

# Funding Update

December 2011

This funding update assembles the national funding opportunities for the voluntary and community youth sector as highlighted in the NCVYS Strategic Information Service Bulletin during November. Additional information on local grants, which have been omitted from the bulletin for space reasons, is also available. The majority of information about these local grants was found at Funding Central (<http://www.fundingcentral.org.uk/>). To access the details you will need to register on the Funding Central website, which is free.

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<https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?formkey=dENKYk5fYVFMY3ZtdEdDRkJFQmNwX3c6MQ>

## National grants and awards

### *Sector skills solutions*

The Growth and Innovation Fund (GIF) helps employers develop their own innovative, sustainable skills solutions which have the potential to transform growth in their sector, region or supply chain. The second phase of the GIF has been launched to support employers to take collective action to find innovative and sustainable solutions to tackle skills gaps in their sector. The government will be accepting applications throughout the year, rather than having one annual round. The fund is open to employer groups, professional bodies, trade associations etc. The Government will be providing £34 million for 2012-13 and there is still £29 million available to bid for. With matched funding from businesses there will be around £60 million available this year. Comparable levels of investment are planned for the following two years. NCVYS's Workforce Development team is exploring this funding further.

<http://www.ukces.org.uk/ourwork/investment/growthinnovationfund>

### *Sustainable living*

Big Lottery Fund has launched a £10 million fund through the Communities Living Sustainability programme for community partnerships that aim to encourage people to adapt the way they live, work and engage with each other to gain financial, environmental and health gains. Ten communities across England will gain up to £1 million to improve their chances to live sustainably. Projects can apply for up to £10,000 to develop a project delivery plan. BIG will fund up to 30 projects at development stage and up to 10 projects at full application stage. Community partnerships are to submit an expression of interest by Tuesday 31 January 2012.

[http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog\\_communities\\_living\\_sustainably.htm?regioncode=-uk](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_communities_living_sustainably.htm?regioncode=-uk)

### *Big Lottery Fund Millennium Now programme*

The Big Lottery Fund has launched Millennium Now, which will support five projects running over two years with between £1,500,000 and £2,000,000 each. Channel 4 will film the progress made by each project for a television series that will be screened in late 2012. Projects must create stronger connections between people and communities, develop creative projects that have UK-wide relevance and involve communities in design and delivery. The programme will help one project based on helping disadvantaged young people to learn new career-based skills. The deadline for applications is 13 December 2011.

[http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog\\_millennium\\_now](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_millennium_now)



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### ***Social investment***

The BIG Lottery Fund has launched Next Steps, a £6m fund for organisations using social investment for the benefit of communities in England. Investment of £40,000 to £1,000,000 is available for: investment ready proposal; "nearly there" proposals; and pilots. The fund closes on 14 December 2011.  
[http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog\\_supporting\\_social\\_investment](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_supporting_social_investment)

### ***Employment opportunities***

The European Social Fund (ESF) was set up to improve employment opportunities in the European Union and to help raise standards of living. It aims to help people fulfil their potential by giving them better skills and better job prospects. Between 2007 and 2013 approximately £1.2 billion of ESF money is available for extending employment opportunities and approximately £670 million is available for developing a skilled and adaptable workforce. ESF funds are distributed through 'Co-financing Organisations' (CFOs). During late 2010 and early 2011, CFOs are launching tendering rounds for the second phase of the programme (2011 – 2013).

<http://dwp.gov.uk/esf/funding-opportunities/>

### ***Communities***

The Community First Neighbourhood Matched Fund is £30 million initiative that provides local communities with the means to address their own priorities. Communities will set up local panels in each eligible ward, and will decide upon projects for funding in their area.

<http://www.cdf.org.uk/web/quest/neighbourhood-matched-fund>

### ***Innovation Fund***

The Department for Work and Pensions Innovation Fund aims to achieve improved employment and education outcomes for young people aged 14-24 with a particular focus on areas of high need and harder to help groups such as refugees, children in care/leaving care and children with learning difficulties or disabilities. Public service provider A4e is anticipating Round 2 of the DWP Innovation Fund to open in late 2011 and is seeking Expressions of Interest from organisations who are interested in working with them on the Fund. They need to complete the short Expression of Interest by 9 December 2011.

<http://www.mya4e.com/partners/current-partnership-opportunities/>

### ***Education and Learning, Arts and Social Justice***

The Paul Hamlyn Foundation - Education and Learning Open Grant Scheme supports innovative ways of increasing people's learning. It funds the development, implementation and dissemination of new ideas to increase learning by people of all ages in the UK. It supports projects addressing the following themes: supplementary education; developing speaking and listening for 11-19 year olds; preventing school truancy and exclusion.

The Foundation's Arts Programme aims to support the development of new ideas to increase people's enjoyment, appreciation and involvement in the arts in the UK. There is an emphasis on inter-generational initiatives where young people (up to 25 years old) are one of the groups involved.

The Foundation's Social Justice Programme aims to integrate marginalised individuals and communities in the UK through arts, education and learning-based approaches. It aims to support younger people up to the age of 30, who are at a time of transition either because of their circumstances (leaving care or prison, or settling into a new community, for example), of facing changes in their cultural environment.

<http://www.phf.org.uk/page.asp?id=1024>

### ***Information on the Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts***

Funding Central has provided a list of the general areas of focus of the 18 grant making trusts within the Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts. Collectively, the Trusts support a wide range of interests, both in the UK and overseas.

[http://www.fundingcentral.org.uk/SchemeList.aspx?RF=RSS&WCI=htmResults&WCU=CBC=View,\\_DSCODE=OTSSCMLIVE,SCHEMEID=248-S38058,UDATA=SCHEMEVIEWBACK=HOME](http://www.fundingcentral.org.uk/SchemeList.aspx?RF=RSS&WCI=htmResults&WCU=CBC=View,_DSCODE=OTSSCMLIVE,SCHEMEID=248-S38058,UDATA=SCHEMEVIEWBACK=HOME)

### ***Youth action***

UK Youth has launched Youth Action in partnership with Starbucks, which aims to encourage and inspire a generation of young people to take action and create positive local change. Applications for Starbucks Youth Action 2012 are open until 9am 5 March. It provides grants of up to £2000.

<http://starbucks.co.uk/responsibility/community/youth-action>

### ***Creative approaches***

The Gannett Foundation Fund provides grants between £5,000 and £10,000 to support registered charities in areas in which Newsquest publications are circulated. The Gannett Foundation supports projects which take a creative approach to fundamental issues such as education and neighbourhood improvements, economic development, youth development, local problem solving, assistance to disadvantaged or disabled people, environmental conservation and cultural enrichment.

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

### ***Various programmes***

The LankellyChase Foundation supports charitable projects under the following programmes: The Arts; Breaking Cycles of Abuse; Custody and Community; Free and Quiet Minds; and Local People Local Places. Grants are generally in the region of £10,000 to £15,000 a year for up to three years. In exceptional cases consideration will be given to larger grants. From April 2012, the Foundation will concentrate exclusively on bringing about change to improve the quality of life of people who face severe and multiple disadvantage. Most of the programmes are open to applications until 30 March 2012.

<http://www.lankellychase.org.uk/how-to-apply/10>

### ***Small grants***

Biffaward are offering funding under their Small Grants scheme to those that want to make a difference to their community. Groups can apply for grants between £250 and £5,000 as long as their project costs no more than £10,000 in total. You must also find a third party contributor(s) to provide 5% of the grant you are applying for.

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

### ***Venture philanthropy***

The Impetus Trust - Venture Philanthropy Fund package is for ambitious, innovative charities and social enterprises to help transform their performance over a defined period of time so they can help many more people gain education, jobs and skills. The fund provides capacity building funding (usually between £200,000 and £500,000 in total) as well as hands-on support from the Impetus investment team and specialist support.

<http://www.impetus.org.uk/what%27s-special-about-impetus/our-package-of-support/>

### ***Social entrepreneurs***

UnLtd Millennium Awards support young social entrepreneurs in England who have ambition, drive, determination and a vision to bring about social change. Level 1 awards of between £500 and £5,000 are for individuals who need help getting their project off the ground. Applications for Level 1 Awards may be made at any time.

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

### ***Charity Awards***

The Centre for Social Justice (CSJ) Awards 2012 are open. The awards offer cash prizes of £10,000 to grassroots charities, small voluntary groups and other local projects which are fighting poverty. Organisations should have an annual turnover of under £3 million. The deadline for applications is 4 January 2012.

<http://www.centreforsocialjustice.org.uk/default.asp?pageRef=39>

Civil Society Magazine's Charity Awards 2012 are now open for entries. The Charity Awards celebrate the dramatic effects that charities have on a wide spectrum of social needs. For the 13th year, winners of The Charity Awards have an opportunity to grab headlines, unlock new sources of income and win a place on either the Leadership Trust's Leadership in Management or its Leading with Impact programmes. One of the categories is children and youth.

<http://www.civilsociety.co.uk/charityawards>

### ***Peace, human welfare and sustainability***

The Ford Foundation supports projects which further the Foundation's goal to create political, economic and social systems that promote peace, human welfare and the sustainability of the environment on which life depends.

<http://www.fordfoundation.org/grants/organizations-seeking-grants>

### ***Vulnerable people***

The Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation provides grants of up to £2,000 for projects that support vulnerable people or those suffering hardship.

<http://www.ybs.co.uk/cf/foundation.html>

### ***Campaigning***

The Joseph Rowntree Reform Trust funds political campaigns in the UK to promote democratic reform, civil liberties and social justice.

<http://www.jrrt.org.uk/index.php?page=home>

### ***Arts & Culture, Community Development, Education and Health***

Fidelity UK fund charities where they feel they can add lasting, measurable value. They seek to support strategic initiatives that enable charitable organisations to reach new levels of achievement. Grants are intended to strengthen charities and encourage the highest standards of management and long-term sustainability. Charitable investments are mainly focussed on Arts & Culture, Community Development, Education and Health.

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

### ***Education***

The Allchurches Trust provides grants ranging from £100 to £5,000 to organisations engaged in the advancement, promotion and furtherance of education, religion or any other charitable purposes.

<http://www.allchurches.co.uk/applications/index.aspx>

### ***Education, sport, the arts and regeneration***

Egg banking is sponsoring the new Developing Local Talent Fund which focuses on education, sport, the arts and regeneration. The Fund supports projects located within 25 miles of one of Egg's sites based in Derby, Dudley or London.

[http://www.egg.com/com.egg/images/pdf\\_file/Application\\_Form\\_v3.pdf](http://www.egg.com/com.egg/images/pdf_file/Application_Form_v3.pdf)

### ***Learning***

The Comino Foundation provides support to projects that train young people in England to learn for themselves, thus, improving confidence, self-reliance, acceptance of responsibility and achievement. The Foundation invites proposals for financial support at any time. They prefer to fund projects that are introduced to the Foundation by their Trustees or Development Fellow.

[http://www.cominofoundation.org.uk/F2\\_Contact.html](http://www.cominofoundation.org.uk/F2_Contact.html)

### ***Supporting and advancing young people***

The Wessex Youth Trust provides funding for projects that provide opportunities to help support and advance young people. There are two annual deadlines: 1 May and 1 November. There are no restrictions to the amount requested. Between 20 and 30 grants are awarded each year with the average grant being between £2,500 and £5,000.

<http://wessexyouthtrust.org.uk/>

### ***Nature and vulnerable or socially excluded people***

The Acorn Awards 2011, from Lemos&Crane, recognise projects that use nature to enhance and improve the lives of vulnerable or socially excluded people. Projects should generate positive outcomes, such as health and well being, new skills and knowledge, new relationships, and a sense of purpose and belonging. There is a total prize fund of £1,500. Organisations that provide supported housing, adult social care, criminal justice, social housing and community regeneration can apply. The deadline for entries is 5pm Friday, Nov 18, 2011.

<http://www.lemosandcrane.co.uk/home/index.php?id=213556&emailid=2:129:0>

### ***Near Neighbours***

The Near Neighbours fund aims to encourage stronger civil society in areas that are multi-religious and multi-ethnic by creating association, friendship and neighbourliness in specific Parishes in Leicester, Bradford, Burnley, Oldham, Birmingham and London. It intends to bring together people of different faiths and of no faiths to transform local communities for the better. Grants of between £250 and £5,000 are available. Applications may be submitted at any time until the programme ends in March 2014.

<http://www.cuf.org.uk/near-neighbours/grants>

### ***Residential courses for young people***

Venture Trust provides practical help and support for young people in Britain aged 16-30 years in the form of residential courses that give them a chance to make changes in their lives, try new experiences, learn new skills and meet new people. Courses take place at Applecross, on the north west coast of Scotland.

<http://www.venture-trust.org.uk/info/referrers.html>

### ***Sport and development***

Sported provides grants and support to groups that use sport as a tool for development. The small grants fund provides funding of up to £2,000 for specific projects. Groups need to first apply for membership to sported. before applying for funding. The deadline for applications is 20 December 2011.

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

### ***Sports***

The Lottery Sports Fund provides support for UK sports projects that increase participation in sport, tackle social exclusion, support major performers, adapt, convert or increase accessibility to existing sports facilities and enable young people to maintain their involvement in sport. Sport England has various programmes including Small Grants, Sportsmatch, Iconic Facilities Fund and Protecting Playing Fields

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

### ***Parks***

The Heritage Lottery Fund Parks for People fund offers grants for projects that regenerate public parks of national, regional or local heritage value. There is a programme budget from £250,000 to £5million. The next deadline for applications is 28 February.

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

### ***Poetry and literature***

The Clore Duffield Foundation has launched a new £1 million programme to fund poetry and literature initiatives for children and young people across the UK. The programme is due to run from 2011 to 2015 with two funding rounds a year. Grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 are available to support participatory learning projects and programmes focused on literature, poetry and creative writing for under 19s. The third round is now open and the deadline for applications is the 30 March 2012.

[http://www.cloreduffield.org.uk/page\\_sub.php?id=331&parent=35](http://www.cloreduffield.org.uk/page_sub.php?id=331&parent=35)

### ***Young artists***

Sky Arts Ignition: Futures Fund - round two is open for applications. The fund, an association between Sky Arts and IdeasTap, is offering five young artists a grant of £30,000 each, to enable them to fund their work for a year. In addition to the cash support, successful applicants will get a mentor from Sky. The fund is open to individual artists working in the following fields: visual art; theatre; performance art; film; music; dance or literature. The deadline for applications is 5:00 pm, 24 February 2012.

<http://www.ideastap.com/Opportunities/Brief/6305b58b-81f6-4598-87b0-9fa400dc118e#Overview>

### ***Music***

Youth Music have launched a new funding model - The Youth Music Programme - which comprises a new grants programme and a knowledge sharing website - the Youth Music Network. Funding from the Youth Music Programme will support organisations aiming to make a real difference, helping children and young people with least opportunities develop and progress in and through music making.

<http://www.youthmusic.org.uk/musicispower/Grants.html>

### ***Musical instruments***

Take It Away provides interest-free loans for children and young people up to the age of 25 years to buy musical instruments at participating stores in England. Loans ranging from £100 to £2,000 are available at any of the participating retail outlets. Applicants will need to pay at least 10% of the loan amount at the point of sale. The rest is then paid back over nine months in equal instalments (interest free).

<http://takeitaway.org.uk/>

### ***Irish youth***

The Irish Youth Foundation UK funds projects that work to improve the lives of young Irish people aged 0-25 living in the UK. The deadline for applications is 16 January 2012.

<http://www.iyf.org.uk/grants-applications-a.html>

### ***Individuals on a low income***

The Skinners' Benevolent Trust provides grants to individuals in England living on a very low income who have been cut off from society. Grants are provided for essential household items that cannot be paid for by statutory funds.

<http://www.skinnershall.co.uk/charities/skinners-benevolent-trust.htm>

### ***Charity employees***

The Charity Employees Benevolent Fund awards grants to assist and relieve UK residents in need who are or have been in paid employment with a UK charity (or any other charitable body; either an exempt charity or recognised as a charity by HMRC) and their widows, widowers, partners and dependent children.

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

### ***Bursaries for science study***

The Ogden Trust offers educational bursaries and grant programmes to maximise the opportunities available to young people in all parts of the UK's educational system and is now focused on science, particularly physics.

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

### ***Equipment for children and young people with disabilities***

The Children Today Charitable Trust awards grants for a wide range of equipment for children and young people with disabilities. Eligible equipment includes: powered, manual and sports wheelchairs; specially adapted tricycles, bicycles, buggies, and walking aids; and specially designed sensory equipment ie Fibre Optic Sprays.

<http://www.childrentoday.org.uk/how-we-can-help/application-process>

### ***Range of projects***

The Garfield Weston Foundation supports a wide range of organisations with grants of varying sizes. Recent funding has supported projects in the following categories: Arts, Community, Education, Welfare, Medical, Religion, Youth and Environment.

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

### ***Local environment***

St Modwen Environment Trust provides support to communities in areas where St Modwen Properties plc operates. Grants are offered to not-for-profit groups seeking to improve their local environment, with a primary focus on environmental schemes, historic buildings and public amenities. There are small project grants of up to £10,000 and large project grants between £10,000 and £50,000.

<http://www.stmodwenenvironmentaltrust.co.uk/apply.htm>

### ***Community engagement and leadership***

The American Express Philanthropic Programme provides support for not-for-profit organisations in three areas: Historic Preservation & Conservation; Leadership; Community Service & Engagement.

<http://about.americanexpress.com/csr/howto.aspx>

### ***Health and well-being***

The People's Health Trust Small Grants Programme provides grants to enable small community and voluntary organisations and groups in England, Scotland and Wales to support an improvement in health and well-being in their local communities. Grants of between £5,000 and £10,000 are available. The total cost of the project must be no more than £25,000.

<http://www.peopleshealthtrust.org.uk/index.php/apply-for-funding/small-grant-programmes>

### ***Education, environment and regeneration***

BAA Communities Trust aims to create opportunities for young people, protect the environment, promote active local communities and break down barriers to employment in communities closest to the BAA airports of Heathrow, Stansted, Southampton, Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Glasgow. Grants vary, up to a maximum of £50,000 for projects developed in a partnership between local airport community teams and their local communities. The main Trust meets quarterly to consider grant applications. The Trust also funds national and international charities which deliver projects in or involving people from the communities local to BAA's airports.

<http://www.baa.com/portal/page/BAA+Airports%5ECorporate+responsibility%5EIssues+and+our+approach%5ECommunity+investment%5EBAA+Communities+Trust/b21d9e999d806210VqnVC M20000039821c0a /448c6a4c7f1b0010VqnVCM200000357e120a />

### ***Disadvantage***

The Oak Trust makes grants of £250 - £4000 to organisations which support people who are disadvantaged (in the widest sense), as well as medical and environmental charities. The next deadline for applications is 28 March 2012.

<http://www.oaktrust.org.uk/OakSite/Pages/home.aspx>

### ***Communities and low carbon***

The Department of Energy and Climate Change are providing the Local Energy Assessment Fund, which is available to communities in England and Wales who are playing an active role in the development of a low carbon society. There is on average £50,000 available for each successful bid. The deadline for Phase 1 applications is 12 noon on 22 Dec 2011

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

### ***Social enterprise loans***

The Social Enterprise Loan Fund (TSELF) provides loans to charities and social enterprises that are unable to secure sufficient funding from mainstream sources. It aims to help organisations that have a social impact, especially those working in disadvantaged communities.

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

## **National grants and awards from November's Update that are still open**

### ***Big Lottery funding***

The Big Lottery Fund (BIG) has announced an extra £50 million of extra funding to support the voluntary and community sector deal with funding cuts. The extra funding will be made available through the existing Reaching Communities and Awards for All programmes. BIG has said it will make an extra 650 awards, and in the coming weeks will be offering grants of up to £10,000 to around 1,000 eligible BIG grant holders who have received more than 12 months funding from BIG and are in the last 18 months of their project. These grants will allow projects to review the way they work and explore ways of becoming more sustainable.

<http://bigblog.org.uk/2011/10/25/lottery-50m-to-shelter-vcs-from-funding-cuts>

### ***Health and Social Care Volunteering Fund***

The Health and Social Care Volunteering Fund (HSCVF) national grant scheme has launched for 2012 with a bespoke partner search portal that will support interested organisations find appropriate partners to meet the fund's requirements. Projects that focus on volunteer involvement in key health, public health and social care areas such as personal budgets, cutting smoking and encouraging healthy eating will be targeted as part of this national fund that will run over the next three years. Projects can apply for up to £200,000 per annum for a maximum of 3 years. Expressions of interest will be received between noon 24th October 2011 and 21st December 2011.

<http://www.volunteeringfund.com/news/health-and-social-care-volunteering-fund-national-grant-scheme-2012-and-partner-search-portal-o>

### ***Moving beyond disadvantage and conflict resolution***

The Sir Halley Stewart Trust supports UK and overseas research projects in religious, social, educational and medical fields with the aim of assisting and promoting innovative activities or developments. This includes projects which help people 'move beyond disadvantage' and which prevent and resolve conflict, promote reconciliation and/or encourage re-connection between family members of all ages. The total grant budget for the financial year 2011/12 is £800,000 and no upper or lower limit of grant is specified.

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

### ***Disadvantaged people***

The Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales celebrates its 25th anniversary this year, and has £25m to give to charities that help disadvantaged people to play a fuller role in the community. There is no deadline stated.

<http://www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk/HowtoApply/Pages/HowToApply.aspx>

### ***Community fund***

The Co-operative Membership Community Fund is a grants scheme which helps local communities throughout the UK. Between £100 and £2,000 is available for positive work in the community.

<http://www.co-operative.coop/membership/local-communities/community-fund/>

### ***Sustainable, community regeneration projects***

Communitybuilders are looking for up to six of the best, most promising examples of sustainable, community regeneration projects in England to be pioneer investees of the new era of the Communitybuilders Fund. The minimum investment the fund can consider is £250,000 and the maximum you can apply for is £750,000. It is primarily a loan fund and investments will have a minimum 80% loan element. Communitybuilders will charge an interest rate of 5% on the loan. The deadline for applications is Friday 9 December.

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

### ***Rights of refugee and asylum seeking children and young people***

The Strategic Legal Fund for Refugee Children and Young People (SLF) supports strategic legal work: work which goes beyond securing justice for an individual to make a significant contribution to law, practice and procedures that upholds and promotes the rights of refugee and asylum seeking children and young people (up to the age of 21). The SLF is time limited and will run from October 2011 to July 2012.

<http://www.migrationwork.org/strategic-legal-fund?utm>

### ***Sports facilities***

Sport England is investing National Lottery funding to support the delivery of a mass participation legacy for sport from the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Sport England's Iconic Facilities fund is investing £30m over the next three years in innovative, large-scale, multi-sport facilities' projects that are regionally significant for at least two sports and can demonstrate long-term financial viability. The deadline for round two is 5pm on 19 December 2011.

[http://www.sportengland.org/funding/iconic\\_facilities.aspx](http://www.sportengland.org/funding/iconic_facilities.aspx)

### ***Health***

The People's Health Trust has launched, which hopes to be able to award £50 million a year in local grants to support health-related projects in England, Scotland and Wales. It will support activities that tackle the social causes of ill-health and promote well being.

<http://www.peopleshealthtrust.org.uk/index.php/our-funding>

### ***Peace, equality and justice***

Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust makes grants to individuals and to organisations which seek to create a peaceful world, political equality and social justice. It chiefly supports work undertaken in the UK and Ireland. The programme closes at 12 noon on 19 December 2011.

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

### ***Leisure facilities***

The Central Social and Recreational Trust provides grants of up to £2,000 improve leisure facilities for young people under 21.

<http://csrt.info>

### ***Disabled children***

The True Colours Trust provides a small grants programme to small, UK-based organisations to carry out projects that provide help for disabled children and their families. Up to £10,000 is available for projects that support programmes for children, their siblings and families, including for young carers.

[http://www.truecolourstrust.org.uk/application\\_guidelines.aspx](http://www.truecolourstrust.org.uk/application_guidelines.aspx)

### ***Environmental education***

The JJ Charitable Trust supports environmental education projects that involve children and young adults. It supports activities relating to sustainable agriculture, bio-diversity, sustainable transport, energy efficiency and renewable energy. It also supports projects which help improve the effectiveness of literacy teaching in primary and secondary education for children with learning difficulties, including Dyslexia, and for ex-offenders or those at risk of offending.

<http://www.sfct.org.uk/jj.html>

### ***Social exclusion***

The Wingate Foundation Education and Social Exclusion Grant intend to support organisations that are innovative in their approach to alleviating social exclusion for disadvantaged and vulnerable groups. Between £2,500 and £10,000 is available, the next deadline is Monday 12 December.

<http://www.wingatefoundation.org.uk/foundation-education.php>

## Local grants and awards

Where available the deadlines are in brackets. Click on the locality for further details.

### Cumbria

Cumbria Community Foundation grants for people with disabilities, children, young people, elderly people, homelessness and community action are available to charitable and community self help groups in Cumbria.

### North East

Stanhope Castle School Charitable Trust provides grants (up to £1,000 per person) to young people who are, or have previously been in care, looked after or under a Supervision Order to the local authority, to undertake educational or training activities in the North East of England..

### Tees Valley

The Tees Valley Community Foundation supports community and voluntary activities that help those individuals in greatest need within areas of deprivation and poverty within Tees Valley.

### North and West Yorkshire

Sir George Martin Trust supports a variety of charitable causes

### Lancashire (5 March 2012)

The Whitemoss Community Fund (£5,000 to £20,000) provides grants for community and environmental projects in the Skelmersdale area of Lancashire which deliver improvements to public amenities, including projects that support nature conservation objectives.

### Humberside

High Sheriff & Humberside Police Tribunal Trust provides grants and advice for community safety projects and initiatives within the area served by Humberside Police when financial support is not available from other sources. The Trust offers funding for schemes which address local concerns about the fear of crime, safety, security and crime reduction, particularly over the long term.

### West Lancashire (5 March 2011)

The Whitemoss Community Fund provides grants (£5,000 - £20,000) to community and environmental project located in the West Lancashire Borough Council area and that are within five miles of the Whitemoss landfill site in Skelmersdale.

### West Lancashire

Community Support Services funds are available for initiatives which promote community cohesion and address issues affecting children, the elderly, the disadvantaged as well as other educational, recreational, sporting and cultural projects.

### Merseyside

Community Foundation for Merseyside provides a range of funds (up to £12,000) for projects which benefit the communities of Merseyside. Areas supported include education and learning, sport, the environment, children and young people, health, neighbourhood renewal, disadvantaged communities, community safety and working towards employment.

### Stockport (19 January 2012)

Procurement opportunity to provide range of respite services for young people with disabilities and their families in Stockport.

### Sheffield (9 December 2011)

Voluntary Sector Grants Fund (£10,000 to £50,000) is available to voluntary organisations that are providing services and activities that benefit Sheffield residents and meet one of the Council's priority outcomes for 2012-13.

### Bradford (9 December 2011)

Youth Opportunity Fund (£500 to £35,000) is available for activities that will benefit young people aged 13-19 (up to 25 years for those with disabilities) living in Bradford.

### **Peak District**

The three-year Live & Work Programme (up to £1,000) aims to help businesses in the Peak District create new jobs and safeguard existing ones, and enable communities to carry out projects to benefit local residents.

### **Lincoln**

Leeke Church Schools & Educational Foundation provides assistance to young people resident in the city of Lincoln aged 16-24 towards the costs associated with training for a profession, trade, vocation or for study at educational establishments. Preference is given to those with special learning difficulties and those having an active connection with the church.

### **North Kesteven**

Fund NK (up to £1,000) provides grants to assist a wide range of new or extended community projects and partnership schemes.

### **Nottinghamshire** (12 December 2011)

Procurement opportunity (contract value £ 40,000) to provide a substance misuse assessment and intervention and detoxification services to young people in Clayfields House Secure Children's Home, Nottinghamshire.

### **Nottinghamshire**

The EnviroGrant Scheme (up to £1,000) is designed to help not-for-profit organisations in Nottinghamshire improve their local environment and/or community.

### **Nottinghamshire**

Nottinghamshire Community Foundation provides grants to voluntary and community groups within Nottinghamshire for a wide range of community-based projects including: coalfields regeneration; children and young people; deprived communities; sport; and community empowerment. This page includes details of many of the schemes.

### **Rushton, Northamptonshire**

The Mick George Community Fund provides grants (£3,000 or more) to fund community projects.

### **Northamptonshire**

Northamptonshire Community Foundation provides grants to voluntary and community groups within Northamptonshire for a wide range of community-based projects including: children and young people; deprived communities; education and training; environmental sustainability; healthy lifestyles; safer communities and sport.. This page includes details of many of the schemes.

### **Northampton** (16 January 2012)

The Partnership Fund (£2,000 - £5,000) is designed to bring partnership between Northampton Borough Council and the Northampton Voluntary and Community Sector to life, for the betterment of local communities.

### **Derbyshire** (12 December 2011)

Sports Action Grants (up to £2,000) to local not-for-profit sports clubs, community groups and organisations for projects and activities that promote healthy and active lifestyles within the local community in Derbyshire.

### **Staffordshire**

Village Hall Capital Grant Scheme (up to £30,000) for management committees of village halls and community centres throughout Staffordshire, to fund capital projects that improve existing facilities, or new build projects which meet needs identified by the community.

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Mobility, Rehabilitation and Life Skills Services is a procurement opportunity (contract value £48,000) to provide orientation, mobility, rehabilitation and life skills services to visually impaired children and young people in Leicestershire.

### **West Midlands**

The Centro Transport Regeneration Fund (fund value £200,000) reflects current national transport policy and aims to ensure public transport responds to the wider environmental, social, physical and economic needs of the West Midlands. It will help to assist projects address the unmet transport needs of groups and communities, particularly when accessing key services such as employment, health and education.

### **Coventry**

The Coventry Building Society Foundation (£500 to £3,000) charities in the region covered by the Coventry Building Society's branch network that are aimed at improving the quality of life and the opportunity among those who are disadvantaged or deprived, the consequence of which may lead to social exclusion.

### **West Midlands**

Barrow Cadbury Trust's Poverty and Inclusion Programme Small Change Fund (£500 - £3,000) aims to find solutions to poverty, inequality and social exclusion in Birmingham or the Black Country (Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton).

### **Sutton Coldfield**

Sutton Coldfield Municipal Charities provides support for needy individuals and organisations that provide benefits for children and adults coping with the impact of disadvantage, sickness, old age or disability.

### **Wyre Forest** (15 December 2011)

Xpression Leisure Grant Scheme (up to £1,000) for small arts, sports, environmental and heritage projects that benefit the district.

### **Midlands**

Alan Edward Higgs Charity provides support (average grant size £3,000) for local bodies and associations that can show any grant received from the charity would be used to benefit persons resident within a 25-mile radius of the centre of Coventry.

### **Buckingham and Gawcott**

Buckingham and Gawcott Charitable Trust supports projects of a charitable nature that provide direct benefit to local people.

### **Hertfordshire**

The Locality Budget Scheme provides each of Hertfordshire County Council's 77 elected members with a £10,000 Locality Budget to spend on worthwhile projects in their community that promote social, economic or environmental wellbeing.

### **Hertfordshire**

Herts in Trust provides financial support (up to £5,000) for projects in Hertfordshire which improve the quality of life for everyone who lives and works in the county, primarily through tackling crime and the fear of crime.

### **St Edmundsbury**

Rural Initiatives Grants Scheme (£250 to £10,000) to assist with delivering important capital projects in rural areas of the borough.

### **Cambridgeshire** (20 December 2011)

Procurement opportunity (contract value £156,000) to deliver a Young Carers Service for children and young people in Cambridgeshire.

### **Eastern Region**

Saffron Community Foundation (up to £2,000) for individuals and groups in Cambridgeshire, Lincolnshire, Norfolk and Suffolk for community projects aimed at improving quality of life and wellbeing.

### **Essex** (1 January 2012)

Tom Amos Charity makes grants to individuals and organisations in the Borough of Chelmsford, the District of Braintree and the District of Uttlesford working in the following areas: the provision of recreational facilities; the advancement of education; the relief of poverty; the advancement of religion; and other charitable objects that are beneficial to the community.

### **Bristol and the West of England**

Quartet Community Foundations manage and distribute funding on behalf of individuals, companies, charitable trusts and statutory agencies to meet the needs of local people. This page includes details of many of the schemes.

### **South Somerset**

South Somerset District Council Grants (up to £1,000) supports projects which meet a need in the areas of arts, community transport, sports and recreation, community enterprises, youth initiatives and facilities, group development and start-up, community buildings and facilities, and wildlife and countryside activities.

### **Cornwall**

Cornwall Councillor Community Grant Scheme provides grants (£50 to £1,000) to local voluntary and community groups for projects and activities that benefit local communities in Cornwall.

### **Hampshire & Isle of Wight**

The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Community Foundation offers various grant schemes (£100 to £10,000) to non-profit-making organisations that are working to make a difference to local communities.

### **Surrey**

High Sheriff Youth Awards (up to £1,000) support schemes in Surrey where young people can show that they aim to help reduce or prevent crime, and make their communities stronger and safer.

### **London**

The Capital Community Foundation administers a number of funding schemes for groups in areas of London. This page includes details of many of the schemes.

### **London**

The Woolnoth Society Charitable Trust provides meaningful financial support to a selected group of charitable organisations throughout Greater London that work with the underprivileged and needy.

### **Croydon** (9 December 2011)

Alternative Provision for Unplaced Learners is a procurement opportunity to provide alternative provision for unplaced learners of compulsory school age in Croydon.

### **Islington** (21 December 2011)

Procurement opportunity (contract value £125,000) to co-produce enterprising projects and outcomes with young people.

## **Local grants and awards from November's Update that are still open**

Fund type: Grant. Fund value: £ 1,000.

**Tees Valley** - Pursuit of Excellence Bursaries provide grants for young people (aged 8 to 24) who are likely to reach national or international prominence in their chosen artistic or sporting speciality.

Fund type: Grant. Fund value: up to £20,000. Application Deadline: 9 December 2011

**Northamptonshire** County Council's Community Action Grant scheme aims to award £100,000 of single year grants

Fund type: Grant. Fund value: Discretionary.

William Harding's Charity. Grants are available for voluntary and community groups, clubs, charities, schools and individuals based in Aylesbury towards education, one-off projects, relief in need and for the general benefit of [Aylesbury](#) residents.

Fund type: Grant. Fund value: £ 5,000. Application Deadline: *31 January 2012*  
Revenue grants for voluntary and community groups in [Hampshire](#) that are providing out of school hours activities for children and young people with disabilities/additional needs.

Fund type: Grant. Fund value: £ 5,000. Application Deadline: *16 December 2011*  
[Southampton](#) - Local Improvements Grant. Match funding capital grant scheme for community led projects that lead to physical improvements in the local area.

Fund type: Contract. Fund value: Discretionary. Application Deadline: *16 December 2011*  
Procurement opportunity to deliver a short breaks service for children and young people in [Somerset](#) who are disabled and have complex health needs.

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