



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 February 2010 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

There are no funding opportunities to report this month.

Creating a cleaner and healthier environment

Funding to Combat Fuel Poverty (UK) LA Ch SE VC TP

Not-for-profit organisations and groups (such as children's charities, local community groups, support organisations, housing associations, local authorities and others) who work with or represent the vulnerable and fuel poor are being invited to apply for funding to the Scottish Power Energy People Trust . Priority will be given to projects aimed at helping families with young children and young people. The Scottish Power Energy People Trust will award grant funding up to a maximum of £100,000 for projects lasting for up to three years. Previous projects supported include the Greater Manchester North Energy Efficiency Advice Centre, which received a grant of £20,500 to deliver training to front line home visiting staff to identify the fuel poor and then provide a system to allow the easy triggering of a range of intervention measures including Warm Front/EE grants, benefits checks and credit union services etc and the Granton Information Centre which received a grant of £29,866 to tackle fuel poverty by increasing household disposable income by raising awareness of welfare benefit, pension credit and tax credit entitlement. **Trustees meet in the first week of March, June, September and December each year and applications need to be submitted at four weeks prior to the meeting date...**

Grants for Planting Trees (UK) LA Ch SE VC

The Tree Council, the lead tree campaigning charity working to promote the importance of trees within the changing environment has announced that its Trees for Communities and Trees for Schools grant making programmes are now open for applications. Funds are available for schools and community groups within the UK who are able to show that children under the age of 16 will be actively engaged in the planting projects. The Tree Council's National Tree Week is the focus for these projects and successful applicants organise their planting events in conjunction with the Tree Council's annual celebration of the new tree planting season. The Tree Council are able to fund projects between £100 and £700 and successful applicants will receive up to 75% towards their planting costs. For example, if your project totals £700, The Tree Council would offer up to £525. The remaining 25% will need to be secured by your school or organisation. In the past, Fairway Primary School in Birmingham, Billingham Campus School and Arts College in County Durham and Ardrossan Academy in Scotland received funding from the Tree Council. **The closing date is the 31st March 2010...**

<http://www.treecouncil.org.uk/?q=grants>

B&Q Waste Donation Scheme (UK) Ch SE VC

Schools, charities and community groups can apply for products and waste materials through the B&Q Waste Donate Scheme. B&Q operates this Scheme through all of its stores within the UK. B&Q donates products and waste materials they haven't been able to sell for re-use such as slightly damaged tins of paint, off-cuts of timber, odd rolls of wallpaper and end-of-range materials. Donated products should benefit the local community and the environment and can not be resold. Due to its Health and Safety scheme, electrical, petrol and gas items are not available for donation. Applications must be made directly to B&Q stores. **Applications to the scheme can be made at any time...**

www.diy.com/wastedonation

Ecominds - Urgent Notice to Small Grant Applicants (England) VC

Ecominds has announced that due to the large number of applications received to date, **the closing date for Small Grants has been brought forward to 12 noon, Friday 30 April 2010.** Through the small grants programme, Ecominds will fund a range of community and voluntary groups who want to encourage people with experience of mental distress to get involved in environmental projects, such as; improving open spaces and wildlife habitats; designing public art; and recycling. Ecominds, which is run by Mind as an award partner of the Big Lottery Fund, is looking to fund smaller projects with grants of up to £20,000. To be eligible for funding projects must have; both a mental health and environmental perspective; involve people with direct experience of mental distress; encourage community access, collaboration, and improve the environment and environmental sustainability; and have a budget of under £250,000. The amount of funding currently available for Small Grants is limited and prospective applicants are encouraged to consider carefully before applying..

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

Delivering lifelong learning

Individual Support Grants Available for Disadvantaged Pupils (England) LA

The e-Learning Foundation has announced that although round 13 of its Home Access grants programme to provide Computers and Internet access to disadvantaged pupils has now closed, funding is still available for Individual Support Grants. These grants are aimed at individual students from low income families whose educational opportunities are being limited by their lack of home access and do not fall under any relevant home access programme i.e. the school equity programme does not cover the year group they are in; the school does not run an equity programme; they fall outside the Home Access grant criteria e.g. KS1, 4 or 5; or other personal circumstances. Schools are invited to identify individual students on whose behalf they would like to apply for a grant. While an individual family can receive up to 50% of the cost of provision, schools should not expect to receive more than 30% overall. There is a £50 processing charge per application (which should be for a minimum of 10 pupils). Unlike the normal equity programme the families will own the equipment and must be prepared to pay the difference between the cost and the grant if they are to benefit. **The grants will be awarded on a "first come first served" basis...**

<http://www.e-learningfoundation.com/new-grant-round-launched>

EU-US ATLANTIS Programme - Call for Proposals (UK)

The European Commission has together with the US Department of Education launched a new joint call for proposals under the EU - US Atlantis Programme. The aim of the Atlantis programme is to promote cooperation in Higher Education and Vocational Training between the EU and the US. The type of actions that will be funded include; Transatlantic Degree Consortia Projects to implement dual/double or joint degree programs; Mobility grants for students and members of the academic

and administrative staff to develop international curriculum development projects; and policy oriented measures designed to enhance collaboration in the higher education and vocational training field between the EU and the US. This call for proposals is open to consortia of EU and US higher education institutions and to vocational education and training institutions, as well other bodies active in higher education and vocational training. The total budget available is € 5.5 million and **the closing date for applications is the 8th April 2010...**

[http://eur-](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2009:323:0042:0044:EN:PDF)

[lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2009:323:0042:0044:EN:PDF](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2009:323:0042:0044:EN:PDF)

Funding to Promote Financial Inclusion (UK) Ch SE VC

The Friends Provident Foundation makes grants of up to £200,000 to not-for profit organisations for projects that address financial exclusion within disadvantaged communities. The funding is distributed through the Financial Inclusion Programme 2009-2012. The Foundation will consider applications for work that will contribute towards the achievement of 6 specific outcomes. These are:

- A shared vision amongst key stakeholders of what financial inclusion means and the ways it might be achieved.
- Universal banking access: identification of viable models for community-focused banking services, along with sustainable sources of capital and an appropriate regulatory framework. (*Open to applications.*)
- Sustainable approaches to funding debt advice: the development of sustainable, accessible, efficient and on-going funding streams. (*Open to applications.*)
- Increasing savings: helping low-income groups to build savings, as a way to help combat poverty and develop future personal autonomy. (*Open to applications.*)
- Clarification of the role of affordable credit in building greater financial inclusion: there are still questions about the role of credit in our society and these should be explored and clarified. (*Open to applications.*)
- Sustaining the progress made towards financial inclusion thus far: identifying and supporting third sector providers of financial services that are used by low income people.

The Foundation will consider requests for capital or revenue funding, core funds or project costs. The Foundation is willing to consider applications from any type of legally independent organisation, but can only support work that is legally charitable.

Actions previously supported through the Foundation include; making money management advice available to young people via mobile phones and interactive digital TV; a research project to look at the difficulties that people with a learning disability are having in gaining access to banking services. **The next closing date for applications is the 12th February 2010.**

<http://www.friendsprovidentfoundation.org/page.asp?section=119§ionTitle=Application+timetable+for+the+Financial+Inclusion+programme>

Skills for The Future Programme Opens for Applications (UK) LA Ch SE VC

The Heritage Lottery Fund's (HLF) has announced that the new Skills for the Future programme is now open to applications. This is a new £5million grant programme that will deliver up to 1,000 paid training opportunities for people across the UK seeking a career in heritage. It will not only support traditional conservation training but also a wide variety of skills needed to engage people with heritage and utilise new media and technology. The programme is open to applications from organisations and partnerships – for example of community and voluntary organisations, professional bodies and learning and training providers and will provide grants of between £100,000 and £1 million for projects which provide paid training placements to meet a skills gap in the heritage sector, and fully support trainees to learn practical skills. To support applicants the HLF is running a number of pre-application workshops in December and January. For more information on

these please click on the link below. **The closing date for applications is the 19th March 2010.**

<http://www.hlf.org.uk/news/Pages/SkillsfortheFutureprogramme.aspx>

Research and Innovation Grants (UK) LA Ch SE VC In

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.
- 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.**

http://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/go/grantprogrammes/page_375.html

Joint Curriculum Projects (UK) LA

The British Council has announced that schools in the UK will be able to apply for funding to develop joint curriculum projects from Spring 2010 onwards. Under the Joint Curriculum grants scheme UK schools can apply for grants to work for 2-3 terms on a collaborative project with a partner school in one of the following countries: China; France; Germany; Ireland; Japan; Portugal; Russia and Spain. The aim of the scheme is to enhance the curriculum by bringing an international dimension into the classroom and giving pupils direct access to another culture and language. Projects can involve a number of areas of the curriculum and add value to what is already being taught in the classroom. Schools have carried out successful projects on a wide range of themes, from healthy eating, sports leadership and the environment, through to art and drama. Projects must include an element of language learning and, in most cases, a visit to the target country. Examples of past school partnerships include Hampton Hill Junior School, Richmond and Johyama Elementary School (Japan): The English pupils participated in a range of school activities and classes and extra curricular activities such as flower arranging and origami and Holy Name RC Primary School in Manchester and CEIP Nuestra Senora de Fatima (Spain): The school worked with their Madrid partner school over a year on a range of activities relating to English and Spanish festivals and celebrations, from exchanging paintings depicting Bonfire Night to Valentine's cards. **The application timetable will be published in the near future...**

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships>

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

The Royal Society has announced that the latest round of Partnership Grants is now open for applications. Through the scheme grants of between £250 and £3,000 will be available to support teachers, scientists and engineers help develop science projects. The aim is to make the teaching of science more interesting within primary and secondary schools. The Partnership grants scheme forms partnerships to allow teachers to increase their scientific knowledge and to give scientists and engineers the chance to develop their communication skills and engage with enquiring young minds. Any UK primary or secondary school teacher or practising scientist/engineer can apply as long as the students involved in the project are between 5 and 18. Applications must be made together with the partner, and need to be signed by the teacher, partner and schools' headteacher. Examples of previously funded projects include; St Michael on the Mount Primary School received a grant of £2,050 to help

pupils to learn about the human body by constructing a 15 foot skeleton. Working with engineers from Airbus UK, every class constructed a working model of their particular body part, giving the pupils the opportunity to apply some of the scientific principles they had discovered and Netheard High School, Dereham (Norfolk) received £2,488 for 'Our Star'. The project gave the whole school the opportunity to explore the solar system at first hand. **The deadline for applications is the 5th March 2010...**

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

Santander Foundation (UK) Ch SE VC

The Santander Foundation brings together the charitable donations formerly made in the UK by Abbey, Alliance & Leicester and Bradford & Bingley savings business. Through the Foundation funding is available to registered charities that work in the areas of Education and Training and Financial Capability. The Foundation will make grants to buy tangible items such as equipment or training materials. Grants are also available to fund project costs such as sessional worker fees, salaries, room hire or other costs incurred in the delivery of the charitable priorities. There are two levels of grants available. Grants of £10,000 are available in areas where there is a Santander or Alliance & Leicester branch. In nine areas where Santander has a significant presence they have established Community Partnership Groups. These are made up of existing staff, pensioners and a local infrastructure charity such as a community foundation or Council for Voluntary Services. Grants of up to £30,000 are available in the in those areas. **Applications can be submitted at any time.** In addition, Santander has launched a scheme to donate £250,000 to local charities across the country. The bank is asking its customers in the UK to vote for the local charities they think should receive funding to mark the rebranding of Abbey and Bradford & Bingley to Santander. Each of the 1,000 branches will be allocated part of the Community Chest Fund and asked to nominate three local causes, which will be voted for by customers visiting braches of the bank between 11 January and 26 February...

www.santanderfoundation.org.uk

Government Launches £2.9million 'Get Digital' Programme (England) LA Ch SE VC

The Government has announced that nearly 20,000 people living in sheltered housing will be switched on to the internet under the new £2.9million 'Get Digital' programme. 'Get Digital' which will be delivered on the Government's behalf by the National Institute of Adult Continuing Education (NIACE) and Digital Unite - will provide residents with access to computers and the training they need to make the most of the new technology on offer. Local schools will also link up with sheltered housing schemes so that young and old can learn together. As part of the programme, Get Digital will provide grants to set up communal IT facilities and to support and sustain those facilities as well as work with residents, scheme staff, Registered Social Landlords (RSLs) and the wider community to promote, deliver and sustain digital literacy skills for older residents in sheltered housing. Get Digital is open to sheltered housing schemes and RSLs throughout England. The project which will run until March 2011 will support directly 195 schemes and a further 300 via the Get Digital website Sheltered housing schemes will be invited to apply to participate in Get Digital from end-January 2010, with the programme beginning in March 2010 and running until March 2011...

<http://digitalunite.com>

Welcome Trust Society Awards (UK) In

The Welcome Trust has announced that its Society Awards are now open for applications. Society Awards provide grants of over £30,000 for ambitious and creative projects that engage people of all ages and walks of life with developments in biomedical science on a regional or national scale. Projects should aim to achieve at least one of the following; stimulate interest, excitement and debate about biomedical science through various methods; examine the social, cultural, historical

and ethical impact of biomedical science; and encourage new ways of thinking about biomedical science. The scheme is open to anyone with a good idea for engaging people with developments in biomedical science. This might include: mediators and practitioners of science communication; science centre/museum staff; artists; educators; health professionals; and academics in bioscience, social science, bioethics and history. Grants will normally be awarded through organisations, but individuals can apply. The preliminary deadline for applications is the 31st March 2010. Potential applicants are advised to contact the Society Awards office well in advance of the preliminary deadline to discuss a potential application...

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

European Training Grants for School Education Staff (UK) LA In

UK schools looking to develop the skills of their education staff have the opportunity to apply for funding through the European Commission's Comenius - In-Service training programme. This is part of the EU's Lifelong Learning programme and provides financial support to help improve the quality of school education by enabling staff to undertake training in a country other than that in which they normally work or live. In this way, participants are encouraged to improve their practical teaching/coaching/counselling/management skills and knowledge, and to gain a broader understanding of school education in Europe. The training activity must have a strong European focus in terms of subject matter and the profile of trainers and participants. The funding is available to school education staff (teaching and non-teaching), also unemployed teachers and teachers reentering the profession after a period away from teaching. Applications have to be made via the school and the level of funding available is up to €2000 Euro 1 week; €2500 Euro for 2 weeks; and Up to a maximum of €3000 Euro for 6 weeks. A higher grant may be awarded where special needs or exceptionally high travel costs are involved. The next closing date for applications is the 30th April 2010 for activities starting on or after 1st September 2010...

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/comenius-professional-development-courses.htm>

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

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>

Grants for Adult Education Assistantships in Europe (UK) In

Individuals working in Adult Education whether formal, nonformal or informal have the opportunity to apply for funding to spend a period of 12-45 weeks as a Grundtvig Assistant at an adult education organisation in another European country participating in the Lifelong Learning Programme (LLP). To obtain a grant, applicants will need to give a clear indication that the proposed Assistantship is relevant to their current or intended area of adult education work; will improve their personal / work skills, including language ability; and will contribute to the host organisation and community. Depending on their specific profile, the Assistant may either; play a mainly ancillary role at the host organisation, assisting in various teaching or management activities; take full responsibility for one or more courses or a particular

aspect of management at the host organisation (such cases are known as Expert Assistantships). Applicants can apply for up to €4,000 for up to 16 weeks; €6,000 for up to 24 weeks; and €8,000 for up to 45 weeks. Grants are for subsistence including travel costs. Applicants that are likely to need additional income while they undertake their Assistantship should arrange this themselves. There is also an opportunity for Adult Education organisations in the UK to host an assistant from overseas. **The next closing date for applications is the 31st March 2010..**

<http://www.grundtvig.org.uk/page.asp?section=00010001001800010004§ionTitle=Assistantships>

Funding Available to Tackle Digital Exclusion (England) Ch SE VC

UK Online Centres, which was set up by the Government in 2000 to provide public access to computers, has announced that UK online centres members, and other grassroots ICT providers willing to become member centres are able to apply for grants of between £6,000 and £30,000 to tackle digital exclusion and get more people online. The funding is being made available through a £30 Million investment in digital inclusion made by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills and the Learning and Skills Council to extend the existing UK online centres network and to get one million people online for the end of 2012. In particular, UK Online Centres are seeking to use the funding to recruit new centres in areas of high deprivation, low network coverage, or those working with very deeply excluded groups. Two types of grant are available. Direct grants to expand or create online centres to work with socially disadvantaged people and engage with them directly and Cascade delivery grants to support a small number of online centres which will be recruited to act as Champions, who as well as providing direct delivery of ICT services, will be able to build and oversee a network of "cascade centres" in their area. **The deadline for bids is noon on the 10th February 2010, with projects funded by the grant due to run from the 1st April 2010 until the 31st March 2011...**

<http://www.ukonlinecentres.com>

Anglo-Portuguese Joint Curriculum Projects (England) LA

The British Council has announced that they will be withdrawing the Anglo-Portuguese programme from the 31st March 2010. However there are other ways to work with Portugal. Through the Global Gateway you can find a Portuguese partner school. If schools are interested in working on a curriculum project involving a Portuguese school you can search on eTwinning or via the Comenius Programme. For further information please click on the link below..

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships-anglo-portuguese-joint-curriculum-projects.htm>

Linking Schools in the UK and Japan (UK) LA

A variety of different funding opportunities are available to help primary, secondary and special schools, as well as colleges of further education and Local Authorities to develop partnerships with Japanese schools and the teaching of Japanese. Funding is for example available to local authorities' education action zones and clusters of schools to develop strategic area links with regions in Japan. Schools in the UK can also apply for grants of up to £1,000 for school linking visits to develop new or existing partnerships with schools in Japan. Funding is also available to undertake a joint curriculum project with their Japanese partner school. This enables schools to work collaboratively on a joint project of common interest including sport, art and music. A one day Conference is held in London each year to share information, ideas and good practice on school partnerships with Japan. The next Conference will be held in 2010 and information will be available soon. **The closing date for applications is the 1st February 2010...**

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships-japan.htm>

Farmers Offered New 'Green Funding' Deal (UK) In

The Carbon Trust has announced financial help for farmers to invest in energy-saving equipment. **From 1 February 2010**, British farmers will be eligible for unsecured, interest-free loans for between £3,000 and £20,000 to help them upgrade to more energy-efficient equipment. The new funding has been provided to help the farming sector to meet the carbon reduction aims laid out the Government's Low Carbon Transition Plan. Examples of energy efficiency upgrades which the Carbon Trust loans will fund are; thermal screens, used in greenhouse horticulture, typically cost up to £20,000, and can save over £10,000 / 100 tonnes of CO₂ annually; milk cooling accounts for one third of the energy consumption of dairy farms. New systems cost £3,000, and save up to £1,000 / 6 tonnes of CO₂ a year. Insulation used in field horticulture crop stores, typically costs around £17,000, and saves up to £10,000 / 50 tonnes of CO₂ a year; upgrading heating and ventilation controls, in livestock farms, typically costs £3,000, and saves over £4,000 / 23 tonnes of CO₂ a year; grain drying humidity controls, used in arable farming, typically costs £3,000, and saves around £1,500 / 10 tonnes of CO₂ a year..

http://www.carbontrust.co.uk/news/news/press-centre/2009/Pages/farmers_offered_new_green_funding_deal.aspx

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

LA Ch SE VC

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

britwork@microsoft.com....

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

Next Generation Fund Launched (UK)

Rural communities and hard to reach areas who do not have access to next generation broadband will benefit from a share of £1 billion of Government investment. The investment will upgrade the UK's digital infrastructure to bring super-fast broadband to 90% of the country, essential if the UK is to remain globally competitive as estimates suggest that private investment will only reach up to 70% of the population by 2017. The Next Generation Fund will provide the UK with a world class communications network to bolster innovation and services in digital content. The Government is now consulting on the most effective way to deploy the investment. The objectives of the Next Generation Fund are; to support Digital Britain's aim to roll out next generation networks to at least 90% of the UK by 2017; to support economic growth by incentivising market investment in communications infrastructure to meet the needs of businesses and households; and to maximize links with the Government's Universal Service Commitment - a parallel broadband investment programme to ensure every community has access to 2Mbps broadband connection by 2012..

<http://www.bis.gov.uk/next-generation-fund>

Consultation on New EU Dairy Fund (England) In

The Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs has announced that it is seeking the views of Dairy farmers on how best to distribute England's £16m (?18m) share of the EU Dairy Fund. The fund is intended to help farmers who have been

most affected by changes in demand and prices over the last year. The suggested options for distributing the fund are; a direct payment per litre of production from October 2008 to September 2009; or a payment per litre for the first 100,000 litres of production, with an additional payment per litre over 100,000 litres from October 2008 to September 2009. **The farming industry is being asked for their views by 17 February on which suggested option, or alternative suggestion which has widespread industry support, will be most beneficial to those farmers most affected by the changes in demand and prices.** Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland will also consult on the same options for distributing the EU Dairy Fund, and an agreed approach will apply across the UK...

Funding for Community Shops (England) Ch SE VC

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>

Europe's Information Society Policy Support Programme (UK) LA Ch SE

The European Commission has launched the fourth call for proposals under Europe's Information Society Policy Support Programme (ICT PSP). The aim of the ICT PSP is to support transnational pilot actions and thematic networks to stimulate innovation and competitiveness through the wider uptake and best use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) by citizens, governments and businesses. The themes for the 2010 call for proposals are; using ICT for a low carbon economy and smart mobility; developing Digital Libraries; ICT for health and inclusion; open innovation for future internet-enabled services in "smart" cities; ICT for improved public services for citizens and businesses; and developing a multilingual web. This call for proposals is open to consortiums of organisations consisting of national Governments, public administrations and private sector organisations from a minimum number of different Member States or associated countries. The total budget available is €108 Million. **Closing date for applications will be the 1st June 2010...**

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/activities/ict_psp/index_en.htm

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

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

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

Meeting housing need

Support for Young Runaways (England) LA Ch SE VC

The Government has announced that they will be launching a new online resource for teachers, youth workers and all those working with young people to help support young runaways, helping identify any problems young people are having and prompt intervention much earlier to give vulnerable young people the professional help and support they need, this will strengthen the already in place Young Runaways Action Plan. They also announced funding of up to £100,000 will be made available through an open competition to voluntary services to provide emergency accommodation, counselling services and family mediation for young runaways. This new package of measures include; new statutory guidance for local authorities, which states how they should work with the police to protect and support young people who run away; introduction of a national indicator in April this year, which requires local authorities to work with their partners to collect information about young people who run away in their area; commissioning the Children's Society to produce an online activity pack for schools to be used in PSHE lessons and youth clubs. Further information can be found by clicking on the link below...

<http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/everychildmatters/safeguardingandsocialcare/safeguardingchildren/youngrunaways/youngrunaways/>

Promoting culture, arts, leisure and tourism

Call for proposals - Culture Programme (2007-2013) Ch SE VC In

The European Commission has issued two calls for proposals under the Culture Programme (2007 -13). Through the Culture Programme the European Commission provides financial support to enhance the cultural area shared by Europeans with a view to encouraging the emergence of European citizenship. Through these calls the for proposals, the European Commission specifically wants to support Literary translation projects to stimulate the widest circulation of European literature among European citizens by supporting the translation of high-quality European literature into the different languages of the countries participating in the Programme; and special measures - cooperation with third countries to support cultural cooperation projects aimed at cultural exchanges between the countries taking part in the Programme and Third Countries, which have concluded association or cooperation agreements with the EU. The Culture programme supports projects, organisations, promotional activities and research in all branches of culture, except the audiovisual branch for which there is a separate programme named MEDIA. The funding available is open to Cultural operators, including cultural enterprises as long as they are acting in a non-profit-making cultural capacity. For more information including information on closing dates for applications, please click on the link below. **The closing dates for applications is the 3rd February 2010 for Literacy translation projects and the 1st May 2010 for cooperation measures with third countries...**

http://ec.europa.eu/culture/calls-for-proposals/call2448_en.htm

UnLtd Sports Relief Awards (UK) LA Ch SE VC TP In

UnLtd Sports Relief Awards, a UK wide funding programme funded by Comic Relief, provides opportunities for young people between 11 and 21 years of age to bring communities together, to help promote understanding and solve problems through sport, arts and recreational activities. There are three types of awards. Try It - Offers grants of up to £1,000 for projects that focus on providing opportunities for young people to come together and engage in new activities. Shape It - Offers grants of up to £5,000 for projects that address issues in local communities. Do It - Offers grants of up to £10,000 for projects that use sport or recreational activities as a solution to a social problem. The type of projects supported could include an indoor cricket mini-world cup to engage young people from different backgrounds; reduce violence in an area by getting young people to channel their energies into football rather than fighting; or could holding a skateboarding competition for kids that will reduce tensions in the local area. Do It awards will be made every 3 months. **Applications**

to Try It, and Shape It can be made at any time...

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

Funding to Develop Media Skills for Disadvantaged Young People (England) Ch SE VC

Mediabox, a Department for Children, Schools and Families fund to enable disadvantaged 13-19 year olds living in England the opportunity to develop and produce creative media projects, using print, television, film, radio or online platforms, has announced that its **Mid Mediabox funding programmes will re-open for applications on the 26th February 2010**. Mid Mediabox is one of several funding schemes and is available to established youth and or media focused organisations with a strong track record of working with young people to provide opportunities for young people to develop creative ideas and lifelong skills in media production and provides grants of between £5,000 and £20,000. Previous projects supported through Mediabox include: Kent Refugee Action Network which delivered a series of animation workshops to 20 young unaccompanied asylum seekers. The project resulted in the production of four quality animation shorts that illustrate different aspects of the journey of a young person to the UK; and Media Mash Up which received funding to give young people from very diverse backgrounds in Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Milton Keynes the opportunity to try their hands at film, print, radio and mixed media techniques..

<http://www.media-box.co.uk/funding/mid-mediabox>

Funding for Music Making Activities (England) Ch SE VC

Youth Music, the UK's largest children's music charity has announced that **the next closing date for applications for grants to its Open Programme is the 10th February 2010**. 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 particular, Youth music wants to support projects that target young people up to 18 (or up to 25 if they have special educational needs, disabilities or are in detention) in challenging circumstances such as young carers, young parents, looked after children and young people, those at risk of offending or young offenders, children and young people with disabilities or long-term ill health. Eligible applicants can include non profit-making organisation such as education authorities' music services or music trusts, schools working in partnership, professional arts organisation, singing groups and youth groups...

Town Twinning - Support to Projects Initiated by Civil Society Organisations (UK) LA Ch SE VC TP In

The European Commission has announced the first call for proposals under its Town Twinning Initiative , which is part of the new Active Citizens for Europe Programme (2007 -2013). This call for proposals is under Action 2 - Measure 3 - Support to projects initiated by civil society organisations. Under this Measure grants of between €10,000 and €55,000 to support concrete projects of civil society organisations from different participating countries. A variety of organisations, established at local, regional, national or European level, can be involved. These projects should raise awareness on issues of European interest and on concrete solutions that can be found through cooperation or coordination at European level. A project must involve at least two participating countries, of which at least one is an EU Member State. The maximum duration of projects is 12 months. The grant requested in that case may not exceed 60 % of the eligible costs of the action concerned. **The closing date for applications is the 15th February 2010...**

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/citizenship/funding/2010/call_action2_3_en.php

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

Comic Relief have announced that **the next closing date for its "Sport for**

Change" programme is the 21st May 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...

Art Fund Collect 2010 (UK)

The Art Fund has announced that they have allocated up to £75,000 towards their Art Fund Collect 2010, and is inviting proposals from museums and art gallery curators who collect contemporary craft. The aim of the fund is to recognise curatorial excellence and foster the ambition and scope of contemporary craft collection in the UK, and will offer 100% grant funding to enable selected curators to acquire works by important makers currently under-represented in UK public collections. The fund will select between 10 and 15 curators. **The deadline for applications is the 19th February 2010...**

<http://www.artfund.org/grants/artfund-collect.html>

Young Film Fund (UK)

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. Previous grants awarded included Hartside Primary School, County Durham, which received a grant of £3,000 to help produce a five minute shadow puppet film using an original fairy tale devised, told and filmed by the children in Year 1 and Balfour Junior School in Brighton, which received funding to make an environmental documentary 'The Amazing Adventures of the Plastic Bag'. **The Script and Pilot elements of the fund will re-open for applications on the 2nd March and closes for applications on the 27th April 2010...**

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

Architectural Heritage Fund (UK)

The Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF) is a registered charity that promotes the conservation and regeneration of historic buildings in the UK and is now open to applications. Grants and low interest working capital loans are available to voluntary organisations and building preservation trusts (BPTs) to regenerate historic buildings to create community and education facilities, workspace and homes. To be eligible to apply for financial assistance organisations must have a charitable status. Any charity with a qualifying project can apply for an options appraisal grant, or a loan, but any other AHF's grants are reserved for BPTs - charities established specially to preserve historic buildings. The project must also involve a change of ownership and/or a change of use. Previously funded projects include turning a rundown historic building into: Community theatres; Resource centres; Community learning centres; Workspaces; Places to live; and Community meeting places, etc. **The next deadline for applications is the 11th of February 2010...**

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

Grants to Help New, Innovative Visual Arts Projects (UK) Ch SE VC

The Elephant Trust offers grants of up to £2,000 to artists and institutions (priority is given to small organisations and galleries) for new, innovative visual arts projects based in the UK. Recipients of grants have included Rachel Whiteread; Vong Phaophanit; and significant contributions have been made to institutions such as Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art; and Hayward Gallery and Camden Arts Centre, London. **The next deadline for the submission of applications is 13th April 2010...**

<http://www.elephanttrust.org.uk/docs/intro.html>

The Skinners' Company Lady Neville Charity (UK) Ch SE VC

The Skinners' Company Lady Neville Charity invites applications from registered charities and not-for-profit organisations working in the areas of disability, local heritage, local community and performing and visual arts. The Foundation offers grants of up to £1,000 to support activities which provide opportunities to people of any age with physical or mental disabilities; projects which help local groups to conserve and restore their landmark, landscape, traditions and culture; projects which are involved in improving the facilities or quality of life for people in a deprived neighbourhood; groups involved in undertaking a particular activity in any field of performing and visual arts. **This year's deadlines for applications are mid-March and mid-September..**

<http://www.skinnershall.co.uk/charities/lady-neville-charity.htm>

Old Possum's Practical Trust (UK) Ch SE VC

Old Possum's Practical Trust aims to increase the knowledge and appreciation of any matters of historic, artistic, architectural, aesthetic, literary, musical or theatrical interest, by supporting organisations with grants of between £500 and £5,000. Priority will be given to projects that involve children or young people, disabled or disadvantaged people, communities, and which enhance the lives of others, rather than the well-being of the applicants themselves. **Applications can be submitted at any time..**

<http://www.old-possums-practical-trust.org.uk/page.cfm?pageid=300#>

Mini Mediabox (England) VC Ch

Mediabox offers disadvantaged 13 to 19 year olds the opportunity to develop and produce creative media projects, using film, television, print, radio or online platforms. Mediabox has announced that Mini Mediabox is now open for applications. Mini Mediabox provides grants of £1,500 to £5,000 and is open to grassroots and community youth organisations with a turnover of £100k or under. The scheme which is run by a consortium consisting of First Light Movies, Media Trust, Skillset and the UK Film Council is for young people to; express their own opinions, ideas and views, gain new skills, encourage creativity, boost personal development and get their voices heard. **The next closing date for applications is the 8th March.**

<http://www.media-box.co.uk/funding/mini-mediabox>

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

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

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

The PRS for Music Foundation, which is the UK's largest independent funder for new music of any genre has announced the closing dates for its funding schemes for 2010. Its main aims are to stimulate and support the creation and performance of new music in the UK, ensuring this reaches a wide audience. The PRS Foundation provides a range of grants to support performance groups, festivals, promoters and organisations. Since March 2000 it has supported over 3000 new music initiatives with over £12 million. The average size of grants in 2008 was £3,000. **The closing dates for applications are the 12th February, 16th April, 9th August and the 15th October...**

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

Mix Mediabox Opens for Applications (England) LA Ch SE VC

Mediabox, a Department for Children, Schools and Families fund to enable disadvantaged 13-19 year olds living in England the opportunity to develop and produce creative media projects, using print, television, film, radio or online platforms, has announced that its Mix Mediabox funding scheme is now open for application. Through its Mix Mediabox scheme, grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 are available to organisations that bring together young people from diverse economic backgrounds, faiths or geographic areas to work on a media project. This grant scheme supports projects that enable young people to work with older members of their community, to create media projects that encourage communities to gain a better understanding of each other and promote community cohesion. Previous projects supported through Mediabox include: Kent Refugee Action Network which delivered a series of animation workshops to 20 young unaccompanied asylum seekers. The project resulted in the production of four quality animation shorts that illustrate different aspects of the journey of a young person to the UK; and Media Mash Up which received funding to give young people from very diverse backgrounds in Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Milton Keynes the opportunity to try their hands at film, print, radio and mixed media techniques. **The closing date for applications is 2 pm on the 9th March 2010...**

<http://www.media-box.co.uk/funding/mix-mediabox>

Encouraging community involvement

DFID Launches Fund to Support Work of Community Groups (UK) Ch SE VC

The Department for International Development has announced the launch of its new £7 million Development Innovation Fund (DIF) . This fund which is open to any small community based organisation such Scout troops, Church groups, groups from the Women's Institute and Rotary Clubs, etc will provide grants to support their work that targets poverty in the developing world, including development awareness work in the UK. Grants of up to £60,000 are available for one off projects lasting for up to 1 year. Applications must show that the intended activities will improve the lives of poor people in the developing world and also how the intended work will be used to help raise awareness of development issues in the UK. **Applications can be submitted at any time** and will be evaluated within one of three funding rounds that the DFID are planning to hold over the next 16 months...

<http://www.dfid.gov.uk/Working-with-DFID/Funding-Schemes/Funding-for-not-for-profit-organisations/Development-Innovation-Fund-DIF/>

Church and Community Fund (England) VC

Under the Church and Community Fund grants of up to £10,000 are available to community projects run by parish churches, deaneries, dioceses and other bodies connected to or working in partnership with the Church of England. Projects

supported must promote, aid and further the work of the Church of England. This does not exclude Anglican projects in partnership with ecumenical or other-faith partners, which are warmly welcomed, but it does exclude projects run by secular bodies which have little or no connection to the Church of England, overseas projects and projects in which an Anglican body is not a key player at a local level. Typical projects supported by the CCF might include; employing a youth worker; renovating an old church hall for use as a community centre; providing hot meals for the homeless in a church room. **The next application deadline is the 5th February 2010 followed by the 7th May, 16th July, 30th September and the 31st December...**

Meeting the needs of children and young people

BBC Children in Need Small Grants Scheme (UK) LA Ch SE VC TP In

BBC Children in Need are inviting not-for-profit organisations (including registered charities, voluntary organisations, schools, local authorities, churches, social enterprises, community interest groups, universities etc) working with disadvantaged children and young people 18 years and under, living in the UK, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands, to apply for grants of up to £10,000 through their small grants scheme. BBC Children in Need can only fund projects that focus on the differences made (outcomes) to the lives of disadvantaged children and young people. For this reason, when applying for a grant organisations must provide clear evidence that disadvantaged children and young people will be the primary beneficiaries of the project; and experience positive changes in their lives from the activities or services you are providing. BBC Children in Need aims to fund projects where a small amount can make a real contribution to the success of the project. Grants can be used to cover both, capital and revenue costs. There are four application deadlines in the year. **The first deadline for applications is the 15th January 2010 followed by the 15th April, 15th July and the 15th October 2010...**

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

The Joanies Trust (UK) Ch SE VC

Registered charities working with young people aged 11 to 25 are eligible to apply for grants through the Joanies Trust. Each year, the Trust makes approximately 30 grants with an average value of £1,000 to support projects that offer intensive support to young people as well as those that promote preventative work, and especially those that are designed to lead to individual development through integration, work opportunities or accreditation. In particular the Trust is looking to support projects that show innovation and imagination as well as evidence of close consultation with young people in developing their project. Grants awarded by the Trust include the Trinity Sailing Trust to use offshore sail training on traditional vessels as a way of engaging disadvantaged and disaffected young people and the Derby Playhouse to fund a scheme, which distributes tickets to members of the community who may never have a chance to see a live performance due to financial circumstances or to social exclusion. **The next deadline for applications is 5 pm on the 30th April 2010...**

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

European Youth Foundation (UK) Ch SE VC

The European Youth Foundation is an independent, international, non-governmental organisation dedicated to the positive development of children and young people throughout the world. To support its objectives the Foundation makes grants to international not for profit youth organisations and networks. The types of activities supported include international youth meeting, the development of projects that benefits young people and help towards the administrative costs of eligible

organisations and networks. In addition the Foundation also funds a range of pilot projects. **The next application deadline is the 1st April 2010.**
<http://www.eycb.coe.int/EYCBwwwroot/index.asp?language=eng&url=/EYCBwwwroot/ENG/EYF.asp>

Young People Experiencing Domestic and Sexual Abuse (UK) Ch SE VC

This programme aims to provide support to organisations that work with young people aged 11-25 who have experienced domestic and sexual abuse. There are two strands to the open programme. "Crisis Support" will fund support services helping young survivors to cope with the physical, emotional and mental harm that they have experienced. This could include services such as counselling, advocacy and group work. "Young Voices" will fund work that helps young people to heal through having a voice. This could include setting up a new survivors group or support for an existing group. This fund will also cover work which aims to build networks of young survivors who can speak out to policy makers, planners and the sector, so that their views and voices are heard directly. Applications are welcomed from a range of agencies that reach young survivors but will give priority to applications from groups who can demonstrate a track record around domestic and sexual abuse, or work with young survivors. Comic Relief are especially keen to encourage applications for work with young people from black and minority ethnic communities as well as hard to reach groups of survivors such as young people excluded from school and young people at risk of homelessness. **The closing date for applications is the 21st May 2010...**

Young People and Alcohol Programme (UK) Ch SE VC

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 21st May 2010...**

Sexually Exploited and Trafficked Young People Programme (UK) Ch SE 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 21st May 2010....**

Young People with Mental Health Problems (UK) Ch SE 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 21st May 2010.**

Playground Partnerships Awards (UK) LA

The Kids Trust has announced that schools within the UK that wish to improve their play spaces have the opportunity to apply for funding through the Playground Partnerships Awards. The First prize is a grant of £10,000 and there are 10 runners up prizes of £250. Schools wishing to apply will initially have to register with the Award Scheme to access further information and the application pack. To be considered for an award, schools need to submit a folder of work (Design Portfolios) and completed application form. Applicants are encouraged to develop a pupil-led approach; involve the whole school; encourage input from the wider school community and include pupils with special educational needs. **The closing date for applications is the 19th March 2010...**

<http://www.playgroundpartnerships.org/index.php?ID=488>

Call for Proposals - Youth in Action Programme (UK) LA Ch SE

The European Commission has announced the application closing dates for the Youth in Action Programme 2010. Youth in Action is the Programme the European Union has set up for young people. It aims to inspire a sense of active European citizenship, solidarity and tolerance among young Europeans and to involve them in shaping the Union's future. It promotes mobility within and beyond the EU's borders, non-formal learning and intercultural dialogue, and encourages the inclusion of all young people, regardless of their educational, social and cultural background. Funding is available to support partnership projects with regional or local public bodies (i.e. regions, municipalities, etc.) or with organisations active in the youth sector at the European level in order to develop long-term projects which develop or reinforce long-term actions, strategies and programmes in the field of non-formal learning and youth. **The closing dates for 2010 are the 1st February, 1st June and the 1st September...**

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/youth/programme/about_youth_en.php

European Youth Foundation (EYF) Ch SE VC

The European Youth Foundation, which is an independent, international, non-governmental organisation dedicated to the positive development of children and young people throughout the world has announced that it is seeking applications that promote international youth meeting and the development of projects that benefits young people and help towards the administrative costs of eligible organisations and networks. The funding is open to international not for profit youth organisations and networks. In addition the Foundation also funds a range of pilot projects. Previous projects supported include "Minorities of Europe" in Coventry, which received a grant of €7,000 for its "One Europe for All Information Campaign" and "Brouhaha International" in Liverpool, which received a grant of €15,000 for an intercultural performance work highlighting the rise of gun and knife crime. **The next application deadline is the 1st April 2010...**

<http://www.eyf.coe.int/fej/>

BBC Children in Need Grants (UK) LA Ch SE VC

BBC Children in Need provides grants for up to three years to properly constituted not for profit organisations working with disadvantaged young people aged 18 or under. Funding is available to organisations (including schools) that work with young people who are suffering from illness, distress, abuse or neglect, are disabled, have behavioural or psychological difficulties and / or are living in poverty or situations of deprivation. Last year the programme made grants of £33 million to over 1,500 organisations. Examples of projects that recently received funding are: 27A Access Artspace Ltd (£21, 690) - the project will provide drama sessions for children and young people with a disability and their siblings; Relate Northamptonshire (£58, 589) - the project will provide counselling for disadvantaged children and young people in six schools in Northamptonshire, who have experienced domestic abuse, drug and alcohol abuse and family break up; Bushbury Nursery School in Wolverhampton (£67,645) - the project will develop and provide a series of Stay and Play sessions, a Toy library, and outreach work for children and their parents in the Bushbury area.

The next closing date 15th April 2010...

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

Breakfast Club Family Grants Programme (UK) LA Ch SE VC

Schools, nurseries, children's centres, other educational and community organisations that provide services for children, young people and families in the UK are being invited by ContinYou to apply for a grant of £350 through the Breakfast Club Family Grants Programme. The aim of the programme is to enable a school or a community groups to develop a sustainable family dimension within an existing breakfast club that will support hard-to-reach or vulnerable children, and enable children from families that are in the greatest need to benefit from the breakfast club provision. These grants are available thanks to the children who raised money during the Mission Nutrition appeal, which ContinYou took part in, in partnership with the Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens and Save the Children. **The deadline for applications is the 26th February 2010...**

Improving social care and health

Call for applications 2010 - Second Programme of Community Action in the Field of Health (2008-2013) LA Ch SE VC TP In

The European Commission has adopted today the 2010 Work Plan, which sets the annual priorities for implementation of EU Health Programme. Based on this decision, the Commission has launched the calls for proposals for projects, operating grants, conferences, and joint actions. The Health Programme is the European Commission's main instrument for implementing the EU health strategy. The programme aims, through projects and other actions it funds, to improve the level of physical and mental health and well-being of EU citizens and reduce health inequalities throughout the Community. In particular, the Programme supports health-promoting and preventive actions that address the major health determinants e.g., nutrition, physical activity, or smoking. The 2010 Work Plan gives more emphasis and resources to a focused cooperation with Member States. More than 22 percent of the operating budget will be dedicated to funding of joint actions. The funding is available to Non-governmental organisations, public sector bodies, public administrations, universities, higher education establishments, public and private research institutions and commercial firms can submit a project proposal as the main partner or associated partners. **The closing date for applications is the 12th**

March 2010...

<http://ec.europa.eu/eahc/>

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

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

- Grants fall into 4 categories: Alcohol education and awareness work; Community based work; Alcohol specific youth work in local communities; Projects focusing on generating ideas and developing new approaches to alcohol; education and awareness.
- Grants fall into 3 categories: community based work, alcohol education work and projects focusing on generating new approaches to alcohol misuse that have the potential to be rolled out to a wider audience. The Awareness Project Grants are made up to the value of £25,000 for the development of existing alcohol awareness schemes.

Applications are accepted from: Registered charities; Not for profit groups working in education, health and with young people; Community organisations and constituted voluntary groups; Statutory organisations and partnerships (but only where our support is in addition to, not replacing, statutory funds AND organisational income is below £10 million) **Applications can be made at any time.**

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

The Will Charitable Trust (UK) Ch SE VC

The Will Charitable Trust is currently seeking applications from registered or tax exempt charities in the UK for projects that support services for blind people; and people with learning disabilities. Grants awarded tend to fall within the range of £5,000 to £20,000. The total amount awarded varies from year to year according to available funds. As a guide, in the year 2006/07, 45 grants were awarded totalling £539,300. Previous projects supported have included a grant of £10,000 towards the costs of launching a new mobile service which aims to reach blind people in remote area; and a grant of £11,500 to help towards the cost of setting up a work Skills Enterprise Scheme to provide training and work skills to 8 people with learning disabilities with a view to enabling them get employment.

The closing date for applications is the 31st January 2010.

In addition, the Trust also makes grants for projects that provide services for people suffering from cancer, and their families; as well as projects that conserve the countryside in Britain, including its flora and fauna.

Applications for these should be submitted between June and the 31st August 2010.

<http://www.willcharitabletrust.org.uk/grantspolicy.htm>

Meeting the needs of older people

Older People's Programme (UK) Ch SE 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. **The next closing date for applications is the 21st May 2010....**

Hilden Charitable Fund (UK) LA Ch SE VC

The Hilden Charitable Fund has announced that **the next deadline for submitting applications is the 26th March 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; Penal Affairs. 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 Healthy and Caring Lifestyles

Refugee and Asylum Seeking Women Programme (UK) Ch SE 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 next closing date for applications is the 21st May 2010....**

Developing Community Cohesion

Refugee Integration Awards Scheme (England) Ch SE VC In

Funded by the European Refugee Fund Phase III and with the support of the UK Border Agency, UnLtd – the Foundation for Social Entrepreneurs has re-launched RISE: Refugee Initiative for Social Entrepreneurs, under the name RISE Accelerator. Rise Accelerator aims to unleash and encourage the potential of refugees as social entrepreneurs. Under the initiative grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available to small groups of refugees and individuals to set up projects that will make their communities a happier, safer, healthier and more just place as well as support refugees to achieve their full economic and social potential. The RISE programme has already funded 75 refugees, benefiting over 2000 people around England. The success of the project has allowed UnLtd to extend the RISE programme for another two years. UnLtd will also provide dedicated support including; training opportunities, tools and resources to ensure you develop your own skills as well as helping you

develop your project. The scheme will aim to fund and support a further 64 projects over the next two years. **Applications can be made any time.**

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

Free Computer and Broadband for Low Income Parents (England) LA Ch SE VC

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The Government has announced the national roll out of a new programme that will provide 270,000 low income families a free computer and free broadband access. The aim of the £300 million Home Access programme is to close the digital and educational divide between rich and poor and will help make England one of the first countries in the world to ensure that young people can use a computer and the internet at home for their education. The initiative will also get parents better involved in and understand more about what their child does at school. Families with children in years 3 - 9 (approximately age 7 - 14), who are entitled to free schools meals or are on certain benefits, will be able to apply for a grant to buy a computer and broadband connection from an approved supplier. Looked after children up to the age of 18 will also receive laptops, and the scheme will offer bespoke packages to provide more support for children with special educational needs. The programme is being rolled out nationally after successful pilots in Oldham and Suffolk showed a positive impact on both the pupils and their parents. For more information how parents can apply for a Home Access Grant call 0333 200 1004

The European Fund for the Integration of Third-Country Nationals (UK) LA In

The EU has announced that it is seeking applications through its European Fund for the Integration of Third-country nationals. The fund which is open to national, regional and local authorities, Non Governmental Organisations, public or private bodies (including university departments, research centres) with proven experience and expertise in this field will provide grants of between €200,000 and €750,000 for transnational projects that; gather public and migrant perceptions and develop a more comprehensive understanding of the integration processes; promote integration measures targeting young population and addressing specific gender issues; and promote the role of civil society organisations and the local authorities in shaping integration strategies. Since these actions are trans-national, they must include partners from at least five different Member States. **Applications need to be submitted by 2 pm on the 3rd march 2010...**

http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/funding/integration/funding_integration_en.htm

Rejuvenating Dacorum

There are no funding opportunities to report this month.

Acting on Climate Change

There are no funding opportunities to report this month.

General Grant Making Bodies

J Paul Getty Junior Charitable Trust (UK) Ch SE VC

Under its 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; and 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/funding.html>

The Links Foundation (England, Scotland and Wales) Ch SE VC

The Links Foundation, which was formed by 'Working Links', an organisation that delivers services to tackle social exclusion and poverty by helping disadvantaged individuals and communities, provides grants to disadvantaged communities. Since its launch in 2003 it has distributed over £3 million in grants to over 40 projects. The type of activities that the Foundation seeks to support include projects that advance people's education; reduce significant disadvantage; assist those in conditions of poverty, need or distress ; and provide for recreational or other leisure time occupation. The Foundation can fund new or existing projects and can help meet costs such as salary, rent and stationery as well as capital costs. The average grant per project is about £20,000. Previously funded activities include arts, crafts and drama facilities for residents on a deprived estate; funding apart-time caseworker to support vulnerable and disadvantaged young people; and supporting people with disabilities to become self-employed. **The Board meets every four months. The closing date for applications is four weeks before the Board meeting....**

<http://www.linksfoundation.org/Default.aspx>

National Lottery Awards (UK) Ch SE VC

The National Lottery has announced that the National Lottery Awards are currently open for entries. Under the National Lottery Awards members of the public can vote for their favourite National Lottery Funded project. There are seven categories - each reflecting an area of Lottery funding: Sport; Heritage; Arts; Environment; Voluntary/Charity (in association with Woman magazine), Health and Education. The entrants that make it to the finals of The National Lottery Awards will appear on a star-studded prime-time BBC1 TV show later this year. They will also have a chance to win a £2,000 cash prize. **Entries must be received by 5pm on Friday 12 February...**

<http://www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/mediacentre/pressitem.cfm?id=270>

FORTHCOMING FUNDRAISING TRAINING COURSES

For a timetable of upcoming training courses see...

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

USEFUL FUNDING RESOURCES

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

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

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

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

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,

ACCESSIBILITY

This publication is about Dacorum's external funding service. If you would like this information provided in any other language or another way, then please telephone 01442 228789.

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

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