



## Funding Bulletin - June 2008

This newsletter was compiled by T3SC with information from NAVCA, Fit4Funding and direct from funders themselves. It showcases just a few of the hundreds of funding opportunities T3SC have information on.

Our Support and Development Team can also offer assistance with putting together a quality funding bid; please get in touch to see how we can work with you to help you achieve your aims.

### Esmée Fairbairn Foundation launches new funding strands

**Priorities/details:** The Esmée Fairbairn Foundation is launching exciting new approaches to its funding:

- **Food:** Aims to promote an understanding of the role of food in enhancing quality of life. We are interested in work that influences policy and practice across a range of food-related areas, enabling as many people in the UK as possible to access, prepare and eat nutritious, sustainable food. The budget is £3million over the next three years.
- **Finance Fund:** Offers financing to projects or organisations that can demonstrate the need for investment and the capacity to manage the demands of non-grant funding. Arrangements could include loans, guarantees, equity or quasi-equity finance. At this stage, the programme will not be open to unsolicited applications. Up to £15million will be available for funding of this kind.



**Further information:** Guidelines and application forms are available on [www.esmeefairbairn.org.uk](http://www.esmeefairbairn.org.uk) Tel: 0207 297 4700, Email: [info@esmeefairbairn.org.uk](mailto:info@esmeefairbairn.org.uk)



**Priorities/details:** There are two categories of Community Awards: Grants to support children's welfare and/or children's educations (including special needs schools); Grants to support elderly people and/or adults and children with disabilities.

**Grant amount:** One-off donations of between £1,000 and £4,000.

**Application process:** Applications can be made via their website:

[www.tescocharitytrustcommunityawards-applications.co.uk](http://www.tescocharitytrustcommunityawards-applications.co.uk)

**Deadlines: Grants for children's education and children's welfare -**

Applications can be made between **1 May and 30 June**. Decisions are made in September; **Grants for elderly people and adults and children with disabilities -**

Applications can be made between **1 August and 30**

**September**. Decisions are made in December.

**Further information:** Website:

[www.tescocorporate.com/charitiesandfundraising.htm](http://www.tescocorporate.com/charitiesandfundraising.htm), Tel: 01992 646768



## Changing Lives

**Priorities/details:** Crisis is the national homeless charity, dedicated to providing realistic opportunities for single homeless people to move towards financial independence. Changing Lives is its grant awarding project, and provides for people who have been homeless to help them move towards a work based vocational goal. The award could be

used to pay for a course, for materials to use at work or for start-up equipment to set up a business.

**Who for?** Single homeless people. Applicants should be over 18, be free from substance misuse and have permanent leave to remain in the UK. They should not be rough sleeping or squatting and should also be working with a support worker and support organisation.

**Grant amount:** Financial awards of up to £2500.

**Deadlines:** 12 noon on **11 July 2008**.

**Further information:** Website: [www.crisis.org.uk](http://www.crisis.org.uk), Tel: 0844 251 0111, Email: [changing.lives@crisis.org.uk](mailto:changing.lives@crisis.org.uk)

## Mediabox Funding 2008

**Priorities/details:** Mediabox has launched the Mid and Big Mediabox grants to make and distribute youth-led media projects that express young people's ideas and views in a creative way, using their preferred media platform. campaigns.

**Who for?** Both Mid and Big Mediabox are open to youth and/or media focused organisations. **Funding Priorities for 2008** - they would like to support a wider range of media, and so will prioritise proposals that include radio, print, interactive, digital media, photography, graphic novels or mixed media advertising.

**Grant amount:** Mid Mediabox – grants of up to £20,000. Big Mediabox – grants of up to £40,000.

**Application process:** There is a two stage application process for organisations wishing to apply to either Mid or Big Mediabox. You must make an application to Stage 1. Application guidelines for both programmes are now available on website below. Applications to Stage 1 of Mid and Big Mediabox are made online only.

**Deadlines:** Stage 1 application: 19 August, 2pm Stage 2 - Full Submission: 30 September, 2.00pm.

**Further information:** Website: [www.media-box.co.uk](http://www.media-box.co.uk) Tel: 0121 753 4866 Email: [info@media-box.co.uk](mailto:info@media-box.co.uk)



## The Village Core Programme

**Priorities/details:** The Village Core Programme supports the establishment of community owned shops in rural communities in England that can become viable and sustainable community enterprises. This includes the establishment of a new community owned shop or saving an existing shop by transfer to community ownership. The programme will not currently support the expansion of existing community-owned shops.

**Grant amount:** Start-up grant of up to £20,000 per new enterprise conditional on at least equivalent contributions being raised from the village community and through a loan from Co-operative and Community Finance.

**Application process:** There are three stages in the funding process: Stage 1: Grant application - The application process commences with the formal submission of the completed Village Core Programme grant application form which can be downloaded from their website.

**Deadlines:** 30 July 2009.

**Further information:** Donna Smith, Tel: 01993 814377, Email:

[virsa@plunkett.co.uk](mailto:virsa@plunkett.co.uk), Website:

[www.virsa.org/index.cfm/villageshop/Programme>About](http://www.virsa.org/index.cfm/villageshop/Programme>About)



## Department of Health: The Social Enterprise Investment Fund

**Priorities/details:** In 2008/09, the Department of Health is making £11 million capital and £6 million revenue funding available to new and existing social enterprises delivering health and social care services. The government defines a social enterprise as 'a business with primarily social objectives whose surpluses are principally reinvested for that purpose in the business or in the community, rather than being driven by the need to maximise profit for shareholders and owners.'

**Who for?** Organisations that can apply for this funding include: Multi-agency partnerships, particularly voluntary and community groups wishing to use their expertise to provide services across health and social care; Existing social enterprises looking to expand into health and social care; Groups of professionals (e.g. nurses, therapists), seeking to form a social enterprise to deliver their services.

**Grant amount:** No minimum amount, but there is a maximum any one investment of £10,000,000. Development grants of up to £20 000 to cover start up costs.

**Application process:** Via application form available on the website.

**Deadlines:** 31 July 2008.

**Further information:** Website: [www.dh.gov.uk](http://www.dh.gov.uk), Email:

[socialenterprisefund@dh.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:socialenterprisefund@dh.gsi.gov.uk)

## **Church and Community Fund (Church of England)**

**Priorities/details:** Does your parish have a project involving greater outreach into the community for which it is seeking support? The Fund helps with imaginative and innovative projects of all kinds. CCF has four themes: engaging with social issues; equipping to evangelise; welcoming and encouraging children and young people; developing the ministry of all.

Typical projects supported by the CCF might include employing a youth worker, renovating an old church hall for use as a community centre, providing hot meals for the homeless in a church room and much more! The CCF will support both capital and revenue projects as well as some preliminary costs such as feasibility studies or professional fees. In brief, all projects should seek to strengthen the relationship between the church and the local community/ies, should benefit the Church locally and as a whole, and should manifest a sense of vision in responding to need(s).

**Grant amount:** The maximum grant is £15,000.

**Application process:** Via an application form.

**Deadlines:** 13 August, 5 November.

**Further information:** Website: [www.churchandcommunityfund.org.uk](http://www.churchandcommunityfund.org.uk)

Tel: 020 7898 1767, Email: [ccf@c-of-e.org.uk](mailto:ccf@c-of-e.org.uk)

## **LOTTERY UPDATE**

### **BIG – Young People's Fund 2 Local Grants**

**Priorities/details:** The Big Lottery Fund launched Young People's Fund 2 Local grants in May. BIG plan to fund about 100 high quality exemplar projects. The overall aims of Young People's Fund 2 Local Grants will be the same as they are for National Grants. That is: to ensure that all organisations that provide services to young people involve them in developing, running and reviewing policies and services, and; to help achieve at least two of the five Every Child Matters outcomes. These are: Being healthy: enjoying good physical and mental health; living a healthy lifestyle; Staying safe: being protected from harm and neglect; growing up able to look after yourself; Enjoying and achieving: getting the most out of life; developing skills for adulthood; Making a positive contribution: giving back to the local community and society; not offending or behaving anti-socially; Economic well-being: overcoming socio-economic disadvantages to achieve full potential in life.

**Who for?** All organisations that provide services to young people.

**Grant amount:** Grants of between £10,000 and £500,000 will be available.

**Further information:** Full details on the BIG Website:

[www.biglotteryfund.org.uk](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk) Tel: 0845 410 20 30



## **BIG Research programme – UK wide**

**Priorities/details:** The Research programme aims to influence local and national policy and practice by funding Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) organisations to produce and disseminate evidence-based knowledge. In the longer term the programme, through producing sound evidence, aims to help develop better services and support for beneficiaries.

**Who for?** The Research programme is open to VCS organisations in the UK only. VCS organisations can partner with the research community but these organisations may not apply for funding themselves.

**Grant amount:** Grants of between £10,000 and £500,000 are available for research projects lasting up to five years. In addition, Development grants of up to £10,000 are available, where appropriate, to help applicants work up their research proposal.

**Application process:** To apply for funding you must first register with the programme. If your registration is accepted you will be sent a password to open the on-line application form.

**Deadlines:** 12 September 2008.

**Further information:** Website:

[www.bigresearchprogramme.org.uk/content.php?key=home](http://www.bigresearchprogramme.org.uk/content.php?key=home)

Help line Tel: 0845 071 1068, Email: [researchprogramme@aeat.co.uk](mailto:researchprogramme@aeat.co.uk)

## **BIG - Changing Spaces**

**Priorities/details:** Changing Spaces is an environmental programme focusing on three priority areas – community spaces, local community enterprise and access to the natural environment. It will invest around £200 million in environmental projects across England. The programme is being delivered in partnership with other organisations who are either delivering a large strategic portfolio or an England wide, open grants programme on our behalf. These are:

**Local Food programme** (run by the Royal Society of Wildlife Trusts) – will fund organisations that will deliver a variety of food related projects to make locally grown food more accessible and affordable to local communities. For more information visit

[www.localfoodgrants.org](http://www.localfoodgrants.org)

**Community Spaces programme** (run by Groundwork UK) – this funds community groups who want to improve local green spaces such as play areas, community gardens, parks, wildlife areas and village greens. For more information visit [www.community-spaces.org.uk](http://www.community-spaces.org.uk)

**Community Sustainable Energy programme** (run by Building Research Establishment) - this will pay for community-based organisations to install renewable energy technologies and energy saving measures. For more information visit [www.communitysustainable.org.uk](http://www.communitysustainable.org.uk)

**Access to Nature programme** (run by Natural England) – this will fund a range of organisations who want to encourage people from all backgrounds to learn more about and enjoy the natural environment. For more information visit [www.naturalengland.org.uk/accesstonature](http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/accesstonature)



**Ecominds programme** (run by Mind) – this programme is due to launch in spring or summer 2008. It will fund a range of groups who want to encourage people with experience of mental distress to get involved in environmental projects, such as improving open spaces and wildlife habitats, designing public art and recycling. For more information visit [www.ecominds.org.uk](http://www.ecominds.org.uk)

**Further information:** If you have a project that you think fits under one of the programmes visit the websites listed on this page or call the Changing Spaces Advice Line Tel: 0845 3671 671, (textphone: 0845 602 1659).

Website: [www.biglotteryfund.org.uk](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk)

## **BIG - BASIS 2 England launches to fill gaps in VCS support**

**Priorities/details:** The BASIS programme aims to ensure that voluntary and community organisations throughout England have access to high quality support that will help them be more effective. BASIS 2 is taking a much more targeted approach to ensure funding is used specifically to meet identified needs within third sector infrastructure support. This support aims to fill the gaps remaining after BASIS 1 on both a regional and national level.

**Application process:** Full eligibility criteria and application packs are available to download from the Big Lottery Fund.

**Deadlines:** 27 August 2008.

**Further information:** BIG advice line Tel: 0845 4 10 20 30 Website:

[www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/)

## **SPORT**

### **Sport England is delighted to re-launch Sportsmatch**

**Priorities/details:** Sport England is delighted to announce the return of Sportsmatch. Designed to encourage new or additional sponsorship investment from businesses, trusts and private individuals, Sportsmatch, funded by Sport England, will continue to offer pound for pound matched funding to sporting stakeholders for projects that encourage sports participation at grass roots level. The scheme's awards criteria have been amended to provide greater flexibility for applicants. From May 2008, partnership funding from trusts and private individuals becomes eligible for match funding.

**Application process:** In addition, applicants will now apply online with a new web-based facility enabling applicants to apply online with telephone support available from Sport England on 08458 508 508.

**Further information:** Website: [www.sportsmatch.co.uk](http://www.sportsmatch.co.uk) Tel: 08458 508 508

Email: [info@sportsmatch.co.uk](mailto:info@sportsmatch.co.uk)



## Sport England - Community Investment Fund

**Priorities/details:** The Community Investment Fund is the National Lottery funding available from the nine regions of Sport England. Sport England's nine Regional Sports Boards make decisions about community funding (grants over £10,000) to projects in their region. These boards comprise experts from sport and related fields and they are responsible for the development of sport in the region. All nine regions have produced a plan for sport and investment in their region, detailing their priorities. When making investment decisions, the boards look for evidence that projects will help meet these priorities and support Sport England's work to get more people involved in sport – with a focus on hard to reach groups – and help them stay involved throughout their lives.

Suggestions on things to consider before you apply are:

**Partnership Funding:** The suggested ratio, as identified in the Government's 2002 strategy for sport (Game Plan), is 2:1, £2 partnership funding for £1 Lottery funding.

**Regional Sports Plans and Investment Strategies:** It is extremely important that you read the relevant Regional Plan and Investment Strategy before applying to see if your project is likely to help meet these priorities. This is how they will judge the strength of an application. (You can see the Regional Investment Strategies for your England region on the website below).

**Application process:** There is a two-stage application process. Sport England has developed a checklist for potential applicants.

**Further information:** Website: [www.sportengland.org](http://www.sportengland.org), Helpline Tel: 0845 8508 508, Email: [info@sportengland.org](mailto:info@sportengland.org)

## Kellogg's Active Living Fund

**Priorities/details:** The fund will give small grants to fund projects and activities that directly lead to people taking part in sustained physical activity. The aim of the fund is to help remove the 'barriers' which stop people being active. Applications can be considered for projects engaging with young people up to 25 years of age. However priority will be given to applications requesting support for family units – children and adults undertaking physical activity together.

**Who for?** They are particularly looking for projects that are innovative in their approach to involve children or young people and their families. They do not prioritise larger, more sophisticated organisations that have a track record of attracting funding, particularly when such groups have a turnover of more than £50,000 a year.

**Grant amount:** The maximum grant request that will be considered is £1,000.

**Application process:** The Active Living Community Fund is being administered by The Community Foundation for Greater Manchester who



**Community Foundation  
for Greater Manchester**

have application forms and further details. Website:

[www.communityfoundation.co.uk](http://www.communityfoundation.co.uk)

[www.kelloggs.co.uk/company/corporateresponsibility/activelivingfund/](http://www.kelloggs.co.uk/company/corporateresponsibility/activelivingfund/)

**Further information:** Tel: 0161 214 0940, Email:

[kelloggs@communityfoundation.co.uk](mailto:kelloggs@communityfoundation.co.uk)

## CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE



### Europe – Youth in Action

**Priorities/details:** The 'Youth in Action' programme promotes active citizenship among young people, encourages solidarity and tolerance, fosters mutual understanding between young people from different countries and develops European cooperation on youth matters. In addition the programme will contribute to improvements in the quality of support systems for youth activities and further develop the capabilities of civil society organisations working with young people.

This call for proposals concerns Action 4.5 of the Youth in Action programme. It aims to provide funding for projects supporting information activities for young people and youth workers.

The specific objectives of this action are:

- To support projects which promote information and communication actions with a European dimension;
- To enhance the dissemination of quality information and increase young people's access to information and to various channels of communication;
- To encourage the participation of young people in public life and to facilitate the achievement of their potential as active, responsible European citizens.

**Who for?** The final beneficiaries of these projects are young people and people working in the youth sector, either in youth organisations and structures or in regional and local authorities.

**Deadlines:** 30 June 2008.

**Further information:** Website:

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/youth/calls2008/action45/index\\_en.htm](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/youth/calls2008/action45/index_en.htm)



**Priorities/details:** The Big Lottery Fund is delivering myplace on behalf of the Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF). This is not Lottery funding. myplace aims to deliver world class youth facilities driven by the active participation of young people and their view and needs. Funded projects must deliver all the following outcomes:

- Parents and communities feel that young people have exciting and safe places to go in their leisure time where they can get involved in an attractive range of activities.
- Particularly the most disadvantaged, participate in positive leisure time activities that support their personal and social development; more young people have access to information, advice and support services from within places they feel comfortable.
- Stronger partnership working between local authorities, third, private and public sector partners to plan, deliver and operate financially sustainable youth facilities with and for young people.

**Grant amount:** Grants available are between £1 million and £5 million. The total available is £190 million between 2008 and 2010. £160m will be available in year one of which up to £50 million is available through the Fastrack route.

**Application process:** Application and guidance materials for the first funding round will be available from 6 May 2008.

**Deadline:** For fast track application - 29 July 2008. The deadline for the standard route is 30 September 2008.

**Further information:** Website: [www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/), BIG advice line Tel: 0845 410 2030. If you are interested in applying to myplace please can you contact Naomi, Tel: 0161 339 4985, Email: [naomi.creed@t3sc.org](mailto:naomi.creed@t3sc.org) by 30 June 2008.

## Hilton in the Community Foundation

**Priorities/details:** The Foundation makes grants to a wide range of charities and organisations that meet one of our three chosen areas of focus: Young People – Education; Young People – Health; Disaster Relief and International Fund. Since 2005, in response to huge ongoing demand from charities and good causes, Hilton Hotels agreed to donate a limited number of accommodation vouchers for use by charities for raffle or auction prizes at their fundraising events. The Foundation manages this process and to enter the monthly draw to receive a voucher, requests should be made by email.



**Grant amount:** Grants up to £5,000, up to a maximum of £50,000 (per year). Funding can be requested for up to three years for any particular project.

**Application process:** Via an application form available from the website.

**Deadlines:** 4 August 2008 for Grants Committee Meeting 3 September 2008; 28 October 2008 for Grants Committee Meeting 29 November 2008.

**Further information:** Website: [www.hilton-foundation.org.uk](http://www.hilton-foundation.org.uk), Tel: 020 7605 7733, Email: [info@hilton-foundation.org.uk](mailto:info@hilton-foundation.org.uk)

## NEWS



## Opportunities for Volunteering

Opportunities for Volunteering (OFV) is a Department of Health initiative which provides grants to local health and social care organisations in England. OFV grants aim to enable organisations to involve volunteers in the delivery of their services. Approximately £6.7 million is distributed every year to over 300 local projects. Opportunities for Volunteering 2009-10: Volunteering England would like to confirm that they will be advertising an OFV grant scheme for 2009-10 shortly. Information on how to apply including the funding priorities, criteria for assessment and terms and conditions will be available later in the year. At this stage in the process they are unable to confirm the date they will be open for applications. They would advise you to keep checking their website below for further details.

Volunteering England is one of 16 national charities that distribute OFV grants on behalf of the Department of Health. These organisations are known as national agents. If you wish to apply for an OFV grant you must apply to the most appropriate national agent. Applying to the wrong agent could affect your chances of securing funding. National Agents have different application deadlines and priorities. You must check these before deciding which National Agent to apply to.

**Further information:** A full list of National Agents and full information is available on the website. [www.volunteering.org.uk/](http://www.volunteering.org.uk/)

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## The Third Sector Excellence Awards 2008

**Priorities/details:** The Third Sector Excellence Awards are now in their fourth year, and there are 24 categories covering everything from direct mail to employee innovation. Entry is open to all voluntary organisations based in the UK – registered charities, non-profit organisations, social enterprises and campaigning groups. So please think back over the past twelve months, tell us about the best things you've done, and we'll put them in front of our teams of specialist judges. The awards ceremony will be at the Hurlingham Club in west London on 18 November 2008.

**Deadline:** The closing date for entries is 18 July 2008.

**Further information:** [www.haymarketevents.com/awardCategories/277/the-third-sector-excellence-awards-2008](http://www.haymarketevents.com/awardCategories/277/the-third-sector-excellence-awards-2008)



## **ACEVO Funding Roadshow 2008**

**Priorities/details:** 8 July - West Yorkshire Playhouse, Leeds, 10 am to 4 pm, followed by a wine reception. A one-day conference with top-level presentations from the main statutory, lottery and trust funders, presented in three locations.

**Attendance fee:** £125 per person including VAT, lunch, presentation materials and networking reception. (10% discount for ACEVO (Association of Chief Executives of Voluntary Organisations) members attending personally)

**Programme includes:** Securing major donors, key changes in statutory funding, the new vision for Futurebuilders, a record year at the Lloyds TSB Foundations, recovering core costs, policy development at the Big Lottery Fund, winning contracts, earning more online, demonstrating performance to funders.

**Further information:** A leaflet with booking details can be downloaded from Website: [www.actionplanning.co.uk/cw\\_fundingroadshow.html](http://www.actionplanning.co.uk/cw_fundingroadshow.html)

You can book by emailing your contact details to:

[abiggs@actionplanning.co.uk](mailto:abiggs@actionplanning.co.uk)



## **The Foundation for Sport and the Arts - closing**

**Priorities/details:** The Foundation for Sport and the Arts channel money originally donated by Littlewoods and other football pools companies to a wide range of sporting and artistic causes. Since 1991 they have awarded grants worth over £350 million. Following a review of the current level of reserves and in light of the fact that their only source of income is now the interest generated by those reserves, the Trustees have decided to cease the activities of the Foundation at the end of March 2012. This will enable them to continue to make awards at the current annual levels, and to bring matters to a close in the same year as the London Olympics - a fitting climax. To assist a smooth closure program, no new applications for funding will be considered after the end of March 2009.

**Further information:** Website: [www.thefsa.net/](http://www.thefsa.net/), Tel: 0151 259 5505, Email: [contact@thefsa.net](mailto:contact@thefsa.net)

**If you are looking for funding and can't find exactly what you are looking for here we have the FunderFinder database at T3SC which you are free to use. Or you could use our Resource Room to fill in your application form, have a cup of tea, use the excellent resources and get some support.**

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