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The Big Impact in Kent



The Big Lottery Fund has announced the details of first 50 local neighbourhoods to be targeted via the new Big Impact Fund.

Two areas in Kent will be eligible for support **Dartford** (Tree Estate and Town Centre) and **Gravesham** (an area of Northfleet North).

Funding has been targeted at neighbourhoods where people face multiple barriers to meeting their needs, and which have not had a great success traditionally in gaining access to government and lottery cash.

Each targeted area will receive between them £1m-£2m over the next 10 years. Funding can be used to address local needs and enable people to make their communities better places to live, now and in the future (local priorities have yet to be determined).

Initially funding will be held centrally by the Big Local Trust (yet to be established) who will work with local partnerships to establish neighbourhood level distribution mechanisms.

However, it will be some time before grants to local projects are allocated? The national Big Impact Trust will be established by the end of June 2011, and funding to local projects will probably come on stream by the end of 2011. A further 50 areas will be selected in the next 12-18 months possibly based on a different set of criteria e.g. rural areas. **Further information:**

Internet: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_biglocaltrust

For further information on national, regional and local funding:
Martyn Riley, External Funding Officer, Chief Executives Department, KCC
Tel: 01622 694384; Email: martyn.riley@kent.gov.uk

Kent4Community

Free searches on-line for government, lottery and trust funding schemes
www.kent.gov.uk/community_and_living/external_funding/search_for_grants.aspx



Comic Relief small grants criteria 2010-11



There are still many communities in the UK that suffer from economic and social deprivation. This programme aims to enable local people to create lasting change in their communities. Projects should be run by people directly affected by the issues they are dealing with and priority will be given to small, locally based groups in areas of disadvantage that have a clear understanding of the needs of their community.

What Type of Projects? - While groups will be using a range of activities we specifically want 50% of the available funds to go to sports projects. The remaining funding will support community groups running projects that

- Increase local services
- Builds skills of local people
- Increase community cohesion
- Work with older people or LGBT groups

How much can you apply for? - Kent Community Foundation has £48,000 to distribute during 2010-11 in grants of between £1,000 - £10,000 to projects in Kent and Medway.

Exclusions of those who cannot receive the grant:

- To individuals;
- To statutory organisations, including schools;
- To fund trips abroad;
- To fund mini-buses or other community transport schemes (not including transport costs forming a project);
- To fund building costs, including access adaptations to buildings

Closing date for applications will be 12 September 2010

Tel: 01303 814500; Email: admin@kentcf.org.uk; Internet: www.kentcf.org.uk/



KCC Funding Contacts

The following are contacts within Kent County Council who can offer funding advice.



Children's Families and Education	Project funding in educational settings	cfe.externalfunding@kent.gov.uk
Mark Reeves	Funding support & advice in community based projects. KCC Village and Community Halls Grants	mark.reeves@kent.gov.uk
Martyn Riley	Funding from the National Lottery. General enquiries	externalfunding@kent.gov.uk 01622 694384
Chris Metherell	Capital funding for sports facilities	chris.metherell@kent.gov.uk
Shirley Smith	European funding	shirley.smith@kent.gov.uk
Gail Brown	Non-profit art projects, activities & organisations	gail.brown@kent.gov.uk
Community Engagement Managers (CEMs)	KCC Member Community Grant Scheme and KCC Small Community Capital Projects Scheme	To find your CEM please email: communityliaisoninkent@kent.gov.uk
Katherine Stephens	Health and Social Care and the VCS working with older people and adults with disabilities.	Katherine.stephens@kent.gov.uk

Which ONE?

Please find below a quick guide to the types of funding schemes covered in this edition of Inside Track and its relevance to you

Programme	VCS	S/E	LAs	PCTs	FG	SEnt	IND	Page
Big Local (Dartford & Gravesham only)	✓				✓	✓		1
Cerebra Grants							✓	13
Comic Relief Small Grants	✓							2
CSEP	✓	✓				✓		10
David and Elaine Potter Foundation	✓							3
Grassroots Grants	✓							8
Idlewild Trust	✓ *							7
Inter Faith Youth Trust	✓					✓		12
Little Cheyne Court Wind Farm Fund	✓							8
Nationwide Foundation Small Grants	✓ *							3
Percy Bilton Charity	✓						✓	14
Princes Countryside Fund	✓							14
Shell Springboard		✓						7
The Brook Fund Trust	✓							9
The National Churches Trust					✓ ***			13
Tudor Trust	✓							12
Unlimited Commissions	✓						✓	5
Youth in Focus	✓	✓ **	✓ **	✓ **	✓ **	✓		12

VCS = Voluntary Sector	S/E = Schools/Education	LA = Local Authorities	FG = Faith Groups
PCT = Health Authorities	SEnt = Social Enterprises	IND = Individuals	

* Charities only ** As partners *** Christian denomination only



Nationwide Foundation Small Grants



The Foundation offers small grants to charities offering support to address housing issues and homelessness among vulnerable groups.

There are two priority groups:

- Survivors of domestic abuse to help them live independently and achieve improved quality of life
- Older people with their housing needs

Priority will be given to applications who: engage families of beneficiaries; Offer support to both target groups and groups working in deprived areas. Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities with incomes of under £500,000. **Further information:**

Internet: www.nationwidefoundation.org.uk/

The David and Elaine Potter Foundation

Supports projects world-wide with a leaning towards South Africa. Will consider: general or core funding; specific programme grants; small lead gifts for innovative, new or enhanced programmes; challenge gifts to encourage the participation of other donors; and one-time and short-term gifts to sustain a programme until its long-term funding is realised.

Five main areas of interest are: Civil society; Human rights; Education; Research and the Arts.

The Foundation strongly prefers to fund strategically; for capacity building, to 'grow' a specific charity or area of interest, or to leverage additional support for an organisation. **Further information:**

Internet: www.potterfoundation.com



Kent Successes: Awards for All



Four Kent based groups will receive grants from the latest allocation of funding by the Lottery Awards for All scheme.

One of the successful bidders: Ryarsh Parochial Church Council are to receive £8,000 to refurbish the existing toilet facilities to include a disabled toilet and baby changing facilities. This will allow the church hall to increase its usage by the wider community including young mothers and disabled visitors.

Organisation	Area	£
Canterbury & District Ethnic Minority Independent Council	Canterbury	8,000
The Summer School	Gravesham	3,811
African Caribbean Forum	Gravesham	8,000
Ryarsh Parochial Church Council	Tonbridge and Malling	8,400

Did you know?

In 2009-10 the Lottery funded Grant for the Arts scheme allocated £1,863,294 to 45 artists, projects and activities in Kent

Councils for Voluntary Service in Kent

The following are organisations within Kent who can offer fundraising support to voluntary and community groups including advice and on-going project support.



Kent CVSS	Action with Communities in Rural Kent Covers: Rural Kent	Tel: 01303 813790 Email: info@ruralkent.org.uk Internet: www.ruralkent.org.uk/
	CASE Kent Covers: Ashford, Shepway, Dover and Thanet	Ashford – Tel: 01233 610171 Email: Ashford@CASEKent.org.uk Dover – Tel: 01304 240090 Email: Dover@CASEKent.org.uk Thanet – Tel: 01843 588780 Email: thanet@casekent.org.uk Internet: www.CASEKent.org.uk
	Canterbury District Voluntary Action and Support	Tel: 01227 452381 Email: info@cadvas.org Internet: www.cadvas.org
	Voluntary Action Maidstone	Tel: 01622 677337 Email: volunteers@vam-online.org.uk Internet: www.vam-online.org.uk/
	NW Kent CVS Covers: Dartford, Gravesham, Swanley	Tel: 01474 354479 Email: main@nwkcvs.org Internet: www.cvsnwk.org
	Swale CVS & Volunteer Centre	Sittingbourne – Tel: 01795 473828 Faversham – Tel: 01795 591015 Sheppey – 01795 473828 Email: office@swalecvs.co.uk Internet: www.swalecvs.org.uk/
	Voluntary Action Within Kent Covers: Tonbridge & Malling, Tunbridge Wells, Sevenoaks (not Swanley)	Tel: 01892 530330 Email: info@vawk.org.uk Internet: www.vawk.org.uk

Watch4 – Funding Programmes due to be launched



This is a selective list of funding programmes scheduled to be launched in the coming months

Programme	Background	Launch
Arts Council England	Grants for the arts; Regularly funded organisations; Fixed term funding; Proactive funding; Capital funding programme	Mid 2011
BIG: Financial Capability and Social Housing	£30m scheme for social housing providers to help their most vulnerable residents to manage their finances	Mid 2010
BIG: Community Buildings	A grant scheme to fund capital development in community facilities	Autumn 2010
BIG Impact	Targeted funding at a further 50 specific disadvantaged areas (criteria unclear at this stage)	Early 2011
BIG: Youth in Focus	£30m scheme to support young carers, people leaving care and young offenders	Sep 2010
Charity Bank: Building Works PFI	Launch	2010
Communities First	Government funded scheme offering start up funding for community groups in disadvantaged parts of the country	Autumn 2010
Dormant Bank Accounts (Big Society Bank)	Mostly targeted at a Big Society Bank offering loans to charities, voluntary sector and social enterprises	April 2011
Overstone Trust	Reducing crime by broadening the horizons of disadvantaged inner city children through countryside & musical experiences	Autumn 2010
Regional Growth Fund	Funding for sub-national economic growth focusing on private sector enterprise & areas dependent on the public sector	Dec 2010
Rosa	Supports economic justice, health & well-being, leadership and safety projects exclusively for women & girls	Summer 2010
Royal Society: Partnership Grants	Opens	6 Sep 2010
Sport England: Inclusive Communities	£8m scheme aimed for people with disabilities	Oct 2010
Sport England: Innovation Fund	£10m scheme investing in innovative projects capable of transforming the places where we play or take part in sport	Dec 2010
Sport England: Sustainable Facilities	£10m scheme supporting innovative projects capable of transforming the places where we play or take part in sport	26 Oct 2010
Sports Facilities	Utilising cash in dormant betting accounts to improve local sports facilities and support sports clubs	Late 2011
UK Film Fund: Innovation Fund	Next round opens	Autumn 2010
Unlimited Level 2 Awards	Opens for EO1	6 Aug 2010
VCap Fund	New investment between £50-150,000 in social enterprises	Summer 2010

Unlimited Commissions



Unlimited Commissions is a £1.5m commission fund to support the production of quality work by disabled and deaf artists, and disabled and deaf led arts organisations. Applications must reflect the core values of the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad and meet the standard assessment criteria for Grants for the Arts applications. The remaining deadlines are: Round two: 1 October 2010; Round three: 18 April 2011. **Further information:**

Internet: www.artscouncil.org.uk/

Grants schemes funded by the National Lottery
(Schemes currently open to application)



Programme	Background	Deadline
Big Lottery Fund		
Awards for All	Grants £300-£10,000 for projects that improve communities, and the lives of people within them	Ongoing
Community Spaces	Offers small and medium grants to help community groups create/improve green, open spaces to enhance people's quality of life (Tel: 0845 3671 671)	Jan 2011
Community Wildlife	Grants £300-£10,000 to improve rural or urban environments for people to enjoy and help get people more active and healthier	22 Sept 2010
CSEP	Offers capital and project development grants to community organisations to reduce their energy bills and environmental impacts (Tel: 0845 3671 671)	29 Oct 2010
Reaching Communities	Grants £10,001-£500,000 for projects that help people and communities who are most in need and deliver activities which can make a difference	Ongoing
Youth in Focus	Grants £500,000-£1m to support vulnerable young people (carers, leaving care, leaving youth offenders' institutions) through difficult life changes	30 Nov 2010
Tel: 0845 410 2030; www.biglotteryfund.org.uk		
Heritage Lottery Fund		
Heritage Grants	Grants of £50,000 or more for projects that relate to local, regional or national heritage	Ongoing
Hidden Histories	Grants up to £10,000 to support projects focusing on heritage stories that have been lost, forgotten or untold	Ongoing
Landscape Partnerships	Grants £250,000- £2m enabling local partnerships to address the needs of these landscapes by promoting heritage conservation	28 Feb 2011
Parks for People	Grants £250,000-£5m supports the regeneration of existing public parks, garden squares, walks and promenades	31 Aug 2010
Townscape Heritage	Grants £500,000-£2m for partnership projects aimed at the regeneration of the historic environment in towns and cities	30 Nov 2010
Young Roots	Grants £3,000-£25,000 for groups working with young people (13-25 yrs) developing projects helping them to be actively involved in the heritage	Ongoing
Your Heritage	Grants £3,000-£50,000 for original and exciting projects that help people to learn about, look after and celebrate heritage	Ongoing
Tel: 020 7591 6000; Email: enquire@hlf.org.uk; www.hlf.org.uk/		
Arts Council England		
Grants for the Arts	Supports individuals, arts organisations and others in activities that engage people in the arts or help artists/arts organisations carry out their work	Ongoing
www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/		
Sport England		
Small Grants	Grants £300-£10,000 to support local community sport projects that increase/sustain participation or develop opportunities to excel in sport	Ongoing
Tel: 08458 508 508; www.sportengland.org/funding.aspx		
UK Film Council		
Film Council	Supports a range of programmes such as the: Film Fund; Innovation Fund; Prints and Advertising Fund and a Digital Innovation in Distribution scheme	Ongoing
First Light	Funding aimed at enabling young people to realise their potential via creative digital film and media project (0121 224 7511)	Ongoing
Screen South	Locally targeted support aimed at the film industry in the South East including an Exhibition Fund and RIFE Production & Development scheme	Ongoing
www.ukfilmcouncil.org.uk/funding		

Kent VCS Funding & Training Events Timetable

Local Events	Location	Date	Contact
VAWK: An Introduction to Effective Fundraising (1 day)	T. Wells	11 Aug	Email: diane.brenham@vawk.org.uk
VAM: Tendering – nuts and bolts (1 day)	Maidstone	7 Sep	Email: natalie.smith@vam-online.org.uk
CaDVAS: The Accidental Fundraiser (1 day)	Herne Bay	8 Sept	Email: sue@cadvas.org
VAM: Campaigning for Change (1 day)	Maidstone	5 Oct	Email: natalie.smith@vam-online.org.uk
VAM: Assertiveness	Maidstone	9 Nov	Email: natalie.smith@vam-online.org.uk
CaDVAS: Diversifying Your Income (½ day)	Canterbury	17 Nov	Email: sue@cadvas.org

Check with your local CVS to find out what other training they can offer you and your community group (contact details on page 4).

Shell Springboard



Shell Springboard provides financial support to innovative, low carbon business ideas. They are offering a financial boost of up to £40,000 for a small number of UK businesses who submit the most compelling plans for a product or service which helps combat climate change.

The programme is open to businesses, community interest companies (including university or government spin-outs). Businesses must have been running for a minimum of three months and must have SME status (small and medium enterprise). The deadline for application is 5 November 2010. **Further information:**

Internet: www.shellspringboard.org/

Gift Aid Reform



Charity and Treasury representatives will put together proposals in time for the next Budget; they are considering three main options for Gift Aid reform.

The first would involve no significant changes to the Gift Aid system, but a simplification of its administration. The second would involve a composite rate: all donations would get a higher rate of relief, but donors who paid higher rates of income tax would no longer be able to claim any personal tax relief. The third would involve a composite rate, but with an exemption for major donors.

The report will be presented in draft form at the next meeting of the Forum on 9 September, and finalised by the end of the month. (Source: Third Sector news)

Idlewild Trust



Provides grants of up to £5,000 to registered charities who are concerned with the advancement of education; the encouragement of the performing and fine arts; and the preservation for the benefit of the public of lands, buildings and other objects of beauty or historic interest.

This funder does not usually consider local projects but will fund projects if the artistic significance of the project is thought to be of more than local importance. Next deadline for bids is 24 September 2010.

Further information:

Tel: 020 8772 3155; **Internet:** www.idlewildtrust.org.uk



Members Grants



Funding Opportunities in Dartford

Members Community Grants are available until the funding runs out. £10,000 is available throughout the year from the elected members for Dartford. This money can fund just about anything and has over the years has funded; marketing and training costs, youth and educational related events, travel costs to compete in a sports competition, reminiscence project and a community safety programme.

Local Schemes funding in Dartford has covered a variety of projects over the years: ranging from purchase of leaflets, travel costs, paying for staffing for short-term projects and a community allotment programme.

SCCP funding has been used to provide funding for a variety of refurbishment projects in community halls and community facilities, purchasing items of equipment and refurbishment of a children's play area. Members devolved budgets have been used to cover just about anything you can think of that contributes community benefit.

The deadline for Small Community Capital Project and Local Schemes grants for 2010-11 is Thursday 30 September. Contact Kayley Phillips for more information and to arrange a discussion.

Further information:

Email: kayley.phillips@kent.gov.uk

Swanscombe and Greenhithe You Decide Grant Voting Day Event Mr Richard Lees

A scheme that allows local people to vote on who should receive a community grant.

Project proposals are invited from not-for-profit community or voluntary groups based in the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area for projects that will add value and not replaces services that should be provided through mainstream budgets.

At least one member of your group must attend the 23rd October 2010 You Decide Grant Voting Day at the Greenhithe Community Centre, Alexander Road, Greenhithe, DA9 9HH from 1-4pm and present your proposal to local residents who will vote on your project.

Grants of between £250-£1,000.

The deadline for applications in this area is 30 September 2010. **Further information and an application form from:**

Email: kayley.phillips@kent.gov.uk



Grassroots Grants



Grassroots Grants are still available across Kent and Medway

Grassroots grants of up to **£5,000** are still available to help volunteer led community groups with income below **£30,000** per annum. **We hope to award all money by the end of September 2010.** You should hear the result of your application within **three weeks** once we have received a complete bid.

This grant is open to any community group which should: - have been active for a year; have a constitution. Groups could be, amongst others: Older people or actively retired; Running a village hall or community centre; A parent and toddler or youth group

Awards can be used for many purposes which might include: Purchase of equipment (Judo mats, PCs, camping equipment etc. Recreational equipment; One off events that benefit the community and small refurbishment or access projects (Disabled toilet, new floor or furniture). The grant programme will end on **31 March 2011**



Little Cheyne Court Wind Farm Community Fund



This scheme supports community organisations and voluntary groups **based or working within a 7 km radius of the site on Romney Marsh** including **Appledore, Brookland, Brenzett and Lydd.**

A grant of up to £5,000 may be used to support a one-off activity, ongoing activities or for minor capital expenditure. **The next panel meeting will be on 20 October 2010 with a closing date for applications on 29 September**

The Brook Trust Fund



To benefit unpopular or hard to fund causes.

The Brook Trust Small Grants programme, administered by Kent Community Foundation, provides grants to organisations and individuals working to achieve positive social outcomes. Particularly those working in the following areas: the Elderly; Offenders; Women's groups and Parenting.

Organisations that apply need not be registered charities but must demonstrate exclusively charitable objects. Applications may be for activities, projects or equipment. Grants can range from £500 - £5,000. **The closing date for applications is 6 August 2010 the Trustees will meet in September.**

Application forms for each of these grants are straightforward and help is available where needed.

For more information or to apply for any of the above schemes:

Tel: 01303 814500; Email: admin@kentcf.org.uk



Charity Bank Loans



Charity Bank is offering charities and community groups a preferential rate for new loans drawn before the 31st December 2010.

Tonbridge based Charity Bank is a not-for profit bank that offers affordable finance to third sector organisations, including those that might not be able to borrow from commercial lenders.

The preferential rate being offered is a reduction of 0.5%p.a. on its standard interest rate. Interest rates depend on size, type and length of loan but typically vary between 5.5% and 7.5%.

Since 1995 Charity Bank has made loans of £120m to over 830 charities, social enterprises and community groups that reach 3,500,000 people through their work. Recent Kent loans include:

- **Martha Trust** (see picture above) provides homes for children and adults with profound disabilities in Kent and East Sussex. Charity Bank loans will increase the number of residential and respite care places the charity can offer.
- **Folkestone Sports Centre** provides an affordable and diverse range of activities to its visitors, including unconventional pursuits such as dry-slope skiing and skateboarding. The Charity Bank loan has enabled the centre to undertake a large scale renovation project.

For more details, or to see if loan finance is right for your organisation please contact Charity Bank's loan team on **01732 774050** or visit **www.charitybank.org/loans**. For details of Charity Bank's savings accounts visit **www.charitybank.org/savings**.



Community Sustainable Energy Programme (CSEP)



This Lottery funded programme offers grants to help community-based organisations in England to reduce their energy bills and environmental impact, as well as raising public awareness of climate change and how to tackle it. Two types of grant are available: Capital and Project Development:

- **Capital** - The maximum Capital Grant available is £50,000 or 50% of the project cost (whichever is lower).
- **Project Development** - The maximum Project Development Grant available is £5,000 or 75% of the project cost (whichever is lower).

Capital Grants are available for the purchase and installation of any of the technologies (inc. Solar photovoltaics; Solar thermal; hot water; Wind turbines; Ground source heat pumps/air source heat pumps). As well as energy efficiency measures. (inc. cavity wall insulation, loft insulation, heating and lighting controls). Applicants should be non-for-profit community-based organisations (inc. charities, parish councils; schools). The next and final deadline for capital grants will be 29 October 2010. **Further information:**

Internet: www.communitysustainable.org.uk/



Report: Funding for Community sport (Dormant Betting Accounts)



The coalition government has commissioned a report to investigate how to release funds lying within dormant betting accounts and other unclaimed winnings and how any of the resources released could be used to improve public sports facilities and clubs. The report will involve determining how a betting account can be classified as "dormant" and the legal ramifications surrounding the use of this money. Determining the legal rights of any claimants and procedures for customers to reclaim their money.

The report will be submitted in December 2010 along with possible proposals for new legislation. Any legislative proposals will be subject to a formal consultation process. This would suggest that any new fund will not be launched until late 2011 or early 2012 at the earliest.

Proposal: Community Right to Build

The Coalition Government are currently developing proposals to remove restricts on the ability of local communities to develop proposals to build homes, business premises and community facilities. The proposals are intended to:

- Allow communities to get together and take forward developments for new homes, shops and facilities in their area.
- Allow a community organisation to go ahead with development without the need for an application for planning permission, if there is overwhelming community support for the development and minimum criteria are met.

To comment on these proposals and provide details of your own ideas please contact:

Email: righttobuild@communities.gsi.gov.uk;
Internet:
www.communities.gov.uk/righttobuild

Consultation: Further Education and Skills Funding

This consultation document outlines the ways in which the current funding system for post-19 further education and skills can be simplified. Amongst the ideas is a proposal to extend the single budget approach to other currently separate budget lines. For example:

- Single post-19 budget without separate budgets for specific programmes for the unemployed.
- Retaining a separate Adult Safeguarded Learning budget as now or combining it with the new single Adult Learner Responsive and Employer Responsive budget, with or without a safeguard.

Provision funded through other Departments e.g. the Offender Learning and Skills Service (OLASS) would remain outside a single budget approach. **Further information:**

Internet: www.bis.gov.uk/FE-funding-consultation



Consultation: Skills for Sustainable Growth



This consultation document outlines the Government's emerging vision for skills and views are sought under the following headings: A respected and credible training offer; Funding and entitlements; Helping individuals and employers choose the learning they want; Giving colleges and training organisations the freedom to respond; Incentives to train in priority areas; Measuring success

The Government will publish a full strategy for skills after the Spending Review in October 2010, which will set out a clear framework for further education, skills and lifelong learning policy for a five-year government. The deadline for responses is 14 October 2010. **Further information:**

Internet: interactive.bis.gov.uk/comment/skills/



BIG: Youth in Focus



This is a new £30m Big Lottery Fund (Big) programme available to projects that support vulnerable young people through difficult changes in their lives. All projects must target one or more of the groups outlined below:

- **Young carers** - Helping young people between the ages of 10-25 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 10-25, 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 15-25 to develop their life skills and get better access to services, particularly young men with learning difficulties and young women.

Application forms are not yet available but guidance indicates most grants will range between £500,000- £1m. In addition three grants of up to £1.5m will be awarded for England-wide projects that raise national awareness of the issues affecting the young people. They will consider applications for grants less than £500,000 but these are subject to initial discussion and approval by Big. All bids must be led a third sector organisation but applications can and should involve partners from public or private sector organisations with relevant expertise.

Full guidance and application forms will be available in September 2010 with a final deadline date for submissions of the 30 November 2010. Projects will not commence until June 2011 at the earliest.

Further information:

Internet: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_youth_focus.htm



Tudor Trust



One of the largest grant making trusts in the UK

The Tudor Trust supports organisations working across a wide range of fields, these include: Youth; Older people; Community; Relationships; Housing; Mental health; Substance misuse; Learning; Financial security and Criminal justice. They are also willing to listen to proposals related activities not previously funded but which can make a difference to communities.

There is no maximum or minimum grant and the amount funding can be allocated over 1-3 year period. Applicants should be registered charities or other organisations with charitable objectives. **Further information:**

The Tudor Trust Tel: 020 7727 8522;
Email: general@tudortrust.org.uk;
Internet: www.tudortrust.org.uk

Inter Faith Youth Trust



This small grants (£300-£500) programme is aimed at organisations running events in and around Inter Faith Week 2010 - 21-27 November 2010.

Proposals should focus on inter-faith learning by children and young people from Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh and other faiths and those of no formal faith in understanding and co-operation. The age limit for young people is 25. Proposals are preferred which involve young people actively in planning, running, and evaluation, and which promote equal opportunities.

Grants can provide part-funding. Preference is given to non-statutory organisations, such as youth clubs, scout/guide groups, local voluntary and community organisations. An online application form will be available shortly. **Further information:**

Internet: ifyouthtrust.co.uk/



Update: National Citizen Service pilots



The Prime Minister has announced plans for 16 year olds to take part in National Citizen Service (NCS) pilots next summer.

A small number of Government-backed pilots will start in summer 2011 lasting for 7-8 weeks, during June-September. The pilots are expected to offer around 10,000 places, and will each will provide activities such as outdoor challenge, a set of structured tasks involving visiting and helping the local community and developing skills and, in consultation with local communities, designing a social action task.

The pilots will bring people from different backgrounds together in a residential and home-based programme of activity. Participants will spend a minimum of ten days and nights away from home, to give them the opportunity to develop life skills and resilience. The scheme will end in a graduation ceremony for those who successfully complete it. The Government hopes to be able to offer outstanding NCS graduates the opportunity to take part in a programme of social action projects in developing countries. The Government has published a detailed specification for the pilots, inviting potential providers to submit expressions of interest by the 25 August 2010. Successful candidates will be announced in late October, at the latest. The level of funding available to the pilots will be subject to the Spending Review. **Further information:**

Internet: www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/newsroom/news_releases/2010/100802-grants.aspx

Cerebra Grants

Offers support to improve the lives of children with neurological conditions, either of a physical nature or a learning difficulty, or both.

Grants can be made for resources or equipment. These must improve the child's quality of life and not be available from statutory agencies like social services or the NHS. The child also must be aged 16 or under. Some examples of grants made are touch screen computers, holidays, approved therapies, power wheelchairs, and sensory toys. **Further information:**

Debbie Godsave Tel: 01267 244216; Email: debbieg@cerebra.org.uk



The National Churches Trust



Provides £2m annually to support the restoration and modernisation of places of worship used by Christian denominations. There are two main types of grants:

- **Repair Grants** - Of up £10,000 and above for structural repair projects that will cost more than £50,000.
- **Community Grants** - From £2,500-£25,000 to provide facilities that will benefit your place of worship and local community, e.g. accessible toilets, kitchens and meeting rooms.

The Grants Committee meet quarterly to make decisions on applications and grant applications can be made throughout the year. **Further information:**

Internet: www.nationalchurchestrust.org/howgrant.html

Update: Prince's Countryside Fund

Although not yet officially launched this new fund aims to help improve the long-term sustainability of the British countryside and its rural communities. The three main types of projects they wish to support include those which:

- Improve the sustainability of British farming in areas of deprivation
- Improve the sustainability of rural communities
- Reconnect people with the countryside

The Fund will provide grants for up to three years to support projects that improve the sustainability of British farming in areas of deprivation; projects to improve the sustainability of rural communities; and projects to reconnect people with the countryside. Funding is available for both capital and revenue funding. Applicants can be, but do not need to be, charities. All applicants must however be able to clearly demonstrate a significant level of public benefit arising from their activities. Funding may be available for up to three years. **Further information:**

Internet: www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/our-projects/apply-funding

DCMS: Review of Arm's Length Bodies

The Coalition Government's is reviewing the numbers, benefits and costs of public bodies. As part of this process the Department of Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) has announced the following changes:

- The abolition of the UK Film Council – Lottery funding distribution will be transferred to another body
- The abolition of the Museums, Libraries and Archives Council;
- The merger of UK Sport and Sport England;
- The merger of the National Lottery Commission and the Gambling Commission (announced pre-election)
- Review the role and remit of English Heritage, the Heritage Lottery Fund and the National Heritage Memorial Fund

New free resource for civil society start ups

A free online reference tool offers a helping hand for anyone looking to set up a charity, social enterprise or co-operative. Get Legal provides clear guidance and information about legal structures for individuals, organisations and advisors. **Further information:**

Internet: www.getlegal.org.uk

Percy Bilton Charity

Provides grants to registered charities who are focusing their activities at the following target groups:

- **Disadvantaged/underprivileged young people** - Aged under 25
- **People with disabilities** – inc. physical or learning disabilities or mental health problems
- **People over the age of 60.**

There are two main types of funding: Large grants (One off payments for capital expenditure of £2,000 and over) and Small grants (Providing funding of up to £500 towards furnishings and equipment for small projects). Favours bids from small charities. There is no set deadline and bids can be submitted at anytime but Board meetings are held quarterly in March, June, September and December to consider large grants. **Further information:**

Internet: <http://www.percybiltoncharity.org.uk/>



Update: Big Society Bank



The announcement made on the 19 July 2010 by David Cameron relating to the Big Society Bank does not substantially add to our understanding of how this organisation will operate as he has mostly confirmed previous public statements:

- **Targeting** - All funds sourced from dormant bank accounts will be channelled to the third sector via the Big Society Bank.
- **Timetable** - The Big Society Bank will become operation from April 2011. The Reclaim Fund will become operational in the next few month's and the process of reuniting dormant bank accounts with their owners will begin soon.
- **Wholesaler** - The bank will act as a "wholesaler" i.e. lend to other specialised lenders and intermediary bodies - not offer loans directly to the third sector.
- **How much funding will be available?** – There is still a great deal of confusion about how much financial resources will be generated from dormant bank accounts - UK Government's original estimate (July 2008) of £400m-£500m UK-wide being available in the first year of the fund now looks very optimistic! More recently, the UK Government has revised this estimate downwards (£340m, December 2009) and this pessimistic view is continuing with the figure of only £60m-£100m UK-wide (available by April 2011) now being widely quoted in the press. Although it may be possible to raise further significant funds eventually after the initial windfall payment during the course of 2011 and beyond.

Consultation: Regional Growth Fund

This new £1 billion fund will bring together a number of existing funding streams to focus financial support on sub-national economic growth. The Fund will have two main objectives:

- To encourage private sector enterprise by providing support for projects with significant potential for economic growth and create additional sustainable private sector employment; and
- To support in particular those areas and communities that are currently dependent on the public sector make the transition to sustainable private sector led growth and prosperity.

Most bids are expected to be in excess of £1m with some flexibility for smaller applications from rural areas. The new Local Enterprise Partnerships which are currently being developed are expected to take a lead role in co-coordinating bids. There should be at least two rounds of bidding for the Fund. The deadline for the first round of bids should be end December 2010, with a view to decisions on successful bids being announced by the end of February 2011. The deadline for responses to the consultation is the 6 September 2010.

Further information:

Email: growthfund@bis.gsi.gov.uk; **Internet:** www.bis.gov.uk/Consultations/regional-growth-fund-consultation

Publication: Community Shares

A new publication provides the latest guidance on two topics: the legal and governance formats for organisations offering community shares; and community shares offer documents, inviting the public to invest in community shares. **To download this publication and to access further resources:**

Internet:
www.communityshares.org.uk/resources

Creative Co-operatives

A guide and connected website for people in the creative sector who might be interested in collaborating and co-operating with others has been produced by Co-operatives UK. **Further information:**

Internet:
www.creatives.uk.coop



KCC Grant Schemes: The schemes below are administered by KCC. Please contact the officers listed for further information about eligibility and application processes.

Arts

Kent Arts Investment Programme	Encourages diverse, high quality arts activity with average grants of £5,000. (currently closed)	Gail Brown Gail.brown@kent.gov.uk
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Local Board

Member Community Grants	Each county councillor has £10,000 available each year to projects benefiting local groups.	Contact your Community Engagement Manager (details below)
Small Community Capital Projects Fund	Can consider bids up to £20,000 for larger capital projects.	
KCC Local Schemes Grant	Awards for revenue or minor capital projects meeting KCC strategic objectives.	
Participatory Budgeting	Community voting scheme.	

Sports

Small Capital Grant Scheme for Sport	Grants for sports groups to improve facilities and widen participation.	Chris Metherell Tel: 01622 605004 Chris.metherell@kent.gov.uk
Sportsaver (Kent Reliance) & Pfizer Sports Fund	Both give grants of £50-£500 to community sports projects (Pfizer fund East Kent only).	Andrea Murphy Tel: 01622 605064 Andrea.murphy@kent.gov.uk

Community \Village Halls

Village & Community Hall Grants	Provides capital grants for improvements to new or existing facilities. Maximum grant is the smaller of £50,000 or 25% of total cost.	Mark Reeves Tel: 01622 694721 Mark.reeves@kent.gov.uk
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Young People

Hugh & Montague Leney Trust	Awards for educational travel during a gap year for 16-19 year olds.	Lyn Edwards Tel: 01622 605111 Lyn.edwards@kent.gov.uk
Kent Trust for Youth Sport	Supports young people to access sports opportunities. Grants up to £500 for individuals and up to £1,000 for organisations.	info@kentsports.org
Kent Young People's Fund	Grants of £20-200 for young people (13-19 yrs/25 yrs with learning or other disability) to help them achieve a personal goal.	Marc Burrett Tel: 01622 694246 Marc.burrett@kent.gov.uk
Kent Youth Service Partnership Awards	3 programmes, umbrella organisations (up to £50k), direct delivery (up to £50k) and new youth work projects (up to £2k) for voluntary youth organisations	Gess Aird Tel: 01622 694465 Gess.aird@kent.gov.uk

KCC Community Engagement Managers by District

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Dartford - Kayley Phillips 01622 696067 / kayley.phillips@kent.gov.uk	Dover and Thanet - Anne Charman 01622 696389 / anne.charman@kent.gov.uk
Gravesham - Will Farmer 01622 694032 / will.farmer@kent.gov.uk	Maidstone – Steve Charman, Senior Engagement Manger (West) 01622 694008 / steve.charman@kent.gov.uk
Sevenoaks - Tom Phillips 01622 696897 / tom.phillips@kent.gov.uk	Shepway – Allison Allan 01622 694345 / Allison.allan@kent.gov.uk
Swale - Bill Ronan 01622 696889 / bill.ronan@kent.gov.uk	Tonbridge & Malling - Loic Flory 01622 694217 / loic.flory@kent.gov.uk
Tunbridge Wells – Louise Bolton 01622 694202 / louise.bolton@kent.gov.uk	Alternatively contact the Community Engagement Managers via communityliaisoninkent@kent.gov.uk

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Funding Opportunities

Please note that not all funders have specific application deadlines



Brook Fund Trust	www.kentcf.org.uk/funds.html	6 Aug
SITA Young Person's Volunteering Fund	www.sitatrust.org.uk/volunteering	9 Aug
2010 Spark Challenge	www.sparkchallenge.org.uk	13 Aug
Get Connected Investment Project (cycle 2)	www.scie.org.uk/	20 Aug
Reduction in Hospital Admissions Prog.	www.innovateuk.org	23 Aug
National Citizen Service Pilots (EOI)	mailbox.nationalcitizenservice@education.gsi.gov.uk	25 Aug
The Britten-Pears Foundation	www.brittenpears.org/	31 Aug
Eranda Foundation	Email: eranda@btconnect.com	31 Aug
Ashford BC Community Grants Fund	Email: michelle.byrne@ashford.gov.uk	31 Aug
Erach & Roshan Sadri Foundation	www.ersf.org.uk/	1 Sep
NAN: Go & See Bursaries	www.a-n.co.uk/	1 Sep
Comic Relief: Older People's Programme (EOI)	www.comicrelief.com/	3 Sep
Access to Volunteering (Round 5)	www.accesstovolunteering.org/apply	6 Sep
Vinspired: Vcashpoint	www.vinspired.com/rewards/vcashpoint	6 Sep
Henry Moore Foundation	www.henry-moore.org	8 Sep
Hilden Charitable Trust	www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk/	10 Sep
Youth Music: Open Programme	www.youthmusic.org.uk/	10 Sep
Grassroots Grants (provisional)	www.kentcf.org.uk/grassroots.html	10 Sep
Comic Relief Small Grants	www.kentcf.org.uk/	12 Sep
Baring Foundation: Bridging Cultures	www.bridgingcultures.org.uk	13 Sep
BES: Ecological Education Grants	www.britishecologicalsociety.org/	15 Sep
Philip Lawrence Awards	www.philiplawrenceawards.net	15 Sep
Kent People's Trust	www.kentpeoplestrust.org.uk/	16 Sep
Community Wildlife	www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_community_wildlife.htm	22 Sep
Interreg IVB NW Europe Programme	www.interreg4a-2mers.eu	24 Sep
Idlewild Trust	www.idlewildtrust.org.uk	24 Sep
GlaxoSmithKline: IMPACT Awards	www.kingsfund.org.uk	24 Sep
NCVO: Cracking the Code Bursary Scheme	www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/crackingthecode	30 Sep
Bill & Melinda Gates: Access to Learning	www.gatesfoundation.org/	30 Sep
Help the Homeless	www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/	30 Sep
Ulverscroft Foundation	www.foundation.ulverscroft.com/	30 Sep
CoE: Church & Community Fund	www.churchandcommunityfund.org.uk/	30 Sep
PRS for Music Foundation: New Music 20x12	www.prsformusicfoundation.com/	1 Oct
Arts Council: Unlimited Commissions	www.artscouncil.org.uk/	1 Oct
Film Nation: Shorts	www.filmnation.org.uk/	1 Oct
E.ON: Sustainable Energy Fund	www.eon-uk.com/	8 Oct
British Council: Connecting Classrooms	www.britishcouncil.org/	8 Oct
Wellcome Trust: Society Awards	www.wellcome.ac.uk/	12 Oct
RGS: Innovative Geography Teaching Grants	www.rgs.org/	15 Oct
BBC Children in Need	www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/	15 Oct
PRS for Music Foundation: Awards	www.prsformusicfoundation.com/	15 Oct
Ashden Awards	www.ashdenawards.org	26 Oct
MacMillan: Developing Grants	www.macmillan.org.uk/	29 Oct
Wellcome Trust: Engaging Science Prog.	www.wellcome.ac.uk/	29 Oct
BIG: Community Sustainable Energy Fund	www.communitysustainable.org.uk/	29 Oct
Baily Thomas Charitable Fund	www.bailythomas.org.uk/	30 Oct
Austin & Hope Pilkington Trust	www.austin-hopepilkington.org.uk	1 Nov
Youth in Focus	www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_youth_focus.htm	30 Nov

For further information on national, regional and local funding
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