



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 November 2009 edition of External Funding Monthly.

Kind regards

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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

No new opportunities to report on this month

Creating a cleaner and healthier environment

Energy Efficiency Home Improvement Grants **In**

Free or discounted energy efficiency measures are being offered to homeowners and private landlords throughout Dacorum as a result of the Herts and Essex Energy Partnership (HEEP) successfully securing government funding. Cavity Wall insulation at £99*, loft insulation at £99* and heating and renewable energy measures are all available (* subject to technical survey and qualifying criteria). For further details contact the freephone number 0800 980 6026 or visit the website at: <http://www.heepgrant.org/>

Green School Awards (UK) **LA**

Schools that are currently undertaking environmental projects within the UK are being invited to enter the Green School Awards. The awards aim to assist education and understanding about environmental issues and target the 5-11 age group. Any work primary school children are already doing on the environment at your school is likely to be eligible for entry to the Green School Awards. The Awards can be entered by groups of up to 30 young people, aged 5-11. (Groups of over 30 young people will be allowed to enter provided that they are in the same class). Groups can be classes, school clubs or teams created for the purpose of entering the TOTAL Green School Awards. There is no limit to the number of entries a school can submit. There are four award categories, each allowing group work on environmental topics in a diverse range of subjects including Art, English, History, Mathematics, Science, Technology and Geography. The UK Champion will receive a prize of £5,000. There are also three prizes of £1,000 and twelve prizes of £500. **Entries must be received for judging by 7th May 2010...**

<http://tgsa.ypte.org.uk/index.php>

CIWEM Living Wetlands Award 2010 (UK) **LA**

The Chartered Institute of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM) has announced that it is seeking entries for the Living Wetlands Awards 2010. The Living Wetlands Awards recognise multi-functional projects that demonstrate the sustainable use of wetland habitats. The Award was co-founded with RSPB in 2002/3. To be eligible for the Award, projects must:

- Contribute to the delivery of priority UK Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) species and habitat targets for wetlands
- Demonstrate sustainability and delivery of multiple benefits e.g. flood alleviation
- Ensure no priority BAP species or habitats are harmed by the project.

UK projects that are either work-in-progress or complete are eligible. The prize consists of the Mance Memorial Trophy (a specially-commissioned bronze trophy of a snipe), publicity for the winning scheme, a framed certificate and a cheque for £1,500, which should be used to fund the delivery of further UK Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) targets, publicity of the project and/or related education. The Award will be presented at the CIWEM World Wetlands Day Conference in February and announced at the CIWEM Annual Dinner in 2009.

Entries to the Awards close on the 15th January 2010.

The Mark Leonard Trust (UK) Ch VC

Not for profit organisations and organisations 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; and a grant of £10,000 to Plumpton College to complete the construction of an environmentally friendly classroom.

Applications to the Trust can be submitted at any time...

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

Extra £20 million for Clean Energy Technology (UK) In

The clean energy technologies of the future will have access to an extra £20 million in government-backed venture capital support, this is the latest allocation out of the £405 million pot investment in low carbon technologies announced in the Budget. Up to £300 has already been allocated to support key low carbon technologies including up to £120 million to support the development of Off-shore Wind technologies, up to £60 million to help accelerate the development and deployment of wave and tidal energy in the UK and up to £21 million to support the deployment of innovative low carbon technologies in homes and communities.

Early Closure of Access to Nature Programme (England) Ch VC LA SE In

Natural England which is responsible for the sustainable stewardship of the land and sea so that people and nature can thrive, has announced that due to the large number of high quality applications it has decided to bring forward the deadline for applications for the Access to Nature Programme. Natural England have taken this decision in order to avoid a heavily over subscribed programme towards the end of its life with diminishing funds to give out. Access to Nature is now scheduled to close its:

- **Stage 1 applications by 1st February 2010**
- **Stage 2 applications by 4th May 2010.**

Under the scheme, Voluntary and Community Organisations, Charities, Friendly Societies, Industrial and Provident Societies, Charitable Trusts and the Public Sector are able to apply for grants of between £50,000 and £500,000 to encourage people from all backgrounds to understand, access and enjoy the natural environment. The scheme focuses on three broad themes:

- Community awareness of an active participation in the natural environment
- Education, learning and volunteering
- Creating welcoming, well-managed and wildlife-rich places.

<http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/ourwork/enjoying/outdoorsforall/accesstonature/default.aspx>

St. Modwen Environmental Trust (UK) Ch VC

St. Modwen Properties PLC, which is one of the UK's largest regeneration companies, has launched a new environmental fund to support communities in which the company is active. The Funding will be available through two grant making streams. These are larger project grants of over £10,000 and small projects grants of less than £10,000. The funding is available to not-for-profit organisations, such as community groups and charities. Not-for-profit organisations such as community groups and charities, which are initiating suitable projects. The Trust will generally not fund local authorities, profit making organisations or private clubs, but may fund projects from the public sector e.g. schools, where mainstream funding is not available. The Fund will normally make grants only for projects which are within 10 miles of a landfill site. **Applications can be made at any time.**

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

Community Tree Planting Grant (UK) Ch VC

The Woodland Trust is offering grants for community tree planting initiatives. Community groups, associations and not for profit organisations such as community action groups, local residents groups, environmental action group, scouts, brownies, etc. can apply for grants of £100 for tree planting projects organised by the local community. The grant covers costs directly related to the tree planting project. This can include purchase of native trees, the purchase of other tree planting materials and publicity costs. **The grants are offered on a first come first serve basis.**

<http://www.treeforall.org.uk/GetDigging/Events%2Bgrants.htm>

Ecominds Announces Closing Dates (England) Ch VC LA SE In

Mind, is the leading mental health charity, has announced that due to the large number of applications received by its Ecomind programme, it is now introducing closing dates for its remaining unallocated funds. Through the Ecominds programme, Mind will fund a range of community and voluntary groups who want to encourage people with experience of mental distress to get involved in environmental projects, such as:

- improving open spaces and wildlife habitats
- designing public art
- recycling.

Funding is also open to commercial organisations for projects that operate on a non commercial basis and statutory bodies working in partnership with the third sector. Launched in 2008, Ecominds had a total of £7.5 million to distribute to around 125 projects.

The closing dates announced are:

- **12:00 noon on Friday the 30th October 2009 for large bids (£60,001 to £150,000)**
- **12:00 noon on Friday the 8th January 2010 for Medium bids (20,001 to £60,000)**
- **12:00 noon on Wednesday the 30th June 2010 for Small bids (up to £20,000).**

Ecominds is particularly keen to encourage application for small grants which are currently not oversubscribed. To be eligible for funding projects must have:

- both a mental health and environmental perspective
- involve people with direct experience of mental distress
- encourage community access, collaboration, and improve the environment and environmental sustainability
- have a budget of under £250,000.

<http://www.mind.org.uk/ecominds/>

Parks for People (UK) Ch VC LA

The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) has announced that the next closing date for applications to the Parks for People programme is the 1st March 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.
- 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.

There are two funding rounds each year and the next closing date for applications is the 1st March 2010.

Apply for a Green Space Scholarship (UK)

The Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE) is offering up to eight people the opportunity to learn how well-designed spaces can benefit communities through the 2010 CABE Space design skills scholarships. The scholarships have been set up to boost design awareness in professions that create and manage urban public space. Six grants are available for people who do not have design training but who do want to learn more about the effect good design can have on streets and highways, parks and green spaces and public squares and neighbourhoods. Scholars will visit examples of well-designed public spaces in the UK and abroad, gain an understanding of their delivery and management, and learn how similar ideas can be developed through their work at home. In 2009 the scholars have visited the USA, Canada and Europe. Between them they studied community gardens; looked at how better designed public spaces can help deliver cultural and creative learning; and the impact of well-designed green space on social housing schemes. Scholarships will be made in the form of grants designed to cover travel and living expenses for a period of approximately six weeks. Applicants propose their own study programme, which they will be able to develop with the support of a CABE Space mentor. **Applications for 2010 scholarships close on November 13th 2009...**

<http://www.cabe.org.uk/public-space/scholarships>

Call for Proposals - Two Seas Cross-border Cooperation Programme (England)

    

The Partners that manage the Interreg IVa "Two Seas" programme have announced that the 5th call for proposals is currently open for applications. The Interreg IVa Two Seas programme is one of the EU's Territorial Co-operation programmes that encourage regions and cities from different EU Member States to work together and learn from each other through joint programmes, projects and networks. The area covered by the Two Seas programme stretches from Cornwall to Norfolk and encompasses Nord-Pas de Calais in France and the coastal regions of the Netherlands and West Flanders in Belgium. The programme which will run from 2007 - 2013 has a budget of €167 million and will support projects that focus on the following priorities. Creating an economically competitive, attractive and accessible area; promoting and enhancing a safe and healthy environment; and improving the quality of life. There is also a common priority covering the English and French regions only. To be eligible for funding projects must involve at least 2 trans-national partners from within the Two Seas region. Organisations involved in Two Seas funded projects can include regional / local authorities, not for profit organisations and micro, small and medium sized businesses. **The closing date**

for applications is the 9th December 2009...

<http://www.interreg4a-2mers.eu/UK>

It's Your Community Initiative (UK) Ch VC LA TP

O2 have committed £1 million to the "Its Your Community" initiative. Its Your Community, which is managed by the Conservation Foundation, provides grants of £100 to £1,000 to individuals and groups to improve their local environment. The type of projects supported in the past included environmental projects such as turning derelict land into an amenity park or wildlife area, tree planting, creating a wildlife pond, renovating neglected river and canal footpaths, providing water butts and recycling facilities in village halls, etc. The commitment by O2 means that the initiative will now be able to support up to 60 projects per month. **Applications can be made at any time and are judged on the 20th of every month.**

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

Green Communities Community Chest Programme (UK) VC

The Energy Saving Trust provides small grants of up to £200 to support, facilitate and promote community based energy projects. The funding which is made through the Green Communities Community Chest programme is available to small community groups with a turnover of less than £75,000 and can cover a wide range of activities such as travel costs, training, events or the purchase of equipment that will progress a groups energy saving project, where no other funding sources are available. **Applications can be made at any time.** Applicants are encouraged to call the Green Communities team on 0844 848 0077 to discuss their project idea...

<http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/cafe>

Green Loan Scheme Open for Applications (UK) LA TP

The Department for Energy and Climate change has launched a new loan fund to help public bodies in England such as schools, hospitals and councils cut their carbon emissions and reduce their energy consumption. A total of £51.5 million is available in interest free loan funding to install a wide range of energy efficient technologies, such as solar panels, wind turbines and insulation, etc. There is no maximum level of loan funding available but the minimum loan is £5,000. The funding is being administered by Salix Finance an independent company funded by the Carbon Trust which is already working with 128 bodies, including local authorities, NHS Foundation Trusts, and further and higher education institutions to reduce their carbon footprint. The first call for the loans scheme closed on 17 July 2009 with in excess of 250 projects being accepted for funding. **The next call is now open and has a closing date of 31st December 2009...**

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

Delivering lifelong learning

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<http://www.cabe.org.uk/public-space/scholarships>

BBSRC's Innovator of The Year 2010 (UK) In

Nominations are now open for the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council's (BBSRC's) annual innovator of the year award competition. Individual scientists or teams may nominate themselves for the award that celebrates the successes of BBSRC-supported scientist in delivering economic and/or social impact from their excellent research. £5,000 prize will be given in three categories; Commercial Innovator; Social Innovator; Most Promising Innovator. One of the three category winners will then be selected as the overall Innovator of the Year receiving a further £5,000. **The deadline for nominations is the 16th December 2009...**

http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/media/releases/2009/091005_nominations_open_for_innovation_prize.html

Royal Society's Fellowships scheme (UK) In

The Industry Fellowships Scheme is open to applications. The scheme aims to enhance knowledge transfer in science and technology between those in industry and those in academia. It provides opportunities for an academic scientist to work on a collaborative project with industry, or someone employed in industry to work on a collaborative project with a university department or a not-for-profit research organisation. The scheme supports projects at any stage from fundamental science to industry innovation. Applicants can be of any nationality and should be at a stage in their career when they would particularly benefit from establishing or strengthening personal and corporate links between the two sectors as a foundation for long-term future collaboration and development. They should hold a PhD or be of equivalent standing in their profession and hold a permanent post in either a UK university, a UK not-for-profit research organisation (e.g. the Marine Biological Association) or UK industry. Research expenses of up to £2,000 a year may be claimed. **The next application deadline is the 24th March 2010...**

<http://royalsociety.org/funding.asp?id=1125>

Finding Alternatives to Animal Testing (UK) In

The European Commission, together with the European Cosmetics Association (Colipa), has announced a new €50 million to fund research to develop alternatives to animal testing. This announcement was made in conjunction with a €25 million call for proposals for research into the full replacement of animal safety tests in the scientifically complex area of repeated systemic toxicity. Repeated dose systemic toxicity is about predicting the toxicity of the repeated use, over a long period of time, of substances including those that are mainly used in cosmetic products. Despite the significant progress made on non-animal test methods, there are still gaps in scientific knowledge that need to be filled in order to further reduce the use of animals in safety tests, while continuing to guarantee the safety of cosmetic products. **The closing date for applications is the 3rd February 2010.**

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/09/1262&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

Funding for Financial Literacy Projects (UK) In Ch VC

The MSE Charity provides grants to both individuals and constituted community based groups to help fight financial and consumer illiteracy and to educate and inform adults and children about consumer and debt issues. Grants of up to £5,000 are available for group projects such as self-help groups, workshops and other innovative schemes that seek to educate people about money, debt and consumer

issues. Individuals over the age of 18 can apply for a grant of up to £500 to help pay towards a recognised and approved course that will help improve their ability to budget and manage their finances. The grant can be used to pay for financial education course fees and other associated expenses. **The deadline for the next round of group applications is the 30th November 2009 and applications for support for individual courses is the 15th December 2009...**

Peoples Awards (UK) Ch VC In LA

Awards of up to £30,000 are available under the Wellcome Trust's Peoples Awards for projects that encourage public debate and understanding of biomedical science. Projects can be funded for up to three years and can include activities such as workshops and seminars; arts projects for a variety of different audiences and age groups; teaching materials or techniques to encourage wider discussions; and projects that utilise the collections of the Wellcome Library and the Wellcome Collection at the Science Museum. Applications can be made at any time and can be made by a wide variety of individuals, organisations and partnerships. **The closing date for applications is the 29th January 2010...**

<http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Public-engagement/Grants/People-Awards/index.htm>

Funding for Vocational Education and Training Projects (UK) Ch VC In LA

The European Commission has announced that its Leonardo Da Vinci will re-open for applications towards the end of 2009 with an application deadline of early 2010. Leonardo Da Vinci is part of the EU's Lifelong Learning Programme and provides funding for European vocational education and training projects. The programme is open to educational and training organisations from the private, public and third sector. The type of funding that organisations can apply for include:

- work placements in another European country
- participating in a European partnership to share expertise and experiences
- to promote the transfer of innovation within the education and training sector.

Previously supported projects include:

- Catering students from the Royal Forest of Dean College spent a three weeks in Italy working alongside experienced Italian chefs on Leonardo Mobility funded work placements.
- Shropshire Fire and Rescue service which secured Leonardo Mobility funding to set up a staff exchange programme with other fire and civil protection organisations across Europe.
- The Scottish Agricultural College which received Leonardo funding for a partnership to improve training in agricultural marketing skills.

Projects need to involve other European partners and funding is also available to attend meeting to find suitable project partners. **Applications for funding to attend a meeting to meet prospective new partners can be submitted at any time up to the 11th December 2009.**

<http://www.leonardo.org.uk/default.asp?section=00010001§ionTitle=Home>

Funding for Non-Vocational Adult Education Projects (UK) Ch VC In LA

Organisations within the UK that are involved in non-vocational adult education have the opportunity to apply for grants through the European Commission's Grundtvig Programme. Grundtvig is part of the EU's Lifelong Learning Programme and funds training opportunities for UK adult education organisations, staff and learners. The type of activities funded through the Grundtvig programme include mobility projects, including visits, placements, 'assistantships', adult education exchanges; multinational learning projects focusing on themes mutual interest to participating organisations; and Grundtvig networks of experts and organisations working on developing adult education, spreading good practices and supporting partnerships. The level of funding varies according to the particular part of the Grundtvig programme. Previous projects supported through the Grundtvig programme include

developing best practice and creating new learning materials for teaching people in prison; developing and using creative environmental activities to develop personal skills and overcoming learners' isolation; and equipping disabled learners with arts and crafts skills, which they will then teach to other learners. **The application**

deadlines are:

- 15th January 2010 for the Grundtvig In-Service Training projects
- 19th February 2010 for Grundtvig Partnerships and Workshops
- 26th February 2010 for Multi-lateral projects, Networks and Accompanying Measures
- 31st March 2010 for Grundtvig Assistantships and Senior Volunteering Projects

<http://www.grundtvig.org.uk/default.asp?section=00010001§ionTitle=Home>

Global Curriculum Project Grants (UK) LA

The British Council has announced that **the next application closing date for the Global Curriculum Project grant scheme is the 1st March 2010**. The grant is available to Schools or clusters of schools, that have a well established partnership with another school in Africa, Asia, the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean and provides funding to further develop joint curricular activities with a global dimension. To be eligible the school to school partnership must have been in existence for at least two years. Grants are available for up to three years and can cover travel costs of at least two teachers from each school to visit the partner school as well as project costs such as materials, training and supply cover. The level of funding available varies from £6,200 for school-to-school partnerships involving one school in each country, £12,400 for partnerships involving two schools in each country and £16,200 for partnership involving more than 6 schools in each country. In years 2 and 3 of the grant up to £3,400 may be available for students of secondary-age to participate in visits....

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/globalschools-grants-cp.htm>

Call for proposals - European Associations Active at European Level in the Field of Education and Training (UK) Ch VC LA

This call for proposals aims to support the existence of high-quality European Associations active in the field of education and training contributing to the implementation of the Education and Training 2010 work programme and/or increasing knowledge and awareness on the European integration process through education and training. European Associations could include for example, European Associations of learners' or parents' associations, European Associations of education professionals, European Associations representing educational and/or training establishments, European Associations focussing on particular aspects or themes of education and/or training and European Associations focussing on education and/or training in European integration studies. Eligible European Associations must include member associations based in at least 12 Member States. The funding available will take the form of one-year operating grants for 2010 to support certain operational and administrative expenditure for a work programme of maximum 12 months, starting between 1 January 2010 and 1 April 2010. The budget is €600,000, with a maximum grant of €100,000. **The deadline for submitting applications is the 10th December 2009.**

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/funding/2010/call_im_ka3_structural_support_2010.htm

Encouraging business and local employment

Rural Community Transport to Benefit from New Social Enterprise Development Fund (England) SE

The Community Transport Association (CTA) and the Plunkett Foundation have announced a new three year Social Enterprise Rural Community Transport

Development Fund. The new fund will offer grant/loan packages to eight organisations around England to enable them to significantly grow their contract income. The funding package will be backed up by a range of training, development and networking support provided by the CTA and Plunkett over the life of the programme. The funding, totalling almost £1 million, has been secured from the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation, the Department for Transport, the Commission for Rural Communities and Futurebuilders England. Further information on the programme will be announced in early November...

The Shell Springboard Awards 2009/10 (UK) SE In

Shell Springboard is inviting Small and medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs) in the UK with innovative product or service that will lead reductions of greenhouse gas emissions to enter the Shell Springboard Awards Programme 2009/10. Shell Springboard will provide up to 6 awards of between £20,000 and £40,000 in each of 3 UK regions, North (Scotland/Northern Ireland/North East England - Durham and Northumberland, North West England - Cumbria); Central (Central England - East and West Midlands, Yorkshire, Lancashire, Cheshire and Wales); South (Southern England - South West, South East, East Anglia and London). Previous winners include; Ma (Innovations) 2T4 Ltd - Supercharger Air Hybrid Vehicle; Luminanz Ltd - Toruslite; Scottish Bioenergy Cooperative Ventures Ltd - Bio diesel building in small scale algae bioreactor. **The deadline for entries is the 6 November 2009....**
<http://www.shellspringboard.org/home/>

Funding for the Promotion of Certain Agricultural Products (UK) In

The Rural Payments Agency has announced that it is inviting proposals for funding from trade organisations for promotional activities aimed at increasing the information on, and sales of, certain agricultural products in EU countries. To be eligible for funding the applicant should be an organisation which is representative of the sector to be promoted and must have its registered place of business in a member state of the European Community. Promotional activities should be a coherent set of measures of sufficient scope to contribute towards improving information about and sales of the product concerned, and to have a significant impact on the targeted markets. Where appropriate, they may be implemented on the markets of more than one Member State. **The closing date for applications is the 30th November 2009.** For information on which agricultural products qualify under this scheme please click on the link below.

<http://www.rpa.gov.uk/rpa/index.nsf/0/1C64529D286200698025761E002518D3>

The Naturesave Trust (UK) In SE Ch VC

Naturesave Limited, an ethical insurance company provides funding to support environmental and conservationist projects. The funding is provided by investing 10% of personal insurance premiums into the Naturesave Trust. The Naturesave Trust aims to provide financial assistance to projects that deal with the root of a specific environmental and/or conservationist problem and those that encourage the greater commercial adoption of sustainable development. Financial assistance is available in the form of start up finance to new organisations which seeks to promote greater awareness of sustainable development or for existing companies and charities which are seeking funding for a specific project. **Applications can be made at any time.**
http://www.naturesave.co.uk/trust_naturesave.html

Call for Proposals - MEDIA Programme (UK) In

The European Commission has issued a further call for proposals under its Media programme. Media is the EU's main mechanism for supporting the European Audiovisual Industry. Under this call for proposals, European independent producers and distributors within the sector can apply for funding to gain access to and participate in the key European and international events and to promote European work in major international markets. The total budget available to support this call for

proposals is €1.7 million and the financial support from the Commission cannot exceed 50 % of the total costs of any action supported. **The closing date for applications is the 7th December 2009** for activities starting between 1st June 2010 and up to 31st December 2010 and the 30th June 2010 for annual activities taking place in 2011 and activities starting between 1st January 2011 and 31st May 2011.

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/media/promo/markt/forms/index_en.htm

UnLtd Announces Level 2 Funding Round to Support Social Entrepreneurs (UK) [In](#) [SE](#)

Social Entrepreneurs that wish to apply for funding through the UnLtd Millennium Awards (Level 2) Awards will have from the 26th February 2010 until the 22nd March 2010 to register their expression of interest. UnLtd's Awards provide practical and financial support to social entrepreneurs in the UK to develop their ideas and projects. Level 2 Awards provides grants of up to £15,000 to support people whose ideas are already developed or pay for the living expenses of Award Winners to help them devote more time to their projects. In addition, UnLtd also provides grants of between £500 and £5,000 through its Level 1 Awards. The aim of Level 1 awards is to provide grants of between £500 and £5,000 to develop new ideas into real projects. UnLtd gives out 1,000 Level 1 Awards each year across the UK. Level 1 Awards are aimed at individuals or informal groups of people who have an idea and want help getting it off the ground. The money is to help with the running costs of the project. **Applications for Level 1 Awards can be submitted at any time.** Scotland and Wales Level 2 Awards are on a different timetable, so please contact your regional office for more details....

<http://www.unltd.org.uk/template.php?ID=1&PageName=whatareunltdawards>

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.**

Funding for Community Shops (England) [In](#) [Ch](#) [VC](#)

The Village Retail Services Association in partnership with Esmée Fairbairn Foundation and Co-operative and Community Finance have funding available to support start up funding to new Community owned shops in rural areas of England or saving an existing shop by transfer to community ownership. The funding which will be available over the next three years will provide up to £40,000 per shop. This will be made up of a mix of grant and loan funding, as well as advice from the Village Retail Services Association. Eligible applicants will include community based organisations located in rural communities of not less than 300 residents. The community is required to raise match funding through community contributions, which could take the form of share capital, donations raised through community fundraising events and grants obtained from other sources to the same or greater value than the grant requested from the Village CORE Programme. At least some of the funds raised should have been provided by the community itself and not solely through external grants. **Applications can be submitted at any time...**

UK Film Council Funding to Support Digital Innovation in Film Distribution (UK)

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UK Film Council has announced that they are trialling an earlier application process within its Prints and Advertising Fund, to support distributors in harnessing the internet to transform the way British audiences discover and engage with films. The fund supports the distribution and marketing strategy of 'specialised' films. Up to five Grants of up to £30,000 are available for digital promotional and marketing materials such as:

- Creating digital assets such as clips, trailers, podcasts, stills, etc
- Developing social media elements such as blogs, widgets and social networking profiles
- Interactive websites
- Viral marketing.

In addition to film distributors, rights holders can also apply for funding if the film they planning to distribute is not yet completed, so long as the intention to theatrically distribute in the UK can be clearly demonstrated. **The deadline for this new application process is the 31st March 2010.**

<http://www.ukfilmcouncil.org.uk/15846>

Deadline Extended - £30 Million Green Bus Fund (England) **In LA**

The Department of Transport (DfT) has announced that it is currently still waiting for a decision by the European Commission regarding the Green Bus Fund and state aid regulations. As a result DfT has **extended the application deadline by two weeks to the 18th November 2009**. Under the Green Bus Fund, £30 million is available to encourage the purchase of low carbon buses. The fund is part of the Department for Transport's wider strategy to encourage a shift to low carbon transport and improve air quality in our cities. Bus operators and councils are able to bid for the money which they can then use towards the additional upfront cost of buying low carbon buses. Over the next two years the DfT expects this fund to support the purchase of several hundred low carbon buses and, just as importantly, help to stimulate the development of a new green technology industry and help to safeguard up to 900 jobs in bus manufacturing. The fund is also available for very low and zero emission vehicles, such as electric vehicles, and the Department would be interested in receiving bids which covered the demonstrations of such buses in regular use for services...

<http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/regional/buses/greenbusfund/>

New £12 Million Fund to Regenerate Disadvantaged Local Areas (England) **LA**

The Department of Communities and Local Government has announced a new £12 million fund to regenerate those communities that have been most affected by the recession. Around 100 areas of the country have been identified as the focus of this programme. The fund will focus on supporting practical actions that will be delivered within locations such as specific estates and streets and will focus on addressing people's concerns, provide employment opportunities and tackle the sense of unfairness some people are feeling. The problems faced by the areas selected will vary from place to place but there are a number of common key issues that the fund will address. These are; a decline in traditional jobs in predominantly white areas and worries about young people's future; recent migration is perceived as having changed communities and created competition for jobs and resources like social housing; and anti-social behaviour. The government has announced the first 27 neighbourhoods across 21 local authorities that will be involved in the initial phase of this programme.

4iP Awards (UK) **SE**

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
- 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 4ip@unltd.org.uk. **Applications can be submitted at any time.** <http://www.unltd.org.uk/template.php?ID=179&PageName=4ip>

CAF Venturesome (UK) Ch VC SE

The scheme provides mezzanine funding – loans and investment support that fills the gap between grants and bank loans – to charities and other social enterprises. The scheme cannot be used to finance start-up organisations or those based overseas. Support ranges in value from £20,000 to £350,000 and can be provided in the form of underwriting, unsecured loans or equity-type investments. The type of finance available includes bridging finance for capital projects, working capital to ease cash flow concerns and Development capital for projects to help build income generation capacity.

Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.cafonline.org/Default.aspx?page=6903>

Meeting housing need

Changing Lives Programme (UK) LA Ch VC SE

Crisis, the national Homeless Charity has announced that the Changing Lives Programme is now open for applications. The Crisis Changing Lives programme provides financial awards of up to £2,500 to solitary people who are homeless or settling into a home and looking for support so that they may achieve their vocational goals. The Awards can be used for; course fees; equipment or materials for courses; tools materials and equipment to get back to work; and to set up a business.

Applications can not be made by the homeless person, but rather by the support organisation providing ongoing help. This could be a key worker, someone providing guidance concerning training or employment, a housing support officer or someone like a mental health worker. **Applications can be submitted at any time up to July 2010...**

<http://www.crisis.org.uk/pages/crisis-changing-lives.html>

Society for the Assistance of Ladies in Reduced Circumstances (UK) Ch VC SE

The Society for the Assistance of Ladies in Reduced Circumstances has announced that it will be launching a new funding round in 2010. The Society, which was founded in 1886 and provides support to women resident in the United Kingdom who are living alone in their own home (either owned or rented) and in genuine need, irrespective of age or social status, will make £50,000 available for grants to support the work of other organisations that meet the objectives of the Society. Priority will be given to smaller projects where it can be demonstrated that the Society's grant will make a real difference. The Society cannot consider projects which also benefit men; children; and women who are not in financial need The Trustees intend short listing applications at their meeting in April 2010. **The closing date for applications is the**

26th March 2010. All applicants must complete the online application form..

Independence at Home (UK) In Ch VC SE LA

Independence at Home is a national charity that helps improve independence, comfort, safety, dignity and quality of life for people with long-term illness and disability by helping towards the cost of adaptations, equipment or other things that are not available from public funds. During 2008 Independence at Home made grants to 1,250 people. The type of adaptations and equipment funded in the past include:

- The cost of home adaptations for disability, house repairs and other building work
- Equipment such as specialised powered scooters and wheelchairs to restore a measure of lost mobility
- Other special equipment for disability such as through-floor lifts and stair lifts, special beds, riser-recliner chairs and other specialised seating, hoists and bath lifts
- Household goods such as white goods, furniture, flooring and furnishings – where the need for these things was directly related to the person's illness or disability
- Help towards the cost of heating their homes across the winter months. In many cases, this included helping people who had been asked to pay a contribution towards the statutory disabled facilities grant.

To be eligible to apply an individual will need to be referred to Independence at Home by a: social worker; occupational therapist; specialist nurses; disability and health advice workers; or key workers from other major charities.

Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.independenceathome.org.uk/helpforyou.html>

Promoting culture, arts, leisure and tourism

Support for the Transnational Distribution of European Films (UK) In

The European Commission has announced that it is currently seeking applications from European organisations under its media programme. The new MEDIA 2007 programme (2007-2013) is the fourth multi-annual programme since 1991 and aims to support the European audiovisual industry. The aim of this call for proposals is to support for the transnational distribution of non national European films. This call also aims to encourage the development of links between the production and distribution sector thus improving the competitive position of non-national European films. The total budget available is £12,250,000, subject to the availability of funds for the 2010 financial year. The financial contribution will take the form of a grant. The financial contribution awarded will in no event exceed 50 % of the eligible costs. The maximum award shall be £150,000 per film per country. **The next closing date for applications is the 1st December 2009...**

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/media/distrib/schemes/select/index_en.htm

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 is now open for applications. This year, the theme of the Baring Foundation's Arts Programme is to support arts organisations in the UK already producing and presenting arts made by older people. In particular, the Baring Foundation wants to support arts organisations which specialise in or have a very strong record of practice in enabling older people to:

- Participate in a creative capacity, not simply as observers or audience members

- Participate in arts activities which seek to foster intergenerational understanding and co-operation
- Have a genuine voice in relation to the choices offered by arts organisations and other agencies.

To be eligible for funding applicants need to be a constituted not for profit organisation with an annual income of at least £50,000 and have already undertaken high quality work led by or involving older people. The level of funding available will depend on the annual income of the applicant. Please see the Baring Foundation for details. **The closing date for applications is the 11th December 2009.**

<http://www.baringfoundation.org.uk/program.htm>

UK Film Council's Short Film Completion Fund (UK)

The UK Film Council's Short Film Completion Fund (2010) is now open for applications from individual producers or production companies. The fund is part of the New Cinema Fund's programme to enable directors and producers to push their creative boundaries, develop new talent and to invest in short films that illustrate unique ideas and an innovative approach. The Fund aims to support short films that show outstanding potential but lack the funds to finish. The total fund available to this call for submissions for the Short Film Completion Fund 2009-2010 is £70,000.

The closing date for this call for applications is Monday 30 November 2009.

Cash 4 Clubs (UK)

Sports club that are registered with their sport's National Governing Body or local authority can apply for grants of up to £1,000 through the Cash 4 Clubs grants scheme. Cash 4 Clubs is a sports funding scheme which gives clubs a unique chance to apply for grants to improve facilities, purchase new equipment, gain coaching qualifications, and generally invest in the sustainability of their club. In 2008 over £30,000 was given out in grants to 30 community sports clubs across the UK. There are three tiers of grants at £250, £500 and £1,000.

Previous grants have been awarded to:

- The Southampton Canoe club which received a grant of £1,000 towards purchasing junior paddles and safety equipment.
- The Rugby Sea Cadets which received a grant of £1,000 to maintain and replace safety equipment.
- Ipswich Basketball which received a grant of £1,000 to initiate a new women's team aimed at the 16+ league.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

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

National Young Filmmakers' Award 2010 (UK)

The National Young Filmmakers' Award (NYFA) is currently open for entries. Now in its 7th year, the Awards showcase the best new filmmaking talent in the UK and they're looking for the best short films from the movie makers of the future. Films can be of any type - fiction, documentary or animation and any genre - horror, comedy, drama, sci-fi, fantasy, etc as long as they are under 10 minutes and have been made in the last year. All shortlisted films will be screened at a special event in the 2010 Leeds Young People's Film Festival in front of a panel of industry specialists including filmmakers, producers, journalists and funders. The winning films in each age group will receive a £250 cash prize towards their next project. The competition is open to any young filmmakers aged from 0-19. **The deadline for entries is Friday 18th December 2009.** You can download a copy of the entry form from their website....

Media Programme - New Call for Proposals (UK)

The European Commission has issued a new call for proposals under its Media programme. The objective of the Media Programme is to support the European Ausiovisual Industry. The aim of this call for proposals is to support the development

of digital interactive content complementing an audiovisual project (drama, creative documentary or animation) specifically developed for at least one of the following platforms; internet; PC; console; handheld device; and interactive television. The total budget available for this call for proposals is €2 million. The maximum financial contribution which may be awarded is between €10,000 and €150,000. The financial contribution awarded will in no event exceed 50 % of the eligible costs submitted by the producer (60 % for projects presenting an interest in promoting European cultural diversity). There are two application dates. **Applications must be submitted no later than the 27th November 2009 and the 12th April 2010....**

[http://eur-](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2009:232:0010:0012:EN:PDF)

[lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2009:232:0010:0012:EN:PDF](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2009:232:0010:0012:EN:PDF)

Applications Invited through the Townscape Heritage Initiative (UK) Ch VC SE LA TP

The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) has published the application form and guidance notes for the next application round of the Townscape Heritage Initiative. The Townscape Heritage Initiative is HLF's grant giving programme under which it supports schemes led by partnerships of local, regional and national interests that aim to regenerate the historic environment in towns and cities across the United Kingdom. The programme is designed to address problems in areas of particular social and economic need. The scheme is open to single organisations (such as Local Authorities) or partnerships of not for profit organisations and provides grants of between £500,000 and £2 million. In addition, applicants can also apply for a development grant of up to £50,000 at stage 1 and if successful can use this to meet the cost of planning and developing their scheme up to your second-round submission. There is a two stage application process and the **deadline for stage 1 applications is the 30th November 2009**. If applicants receive a first-round pass, they will need to develop the scheme further within a 12-month development phase and then send a detailed second-round submission. The second round is not competitive; a grant will be offered to the applicant if it meets the HLF's criteria and priorities.

Digital Shorts Scheme (East of England) In

Screen East has announced the launch of its short film programme, Digital Shorts for 2009/10. The scheme is seeking out the most innovative and talented filmmakers in the East of England, who can demonstrate they have a fresh approach to filmmaking. Films can be of any genre within live action fiction, animation and documentary. Screen East will commission five films of up to fifteen minutes in length with a maximum budget of £12,500. **The deadline for applications is the 9th November 2009...**

Sportmatch Suspends Grant Making Activity until December (England) In Ch VC

The Sport England Sportmatch programme has announced that due to a high-quality applications they have now fully committed the Sportmatch budget for 2009/10. Sportmatch are now closed to applications and will accept applications for projects that will be delivered in the 2010/11 financial year in December 2009. Through the scheme, Sportmatch offers pound for pound matched funding to investments made by businesses, trusts and individuals into projects that encourage sports participation at grass roots level. **From October 2009, Sportmatch will be accepting applications for projects that would spend Sportmatch funding after 1 April 2010**. Please note that Sport England's Small Grants Programme is still accepting applications for investment of between £300 and £10,000 (the total project cost should not exceed £50,000). For further information, please contact the grants team on 08458 508 508...

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

Opportunities Through Sports Programme (UK) Ch

Registered charities that wish to support sporting activities or projects which provide opportunities for people who are disabled or otherwise disadvantaged to fulfil their potential and to develop other personal and life skills can apply for funding through the Peter Harrison Foundation "Opportunities through Sports" programme. Grants will often be "one off" grants for capital projects. The Foundation will, however, also consider revenue funding for a new project or if funding is key to the continuing success or survival of an established project. Recent projects supported through the programme include a £30,000 grant to the Swadelands School to enable the school to reach its fundraising target in order to claim a Big Lottery Fund grant for a new multi-gym and dance facility, which will have wide community use; and a £50,000 grant to the Brae Partnership towards the building and running costs of a new riding centre for people with disabilities. In addition the Foundation also operates two funding schemes open to organisations in the South East of England. These are the "Special Needs and Care for Children and Young People programme and the Opportunities through Education Programme. The Peter Harrison Foundation operates a two-stage application process: an initial enquiry to check whether your project might be of interest to the Peter Harrison Foundation and a full application.

<http://www.peterharrisonfoundation.org/programme.htm>

UnLtd Sport Relief Awards (UK) Ch SE In

UnLtd, the charity that supports Social Entrepreneurs, is accepting applications under its Sport Relief Grants Programme. UnLtd Sport Relief Awards are funded by Comic Relief and provide opportunities for young people to bring communities together, to help promote understanding and solve problems through sport, arts and recreational activities. The UK wide funding programme is for 11-21 year olds, who are prepared to go the extra mile and use their passion for sport and arts to bring respect and understanding to their communities by setting up their own projects. There are three funding streams that young people can apply for, these are:

- "Try it" which provides grants of up to £1,000 for young people to try out their idea
- "Shape it" which provides grants of up to £5,000 to develop ideas
- "Do it" which provides grants of up to £10,000 to grow projects.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

<http://unltd.org.uk/template.php?ID=110&PageName=sportrelief>

Bursaries Available to Exchange Ideas between Artists (UK) In VC

Artists' groups and networks within the UK can apply for awards of up to £500 through the Go & See bursaries scheme. The scheme which is provided by a-n The Artists Information Company and managed by the Networking Artist's Network aims to support exchange between artists' groups and networks in the UK and beyond in order to explore new projects and provide a focus for critical exchange. NAN defines artists' groups as two or more artists working together or engaged in collective activity who consider themselves to be a group or network. Previous winners have included the Basement Art Project, a contemporary art network led by London based artist Yu-Chen Wang with a group of international artists, curators and researchers, who will travel to the Netherlands to visit four artist-run spaces and the Worcester Contemporary Art (WCA), a newly formed artist-led initiative in Worcestershire, who will travel to Cumbria to visit organizations and individuals in order to explore research ethos, network methodology, art in rural setting and engaged practice in other provincial areas and develop a viable contemporary networking model for Worcestershire artists. **The next application deadline is 6pm on the 1st December 2009.**

<http://www.a-n.co.uk/nan/topic/473133>

Young Film Fund (UK) In VC LA Ch

First Light Movies provides grants to projects that enable young people to participate in all aspects of film productions. Since launching in 2001, First Light Movies have enabled over 12,000 young filmmakers to write, act, shoot, light, direct and produce over 800 films. The funding is available to organisations such as schools, youth services, community and voluntary groups that work with young people aged between 5 and 18. Every year approximately £700,000 of grants are available through three funding streams. The Studio Awards provides grants of up to £30,000 for between two and four films of up to 10 minutes. The Script Awards provides grants of up to £3,000 for script writing projects that team young people with script professionals. The Pilot Awards provides grants of up to £5,000 for one short film of up to five minutes in duration. **The next closing date for all three programmes is the 19th January 2010...**

Encouraging community involvement

Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust (UK) In VC Ch

The Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust has announced that its grant making programme is open for applications. Within the UK, the Trust makes grants to both organisations and individuals for activities that relate to; peace and conflict resolution; promoting racial justice; power and responsibility; and Quaker concerns. The Trust tends to fund work that is on a national level and there are no maximum grant limits although the Trust does stress that costings need to be realistic. Previously supported projects include; Asylum Aid, which assists people seeking refuge in the UK. Asylum Aid received a grant of £203,170 from the Trust to support a project that enables women fleeing serious human rights violations to gain protection in the UK. The University of Liverpool received a grant of £75,000 from the Trust to undertake an audit of local democracy in Burnley and Harrogate. **The next deadline for applications is the 5th January 2010....**

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

Community Radio Fund (UK) VC Ch

Ofcom's Community Radio Fund's second round for application in 2009/10 will open on the 13th October and **close on the 10th November 2009**. Under the fund, Community Radio Stations can apply for funding to support their core running costs. These can include: Management; Administration, financial management & reporting costs; Fundraising to support the station; Community outreach work; Costs involved in using volunteers. There is no upper limit of grant that can be applied for; however, the minimum grant is £5,000. Grants can only be made to community radio licensees which are broadcasting under a community radio licence (and not an RSL, for example). The average grant in the last round was of £15,564....

http://www.ofcom.org.uk/radio/ifi/rbl/commun_radio/Communityfund/

The J Paul Getty Jnr Charitable Trust Announces Wind Down (UK) VC Ch

The J Paul Getty Jnr Charitable Trust, one of the largest grant making trusts in the UK has announced that it is winding down the Trust over a period of between five and ten years. This means that the Trust will be increasing the level of annual spend and will be looking for opportunities to award a number of more substantial grants that will have an enduring impact. Since 1986 the Trust has awarded nearly £38 million to over 3,000 charities across the United Kingdom. The Trust aims to support projects which help to relieve poverty, support disadvantaged people and effect long-term change where help is not readily available from the public or private purse. The Trust also provides funding for the arts, and towards the conservation of the natural and built environment. The Trust makes grants through two funding streams. Main grants can be between £10,000 and £250,000 over a period of 1 to 3

years. Small grants of up to £5,000 are also available for smaller charities.

Applications can be submitted at any time...

<http://www.jpgettytrust.org.uk/funding.html>

Platform2: Global Volunteering Scheme (UK) In VC Ch

Platform2 is a Department for International Development (DfID) initiative that offers 18 – 25 year olds from less advantaged backgrounds, the opportunity to live, work and learn about life in poorer countries. The aim of the programme is to unlock the potential and developing the skills of less advantaged young adults who wouldn't normally have such an opportunity. The scheme will help promote a greater understanding in the UK of other cultures and global issues. In particular, the programme will aim to:

- Raise awareness of HIV/AIDS amongst young people
- To build schools, community centres, wells, tap stands and hand pumps
- To develop allotments, sports pitches and ecological centres.

Applications can be submitted at any time but it is advised that applications should be submitted at least 6 months before the planned travel.

Co-op Group Community Dividend Fund (England & Wales) VC Ch

The Community Dividend Fund uses the "odd pence" donated from Co-operative Group Dividend cardholders to fund projects that benefit local communities.

Community and voluntary groups as well as charities are able to apply for funding of between £100 and £5,000 to support projects that benefit the local community. To be eligible, the project must benefit a local community in which at least one Co-operative group business trades. The type of activities supported must fulfill a perceived need in the local community by addressing community issues such as combating crime and anti-social behaviour, promoting education and improving health. Activities must also target disadvantaged groups or areas and be in line with co-operative values and principles. **Applications can be made at any time.**

Call for Proposals - European Refugee Fund (UK) LA

The European Commission has launched the latest call for proposals under its European Refugee Fund 2008 - 2013. The objective of the European Refugee Fund is to support and encourage the efforts made by the Member States in receiving, and in bearing the consequences of receiving. The type of actions that can be supported under this call for proposals include amongst others the exchange of best practice and information, including on training, between national asylum authorities on the implementation of Community legislation in the field of asylum. A total of €9.18 million is available to national, regional and local authorities, universities (including research institutions), and non-governmental organisations, registered in one of the 26 Member States participating in the European Refugee Fund, as well as International organisations, working on a strictly non-profit basis, with proven experience and expertise to meet the priorities of the 2009 European Refugee Fund work programme. The maximum grant per project is fixed at €2 million if the applicant is a National Authority or the UNHCR and at €500,000 for other applicants. The minimum amount is fixed at €200,000 for any applicant. **The closing date for applications is the 30th November 2009...**

http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/funding/refugee/funding_refugee_en.htm#

Secret Millionaire Fund (UK) VC Ch

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 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

Funding for Global Justice Education Projects (England and Wales) VC Ch

Groups and organisations in England and Wales that wish to promote global justice may be eligible to apply for funding through the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development Education Fund's Small grants programme. Grants of up to £3,000 are available for UK based projects that:

- Increase awareness of poverty and injustice in the world and the structures which cause them
- Discern how our lifestyles contribute to injustice and how this can be changed so that we are free to live more justly
- Encourage individuals in their social, political and economic choices to make an option for the poor
- Foster partnership between people in countries of the North and the South, through which we can all recognise how much we have to give and to receive
- Celebrate the Christian vision of human solidarity, development and the integrity of creation.

Applications to the small grants programme can be made at any time. **The deadline for the large grants is the 30th November 2009.**

<http://www.cafod.org.uk/uk/funding>

Community Matters VC Ch

Supermarket chain, Waitrose will award funding of £2.2 million over the next year to nearly 7,000 charities and local good causes. The funding is being made through a new initiative called Community Matters. Through this scheme, Waitrose will allocate £1,000 a month to each of its 190 branches to distribute amongst three local community projects as chosen by its customers and employees. As part of the scheme, each customer will be given a token at the checkout that they can place into a box representing their preferred good cause - the amount of money each charity receives will be in direct proportion to the number of tokens customers allocate. Each month, staff then get to vote on which three applications will be funded. To be considered for a donation, good causes and charities are asked to get in touch with their local Waitrose branch. Please contact your nearest Waitrose store for details.

<http://www.johnlewispartnership.co.uk/Display.aspx?MasterId=a4e17b78-fb5b-40d2-9499-46154da7dd91&NavigationId=1235>

vcashpoint Re-opens for Applications from Young Volunteers (England) VC Ch

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v, the independent charity set up to encourage young people to volunteer, has announced that the next funding round of its vcashpoint scheme is now open for applications. Working in partnership with the HSBC bank, vcashpoint is a £1 million initiative that will provide grants of up to £2,500 to young people to set up their own volunteering projects within their community. The type of activities that could be supported could include: Running activities for children; Transforming a community space; Supporting victims of bullying; Running workshops for young people; Setting up a local campaign; Clearing up a beach; Running music art or sports events for

disadvantaged people; Organising a festival to bring different cultures or communities together, etc.

The next application deadline is 12 noon on the 25th January 2010.

<http://www.vgrantfunding.com/cashpoint/init.pl>

Common Ground Initiative (UK) Ch

The Department for International Development (DFID) has announced its new "Common Ground Initiative". This is a £20 million fund to increase access to grants and develop the capacity of small and Diaspora-led organisations in the UK that are working to create real and sustainable changes to some of the poorest and most disadvantaged communities in Africa. Managed by Comic Relief, applicants can apply to one of Comic Relief's six existing grants programmes, or to the health, education or enterprise and employment programmes that have been developed specifically for this initiative. This fund is open to UK registered organisations. To be eligible, small organisations must have had an annual turn-over of less than £1m for the previous two financial years. Diaspora organisations are organisations where the majority of the trustees define themselves as being of African heritage; who live in the UK but retain emotional, financial and cultural links with their country and/ or the African continent. Diaspora organisations may be of any size.

<http://www.dfid.gov.uk/Working-with-DFID/Funding-Schemes/Funding-for-not-for-profit-organisations/Common-ground/>

CHANGEit Awards Nominations (UK) In VC Ch

Nominations are currently being invited for the CHANGEit awards. The CHANGEit awards are a collaboration between Common Purpose, an organisation dedicated to improving the quality of leadership in the UK, Common Purpose International and Deutsche Bank. The awards recognise, support and reward the achievements and ambitions of young campaigners between the ages of 11-18 who want to speak out and create positive change to their community. There are three categories in the CHANGEit awards. These are; "Innovation" for people who have an idea to improve their community but need training or support to get started; "Performance" to celebrate the achievements of young people who have already taken positive action in their local areas; and "Photography" young people's photos that capture campaigning in action or images that illustrate the change you see in the world around you. Winners in the Innovation and Performance categories will receive £750 and finalists will receive £250. Winners in the photo contest will receive £250.

Nominations will be accepted until the 11th December 2009...

Communitybuilders Fund Opens for Applications (England) VC Ch

The Adventure Capital Fund (ACF) has announced that the Government's £70m Communitybuilders fund is now open for applications. Communitybuilders provides a mix of loans, grants and mentoring support to community organisations across England to improve their long-term financial stability and away from grant dependency. Communitybuilders has been organised into three investment packages. These are:

- A development package consisting of bespoke business support based on an initial needs assessment and leadership grants of £2,000 for staff development and training.
- A feasibility package consisting of further business support of up to 5 days and grants of up to £20,000 to use towards project development of a growth plan. Grants of up to £75,000 and 30 days of support will be available for larger projects;
- Investment packages tailored for investees who are ready to develop, grow and expand their role within the community. Investment will consist primarily of loans between £50,000 and £2,000,000 offered at 5% for an initial three year period of a ten year loan term.

To support the launch of the Fund there will be a number of regional information events to provide potential applicants with more in-depth information about the Communitybuilders Fund and how it can help.

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

Funding for Individual and Small Groups to Improve their Local Communities (UK) VC Ch

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 £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; and 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/>

Porticus UK (England, Scotland and Wales) VC Ch

Porticus UK is inviting registered charities in England, Wales and Scotland to apply for grants of up to £25,000. Porticus UK's mission is to have solidarity with the poor and the marginalised, reflecting Christian responsibility and support for the social teaching of the Roman Catholic Church. It aims to provide high quality charity advice, grant assessment and administration, and services to donors and partners that promote organisational effectiveness. Porticus UK seeks to support projects that fall under the following categories; strengthening family relationship; enriching education; transformation through faith; ethics in practice. Grants can be used towards core or project costs, these may include staff salaries and overheads; however they will not generally fund buildings or equipment. **Applications can be made at any time...**

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

Vodafone's World Of Difference Programme (UK) In

Vodafone is giving people 18 years old and over anywhere in the UK the opportunity to make a World of Difference in the Community. Successful applicants could spend two months working at the charity of their choice. Vodafone will pay the charity £2,500 and the applicant will receive the balance left after the charity has paid all National Insurance and Tax contributions for their placement. Vodafone will also give successful applicants a new mobile phone, with a preloaded SIM. In order for applications to be considered, the applicant will need to; have discussed their intention to apply for World of Difference with their chosen charity and have a plan for what they would like to achieve in their two months with that charity; provide contact details for their chosen charity; be available for an induction day in London either on the 11th January 2010 (for placements beginning on the 12th January 2010) or 12th April 2010 (for placements beginning on the 13th April 2010)..

<http://worldofdifference.vodafone.co.uk/aboutWOD.html>

The Sylvia Waddilove Foundation (UK) VC Ch

The Sylvia Waddilove Foundation provides grants to charities for educational projects, music composition and performances, herbal medicine, medical research, disability, and farming related projects. Grants of up to £20,000 are available to registered charities with a turnover of less than £500,000. The Foundation favours supporting small charities that will carry out the project themselves (except in the

case of medical research), who rely on volunteers and who can demonstrate a successful history of projects. The Trustees will usually meet to consider applications in January, April, July, and October. **Applications need to be submitted before the last week in the month before the next meeting.** For example, for an application to be considered at the January meeting, applicants will need to submit it before the last week of December...

<http://www.pwwsolicitors.co.uk/charitable-applications/charity-details/the-sylvia-waddilove-foundation-uk>

Reaching Communities Relaxes Eligibility Criteria (England) VC Ch

The Big Lottery Fund (BIG) has announced, that due to the difficulties experienced by projects and communities during the current economic downturn, that it has decided to relax the eligibility criteria for Reaching Communities to enable these projects to apply for funding. The Reaching Communities programme will now accept applications for projects that were previously eligible for other BIG programmes. This will include amongst others projects that provide family learning activities; children's play activities such as after school clubs or one o' clock clubs; the refurbishment of community buildings; community services taking place within libraries; and projects that have young people as their primary beneficiaries; etc. Organisations that can apply for Reaching Communities funding include; not for profit organisations; statutory bodies, including schools and social enterprises. The total budget available for 2009 - 10 is £80 millions and grants can range from £10,000 and £500,000 for projects lasting up to 5 years. **Applications can be made at any time till at least to the end of March 2010** after which BIG is planning to launch a range of new programmes...

http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_reaching_communities

Erach & Roshan Sadri Foundation (UK) VC Ch

Charities and organisations have the opportunity to apply for grants of between £2,000 and £100,000 through the Erach & Roshan Sadri Foundation. Applications from individuals may also be considered. The Foundation seeks to support educational and welfare projects, projects that relieve poverty by alleviating homelessness and assisting members of the Zoroastrian religious faith. Projects that the Foundation has funded in the UK in the past include: A Saturday Education programme; funding for a Muslim school; support for young carers in Wiltshire. The trustees meet four times a year March 1st, June 1st, September 1st and December 1st. **The next deadline for applications is the 1st December 2009.**

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

Church Urban Fund Seeks Applications to Its Mustard Seed Fund (England) VC Ch In

The Church Urban Fund (CUF) has announced that it is seeking applications from churches and faith-based groups under its Mustard Seed Fund. The aim of the fund is to provide grants to enable churches and faith-based organisations to engage in social action through supporting them to initiate, develop and formulate ideas and opportunities in preparation for undertaking larger pieces of work. Mustard Seed Grants can pay for specific activities but not for on-going revenue expenditure, deficit funding, or retrospective spending. The Church Urban Fund particularly assists churches in deprived areas in their outreach to their local community and aims to support the mission of the Church. Eligible projects need to be directly tackling the effects of profound poverty and should be working in the 10% most deprived areas in England. The 'Mustard Seed' programme makes grants of up to £5,000. The programme operates on a rolling basis and **applications can be made at any time.**

<http://www.cuf.org.uk/mustardseed.aspx>

Meeting the needs of children and young people

Call for Proposals – Youth in Action Programme (UK) VC Ch

The European Commission has announced a new call for proposals under its Youth in Action Programme. Youth in Action is the Programme the European Union has set up for young people. It aims to inspire a sense of active European citizenship, solidarity and tolerance among young Europeans and to involve them in shaping the Union's future. It promotes mobility within and beyond the EU's borders, non-formal learning and intercultural dialogue, and encourages the inclusion of all young people, regardless of their educational, social and cultural background. This call for proposals aims to support partnership projects with regional or local public bodies (i.e. regions, municipalities, etc.) or with organisations active in the youth sector at the European level in order to develop long-term projects which develop or reinforce long-term actions, strategies and programmes in the field of non-formal learning and youth. The total budget for this call for proposals is €1.2 million and the maximum grant available per project is €100,000.

The closing date for applications is the 1st December 2009.

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/youth/funding/2009/call_action_4_6_en.php

Funding to Change Young People's Lives (England, Scotland & Wales) VC Ch In

Organisations that work with young people, whatever their background, to help them achieve their potential have the opportunity to apply for funding through The Learning Launchpad. The Learning Launchpad is a grant making fund delivered by the Young Foundation working in partnership with Edge that provides investment to organisations in their early stages of development. The Learning Launchpad offer investment at two stages.

- Stage one investments of up to £30,000 are suitable for people or fledgling organisations that are starting out with a new idea.
- Stage two investments of up to £100,000 are typically suitable for organisations or initiatives that are already up and running and want to grow.

In particular, the Learning Launchpad is looking to support ideas that have a profound social impact both on individuals and on society as a whole; are innovative; are sustainable; can be replicated and are run by passionate and competent people.

The next closing date for applications is 5pm on the 24th November 2009.

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

Funding to Support Joint Projects between Young People in the UK and France (UK) VC Ch LA

The Lefevre Trust provides funding of up to £10,000 to support innovative projects between young people in France and the UK. It aims to improve understanding between the UK and France by enabling young people to visit a partner group and further develop a joint venture. Funding is available for groups of young people from across the UK and France. All groups are eligible to apply: youth groups; extra-curricular clubs; sports teams; school groups; theatre troupes; arts organisations and so on. Applications for funding are accepted from the formal and non-formal education sector across the UK for young people aged 11-19. Grants will be awarded to cover mobility costs of both one-way and reciprocal visits to France and its overseas departments that form part of a bilateral project. Projects must have specific aims and activities and work have a central theme, such as for example: language learning; culture and the arts; energy and the environment; science and technology; citizenship, etc.

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships-france-lefevre-trust.htm>

Funding for Youth Organisations Active at the European Level (UK) VC Ch LA

The European Commission has announced a new call for proposals under its Youth in Action Programme. Youth in Action is the Programme the European Union has set up for young people. It aims to inspire a sense of active European citizenship, solidarity and tolerance among young Europeans. This call for proposals aims to provide financial support for the operating costs of not for profit organisations active

at the European level and that encourage young people to participate as citizens. The total budget available for this call for proposals is €1.4 million and the maximum grant available for each organisation is €35,000. To be eligible for funding organisations must schedule within their annual work plan (2010) a series of activities which comply with the principles underpinning Community action in the field of youth. These can include amongst others; youth exchanges and voluntary services; non-formal and informal learning and activity programmes targeted at young people; promoting intercultural learning and understanding; and debate on European matters, EU policies or youth policies. **The closing date for applications is the 9th December 2009...**

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/youth/funding/2010/call_action_4_1_en.php

British Council China Programme (England) LA

Schools in the UK are being invited to apply for grants of up to £1,000 per person for travel, board and lodging costs, for school linking visits to develop new or existing partnerships with schools in China. There is a variety of different funding opportunities available to help primary, secondary and special schools, as well as colleges of further education to develop partnerships with Chinese schools and the teaching of Chinese. The programme aims to establish sustainable links that will impact on the development of the schools and colleges involved; to enrich the curriculum and support language awareness and learning; and to provide professional development opportunities for staff. Funding is for example available to local authorities and clusters of schools to develop strategic area links with regions in China. **The deadline for applications for school linking visits is February 2010** (Date to be Confirmed)

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships-school-links-china.htm>

CHANGEit Awards Nominations (UK) In VC Ch

Nominations are currently being invited for the CHANGEit awards. The CHANGEit awards are a collaboration between Common Purpose, an organisation dedicated to improving the quality of leadership in the UK, Common Purpose International and Deutsche Bank. The awards recognise, support and reward the achievements and ambitions of young campaigners between the ages of 11-18 who want to speak out and create positive change to their community. There are three categories in the CHANGEit awards. These are; "Innovation" for people who have an idea to improve their community but need training or support to get started; "Performance" to celebrate the achievements of young people who have already taken positive action in their local areas; and "Photography" young people's photos that capture campaigning in action or images that illustrate the change you see in the world around you. Winners in the Innovation and Performance categories will receive £750 and finalists will receive £250. Winners in the photo contest will receive £250.

Nominations will be accepted until the 11th December 2009...

The Joanies Trust (UK) Ch

Registered charities working with young people aged 11 to 25 are eligible to apply for grants through the Joanies Trust. Each year, the Trust makes approximately 30 grants with an average value of £1,000 to support projects that offer intensive support to young people as well as those that promote preventative work, and especially those that are designed to lead to individual development through integration, work opportunities or accreditation. In particular the Trust is looking to support projects that show innovation and imagination as well as evidence of close consultation with young people in developing their project. Grants awarded by the Trust include:

- The Trinity Sailing Trust to use offshore sail training on traditional vessels as a way of engaging disadvantaged and disaffected young people.

- The Derby Playhouse to fund a scheme, which distributes tickets to members of the community who may never have a chance to see a live performance due to financial circumstances or to social exclusion.

The next deadline for applications is the 31st December 2009.

<http://www.joaniestrust.org.uk/index.htm>

BBC Children in Need (UK) VC Ch

The BBC has announced that the next funding round of the BBC Children in Need is now open for applications. BBC Children in Need provides grants for up to three years to properly constituted not for profit organisations working with disadvantaged young people aged 18 or under . Funding is available to organisations, (including schools) that work with young people who are suffering from illness, distress, abuse or neglect, are disabled, have behavioural or psychological difficulties and / or are living in poverty or situations of deprivation. Last year the programme made grants of £33 million to over 1,500 organisations. Projects supported in the past have included; an allotment in Plymouth for children with mobility problems; a digital memory pot project for terminally ill children and their siblings who are coming to terms with death and bereavement; a community newspaper for disaffected young people in Wales; and a school received £6,211 for an after-school club for children with severe learning difficulties. **The next closing date will be the 15th January 2010**, with grant decisions and notifications in late April 2010...

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

Hilton in the Community Foundation (UK) VC Ch LA

Organisations that work with young people have the opportunity to apply for grants of up to £50,000 per year through the Hilton Foundation. During 2006, the Foundation made grants totalling over £1.3m to numerous organisations including registered charities and schools for activities and projects that meet one of the Foundation's three chosen areas of focus; Young People - Education; Young People - Health; and Disaster Relief and International Fund. Previously supported projects by the Foundation have included the Palmer Junior School, which received a grant of £2,740 to help send 11 young people on a school field trip, who could otherwise not afford it and the Red Gates School, which received a grant of £750 for specialist equipment at the school. **The next closing date for applications is the 16th February 2010....**

<http://www.hilton-foundation.org.uk/home.htm>

European Youth Foundation (UK) LA VC Ch

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 April 2010...**

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

Funding to Develop Youth Leadership (England) VC Ch LA

The Youth of Today, which is funded and supported by the Department for Children, Schools and Families and Communities and Local Government and aims to support young people make a positive difference to society, has announced that it is now inviting applications through their Reaching Out Scheme. Youth of Today are inviting applications from voluntary and community sector organisations working with 13-19 year olds for grants of between £50,000 and £100,000 to develop youth leadership opportunities for disadvantaged young people or marginalized groups across England. In particular, the fund is looking to support projects that enhance the

capacity of the voluntary and community sector to provide high quality youth leadership opportunities; support organisations or partnerships to work collaboratively; contribute to the building of a lasting, sustainable infrastructure for youth leadership pathways; and work across a wide geographical area. **The deadline for expressions of interest is the 19th November, and for submitting full applications is the 12th January 2010...**

<http://www.theyouthoftoday.org/reaching-out>

Tesco Charity Trust Community Awards (UK) Ch VC

The Tesco Charity Trust has announced that it will once again be seeking applications through its Community Awards programme in early 2010. The Tesco Charity Trust Community Awards Scheme provides one-off donations of between £500 and £4,000. The funding it gives goes towards providing practical benefits, such as equipment and resources for projects that directly benefit children, the elderly and adults and children with disabilities, living in the local communities around our stores in the UK. There are two categories of Community Awards: Grants to support children's welfare and/or children's educations (including special needs schools) and grants to support elderly people and/or adults and children with disabilities. 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 grants programme for children's welfare will open for applications will open from the 1st December to the 31st January 2010.** The grants programme for elderly people and / or adults and children with disabilities will open from the 1st February to the 31st March 2010....

http://www.tescopl.com/plc/corporate_responsibility_09/community/making_difference/charitablegiving/tesco_charity_trust/cagapr09.pdf

The Frank Buttle Trust - Child Support Scheme (UK) Ch LA VC

Social workers, health visitors and support workers working for a statutory agency or voluntary organisation can apply for funding through the Frank Buttle Trust to help children and young people in desperate need. Grants are intended to make a positive contribution to their lives when their safety, health or development is at risk. The item (or service) to be funded should be critical to the well-being of the child/young person, and items that are merely desirable, rather than essential, will not be eligible for support. The grants available provide necessities such as beds, bedding and essential items of furniture and household equipment. The Trust also has an arrangement with Comet for washing machines, cookers, fridges and other white goods that can be delivered directly to applicants. Applications must be made through a statutory agency or voluntary organisation that is capable of assessing the needs of the child/young person, and that can also administer a grant on behalf of the Trust. In the financial year to 31st March 2008 the Trust made 9,481 Child Support grants, totaling £1.94 million. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

<http://www.buttletrust.org>

£1 Million Available to Support Youth Projects (UK) VC Ch

Young people are being given the chance to claim a share of £1 million to help tackle the dangers of drugs, crime and play a positive role in their community. The Royal Bank of Scotland Community Cash Awards will see £1 million of grants being distributed by youth charity "The Prince's Trust" to young people who want to run community projects in some of Britain's poorest areas. The Awards, worth £250 to £5,000, are available to disadvantaged 14 to 25-year-olds who want to transform their area and learn practical skills. Projects could range from improving local youth facilities to tackling teenage pregnancy or drug misuse. Projects must:

- be run and managed by people between the ages of 14 and 25
- clearly benefit the local community
- benefit the people running the project
- be a new or developing project.

Previous projects supported include:

- An amateur boxing project to give young people greater confidence
- A media project to promote community cohesion and greater understanding between the local community and asylum seekers.

Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.princes-trust.org.uk/Main%20Site%20v2/14-30%20and%20need%20help/grants%20for%20community%20projects.asp>

Improving social care and health

James Tudor Foundation (UK) VC Ch

The James Tudor Foundation is a grant-giving charitable organisation established for the relief of sickness and the provision of financial assistance to people suffering hardship or distress arising from age, ill-health or infirmity. The Foundation makes grants, gifts and loans to organisations who have been established for at least two years and that are registered charities within the United Kingdom, that can maximise the effectiveness of its donations. The grants are for charitable purposes across six programme areas; palliative care, medical research, health education, awards and scholarship, the direct relief of sickness, the UK independent healthcare sector and the fulfilment of their charitable objects by other means. The Foundation expects to make donations of up to £1 Million a year. Grants for under £5,000 will be made within one month, Grants that exceed £10,000 may take up to four months to process. **Applications can be submitted at any time....**

<http://www.jamestudor.org.uk/index.htm>

The UK International Health Links Funding Scheme (UK)

The UK International Health Links Funding Scheme (IHLFS) funded by the UK Department for International Development and the Department of Health, is a three year scheme that supports formalised partnerships between a health institution in a developing country and a counterpart in the UK. The scheme aims to strengthen the capacity of health services by providing £1.25 million each year to support the work of health links, such as activities that focus on training health staff and enhancing the capacity of health systems in developing countries. Small grants will be open to health institutions in the UK and the following countries; Africa (Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe); Asia (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Vietnam and Yemen). Medium and large grants will be available to links between health organisations in the UK and; Africa (Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Rwanda, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia); Asia (Bangladesh, Nepal and Pakistan). The British Council is planning workshops for potential applicants, and **further information will be available later in October...**

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/learning-healthlinks>

Funding to Prevent the Misuse of Alcohol (UK) VC Ch

Organisations working to tackle alcohol misuse and raise awareness about the impact of alcohol misuse in the community have the opportunity to apply for funding through the Drinkaware Trust Awareness Project Grant scheme. The main objective of the trust is to help reduce alcohol misuse, reduce alcohol related injuries and change the drinking culture in the UK. The Awareness Project Grant scheme is intended to help organisations develop existing and successful alcohol-awareness projects for people aged under 18 or between 25 and 44. Grants fall into 3 categories:

- Community based work
- Alcohol education work
- Projects focusing on generating new approaches to alcohol misuse that have the potential to be rolled out to a wider audience.

The Awareness Project Grants are made up to the value of £25,000 for the development of existing alcohol awareness schemes. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

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

Supporting Innovative Nurse-Led Projects (UK) In

Help the Hospices has announced that from November 2009 Widening access through nurse leadership programme a new grants programme funded by the Burdett Trust for Nursing will be available to support innovative nurse-led projects which aim to develop leadership skills of the individual, the nursing profession and patient and family care within hospices. The programme will run over three years, and will have two types of grant available; Seed-corn grants and major grants (This scheme will only be available in year two and three). All independent adult and children's hospices, Sue Ryder Care Hospices, Maria Curie Cancer Care and NHS hospices across the UK will be eligible to apply for up to £7,500 through the Seed-corn grants and priority will be given to those who are undertaking work with the ultimate aim of improving services for individuals and/or groups in society that are currently under-represented within services which the hospice or unit offers. Eligible costs include; replacement staff costs; relevant training and development; costs associated with supporting the involvement of service users; mentoring costs; equipment; networking opportunities. The major grants will be of up to £25,000 and will be available to further develop pilot initiatives funded through the seed-corn grants, or to support larger, stand alone projects which demonstrate a clearly defined need. **It is anticipated that the deadline for application for the Seed-corn grants will be mid February 2010...**

£40 Million Funding for Adult Hospices (England) Ch

As part of the funding made available to support the implementation of the End of Life Care Strategy, the Department of Health has £40 million in 2010 - 2011 to fund improvements to the physical environment for adult voluntary sector hospices in England. Eligible organisations that can apply for funding include independent adult hospices, Sue Ryder Care hospices and Marie Curie hospices. The minimum grant will be £25,000. There is no upper limit but the Department of Health do not expect to award grants of more than £600,000 and then only in exceptional cases. Only one application will be considered from each hospice, however if a hospice has multiple sites the Department of Health can consider separate applications from each site.

The closing date for applications is the 8th January 2009..

<http://www.helpthehospices.org.uk/our-services/grants/grants-for-uk-organisations/department-of-health>

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Social Enterprise Investment Fund (England) Ch VC SE

The Social Enterprise Investment Fund provides investment to help both new and existing social enterprises grow and improve their services in the delivery of innovative health and social care services. The Fund was set up in 2007 as part of the Government's plans for stimulating expansion in the role of social enterprise in the provision of health and social care. The Fund is managed by Futurebuilders in partnership with Partnerships UK, on behalf of the Department for Health. The Fund has helped more than 150 social enterprises by investing over £20 million since it was first launched in 2007. There is more than £70 million still available. The Social Enterprise Investment Fund provides loans and grants as well as business support. Social enterprises that can apply to SEIF include:

- multi-agency partnerships, particularly voluntary and community groups wishing to use their expertise to provide services across health and social care
- existing social enterprises looking to expand into health and social care
- groups of professionals.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

<http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Managingyourorganisation/Socialenterprise/SocialEnterpriseInvestmentFund/index.htm>

Meeting the needs of older people

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

The Baring Foundation has announced that its Arts Programme is now open for applications. This year, the theme of the Baring Foundation's Arts Programme is to support arts organisations in the UK already producing and presenting arts made by older people. In particular, the Baring Foundation wants to support arts organisations which specialise in or have a very strong record of practice in enabling older people to:

- Participate in a creative capacity, not simply as observers or audience members
- Participate in arts activities which seek to foster intergenerational understanding and co-operation
- Have a genuine voice in relation to the choices offered by arts organisations and other agencies.

To be eligible for funding applicants need to be a constituted not for profit organisation with an annual income of at least £50,000 and have already undertaken high quality work led by or involving older people. The level of funding available will depend on the annual income of the applicant. Please see the Baring Foundation for details. **The closing date for applications is the 11th December 2009.**

<http://www.baringfoundation.org.uk/program.htm>

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FORTHCOMING FUNDRAISING TRAINING COURSES

Legacy Fundraising: A Sustainable Fundraising Future - 15th December 2009

This one day conference is designed to bring you advice on the latest developments, trends and research emerging from the world of legacy fundraising. The conference will include training opportunities, advice from an expert panel and practical case studies of charities who are already implementing their legacy strategies.

Corporate and Voluntary Partnerships – 12th November 2009

A one day conference aiming to help you work out how you can build mutually-beneficial, long-term corporate and voluntary partnerships in financially challenging times. Particular focus will be on CSR budgets and maximising CSR engagement, getting volunteering right, securing creative long-term partnerships and achieving cause-related marketing excellence. See www.corporatepartnerships.co.uk for further details.

The Centre has now released its winter training programme for 2009. Upcoming courses include: career progression, management, writing, communication, personal effectiveness and administration courses. Small charities are offered a special price of just £99 per day. For further information see www.the-centre.co.uk.

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. [_____](#)

Hertfordshire County Council's funding information portal. Useful toolkits, funding databases and local grant information. [_____](#)

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,

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

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આ પ્રકાશન ડેકોરમ બરો કાઉન્સિલની બહારના ફંડીંગ માટેની સેવા વિષે છે. જો તમને તમારી ભાષામાં આ માહિતી મેળવવી હોય અથવા બીજીકોઈ બાબત માટે કાઉન્સિલનો સંપર્ક સાધવો હોય તો, મહેરબાની કરીને ટેલિફોન નંબર 01442 867212 ઉપર ફોન કરો.

જો તમને આ માહિતી જુદા રીતે મેળવવી હોય તો ડા. ત. મોટા અક્ષરો અથવા ઓડીયો ટેપ, તો મહેરબાની કરીને 01442 228419 અથવા 01442 867877 (માત્ર મીની કોમ) ઉપર ફોન કરો.

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