



# 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. If you know of anyone else that would like to receive this e-newsletter please contact the External Funding Officer, Sue Butt, on tel. 01442 228789 or via e-mail at: [externalfunding@dacorum.gov.uk](mailto:externalfunding@dacorum.gov.uk).

*Hi Everyone*

*Welcome to the June edition of External Funding Monthly.*

*'Focus' this month is on the available funding to Dacorum based voluntary and community organisations from the Office of the Third Sector's £42.5 million support programme - announced earlier this year under their 'Real Help for Communities' action plan.*

*Kind regards*

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## What funding can Dacorum organisations access through the Office of Third Sector's 'Real Help for Communities'?

In the April 2009 edition of **External Funding Monthly**, I provided a special focus on what support was available for voluntary and community organisations during the recession. This included a summary of the special **£42.5million of support promised by the Office of the Third Sector** under their '*Real Help for Communities: Volunteers, Charities and Social Enterprises*' recession action plan. Below is a summary of what funding and support is available to organisations in Dacorum from this programme.

Quick guide: ✓ = available to organisations in Dacorum  
X = not available

### ✓ **Modernisation Fund** (£16.5million) <http://www.modernisationfund.org.uk/>

The Modernisation Fund provides support to viable third sector organisations to access specialist services in order to restructure and become more resilient and efficient in the recession. The funding has been split in two ways:

#### 1. **Bursaries and grants of £1,000 – £10,000**

[Managed by: Capacitybuilders]

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

Bursaries of £1,000 for organisations to pay for initial advice on how they can become more resilient and work more closely with others to increase their impact, and grants of up to £10,000 to help pay costs involved in moving towards collaboration or merger.

#### 2. **Interest-free loans of between £30,000 - £500,000**

[Managed by: Futurebuilders]

<http://www.modernisationfund.org.uk/loans/index.html>

Interest-free loans of between £30,000 and £500,000 for third sector organisations with existing plans for mergers and collaboration or other activities to help them prepare for difficult times.

### **FREE Workshops for Hertfordshire based Organisations**

Local Delivery Agent (LDA) for Hertfordshire, North Herts CVS, will be running an information workshop on the Modernisation Fund for Hertfordshire based organisations later this month. Provisional dates are **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June and/or Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2009**. Contact Jacquie Hume at [director@nhcvs.org.uk](mailto:director@nhcvs.org.uk) or tel. 01462 689 401 for further details.

### X **Targeted Support Fund (£15.5million)**

[http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/third\\_sector/real\\_help\\_for\\_communities/targeted\\_support\\_fund.aspx](http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/third_sector/real_help_for_communities/targeted_support_fund.aspx)

The Targeted Support Fund will provide grant funding to small and medium providers in communities most at risk of increased deprivation due to the recession. Dacorum has not been identified as an 'at risk' area and is therefore not eligible.

✓ **Regional Roadshows**

Over May and June 2009, the Office of the Third Sector is holding 9 free regional roadshows for small and medium frontline third sector organisations to provide a practical understanding of how to access the support available. The East of England roadshow is being held in Cambridge, Abington Hall, on **Monday 8th June**. Register to attend the roadshow online at: <http://www.coievents.co.uk/realhelpforcommunities/>

✓ **Volunteering Brokerage Scheme**

<http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/media/204329/volunteering%20leaflet.pdf>

[Managed by BTCV for England in liaison with a network of brokers across each region]

Government is providing work focused volunteering placements for up to 40,000 jobseekers in England, Scotland and Wales. Jobseeker's Allowance customers who have been claiming for six months will be eligible to take up this support. Dacorum's Volunteer Centre is already signed up to help deliver this brokerage scheme in the borough.

## LATEST FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### Quick guide to eligibility:

Local Authority  
Registered Charity  
Social Enterprise  
Voluntary or Community Group  
Town or Parish Council  
Individuals

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## Reducing crime and creating a safer Dacorum

### Launch of New £6 Million Safer Homes Fund **Ch SE VC**

The Home Office has announced that community and voluntary sector organisations can now apply to a new £6 million fund for community-led initiatives and programmes which will reduce burglary and improve neighbourhood security. The Safer Homes Fund is available for one year and will offer around 300 grants of between £10,000 and £100,000 to key frontline community organisations. Successful organisations will develop safety programmes and support new, locally-run social enterprises, which together will build connections within communities, particularly in areas of high crime. The fund will provide grants covering four main areas of activity:

- Funding for individual workers and small collectives to offer vulnerable people and residents free/low cost handy work, including strengthening security arrangements, windows, locks etc. It will also include the training of local handy people
- Initiatives that bring communities together through leisure, arts, social activities
- Projects that aim to bring individuals together, encourage befriending and mentoring as a means of increasing confidence, particularly for the vulnerable, isolated and/or house-bound
- Supporting new, locally run social businesses around community safety, crime prevention and home security.

The closing date for receipt of applications is 12pm Friday 31 July 2009.

There will be an additional £500,000 available for Neighbourhood Watch programmes to receive grants of between £1,000 and £50, 000. Details of this fund will be released during May 2009.

<http://www.grantsadmin.co.uk/saferhomes/index.html>

## Creating a cleaner and healthier environment

### Community Sustainable Energy Programme **Ch VC SE**

Not for profit organisations such as community groups, charities, schools, colleges and faith groups, etc are being invited to apply for funding to install renewable energy technologies (such as wind turbines and solar panels) and energy saving measures (such as roof and cavity wall insulation). Under the new Community Sustainable Energy programme £8 million will be available for the installation of microgeneration technologies and energy efficiency measures (Capital grants) and £1 million for project development grants. The maximum Capital grant available is £50,000 or 50% of the project costs. The maximum project development grant is £5,000 or 75 per cent of the study cost - whichever is lower. The funding programme is being

managed by the Building Research Establishment on behalf of the Big Lottery Fund's "Changing Spaces" Programme. Project development grants (for studies investigating the feasibility of installing any combination of the technologies ) will be awarded on a first-come first-served basis until all funds are spent. Capital grants will be awarded on a competitive basis at quarterly selection panel meetings. **The next application deadline is the 7th August 2009.**

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

### **Life Plus Now Open for Applications** Ch VC SE LA

The European Commission has announced that the third call for proposals under the Life + Programme is now open for applications. The Life + programme is the EU's main fund for supporting environmental projects. Under this call for proposals, the Commission will be supporting projects under the following headings; nature and biodiversity; environment policy and governance; and information and communication. A total of EURO 250 Million is available for this call and the total available to the UK is in excess of 19 million EURO. Project proposals should be sent to the relevant national authority no later than 15 September 2009. The European Commission has also scheduled workshops for potential LIFE+ applicants in each EU member state. The Brussels Office, together with EERA is looking to organise a LIFE+ information day for the region. It looks likely that this will take place in Cambridge on 1 July 2009. Interested organisations should contact Jennifer Carson at: [jennifer.carson@east-of-england.eu](mailto:jennifer.carson@east-of-england.eu)

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

### **Action Earth Grants** Ch VC

Local community groups that are working towards helping to protect England's biodiversity have the opportunity to apply for funding of up to £50 through the Action Earth Grants. The grants which are sponsored by the supermarket chain Morrisons are available to local environmental projects that are practical and visual; have an immediate or lasting benefit to the environment and involve volunteers (new/existing).

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### **Time Running Out to Apply for Local Food Grant** Ch VC SE

The Local Food Programme, a part of the Big Lottery Fund's Changing Spaces programme and managed by the Royal Society of Wildlife Trust (RSWT) will be **suspended to new applicants from the 21st August 2009**. The programme supports not for profit community groups and organisation such as schools and funds a range of activities from local food schemes and farmers markets, to education projects teaching people about the local environment. In just 14 months the Local Food programme has received enough applications to potentially fully utilise the £50 million grant funding available and they are currently in the process of assessing these applications. A number of schools have successfully applied to the programme. These include; West Hill Primary School, Devon, which received a grant of £3,500 to develop a Mediterranean Fruit, Herb & Vegetable Garden; and Wirksworth Regeneration and Development Board Ltd, East Midlands, which received a grant of £9,878 to develop a Farmers Market t..

<http://www.localfoodgrants.org/news?aid=1558>

### **Low Carbon Buildings Programme Phase 2** Ch VC SE LA

Grants for the installation of microgeneration technologies are available to public sector buildings (including schools, hospitals, housing associations and local authorities) and charitable bodies. The microgeneration technologies covered include:

- Solar photovoltaics
- Solar thermal hot water
- Wind turbines
- Ground source heat pumps

- Automated wood pellet stoves
- Wood fuelled boiler systems.

Grants of up to 50% of total project costs are available for the supply and installation of any combination of the above technologies. **The deadline for applications is the 30th June 2009.**

<http://www.lowcarbonbuildingsphase2.org.uk/>

## Delivering lifelong learning

### Support for European Cooperation in Education and Training **Ch VC SE LA**

The European Commission has issued a new call for proposals under the Lifelong Learning Programme to support European cooperation in education and training. This call for proposals is divided into two parts:

- Part A aims to support actions that raise national awareness of lifelong learning strategies and of European cooperation in education and training.
- Part B supports projects that support transnational cooperation in the development and implementation of national and regional lifelong learning strategies.

This call for proposals is open to national ministries in charge of education and training, other public bodies and stakeholders' organisations such as regional, national or European associations or other private bodies — active in the field of lifelong learning (pre-primary, schools, Vocational Training, higher education and adult learning). The total budget available to support this call for proposals is €2.8 million and the maximum grant available per project is €120,000 for Part A and €200,000 for Part B. **The closing date for applications is the 14th August 2009.**

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/funding/2009/call\\_nlls\\_2009.html](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/funding/2009/call_nlls_2009.html)

### Government Invites Bids for a Share of £20million to Fund Adult Learning **Ch VC SE LA**

The Government has announced that organisations can now bid for a share of £20 million in Government grants to open up and promote informal learning for adults and young people. The funding which is being made available through the Governments Transformation Fund is open to a wide range of groups and partnerships to promote informal learning. Funding is available to public, private and third sector organisations, including organisations from all backgrounds including culture, heritage, nature, sport, health, community regeneration, broadcasting and technology. The aim of the Fund is to; encourage more and different people into learning, particularly people from disadvantaged groups; open up access to learning in new places, in new ways and at more flexible times; support people to drive their own learning through self organised groups and learning clubs; and to make better use of broadcasting and technology to stimulate and support learning. The £20m Transformation Fund money is in addition to the £210m which the Government has ring-fenced to support adult learning. **The deadline for applications is the 12th July 2009 but an "early bird" funding pot of £1 million is available for ideas submitted by the 12th June 2009.**

[http://www.dius.gov.uk/skills/engaging\\_learners/informal\\_adult\\_learning/transformation\\_fund](http://www.dius.gov.uk/skills/engaging_learners/informal_adult_learning/transformation_fund)

### East of England Community Fund **Ch SE VC**

This has been launched by the Learning and Skills Council and the European Social Fund. Its aim is to support third sector organisations who are working with people who face barriers to the labour market or to mainstream skills provision. European Social fund will support a range of activities which assist unemployed or economically inactive people in the East of England to move closer to main stream skills provision. Small voluntary and community organisations are invited to apply for grants of up to £12,000. They can use the grant to work with people who are unemployed or economically inactive aged 16 years or older. For more information and closing dates for applications visit [www.grantsadmin.co.uk/eastengland\\_grants](http://www.grantsadmin.co.uk/eastengland_grants)

### **The Free Childcare for Training and Learning for Work Scheme** **In**

The Learning and Skills Council (LSC) has announced the launch of a new £75 million initiative to help lift low-income families out of poverty. The Free Childcare for Training and Learning for Work scheme will offer 50,000 eligible parents help through childcare support, while they train or learn and to support them into employment. The scheme is open to half a million families in England with one partner in work; an annual household income of £20,000 or less per year; a child or children aged 14 or under; and a child or children aged 18 or under with disabilities. Eligible parents can choose which course is going to give them the right skills to get back into work. Courses could range from a short refresher in maths or a more formal qualification in a range of subjects from social care to teaching. An advisor will help parents to enrol for their chosen course and will advise parents on the childcare options available to them. Parents have the choice from a range of Ofsted! childcare, with the LSC paying up to £175 per child per week, or £215 in London. To apply for Free Childcare for Training and Learning for Work, or to find out more about the scheme, you can call the Learner Support helpline on 0800 121 8989, and select option four.

[http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/EducationAndLearning/AdultLearning/FinancialHelpForAdultLearners/DG\\_172003](http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/EducationAndLearning/AdultLearning/FinancialHelpForAdultLearners/DG_172003)

## **Encouraging business and local employment**

### **Future Jobs Fund Opens for Applications** **LA Ch SE**

The Department for Works and Pensions (DWP) has announced that the Future Jobs Fund is now open for applications. The £1Billion Future Jobs Fund is one of the measures announced by the Chancellor in his budget and will aim to create 150,000 new jobs between October 2009 and April 2011. The jobs created through the Future Jobs Fund will be paid at least at National Minimum Wage and will be targeted primarily at 18-24 year olds, but some funding will also be available for other disadvantaged groups and unemployment hotspots. Applications can come from anyone, but the DWP has a strong preference for partnership bids and encourage all bidders to demonstrate that key partners within the area have been involved in developing the proposals.

The total maximum contribution available through the Future Jobs Fund is £6,500 per job created for 18 -24 year olds approaching 12 months of unemployment, or people in areas of high unemployment.

The DWP expect the majority of bids to the Fund to be led by local authorities, sub-regional, city region and local partnerships, or by national or local public sector and third sector bodies. Bids will need to be in line with existing locally agreed work and skills strategies and show that they do not replicate or replace existing jobs. Other large organisations such as social enterprises and voluntary sector bodies will be able to bid as long as their proposals meet the criteria set out during the bidding process. Any bids from national organisations should indicate the geographical areas in which they are seeking to create jobs.

Applications can be submitted at any time. All bids submitted by 30 June 2009 will be considered for the first allocations of funding to enable the first jobs to begin in October or earlier. DWP will aim to notify bidders within 5 weeks of submitting a bid whether or not their bid was successful.

<http://www.dwp.gov.uk/campaigns/futurejobsfund/>

## Cracking the Code bursary scheme **Ch** **VC**

The scheme provides up to £500 for small infrastructure organisations to improve their governance based on all or any of the principle of 'the Code'. Applications need to be made by 30 June 2009. To check your eligibility and find out more visit the website:

<http://www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/governanceandleadership/?id=13150&terms=cracking%20the%20code>

## Meeting housing need

No new opportunities to report on this month.

## Promoting culture, arts, leisure and tourism

### **New Initiatives to Help Arts Organisations During the Economic Downturn**

Arts Council England has announced that they will be investing an extra £44.5 million in artists and arts organisations over the next two years to help during the economic downturn. The initiatives include:

- Sustain - a new £40 million scheme for arts organisations that need extra support due to the recession. Sustain will offer one-off grants of between £75,000 and £3 million to cover the two year period. Applications can be made from the 1st June 2009. There will be no closing deadline.
- £500,000 support for the Town Centres Initiative to enable more artistic activities to take place in empty retail spaces
- A £4 million increase in the Grants for the arts budget over the next two years.

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### **Sport England Launches New Innovation Fund **LA** **Ch** **SE** **VC****

Sport England has announced that its new Innovation Fund is now open for applications. The overall aim of this £5 million grants programme is to invest in new ideas which will reach a whole new audience, and provide better, more exciting sports opportunities to a wider range of people, some of whom, perhaps, think that sport is not for them. Grants of between £10,000 and £500,000 will be available to sports clubs, voluntary or community organisations, local authorities, education establishments (such as schools, colleges and universities) and national governing bodies of sport. Grants will be awarded to small-scale but groundbreaking innovative projects that have the ability to become the scaled-up, widespread activities that deliver high quality community sport in future years. Sport England are looking to support between 10 and 20 projects and there is a two stage application process.

**The closing date for stage 1 of the application process is 5 pm on the 10th August** and applicants will be notified of the outcome in October 2009.

[http://funding.sportengland.org/funding\\_programmes/innovation\\_fund1.aspx](http://funding.sportengland.org/funding_programmes/innovation_fund1.aspx)

### **Preparatory Actions in the Field of Sport **LA** **Ch** **SE** **VC****

The European Commission has issued a call for proposals to implement the 2009 Preparatory Action in the field of sport. A total of 4 million EURO is available to support transnational projects put forward by public bodies or civil society organisations in order to identify and test suitable networks and good practices in the field of sport in the following areas; promoting health-enhancing physical activity; promoting education and training in sport; promoting European fundamental values by encouraging sport for persons with disabilities; and promoting gender equality in sport. EU grants will be provided to a maximum of 80% of the total costs. The matched funding can be partly made up of contributions in kind. Projects must start between 1st December 2009 and 31st March 2010 and end no later than 31st March 2011. **The closing date for applications is the 31st August 2009.**

### **The Sustainable Investment in Communities Facilities Fund** LA Ch SE VC

Sport England has announced that they are accepting applications through its new Sustainable Investment in Communities Fund. The aim of the fund is to build new or refurbish existing sporting facilities that can be sustained in the long run. The fund is open to organisations, including applicants from sports clubs, voluntary or community organisations, local authorities, and education establishments, such as schools, colleges and universities. The Sustainable Investment in Communities Facilities Fund will invest £10m a year of Lottery and Exchequer money into innovative projects capable of transforming the places where people take part in leisure activities or sport. The funding is for the development of the capital infrastructure. This can include:

- contributions to the costs of new build, modernisation and major fixed equipment where it is an integral part of a project.
- Costs of other non-fixed equipment are not covered by the fund.
- Applicants are required to supplement the resources available from both their own resources and other sources, including the private sector.
- There must be revenue funding in place which demonstrates the long term sustainability of the project.
- The project must be based on a site where the applicant holds ownership or long-term leasehold.

Priority will be given to proposals that draw in funding from other sources. Priority will also be given to projects with a collaborative or consortia approach which can demonstrate the potential to grow and sustain participation in community sport.

There will be two application rounds each year. **The closing dates are the 30th June and 31<sup>st</sup> December.**

[http://funding.sportengland.org/funding\\_programmes/sustainable\\_facilities.aspx](http://funding.sportengland.org/funding_programmes/sustainable_facilities.aspx)

### **Sportsmatch Announces 2009/10 Funding Round** Ch 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 2009/10. 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.

<http://www.sportsmatch.co.uk/index.html>

## Encouraging community involvement

### **BT Community Connections – deadline approaching** Ch VC

British Telecom has announced that their 2009 Community Connections Awards is now open for applications. BT Community Connections has been run by BT's Corporate Responsibility Unit since 2000. The scheme targets community and voluntary groups that could benefit from internet access and ICT but don't necessarily have the resources. Through the scheme, community groups can apply for the award's package that consists of a multi-media internet-ready computer; a

contribution towards one year's broadband internet access through BT Total Broadband; and a Community website. The package is valued at £1,300. Since the launch of the awards, it is estimated that Community Connections has enabled over 5,000 groups to get online including silver surfers, playgroups, out of school clubs, pre-schools, cultural groups, local environmental initiatives and youth sports organisations. **The next closing date for applications is the 9th June for postal applications and the 11th June for online applications.**

<http://www.btcommunityconnections.com/page.php?id=1>

### **The Batty Charitable Trust** Ch

The Batty Charitable Trust makes one-off grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 to smaller charities throughout the UK, especially those working at grass roots and local level. The Trustees have wide interests, with the main stipulation being that grants should make a significant difference to your ability to do the work you have in mind. Applicants need to underline why the grant will make a significant difference to their work. A project budget should be supplied, and you need to send a signed copy of your latest accounts. There are no application deadlines, but you need to allow up to four months for a decision to be made. You should apply six months before you need the money.

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

### **Secret Millionaire Fund Opens for Business** Ch VC TP

The Big Lottery Fund (BIG) and Channel 4's TV programme, The Secret Millionaire have teamed up to give viewers of the programme a chance to act on the charitable inspiration fuelled by the show. Lottery funding worth £1 million has been made available for people to apply for, or nominate projects to apply for grants of between £300 and £10,000 (£5,000 in Wales) from the Secret Millionaire Fund. Viewers can propose a community project or organisation that they think would benefit from BIG funding. BIG will then contact the organisation to see if it is eligible to apply for this small grants scheme and send out the relevant information. Alternatively if viewers have an idea for a project that can bring real improvements to the lives of communities, and can pass a simple eligibility test they can apply to Secret Millionaire Fund. In both cases the same eligibility criteria as Big Lottery Fund Awards for All programme apply and Lottery grants are awarded following an application! on and assessment process which takes up to 8 weeks. The Fund will be **open until the 21st December 2009** but applications can be submitted at any time up to this date.

[http://secretmillionaire.channel4.com/fund\\_info.shtml](http://secretmillionaire.channel4.com/fund_info.shtml)

### **£6.6 Million Extra Funding to Boost Volunteering**

The Office of the Third Sector has announced that between 2009 and 2011 it will be investing £6.6 million in three new volunteering programmes; Access to Volunteering, a £2 million pilot fund to reduce barriers to disabled people volunteering and explore the feasibility of a national Access to Volunteering fund. Organisations interested in managing the fund should email [access.volunteering@cabinet-office.x.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:access.volunteering@cabinet-office.x.gsi.gov.uk) for more information; Volunteer Managers training - a £3 million programme managed by Capacity Builders, that will provide support to volunteer managers to ensure that volunteers are well managed and that they get the best possible experience from volunteering; and a £1.6 million programme run by Youthnet and Volunteering England that will contribute to building a volunteering legacy for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

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## Meeting the needs of children and young people

### Mini Mediabox Open for Applications **Ch** **VC**

Mediabox offers disadvantaged 13 to 19 year olds the opportunity to develop and produce creative media projects, using film, television, print, radio or online platforms. Mediabox has announced that Mini Mediabox is now open for applications. Mini Mediabox provides grants of £1,500 to £5,000 and is open to grassroots and community youth organisations with a turnover of £100k or under. The scheme which is run by a consortium consisting of First Light Movies, Media Trust, Skillset and the UK Film Council is for young people to; express their own opinions, ideas and views, gain new skills, encourage creativity, boost personal development and get their voices heard. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

<http://www.media-box.co.uk/index.php>

### Tesco Charity Trust Community Awards **Ch** **VC**

The Tesco Charity Trust has announced that it is now accepting applications for grants to support children's education and welfare projects. The funding is available to community and voluntary groups who can apply for grants of between £500 and £4,000. Previous projects supported have included; sensory garden or room projects; outdoor classrooms; breakfast and after school clubs; holiday play-schemes; and part funding to purchase minibuses. **The closing date for applications is the 30th June 2009.** The Tesco Charity Trust has been in existence since 1987 and aims to provide approximately £600,000 in grants each year. In addition the Trust also provides grants to groups working with and supporting elderly people and/or adults and children with disabilities. This funding stream is due to reopen for applications on the 1st August with an application deadline of the 30th September 2009.

[http://www.tescopl.com/plc/corporate\\_responsibility/local\\_communities/community\\_investment/charitable\\_giving/tesco\\_charity\\_trust/](http://www.tescopl.com/plc/corporate_responsibility/local_communities/community_investment/charitable_giving/tesco_charity_trust/)

### BBC Children in Need Launches New Grants Programme **Ch** **VC**

BBC Children in Need have announced that they are launching a new, £3 million grants programme 'Fun and Friendship' to address the lack of opportunity for independent socialising for disabled young people aged 12 - 18, growing up in the UK. Fun and Friendship was set up following commissioned research revealing a significant lack of opportunity for independent socialising for disabled young people, often leading to feelings of loneliness and isolation. Fun and Friendship will award up to 12, three-year grants of up to £300,000 each to not for profit organisations that can provide these opportunities for friendship, and identify and address the barriers disabled young people face as teenagers growing up in the UK. The Fun and Friendship grants programme is in addition to BBC Children in Need's general grants and **the application closing date is the 31st July 2009.** Those who are successful will be awarded a grant in February 2010.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/grants/funandfriendship.shtml>

## Improving social care and health

### Heinz Charitable Trust **Ch**

Heinz Charitable Trust promotes community health and wellbeing and offers funding to registered charities in the UK. The Trust operates five key programme areas:

- Nutrition: supporting improvements in the medical aspects of nutrition and health.
- Youth and Education: strengthening learning systems and supporting programmes that supplement the formal education process.
- Local Community: supporting and enhancing local communities in which H J Heinz has significant operations.
- Quality of Life: improving quality of life through arts, cultural and environmental programmes.

- Volunteering: supporting charitable work of Heinz employees through recognised charitable organisations.

For more information on how to apply visit

[www.heinz.co.uk/content/our\\_company/heinz\\_charitable\\_trust/application\\_form.aspx](http://www.heinz.co.uk/content/our_company/heinz_charitable_trust/application_form.aspx)

## Meeting the needs of older people

### **The Nationwide Foundation's Small Grants Programme** Ch

The Nationwide Foundation, a registered charity set up and funded by the Nationwide Building Society, offers grants of up to £5,000 through its Small Grants Programme to charities with incomes of under £500,000. The Foundation is seeking projects that aim to support, survivors of domestic abuse to build their financial capability in order to help them live independently and achieve improved quality of life; older people who face financial exclusion in order to help them achieve improved quality of life; survivors of domestic abuse to live independently and achieve improved quality of life; and older people with their housing needs. **Applications can be made at any time.**

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

## FORTHCOMING FUNDRAISING TRAINING COURSES

### **Sustaining Success in Social Enterprise: business skills for difficult times**

This one day training is being repeated at three locations across the East of England region during the second half of June. Topics to be covered include: Planning for change; Financial management; Marketing matters and customer care. Workshops are FREE for members of Social Enterprise East of England (SEEE). Further details are available from Chris Lee at [chris.lee@see.co.uk](mailto:chris.lee@see.co.uk) or by phone on 01234 834710 or e-mail. You are advised to book now as places are limited.

## 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>

FREE downloadable software programmes from Funder Finder for voluntary and community organisations just starting out on grant applications. Including 'Apply Yourself' <http://www.funderfinder.org.uk/applyyou.php> and 'Budget Yourself' <http://www.funderfinder.org.uk/budgetyou.php>

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