



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 December 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

Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust (UK) LA Ch SE VC In

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; 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/>

Creating a cleaner and healthier environment

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>

Sustainable Energy Grants Schemes to Re-open for Applications (England) LA

Ch SE VC TP In

The Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) has announced that both the Bio-energy Capital Grants and Bio-energy Infrastructure Schemes are due to re-open around late November. The scheme aims to promote the efficient use of

biomass for energy, by stimulating the early deployment of biomass fuelled heat and biomass combined heat and power projects and seeks to support businesses, organisations and charities in the commercial, industrial and community sectors with grants of up to £500,000 to put towards the costs of equipment in complete installations. **Full details will be published on the DECC website.** To register your interest in the scheme please email the Call Manager at biocapitalgrants@aeat.co.uk

Bovril Offers £100,000 to Repair the Great Outdoors (UK) LA Ch SE VC TP In

Bovril, the drinks manufacturer, has announced that it has £100,000 available to small projects that repair outdoor facilities. This could be for example a dishevelled stone wall, a broken stile on a nature trail, a rickety old fishing hut, or a campsite in need of repair. To nominate a project, nominees will need to buy a promotional jar of Bovril. Projects can then be submitted online and the public is then encouraged to vote for them. Nominations will only be accepted for existing facilities and structures that are in need of a makeover. Bovril will not accept nominations for new builds. Five winning projects will each receive £20,000 to be spent on the repair or refurbishment. Projects can be nominated at any time up to the 28th February 2010. However, **three projects will be selected from the Shortlist at midnight on the 28th December 2009...**

<http://www.bovril.co.uk/revival/>

Community Sustainable Energy Programme (England) LA Ch SE VC TP In

Not for profit organisations such as community groups, charities, schools, colleges and faith groups, etc are being invited to apply for funding to install renewable energy technologies (such as wind turbines and solar panels) and energy saving measures (such as roof and cavity wall insulation). Under the new Community Sustainable Energy programme £8 million will be available for the installation of micro generation technologies and energy efficiency measures (Capital grants) and £1 million for project development grants. The maximum Capital grant available is £50,000 or 50% of the project costs. The maximum project development grant is £5,000 or 75 per cent of the study cost - whichever is lower. The funding programme is being managed by the Building Research Establishment on behalf of the Big Lottery Fund's "Changing Spaces" Programme. Project development grants (for studies investigating the feasibility of installing any combination of the technologies) will be awarded on a first-come first-served basis until all funds are spent. Capital grants will be awarded on a competitive basis at quarterly selection panel meetings. **The next application deadline is the 29th January 2010...**

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

SITA's Enriching Nature Programme (England) LA Ch SE VC TP

Not-for-profit organisations including community groups, parish councils, charities, local authorities and voluntary organisations are being invited to apply to SITA's Enriching Nature Programme for grants of up to £120,000. Enriching Nature supports projects with a focus on a species or habitat that has been identified as a priority by the UK Biodiversity Action Planning Process. The Enriching Nature Programme will run from 2010 to 2012, with 3 funding rounds each year. To be eligible for funding through the Landfill Communities Fund from SITA Trust the project site must be in England, project sites must be located within 10 miles of a licensed landfill site. This can be any landfill site, not just one owned by SITA UK. Examples of projects that will be funded include; the re-creation of a Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) listed habitat; restoration / improvements to a BAP listed habitat; physical conservation of a BAP listed habitat; projects to expand the range/population of a BAP species; surveying / monitoring / on-site research/ into a BAP species or habitat at a specified site or sites (provided that this leads to on-site physical conservation work). **The next deadline for application is the 15th February 2010...**

<http://www.sitatrust.org.uk/nature-funding>

Biffawards Flagship Programme (UK) Ch SE VC

Biffawards, which awards grants to community and environmental projects through monies raised from landfill tax credits donated by Biffa Waste Services has announced, that **it's "Flagship" Programme is to re-open for applications in spring 2010**. Through its "Flagship" Programme, Biffawards supports regionally or nationally significant voluntary sector led regeneration or biodiversity projects. Flagship projects involve the community working together with a variety of partner organisations to have a major impact on quality of life and/or the environment. Suitably qualified organisations can apply for grants of between £150,000 - £500,000. Projects must be site-based, within 25 miles of a Biffa operation and ten miles of an active landfill site. The organisation making the application must be eligible to enrol with ENTRUST as an Environmental Body. Previously supported projects include; a grant of £257,529 to Groundwork London to develop a Flagship Playscape project at King Georges Fields, Ealing, which aims to break the mould of the risk-averse traditional children's play areas; and the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire & Peterborough who won a Flagship grant of £389,930 towards the Great Fen Project. This project, which demonstrates regional and national significance, with long term benefits for biodiversity and communities, will restore more than 3,000 hectares of wildlife habitat to the Cambridgeshire Fens...

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

Sustainable Facilities Fund (England) Ch SE VC

Sport England has announced that they are currently accepting applications through its Sustainable Facilities Fund. The fund is open to organisations, including applicants from sports clubs, voluntary or community organisations, local authorities, and education establishments, such as schools, colleges and universities. The Sustainable Facilities Fund will invest £10m a year of Lottery and Exchequer money into innovative projects capable of transforming the places where people play or take part in sport. The Fund is aiming to invest in projects that are sustainable in financial and sports development terms and can demonstrate it will benefit all sections of society. Priority will be given to projects with a collaborative or consortia approach which can demonstrate the potential to grow and sustain participation in community sport. The funding is for the development of the capital infrastructure, this can include contributions to the costs of new build; modernisation; and major fixed equipment where it is an integral part of a project. **The next deadline for applications is 5 pm on the 31st December 2009**. Applicants successful at this stage will then be invited to develop a more detailed proposal.

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

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

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>

The Naturesave Trust (UK) Ch SE 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

£30m for Electric Car Charging Points (UK) LA

The Government is inviting cities and businesses to join together to bid for £30 million which will help fund the installation of charging points on streets, car parks and in commercial, retail and leisure facilities. This initiative - called Plugged-In Places - will support the development of between three and six electric car cities and regions across the UK which will act as trailblazers for electric car technology. The experiences of these locations will inform the future development of a national charging infrastructure. The total number and location of charging infrastructure supported by this initiative will depend on local plans and requirements. Eligible applicant will be consortia made up of local authorities, businesses, electricity distributors and suppliers and other organisations like the RDAs. The intention is that successful applicants will match the Government's investment...

<http://nds.coi.gov.uk/clientmicrosite/Content/Detail.aspx?ClientId=202&NewsAreaId=2&ReleaseID=408721&SubjectId=36>

It's Your Community Programme to Close (UK) VC In

O2 have announced that It's Your Community scheme **will be closing at the end of December 2009**. It's 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. Between now and the end of the programme, O2 are increasing the youth focus of these awards, but will still accept applications for projects that do not involve young people. 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..

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

New Grants for Biomass Producers (England) LA In

Farmers, foresters and Local Authorities can apply for grants under a new funding round opened by the Department of Energy and Climate Change. The £1.5 million Bio-energy Infrastructure Scheme will support the biomass industry in England by helping those supplying biomass fuels for use in heat and electricity generation. All projects must be based in England and must supply the biomass to end-users in Great Britain. The scheme is open to businesses that are small or medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). For application forms, guidance and all information regarding the Scheme, please contact the Bio-energy Infrastructure Scheme Helpline at TUV-NEL by telephoning 01355 593800 or emailing help@beis.org.uk. **The deadline for applications is the 26th February 2010...**

<http://nds.coi.gov.uk/content/detail.aspx?NewsAreaId=2&ReleaseID=408846&SubjectId=2>

Green Loan Scheme Opens 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

Innovative Geography Teaching Grants (UK) LA

The Royal Geographical Society is a learned society with the aim of advancing geographical science and supporting its practitioners. One of the Society's key aims is to enhance the teaching and learning of geography in schools. The Society works on behalf of schools providing activities, training, advice and resources. Their main focus is on 12 to 19-year-olds in schools and colleges. Teachers that have an innovative idea for promoting the teaching of Geography in stimulating way are able to apply for an Innovative Geography Teaching grant from the Royal Society. The grant is open to all geography teachers working in secondary schools and aims to enhance pupils' geography education in a stimulating way. The Society provides five grants of £800 each year. **The next application deadline is the 15th October 2010...**

<http://www.rgs.org/OurWork/Grants/Teaching/Innovative+Geography+Teaching+Grants.htm>

Connecting Classrooms (UK) LA

Schools, local authorities, clusters of schools and coordinating bodies in the UK are being invited to apply to the British Council Learning Connecting Classrooms to build lasting partnerships with schools in India and Sri Lanka and Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Colombia. Through these partnerships Connecting Classrooms aims to develop trust and understanding between young people in different societies, creating a safer and more connected world for the future. Connecting Classrooms offers grants to support the development of partnerships and to cover project-related costs. All applications must meet the following three requirements; schools should not already be receiving funding; schools must apply with the right number of combination of schools in the cluster, i.e. five schools, comprising the right number of primary and/or secondary schools if applying for Latin America and the Caribbean or four schools, including at least one secondary school if applying for India and Sri Lanka; and all schools in the cluster must have at least Foundation Level of the DCSF International School Award. **The deadline for applications is the 15th December 2009...**

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/learning-connecting-classrooms-how-to-get-involved.htm>

Global School Partnerships Starter Grants (UK) LA

Thousands more children in the UK and overseas could get involved in the government's Global School Partnership Programme thanks to new starter grants that has been launched by the Government. The new funding provides 1,000 £250 starter grants over the next three years for teachers to develop global education within the curriculum and establish school partnerships with developing countries. They are funded by the Department for International Development (DFID) and can be

used towards lesson cover and travel costs for teachers to attend information workshops and also in-school training to build development education expertise. DFID aims to boost the number of schools supported from nearly 2,000 currently to 5,000 by March 2012. Schools will be targeted in under-represented areas of UK, including the East Midlands and East of England, and under-represented sectors including schools with a special educational needs focus. The programme also offers support and grants of up to £26,400 per partnership over four years to fund visits between schools and develop joint curriculum projects focused on global development issues. Grants can be used towards costs including travel and accommodation on both sides of the partnership, communications costs; resources for activities and events, and supply cover...

<http://www.camb-ed.com/home/Aboutus/NotforprofitFoundation/DGSPStarterGrant/tabid/1354/Default.aspx>

Schools Partnership Programme (UK) LA

The British Council has announced that schools in the UK schools as well as sixth form and further education colleges wishing to develop partnerships with schools in the EU can apply for funding of up to €22,000 through the Comenius School Partnerships programme. The aim of the programme is to enable pupils, students and staff from across Europe to work together on joint projects. Funding is available to support and develop Bilateral Partnerships or multilateral partnerships between schools across Europe. Bilateral partnerships offer students aged over twelve years the opportunity to become actively involved in a joint project with a European partner institution and include a reciprocal exchange for students. Multilateral partnerships involve at least three schools or colleges from at least three European countries. Partnerships can focus on themes broadly linked to the pupils' curriculum and interests, and on questions of school management, teaching techniques and methodologies. **The closing date for applications is the 19th February 2010...**

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

Funding to Promote European Partnerships between Schools (UK) LA

The European Commission has announced that its Comenius Programme is now open for applications. Comenius is part of the EU's Lifelong Learning Programme and is aimed at schools, colleges and local authorities across Europe. The aim of the programme is to develop knowledge and understanding among young people and education staff of the diversity of European cultures and languages, and the value of this diversity and to help young people to acquire basic life skills and competences for their personal development, for future employment and for active European citizenship. Grants are available for projects that bring together pupils, teachers and other staff collaborating with partner schools and colleges in Europe; professional development of education staff in another European country; trainee teacher placements in schools and colleges across Europe; Local Authorities across Europe working together; partnership meetings; and large scale partnerships and networks to develop staff competencies and to exchange experience and best practice. **The closing date for the various elements of the Comenius programme are the 15th January 2010 for in-service training; the 29th January 2009 for trainee teacher placements; and the 19th February 2010 for partnership activities...**

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/comenius-how-to-apply.htm>

Platform2: Global Volunteering Scheme (UK) LA Ch SE VC In

Platform2 is a Department for International Development (DIFID) 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.

UK - German Challenge Fund (UK) LA In

Primary, secondary schools and FE colleges as well as youth groups in the UK and Germany are able to apply for funding support through the UK - German Challenge Fund. This is a new fund to develop curricular and extra-curricular projects between UK and German schools and youth groups that encourage young people to; pick a topic or subject of their choice and explore it in an international context; take a fresh look at cross- or extra-curricular project work; take an active role in a practical, 'hands-on' team venture; and work together towards a concrete outcome, product or event of their choice. Grants provided through the UK-German Challenge Fund cover project resources, joint activities and reciprocal partner visits. The total amount of grant provided will be judged on a case-by-case basis, depending on the size, circumstances and numbers involved in the individual projects. The Challenge Fund provides grants of normally 50% towards the overall costs; in exceptional circumstances, the grant can cover up to a maximum of 75% of the total costs. Grants are available for both large and small projects and the amount can be to anything up to, but will not exceed £5,000. **The next closing date for applications is the 31st January 2010...**

http://www.ukgermanconnection.org/microsites/?location_id=216

The Mark Leonard Trust (UK) LA Ch SE VC In

Not for profit organisations and organisation with a charitable purpose can apply for funding through the Mark Leonard Trust. The Mark Leonard Trust is one of the Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts and focuses on environmental education in the UK. In particular the Trust seeks to support projects that focus on:

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

Applications to the Trust can be submitted at any time.

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

Adult Learners' Week Awards (England) LA Ch SE VC

The National Institute of Adult Continuing Education (NIACE) has announced that it is currently seeking nominations for the 2010 the Adult Learners' Week Awards. The aim of the Adult Learners' Week Awards is to reward and publicise the achievements of adult learners in England, to promote the benefits and to highlight the diversity, of adult education. The Awards also aim to encourage adult participation in learning. For the 2010 Awards, there are four main award categories. These are; individuals whose remarkable learning achievements have made a difference to their lives and can inspire others; Groups of three or more people who have come together for a common purpose and transformed their and/or other people's lives through learning; Families whose members have seen the benefits of learning together; and Opening Doors to Adult Learners which recognises creative and innovative projects or organisations that had a positive impact on the lives of their learners. Winners receive a learning voucher between £200 and £1,500 and are invited to an awards ceremony during Adult Learners' Week (15-21 May 2010). Entry is open to adult learners living in England only. Groups must consist of three or more members. All nominees must have undertaken some of their learning between January 2009 and January 2010. **The deadline for entries is 29 January 2010...**

The Royal Society - Partnership Grants (UK) LA In

The Royal Society has announced that the next funding round under its Partnership Grants Scheme will re-open for applications in spring 2010. Under its Partnership Grants Scheme, the Royal Society provides grants of up to £3,000 to support teachers; scientists and engineers help develop science projects that make the teaching of science more interesting within primary and secondary schools. The aim of the Partnership grants scheme is to form partnerships between schools and scientists / engineers to allow teachers to increase their scientific knowledge. The scheme also gives scientists and engineers the chance to develop their communication skills and engage with enquiring young minds. Any UK primary or secondary school teacher or practising scientist/engineer can apply as long as the students involved in the project are between 5 and 18. Examples of previously funded projects include; St Michael on the Mount Primary School received a grant of £2,050 to help pupils to learn about the human body by constructing a 15 foot skeleton. Working with engineers from Airbus UK, every class constructed a working model of their particular body part, giving the pupils the opportunity to apply some of the scientific principles they had discovered...

<http://royalsociety.org/page.asp?id=1948>

MS Society Opens New Funding Round for Research Grants (UK) In

The MS Society has announced that it is currently seeking applications for research studies related to multiple sclerosis that may serve in any way to advance their mission of preventing, treating and curing MS and improving quality of life. The MS Society funds biomedical and care and services research and considers applications from researchers at UK academic institutions. Funding is available for innovative project that pilot or test new concepts; longer term project grants that can last up to three years as well as scholarships and fellowships for individual researchers. **The closing date for applications is 12 noon on the 20th January 2010...**

http://www.mssociety.org.uk/research/funded_research/apply_for_funding/index.html

£2 Million Flexibility and Innovation Fund Invites Bids (England) LA

The Learning and Skills Improvement Service (LSIS) has announced that it is seeking applications through its £2 million Flexibility and Innovation Fund. Further education and skills providers and provider representative bodies are invited to submit bids, for up to £90,000, for innovative projects leading to activities with the potential to secure significant improvements in sector practice or performance. In particular LSIS are looking to support applications that are innovative in terms of current sector practice; are aligned to priorities set out in the new National Improvement Strategy for the learning and skills sector; and has the potential to secure significant improvements in sector practice or performance, i.e. the anticipated learning from the project is transferable to other organisations across the sector; etc. **There are two further deadlines remaining. These are the 19th February 2010 and the 18th June 2010...**

<http://thirdsector.lsc.gov.uk/new2millionflexibilityandinnovationfundinvitesbids.htm>

Research and Innovation Grants (UK) Ch SE VC

The Nuffield Foundation is inviting applications through its Research and Innovation Grants programme. The Foundation supports charitable and non-profit organisations with creative ideas to identify change or interventions which will have a practical impact for researchers, policy makers, and practitioners. There are currently three grant programmes that support research and innovation for beneficial social change, these are; Law in Social Society - this programme promotes access to, and understanding of, the civil justice system; Children and Families - this programme help to ensure that the legal and institutional framework is best adapted to meet the needs of children and families; and Open Door - this programme is for projects that advance social well being, but lie outside their main programme areas. Grants normally range between £5,000 and £150,000. **The next deadline for applications is the 19th March 2010...**

EPSRC's Follow-on Fund (UK) In

The Engineering and Physical Science Research Council's (EPSRC) Follow-on Fund is now open to applications from academics in UK research organisations. The Fund aims to support the early stages of turning research outputs into a commercial proposition. Projects must demonstrate a strong commercial focus and not be predominantly concerned with overcoming technical obstacles or extending the original research. The Fund will provide up to 12 months support for technical and business development activities. There is no minimum or maximum grant size. The size of award will depend on the requirements of the proposed project. **The application deadline is 4 pm on the 25th February 2009.**

<http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/CallsForProposals/FollowOnFund2010.htm>

Training and Education Call for Proposals Welcomes SME Participation (UK) In SE

The EU's Lifelong Learning Programme has published its 2010 call for proposals. As part of its remit to offer training and education opportunities to people at all stages of their lives, the programme aims to enlist the support of enterprises such as SMEs. One way SMEs can get involved in this latest call is through Erasmus, a lifelong learning sub-programme, which covers higher-level education and training. ERASMUS wants to receive project bids that focus on supporting activities that bring together higher education institutions and partners from outside academia, such as SMEs and professional bodies like chambers of commerce. A key priority is to support projects that strengthen the link between educational studies and future skills and employment needs. The objective is to promote business input into course design, which will help to ensure that training and education programmes are better tailored to match the needs of the economy. Through Erasmus, the Commission also wants to develop educational services that will upgrade the knowledge and skills of employees - such as language courses to improve competitiveness. The Leonardo da Vinci lifelong learning sub-programme supports initial and continuing vocational education and training. This call provides a special focus to encourage the participation of enterprises, including SMEs, and social partner organisations across all Leonardo actions. SME involvement in Leonardo's training and learning mobility initiatives is particularly welcome. **Call deadlines vary depending on which part of the Lifelong Learning Programme submissions relate to, though most expire in February and March 2010...**

The Alcohol Education And Research Council In Partnership With Comic Relief Offer Funding For Research (UK) In Ch SE VC

The Alcohol Education and Research Council (aerc) who's main aims are to generate and disseminate research based evidence to inform and influence policy and practice; and develop the capacity of people and organisations to address alcohol issues, in partnership with Comic Relief, have made available up to £80,000 for research proposals to address gender differences in drinking patterns, how these may have change over time, why such a change has occurred and what strategies stand a chance of protecting young men and young women from the harmful consequences of alcohol misuse. **The deadline for applications is the 22nd January 2010...**

<http://www.aerc.org.uk/newsPages/homeNewsArticle0007.html>

Encouraging business and local employment

UnLtd Announces Level 2 Funding Round to Support Social Entrepreneurs (UK) Ch SE VC

UnLtd, the national charity that supports social entrepreneurs, has announced that the spring 2010 UnLtd Millennium Awards (Level 2) competition is open for

applications. UnLtd's Millennium 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 provides 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. **The deadline for submitting an initial Expression of Interest form for level 2 Awards is the 22nd March 2010.** 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>

Capacitybuilders Re-opens its Capital Investment Programme (England) Ch SE VC

Capacitybuilders, the national organisation which works to ensure that third sector organisations in England are able to access high quality advice and support, has announced that community and voluntary organisation can now apply for funding through the Capital Investment Programme. The Capital Investment Programme was originally launched in 2008 to support improvements and development of local third sector resources centres. Through the programme community and voluntary organisations can apply for grants of up to £30,000 for smaller-scale improvements to existing centres to offer shared facilities. This can include improvements for example to provide additional meeting, office or storage space, better IT, telephony or access to resources (such as a common library). Previous projects supported under this fund include; The Volunteer Centre in Broxtowe, which received a grant of £14,927 to upgrade its ICT facilities to provide improved services to local third sector organisations; and Voluntary Action East Lindsey, which received a grant of £30,000 for a new print and design shop that operates for the benefit of the local community. **The deadline for applications is the 24th December 2009. However, priority will be given to applications received by the 14th December 2009.**

<http://www.capacitybuilders.org.uk/programmes/our-programmes/capital-investment-programme>

Funding to Support Independent Media Production Companies (UK) In

Independent European production companies that are seeking funding for the development of production projects are being invited to submit applications to the Media 2007 "I2I Audiovisual" programme. Under this programme assistance is available to independent European production companies to access finance from banks and other financial institutions by providing; funding to cover part of the costs associated with the insurance for audiovisual productions; completion guarantees for the production of an audiovisual work; and the financial costs involved in a production budget. The total budget available under this call is €3 million and the financial contribution may not exceed 50 % of the eligible costs. The amount of the support available is between €5 000 and €50 000. **There are two application deadlines for 2010. These are the 5th February and the 7th July 2010.**

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/media/producer/i2i/detail/index_en.htm

EPSRC's Follow-on Fund (UK) In

The Engineering and Physical Science Research Council's (EPSRC) Follow-on Fund is now open to applications from academics in UK research organisations. The Fund aims to support the early stages of turning research outputs into a commercial proposition. Projects must demonstrate a strong commercial focus and not be predominantly concerned with overcoming technical obstacles or extending the original research. The Fund will provide up to 12 months support for technical and

business development activities. There is no minimum or maximum grant size. The size of award will depend on the requirements of the proposed project. **The application deadline is 4 pm on the 25th February 2009.**

<http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/CallsForProposals/FollowOnFund2010.htm>

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.**

Precedent Charity Give-Away Competition (UK) Ch VC

Precedent, one of the UK's leading creative communications agencies are giving all charities in the UK the opportunity to enter their Precedent Charity give-away competition. The prize consists on a bespoke Precedent website worth over £30,000, including the creation of a digital strategy, web training on writing for the web, search engine optimisation and digital marketing and much more. Precedent will also support the winning charity by helping out with some fundraising and campaign support. In addition to this, Media Trust, the UK leading communications charity have donated a bursary place, which will include a free place on one of their excellent new media training courses, and will make a huge difference to any charity's campaigning and fundraising activities for each of the 5 runners up. All charities are asked to do is; leave a clip, no longer than 3 minutes, via YouTube stating why they should win and what difference having a Precedent website and digital strategy would make to the charity. **The closing date for the competition is the 10th January 2010...**

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

Communitybuilders Fund (England) Ch VC SE

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; and 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.

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

Meeting housing need

Funding to Support Homeless Charities (England, Scotland & Wales) Ch SE VC

StreetSmart, which launches a fundraising campaign towards the end of each year, to support homeless charities has announced that charities wishing to apply for funding should submit their application during December. The main objective of StreetSmart is aimed at helping the homeless to make a better life for themselves, focussing on mental and physical health, employability and sustainable independent living. Grants are given to those who support people through the crucial stages in their progress from vagrant to valued community member. StreetSmart supports a wide range of homeless organisations that operate within the cities in which the campaign runs. Charities can apply for funding of between £500 and £15,000, depending on the project/service to be funded. There is no formal application process, but charities should outline the aims and achievements of the organisation, and explain in detail the specific area of their work in need of financial support...
<http://www.streetsmart.org.uk/apply-for-funding.php>

National Home Safety Equipment Scheme (UK) In LA Ch SE VC

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

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

Hilden Charitable Fund (UK) Ch VC

The Hilden Charitable Fund has announced that **the next deadline for submitting applications is the 29th January 2010**. Within the UK, the Hilden Charitable Fund makes grants to projects that address disadvantages, notably by supporting causes which are less likely to raise funds from public subscriptions. In particular, the Fund wants to support projects that address homelessness; asylum seekers and refugees; community based initiatives for disadvantaged young people; and penal affairs. Previous projects supported have included the provision of day services for homeless people, drop in and outreach services for male and female sex workers; the provision of legal and welfare services to asylum seekers and refugees; and the provision of courses preparing prison inmates for release; etc. Preference is given to supporting small community organisations with an income of less than £200,000 per year. During 2009 the average grant given was £5,000.
<http://www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk/>

Promoting culture, arts, leisure and tourism

New Fund Launched for Disabled Artists (UK) In VC Ch

Unlimited is a new £1.5 million UK-wide disability arts commissioning fund being run as part of the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad. The aim of the fund is to commission new work that is artistically led by disabled people. Grants of between £25,000 and £50,000 are available to disabled and Deaf artists, and disabled and Deaf-led arts organisations, who wish to develop their work, strengthen their artistic practice, challenge perceptions and forge new partnerships with presenting venues and events. **There are three application deadlines for applications. These are the 4th**

January 2010, the 1st October 2010 and the 18th April 2011...

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

Funding for Sports Projects that Promote Positive Community Change (UK) VC

Ch LA SE

Comic Relief have announced that they will open their programme "Sport for Change" on the 14th November 2010. The aim of the programme will be to understand more about how sport can play a part in delivering positive change within the lives of individuals and communities. Comic Relief will welcome applications from community groups and organisations using sport as part of a broader programme of work to bring about change at an individual and /or community level. Comic Relief are happy to receive applications from consortia of agencies as long as there is a lead community-based organisation. Applicants will also need to; demonstrate how they are using sport as part of a broader programme to achieve a measurable social change or impact; show how the work is based in community development principles; and have monitoring and evaluation systems in place to track the impact of the work. The maximum grant size in this programme is £100,000 in total.

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

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>

Cash 4 Clubs (UK) Ch VC

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/>

Funding for Music Making Activities (UK) LA Ch VC

Youth Music, the UK's largest children's music charity has announced its grant making programme is open for applications. Through its "Open Programme", grants of between £5,000 and £30,000 are available to support projects that provide music-making activities for children and young people in support of Youth Music's goals.

Youth Music will fund any non profit-making organisation more than one year old, which is committed to music-making activities for children and young people up to 18 (or up to 25 if they have special educational needs, disabilities or are in detention). Youth Music aims to support music making activities principally in out of school hours such as during weekends, holidays as well as in breakfast and after schools clubs. Youth Music understands that programmes may need to begin in school hours especially if the proposal involves encouraging first time participation in music. To help with this, Youth Music will consider applications for programmes where up to 25% of the time is spent in school hours. The proposed programme should aim to encourage children and young people to eventually make music outside of school hours...

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

Sustainable Facilities Fund (England) LA Ch SE VC

Sport England has announced that they are accepting applications through its Sustainable Facilities Fund. The fund is open to organisations, including applicants from sports clubs, voluntary or community organisations, local authorities, and education establishments, such as schools, colleges and universities. The Sustainable Facilities Fund will invest £10m a year of Lottery and Exchequer money into innovative projects capable of transforming the places where people play or take part in sport. The Fund is aiming to invest in projects that are sustainable in financial and sports development terms and can demonstrate it will benefit all sections of society. Priority will be given to projects with a collaborative or consortia approach which can demonstrate the potential to grow and sustain participation in community sport. The funding is for the development of the capital infrastructure, this can include contributions to the costs of new build; modernisation; and major fixed equipment where it is an integral part of a project. **The next deadline for applications is 5 pm on the 31st December 2009...**

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

Sportsmatch to Re-Open for Applications (England) Ch SE VC

The Sport England Sportsmatch programme has announced that it is to resume its grant making activities in December 2009 for activities that will take place during the 2010/11 financial year. Through the scheme, Sportsmatch offers pound for pound matched funding to investments made by businesses, trusts and individuals into projects that encourage sports participation at grass roots level. From October 2009, since it started in 1992, Sportsmatch has awarded over £48 million to almost 6,000 projects across the country, and has brought in over £58 million for these projects from the commercial sector. Previous grant recipients include; Devizes School in Wiltshire which obtained a three year sponsorship from a local construction firm which amounted to £10,000 per year. The school matched this with a further £10,000 from Sportsmatch and were able to run an annual multi-sports coaching camp during the school summer holidays. The Children's Kayak Charitable Trust obtained £1,180 in sponsorship from a local watersports retailer. They matched this with a Sportsmatch award and ran a three year project offering free kayak coaching to children from 12 local schools. **Applications can be submitted at any time...**

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

National Young Filmmakers' Award 2010 (UK) In

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

Parks for People (UK) VC Ch SE

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

<http://www.hlf.org.uk/English/MediaCentre>

Sport England Announces Active Women Themed Funding Round (England)

VC Ch SE LA

As part of its strategy to support projects that address current gaps in sporting participation, Sport England has announced that it is to launch an Active Women Themed funding round later this year. Through this funding round a total of £10 million is available to support projects that address the specific barriers to participation in sport faced by women in disadvantaged communities and women caring for children under 16. To obtain funding, projects need to demonstrate how they will increase the number of women playing sport from either one or both of these groups. Sport England has a target of getting one million people playing more sport. Funded projects will contribute to the delivery of this target. Not only do applications have to demonstrate how they will remove existing barriers in order that more women from the two target groups can take part in sport, they must also look at how they can allow those women to take part in sport more often.

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

Sport England's Small Grants Programme (England) VC Ch SE LA

Sport England have announced the Small Grants Programme is open to any bona fide non-for-profit club or association, statutory body or educational establishment. The programme aims to support local community projects which seek to increase participation, sustain participation or develop opportunities for people to excel at their chosen sport. Grants available are of between £300 and £10,000 towards projects which total costs do not exceed £50,000. Projects the programme will support can include; helping a club expand its age range by helping it to buy extra team kit or paying additional coaching fees; helping youth clubs work together with local sports clubs to get more young people playing sport....

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

The Colwinston Charitable Trust (UK) VC Ch

The Colwinston charitable Trust was established in 1995 and distributes grants to UK registered charitable organisations working predominantly in the areas of Opera, Classical Music and the Visual Arts. They offer grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 to enable organisations to achieve higher standards of performance and/or presentation. The trust will give priority to high quality projects, and projects that help people to better appreciate the possibilities the arts can offer, especially in Wales.

There are two application deadlines every year; the 30th September and the 28th February....

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

The War Memorial Trust (UK) LA TP

The War Memorials Trust is open to applications for the protection and conservation of war memorials in the UK. The Trust currently runs three different grant schemes, which provide support to projects that aim to repair, conserve and preserve the war memorials in their existing form as well as reinstate the memorial in its original design. The Trust only offers grants to projects that relate to existing war memorials and not for the creation of new war memorials or projects for which work has already started and/or is completed. Graves of any type are not eligible for support under any of the schemes. The grant scheme you will need to apply for will depend on where in the UK the memorial is located and whether it is freestanding or not and what work needs doing. For further information on what scheme is the most appropriate to apply for please contact the Conservation Officer on 020 7233 7356 or email

conservation@warmemorials.org

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

Opportunities Through Sports Programme (UK) LA Ch SE VC In

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>

Wellcome Trust Large Arts Awards (UK) Ch VC LA SE In

The Wellcome Trust is inviting organisations and individuals to apply for funding through its Large Arts Awards. The large Arts Awards support projects that engage the public with biomedical science through the arts including dance, drama, performance arts, visual arts, music, film, craft, photography, creative writing or digital media. Applications are invited for projects over £30,000. This funding can be used to fund full or part production costs for large-scale arts projects that aim to have significant impact on the public's engagement with biomedical science. The Trust is also interested in supporting high-quality, multi-audience, multi-outcome projects lasting for a maximum of three years. Eligible applicants can include: museums and other cultural attractions; arts agencies; production companies; arts venues; broadcast media; schools; local education authorities; universities and colleges; youth clubs; community groups; research institutes; the NHS; and science centres. The aim of the awards is to support arts projects that reach new audiences which may not traditionally be interested in science and provide new ways of thinking about the social, cultural and ethical issues around contemporary science. **The next application deadline is the 8th January 2010...**

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

Funding to Develop County Golf Partnerships (England) SE In

The English Golf Union and English Women's Golf Association have announced that funding is available for the establishment and development of County Golf Partnerships (GCP). GCP aim to develop golf within specific counties and introduce more people to the game by bringing together partnerships between the County Union and County Association as well as other country golf organisations such as for example county PGAs. There are two phases of funding. In phase 1 grants of up to £2,500 are available to assist in the production of a county development plan and establishment of the CGP. During phase two a maximum of £10,000 per year over three years is available to support the implementation of the CGP development plan based on the outlined budget. Partnerships interested in applying for funding must liaise with their Regional Development Officer prior to submitting an application...

Bursaries To Support Exchange Between Artists' Groups and Networks (UK)

VC

Artists' groups and networks can now apply to NAN's Go and see bursaries for up to £500. The aims of the bursaries are intended to reflect the NAN mission: to promote the aspirations of artists and the development of practice through peer dialogue and exchange. **The next deadline for applications is the 1st March 2010.** Projects supported in the past include; Basement Art Project, a contemporary art network led by London based artist Yu-Chen Wang with a group of international artists, curators and researchers, will travel to the Netherlands to visit four artist-run spaces, W139 in Amsterdam, 1646 in Den Haag, Het Wilde Weten in Rotterdam and De Fabriek in Eindhoven; Post, a group of seven professional women artists who live and work on Merseyside, will go Linz, Austria, European Capital of Culture 2009, to undertake further research with comparable groups and individual female artists for Novas, an exhibition to coincide with International Women's Day in March 2009. Post will also visit various arts associations and groups, with a view for the show to run during the Linz Cultural Summer, from June to August 2009.

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

Young Film Fund (UK) In VC 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.**

<http://www.firstlightonline.co.uk/funding>

Encouraging community involvement

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

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>

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

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.**

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; 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/>

V's Match Fund Open to Applications (England) Ch SE In

Youth volunteering charity "V" has announced that they have £72 million available through their Match Fund to invest into diverse and high impact projects across England. Match Fund aims to encourage more investment in volunteering projects from businesses, charitable trusts and private individuals. The programme will match up to 100% of any new private investment involving young people aged 16-25. "V" is interested in supporting projects in six areas: Health and wellbeing, Environment, Supporting children and young people, Community cohesion, Poverty and Human rights. For one-year projects the minimum private contribution is £10,000, which will be match funded to the same amount by the programme. For two-year projects the minimum private contribution is £20,000. The maximum level of private funding "V" can match per year is £250,000. **The deadline for applications is the 11th December 2009....**

<http://www.vinspired.com/v/funding/match-funding/overview>

Funding for Christian Charities Promoting Social Inclusion (UK) VC Ch

The Anchor Foundation provides grants of between £500 and £10,000 per year to Christian Charities that encourage social inclusion through ministries of healing and the arts. Funding can be awarded for up to three years. The Foundation will consider applications for either capital or revenue funding. Only in exceptional circumstances will grants be given for building work. Previously funded projects include the Karis Neighbour Scheme which received a grant of £700 for revenue costs at a drop in centre for women refugees in Birmingham; Discovery Camps which received a grant of £1500 to subsidise holidays for children arranged by churches in and around Dundee; and Scargill House which received a grant of £5,000 to facilitate cross cultural engagement and understanding amongst children using arts based residential courses in Yorkshire. **Applications are considered at twice yearly trustees meetings in April and November and need to be received by 31st January and 31st July each...**

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

Cracking the Code (England) VC Ch SE

Cracking the Code is a bursary Scheme from the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO) to improve governance within Third Sector infrastructure organizations. The scheme offers up to £500 to improve the way that community and voluntary organisation are led and governed. The type of activities that could be funded include; organising a Board Away day; attend training on the latest legal updates or the roles and responsibilities of board members; improving an organisation's recruitment and induction systems; holding a stakeholder forum to improve strategic planning; and or carrying out a governance review. In return for the bursary the NCVO will ask organisations to write a case study and develop a method to share the knowledge and experiences with other in the local area. **The deadline for applications is the 31st December 2009...**

Community Voices (England) VC Ch SE In

The Media Trust, one of the UK's largest communications charities, is looking to engage and support disadvantaged and isolated communities across England to get their voices heard through digital media. Running until March 2011, Community Voices will provide funding for 26 grassroots groups, alongside one major new initiative and a further 40 small grants of £500 for specific digital projects. There will be ten grants of £1,500; ten grants of £7,000; six grants worth £14,000 and £61,000 to fund one major new initiative. Community Voices will also provide comprehensive tools and resources for communities and community organisations of all sizes to increase engagement through digital media. Applicants could include Projects already using digital media to develop their work with a specific community (perhaps a library with an online access programme looking to work with an identified deprived or isolated community); more formal community organisations looking to develop digital media to engender community voice and cohesion (perhaps a carers' trust looking to use digital technology to support isolated informal carers in their homes); and more informal communities looking to embrace digital media (perhaps a residents' or tenants' association in a deprived community looking to use digital media as a mechanism to bring residents together). Organisations interested in applying should register their interest via the Media Trust website. The deadline for registering has as yet not been set.

<http://www.mediatrust.org/communityvoices>

Comic Relief Grants Available Through Local Community Foundations (UK) Ch SE VC

Community Foundations across the UK are inviting applications for grants up to £10,000 from a fund of over £5 million that they are distributing on behalf of Comic Relief, up to 31 March 2011. Community groups, residents associations, community centres, social enterprises, Community Interest Companies and credit unions

working in a disadvantaged or deprived area are eligible to apply for a grant for a range of activities that will; increase access to sport and exercise for people who face social exclusion and isolation; help people who are experiencing difficulties in their lives to regain their confidence and self-esteem; build the skills of local people; increase community cohesion; and respond to local economic needs. To apply, applicants must contact their local Community Foundation. Details of local Community Foundations can be accessed using the following link
<http://www.communityfoundations.org.uk>

DFID Community Linking Programme (UK) VC Ch

The Department for International Development (DFID) has announced that it will launch a new £3 million funding programme in early 2010 that will aim to support links between community groups in the UK and developing countries. The Community Linking Programme aims to increase awareness, knowledge and understanding of global issues in the UK through personal involvement in a link with a developing country, and to support learning and activities which will benefit both partners. It will also encourage greater community cohesion in the UK by providing opportunities for networking and learning together about development issues. The Community Linking Programme will focus on links with the world's poorest countries and so we will not be able to support links with all developing or middle income countries. In developing the programme DFID are running a survey to find out how many community groups in the UK are already in touch with a community group in another country, and what activities they do in their link...

Comic Relief Grants Programmes Open for Applications (UK) Ch SE VC

Comic Relief have announced that their UK grants programme is now open for applications. Applications will be invited from the voluntary and community sector throughout the UK including: Constituted voluntary and community groups; Charities Social enterprises; Co-operatives; Faith organisations; Community interest companies. Under its UK grant making programme, Comic Relief makes grants that address the following themes: Mental health issues; Domestic and sexual abuse; Refugee and asylum seeking women; Young people - in particular those that are sexually exploited and trafficked, that have alcohol and mental health problems; Project that use sport to support community development; Older People; Projects that support local disadvantaged communities.

Comic Relief provides both capital and revenue and can pay for up to 100% of projects costs but they encourage applicants to get some of their funding from other sources. There is no minimum or maximum grant in most of the programmes, but where there are limits, these are clearly stated in the programme guidelines. Grants on average vary between £25,000 and £40,000 per year, and rarely exceed this upper limit. **The closing dates for applications are the 11th January 2010 and the 21st May 2010.**

Capacitybuilders Re-opens its Capital Investment Programme (England) Ch SE VC

Capacitybuilders, the national organisation which works to ensure that third sector organisations in England are able to access high quality advice and support, has announced that community and voluntary organisation can now apply for funding through the Capital Investment Programme. The Capital Investment Programme was originally launched in 2008 to support improvements and development of local third sector resources centres. Through the programme community and voluntary organisations can apply for grants of up to £30,000 for smaller-scale improvements to existing centres to offer shared facilities. This can include improvements for example to provide additional meeting, office or storage space, better IT, telephony or access to resources (such as a common library). Previous projects supported under this fund include; The Volunteer Centre in Broxtowe, which received a grant of

£14,927 to upgrade its ICT facilities to provide improved services to local third sector organisations; and Voluntary Action East Lindsey, which received a grant of £30,000 for a new print and design shop that operates for the benefit of the local community. **The deadline for applications is the 24th December 2009. However, priority will be given to applications received by the 14th December 2009.**

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

The Community Development Foundation (CDF) has announced that a second funding round for its Faith In Action Programme is now open for applications. Faiths in Action is a £2 million grants programme sponsored by Communities and Local Government and administered by the Community Development Foundation that is open to faith, inter faith, voluntary and community sector organisations at national, regional and local levels in England. The aim of the fund is to support the government's aspiration to help faith communities and others to promote understanding, dialogue and develop strong and sustainable partnerships. The Fund is particularly keen to support projects that focus on the inclusion and participation of women and young people and those which involve partnerships between one or more organisations. Faiths in Action supports delivery of the Government document, Face to Face and Side by Side. All applications must therefore directly relate to one or more of the fund's four priorities which are derived from this framework. These are; developing the confidence and skills to "bridge" and "link" ; supporting shared spaces for interaction and social action; developing structures and processes which support dialogue and social action; and improving opportunities for learning which build understanding. The maximum grant available is £6,000. **There is no formal deadline for applications** – Round 2 is a rolling programme.

Applications will be accepted in the date and time order that they are received by CDF, until the total value of the eligible, relevant applications received equals the overall value of the fund.

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

The Commonwealth Association Annual Grants Programme (UK) Ch SE VC

The Commonwealth Foundation is inviting associations to apply to their Annual Grants Programme. The purpose of the Commonwealth Association Annual Grants Programme is to help support those Commonwealth Associations that have limited resources. In particular, the Foundation targets activities that strengthen the capacity of civil society organisations and that relate to the Foundation's mission and programme areas. The grants can consist of two parts: Core funding - towards the administrative costs of the Association; and Activity funding - towards specific activities of the Association. The maximum total grant that can be applied for in any one financial year is £20,000. Within this, the maximum core funding amount that can be applied for is £10,000. Associations must be accredited to the Commonwealth, have membership in at least 25 Commonwealth countries and in all regions of the Commonwealth; have representatives from Commonwealth countries in at least three different regions on its governing body; and be run according to accepted standards of good governance, including meeting the requirements of its constitution to enable people from developing Commonwealth countries to participate in activities involving international or intercultural exchange, such as: short training courses, workshops, seminars, conferences, cultural festivals, exchanges and study visits in other Commonwealth countries. **The application deadline is the 31st December 2009...**

<http://www.commonwealthfoundation.com>

Funding for Community Shops (England) VC Ch LA

The Village Retail Services Association in partnership with Esmee 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.**

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

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; 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>

Meeting the needs of children and young people

Community Cash Awards (UK) VC Ch LA

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 sex education workshops in schools.

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

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

Comic Relief - Young People and Alcohol Programme (UK) VC Ch LA

This programme aims to provide support for young people aged 11-25 who are drinking excessively. Comic Relief will fund services that aim to reduce the levels of young people's drinking, create greater awareness of the dangers of harmful drinking and provide direct support to young drinkers at the greatest risk - those drinking excessively and dangerously. This could include individual or group work sessions, or both. Applications can be made by voluntary and community organisations working with the specified target group. Comic Relief want in particular to encourage joint applications from young people's agencies and alcohol agencies where expertise can be shared, innovative approaches developed and where the added value of working together can be shown. Grants available vary between £25,000 and £40,000 per year for up to three years. **The next closing date for applications is the 11th January 2010...**

Comic Relief - Sexually Exploited and Trafficked Young People Programme (UK) LA Ch VC

Organisations working or seeking to work with young people aged 11-25 and those working around sexual exploitation or trafficking of young people can apply for funding through the Comic Relief Sexually Exploited and Trafficked Young People programme. This programme aims to reduce harm to young people who have been sexually exploited or trafficked. Comic Relief is especially keen to help young people find routes out of prostitution or other forms of sexual exploitation. Grants available vary between £25,000 and £40,000 per year for up to three years. Previously supported projects include the Children's Society which received a grant of £91,273 over three years to develop a training package for professionals to raise awareness of sexual exploitation; and Genesis Leeds which received a grant of £87,827 over three years to provide practical support to young women abused through prostitution and advice on how to stay safe. **The next closing date for applications is the 11th January 2010...**

J Paul Getty Junior Charitable Trust Re-opens for Applications (England) Ch SE VC

Following a review and revision of its funding guidelines, the J Paul Getty Junior Charitable Trust has re-opened for grant applications. Under the new guidelines the Trust will make grants of up to £250,000 in the areas of social welfare as well as the arts and heritage. In particular, the trust is seeking to support projects in the areas of: reducing re-offending; improving the prospects of young people, refugees and asylum seekers; integrating different social and ethnic groups; tackling substance misuse and homelessness; preserving heritage; sustaining the arts.

The Trust will usually only support registered charities in England, although applications may sometimes be considered from other parts of the United Kingdom if the project is likely to be of nationwide significance. Occasionally, the Trust will fund organisations of comparable charitable status, such as Industrial Provident Societies or Community Interest Companies, but only where there is a very strong connection with one or more of the Trust's current funding priorities.

Applications can be made at any time.

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

BBC Children in Need (UK) Ch SE VC

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; 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

Volant Charitable Trust (UK) Ch SE

Registered charities whose purpose is to alleviate poverty and social deprivation with particular emphasis on children's and women's issues have the opportunity to apply

for funding through the Volant Charitable Trust. The Trust which was set up by the author J K Rowling also supports research into the causes, treatment and possible cures of Multiple Sclerosis. However this funding stream is currently fully committed and is not considering further applications for funding in this area at the present time. In addition the Trustees will as and when appropriate, support disaster appeals. The Trust will support both capital and revenue funding. Applications for funding requests of £10,000 or less, for those projects based in Scotland only, are dealt with by the Trust's appointed agents, the Scottish Community Foundation.

The next closing date for applications is the 29th January 2010.

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

Improving social care and health

The Health Work and Well-being Challenge Fund (UK) LA Ch SE VC TP In

The Health Work and Well-being Challenge Fund is a £4 million scheme from the Department for Work and Pensions. The programme is aimed at local partnerships and small and medium sized businesses based and trading in Great Britain and seeks to support innovative projects that improve employees' health and welfare at work. Priority will be given to those projects aimed at improving mental well-being in small businesses. Grants available are of between £1,000 and £50,000. There are two funding rounds. **The next deadline for applications is 31st December 2009.** Round two will be open from September 2010 till December 2010...

Wallace & Gromit's Children's Foundation (UK) In

The Wallace & Gromit's Children's Foundation has announced that its grants making programme is now open for applications. The Foundation supports projects in children's hospitals and hospices throughout the UK to enrich and enhance the lives of patients. The type of projects that could be considered by the Foundation include amongst others; arts, music, play and leisure programmes; facilities to support families of children treated in hospitals or hospices; care and facilities in hospices; supporting children with physical and emotional difficulties; and medical equipment (when it can be shown that funding is not available from statutory sources). During 2008, the average grant awarded was just over £9,000. Previous projects supported include Naomi House Children's Hospice Winchester which received funding for new play equipment and art materials; and the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh, which received funding towards a new family accommodation facility to enable more parents to stay near their children. **The deadline for applications is the 7th January 2009...**

<http://www.wallaceandgromitfoundation.org/pages/grant.htm>

James Tudor Foundation (UK) Ch SE VC In

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 organizations that 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; 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>

Comic Relief Grants Programmes Open for Applications (UK) Ch SE VC

Comic Relief have announced that their UK grants programme is now open for applications. Applications will be invited from the voluntary and community sector throughout the UK including: Constituted voluntary and community groups; Charities Social enterprises; Co-operatives; Faith organisations; Community interest companies. Under its UK grant making programme, Comic Relief makes grants that address the following themes: Mental health issues; Domestic and sexual abuse; Refugee and asylum seeking women; Young people - in particular those that are sexually exploited and trafficked, that have alcohol and mental health problems; Project that use sport to support community development; Older People; Projects that support local disadvantaged communities.

Comic Relief provides both capital and revenue and can pay for up to 100% of projects costs but they encourage applicants to get some of their funding from other sources. There is no minimum or maximum grant in most of the programmes, but where there are limits, these are clearly stated in the programme guidelines. Grants on average vary between £25,000 and £40,000 per year, and rarely exceed this upper limit. **The closing dates for applications are the 11th January 2010 and the 21st May 2010.**

<http://www.comicrelief.com>

Esmee Fairbairn Foundation - Food Strand (UK) LA Ch VC

The aim of the Food strand is a £3 million funding strand over three years (2008 - 2011) with the aim of promoting an understanding of the role of food in enhancing quality of life. It will prioritise the enjoyment and experience of food rather than its production and we seek to enable as many people in the UK as possible to access, prepare and eat nutritious, sustainable food. The Foundation is interested in work that influences policy and practice across a range of food-related areas. The Foundation expects to support a mix of practical projects that have wide significance, and some research and policy based work. Previous projects through the Food Strand include:

- Community Food Enterprise Ltd , which received a grant of £70,000 towards the costs over two years of the continued operation of existing Social Food outlets and expansion of the service into new areas.
- The Caroline Walker Trust, which received a grant of £20,000 towards the cost of learning resources for staff who support children and adults with learning disabilities to encourage eating well and improve nutritional health.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

<http://www.esmeefairbairn.org.uk/funding/food.html>

Comic Relief - Young People with Mental Health Problems (UK) LA Ch VC

This programme aims to provide support to organisations that work with young people with mental health problems aged 11-25. There are two strands to the programme. Services for young people which funds a range of services and approaches to help young people experiencing mental health problems make positive changes in their lives; and Training which will also fund work that ensures those working with young people with mental health problems, especially in general youth work settings, have access to good quality training to improve their skill base and confidence levels. Funding is available to organisations providing general counselling and therapeutic interventions, as well as specialist projects focused on particular issues such as eating disorders or bi-polar conditions. Grants available vary between £25,000 and £40,000 per year for up to three years. Previous projects supported include a £90,000 grant over three years to help fund a help line for young Muslims with mental health problems who are often stigmatised; and Step Forward (Tower Hamlets) which received a grant of £60,000 over three years to provide help to young people who self harm or have eating disorders. **The next closing date for applications is the 11th January 2010...**

Comic Relief - Refugee and Asylum Seeking Women Programme (UK) LA Ch VC

Organisations that work with or can reach women refugees and asylum seekers that have experienced rape, torture and other forms of violence in their home countries can apply for funding from the Comic Relief Refugee and Asylum Seeking Women programme. There are two strands to this programme. Direct support to women which will fund support services with the aim of helping women cope better with the trauma they have experienced. This could include services such as counselling, group work or self help support. Comic Relief will also fund services that help women access legal support, health care and housing for example. Training support to help organisations to develop training for people working both in refugee and mainstream organisations to increase their skills, knowledge and practice in working with this vulnerable group. Grants available vary between £25,000 and £40,000 per year for up to three years. Previous projects supported include the Rights Project in Newcastle! which received a grant of £25,684 over three years provide a better understanding of what trauma that many refugee and asylum seeking women have gone through. **The closing date for applications is the 11th January 2010...**
<http://www.comicrelief.com>

Meeting the needs of older people

Comic Relief's Older People's Programme (UK) Ch VC

Comic Relief is inviting the voluntary and community sector throughout the UK where older people aged 65+ are developing ideas for action and change, to submit applications through their Older People's Programme. The programme aims to support older people to bring positive change to their community; and help older people feel less isolated, especially those who are most excluded such as; black and minority ethnic elders; frail older people with mental health needs; older carers; and those on lower incomes. Examples of the types of projects they will fund include; bringing the generations together to learn from each other through, for example, the creative arts or IT; older people acting as a resource to other older people and supporting those who may be less physically and mentally able; projects that are engaging hard to reach groups; activities which generate profits to further social or environmental goals, such as community cafes run by older people. Most grants are expected to be of between £15,000 and £40,000 per year. Grants may be for up to 3 years. **A letter of interest should be emailed to ukgrants@comicrelief.com by the 11th January 2010...**

Winter Celebration Grants 2009 (UK) Ch VC

Age Concern are inviting voluntary and charitable clubs for older people with a turnover of less than £50,000 per annum and whose charitable objectives are similar to those of Age UK to apply for up to £500 towards the cost of winter celebrations, outings, or one off events such as theatre trips, day outings, parties, and dinners. Application forms and guidelines can be downloaded from the Age Concern website. Because of the current postal disruption (November 2009) Age Concern are happy to receive emailed/faxed forms, but hard copies must be put in the post as they do need original signatures to comply with Audit Requirement. **The applications deadline is the 11th December 2009...**

<http://www.ageconcern.org.uk/AgeConcern/08D1C0F9EA804291B35B0DAE63BA5134.asp>

£40 Million Funding for Adult Hospices (England) Ch VC SE

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 2010.

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

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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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