

Funding Update

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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 September. 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.

From June 2011 NCVYS has been sending out an email informing members about the publication of our latest monthly Funding Updates. Members will need to sign up to receive these emails, please enter your details in the form below to be added to the recipient list.

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

National grants and awards

Home Office funding

The Home Office's new £5 million *Community action against crime: innovation fund* to encourage creative new approaches to tackling crime. The fund, to be delivered by the Community Development Foundation (CDF), will be used to encourage voluntary and community groups to work with their community safety partnership to tackle local crime problems, including through co-design and co-delivery of initiatives to cut crime. Bids for this year are invited until 1 December 2011.

<http://www.cdf.org.uk/web/guest/crime-innovation-fund>

Innovation in Giving Fund

The Cabinet Office has opened the Innovation in Giving Fund, which will be managed by the National Endowment for Science Technology and the Arts (NESTA). The £10million fund aims to find and back innovative new ideas for increasing volunteering and charitable giving. The deadline for applications is 12 noon on 14 October.

http://www.nesta.org.uk/home1/assets/features/innovation_in_giving_fund

Social Action Fund

The Social Action Fund is a new grant Fund of over £20 million managed by the Social Investment Business on behalf of the Office for Civil Society. The Fund will launch on Thursday 6 October 2011 (not 3 October as previously stated). The deadline for applications is noon on 2 November 2011. The Fund aims to inspire organisations to create new social action opportunities through people giving what they have, be that their time, their money, or their assets, knowledge and skills.

<http://www.thesocialinvestmentbusiness.org/our-funds/social-action-fund/>

Diverting young people from crime

The Realising Ambition programme, worth £25, is inviting applications from across the United Kingdom for grants of up to £3 million from organisations that can prove their effectiveness in diverting young people away from crime. It begins with 'a call for evidence' on what works to support young people to fulfil their potential and avoid pathways into offending. The EOI process closes at 9am on 10 October 2011.

<http://www.catch-22.org.uk/Realising-Ambition>

Community green spaces

The Department for Communities and Local Government has published an infosheet on Potential funding for community green spaces. It sets out the different grant schemes open to local groups, green space initiatives, allotment organisations or trusts, and also where to go to get help when looking for funding.

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/communities/pdf/1973312.pdf>

Peer support fund

The Ministry of Justice intends to allocate £150,000 to provide grants to organisations that provide peer support for families bereaved by homicide. The deadline for submitting applications is 5pm on Friday 14th October.

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/guidance/funding-and-grants/peer-support-fund.htm>

European funding

There is a call for proposals under the Youth in Action programme, Action 4.6 - Youth Support Systems - Partnerships. The types of activities which can be funded are: Transnational youth exchanges; National or transnational youth initiatives; European voluntary service; Training and networking. The deadline for submission of applications is 3 November 2011.

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/youth/funding/2011/call_action_4_6_en.php

There is a call for proposals for under Action 4.1 - Support for bodies active at European level in the field of youth. This transnational programme is looking to fund formal or informal European networks wishing to carry out the following activities to strengthen and improve the efficiency of European Union action in the youth field. The budget allocated to this call is €800,000. The maximum grant available for each body is €35,000, for up to 80% of eligible costs. The deadline for submission of applications is 15 November 2011.

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2011:270:0003:0005:EN:PDF>

Sanctuary Housing Association residents

The Sanctuary Housing Grand Ideas Fund will offer up to £1,000 to groups which need some financial support to help deliver activities within their local community. Approximately £60,000 is available to groups across England and Scotland in the financial year 2011-12. The current fund will close on 31 March 2012.

<http://www.sanctuary-group.co.uk/Group/News/Pages/What%E2%80%99sthegrandidea.aspx>

Children and young people

The Woodward Charitable Trust awards grants in a number of areas, including activity that benefits children and young people, minority groups, prisoners and ex-offenders, as well as arts outreach work and environmental projects. The majority of grants are for less than £5,000. The next deadline for applications is Wednesday 30 November.

<http://www.woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk/guidelines.html>

Using nature to improve lives

The Acorn Awards, sponsored by Lemos & Crane, are for projects that make use of nature to enhance and improve the lives of vulnerable or socially excluded people, generating positive outcomes such as health and well-being, new skills and knowledge, new friendships, and a sense of purpose and belonging. The deadline for entries is November 18.

<http://www.lemosandcrane.co.uk/home/index.php?id=213556>

Social enterprise award

The Guardian has launched a new award just for social enterprises. The awards seek out the UK's most promising social enterprises who look set to make a big impact. The Guardian will award four outstanding finalists by showcasing the winning ideas at the Guardian Social Enterprise 2011 summit, where delegates will vote for the overall winner. The deadline for entries is 11.59 on Friday 14 October 2011 and the competition results will be announced at The Guardian's annual summit on the 8 November.

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/socialenterprise/award>

Big Society Awards

The Big Society Awards recognise people, organisations, companies and groups that are demonstrating the Big Society in their work or activities. The deadline for the next round of nominations for the Big Society Awards is 4 October at 6pm.

<http://www.number10.gov.uk/bigsocietyawards>

Grants to small charities

Yapp Charitable Trust make grants to small registered charities to sustain their existing work, with one of its priorities being children and young people aged 5 - 25. Grants are normally for a maximum of £3,000 per year and most of their grants are for more than one year because they give priority to ongoing needs.

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

Sports

The Barclays Community Sports Award is open again for the 2011/12 football season. The award aims to recognise individuals that use sport, not just football, to benefit communities across the UK. The award is made once a month during the Barclays Premier League football season alongside those for Barclays Player and Manager of the Month. Each monthly winner receives £1,000 for their group or organisation and a trophy. They are also entered into the end of season award to win a further £5,000.

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

Travel that benefits communities

The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust provides funding for British citizens to travel anywhere in the world for between four and eight weeks, with the aim of gaining knowledge and experience that will enhance effectiveness at work and contribution to the community. The deadline for applications is 4 October 2011.

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

Tender around young people's access to health services

The Children's Commissioner is inviting proposals to gather evidence and produce a report on access to, and operation of, complaints systems available to children and young people with sexual and/or mental health issues. It is our intention to focus on access to services and advice on mental and/or sexual health primarily, but not exclusively, through GPs. The tender is worth £20,000. The closing date for tenders is 6 October 2011.

http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/force_download.php?fp=%2Fclient_assets%2Fcp%2Fpublication%2F528%2FResearch_Tender_NHS_Complaints_FINAL_16_09_11.pdf

Helping disadvantaged young people attend residential

The Field Studies Council (FSC) has grants available through the Kids Fund to help towards the cost of groups of disadvantaged young people attending residential environmental learning and environmental activity courses at an FSC centre. Young people must be aged 8 - 18, or up to age 25 if the young people have special needs. You can apply for up to 80% of the cost of your group's course to an FSC Field Centre to a maximum of £3000. This includes all accommodation, food, equipment, tuition and waterproof hire costs. One member of staff/adult is free with every 10 students with additional adults paying 20%.

http://www.field-studies-council.org/supporters/kidsfund_application.aspx

Social Enterprise development

The Santander Foundation is launching a new Social Enterprise Development Award to run alongside the Santander Foundation. The new award is aimed at established social enterprises and community interest companies who are working for the direct benefit of their community and wish to grow their business. To be eligible for an award of up to £50,000, social enterprises need to have been trading for at least two years and be working to improve social inclusion, support disadvantaged people or create a greener environment. There are three levels of award depending on the annual income of the social enterprise, £50,000, £30,000 and £15,000. Award winners will also be able to access mentoring, training and business advice.

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

Small grants for essential items for young people

Buttle UK offers small grants for essential items for children and young people including beds, cookers and washing machines. They also give support with education and training for young people. Applications should be made through a referring agency.

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

The Prince's Trust offers Development Awards to help young people enter education, training or work. This includes equipment and travel costs, course fees, clothes and childcare costs.

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

National and West Midlands charities

CHK Charities Limited normally makes grants totalling up to £2 million per annum for a wide range of purposes across the UK, funded from investments. Preference is given to National or West Midlands charities.

<http://www.chkcharities.co.uk/grant.htm>

Welfare and support of children

The Maurice Wohl Charitable Foundation supports causes including the care, welfare and support of children (including education). The Foundation will also consider granting a small number of substantial capital donations for worthy causes that fall within its priority areas.

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National grants and awards from September's Update that are still open

Disadvantaged children and young people

The BBC Children in Need General Grants support projects that focus on the differences made to the lives of disadvantaged children and young people. It provides small grants of £10,000 or less per year for up to three years and main grants over £10,000 per year for up to three years. BBC Children in Need will only. There are four general grant deadlines each year: 15 January, 15 April, 15 July and 15 October.

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

Community businesses in villages

The Village SOS Competition aims to support voluntary organisations to start community businesses to reinvigorate village communities. The scheme will help groups with business ideas to support enterprises and activities which tackle specific problems faced by villages and their residents. Grants of £10,000 to £30,000 are available. The deadline for applications is 6 October 2011.

<http://www.villagesos.org.uk/competition>

Social Enterprise Investment Fund

The Social Enterprise Investment Fund (SEIF) Capital Growth Fund is offering capital growth grants and loans of £12 million to social enterprises working in health or social care. Grants are available of £50,000 to £150,000 in value. Loans are also available if the organisation can show it is able to repay. Investments of over £150,000 will include a loan element.

<http://www.thesocialinvestmentbusiness.org/our-funds/seif/>

Education

The Rayne Foundation awards grants within the areas of arts; education; health and medicine; and social welfare and development. The average grant awarded last year was £14,000 and there are no application deadlines.

<http://www.raynefoundation.org.uk/Default.aspx>

Community based initiatives for young people

The Hilden Charitable Trust seeks to support projects which align with its key priorities: asylum seekers and refugees; community based initiatives for young people; homelessness; penal affairs; and overseas development. It typically awards grants of up to £5,000. There are no application deadlines.

<http://www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk/about.htm>

Youth film

First Light Young Film Fund applications are now open. The First Light Youth Film Fund provides funding for organisations that involve young people in filmmaking. Support include the 90 Second Comedy Shorts Grant, Pilot and Studio Grants and BBC Mentor and Film Nation opportunities.

<http://www.firstlightonline.co.uk/news/new-funding-round-opens-with-a-twist>

Prince's Trust Community Cash Awards

Community Cash Awards from the Prince's Trust help individuals set up projects that will benefit their community. Grants of up to £3,000 are available to support setting up a project.

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

Grants for young people

The Live UnLtd programme has grants of up to £5,000 (the average grant is £1,500) to help young people aged 11 - 21 turn an idea to make the world a better place into a reality. Non-financial support is also available and can include budgeting advice, networking opportunities, governance issues and working with volunteers

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

Human rights, prison reform and the environment

The Bromley Trust is a grant-making trust set up to offset 'man's inhumanity to man'. It supports projects working in the areas of human rights, prison reform and the environment.

<http://www.thebromleytrust.org.uk/Indexhibit/>

Small grants

The Edgar E Lawley Foundation current annual grants programme amounts to approximately £250,000 per annum with a typical grant being in the region of £1,200 to £2,000. The Foundation supports six broad areas including children and young people. The next deadline for applications is 31 October.

<http://www.edgarelawleyfoundation.org.uk/main.htm>

Innovative approaches to health and care

The Department of Health's 2012-13 Innovation, Excellence and Strategic Development Fund is open for applications. Applicants are invited to submit proposals to develop new, innovative approaches to health and care, actively share excellent practice or improve integrated care and greater efficiency. . The deadline for registering on the Award Information Management System is noon, 7 October 2011.

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_118373

Young and disadvantaged people

LandAid provides grants of between £5,000 and £25,000. The Training, Education and Support Fund is available for training, education or support programmes that are targeted at disadvantaged young people, this can include NEETS, homeless and those from a low income background. The Capital Projects Fund is available for the refurbishment, conversion, extension or new build of facilities for young and disadvantaged people. The deadline for applications is 5pm, 31 January 2012.

<http://www.landaid.org/grants/>

Local grants and awards

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

[Durham, Surrey](#) (14 October 2011), [Oxfordshire](#) (7 October 2011), [Cambridgeshire and Peterborough](#) (31 October 2011), [Bedfordshire and Luton](#)

Comic Relief Grants (£1,000 – £10,000) for sports projects and community projects that empower local people and enable them to create lasting change in their communities.

[Halton](#) (7 October 2011), [Cornwall](#) (7 October 2011), [Tower Hamlets](#) (7 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity to provide short breaks for disabled children and young people.

[Bradford](#) (21 October 2011), [South East London](#) (7 October 2011)

Gannett Foundation Fund (normally £5,000 to £10,000) to support projects which take a creative approach to fundamental issues such as education and neighbourhood improvements, youth development, cultural enrichment and support for disadvantaged people.

[Wigan, Broxbourne](#) (28 October 2011), [Broadland](#) (20 October 2011), [Reading](#) (31 October 2011), [Oxford](#) (11 October 2011)

Community Grant Scheme to support voluntary and community organisations.

[Newcastle](#) (7 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity to provide mental health services to support children, young people and families.

[Yorkshire Dales](#) (31 October 2011)

LEADER Programme (£5,000 and above) for innovative projects that support rural development.

[Manchester](#) (25 November 2011)

Manchester City Football Club grants (up to £50,000) for two new local charity partners for 2012 for projects benefiting young people and families through community cohesion, skills and enterprise schemes and urban sports programmes.

[Greater Manchester](#) (26 October 2011)

Sports Fund (up to £750) to talented young sports people between the ages of 12 and 21 years.

[North East Lincolnshire](#) (11 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity to provide a supported lodgings scheme for children and young people.

[Lincolnshire, Nottinghamshire and South Yorkshire](#) (7 October 2011)

Doing Good Together Fund (£1,000 - £5,000) to support charitable groups that are helping local people with basic needs.

[St Edmundsbury](#)

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

[Wolverhampton](#) (27 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity (contract value £6,240,000) to provide residential services for looked after children and young people with complex needs.

[Gloucestershire](#) (28 October 2011)

Summerfield Charitable Trust available for projects concerned with: the arts, museums and built heritage; the environment and natural heritage; community work; education, sport and recreation; vulnerable or disadvantaged sectors of society.

[South Gloucestershire](#) (24 October 2011)

SSCG Initiative Fund for collaborative community safety projects.

[Devon](#) (10 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity to provide a range of integrated children's services.

Dorset (23 November 2011)

Procurement opportunity (contract value £420,000) to provide a range of services for young people who have complex and challenging special educational needs.

South East (28 October 2011)

ESF Community Grants for projects that increase employment and prepare disadvantaged groups.

Berkshire (6 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity to provide comprehensive careers education information and guidance services to local authorities and schools.

Braintree

Marion Ruth Courtauld Educational Fund (up to £1,000) to support unique educational opportunities for young people.

Basingstoke and Deane (10 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity to provide play opportunities for all children and young people aged between two and 19.

Sussex (14 October 2011)

Community Foundation General Awards (up to £5,000) particularly for smaller community based groups.

London (31 October 2011)

European Social Fund Co-Financing Programme 2011-15 (total value £11.3 million) for projects that help unemployed and economically inactive people.

Croydon (13 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity to operate the Turnaround Centre Drop in and Housing Advice Service.

Camden (27 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity (contract value between £2.2 million and £7 million) to provide a range of social welfare advice services.

Southwark (21 October 2011)

Voluntary and Community Sector Transition/Sustainability Fund (up to £25,000) for organisations who currently receive Council funding and believe it will be reduced in 2011-12.

Local grants and awards from September's Update that are still open

North East (30 December 2011)

ESF Community Grants (up to £12,000) for projects that help people return to work.

Calderdale

Community Foundation Donor Interest Programme (£200 - £3,000) for projects that improve quality of life..

Walsall

Pauline Merrick Memorial Fund (up to £2,000) for talented individuals and community groups for projects that will benefit children and young people aged five to 25.

Bristol (10 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity for voluntary and community organisations that manage a community building, centre or city farm.

Bristol (10 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity for voluntary organisations to receive funding in support of community-led activities for substance misusers.

Bristol (10 October 2011)

Procurement opportunity for voluntary and community organisations to receive grant funding for projects to increase access to community services.

Worcester (12 October 2011)

Gannett Foundation Fund UK Grant (£1,000 - £5,000) to support local organisations in the areas where Newsquest operates in the UK.

Wycombe (28 October 2011)

Community Support Grants (small grants up to £1,500 and large grants above £1,500) to deliver services or projects that will benefit residents.

Surrey (14 October 2011),

Comic Relief Grants (£1,000 – £10,000) for sports projects and community projects that empower local people and enable them to create lasting change in their communities.

London Borough of Richmond

Civic Pride Fund (up to £5,000) for projects that make public places more attractive, enjoyable and distinctive, and help build stronger communities..

Lambeth and Wandsworth (7 October 2011)

Covent Garden Market Authority Community Fund (£500 – £5,000) for projects under the following themes: food and growing; enterprising communities and supporting job creation; supporting young people at risk to find a positive future; and tackling elderly isolation and exclusion, and improving wellbeing.

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