Castle Park in Fordsham, Cheshire back to its original historic landscape and to improve sports facilities, the play area, and cafe and kiosk facilities and a £3.5million grant to restore the historic landscaping and buildings, upgrading footpaths, entrances, furniture and signage of Brockwell Park which is located between Brixton, Norwood and Dulwich..  
<http://www.hlf.org.uk/HowToApply/programmes/Pages/parksforpeople.aspx>

### **One Planet Living Grant Scheme (UK) LA Ch SE VC**

Through the One Planet Living (OPL) Grant scheme, schools, community groups and charitable organisations can apply to their local B&Q store for funding to support a local community project. Projects must support at least one of the following themes; conserve nature; save energy; grow your own; and local culture and heritage. The scheme provides £50 to £250 (at retail cost) of B&Q materials, for example, pond liners, plants, peat-free compost for projects such as a pond/wildlife garden or paints labelled low or minimal VOC for redecoration projects. It is important that the project is sustainable. Thus, the materials and methods used should not cause environmental damage in the short or long-term. The final result should have a long-lasting benefit to the community. OPL Grants do not cover maintenance, so the project should be designed for easy care. Projects must be local to a store and pupils must be involved in school projects. To apply for a grant, applicants will need to contact the environmental champion or store manager at their local B&Q store to discuss project details. **Projects can apply for funding between 1 February 2010 and 30 September 2010 and successful projects must collect their materials no later than 31 October 2010.**

[http://www.diy.com/diy/jsp/corporate/content/environment\\_ethics/ethics/community/grants.jsp](http://www.diy.com/diy/jsp/corporate/content/environment_ethics/ethics/community/grants.jsp)

### **EU Announces Next Life+ Funding Round (UK) LA Ch SE**

The European Commission has announced that the 2010 funding round under its Life+ Programme will open for applications on the 5th May 2010. LIFE + programme is the EU's main fund for supporting environmental projects. With a budget of €2.143 billion, Life + (2007 -13) will address all four priority areas of the Sixth Environment Action Programme. These are; Climate change; Nature and biodiversity; Health and quality of life; and Natural resources and waste. LIFE+ funding is available to both public and private bodies registered in the EU. It is suggested that potential applicants start preparing their 2010 proposals already on the basis of the 2009 application package. It is however very important that the final version submitted in 2010 uses only the 2010 application forms and follows all the instructions in the 2010 application guide (these will be made available on 5 May 2010 on the Life+ web site). Previously supported projects include Groundwork Sheffield which received funding to address climate change by increasing the quality of green roofs. Measures foreseen include the establishment of a UK green roof code of best practice and the encouragement of its adoption through a Green Roof Innovation Awards scheme and Business Solutions Europa Limited which received funding to produce and promote

animated cartoons to help European children learn more about the environment, sustainability and climate change. **The provisional closing date for applications will be the 1st September 2010.**

<http://ec.europa.eu/environment/life/funding/lifeplus.htm>

#### **European Local Energy Assistance Grant (UK) LA**

The European Commission and the European Investment Bank (EIB) have launched a new €15 million grant aid initiative to help local and regional authorities accelerate their investments in energy efficiency and renewable energy projects. Known as the European Local Energy Assistance (ELENA) facility this grants programme will fund technical assistance such as feasibility and market studies, structuring of programmes, business plans, energy audits, preparation of tendering procedures and contractual arrangements; etc that will help cities and regions in Europe bring forward viable investment projects in the areas of energy efficiency; renewable energy sources and sustainable urban transport. ELENA covers up to 90% of eligible costs required for technical support related to a clearly identified investment programme. In general projects need to be in excess of €50 million. Small projects can be supported when they are integrated into larger investment programmes. In principle proposals can be submitted and funding agreements signed, until the end of 2011, except if the amount allocated to the ELENA facility has been exhausted before that time. **There will be no calls for proposals and assistance will be granted on a first-come first-served basis.**

<http://www.eib.org/about/press/2009/2009-255-european-commission-and-european-investment-bank-launch-european-local-energy-assistance-elena-facility.htm>

#### **Boiler Scrappage Scheme (England) In**

The Boiler Scrappage Scheme is one of the Energy Saving Trust's programmes open to 125,000 householders in England living in an owned or privately rented home, giving them £400 off a new A-rated boiler or renewable heat technology, when they scrap the old, inefficient G-rated boiler. To be eligible for this scheme; householders (including tenants) under 60 must be scrapping a boiler that is in working order and is the main boiler used to heat the home; householders (including tenants) that are 60 and over can apply for the scheme regardless of whether the boiler they are scrapping is in working order, however it must still be the main boiler used to heat the home. Homeowners, and those that rent from private landlords and are in receipt of certain benefits, may also be eligible for a grant of up to £3,500 (or £6,000 where oil, low carbon or renewable technologies are recommended) under the Warm Front Scheme. For more details visit [www.warmfront.co.uk](http://www.warmfront.co.uk)  
<http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/Home-improvements-and-products/Heating-and-hot-water/Boiler-Scrappage-Scheme#vouchers>

### **Delivering lifelong learning**

#### **Senior Volunteering Opportunities in Adult Education (UK)**

Organisations working in Adult Education and Lifelong Learning that are interested in setting up a senior Volunteering project with a European Partner Organisation will be able to apply for funding in early 2011 under the Grundtvig Programme's Senior Volunteering scheme. Grundtvig, which is part of the EU's Lifelong Learning Programme funds training opportunities for adult education organisations, staff and learners. Senior Volunteering projects funding aim to build a lasting collaboration with another European organisation around a specific theme or activity or target group, through the exchange of volunteers. Organisations can send senior adult learners (aged 50+) to spend 3-8 weeks as volunteers at your partner's organisation in another country. You will also host the volunteers they send. The volunteers can be involved in any non-profit making activities, so long as they provide good learning

opportunities. These may be formal, non-formal or (most usually) informal activities.  
<http://www.grundtvig.org.uk/page.asp?section=00010001001800020002&sectionTitle=Senior+Volunteering+Projects>

### **The Britannia Building Society Foundation - Community Fund (UK)**

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 totaling £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](mailto:charitable.foundation@britannia.co.uk) or telephoning on 01538 391734.

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. Whilst the Britannia Community Fund focuses on buying specific items or equipment, eg educational toys, books, it will also support small projects in support of their key priorities.

<http://www.itsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk/index.asp?tm=27&cookies=False>

### **Grundtvig Preparatory Visits (UK) Ch SE VC**

Grundtvig is a European Union programme that funds training opportunities for UK adult education organisations, staff & learners. UK organisation involved in non-vocational adult education that want to meet partners prior to submitting a Grundtvig Partnership or Senior Volunteering application, or to attend a Contact Seminar to find new partners. Grundtvig Partnerships offer you the opportunity to work with other European organisations and co-operate on a particular theme related to adult education. Partnerships enable you to involve both your staff and learners in a European project. Senior Volunteering projects funding will help you build a lasting collaboration with another European organisation around a specific theme or activity or target group, through the exchange of senior volunteers (aged 50 or over). Organisations wishing to undertake a Preparatory Visit can apply for funding of up to €1,000. An example of a preparatory visit was from Gingerbread Northern Ireland who used a Preparatory Visits grant to visit potential project partners in Belgium. They met to discuss a collaborating on a Grundtvig Learning Partnership. Organisations must submit their funding application to the UK National Agent (ECOTECH) at least 8 weeks before the activity start date and the **final deadline for 2010 applications is 10 December 2010.**

<http://www.grundtvig.org.uk/page.asp?section=00010001001800010002&sectionTitle=Preparatory+Visits>

### **Leonardo da Vinci - Preparatory Visits Grants (UK)**

Vocational Education and Training providers as well as Schools and Colleges engaged in Vocational Education and Training that wish to get involved in the European Union's Leonardo Da Vinci Programme can apply for funding under the Preparatory Visits Grant element of the Programme. The Leonardo Da Vinci programme is part of the European Commission's Lifelong Learning Programme and aims to build a skilled workforce through European partnerships. The Programme funds overseas work placements and the development of training materials with the

objective of improving the provision of Vocational Education and Training (VET) across Europe. The aim of Preparatory Visits Grants is to enable potential applicants and participants to meet European partners prior to submitting a Leonardo Da Vinci project. The maximum grant available for a preparatory visit is €1,000. Applications must be submitted at least 8 weeks before the activity start date and the **final deadline for applications is the 10th December 2010.**

<http://www.leonardo.org.uk/page.asp?section=00010001001900010002%A7ionTitle=Preparatory%2BVisits>

### **New Programme to Help UK Charities Support People into Employment (UK)**

**Ch SE VC**

Microsoft has announced the launch of Britain Works Initiative, and NGO programme which provides resources and connects UK registered charities working in the employability arena. This initiative is aimed at helping 500,000 people into employment by giving them access to vital IT skills over the next 3 years. By becoming a Britain Works NGO Programme Partner charities will be able to access resources, software, training curriculum and dedicated events and webinars. UK registered charities with an employability programme or who are looking to set up an employability programme in 2010 you can register to join the Britain Works NGO Programme free of charge. To register your interest, please email

[britwork@microsoft.com](mailto:britwork@microsoft.com) . **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

<http://www.microsoft.com/uk/britainworks/ngo.aspx>

### **Paul Hamlyn Foundation Education and Learning Programme (UK) LA**

The Paul Hamlyn Foundation is currently accepting applications under its Education and Learning programme. In particular, the Foundation is looking to fund projects that address the themes of supplementary education and developing speaking and listening skills for 11-19 year olds. Eligible organisations that can apply for funding include charities, local authorities individual pre-schools, schools, out-of-school clubs, supplementary schools, colleges and youth clubs if they demonstrate benefits to the wider community and include partnership working that will result in increasing access to education and learning to all communities and age groups. The costs that can be covered by the Foundation's grants include running costs such as staff salaries and overheads such as stationery, rent, rates and utilities.

Recent grants awarded include:

£80,700 (over 3 years) to the Polegate and Willingdon Schools' Federation for a cross-phase initiative to raise standards, improve attendance and reduce exclusions across and beyond a formal federation of two primary schools and one secondary school.

£108,260 (over 3 years) to the Black Families Education Support Group to fund a supplementary school and mentoring project for Black and Minority Ethnic children and young people aged 10-18.

**Applications can be submitted at any time.** <http://www.phf.org.uk/page.asp?id=85>

### **Better Net Awards (UK) Ch SE VC**

UnLtd together with Nominet Trust, have launched The Better Net Awards, a new programme aimed at providing individuals and groups with support and funding to develop and lead internet based solutions to the problems that affect our society. Grants of up to £5,000 will be available. For those who have an established project with wide reach or demonstrate long-term potential, may be eligible for up to £15,000. To be eligible projects must be original and innovative and meet at least one of the following themes:

- increase education about the internet & information technology
- promote and address online safety

- provide an internet based solution to social, educational, health and environmental issues
- increase digital inclusion and the use of new media for a social purpose.

Examples of projects include:

*Tim Bowerbank – Roy the Zebra*

'Roy The Zebra' website is home to a package of interactive games, stories and resources that have been developed to help emerging readers learn to read. The site can be used at school or at home and is a comprehensive literacy resource that is freely accessible. Roy The Zebra aims to make life easier for educators who teach reading skills and a fun, simple and creative learning process for pupils.

*Jan Rutter – Cancer Buddies Network*

Cancer Buddies Network is an online networking support for cancer sufferers. The aim of the website is to give to others what Jan found so vital in helping her recovery and to getting her through the good and bad times along the way. The objective of Cancer Buddies Network (CBN) is to help everyone find that special buddy on the internet for the purpose of sharing, caring and supporting each other through the ups and downs of their personal experiences

For further information on how to apply click on the link below.

<http://unltd.org.uk/betternetawards/>

**Partnership Grants Scheme for Primary and Secondary Schools (UK) LA**

The Royal Society has announced that the Partnership Grants will re-open open for applications on the 6th September 2010. Through the scheme grants of between £250 and £3,000 will be 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 practising 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 £21,050 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 and 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 closing date for applications will be the 5th November 2010.** <http://royalsociety.org/Partnership/>

**Funding for Joint Curriculum Projects with French Schools (England) LA**

The British Council is currently seeking applications for funding from primary / secondary state schools and sixth form colleges in England which have an established partnership with a school in France. Schools can apply jointly with a neighbouring school if the nature of the project lends itself to inter-school co-operation. Funding of £4000 is available to undertake a joint curriculum project with the French partner school. Projects should be innovative, creative and involve joint activities with the French school while being fully embedded into the curricula of both schools; should ensure regular and necessary communication takes place between pupils and staff from both schools, and work towards a concrete collaborative outcome; must include a visit to the partner country. Activities undertaken during the visit should be strictly linked to the project; and projects should aim to have a wide impact within the school and local community and should show an element of partnership sustainability. **Visits must take place between April 2010 and March 2011.**

### **Further Funding For Regenerative Medicine Research And Development (UK)**

**In**

The Technology Strategy Board has announced that it is to invest a further £6 million, and is inviting British companies to bid for funding through two new competitions that will open on the 8th March 2010. As part of a £21.5 million programme in regenerative medicine, £4 million will be invested in commercial research and development projects in regenerative medicine therapeutics, and £2 million in feasibility projects in regenerative medicine tools and technologies. The aim of the Developing Therapeutics competition is to enable UK businesses to carry out preclinical and clinical development of regenerative medicine therapeutic products; this will enable consortia to accelerate product development to take advantage of future market or funding opportunities. And the aim of the Tools and Technology Feasibility Studies is to enable UK businesses to address challenges currently being faced by developers of regenerative medicine therapeutics through the development of platform technologies.

### **Encouraging business and local employment**

#### **New Programme to Help UK Charities Support People into Employment (UK)**

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<http://www.microsoft.com/uk/britainworks/ngo.aspx>

#### **Research Funding for SMEs (UK) SE**

The Eurostars Programme, which is the first European funding and support programme to be specifically dedicated to Small and Medium sized Enterprises (SMEs) has announced that the next application deadline is the 30th September 2010. Under Eurostars funding is available to SMEs to undertake research and development in any technological area, but must have a civilian purpose and be aimed at the development of a new product, process or service. Eurostars supports collaborative projects involving at least two participants (legal entities) from two different Eurostars participating countries. In addition, the main participant must be a research-performing SME. Eurostars will support projects that are market-driven and that have a maximum duration of three years. In addition projects must be within two years of completion and ready for launch onto the market. The exception to this rule applies to biomedical or medical projects, where clinical trials must be started within two years of project completion.

<http://www.eurostars-eureka.eu/>

#### **Helping British Businesses To Get Online (UK) SE**

Enterprise UK, Google & e-skills, with the support of the Department for Business Innovation & Skills, are working together to help Getting British Business Online, and they are aiming to get 100,000 businesses online with their first website for free, during 2010. They have developed a tool that will allow small businesses to get

online quickly, easily and for free, and for those who are already online, they have created a tool to identify ways in which they can make even more from their website. For small business interested in using the tools, you will need to pre-register by clicking on the 'More' Link.

<http://www.gbbo.co.uk/partners/smebenefits>

### **£1,000 Shell LiveWIRE Grand Ideas Awards (UK) In**

The Shell LiveWIRE Grants Ideas Award is now open to applications to young entrepreneurs aged between 16 and 30 years of age. Each month, up to four awards of £1,000 will be awarded to new businesses (within their first 12 months of trading) with the most innovative and unusual ideas. **The deadline to submit applications is the last day of each month.** <http://www.shell-livewire.org/#>

### **Nationwide Foundation Small Grants Programme (UK) Ch**

Through the small grants programme, the Nationwide Foundation makes grants of up to £5,000 to registered charities with incomes of under £500,000, which fit the Nationwide Foundations's funding guidelines. Under its small Grants programme the Foundation currently makes grants in the following areas. These are:

- Money Matters - which aims to tackle financial exclusion affecting disadvantaged groups across the UK. In particular the Foundation seeks to support survivors of domestic abuse to build their financial capability in order to help them live independently and achieve improved quality of life; and older people who face financial exclusion in order to help them achieve improved quality of life.
- Home Matters - which aims to address housing issues and homelessness among vulnerable groups in the UK. In particular support survivors of domestic abuse to live independently and achieve improved quality of life; and to support older people with their housing needs.

**Applications to the Small Grants Programme can be made at any time.**

<http://www.nationwidefoundation.org.uk/grants.asp#a2>

### **Support for Young People Starting Up in Business (England, Scotland and Northern Ireland) In**

Young people wishing to start up their own business may be able to apply for funding and other support measures through the Prince's Trust Business Programme. The programme can provide support to young people who are; aged 18-30; unemployed or working less than 16 hours a week; and living in England or Northern Ireland. The type of support available includes a low interest loan of up to £4,000 (up to £5,000 for a partnership); ongoing advice from a business mentor; access to a wide range of products and services. This includes a free legal helpline, sponsored by Barclays; a grant of up to £1,500 in special circumstances (subject to local availability); and a test marketing grant of up to £250 (subject to local availability). Young people in Scotland aged 18-25 may be eligible. **Applications to the programme can be made at any time.**

<http://www.princes-trust.org.uk>

### **Skills for the Future Programme Opens for Applications (UK) Ch SE**

The Heritage Lottery Fund's (HLF) has announced that the new Skills for the Future programme is now open to applications. This is a new £5million grant programme that will deliver up to 1,000 paid training opportunities for people across the UK seeking a career in heritage. It will not only support traditional conservation training but also a wide variety of skills needed to engage people with heritage and utilise new media and technology. The programme is open to applications from organisations and partnerships – for example of community and voluntary organisations, professional bodies and learning and training providers and will

provide grants of between £100,000 and £1 million for projects which provide paid training placements to meet a skills gap in the heritage sector, and fully support trainees to learn practical skills. **To support applicants the HLF is running a number of pre-application workshops in December and January.** For more information on these please click on the link below.

<http://www.hlf.org.uk/HowToApply/programmes/Pages/Skillsforthefuture.aspx>

## Meeting housing need

### **Support for the Homeless (England and Wales)**

CRASH, the construction and property industries' charity for homeless people, provides support to organisations in England and Wales that help homeless people. CRASH does this by supporting improvements to hostels, day centres, night shelters, training centres and move-on accommodation, for frontline homelessness agencies who work directly with homeless people. CRASH seeks to support these organisations by; providing professional expertise such as, architects, quantity surveyors, project managers and specialist engineers; providing cash grants; and /or providing free building materials free of charge from supporting suppliers. To be eligible for support organisations must be registered charities, have legal hold on the building in question, either freehold or lease for at least 3 years, and the building must be used to deliver services to homeless people or a high percentage of people who are homeless or be related to the charity's administrative functions. For further information click on the link below;

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

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## Promoting culture, arts, leisure and tourism

### **Funding for Disabled Artists (UK)**

The Arts Council England has announced that the next deadline for applications under its "Unlimited Commissions" scheme is the 18<sup>th</sup> October 2010. The scheme which is supported by London 2012, the UK Arts Councils and the British Council aims to commission new work that is artistically led by disabled artists and celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Grants of between £25,000 and £50,000 are available to disabled and Deaf artists, and disabled and Deaf-led arts

organisations, who wish to develop their work, strengthen their artistic practice, challenge perceptions and forge new partnerships with presenting venues and events

### **WREN Announces Next Application Deadline (UK)**

WREN which provides funding for community, heritage and environmental projects in areas close to landfill sites by awarding grants for environmental, heritage and community projects has announced the first application dates for 2010. Funding is available through three grant programmes. The small grants programme which provides grants between £2,000 and £15,000 with a total project cost of under £50,000; the WREN Main Grant Scheme offers funding of between £15,001 and £50,000 and the Biodiversity Action Fund which provides funding of between £75,000 and £250,000 to deliver biodiversity improvement projects under Object DA. Eligible organisations that can apply for funding include environmental organisations, voluntary groups, charities, not-for-profit organisations and community groups. **The application deadlines are the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2010 for the main and small grants programme. The deadline for the Biodiversity Action Fund is the 29<sup>th</sup> January 2011**

### **Foyle Foundation Small Grants Programme (UK)**

Small charities operating in the areas of the arts and learning that have an annual turnover of less than £100,000 per annum can apply for funding of between £1,000 and £10,000 through the Foyle Foundation's Small Grants Programme. The Foundation which is one of the largest grant making trusts in the UK provides grants that are helping to make the arts more accessible by developing new audiences, supporting tours, festivals and arts educational projects; encouraging new work and supporting young and emerging artists; and that address special educational needs and learning difficulties. Larger organisations can apply for funding through the Foyle Foundations Arts and Learning Main Grants Programmes. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**  
<http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/small-grants-scheme/>

### **Support For Grassroots Sports Projects (UK)**

The Wells Sports Foundation, a unique sporting charity created and funded by Barrie Wells, is offering grants of between £500 and £2,000 to sports clubs to support sustainable grassroots projects. Funding is available for clubs that need equipment that is specially focused on increasing participation; CRBs for volunteers; coaching qualifications; refereeing/umpiring courses. To be eligible to apply for funding projects must support the development of grassroots sport for young people between the ages of 5 and 18; clubs must have achieved Clubmark status, have at least one partnership agreement with a local state school, have raised at least 50% of the required funds for the overall project, and total project costs must not exceed £5,000. **The deadline for applications is the 10th of every month.**

<http://www.wellssportsfoundation.org/grassroots-sport/sport-grants.aspx>

### **4iP Awards (UK)**

UnLtd, the charity for social entrepreneurs has announced that it has teamed up with Channel 4 to launch of a new funding scheme (4iP) to help individuals turn their digital media projects into a reality. Grants of up to £5,000 are available to help individuals develop early stage digital media ideas and prototypes and to turn these prototypes into social businesses. This can include supporting great ideas for websites, games and mobile services which help people improve their lives. There are two themes that 4iP is looking to support. These are; using the web and mobile to keep an eye on how government, organisations and elected representatives use their power; and exploring how digital tools, games, applications; and services can help people change their lives for the better whether that's their health, wellbeing,

finances, work/life balance or dealing with unemployment. The awards are available to individuals over the age of 16; as well as informal groups. To discuss your ideas and to obtain an application form please contact 0845 850 1122 or email <mailto:4ip@unltd.org.uk> .

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

<http://www.unltd.org.uk/template.php?ID=179&PageName=4ip>

### **New Music 20x12 (UK)**

The PRS for Music Foundation has announced the launch of New Music 20x12 as part of London 2012 Cultural Olympiad. PRS are looking for 20 brand new musical works, of outstanding creative excellence, each lasting 12 minutes. Together these will celebrate the UK's musical talent and creativity throughout 2012 and beyond. PRS have up to **£10,000** available for each of the 20 commissions and each of these will be broadcast round the world on **BBC Radio 3**. The initiative is open to composers, ensembles, festivals and music organisations that have a proven track record of being able to successfully promote, produce and host new commissions. If you are a composer, ensemble or music creator you will need to partner with one of the aforementioned not for profit organisations in order to apply. **The deadline for applications is the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2010.**

<http://www.prsformusicfoundation.com/newmusic20x12/index.htm>

### **Call for proposals— Preparatory Action in the Field of Sport (UK)**

The European Commission has launched a call for proposals to support its 2010 Annual Work Programme for the preparatory action in the field of sport and for special annual events. A total of €2.5 million is available to support transnational projects aimed at identifying suitable networks and good practices in the following areas. Fight against doping; Promoting social inclusion in and through sport; and Promoting volunteering in sport. Applications can be submitted public bodies and civil society organisations. EU co-financing will be provided to a maximum of 80 % of the total eligible costs. Staff costs may not exceed 50 % of the total eligible costs. Other external co-financing can include maximum 10 % of contributions in kind.

**The deadline for submission of applications to the European Commission is the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2010.**

[http://ec.europa.eu/sport/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/sport/index_en.htm)

### **Architectural Heritage Fund (UK)**

The Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF), is a registered charity that promotes the conservation and regeneration of historic buildings in the UK and is now open to applications. Grants and low interest working capital loans are available to voluntary organisations and building preservation trusts (BPTs) to regenerate historic buildings to create community and education facilities, workspace and homes. To be eligible to apply for financial assistance organisations must have a charitable status. Any charity with a qualifying project can apply for an options appraisal grant, or a loan, but any other AHF's grants are reserved for BPTs - charities established specially to preserve historic buildings. The project must also involve a change of ownership and/or a change of use. Previously funded projects include turning a run down historic buildings into; Community theatres; Resource centres; Community learning centres; Workspaces; Places to live; and Community meeting places, etc. **The next deadline for applications is the 12th August 2010.**

<http://www.ahfund.org.uk/index.html>

Film Fund (UK) 

The UK Film Council has announced that they have £15 million a year to invest across the development, production and completion of feature films through the Film Fund. The fund will support UK filmmakers who are emerging or world class and capable of creating distinctive and entertaining work. Applications are welcome for all kinds of film – from commercial mainstream to experimental, from genre movies to personal stories, from documentaries to animation to live-action fiction. Applicants will need to submit two written proposals - one creative, and one strategic. <http://www.ukfilmcouncil.org.uk/filmfund>

### **£1,000 Shell LiveWIRE Grand Ideas Awards** **In**

The Shell LiveWIRE Grants Ideas Award is now open to applications to young entrepreneurs aged between 16 and 30 years of age. Each month, up to four awards of £1,000 will be awarded to new businesses (within their first 12 months of trading) with the most innovative and unusual ideas.

**The deadline to submit applications is the last day of each month.**

<http://www.shell-livewire.org/>

### **Grants for the Arts - Individuals and Organisations (England)** **LA Ch SE VC TP** **In**

Grants are available to individuals and organisations for up to five years for arts-related activities that take place mainly in England.

- For grants to organisations there is a ceiling of £100,000.
- For grants to individuals there is a ceiling of £30,000.
- For all grants, the minimum application is £1,000.
- For national activities the maximum grant is £200,000

Organisational grants are available to arts organisations; local authorities and other public organisations; partnerships; regional and national organisations; organisations whose normal activity is not arts-related, including voluntary and community groups and groups of organisations (one will need to take the lead and have the main responsibility for managing the application and any grant).

Grants to individuals are available to; artists; performers; writers; promoters; presenters; curators; producers; groups of individual; and other individuals working in the arts.

**Applications can be submitted at any time and there is no application deadline**

<http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/gfta2006.php>

### **Funding for Community, Heritage and Environmental Projects (UK)** **Ch SE VC**

WREN which provides funding for community, heritage and environmental projects in areas close to landfill sites by awarding grants for environmental, heritage and community projects has announced the first application dates for 2010. Funding is available through three grant programmes:

- The small grants programme which provides grants between £2,000 and £15,000 with a total project cost of under £50,000
- The WREN Main Grant Scheme offers funding of between £15,001 and £50,000
- The Biodiversity Action Fund which provides funding of between £75,000 and £250,000 to deliver biodiversity improvement projects under Object DA.

Eligible organisations that can apply for funding include environmental organisations, voluntary groups, charities, not-for-profit organisations and community groups.

- The type of activities supported in the past include:
- The provision and upgrading of community sports facilities
- The restoration of historic buildings and monuments
- Upgrading and improving Community Centres and Memorial Halls
- Provision and improving of children's play areas

- Improvements and enhancements of parks, nature reserves and public gardens
- Restoration of Natural Habitats

**Eligible organisations have until the 29<sup>th</sup> January 2011 to apply via the Biodiversity Action Fund.**

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

### **IdeasFund Now Open To Applications (UK) In**

IdeasTap, a non-for-profit initiative supports young creative filmmakers between 16 and 25 years of age, has announced that their Ideas Fund Shorts and their Ideas Fund Innovators are open to applications. Through the Ideas Fund Shorts, IdeasTap is offering eight awards of £5,000 to the most original ideas. And through the Ideas Fund, 10 awards of £1,000 are being offered to help those at the beginning of their creative careers to take their project to the next stage. The deadline for applications for the Ideas Fund Shorts and the Ideas Fund Innovators is the 29th March 2010.

**Innovators will re-open for the next round of applications on the 30th March 2010.**

<http://www.ideastap.com/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=/Default.aspx>

### **PRS for Music Foundation Announces 2010 Application Deadlines (UK) Ch SE VC**

The PRS for Music Foundation, which is the UK's largest independent funder for new music of any genre, has announced the closing dates for its funding schemes for 2010. Its main aims are to stimulate and support the creation and performance of new music in the UK, ensuring this reaches a wide audience. The PRS Foundation provides a range of grants to support performance groups, festivals, promoters and organisations. Since March 2000 it has supported over 3000 new music initiatives with over £12 million. The average size of grants in 2008 was £3,000.

**The closing dates for applications are the 9th August and the 15th October.**

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

### **Sportsmatch (England) Ch SE VC**

Sportsmatch, which is funded by Sport England to support the development of grassroots sport has announced that it is now seeking applications for funding for 2010/11. Through the scheme, Sportsmatch offers pound for pound matched funding to investments made by businesses, trusts and individuals into projects that encourage sports participation at grass roots level. The funding available is primarily for running costs (maximum grant £100,000) although capital awards of up to £25,000 can be made through the scheme. This can include non personal sports equipment such as outdoor basketball nets, kwik cricket surfaces, boats, sports wheelchairs etc. The scheme is open to community based sports projects, in particular those that benefit young people, disability groups, black and minority ethnic groups and/or women and girls. Since its original launch in November 1992, Sportsmatch, together with commercial sponsorship, has invested more than £102 million into 5784 community sports projects across England. 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. **Applications to the scheme can be made at any time.**

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

### **Young Roots (UK) LA Ch SE VC TP In**

Young Roots offers grants of between £3,000 and £25,000. The scheme aims to involve 13-20 year-olds (up to 25 for those with special needs) in finding out about

their heritage, developing skills, building confidence and promoting community involvement. Projects need to be related to the local and culturally varied heritage of the UK. For example, it could involve young people researching a local archive or doing practical casework on a nature reserve. Projects must also show how young people are managing and participating in the project. Projects should promote social inclusion and equal opportunities by involving a wide range of young people of different abilities and cultural backgrounds. **Applications can be made at any time.** <http://www.hlf.org.uk/HowToApply/programmes/Pages/youngroots.aspx>

### **Call for Proposals - The Thematic Networking of Twinned Towns (UK) TP**

The European Commission has indicated that there will be a new call for proposals under its thematic networking of Twinned Towns initiative, which is part of the new Active Citizens for Europe Programme (2007 -2013). Through the Thematic Networking of Twinned Towns initiative grants are available for towns with existing town twinning links to come together in thematic networks that address issues of common concern. This Programme provides financial support for conferences and workshops that address specific themes, involving at least three towns, developed within the framework of existing town twinning agreements. These events should be the starting point for future joint initiatives between the twinned towns. The maximum grant to be awarded is €22,000 per project. A maximum of €40,000 per project can apply if at least 10 towns participate in the project. The minimum grant awarded is €2,500. Applications are accepted from municipalities and twinning committees, local and regional governments and associations representing local authorities. **The closing date for applications will be the 1st September 2010.**

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/citizenship/funding/2010/index\\_en.php](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/citizenship/funding/2010/index_en.php)

## Encouraging community involvement

### **BIG's Community Wildlife Fund (UK)**

The BIG Lottery Fund has announced the launch of its new Community Wildlife Fund. Through the fund not for profit groups, local councils, schools and health bodys can apply for funding of between £300 and £10,000 for projects that will bring together local people to discover, enjoy or protect wildlife in their local area by improving rural or urban environments for people to enjoy, and by getting people more active and healthier.

Example projects include:

- protecting wildlife habitats
- creating a nature trail, woodland walk or wildlife garden for people to enjoy
- improving natural community spaces, such as rivers, ponds and woodland
- exploring parks, rivers and the countryside to look for rare or endangered species;
- encouraging people to take up gardening or go on nature walks
- providing opportunities for children to learn about nature through play.

There are three deadlines for applications. **The first deadline is the 21st July 2010**, followed by the 22nd September and the 24th November 2010.

[http://www2.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog\\_community\\_wildlife?tab=1&regioncode=-uk](http://www2.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_community_wildlife?tab=1&regioncode=-uk)

### **Biffaward Small Grants Programme Now Open (UK)**

Biffaward, one of the largest landfill communities fund scheme has announced that they are now accepting applications through their small grants programme, for projects that enable communities to improve local amenities and to conserve wildlife. Grants are of between £250 and £5,000, but projects must not cost more than

£10,000 in total. To be eligible projects must be site-based within ten miles of a Biffa operation and 10 miles of an active landfill. Biffaward seeks to support access and improvements to amenities such as furnishing community buildings; cycle paths; recreational facilities; playground equipment; park improvements; access improvements to nature reserves. They will not fund equipment or running costs. Some projects that have benefited from Biffawards small grants in the past are:

- Evigton village green, on the outskirts of Leicester
- Avon Wildlife Trust to make improvements to Willsbridge Valley Local Nature Reserve in Bristol.

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

<http://www.biffaward.org/about/soverview>

### **Funding to Improve Local Communities (UK)**

Groups of individuals as well as small community and voluntary groups within the UK that want to improve their communities can apply for funding through the Wakeham Trust. The Trust are particularly interested in supporting:

- neighbourhood projects
- community arts projects
- projects involving community service by young people
- projects set up by those who are socially excluded.

The Trust also support innovative projects to promote excellence in teaching (at any level, from primary schools to universities), though we never support individuals. The Trust normally give grants to projects where an initial £75 to £750 can make a real difference to getting the project up and running. To be eligible, applicants need to be registered charities or have access to a registered charity that will be willing to accept funds on their behalf. The type of activities supported in the past include:

- A grant of £250 to three young people in Leamington Spa who were trying to set up a youth club. The Trust gave them £250 to help set up the club in an old Scout hut
- A grant of £50 to an unemployed ex-professional footballer in Yorkshire to buy footballs and equipment for a group of 100 or so tough kids to play football.

**Applications can be made at any time.** <http://www.wakehamtrust.org/>

### **The Archer Trust (UK) Ch VC**

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/>

### **Philip Lawrence Awards (UK) Ch SE VC**

Local groups that are making a real contribution to their local community and the lives of others; and groups that promote respect and understanding of faiths, culture and communities internationally are being invited to enter the Philip Lawrence Awards. Established in memory of Philip Lawrence, the head teacher who was murdered outside the gates of his school in London, these Awards recognise and reward outstanding achievements in good citizenship by young people. Winning groups receive cash awards of up to £1,000 to invest in sustaining or developing

the award-winning activity. Groups made up of any number of nominees aged 11 to 20 years are eligible to enter. Nominations may be made by, for example school teachers; governors; youth and community workers; police officers; local authority members; staff in Racial Equality Councils; people in voluntary and community sector bodies. Since 1997, over 95 groups have received a Philip Lawrence Award. The first stage of judging is to whittle down all the nominations and choose a shortlist of up to 30 regional finalists. These finalists are recognised and celebrated in their local area, as well as going through to the judging panel for the national awards. **The closing date for nominations is the 15th September 2010**

<http://www.philiplawrenceawards.net/home>

### **Lloyds TSB Foundation Announces an Increase in Available Funding (England and Wales) Ch SE VC**

The Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales has announced that due to a higher level of income they have increased the level of funding for 2010 and will sustain it for 2011, 2012 and 2013. The aim of the Lloyds TSB Foundation's Community programme is to provide financial support for work that helps disadvantaged people to play a fuller role in the community. The Foundation is particularly interested in work that achieves this through:

- Improved social and community involvement
- Improved life chances
- Helping people to be heard.

The Foundation are particularly keen to support small and medium sized community-based charities where small amounts of money can make a significant difference to local people's lives. The types of work funded include:

- Running costs, including salaries to ensure that charities can maintain and develop their core work/services
- Funding for projects that build on charities' core work. Funding is available for one to three years.

<http://www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk/PressandMediaCentre/Pages/LloydsTSBFoundationforEnglandandWalesannouncesincreasedincomeof%C2%A325247mfor2010.aspx>

### **Ofcom Launches New Bidding Round under its Community Radio Fund (UK)**

Ch SE VC

The Office of Communications (Ofcom) has announced that the next fund round for Community Radio Fund will open for applications on the 14th April and close on the 11th May 2010. The Community Radio Fund has been established to help fund the core costs of running a community radio station. These not-for-profit radio stations have a social purpose, and work to involve their target community in running the service. Under the fund, Community Radio Stations are being invited to apply for funding to support their core running costs. These core costs can include; management; administration; financial management & reporting; fundraising to support the station (grants and commercial funding); community outreach; and volunteer organisation and support. There is no upper limit of grant that can be applied for. Grants can only be made to community radio licensees ("Licensee") which are broadcasting under a community radio licence (and not an RSL, for example). During the last bidding round 35 Community Radio Stations received grants ranging from £5,000 to £17,000.

[http://www.ofcom.org.uk/radio/ifi/rbl/commun\\_radio/Communityfund/](http://www.ofcom.org.uk/radio/ifi/rbl/commun_radio/Communityfund/)

### **HBOS Foundation - Community Action Programme (UK) Ch**

Through its Community Action programme, the HBOS Foundation makes grants of up to £10,000 to support a diverse range of local activities. The programme which is available in those communities where the HBOS bank operates, is open to registered charities and has two key themes: Money advice and financial literacy, and

developing and improving local communities. Previous projects funded include a grant of £2,500 to Ravenscliffe Special School in Halifax to purchase an adapted tricycle providing pupils with the opportunity to engage in fun filled exercise sessions whilst providing much needed sensory stimulation and a grant of £2,100 to purchase sensory play equipment, arts and crafts materials and a number of musical instruments for a family support centre based in Perth for children, young people and adults with autistic spectrum disorder. **Applications can be made at any time.** <http://www.hbosfoundation.org/index-community.html>

### **New £2 million Access to Volunteering Pilot Fund Launched (England) Ch SE VC**

The Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) has announced the launch of a new £2 million Access to Volunteering Pilot Fund. Organisations in Greater London, the West Midlands and the North West can apply for grants of between £250 and £5,000, which can be used to help overcome barriers that stop disabled people volunteering, such as specific equipment, a lack of suitable access and understanding of disability issues. The fund operates between autumn 2009 and spring 2011. In addition to supporting disabled volunteers, the pilot will test different ways to apply for funds such as video applications and face-to-face pitches. The grant fund is being managed by a consortium comprising Charities Aid Foundation, RNIB and Digital Public. **The next deadline for applications is 6<sup>th</sup> August 2010.**

### **Improvements To Reaching Communities Programme Process (England) LA Ch SE VC**

The Big Lottery Fund has announced that they are going to make at least £100 million available across England through their revamped flagship "Reaching Communities" programme for the next five years. This will include making access to the programme easier. Applicants seeking smaller grants will enjoy a simpler application and assessment process, and for those applying for larger grants will learn sooner whether their project has a chance of receiving funding. Those invited to the second stage, will have a much higher chance of being successful for funding. The main aim of Reaching Communities is to help bring real improvements to communities and to the lives of people most in need. The new funding will be available for Charity, Community Groups, and voluntary organisations from this spring. BIG are also looking at a dedicated capital stream offering funding within Reaching Communities for community buildings. [http://www2.biglotteryfund.org.uk/pr\\_100209\\_eng\\_rc\\_big\\_steps\\_to\\_make\\_flagship\\_funding\\_programme\\_even\\_better](http://www2.biglotteryfund.org.uk/pr_100209_eng_rc_big_steps_to_make_flagship_funding_programme_even_better)

### **Civil Society Challenge Fund (UK) Ch SE VC**

The Department for International Development (DFID) has announced that the Civil Society Challenge Fund (CSCF) **will re-open for applications on the 1st April 2010.** The CSCF is an annual competitive fund which can provide up to £500,000 for 5 years for projects that support the British government's fight against world poverty in the developing world and to help raise awareness of development issues within the UK. The fund is open to not-for-profit UK-based civil society organisations, networks or coalitions which share DFID's overall goal of poverty eradication. DFID welcome applications from Non-governmental organisations; Membership groups; Faith based organisations; Trade unions, etc. Applicants need not be organisations whose primary purpose is international development. However, applicants need to demonstrate that they have an established and effective relationship with local civil society organisation(s) in the countries where the project will be implemented. Projects supported in the last round include; the empowerment of excluded women in Rural Nepal and HIV prevention & impact mitigation among prisoners, their partners

& families & prison workers in Kenya..

<http://www.dfid.gov.uk/Media-Room/News-Stories/2010/Results-of-Civil-Society-Challenge-Fund-2010-Competition-announced/>

## Meeting the needs of children and young people

### **Funding to Support to Youth Workers Mobility and Exchanges (UK)**

The European Commission has launched a new call for proposals under Action 4.3 of the Youth in Action Programme. Under this call for proposals a total of €600,000 is available to support projects that give youth workers the opportunity to experience youth work in a different country and to learn new skills and competences. To be eligible, projects must be based on a solid partnership between two partners from two different countries. Preference will also be given to projects reflecting the current annual priorities. These are the European Year for Combating Poverty and Social Exclusion; youth unemployment and promotion of young unemployed people's active participation in society; and awareness-raising and mobilisation of young people around global challenges (such as sustainable development, climate change, migrations, the Millennium Development Goals). The maximum grant available per project is €25,000 and the **closing date for applications is the 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2010.**

### **Young Persons Volunteering Fund (England, Scotland and Wales)**

The Sita Trust has announced the next funding round of its new Young Person's Volunteering Fund. Through this new fund, the SITA Trust can provide grants of up to £10,000 for volunteering projects owned by 14-25 year olds. The SITA Trust can support projects in any of 90 funding zones around qualifying waste processing sites operated by their donor, SITA UK. This fund has been created to assist young people aged 14-25 to volunteer their time to create or enhance facilities that can be enjoyed by the wider community. To be eligible applicants must be able to demonstrate that young people will be fully involved in the design and development of the project and projects must be compliant with the rules of the Landfill Communities Fund. **The first closing date for applications is 10am on 9th August 2010.**

### **Funding to Develop International School Links (England & Wales)**

Funding is available for teachers and headteachers to undertake short visits to a partner school in any country to set up a curriculum based partnership or develop an existing link. Travel, board and lodging costs can be funded. The maximum grant per person for a visit within Europe is £500. Higher travel costs to a maximum of £1000 for visits further afield can be considered. The funding is available to teachers and headteachers from primary, secondary, and special schools, sixth form and further education colleges in England and Wales. Priority will be given to applicants who have not previously visited their partner school. Only one applicant per school can be funded. The maximum funding available is £500 for short haul destinations and £1,000 for long haul.

**The next application deadline is the 20th September 2010.**

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships-study-visit-funding.htm>

### **Youth in Action Programme Launches New Call for Proposals (UK)**

The European Commission has issued a call for proposals aiming to support projects, which promote information and communication actions with a European dimension that are aimed at young people and youth leaders. Preference will be

given to those projects which best reflect the permanent priorities of the 'Youth in action' programme:

- participation of young people,
- cultural diversity,
- European citizenship,
- inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities.

Preference will also be given to projects reflecting the following annual priorities of the call:

- media literacy
- global issues affecting young people, such as climate change, sustainable development, migrations, and the Millennium Development Goals.

To be successful, applicants need to submit projects that enhance the dissemination of quality information and increase young people's access to information and to various channels of communication at both national and European levels. Proposals can be submitted by non-profit organisations. These can include non-governmental organisations (NGOs), public bodies at regional or local level, or national Youth Councils. Projects must involve partners from at least two different programme countries.

The total budget allocated to the co financing of projects under this call for proposals is estimated at €1,000,000. Financial assistance from the Commission shall not be granted for more than 80 % of a project's total eligible expenses. The maximum grant available is €100,000. **The closing date for applications is the 10th September 2010.**

### **Foyle Foundation Schools Library Programme (UK)**

State funded secondary and primary schools as well as dedicated schools catering for those with Special Educational Needs (SEN) that do not have or want to improve their libraries can apply for funding through the Foyles Foundation Schools Library Programme. This programme recognises that there is no statutory requirement for schools to have a library and that many school libraries are in a desperate situation through underfunding and underdevelopment. Encouraging children to read widely from an early age will provide a major boost to improving literacy levels, which is a current key educational objective. Priority will be given to funding library books. The Foundation will also consider contributions towards library software, necessary IT equipment and specialist seating/desks. Preference will be given to schools which can clearly demonstrate that their library can be maintained and renewed in the future. The average grant made under this programme is £10,000. **Applications can be submitted at any time.** <http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/how-to-apply/state-schools.php>

### **The Big Give School Logo Competition (UK)**

The Big Give, in association with their design partner Golly Slater, has announced the launch of The Big Give Logo Competition, open to students, giving them a chance to design a brand new charity logo. TheBigGive.org.uk features over 6,000 charities, many of whom do not have logos, which reduces the impact of their charity page. The competition gives students the chance to design a logo for a charity and offers a prize of £1,000, as well as £10,000 for their school/college. Golly Slater will also transform the best logos into high-resolution images, ready for charities to use on theBigGive.org.uk. For further information click on the link below;

<http://www.thebiggive.org.uk/schools-philanthropy/>

## **vcashpoint Launches New Funding Round (England)**

v, the independent charity set up to encourage young people to volunteer, has launched the next application round of the vcashpoint scheme. vcashpoint is giving away £2,500 to 16-25 year olds in England with ideas for a London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games inspired volunteering project to improve their community. Eligible individuals can apply for a grant of up to £2,500 to bring their idea to life. To apply for a vcashpoint grant, you must be aged 16-25, live in England, and be up for running the project yourself. You'll need to show how your project will help other people (not relatives), the environment or your community and how it has been inspired by London 2012.

Previous vcashpoint supported projects have included:

- The setting up of a Rugby Club to offer people the chance to play rugby who had never previously done so.
- A project to encourage young Muslim boys to learn how to cook healthy meals.
- A project to introduce photography to a group of young refugee boys, and using this as a way to break down language barriers.

**The closing date for applications is 12 noon on the 6th September 2010.**

<http://vinspired.com/rewards/vcashpoint>

## **The Kids Fund (UK) LA In**

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 June and October.**

[http://www.field-studies-council.org/supporters/kidsfund\\_application.aspx](http://www.field-studies-council.org/supporters/kidsfund_application.aspx)

## **European Youth Foundation (UK) Ch SE VC**

The European Youth Foundation is an independent, international, non-governmental organisation dedicated to the positive development of children and young people throughout the world. To support its objectives the Foundation makes grants to international not for profit youth organisations and networks. The types of activities supported include international youth meeting, the development of projects that benefits young people and help towards the administrative costs of eligible organisations and networks. In addition the Foundation also funds a range of pilot projects. **The next application deadline is the 1st October 2010.**

<http://www.eycb.coe.int/EYCBwwwroot/index.asp?language=eng&url=/EYCBwwwroot/ENG/EYF.asp>

## **Teachers International Professional Development Programme (England) LA**

Classroom teachers in nursery, primary and secondary schools that already have an existing link with a school overseas, and wish to develop the partnership further through a study visit can apply for funding support through the school-determined element of the Teachers International Personal Development Programme (TIPD).

This part of the TIPD programme is administered exclusively by the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust, on behalf of the Department for Children, Schools and Families. Funding is available for travel costs, travel insurance, accommodation, a daily subsistence allowance and for the provision of necessary transport at visit destinations. Teachers interested in applying for a school-determined visit, need to do so at least four months prior to departure. Given that it is preferable for visits to take place outside of normal school hours, to minimise disruption to pupil learning, we envisage that the majority of visits will take place during half-term periods, unless schools are able to meet their own supply cover costs for other dates.

**Applications need to be submitted at least four months prior to departure.**

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/learning-tipd.htm>

### **Britain Sasakawa Foundation Grants Programme (UK) LA**

Schools in the UK that wish to develop links with Japan and Japanese schools are able to apply for funding through the Britain Sasakawa Foundation. The Foundation makes small grants of up to £1,500 to support activities that support the study of the Japanese language and culture, School, Education and Youth exchanges. In the past the Foundation has made grants towards visits between the UK and Japan between by teachers and young people and the teaching and development of Japanese language and cultural studies in schools. Schools that have successfully applied to the Foundation include George Mitchell School, who received a grant of £1,000 to support an international week at the school with focus on Japan and County Upper School, Bury St Edmunds, which received a grant of £5,000 to help fund a study tour to Japan by eight Year 11 students and two teachers.

**The next application deadline is the 31st August 2010.** <http://www.gbsf.org.uk/>

### **Partnership Grants Scheme for Primary and Secondary Schools (UK) LA**

The Royal Society has announced that the latest round of its Partnership Grants scheme next round **will open on the 6th September 2010 and close on the 5th November 2010**. Through the scheme grants of between £250 and £3,000 will be 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 practising 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.

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

### **The Hedley Foundation (UK) Ch**

The Hedley Foundation invites registered charities in the UK to apply for up to £5,000 support mainly young people with their education, creation, support, training, health and welfare. The Foundation also support disabled people and the terminally ill with provision of specialist equipment and support for carers. Last year the Foundation

received 1,467 applications, of which less than two-thirds were within their funding criteria. The made 348 grants (averaging £3,000). The Trustees meet six times a year. The closing date for a meeting is three weeks beforehand. For more information on the Foundation including application deadline please click on the 'More' link. <http://www.hedleyfoundation.org.uk/>

## Improving social care and health

### **Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust Grants Making Programme (UK)**

The Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust which awards grants to charitable organisations in the United Kingdom and overseas has announced that **the closing date for the final funding round under its Children; Youth; The Elderly; Medical funding programme is the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2010**. Grants are usually between £1,000 and £10,000, with the majority being £5,000 or less. Exceptionally, grants of up to £20,000 are made, but these are usually for medical research projects. Previous grants awarded include a grant of £5,000 towards a resource centre providing advice and training for workers dealing with mental health in rural areas and £5,000 towards a project aimed at behavioural programme for persistent young offenders. The priority funding areas for the Trust in the next two years will be Music and the Arts; and projects overseas in 2011 and Homeless; Addiction; Asylum and Refugees; Sexual and Domestic Abuse; Prisoners and ex-Offenders in 2012.

### **Healthy Hearts Grants (UK)**

Heart Research UK has announced that the next funding round of its healthy heart grants will open in July 2010. 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. 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.**

### **ACT Foundation (UK)**

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

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

### **The Thomas Baily Charitable Fund (UK and Republic of Ireland)**

The Baily Thomas Charitable Fund is a registered charity which was established primarily to aid the research into learning disability and to aid the care and relief of

those affected by learning disability by making grants to voluntary organisations within the UK and the Republic of Ireland working in this field. The Trust consider under learning disability the conditions generally referred to as severe learning difficulties, together with autism. In this area, they consider projects concerning children or adults. Learning disability, thus defined, is a priority for funding. They will not offer grants for research into or care of those with mental illness or dyslexia. The Fund offers grants from £250 upwards. Applications will only be considered from voluntary organisations which are registered charities or are associated with a registered charity. **The next deadline for applications is the 1st October 2010.** <http://www.bailythomas.org.uk/>

### **Macmillan's Training & Conference Grants (UK)**

Members of self-help and support groups, community groups and small voluntary organisations can apply for grants of up to £3,000 through Macmillan's Training and Conference Grants, to help with the costs of hosting or attending training courses, workshops, conferences and events which aim to provide people affected by cancer with the knowledge, skills and networking opportunities that help to:

- Set up or identify the need for a new self-help and support groups
- Develop the activities of an existing self-help and support group
- Raise awareness of self-help and support to address an unmet need within a particular community.

Grants awarded in the past include:

- Travel expenses to and from the venue
- Food and accommodation costs
- Child care costs and carer costs
- Fees for speakers, therapists and trainers
- Venue hire
- Expenses for delegates.

**The deadline for applications is the 1st December 2010.**

[http://www.macmillan.org.uk/HowWeCanHelp/CancerSupportGroups/HowWeSupportYourGroup.aspx#DynamicJumpMenuManager\\_2\\_Anchor\\_1](http://www.macmillan.org.uk/HowWeCanHelp/CancerSupportGroups/HowWeSupportYourGroup.aspx#DynamicJumpMenuManager_2_Anchor_1)

### **Professional Development Grants (UK) Ch SE**

Help the Hospices has announced that they are currently seeking applications through their Professional Development Grants programme. The programme is open to applications from clinical and non clinical staff working in full UK member hospices of Help the Hospices and clinical staff working in associate member hospices. The professional development grants will fund a wide range of courses, conferences and study days that will contribute to the quality of care given to patients in need of palliative care, and their families. Priority will be given to applications for; accredited courses and study days; conferences and courses specifically focusing on palliative care. Grants available are of up to 50% of the course or module fees, up to £750 per year for any one course, and a maximum of £1,500 over a four year period. For conferences, grants will be of up to £75 per day or 50% of the total cost. Any grants awarded to an individual working for an associate member of Help the Hospices must be match-funded by their employing organisation, and funding will only be available towards courses specifically focused on palliative care. **Applications can be made at any time.**

<http://www.helpthehospices.org.uk/our-services/grants/uk/professional-development-grants/>

### **Music Grants for Older People (England & Wales)**

The registered charity, Concertina makes grants to charitable bodies which provide musical entertainment and related activities for the elderly. The charity is particular keen to support smaller organisations which might otherwise find it difficult to gain funding. Since its inception in 2004, it has made grants to a wide range of charitable organisations nationwide in England and Wales. These include funds to many care homes for the elderly to provide musical entertainment for their residents. Some of the charities that have received grants from the charity include Age Concern, Exmouth which received a grant for entertainments for the elderly in Exmouth and surrounding areas and Sue Ryder Care, Lancashire to fund access to music therapy workshops at Birchley Hall near Wigan and St Helen's. **The next application deadline is the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2010.**

### **Â £10 Million to be Invested in Developing Innovative Technology and Services for Independent Living (UK)**

The Technology Strategy Board, together with co-funders the Economic and Social Research Council and the Department of Health's National Institute for Health Research, is to invest up to £10 million in new research that will help to underpin the development of innovative, cost-effective user-centred services for independent living. Through its Assisted Living Innovation Platform, which supports UK businesses and the health & care sector to develop new technologies and services to support the elderly and those with long-term conditions, the Board is to invite competitive proposals for research projects in the two areas of Economic & Business Modelling and Social & Behavioural Studies. The Economic and Business Modelling theme of the competition aims to provide improved evidence to underpin industry and social enterprise, to encourage investment in (and implementation of) assisted living services and technology. The Social and Behavioural Studies theme aims to better understand the interactions between Assisted Living technologies and services and individuals, families and communities. The competition opens on 21 June 2010 and compulsory expressions of interest must be submitted by 29 July 2010. There will be a briefing and networking event on 10 June 2010, and other events planned, which organisations interested in the competition are recommended to attend. **The competition closes on 14 October 2010.**

### **Funding For Arts Organisations Producing and Presenting Arts Made By Older People (UK) Ch VC In**

The Baring Foundation has announced that its Arts Programme 2011 will open for applications at the end of September 2010 and will continue with the same theme as last year, which is to support arts organisations in the UK already producing and presenting arts made by older people. **New guidelines and application forms will be available on the Baring Foundation's website from the end of September.** <http://www.baringfoundation.org.uk/program.htm>

### Promoting Healthy and Caring Lifestyles

#### **Gardening For Disabled Trust (UK)**

The Gardening for Disabled Trust offers grants to individuals in order that they may continue to garden, despite advancing illness, age or disability. In order to apply for a grant, individuals must be a member of the Trust's Garden Club and have a written note from their GP, social worker or occupational therapist, describing their disability. The Trust offers a range of support measures such as:

- Adapting private gardens to meet the special needs of the disabled
- Making grants towards tools, raised beds, paving and greenhouses
- Providing help with special gardens in hospitals, centres and schools
- Distributing information on garden aid and techniques
- Providing a forum for disabled gardeners by publishing the Garden Club's magazine.

The Trust's committee meet once a month to consider applications.

<http://www.gardeningfordisabledtrust.org.uk/about.html>

### **Funding to Develop Cancer Self Help Groups (UK) Ch VC**

Through the Helping You Help Others programme, Macmillan, the national charity supporting people living with cancer, is inviting new cancer self help and support groups across the UK to apply for grants of up to £500 to help with their initial development and promotion of service such as promotional costs; printing (leaflets, stationary, newsletters etc.); postage; venue hire; refreshments costs; and speaker fees; etc. Start-up grants for new groups are assessed on a monthly basis from January through to December. The final closing date for Start-up grant applications this year is 1 December 2010. For more information and to request an application pack, please email: [resources@macmillan.org.uk](mailto:resources@macmillan.org.uk) or phone 020 7840 4936.

Macmillan are also inviting existing groups to apply for grants of up to £3,000 for their continuing development, for activities such as; away days; speaker's fees and associated costs such as travel; and the purchase of group resources such as computers, laptops and display materials for use at information days. **The closing date for grants to existing groups applications 29th October 2010.**

<http://www.macmillan.org.uk/HowWeCanHelp/CancerSupportGroups/HowWeSupportYourGroup.aspx>

### **More than £165m to Support Home Adaptations for Disabled People (England)**

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The Government has granted over £165m to help local councils pay for adaptations that will enable disabled people to live comfortably and independently in their own homes. The Disabled Facilities Grant programme will help around 40,000 people with disabilities make improvements to their homes, thereby improving their everyday lives and allowing them to avoid the turmoil and costs of moving house. The grant can be used for a wide variety of adjustments that will make life easier for disabled people, including severely disabled ex-Service personnel. Acceptable types of work include: widening doors and installing ramps providing or improving access to rooms and facilities - for example, by installing a stair lift or providing a downstairs bathroom; adapting heating or lighting controls to make them easier to use; improving or providing a suitable heating system; providing suitable bathroom or kitchen facilities and improving access to and movement around the home to enable individual to care for another person who lives in the property, such as a child..

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/news/corporate/1527555>

### **Extra Funding To Reward Children Walking To School (England) LA**

Living Streets, a national charity that stands up for pedestrians, and rewards children who walk to school has announced that they have received £800,000 funding boost from the Government for their scheme 'Walk Once a Week'. The extra funding will be used to expand the scheme to at least 900 more schools with a focus on the West Midlands, Greater Manchester, Merseyside, and Tyne and Wear. 'Walk Once a Week' since it begun to run six years ago, operates in every London borough and has seen fifty-nine per cent of girls and sixty per cent of boys in participating schools take part in the scheme and walk to school at least one day a week. The scheme supports the Government's Walk4Life campaign, part of our national Change4Life movement helping families to 'eat well, move more and live longer.

<http://www.livingstreets.org.uk/news/uk/press-release/-/minister-launches-wow-funding>

### **Parent Participation Grants (England)** LA Ch SE

The Together for Disabled Children Partnership has announced that the deadline for applications to Phase 3 of the Parent Participation Grant Scheme is the 30th April 2010. The Parent Participation Grant Scheme is part of the Aiming High for Disabled Children programme supported by the Department for Children, Schools and Families. A total of £5 million is available between 2008 and 2011 to support the development of the involvement of parent carers in the planning and strategic development of services for disabled children. Under phase 3 of the programme a total of £10,000 is available for each Local Authority area in England to help local groups develop parent participation activities. The Application form and guidelines will be published shortly on the Together for Disabled Children Partnership website. <http://www.togetherfdc.org/Topics/PPFundingandGrants.aspx>

## Developing Community Cohesion

### **Funding for Individual and Small Groups to Improve their Local Communities (UK)**

Groups of individuals as well as small community and voluntary groups within the UK that want to improve their communities can apply for funding through the Wakeham Trust. The Trust are particularly interested in supporting neighbourhood projects, community arts projects, projects involving community service by young people, or projects set up by those who are socially excluded. The Trust also support innovative projects to promote excellence in teaching (at any level, from primary schools to universities), though we never support individuals. The Trust normally gives grants to projects where an initial £75 to £750 can make a real difference to getting the project up and running.

To be eligible, applicants need to be registered charities or have access to a registered charity that will be willing to accept funds on their behalf.

The type of activities supported in the past include;

- A grant of £350 to a group of elderly and disabled volunteers to enable them to open a café for children where they can meet friends and have a bite to eat. The café was situated in the poorest area of town; it had to relocate because the previous building didn't have access to drains that could support a disabled toilet. The money was used to buy books, CDs and videos for a reading corner and a TV/video room. Additional money was raised through their charity shop and raffles.
- A grant of £200 was given to buy tools and equipment for a community garden in Kings Cross, London. The plot was rescued by the local community when attempts were made to sell it for office space in 1981. The garden offers horticulture therapy for adults with special needs, the elderly, a children's gardening club and children's plots.

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

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

**The Pilgrim Trust (UK)** Ch VC

The Pilgrim Trust has announced that the priorities for their Social Welfare programme have changed. Through this programme the trust aims to break cycles of dependency and to help develop a sense of social inclusion in disadvantaged or marginalised groups within the UK. The fund aims to support projects:

- That support people who misuse drugs and alcohol
- In prisons and projects that provide alternatives to custody.

Grants of up to £5,000 will be rewarded through their small grants scheme, and grants over £5,000 through their main grant fund. The Pilgrims Fund also provides funding for projects that seek to conserve historical buildings, monuments and collection, and also projects that promote awareness either by making collections more available or supporting academic research, through their Preservation & Scholarship programme.

There are no deadlines. **Applications can be submitted any time.**

<http://www.thepilgrimtrust.org.uk/index.php>

### **Awards for Bridging Cultures (UK) Ch VC**

Community and voluntary organisations that are working towards making a real and meaningful contribution towards the mutual understanding of cultural differences within communities are being invited to enter the Awards for Bridging Cultures (ABC). There are three different categories of the Awards for Bridging Cultures: Voluntary or community groups or organisations running projects to promote intercultural dialogue with gross annual financial income of over £100,000 (in the last two financial years), Voluntary or community groups or organisations running projects to promote intercultural dialogue with gross annual financial income of £100,000 or under (in the last two financial years), Local authorities, public sector organisations and private companies who can demonstrate their support for voluntary sector projects which promote intercultural dialogue by financing, initiating or supporting grassroots projects. The winners of each of the two categories for voluntary organisations will receive £10,000 and commended organisations in these categories will receive up to £5,000 each. **The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 13th September 2010.**

<http://www.bridgingcultures.org.uk/About>

### **Church and Community Fund (England) Ch VC**

Under the Church and Community Fund grants of up to £10,000 are available to community projects run by parish churches, deaneries, dioceses and other bodies connected to or working in partnership with the Church of England. Projects supported must promote, aid and further the work of the Church of England. This does not exclude Anglican projects in partnership with ecumenical or other-faith partners, which are warmly welcomed, but it does exclude projects run by secular bodies which have little or no connection to the Church of England, overseas projects and projects in which an Anglican body is not a key player at a local level. Typical projects supported by the CCF might include; employing a youth worker; renovating an old church hall for use as a community centre; providing hot meals for the homeless in a church room. **The next application deadline is the 16th July followed by the 30th September and the 31st December.**

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### **£50,000 Innovation in Faith-Based Social Action Prize (England) Ch VC**

The Government has announced a new £50,000 Innovation in Faith-Based Social Action Prize. The prize is being developed to help publicise and reward faith based projects which have not yet received the recognition they deserve. Prizes will be awarded to faith projects who are finding new ways to meet local problems, bring people together and meet the needs of local communities. The prize which will be launched in the Summer 2010, will make awards in five different categories. These are; independent projects (i.e. not already receiving public funding); projects delivered with funding support from a local authority; advocacy and community

development projects; multi faith projects; and youth projects. The total value of the prize fund is £50,000. This includes a top prize of £15,000 for the most innovative social action project, and three runners up prizes of £5000. There will also be four prizes of £1000 for the best examples in each of the five different categories totaling £20,000. Projects can nominate themselves, or be nominated by others. Expressions of interest should be sent to [InnovationPrize@communities.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:InnovationPrize@communities.gsi.gov.uk)  
<http://www.communities.gov.uk/news/corporate/1507453>

### **£1 Million Fund To Help Faith Groups Have Their Voices Heard (England)** LA Ch SE

The Government has announced a new £1m fund to help faith groups get their voices heard by Government and public bodies and help play their part delivering public services. The Faith Leadership in Government will make grants of up to £30,000 to national organisations that can show a track record of representing and having real roots in their communities, of working with government, and of having a real contribution to make. The Fund will open to applications in summer 2010. The Government also announced the launch of the £50,000 Innovation in Faith-based Social Action Prize this summer. A top prize of £15,000 will be available to the most innovative social action project, and three runners up prizes of £5,000. There will also be four prizes of £1,000 for the best examples in each of the five different categories which are:

- Independent projects (i.e. not already receiving public funding)
- Projects delivered with funding support from a local authority
- Advocacy and community development projects
- Multi faith projects
- Youth projects.

Projects can nominate themselves, or be nominated by others. Expressions of interest should be sent to [InnovationPrize@communities.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:InnovationPrize@communities.gsi.gov.uk).  
<http://www.communities.gov.uk/news/corporate/1507453>

### **Support for Community-Owned Pubs Announced (England)** LA Ch SE

The Government has announced a new pilot support programme to help local communities to set up and run community-owned pubs. The support programme, is part of a 12 point action plan announced by the Government to give practical support to community pubs up and down the country. The £3.3m programme will provide grants to communities matched with loans from Co-operative and Community Finance and a contribution from the communities themselves. Alongside funding, the programme will provide a range of advice and support to communities to help them through the process of setting up a community-owned pub. The Community-Owned Pubs Programme, led by the Plunkett Foundation and developed with the Office of the Third Sector, will be delivered in partnership with a range of organisations with direct experience of supporting pubs and enabling community-ownership including Pub is the Hub, Co-operative and Community Finance, Co-operatives UK, CAMRA and the Co-operative Development Network. For further information please contact Mike Perry on 01993 814381 or at [mike.perry@plunkett.co.uk](mailto:mike.perry@plunkett.co.uk).  
<http://www.plunkett.co.uk/newsandmedia/news-item.cfm/newsid/358>

### **Faith in Action Fund Round 2 Opens for Applications (England)** VC

The Community Development Foundation has announced that a second funding round for its Faith In Action Programme is now open for applications. Faiths in Action is a £2 million grants programme sponsored by Communities and Local Government and administered by the Community Development Foundation that is open to faith, inter faith, voluntary and community sector organisations at national, regional and local levels in England. The aim of the fund is to support the government's aspiration

to help faith communities and others to promote understanding, dialogue and develop strong and sustainable partnerships. The Fund is particularly keen to support projects that focus on the inclusion and participation of women and young people and those which involve partnerships between one or more organisations. Faiths in Action supports delivery of the Government document, Face to Face and Side by Side. All applications must therefore directly relate to one or more of the fund's four priorities which are derived from this framework. These are; developing the confidence and skills to "bridge" and "link" ; supporting shared spaces for interaction and social action; developing structures and processes which support dialogue and social action; and improving opportunities for learning which build understanding. The maximum grant available is £6,000 and **applications can be submitted at any time.**

<http://www.cdf.org.uk/web/guest/faiths-in-action>

#### **The National Churches Trust (UK) VC**

The National Churches Trust which was launched in 2007 as the only national, non-profit organisation dedicated to supporting and promoting places of worship used by Christian denominations throughout the UK provides grants of around £2 million per year for the restoration and modernisation of places of worship. In 2010 the National Churches Trust is offering the opportunity to apply for the following grants. Repair Grants of £10,000 and above for structural repair projects that will cost more than £50,000. Community Grants from £2,500 to £25,000 for providing facilities that will benefit your place of worship and local community, e.g. accessible toilets, kitchens and meeting rooms. **The Grants Committee meets quarterly to make decisions on applications and grant applications can be made throughout the year.**

<http://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/howgrant.html>

#### **Refugee Integration Awards Scheme (England) SE**

UnLtd, the Foundation for Social Entrepreneurs has announced that the closing date for applications to its Rise programme for Refugees is the 21st March 2010. Funded by the European Refugee Fund Phase III and with the support of the UK Border Agency, the RISE Refugee Initiative for Social Entrepreneurs programme aims to unleash and encourage the potential of refugees as social entrepreneurs. Grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available to small groups of refugees and individuals to set up projects that will make their communities a happier, safer, healthier and more just place as well as support refugees to achieve their full economic and social potential. The RISE programme has already funded over 100 refugees projects in England. UnLtd will also provide dedicated support including; training opportunities, tools and resources to ensure you develop your own skills as well as helping you develop your project

<http://unltd.org.uk/template.php?ID=55&PageName=rise:refugeeawardsscheme>

### Rejuvenating Dacorum

#### **Funding for Rural Areas (England) In LA Ch SE VC**

Local community groups and businesses within rural areas have the opportunity to apply for funding through Leader Local Action Groups. Leader Local Action Groups are a community based bottom up approach within the England Rural Development Programme to address key issues within specific rural areas. The total level of Leader funding available is £105 million. Each of the xx Local Action Groups provide grants to deliver area specific development plans. Each area has specific grant making priorities which can include supporting small rural business, farmers markets, tourism, the environment, etc. For information on which areas are covered by the Leader approach and information on specific grant priorities and application

procedures, please click on the more link...

<http://www.rdpnetwork.org.uk/your-network/local-action-groups>

## Acting on Climate Change

There are no funding opportunities to report this month

## General Grant Making Bodies

### **Comic Relief Grants Open for Applications (UK)**

Comic Relief has announced that its grants UK programmes are once again open for applications. Through the Comic Relief UK grant making programme funding is available through the following programmes.

- Mental health - This programme aims to promote the rights and support the recovery of people who have mental health problems, and to help them feel more included in society. It also aims to reduce the stigma and discrimination faced by people with mental health problems.
- Domestic and sexual abuse - This programme aims to provide support for young people aged 11-25 who have witnessed or directly experienced domestic and sexual abuse
- Refugee and asylum seeking women - This programme aims to provide support for refugee and asylum seeking women who have experienced rape, torture and other forms of violence in their home countries.
- Older people - This programme is built around supporting older people to bring positive change to their communities, enabling them to contribute their time, energy and skills to those individuals who need it most.
- Sport for Change - Using sport in delivering positive change within the lives of individuals and communities,
- Young People aged 11 – 25. This programme focuses on young people that are sexually exploited; suffer from alcohol abuse; and suffer from mental health problems.

In addition, Comic Relief operates a programme that support disadvantaged communities. This programme is devolved to the Community Foundation Network. Please contact your local Community Foundation directly for details of their funding application procedures.

On average grants of between £25,000 and £40,000 are available to not for profit organisations such as constituted voluntary and community groups, charities, social enterprises, co-operatives, faith organisations, and community interest companies.

**The closing date for applications is the 3rd September 2010.**

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### **The Woodward Charitable Trust (UK)**

The Woodward Charitable Trust, which is one of the Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts, is inviting applications from UK registered charities working with or in the areas of:

- social and ethnic minority groups
- prisoners and ex-offenders
- homelessness
- violence and abuse
- arts outreach
- disability

- environment
- addition.

The fund offers grants of up to £5,000 through their small grants scheme and grants of over £5,000 through their large grants scheme. Every year, the Trust makes about 50 grants through its small grants programme and around 5 awards through its large grants programme. Grants awarded in the past have included a grant to SHARP (Support Help and Advice for Relatives of Prisoners) to help fund a helpline and grants towards the running costs of a cyber café for disabled users.

**The next application deadline for small and large grants is the 30th November 2010.** <http://www.woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk/index.html>

### **Peoples Postcode Trust (Scotland & England) Ch SE VC**

The People's Postcode Trust, a trust set up by the "People's Postcode Lottery" in April 2009, has announced that their next funding round will open for applications on the 7th June 2010. Funding of between £500 and £10,000 (£2,000 if not a registered charity) is available to small organisations and community groups operating in the areas of Poverty Prevention; Advancement of Health; Community Development; Public Sports; Human Rights; and Environmental Protection. Projects supported can last for up to 3 months. Previous projects supported include Bishopton Village Nursery which received a grant of £825 to support children's learning and Scottish Native Woods, an organisation that exists to rescue, restore and expand Scotland's native woods- woodlands that are natural to Scottish landscape. The organisation received a grant of £9,958 to thin out trees, reinstate and repair paths and reinstall drainage systems.

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

### **Tudor Trust Grants Programme (UK) Ch SE VC**

The Tudor Trust, one of the largest independent grant making trusts in the UK has announced new funding guidelines for the period 2009 – 11. Under the new guidelines, the Trust will continue to make grants across their established funding areas. These are; youth, older people, community, relationships, housing, mental health, substance misuse, learning, financial security and criminal justice. The Trust will also be open to hearing about work in areas the Trust has not funded before. The Trust makes grants in the region of £19 million per year and aims to support smaller community, voluntary and charitable organisations and is looking to make around 350 projects per year for up to three years. Grants can take the form of core funding (including salaries and running costs), development funding, project grants or capital grants for buildings or equipment. There is no maximum or minimum grant amount that an organisation can apply for. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

<http://tudortrust.org.uk>

### **The Garfield Weston Foundation (UK) LA Ch SE VC**

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 formal deadlines for submitting applications and organisations should allow approximately four months for a final outcome.**

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

#### **The Mark Leonard Trust (UK) Ch SE VC**

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 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](http://www.sfct.org.uk/mark_leonard.html)

#### **Volant Charitable Trust (UK) Ch SE VC**

Registered charities whose purpose is to alleviate poverty and social deprivation with particular emphasis on children's and women's issues have the opportunity to apply for funding through the Volant Charitable Trust. The Trust which was set up by the author J K Rowling also supports research into the causes, treatment and possible cures of Multiple Sclerosis. However this funding stream is currently fully committed and is not considering further applications for funding in this area at the present time. In addition the Trustees will as and when appropriate, support disaster appeals. The Trust will support both capital and revenue funding. Applications for funding requests of £10,000 or less, for those projects based in Scotland only, are dealt with by the Trust's appointed agents, the Scottish Community Foundation. **The closing date for applications is the 30th July 2010.**

<http://www.volanttrust.com/index.html>

## **FORTHCOMING FUNDRAISING TRAINING COURSES**

For a timetable of upcoming training courses see...

<http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/events/>

## **USEFUL FUNDING RESOURCES**

Search for funding opportunities at 'Grants 4: Dacorum' for FREE at

<http://www.grants4.info/dacorum/>

Community Action Dacorum provides specialist funding advice to local voluntary and community groups including the management of the new Grassroots Grants Programme <http://www.dacorumcvs.org.uk>

Hertfordshire County Council's funding information portal. Useful toolkits, funding databases and local grant information. <http://www.hertscc.gov.uk/hern>

An online guide for voluntary and community groups seeking grant aid applicable to Hertfordshire. <http://www.funding4herts.org.uk>

Funding Central is a free to access website offering access to information on available grants, loans and contracts. It also has a newsletter service that is tailored to your search criteria. [www.fundingcentral.org.uk](http://www.fundingcentral.org.uk),

FREE downloadable software programmes from Funder Finder for voluntary and community organisations just starting out on grant applications.

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