

Funding News

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Success stories

Awards for All

Lewes

Rainbow Families £2,284
This group will use funding to provide a family area at the annual Pride event held in Brighton. The area will include baby change facilities, a breastfeeding area and a number of activities to entertain children throughout the day.

St Mary's Social Centre £5,000
This group will use funding to refurbish the toilets at their centre, including disabled toilets, baby changing facilities and child friendly cubicles. This will increase accessibility for people with disabilities and people with young children.

Wealden

ICT4Autism £10,000
This charity will use funding to publicise the group and for media campaigns to raise awareness of autism. They will also purchase computer equipment so that children have the opportunity to use computers and software designed for autistic children.

Life Wisdoms £9,980
The group will use funding to run an intergenerational project aimed at exploring issues that affect young people and how their actions impact upon others.

Rotherfield Pre-School Playgroup £9,803
This charity will use the funding to purchase IT equipment for their pre-school and after school clubs. This will provide opportunities for children to learn IT skills prior to starting school.

Henry Smith Charity

Disability Information Service Sussex £3,000
This grant goes towards one year's running costs of advice and information drop in clinics for disabled people in rural areas of East Sussex.

Newick Village Hall £5,000
Money given will go towards the costs of capital improvement to a village hall in a rurally isolated part of East Sussex.

SeeAbility - The Royal School for the Blind £168,300
Money will be used for three years' salary of a Speech and Language Therapist for the organisation's service users throughout the South-East.

St Peter & St James Charitable Trust £98,500
The money will go towards three years' salary of a Clinical Nurse Specialist to provide outreach hospice care in East Sussex.

Sussex Deaf Association £5,000
Money will be used for one year's running costs of a charity in East Sussex that provides to help and support people who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Sussex Pathways £5,000
The money will be used for one year's core costs of a charity that provides support to ex-offenders resettling in East Sussex

Reaching Communities

The Seeing Ear Ltd £307,886
This project provides better access to educational resources, such as school textbooks, to children who are blind or have other print disabilities, including problems in page turning. The aim is to create a new digital multi-format for each book that can address any need. Currently access is either denied or limited to such students due to many books (e.g. maths, science, reference works) being unavailable in a suitable format. They have received in funding.

Sussex Pathways £142,895
The Sussex Pathways Limited mentoring scheme supports offenders during their transition from custody to the community with the aim to reduce re-offending levels. The mentoring scheme engages trained volunteers with short term offenders in the run up to their release to offer the support needed to help rebuild their lives in terms of housing, personal finances, training, employment and health.

Based in HMP Lewes, the project will support male offenders, aged between 21 and 70, settling back into East and West Sussex and Brighton and Hove. The majority of beneficiaries will have served short custodial sentences of less than twelve months.

WARR Partnership RDPE Programme Grants

The WARR Partnership has secured £2.403 million of funding under the Rural Development Programme for England (RDPE). This Programme will run from 2008 to 2013. The WARR area includes the whole of rural Wealden.

The money is being used to create thriving, welcoming and prosperous area that understands, respects and celebrates its outstanding natural environment and quality of life, makes best use of its natural resources, builds inclusive and supportive communities and promotes sustainable economic development.

Grant spend for the year 2009/10 amounted to £375,045 and to date this year, £219,403 has been allocated, with £157,052 still to be committed.

The Approved Projects so far include:

Eco Camping Holidays, Lunsford Farm
This farm diversification project enabled specialist, high quality, eco-camping facilities to be provided on a semi-permanent site in Pett. The grant was used to convert a disused farm building to provide hot showers, toilet and storage facilities and a drying room, and to purchase fridges, garden furniture and a supply of adults' and children's bikes for visitors to use.

Dorian Horse Logging, Sussex Horse Logging
Grant funding enabled a new business to be set up, offering horse-logging as a forest-friendly means of timber extraction.

Burwash Parish and Community Website, Burwash Parish Council
The Parish Council used grant funding to enable them to develop an online presence for the villages of Burwash, Burwash Weald and Burwash Common. Serving as a primary information portal for local residents, businesses and domestic and

international tourists, it is acting as a catalyst to facilitate social and economic renewal within this rural area of Rother.

Etchingam Station, De Etchingam CIC

A survey for the Village Action Plan had identified the need for a social venue, as Etchingam had no cafes or restaurants, and the local pub had closed several years previously. The De Etchingam Community Interest Company was established by a group of five villagers, with the aim of developing the unused station master's house and garden into a visual and social focus for the village. Grant funding enabled them to convert this into a Bistro which, in addition to providing a venue for local residents, is providing services to commuters, from the obvious drink/snacks and light meals, to the reintroduction of toilet facilities for public use.

Andy Groombridge Forestry Machinery, Andy Groombridge

This Contractor had an established forestry harvesting business and also sold logs and fencing materials. His end-user customer base had expanded rapidly over the previous 6 months and, due to equipment limitations, he was struggling to keep pace with demand. The purchase of timber extraction equipment improved efficiency by enabling him to extract timber and coppice poles from woodland as needed for the firewood business (rather than having to rely on sub-contractors to complete this work), and to transport softwood thinnings straight to the wood-chip supplier.

About the Girl, About the Girl Ltd

About the Girl is a new mastectomy lingerie company, set up to enable women who have had breast surgery to buy attractive, fashionable, sexy lingerie that will boost their self confidence and body image.

Stone Cross Windmill Heritage Centre, Stone Cross Mill Trust

Funding enabled a Local Heritage and Exhibition Centre to be created within the Roundel of this Grade II* Listed Windmill. New insulation and heating ensures the room provides both a comfortable venue for visitors and a suitable environment for paintings, photographs and other artefacts, which previously had to be removed during the damp winter months. External landscaping has provided disabled access to the grounds, which now offer a more visually attractive environment and improved habitat for wildlife.

Upper Dicker Village Shop, the Village Shop Upper Dicker Ltd

This is the only shop in the village and the range of services it offers provide a lifeline to local residents with limited mobility. It already had a café and sold local produce, but limited facilities meant it was unable to increase the productivity of the pies, quiches, cakes, soups and salads (all prepared from local fruits and vegetables), for which demand was increasing. Funding enabled the installation of much needed kitchen equipment and amendments to the serving area and counter. This in turn allowed more tables to be added to the café and an internet facility was added, supported by the offer of free IT lessons from the local school. The purchase of a van enabled a delivery service to be set up and this also doubles as a mobile tuck shop at the local school and provides additional facilities for the many themed events run by the Shop. The increase in business created two new jobs

Rye RFC Floodlight Training, Rye Rugby Football Club

The Club benefited from the purchase of a whole pitch floodlight system, enabling a greater area of ground space to be used on a rotational basis, to facilitate weekly training sessions. The whole pitch system means four squads can train at any one time throughout the winter months, giving all members a greater opportunity to

improve match fitness and playing techniques, and providing a healthy winter outdoor activity for youngsters in the area.

Waffle Bar

This small manufacturer of real dairy ice cream and homemade waffles, sources ingredients from local farmers and sells produce with no colourings, additives or preservatives at events across the south east. The limitations of their equipment meant production was labour intensive and unable to keep up with increased demand. Investment in a larger more efficient ice cream machine, and a chest freezer, has enabled them to produce larger batches at a time.

Trufflepig Films Upgrade, Trufflepig Films

Trufflepig Films needed upgraded film making equipment required to meet High Definition standards - without this, upcoming films could not be sold to television. This company specialises in observational documentaries about rural issues, and TV sales were estimated to account for approximately 35% of future income.

Rye Wurlitzer, Rye College/Friends of Rye Wurlitzer

The Rye Wurlitzer is the second oldest Wurlitzer Theatre organ in the county and started life in the Palace Cinema in Tottenham in 1925, where it accompanied silent movies until 1929. This grant has been used to add a superior relay system to the organ, enhancing its overall playing capabilities and enabling professional recordings to be made.

Events

INTERREG IV A - 2 Seas Programme

2nd Edition of the 2 Seas Programme Cooperation Fair will take place on 23 September 2010 in Bournemouth

The 2 Seas Crossborder Cooperation Programme is a maritime Programme with high ambitions. Following the big success of the first 2 Seas Cooperation

Fair that took place in Ostend last year, the 2nd edition of the 2 Seas Annual Event will follow the same concept and focus on the development of projects.

Project ideas and partners will be given every opportunity to meet, greet and make first steps towards a possible partnership. For more information please visit the below link: <http://interreg4a-2mers.eu/cooperationfair2/cooperation.php?lang=uk>

INTERREG IV A - Channel Programme

The next annual event for the Channel Programme will take place on 8th and 9th November 2010 in Exeter.

The main purpose of the day will be to give attendees practical information about the Interreg IV A programme's aims and objectives and how to apply for a grant and to give you the opportunity to meet potential partners.

To find out more: www.interreg3.com

Guidance and advice

Arts Council Self-Evaluation Framework

For arts organisations to produce the best work that they can and have the greatest possible impact, they need to be clear and confident about their mission, engage effectively with the world around them and be objective about their development needs. This can help to identify the challenges organisations face, and provide the basis on which to develop robust and ambitious plans for the future.

The Arts Council have produced a framework to improve self-evaluation processes, providing a valuable check-list, useful guidance and many sources of further information. This has come out of learning from many examples of best practice they have seen in the past.

To use this self-evaluation tool, go to <http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/selfevaluation/>.

Cutswatch.org.uk

Cutswatch.org.uk has been set up to provide guidance and support to third sector organisations through public spending cuts. The site aims to provide up-to-date news, case studies, guides and information on how to positively deal with spending cuts, along with links to useful events and services.

They want to hear how they can further support your organisation. What would you like added to cutswatch.org.uk? Send them your suggestions to carina.mckeown@acevo.org.uk or go to www.cutswatch.org.uk.

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East Sussex County Council's Funding Fact Sheets

The East Sussex County Council External Funding team have produced various fact sheets around the theme of applying for funding.

There are four different documents covering:

- Applying for Funding - things to consider in the application process;
- Grants for East Sussex organisations (including funds specific to East Sussex);
- Educational European Funding; and
- Landfill Funds.

These fact sheets are designed to help voluntary and community groups through the process of applying for funding, giving advice and guidance on issues around starting a voluntary organisation, finding the funds, evidencing need of funding, project management and evaluation.

These fact sheets can be found at the following website:

<http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/community/funding/howwecanhelp/default.htm>

Scholarship Search

The scholarship search website is a comprehensive search engine for scholarships that are available at different levels of study – pre-university, undergraduate and post-graduate. You can search for funding by topic or establishment. Scholarships vary, ranging from reduction of fees to full bursaries which help students in developing

countries to obtain part of their education in the UK. The website address is:
http://www.scholarship-search.org.uk/pls/mon/hc_eduфин.page_pls_user_studmoney?x=16180339&y=&a=220707.

Student Cashpoint

Student Cash Point is a free website designed to help students find the funding needed to cover the costs of going to college and university.

It holds information on student grants, loans, bursaries, scholarships and awards that students are eligible to apply for.

The Student Cashpoint website address is <http://www.studentcashpoint.co.uk>.

Awards

Awards for Bridging Cultures

The Awards for Bridging Cultures (ABCs) was created to promote the work of organisations that promote intercultural dialogue. Funded by the Baring Foundation, the awards scheme gives cash prizes for projects that successfully build trust and respect between people from different cultures.

The 2010 ABCs launched on 31 March. If you have a project that you think is eligible, look closely at the awards criteria and apply online.

There are three different categories of the Awards for Bridging Cultures:

- Voluntary or community groups or organisations running projects to promote intercultural dialogue with gross annual financial income of over £100,000 (in the last two financial years)
- Voluntary or community groups or organisations running projects to promote intercultural dialogue with gross annual financial income of £100,000 or under (in the last two financial years)
- Local authorities, public sector organisations and private companies who can demonstrate their support for voluntary sector projects which promote intercultural dialogue by financing, initiating or supporting grassroots projects.

The ABCs celebrates organisations running projects that promote interculturality.

For more information, see <http://www.bridgingcultures.org.uk>. The deadline for applications is 13 September 2010.

The Captain Scott Society Awards

The Captain Scott Society makes awards to individuals or groups to undertake adventurous endeavours under two schemes:

- Spirit of Adventure Award - Offers £2,000 to fund sporting, navigational, expeditionary firsts and the climbing of unscaled peaks. Recipients of the Award must give a presentation on their adventure to the Society after it has taken place.
- Sir Vivian Fuchs Youth Award - Offers £500 for 11-19 year olds. The Society is flexible about what these awards can be given for, but favours unusual or character building activities.

Applications must be made in good time for adjudication, which takes place in March of the year of the Award. All applicants should submit inquiries by post, addressing their communications to the Expedition Secretary, c/o The United Services Mess, Westminster Chambers, Wharton Street, Cardiff CF10 1AG. Further information can be found on www.captainscottsociety.com/awards.html.

Disabled Entrepreneur Award 2010

The Stelios Award for Disabled Entrepreneurs is sponsored by EasyJet founder Sir Stelios Haji-Ioannou and is run on his behalf by campaign group Leonard Cheshire Disability. The contest will award a £50,000 prize to the business of the UK-based disabled entrepreneur who the judging panel feel would benefit most from the cash injection.

Applications can only be made by a person who has a recognised disability as defined by the Disability Discrimination Act. The applicant must be a permanent part of the management team for the business they are basing their application on, and they must also own at least 25% of the business.

Eligible businesses must also:

- Be registered in the UK.
- Have an annual turnover of at least £10,000.
- Have been trading for between one and five years at the date of entry.

The judging panel will look for the entrant who can best demonstrate "exceptional entrepreneurial spirit".

Costs associated with eligible projects, including:

- Purchasing new equipment.
- Staff costs.
- General business development and expansion.
- Identifying and targeting new international markets.

The 2010 competition is open - entries must be submitted by 03 September 2010.

Winners will be announced as part of the Growing Business Awards on 25 November.

For further information on how to enter please contact the following:

Sophie Down, Leonard Cheshire Disability, 66 South Lambeth Road, London SW8 1RL

Tel: 020 3242 0357

E-mail: steliosaward@lcdisability.org

Website: <http://www.lcdisability.org/stelios>

DSC: Social Change Awards

The Social Change Awards are for all those working to achieve a positive change in society – individuals, charities, community groups, funders, companies, public bodies.

You can nominate yourself/your own organisation or recommend others for nomination.

The four award categories are:

- Everyday Impact Award
- Influencer Award
- The Great Giving Funders Award
- Life Time Achievement Award

Nominations should be completed online at www.socialchangeawards.org.uk. The deadline for nominations is 10 September 2010.

GlaxoSmithKline: IMPACT Awards

Charities that help to improve people's health are invited to enter GlaxoSmithKline's IMPACT Awards 2011.

The contest aims to recognise the tireless work of small to medium-sized charities that work in the community healthcare field and have had a significant impact on the lives of their local communities.

Managed in partnership by GlaxoSmithKline and independent health charity King's Fund, the contest will see 9 winners each receive a £25,000 prize, with the overall winner scooping an additional £10,000.

A number of commended entries and runners-up will also receive either £3,000 or £5,000 to reward their efforts.

To enter, organisations must:

- Be a registered charity for at least three years at the time of applying.
- Be located in the UK.
- Target community health needs in the UK.
- Have a total annual income of less than £1 million.
- Be independently constituted from any national umbrella organisation.

Applications do not need to be for new projects, as the awards aim to acknowledge the success and achievements of charities for their existing work.

However, entries will be expected to focus on six key IMPACT areas:

- Innovation.
- Management.
- Partnership.
- Achievement.
- Community focus.
- Targeting need.

Applications must be made online by 5pm on Friday 24 September 2010.

Shortlisted entries will then be subject to a visit from an independent assessor to evaluate their work in greater depth.

For more information, see

http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/current_projects/gsk_impact_awards/.

Government

Alcohol Education and Research Council

The Council awards four types of grant: Research Grants; Development Grants; Small Grants; Studentship Grants.

Research Grants

The Council is seeking value for money and expects to fund projects of around £50,000. Nevertheless, a more expensive project could be successful if it was convincingly giving value. Projects should be completed in one, two or three years.

The closing dates for Research Grants and Development Grants is September 5th.

Development Grants

The Alcohol Education and Research Fund can only be used to pay for project activities that are outside the responsibilities of central or local government agencies and services.

The Council's present policy is to give grants for specific projects rather than for general support of the established administration of voluntary organisations.

Within the area of interest selected by the individual applicant the Council wishes particularly to be satisfied that the proposal will meet an accepted and urgent need and will not duplicate existing provision.

In all applications a sound evaluation will be required.

The closing dates for Research Grants and Development Grants is September 5th.

Small Grants

The Council funds small projects up to a maximum of £5,000. Priority will be given to evidence based projects, pilot research studies or demonstration projects with a strong evaluation component.

The main aims of the Council are to increase the capacity of individuals and organisations to deal with alcohol issues and also to develop the evidence base relating to alcohol issues. The overall aim is to make a difference.

Small grants will be rapidly processed throughout the year with no deadline.

Studentship Grants

The Council offers a limited number of Studentships on a competitive basis to students who are working in the alcohol field and wish to acquire appropriate professional qualifications by following a Taught Course.

The deadline for applications for the 2010 Studentship Scheme has past.

Find more information at <http://www.aerc.org.uk/grants.html>.

Changes to the Structure of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport

It was recently announced that a number of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport's (DCMS) 55 public bodies are set to be merged, abolished or streamlined as part of the Government's agenda to cut costs and increase transparency, efficiency and accountability in line with the changing demands of the current economic climate.

The proposed a number of changes include:

- abolishing the UK Film Council and establishing a direct and less bureaucratic relationship with the British Film Institute, supporting front-line services whilst ensuring greater value for money. (Government and Lottery support for film will continue);
abolishing the Museums, Libraries and Archives Council to focus efforts on front-line, essential services and ensure greater value for money. (Government support for museums, libraries and archives will continue); and
- merging UK Sport and Sport England, creating a more effective structure to deliver elite sport success and a wider sports legacy from the 2012 games.

Some key functions carried out by these bodies are anticipated to be transferred to other, existing organisations; however, DCMS will do further work over the summer to finalise the details and timing of these changes. It will also continue to look at its other arm's length bodies, observing again the role, size and scope of these organisations and exploring further opportunities to improve efficiency.

DCMS is also looking at its responsibility for heritage and the built environment, and considering the role and remit of English Heritage, the Heritage Lottery Fund and the National Heritage Memorial Fund

In addition, DCMS also confirmed that it intends to merge the National Lottery Commission with the Gambling Commission, subject to further consideration of the business case.

DCMS Structural Reform Plan

The recently published DCMS Structural Reform Plan outlines the main plans of the coalition government in the field of the arts, culture, media and sport.

The main external funding implications are:

- Direct the Big Lottery Fund to focus its funding on the voluntary and community sector
- Publish a strategy to boost giving from private individuals
- Agree plans for reducing administrative cost with the Lottery distributors
- Direct Sport England to take responsibility for the community sports legacy following London 2012
- Hold pilot Olympics and Paralympic-style schools events
- Publish details of how cash in dormant betting accounts can be used to set up a capital fund to improve local sports facilities and clubs

To see this document, see www.culture.gov.uk/publications/7246.aspx.

Department of Health Funding for Children's Palliative Care

The Department of Health is providing £30 million of funding for children's palliative care in 2010/11.

The aims of the funding are to support projects focused on benefiting the lives of children with palliative care needs and enhancing palliative care services for children, bringing together local commissioners and providers, including third sector organisations.

There is no specific limit on funding individual applications. The Department expects most applications to be for £5,000 or more revenue funding. Depending on the audit guidance of the organisation applying for funding, applications may be able to include up to £5,000 capital spending.

Applications will be considered for all aspects of the child and young person's journey through the ACT care pathway from pre-diagnosis to death and bereavement including the neonatal period (ACT/BLISS pathway).

NHS organisations and voluntary organisations that meet the conditions set out in section 64 of the Health Services and Public Health Act 1968 are eligible to apply for funding. Other organisations interested in making an application should contact the Department of Health.

The second round closing date is 30 September. See http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_117172 to get more details.

Dormant Account Fund

The new coalition government indicated that:

- They will use funds from dormant bank accounts to establish a 'Big Society Bank', which will provide new finance for neighbourhood groups, charities, social enterprises and other non-governmental bodies
- They will use cash in dormant betting accounts to improve local sports facilities and support sports clubs.

More information will be reported when available.

Government Changes to Funding

The Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) has announced that round two of the Deep Geothermal Challenge Fund will now go ahead, but with a reduction in the funding available from £2 million to £1 million. Further details, including the closing date, are expected to be announced shortly.

Other savings made through projects that have been cut or reduced include:

- 4.7 million saved by cancelling the final funding rounds of the Bio-Energy Capital Grants Scheme and the Bio-Energy Infrastructure Scheme.
- £3 million saved by reducing the scope of the Offshore Wind Capital Grants Scheme.
- £700,000 through the early closing of the Energy Saving Trust technology trials.
- 32.9 million saved through reducing the scope of the Central Government Low Carbon Technology Programme.
- £12.6 million saved through reducing the Carbon Trust 2010 grant for low carbon technology and business support funding from DECC.

www.decc.gov.uk

Mini Mediabox

Mediabox is a Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) fund that gives disadvantaged young people the chance to create media projects about issues that matter to them, from film and journalism to digital media and campaigns.

Mediabox has announced big changes to its 'Mini Mediabox' grant, giving more organisations from across the country access to funding for youth-led media projects. The changes to 'Mini Mediabox' aim to encourage further youth groups and organisations from across England to take advantage of the grant.

Changes include increasing the annual turnover threshold from £100,000 to £150,000 as well as accepting applications from support branches or umbrella groups.

Mini Mediabox has also opened its doors to schools and colleges, provided they are able to demonstrate that a Mini Mediabox project would provide a new, extracurricular opportunity for their students.

'Mini Mediabox' is the smallest grant on offer, ranging from £1,000 to £5,000, designed to give organisations that have a limited track record of delivering media projects the chance to extend their experience and offer 13 – 19 year olds the opportunity to learn new skills and get their voices heard.

To incorporate these changes the online application process has been redesigned, making it easier and faster for first time applicants to access the funds. The changes to Mini Mediabox have been made in response to the needs of the voluntary sector.

Mini Mediabox is now open for funding. For full application forms and guidelines visit www.media-box.co.uk.

Mini Mediabox does not require applicants to have a strong track record of delivering media projects but they do require evidence of working with disadvantaged young people.

Mini Mediabox has a rolling programme, however, there are a series of deadlines when applications will be assessed. The next deadline is 23 August 2010.

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South East Coast NHS - Living Well with Dementia

The key overarching outcome of the Living Well with Dementia Competition will be focused on using technology to improve the quality of life for people with dementia, their carers and improve equality of access.

£500,000 funding is available, although between five and eight projects are likely to be funded from this.

A maximum total cost of £150,000 (contract value) per project may be requested.

Proposals for more than £150,000 (over a six month period) will be rejected.

The desired outcomes of the proposed technology development must cover at least one or more of the following areas:

- Ensuring people with dementia are able to maintain independence.
- Supporting carers by reducing the burden of care placed upon them.

- Ensuring equality of healthcare and access to healthcare for people with dementia.

The scheme is open to all companies although all SBRI schemes are particularly suited to small and medium-sized enterprises in the UK.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 9 September 2010. More details can be found at <http://www.innovateuk.org/content/competition/living-well-with-dementia.ashx>.

Lottery

Arts Council England's annual review

The Arts Council has now published their annual review for 2010, which looks back on a year of radical thinking and great change for the Arts Council, working to reduce running costs by 15 per cent and to manage the impact of a budget reduction of £19 million, in addition to an earlier in-year reduction of £4 million - bringing the total to £23 million.

To read the annual review, please see

http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/publication_archive/annual-review-2010/.

Big Lottery Fund changes to funding

It has been confirmed that arts, sports and heritage organisations will together get 60 per cent of lottery money, taking 10 per cent (around £50 million) off the 'good cause' money that is given out through programmes like 'Awards for All'. Although future funding for good causes will be reduced, existing award holders will be protected.

A structural reform plan also says the government will tell the Big Lottery Fund by September that it must stop funding "politicised projects", and will ask all lottery distributors to reduce their administrative costs to 5 per cent of their total income.

A consultation on the proposal to award 60 per cent of 'good cause' money to sports, arts and heritage groups is open until 21 August but the proposal is highly likely to go ahead. The consultation can be found at

<http://www.culture.gov.uk/consultations/7070.aspx>.

Big Lottery Fund Charity Allocation

It has been announced that grants for voluntary and community sector will go up by a fifth to £630m in 2013/14 after the lottery stops funding the 2012 Olympic Games.

The increase is expected despite the fact that the share of lottery 'good cause' money distributed by the Big Lottery Fund will be reduced from 50 per cent to 40 per cent.

There have also been negotiations with the Treasury on plans to tax the National Lottery on gross profits rather than ticket sales – a Liberal Democrat manifesto pledge that the party claimed would provide greater revenue for good causes and the Exchequer.

Community Wildlife

Community Wildlife will fund projects that bring local people together to discover, enjoy or protect the wildlife in their local area.

The programme will fund between £300 and £10,000 for projects that:

- Improve rural or urban environments for people to enjoy, for example by: protecting wildlife habitats creating a nature trail, woodland walk or wildlife garden for people to enjoy
- Improving natural community spaces, such as rivers, ponds and woodlands.
- Get people more active and healthier, for example by: exploring parks, rivers and the countryside to look for rare or endangered species encouraging people to take up gardening or go on nature walks

- Providing opportunities for children to learn about nature through play.

The programme has two remaining rounds: 22 September 2010; 24 November 2010

If you are unsure of anything or would like further help, please call 0845 367 0610, email: general.enquiries@biglotteryfund.org.uk or look online <http://tinyurl.com/2e3yr7u>.

Hidden Histories

This new Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) scheme seeks to support projects focusing on stories that have been lost, forgotten or untold.

Possible themes include: settlers in the South East; forgotten heroes; overcoming prejudice; local traditions; vanishing environments; disappearing communities; lost, forgotten, untold stories; village secrets; threatened species; languages and dialects; cultural traditions and customs.

HLF will be holding pre-application workshops at the following dates and locations:

- 4 August - High Wycombe
- 6 August – Basingstoke

These events will provide information about Hidden Histories and to help answer any questions on the scheme.

To register your interest in attending the workshops, please call 020 7591 6171; E-mail southeastengland@hlf.org.uk or look on www.hlf.org.uk/inyourarea/southeast/Pages/HiddenHistoriesinSouthEastEngland.aspx.

Applications are particularly welcomed from first-time applicants and community groups. HLF are also encouraging applications for grants between £3,000-£10,000.

HLF/English Heritage Repair Grants for Places of Worship

Grants of £10,000-£250,000 are available in this scheme, which is designed to help sustain and conserve heritage at risk, through urgent repairs to places of worship (fabric of the building only).

This scheme is open to all listed places of worship which are in regular use as public places of worship. Applications for other work (including proposals for new facilities) will not be considered.

This scheme for Places of worship listed grade II has a deadline of 30 September 2010. Any faith group, Christian or non-Christian, is welcome to apply so long as it is a formally constituted religious organisation.

Applications should be made by the body with legal responsibility for repairs to the building.

To receive further information, telephone English Heritage on 01483 252000 or see <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/professional/funding/grants/grants-available/rgpow/>.

Reaching Communities

This lottery rolling programme funds projects that help people and communities who are most in need, and can really make a difference. Projects can be new or existing activities, or be the core work of your organisation.

Projects will be funded that respond to needs identified by communities, and those that fund projects that help those most in need including those people or groups who are hard to reach.

One or more of the following changes will need to take place in communities as a result of our funding:

- people having better chances in life, including being able to get better access to training and development to improve their life skills
- strong communities, with more active citizens, working together to tackle their problems
- improved rural and urban environments, which communities are better able to access and enjoy
- healthier and more active people and communities.

The new application forms are now available to download from http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_reaching_communities.

Applicants who have already received Reaching Community funding can now reapply for continuation funding. However this means that as demand increases success rates will possibly drop.

Although up to £500k is available under Reaching Communities, the funders look more favourably on projects that show real value for money.

Youth in Focus

BIG lottery fund is making up to £30 million available for projects that support vulnerable young people through difficult changes and important stages in their lives.

The groups targeted are:

- Young carers - Helping young people between the ages of 10 and 25 to be heard and get better access to practical advice and services, which can support their day to day lives.
- Young people leaving care - Supporting young people between the ages of 15 and 25, so they get better access to education, housing, healthcare and employment advice and services.
- Young people leaving youth offenders' institutions - Helping young people between the ages of 15 and 25 to develop their life skills and get better access to services, particularly young men with learning difficulties and young women.

Funded projects will work with the young people targeted to:

- Improve confidence, skills and knowledge - so they can better deal with the life events that affect them; and
- Provide more effective support that is joined up with other services - so they can tackle challenges better.

To bring about these changes applicants will need to:

- Target one or more of the groups that our Youth in Focus programme aims to support;

- Involve the young people who will benefit throughout, from the earliest stages;
- Form a partnership of voluntary, public or private sector organisations with relevant expertise, led by a voluntary sector organisation;
- Make sure that the benefits of the project carry on after our funding ends; and
- Share what they have learnt with us and others.

If your project meets the programme outcomes listed above then you may be eligible to apply for a grant of between £500,000 and £1,000,000 (£1,500,000 for England-wide projects that raise national awareness).

It is expected that Youth in Focus will be a competitive programme that may receive more applications than the BIG lottery is able to fund.

To see if you are eligible and get more details, look on http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_youth_focus.htm.

Application forms for Youth in Focus will be available at briefing events that will be advertised online and on the above website from early September.

To talk to someone about your project idea or the programme itself, call 0845 4102030 or e-mail youthinfocus@biglotteryfund.org.uk.

Youth Music

The Youth Music Open Programme is available for organisations wishing to apply for grants of £5,000 to £30,000. It works with the most disadvantaged young people, providing funding for music projects for young people and free access to music activities for children.

Funding is available to not-for-profit organisations that are over one year old. Participants must be 0-18 (or up to 25 with special educational needs (SEN)). Projects must include structured music-making activities for children and young people which are planned to advance their music skills. Activities must involve training and development and must take place principally outside of school hours.

Open Programme

The Youth Music Open Programme is available for organisations wishing to apply for grants of £5,000 to £30,000.

The Open Programme targets nearly £2m of Youth Music's funding towards projects that support our goals of:

- Early Years – advancing the learning and development of all children in their early years (0-5) by aiming to ensure universal access to high quality music making in England.
- Challenging Circumstances – improving the life chances of children and young people marginalised by society, vulnerable, often hard to reach, who have the fewest opportunities in the most challenging circumstances by supporting them to achieve their full potential through engagement and progression in music making.
- Encouraging Talent and Potential – realising the musical talent and potential of children and young people by ensuring opportunity for all to develop their talent regardless of background or chosen genre.

Application is online. Please check eligibility, read the application guidance and contact your Regional Executive Officer (REO)

You can apply at any time, but there are three remaining closing dates for 2010/2011: 10 September 2010 for grants offered by end November 2010; 10 December 2010 for grants offered by mid March 2011; 10 March 2011 for grants offered by end May 2011.

Applications received after the closing date will not be considered until the following closing date.

For more information, please look at the Youth Music website
<http://www.youthmusic.org.uk/musicispower/apply-for-a-grant.html>.

Trusts and Foundations

The A B Charitable Trust

This Trust is offering grants of up to £5,000 for charity work that promotes and defends human dignity. The Trust aims to support charities that work with vulnerable, marginalised and excluded people in society, with a focus on:

- Refugees and victims of torture;
- Prisoners;
- Elderly people; and
- People with mental health problems.

The following themes are of particular interest:

- Women
- Homelessness
- Therapeutic art

Applications must be sent at least 6 weeks ahead of one of the Trustees' meetings. The Trustees meet four times a year, in January, April, July and October. More information can be found on: www.abcharitabletrust.org.uk/index.htm.

Ashden Awards

The Ashden Awards offers one award of £20,000 and five awards of £10,000 for projects looking at new ways to:

- Produce or roll out renewable energy;
- Speed up behaviour change on energy use;
- Tackle fuel poverty;
- Enhance energy efficiency; or
- Promote sustainable energy at a local level.

The deadline for applications is 26 October 2010. Projects must have been running for at least 12 months and businesses, schools, local authorities and charities are eligible to apply. To get more details, please www.ashdenawards.org/our_work.

Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust

This Trust has recently announced its 2012 theme as Community, with charities working around the following specific themes being able to apply:

- Homeless;
- Addiction;
- Asylum and Refugees;
- Sexual and Domestic Abuse;
- Prisoners and ex-Offenders

Themes for 2010 and 2011 are:

2010 - Medical Research projects that relate to:

- Ageing population;
- Children;
- Youth; and
- The Elderly.

2011 – Music, the Arts and Overseas.

Grants range between £1,000-£10,000. Larger grants up to £20,000 can be made, but these are usually for medical research projects.

Charities should send in applications as early as possible due to increase in applications to allow plenty of time to request any additional information needed.

Formal deadlines each year are 1 June and 1 November. Further information can be found on <http://www.austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk/>.

Britannia Foundation

The Foundation offers grants and donations between £1,000 and £25,000 to registered charities and schools working within education, particularly numeracy and/or financial literacy.

Their focus is to support local communities where there are higher densities of Britannia employees and customers.

The Foundation prefers buying specific items of equipment but in some circumstances will consider capital expenditure and salary costs.

See <http://www.britannia.co.uk/site/corporate/in-the-community/foundation.html> for more details.

CHK Charities

This charity annually awards grant funding totalling £2m to charitable organisations in the UK involved in a wide range of activities. This charity favours national charities under the following:

- One Off Grants towards core costs or for a specific project for which applicants have requested support. This could include a contribution towards a building/refurbishment project, purchase of specialist equipment or other similar capital expenditure, or assistance with running costs.
- Conditionally Renewable Grants towards start-up costs, or for a specific item in the applicant's budget such as a salary, core costs or towards the costs of a particular project.

Preference is given to National charities. Applicants can be made at any time and should state what funds have already been raised for the project, and name any other sources of funding applied for.

There are no specific deadlines, with applications being considered by the Trustees approximately every 2 months.

See www.chkcharities.co.uk for more details.

Comic Relief - Sport for change

The aim of this programme is to understand more about how sport can play a part in delivering positive change within the lives of individuals and communities, and to meet one or more of the following outcomes:

- Increased sense of inclusion and well-being by marginalised and disadvantaged people
- Greater community involvement
- An increased understanding of how sport can help bring about positive changes in the lives of individuals and communities

- Greater knowledge across the community and sports sectors about effective work which uses sport as a tool for social change

They also want to understand:

- How sport can be used as part of a broader programme to achieve a measurable social change
- How basing the work in community development principles can increase the impact of the work
- The different monitoring and evaluation systems being used to track change

Examples of social issues or community concerns could include substance use, crime related problems, integration, exclusion of older people, community cohesion, gangs or knife crime, mental health, and young people at risk.

Applications are welcomed 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.

They are happy to receive applications from consortia of agencies as long as there is a lead community-based organisation.

The deadline for submitting your expression of interest on-line is 3 September 2010.

If your application is chosen for further consideration you will be invited to submit a full proposal, again on-line. You will have until 14 June to submit your second stage application.

See http://www.comicrelief.com/apply_for_a_grant/uk/sport for more details.

Equitable Charitable Trust

The Equitable Charitable Trust is an education charity. It makes grants totaling up to £1 million each year towards projects for children and young people under the age of 25 who are from disadvantaged backgrounds or disabled.

The Priorities of the Equitable Charitable Trust are:

- Education projects or services that support the learning and development of disabled children and young people;
- Formal education projects for disadvantaged children and young people that support delivery of the National Curriculum (i.e. curriculum enrichment projects) or that deliver accredited vocational learning that will increase employability;
- Education projects that will help increase participation in, or improve the quality of, education for disadvantaged or disabled children and young people in developing countries.

For overseas projects, Trustees particularly wish to support projects with potential to deliver benefits over the medium to long term.

Grants can be made for project costs, capital expenditure, equipment and/or the salary costs of a post.

The majority of projects funded by the Trust take place at local or regional level, though national projects and those benefiting children or young people overseas (in developing countries only) are also supported. Grants for overseas projects are only made through UK registered charities.

The length of funding can range from one to three years with grants of more than one year paid in annual instalments, with instalments beyond the first year dependent on receipt of progress reports that are satisfactory to the Trustees.

The size of grants ranges from £2,500 to £30,000. Most are for sums between £5,000 and £20,000. It is rare for a multi-year grant to exceed £10,000 p.a. and most multi-year grants will be for sums between £5,000 and £7,500 p.a.

Applications can be submitted at any time and are considered monthly by the Trustees. The Trust does not have an application form, but recommends that organisations follow the guidelines on www.equitablecharitabletrust.org.uk/

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Ford Britain Trust

The Ford Britain Trust gives money to projects focusing on education, environment, children, the disabled, youth activities and projects that provide clear benefits to the local communities close to their UK locations. The Ford Britain Trust particularly encourages applications from Ford employees, but is open to all, provided that the qualifying organisations meet our selection criteria.

There are two types of grants to apply for:

Small grants for amounts up to £250, available four times each year.

Large grants for amounts over £250 and usually up to a maximum of £3,000. The large grants are considered by the Trustees twice a year.

The approaching deadlines for both types of grants is 1st September 2010. If you have any questions about making your application, please contact the trust on fbtrust@ford.com or call 01277 252551.

More details can be found on

<http://www.ford.co.uk/AboutFord/CorporateSocialResponsibility/>

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Hedley Foundation

The main objective of the Trustees' grant-making is to assist and encourage development and change. The main objective of the Foundation is young people: their education, recreation, support, training, health and welfare.

The subsidiary objectives are: disabled people and the terminally ill; provision of specialist equipment and support for carers,

Few grants exceed £5,000 and most of them go to charities where they can make an impact. They do not support large or national appeals.

Applications for grants should be made on the application form available on the website www.hedleyfoundation.org.uk/. The application form should be downloaded, completed in typescript, printed off and sent by post to: Mrs Pauline Barker, The Hedley Foundation, 1-3 College Hill, London EC4R 2RA or e-mailed to pbarker@hedleyfoundation.org.uk and should be accompanied by your e-mail address or a self-addressed envelope.

The Trustees meet six times a year and the deadlines for applications are as follows: 6th September 2010, 1st November 2010, 3rd January 2011, 21st February 2011, 25th April 2011 and 27th June 2011.

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Help the Hospices Emergency Grants Programme

Grants of between £5,000 and £10,000 are available to hospices who are facing a significant and immediate financial crisis which means that they may have to reduce frontline services for patients and their families and carers within the next six months.

Grants cannot fund running costs, core funding, maintenance or for specific short term fundraising activities. The grant must be spent on work that strategically moves the hospice towards a more secure and sustainable long-term future.

There are no deadlines for this grant programme but it is suggested that you contact the grants team in advance to briefly discuss your proposal.

For further information please visit the link below:

<http://www.helpthehospices.org.uk/our-services/grants/uk-grants/emergency-grants/> or contact Grants Team, Help the Hospices, Hospice House, 34-44 Britannia Street, London, WC1X 9JG
Telephone: 020 7520 8277

Henry Moore Foundation

This foundation supports a wide range of projects and activities in the visual arts in the UK including:

New Projects - Available for exhibitions, exhibition catalogues and commissions. A small number of grants may be awarded as follows: £40,000 (exhibition), £15,000 (exhibition catalogue) and £60,000 (commission).

Collections – Offers minor capital grants to help public institutions acquire, display and conserve sculpture i.e. £15,000 (acquisition), £20,000 (display) and £20,000 (conservation).

The Henry Moore Foundation also offers funding for:

- Research and Development;
- Fellowships for Artists;
- Conferences, Lectures and Publications and;
- Post-doctoral Research Fellowships.

The final deadline for applications for this year is 8 September 2010.

Go to www.henry-moore.org/ for more details.

The James Caan Foundation

Established by the Dragon's Den investor James Caan in 2006 this charitable trust supports charities involved in the following activities:

- Promoting education (including social and physical training) – Examples: awarding scholarships, maintenance allowances or grants tenable at any university, college or institution of higher or further education. Helping in the development of schools in underprivileged areas

- Treatment and care of those suffering from mental or physical illness –
Examples: the provision of facilities for work and recreation or research into the causes and cures of diseases

You can see information about the foundation on <http://www.hamiltonbradshaw.com/charity-community/james-caan-foundation/> but for details about how to apply for the fund, you should e-mail nfo@hbpe.com.

The Leche Trust

This Trust provides grants up to £5,000 in support of charitable bodies or organisations associated with the preservation of the nation's countryside, towns, villages and historic landscapes under the following:

- Organisations concerned with music, drama, dance and the arts
- Preservation, repair and conservation of buildings and church furniture e.g. monuments, preference to those from the Georgian period
- Conservation in all its aspects, inc. museums and good practice in the art of conservation
- Organisations associated with the preservation of the nation's countryside, towns, villages and historic landscapes

This Trust will not fund religious bodies, overseas missions, schools or school buildings, social welfare, animals, medicine, expeditions or British students. The trustees meet three times a year (February, June and October) bids should be received a month in advance. Call 020 8870 6233; e-mail info@lechetrust.org; or go to www.lechetrust.org/ for further details.

May Gurney Fund

This fund is now open for applications from charities that help young people into work, the long term unemployed and the difficult to employ through activities focused on education, self help, health and well being and local environmental issues.

The fund targets smaller charities that demonstrate genuine local community engagement and will make small grants up to a maximum of £5,000.

If you would like more information please contact Mary Carruthers at Sussex Community Foundation through mary.carruthers@sussexgiving.org.uk.

The deadline for applications is 31 August. To find out how to apply, see <http://www.sussexgiving.org.uk/apply-for-funding/our-application-process.php?PHPSESSID=b667da31c67173610680c166908ce13a>.

M&S

M&S are able to make donations to charitable organisations through their local stores.

They each have a small, limited budget and focus their support towards issues that are important to their local community. To get more information, you should contact your local store or see <http://corporate.marksandspencer.com/>.

New Look Foundation

This Foundation support local projects related to the following themes:

Learning through access to education:

- Formal education or vocational training
- overcoming truancy
- seeking an apprenticeship, or
- developing life skills.

Learning through accessibility:

- Helping to promote an inclusive approach to life, irrespective of physical or mental ability.

Learning to deal with issues

Helping people to help themselves and their friends by tackling anxieties linked to such issues as eating disorders, obesity, body image, bullying, alcohol or substance abuse

Preference is given to local schools, community groups, and registered charities in the following areas:

- Educational activities aimed at helping people to help themselves;
- Regenerating local communities and promoting a positive 'community spirit';
- Activities which help people to feel included in local community life who might otherwise feel excluded and which promote positive self-esteem and confidence.

To get more details, e-mail foundation@newlook.com or see <http://www.newlookgroup.com/index.cfm?page=1016>.

Prince's Countryside Fund

This scheme seeks to improve the long-term viability of the British countryside and its rural communities. Funding will be targeted at three core objectives:

- Improving the sustainability of British farming and rural communities targeting the areas of greatest need
- Reconnecting consumers with countryside issues
- Supporting farming crisis charities through a dedicated emergency funding stream.

For more details see: www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/

Shell Springboard Fund

Support is available to small to medium-sized enterprises that have innovative ideas to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Business ideas should be for a product or service that will lead to greenhouse gas reductions and the idea should be innovative and commercially viable.

Awards are offered between £20,000 and £40,000 in three UK events.

Applications are accepted from sole traders, partnerships, limited companies and community interest companies (including government and university spin-outs) that have less than 250 employees. Businesses must also have been established for a minimum of three months.

The deadline for applications to the first round is 27 August 2010. There will be a further round in October 2010 and the final deadline for receipt of applications is 5 November 2010.

For more details, please see <http://www.shellspringboard.org/>.

SITA Trust Enhancing Communities Programme

Enhancing Communities is SITA Trust's funding programme for community improvement projects. The programme supports projects that make physical improvements to community facilities, sports projects and historic buildings and structures. Not-for-profit organisations, community groups, parish councils, local authorities and charities can apply.

The programme offers grants of up to £10,000 under a fast-track, small grants scheme; and up to £50,000 under its large grants scheme.

Upcoming deadlines are as follows:

Small Grants Scheme: 9 August and 11 October 2010.

Large Grants Scheme: 29 November 2010.

Deadlines for decisions in 2011 are expected to be available by the end of August 2010. Look at <http://www.sitatrust.org.uk/community-funding> for further information.

Skinners' Company

The Skinners' Company Lady Neville Charity was formally set up in 1978 and its aim is to provide grants that will make a clear and significant contribution to grassroots charitable organizations working in designated priority areas. The priority areas are Disability, Local Heritage, Local Community and Performing & Visual Arts.

One-off grants of up to £1,000 are made to small registered charities and not-for-profit organisations. The Lady Neville Charity will accept applications from: registered charities or not-for-profit organisations based in the United Kingdom and organisations employing less than the equivalent of four full-time paid staff, which are working in the following priority areas:

- Disability – activities which provide opportunities to people of any age with physical or mental disabilities
- Local Heritage – Projects which help local groups to conserve and restore their landmarks, landscape, traditions and culture
- Local Community – Projects which are involved in improving the facilities or quality of life for people in a deprived neighbourhood
- Performing and Visual Arts – Groups involved in undertaking a particular activity in any field in this area

Funding is available for items of non-recurring expenditure (e.g., equipment, an event, a particular element of capital building works) Grants should make a clear and significant contribution to the project.

To discuss a potential application, please phone 020 7213 0562, e-mail charitiesadmin@skinners.org.uk or look online for application forms at: www.skinnershall.co.uk.

To apply, you need to submit your application and latest audited Annual Report & Accounts by mid-March or mid-September for Committee meetings which take place in May and November.

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Spark

Using the power of business, Spark aims to encourage a new way of thinking so that organisations operating in the homelessness sector are sustainable, no longer dependent on sporadic funding and can make a real difference in preventing and tackling homelessness.

Finalists will receive:

- at least five days business development support, from corporate partners, to create business plans; and
- presentational skills support.

Winning organisations will receive:

- a cash investment of up to £150,000;
- at least a further five days ongoing business development support tailored to the organisations' individual requirements; and
- the opportunity to secure additional financing of up to £500,000 from Big Issue Invest.

Organisations should be working to address the root causes of homelessness, increasing people's move into independent living, and/or reducing the risk of homelessness.

All third sector organisations are eligible to apply as well as applicants from public sector and private companies that can demonstrate they have a social enterprise model and redistribute profits to social causes.

The deadline for applications is 13 August 2010 (5pm). See <http://www.sparkchallenge.org/> for further details.

The Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust

This funder offers grants to individuals and not for profit organisations for horticulture projects in the UK, specifically for

- Horticultural education;
- The creation, development, preservation and maintenance of gardens open to the public;
- The promotion and distribution of plants which have value to mankind;
- The publication of books or other works relating to science or horticulture.

There is no limit to the amount of money that can be given, but the trust specifies that they need to maintain a balance between small (up to £1,000) and larger grants at any particular allocation.

Grants are awarded twice a year, in spring (normally April) and autumn (normally October). To be considered for the bi-annual meetings to discuss grants, applications should be sent in before the 15th February or 15th August.

For more information, please see www.grantsforhorticulturists.org.uk/smith.html.

Torch Trophy Trust Bursaries

The Torch Trophy Trust offers bursaries to help volunteers improve their skills as coaches or officials in youth sport and sport for the disabled.

A bursary will cover 50% of costs up to £1,000. Awards can be used for: Providing funding for volunteers; or encouraging and helping club workers at voluntary level.

The trust doesn't have deadlines – all applications are looked at as they are sent in.

See http://www.torchtrophytrust.org/ttt_site.htm for more details.

Tudor Trust

The Tudor Trust knows that solutions to the difficulties people face are seldom straightforward or immediate. They are therefore interested in encouraging people to use their own skills and abilities as a resource for change; to find new ways of tackling deep-rooted problems or to cope with and move on from difficult situations. They recognise that this may take time so, if appropriate, they can commit funding over a sustained period.

They like to support work which is untried, which has uncertain outcomes and which may be difficult to fund. However, they also give money to practical work which seeks to bring normality and wellbeing into difficult places and situations.

They prefer smaller organisations (with an annual turnover of less than £1 million) which offer direct services and which involve the people they work with in their planning.

There is no maximum or minimum grant amount - grants can take the form of core funding (including salaries and running costs), development funding, project grants or capital grants for buildings or equipment.

They usually make grants over one, two or three years but may work alongside organisations for a longer period. However, they are keen to support a range of groups, including those which are new to the Tudor Trust.

Full Guidelines including exceptions are available on the Tudor Trust website <http://www.tudortrust.org.uk>

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Woodroffe Benton Foundation

This foundation provides grants of up to £2,000 to support the following range of projects:

- Financial assistance - Those in need as a result of disaster or by reason of social and economic circumstances.
- Care - The provision of care for the sick and elderly.
- Conservation and improvement of the environment - With particular emphasis given to projects which seek to provide public access.

Applications will be considered at quarterly meetings held in January, April, July and October; applications must be received three weeks prior to a meeting.

To get more information, call Alan King on 020 8421 4120 or e-mail him at alan.king3@which.net.

Woodland Trust free trees for community groups & schools

The Woodland Trust is offering up to 250 tree planting packs to suit different groups, from youth clubs to community projects.

The packs are designed to help groups to plant more trees, hedges and copses in their local shared spaces.

Packs are available in two sizes:

105 trees – Planting as a hedge/copse

420 trees - Planting on roughly an acre of land (with canes and spirals)

They come in 4 different varieties:

- Year-round colour - beautiful views in every season;
- Wood fuel - keep the log fires burning!
- Jams, jellies, chutneys and cordials - treats to eat;
- Wildlife - provide new homes for our native wildlife

Groups can apply for packs now to plant this autumn.

See <http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/en/plant-trees/help-advice/Pages/trees-for-communities.aspx> to get more information.

International

European Language Learning Competitions

Linguistic diversity is a fact of life in Europe, and the European Union is committed to preserving and promoting this key feature of European culture. This is why the promotion of language learning and linguistic diversity is an objective of the European Commission's Lifelong Learning Programme, and this new Call for Proposals has been launched to contribute to achieving this objective.

Funding is being made available in order to organise two competitions, one in 2011 and one in 2012, for short audiovisual productions aimed at the promotion of language learning, with a focus on the benefits of Europe's linguistic and cultural diversity.

Organisations working in the audiovisual production, advertising and emerging media sectors, such as schools in the field of audiovisual arts and advertising, are invited to develop, manage and coordinate the competitions. Up to €500,000 is available, for up to 75% of the total eligible costs, to cover both competitions.

The competitions should involve the largest possible number of participants and must result in a minimum of 100 submitted applications per competition. From these submitted applications, a minimum of 15 short audiovisual and/or emerging media productions per year have to be selected. These selected productions have to be capable of reaching a large number of citizens covering the broad spectrum of European society.

Students, teachers and professionals participating in the competitions should be made aware of the potential of multilingualism to represent the diversity of cultures in the European Union. The participation of the selected audiovisual productions in the renowned PRIX EUROPA Festival represents the highlight in the dissemination and exploitation of the project results, and it is expected that PRIX EUROPA will be closely involved in the key actions of the competition.

The deadline for submissions is 30 September 2010. To get more details, please see http://www.eia.org.uk/view_calls.php?id=192&PHPSESSID=1bbc93026e0ec4cf42c352133ccf8e2b.

Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation

The Foundation's aim is to develop good relations between the United Kingdom and Japan by advancing the education of the people of both nations in each other's culture, society and achievements.

It seeks to promote mutual understanding and cooperation through financial support for activities in the following fields:

- Arts & Culture
- Humanities and Social Issues
- Japanese Language
- Medicine & Health Science
- Technology and Environment
- Sport
- Youth and Education

Whilst encouraging applications in each of the above fields, the Foundation particularly wishes to support activities/projects in science & technology; medicine & health; environment & social issues; Japanese studies; and in the Japanese language.

The Foundation's awards are intended to provide "pump priming" and not core funding of projects, but even small grants have enabled a wide range of projects to reach fruition, such as:

- Visits between the UK and Japan by academics, professionals, creative artists, teachers, young people, journalists and representatives of civic and non-governmental organisations
- Research and collaborative studies, seminars, workshops, lectures and publications in academic and specialist fields
- Teaching and development of Japanese language and cultural studies in schools, Further Education colleges and universities
- Exhibitions, performances and creative productions by artists, musicians, filmmakers, writers and theatre groups

All applications should be made on the form provided by the Foundation. There is a strong preference for emailed applications and an email form will be sent on request. An online application form is also available on this website for all UK applications.

Deadlines for meetings where funding will be allocated are as follows:

- December 15th for a decision in early March;
- March 31st for a decision by the end of May;
- August 31st for a decision in early November.

For more information, go to <http://www.gbsf.org.uk/>.

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Improving rights of victims of crime and violence

About 30 million serious crimes in the EU are reported annually. The EU supports cooperation to bring criminals to justice, but what happens to the millions of crime victims?

The European Commission has launched a public consultation on how victims are protected, what kind of support they receive and whether any improvements are needed.

The Commission will use the results when it prepares a comprehensive package of rules and practical measures to be proposed in the first half of 2011. The Commission wants the package to support victims throughout the justice process and beyond, protecting them both the offender and from further distress during proceedings, ensuring that their rights are respected during trials and giving them the support they need to recover.

The consultation is open until 30 September 2010 and will cover victims' needs in 5 areas: recognition, protection, support, access to justice and compensation.

The Commission especially wants to hear from citizens and organisations, associations, bodies, institutions and experts who deal with victims' issues either on a local or international level.

The Public Consultation is available at:

http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/news/consulting_public/news_consulting_0053_en.htm.

INTERREG Future Calls for Proposals

Future calls for INTERREG programmes have been announced as follows:

- Interreg IVA 2 Seas Programme (France-England-Flanders-Netherlands) - the 7th Call for proposals opens on 19 November 2010 and closes on 21 January 2011. Further calls for 2011 are due to be announced in the autumn.
- Interreg IVA Channel Programme (France-England) - the next deadlines for pre-project submissions are 13 September 2010 and 7 February 2011 with full applications required by 11 October 2010 and 7 March 2011 respectively.
- Interreg IVB North West Europe Programme (parts of the UK, Ireland, Belgium, France, the Netherlands, Germany, Luxembourg and Switzerland): The next call for proposals will be open from 3 to 24 September 2010.
- Interreg IVC Programme (EU27): The 4th call for proposals has not yet been announced.

For information about these programmes, please see:

The 2 Seas Programme: www.interreg4a-2mers.eu

The Channel Programme: www.interreg3.com

The IVB Programme: <http://www.nweurope.org/>

The IVC Programme: <http://i4c.eu/>

Interreg IVA 2 Seas South East facilitator contact details

The '2 Seas' maritime cross-border INTERREG programme, which is financed through the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), enables cooperation between regional and local organisations from the Channel coastal territories of Northern France, England, Belgium (Flanders) and the Netherlands (Western areas).

The areas in England that are eligible to participate as lead partners are Norfolk CC, Suffolk CC, Southend-on-Sea, Thurrock, Essex CC, Brighton and Hove, East Sussex CC, West Sussex CC, Portsmouth, Southampton, Hampshire CC, Isle of Wight, Medway Towns, Kent CC, Bournemouth and Poole, Dorset CC, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly CC, Plymouth, Torbay and Devon CC.

The programme supports projects in which these authorities are invited to develop the competitiveness and sustainable growth potential of the programme area's maritime and non-maritime assets, through building and advancing partnerships of cross-border cooperation.

Anita Bungaroo has been appointed to the role of Interreg IVA 2 Seas Facilitator for the South East.

Her contact details are:

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Telephone number: 07738302442

She is happy to speak to organisations who may be potentially interested in the Interreg IVA 2 Seas programme and is willing to discuss any questions that you might have by telephone or e-mail.

LLP - Transversal Programme

This programme aims to support activities that focus on language learning and innovation in ICT and also study visits.

The second round application form is now available, inviting applications for study visits taking place between March and June 2011. Deadline for responses: 15 October 2010.

Look at http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/llp/structure/transversal_en.html for more details.

Youth in Action Funding for Partnerships

Youth in Action aims to support the development of partnerships notably with regional or local bodies to:

encourage their involvement in European youth and non-formal education activities;

- support their capacity building as bodies active in the youth field providing non-formal education opportunities to young people and youth workers;
- promote the development of sustainable networks, the exchange of best practices as well as the recognition of non-formal education.

Maximum grant amount available per project is €100k, 50% co-financing of project costs is needed.

Deadline for submissions is 8th October 2010. To get more information, please see <http://syfab.org.uk/fundingnews/2010/06/28/youth-in-action-call-youth-support-systems-partnerships/>.

Youth Worker Mobility and exchanges

The objectives of the Call for Proposals are as follows:

- to give youth workers the opportunity to experience a different working reality in another country;
- to gain a better understanding of the European dimension of youth work;
- to improve youth workers' professional, intercultural and language competences;
- to promote the exchange of experiences and approaches to youth work and non-formal education in Europe;
- to contribute to developing stronger and more quality partnerships between youth organisations across Europe;
- to strengthen the quality and the role of youth work in Europe.

Maximum grant amount is €25k per project. Deadline is 22/10/10. See <http://euroalert.net/en/calls.aspx?idc=1931> for further details.

Funding Diary

| Fund | Deadline |
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| August 2010 | |
| PRS Awards to Festivals | 09/08/2010 |
| PRS Awards to Organisations | 09/08/2010 |
| PRS Awards to Promoters | 09/08/2010 |
| PRS Awards to Performance Groups | 09/08/2010 |
| PRS for Music Foundation – Awards for New Works | 09/08/2010 |
| SITA Trust Enhancing Communities Small Grants Programme | 09/08/2010 |
| SITA Trust Young Person's Volunteering Fund | 09/08/2010 |
| AHF – Grants for Building Preservation Trusts | 12/08/2010 |
| Spark | 13/08/2010 |
| The Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust | 15/08/2010 |
| Get Connected Investment Project Cycle 2 | 20/08/2010 |
| Mini Mediabox | 23/08/2010 |
| eaga Charitable Trust | 27/08/2010 |
| Shell Springboard Fund | 27/08/2010 |
| Eranda Foundation | 31/08/2010 |
| Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation | 31/08/2010 |
| The Leche Trust | 31/08/2010 |
| May Gurney Fund | 31/08/2010 |
| PRS Foundation: British Music Abroad | 31/08/2010 |
| Radcliff Trust Music Grant | 31/08/2010 |
| Will Charitable Trust – Cancer care | 31/08/2010 |
| Will Charitable Trust – Conservation | 31/08/2010 |
| September 2010 | |
| Europe for Citizens - Thematic Networking of Twinned Towns | 01/09/2010 |
| Europe for Citizens - Town Twinning citizens meetings | 01/09/2010 |
| Youth in Action National Projects | 01/09/2010 |
| Youth in Action European Projects | 01/09/2010 |
| Disabled Entrepreneur Award 2010 | 03/09/2010 |
| Hilden Charitable Fund | 03/09/2010 |
| Alcohol Education and Research Council Development and Research Grants | 03/09/2010 |
| Comic Relief - Sport for change | 03/09/2010 |
| Access to Volunteering | 06/09/2010 |
| Hedley Foundation | 06/09/2010 |
| Rowing Foundation | 06/09/2010 |
| UnLtd Level 2 Awards | 06/09/2010 |
| V cashpoint | 06/09/2010 |
| Woodroffe Benton Foundation | 06/09/2010 |
| Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust | 07/09/2010 |
| Henry Moore Foundation | 08/09/2010 |
| South East Coast NHS - Living Well with Dementia | 09/09/2010 |
| DSC: Social Change Awards | 10/09/2010 |
| Harold Hyam Wingate Foundation | 10/09/2010 |
| Youth Music | 10/09/2010 |
| Awards for Bridging Cultures | 13/09/2010 |
| Interreg IVA Channel Programme pre-project submissions | 13/09/2010 |
| Skinners' Company Lady Neville Charity | 13/09/2010 |
| Culture 2007 Programme | 15/09/2010 |

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| Polden-Puckham Charitable Foundation | 15/09/2010 |
| The Philip Lawrence Awards | 15/09/2010 |
| Community Wildlife | 22/09/2010 |
| GlaxoSmithKline: IMPACT Awards | 24/09/2010 |
| Idlewild Trust | 24/09/2010 |
| BUPA Foundation - Philip Poole-Wilson Seed Corn Fund | 30/09/2010 |
| Church and Community Fund | 30/09/2010 |
| Department of Health Funding for Children's Palliative Care | 30/09/2010 |
| European Language Learning Competitions | 30/09/2010 |
| Help the Homeless | 30/09/2010 |
| HLF/English Heritage Repair Grants for Places of Worship | 30/09/2010 |
| Ulverscroft Foundation | 30/09/2010 |
| October 2010 | |
| Europa Nostra Awards | 01/10/2010 |
| Fidelio Charitable Trust | 01/10/2010 |
| Unlimited | 01/10/2010 |
| Winston Churchill Memorial Trust Travelling Fellowship Programme | 05/10/2010 |
| E.ON Sustainable Energy Fund | 08/10/2010 |
| Youth in Action Funding for Partnerships | 08/10/2010 |
| Interreg IVA Channel Programme | 11/10/2010 |
| SITA Trust Enhancing Communities Small Grants Programme | 11/10/2010 |
| SITA Trust Young Person's Volunteering Fund | 11/10/2010 |
| Children in Need | 15/10/2010 |
| LLP - Transversal Programme | 15/10/2011 |
| PRS Awards to Festivals | 15/10/2010 |
| PRS Awards to Organisations | 15/10/2010 |
| PRS Awards to Performance Groups | 15/10/2010 |
| PRS Awards to Promoters | 15/10/2010 |
| PRS for Music Foundation – Awards for New Works | 15/10/2010 |
| Groundswell's Grant Award Scheme | 15/10/2010 |
| Friends Provident Foundation | 22/10/2010 |
| Youth Worker Mobility and exchanges | 22/10/2010 |
| Ashden Awards | 26/10/2010 |
| Veolia Environment Trust | 27/10/2010 |
| AHF – Grants for Building Preservation Trusts | 28/10/2010 |
| Community Sustainable Energy Programme | 29/10/2010 |
| Wellcome Trust – Arts Awards | 29/10/2010 |
| BFWG Charitable Foundation – Theodora Bosanquet Busary | 31/10/2010 |
| Concertina | 31/10/2010 |
| November 2010 | |
| Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust | 01/11/2010 |
| Hedley Foundation | 01/11/2010 |
| ScottishPower Energy People Trust | 01/11/2010 |
| Youth in Action National Projects | 01/11/2010 |
| Shell Springboard Fund | 05/11/2010 |
| Hilton in the Community | 09/11/2010 |
| The Weavers Company Benevolent Fund | 12/11/2010 |
| Interreg IVA 2 Seas Programme | 19/11/2010 |
| People's Trust UK Mammals Grants | 22/11/2010 |
| Community Wildlife | 24/11/2010 |
| SITA Trust Enhancing Communities Large Grants Programme | 29/11/2010 |
| December 2010 | |
| Rowing Foundation | 01/12/2010 |

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| Macmillan Helping You Help Others Grant | 02/12/2010 |
| Woodroffe Benton Foundation | 06/12/2010 |
| Harold Hyam Wingate Foundation | 10/12/2010 |
| Youth Music | 10/12/2010 |
| Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation | 15/12/2010 |
| Church and Community Fund | 31/12/2010 |
| Help the Homeless | 31/12/2010 |
| The Health Work and Well-Being Challenge Fund | 31/12/2010 |
| The Leche Trust | 31/12/2010 |
| Ulverscroft Foundation | 31/12/2010 |
| January 2011 | |
| Hedley Foundation | 03/01/2011 |
| EcoMinds – Medium Grants | 08/01/2011 |
| INTERREG IVA | 21/01/2011 |
| High Weald Sustainable Development Fund | 31/01/2011 |
| Community Spaces | 31/01/2011 |
| Heroes Return 2 | 31/01/2011 |
| Marine Communities Fund | 31/01/2011 |
| February 2011 | |
| Interreg IVA Channel Programme pre-project submissions | 07/02/2011 |
| The Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust | 15/02/2011 |
| Hedley Foundation | 21/02/2011 |
| March 2011 | |
| Interreg IVA Channel Programme submissions | 07/03/2011 |
| Youth Music | 10/03/2011 |
| Skinners' Company Lady Neville Charity | 11/03/2011 |
| The Weavers Company Benevolent Fund | 11/03/2011 |
| Bio-energy Capital Grants Scheme | 31/03/2011 |
| Development Innovation Fund | 31/03/2011 |
| Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation | 31/03/2011 |
| April 2011 | |
| Woodroffe Benton Foundation | 07/04/2011 |
| Unlimited | 18/04/2011 |
| Hedley Foundation | 25/04/2011 |
| The Leche Trust | 30/04/2011 |
| June 2011 | |
| Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust | 01/06/2011 |
| Woodroffe Benton Foundation | 06/06/2011 |
| Hedley Foundation | 27/06/2011 |
| July 2011 | |
| The Weavers Company Benevolent Fund | 15/07/2011 |
| August 2011 | |
| The Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust | 15/08/2011 |
| Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation | 31/08/2011 |
| The Leche Trust | 31/08/2011 |

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| Open | |
| A B Charitable Trust | |
| ACT Foundation | |
| Alcohol Education and Research Council Small Grants | |
| Al Fayed Charitable Trust | |
| Allen Lane Foundation | |
| ASDA Foundation | |

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| Awards for All |
| Barrow Cadbury Trust |
| B&Q Waste Donation Scheme |
| The Britannia Foundation |
| BRIT Trust |
| Boost Charitable Trust |
| Bromley Trust |
| Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation Innovation Fund |
| C Charitable Trust |
| Childwick Trust |
| CHK Charities |
| Clothworkers' Foundation |
| Crash Support Scheme |
| DFID Community Linking Programme |
| Disabled Facilities Grants |
| D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust |
| Drink Aware Grant |
| Dulverton Trust |
| English Heritage |
| Equitable Charitable Trust |
| European Youth Foundation Pilot Projects |
| Faiths in Action |
| Four Acre Trust |
| Fuserna Foundation |
| Gardening for Disabled Trust |
| Google Grants |
| Groundswell Grant Award Scheme |
| H.B. Allen Charitable Trust |
| Help the Hospices Emergency Grants Programme |
| Help the Hospices - Professional Development |
| Henry Smith Charity |
| J Paul Getty Jnr Charitable Trust |
| John Ellerman Foundation |
| Lawrence Atwell's Charity |
| Links Foundation |
| Lloyds TSB Foundation for England |
| Manifold Charitable Trust |
| M&S |
| Mini Mediabox |
| National Churches Trust |
| New Look Foundation |
| Noel Buxton Trust |
| Mustard Seed Programme |
| O2 "Think Big" |
| Paul Hamlyn Foundation |
| People's Postcode Trust |
| Peter Cruddas Foundation |
| Porticus UK |
| RDPE LEADER Programme |
| Reaching Communities |
| Rowing Foundation |
| Royal British Legion External Grants Scheme |
| Rye Fund |

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| Sir Cliff Richard Charitable Trust |
| Sportsmatch England |
| The Archer Trust |
| The Hedley Foundation |
| The Nationwide Foundation - Small Grants |
| The Naturesave Trust: Community Renewable Energy Grants |
| The Yapp Charitable Trust |
| Torch Trophy Trust Bursaries |
| Trusthouse Fund |
| Tudor Trust |
| UK Film Council's Film Fund |
| UnLtd Sport Relief Do it Award |
| Wakeham Trust |
| WH Smith Trust |