



Funding Bulletin - September 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.

Grassroots Fund

Priorities/details: Do you run a community or voluntary group in Tameside? If so then help could be at hand from the Community Foundation for Greater Manchester through a brand new pot of money called the Grassroots Fund. The Community Foundation is now accepting applications for the Grassroots Fund. Over the next three years the Office for the third Sector has made £97,553.26 available to Tameside through the Community Foundation.

Who for? Groups must have been formed before 31 December 2006, have an average income of less than £20,000 over the last three years, and must be volunteer led. The Fund is open to a wide range of groups – playschemes, sports teams, lunch clubs or tenants and residents associations.

Grant amount: Up to £5,000 over the next three years, either as a one off payment, or grant spread over a maximum three year period. Grants can be applied for a range of activity including for new equipment, renovating buildings or for running costs.

Application process: To apply please call 0161 214 0940 or visit www.communityfoundation.co.uk

Deadline: The funds will be allocated throughout the year so the sooner you apply the better.



Community Foundation
for Greater Manchester



Investing in the third sector
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Futurebuilders launches new Tender Fund

Priorities/details: Futurebuilders England has launched a new interest-free loan fund for third sector organisations struggling to meet the cost of tendering for public sector contracts.

Who for? The £1m Tender Fund is intended to help third sector providers win contracts where prohibitive tendering costs would otherwise make it difficult for them to bid.

Grant amount: The new Tender Fund will provide interest-free three year loans of between £3,000 and £50,000. This will help organisations who simply need a smaller sum of money to get them through the tendering stage.

Deadline: There is no closing date for applications, and the Fund will be available on a first come, first served basis until the £1m runs out.

Further information: Tel: 0191 261 5200, Email: info@futurebuilders-england.org.uk

Tenant Empowerment Programme - Right to Manage Grants

Priorities/details: The Tenant Empowerment Programme supports the Government's housing aims of increasing the effectiveness of housing management and improving the quality of life of residents living on local authority estates. The programme enables local authority tenants to access independent advice, training and information directly. This helps them to challenge, influence or control



how housing services are delivered to their communities. Right to Manage grants are made available to help tenants consider the management options available to them and then to provide support through the process.

Who for? The Right to Manage Grant Programme supports the development and setting up of Tenant Management Organisations. Tenant Management Organisations take over the running of housing services from the council, such as collecting rents and service charges, and organising repairs and maintenance. Right to Manage grants are available to help tenants consider the management options.

Further information: www.housingcorp.gov.uk/server/show/nav.3454

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation

Priorities/details: The Trusthouse Charitable Foundation currently distributes over £2 million each year. The average grant awarded by the Foundation is £5,000. The Trustees have agreed new Guidelines for grants applications.

Who for? There are now two overarching themes to their grants:

Rural Issues: local and national charities or not-for-profit organisations which are addressing issues in needy rural areas. 'Rural' in this context means 10,000 or less inhabitants. For example, projects providing transport for the elderly, disabled or disadvantaged; contact networks for young disabled people; projects which encourage a sense of community such as community centres and village halls; employment training schemes especially those promoting local, traditional crafts; projects addressing issues such as drug/alcohol misuse or homelessness.

Urban Deprivation: local or national charities or not-for-profit organisations which are working with residents of urban areas (i.e. more than 10,000 inhabitants) which are classified in the latest government Indices of Multiple Deprivation as being in the lowest 20%. They are interested in, for example, youth clubs; training schemes to help people out of unemployment; drop in centres for the homeless.

Grant amount: Large Grants Scheme for applications between £10,000 and £30,000; Small Grants Scheme for applications between £5,001 and £9,999; Fast Track Scheme for applications of £5,000 and below.

Application process: Applications are available online.

Further information: Miss Judith Leigh, Tel: 020 7264 4990, Website:

www.trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/home.html



TSELF Social Enterprise Loan Fund

Priorities/details: The Social Enterprise Loan Fund (previously known as the Local Investment Fund) provides loans to charities and social enterprises that are unable to secure sufficient funding from mainstream sources. They aim to help organisations that have a social impact, especially those working in disadvantaged communities.

Who for? Loans to finance property purchase / improvements - Loans are available up to £250,000 with repayments spread over up to 10 years. They will normally ask for a mortgage over the property. Unlike many banks, there are usually no fees for taking that security.

Loans to finance other fixed assets: Most loans for this purpose are for less than £100,000 but they would consider a higher amount. Loans available up to 90% of the asset value. Repayments spread over useful life of the asset - typically three to five years. They will normally ask for some security over the assets concerned.

Loans for working capital: A social enterprise may require additional working capital in three main situations: When it has to hold a high level of stock; When it has to pay its bills before customers settle their invoices; When there is a large retention on a grant or contract that is only paid well in the future.

Most loans for this purpose are for less than £50,000 but they would consider a higher amount.

Application process: Apply online.

Further information: There is a facility on their website to calculate your repayments before applying online. Tel: 020 7680 1028, Email: info@tself.org.uk, Website:

www.tself.org.uk

Refugee and Asylum Seekers Initiative - The Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund.



Priorities/details: The core focus of the Refugee and Asylum Seekers Initiative is to change legislation and policy to meet international standards on children's rights. The objective of the grants round is to provide support to community organisations providing direct services and advocating on behalf of children and young people seeking asylum in the following areas: Detention; Destitution; Enabling access to services such as: healthcare, legal provision, housing, education; Providing support to unaccompanied children.

Who for? The Refugee and Asylum Seekers Initiative intends to enable key community groups funded through this round to be better equipped to contribute to this important advocacy role. Organisations applying for a grant must be: An impartial, legal, community-led and non-profit making organisation, charity or company; Working with children and young people under 21 who are refugees or seeking asylum. You can check your organisation online to see if it is eligible for a grant.

Application process: Guidance notes application forms are available online.

Deadlines: Friday 12 September 2008.

Further information: Email: grantsround@memfund.org.uk,

Website: www.theworkcontinues.co.uk/objectives_of_grant_round.php

The Yapp Charitable Trust

Priorities/details: The Yapp Charitable Trust makes grants to small registered charities whose annual expenditure is less than £60,000. Charities must have been fully constituted and operating for at least three years. Grants are for core running costs and salaries and are to provide continuation funding for established work only.

Who for? Grants are for work with: older people; children and young people aged 5 to 25; people with disabilities or mental health problems; people trying to overcome life-limiting problems of a social rather than medical origin, such as addiction, relationship difficulties, abuse, a history of offending. Grants are also made to support charities' work in education and learning, (including lifelong learning). Priority is given to work that is unattractive to the general public or unpopular with other funders, helps improve the lives of marginalised people and makes effective use of volunteers.

Grant amount: This year they plan to give about £500,000 in about 100 grants. Grants are for up to three years. Most are for more than one year. Amounts are up to £3,000 a year.

Application process: Application forms are downloadable from the website or by post from the administrator, Margaret Thompson.

Deadlines: 30 September 2008 (for consideration in November).

Further information: Margaret Thompson, Tel: 01484 683403, Website:

www.yappcharitabletrust.org.uk

Ministry of Justice's Innovation Fund

Priorities/details: The Government wants more people to participate in democratic life, and it wants you to come up with ways to make this happen. It plans to support projects that will help people address public issues and influence government. If you can think of a way to get people talking, they'd like to hear it.

Grant amount: They have £150,000 available to develop about ten proposals.

Application process: The application process works in two stages:

1. You float your idea on the website www.buildingdemocracy.co.uk.
2. When you are ready, you submit a full application via the same website.

They encourage you to strengthen your proposal by discussing your ideas on this site before you submit an application. There are lots of people with all kinds of experience who can give you great tips. They also want you to help others develop their ideas. It is also an opportunity to find a project partner if there's an aspect of your proposal that you are not sure about.

Deadline: 26 September 2008.

Further information: www.buildingdemocracy.co.uk

TalkTalk Innovation in the Community Awards 2008

Priorities/details: TalkTalk Innovation in the Community Awards enables charity and community groups throughout the UK to harness the power of the internet.

Who for? If you are a UK based not-for-profit organisation or community group looking to extend your work through the use of the internet you could be eligible for one of 30 cash grants available. Five overall winners will also win technology equipment of their choice and a one-to-one workshop with celebrity Dotcom entrepreneur and co-founder of lastminute.com Martha Lane Fox, to be held on the day of the awards ceremony. This year the awards are divided into five categories: Recognising organisations that improve training or access to work/employment opportunities; Recognising organisations that focus on sport related activities; Recognising academic based organisations; Recognising artistic, creative, cultural organisations; Recognising health, religious or spiritual organisations.

Grant amount: 30 winners will receive cash grants of £2,000 each to fund technology related projects.

Deadline: 30 September 2008. The awards ceremony at the House of Lords will take place in November 2008.

Application process: Enter online at www.talktalk.co.uk

Baily Thomas Charitable Fund

Priorities/details: The Baily Thomas Charitable Fund is a registered charity which was established primarily

to aid the research into learning disability and to aid the care and relief of those affected by learning disability by making grants to voluntary organisations working in this field.

Who for? They consider under learning disability the conditions generally referred to as severe learning difficulties, together with autism. In this area, they consider projects concerning children or adults. Funding is normally considered for capital and revenue costs and for both specific projects and for general running/core costs.

Grant amount: From £250. Normally one-off grants are awarded but exceptionally a new project may be funded over two or three years, subject to satisfactory reports of progress.

Application process: Application forms are available online.

Deadline: 1 October.

Further information: Tel: 01582 439225, Email: info@bailythomas.org.uk, Website: www.bailythomas.org.uk

The Baily Thomas
Charitable Fund 

Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation



CALOUSTE
GULBENKIAN
FOUNDATION

Priorities/details:

Arts Programme - The Foundation's art theme supports professional artists and UK based arts organisations, usually at an early research and development stage. The Arts in Public Spaces - This will be the third and final year of this programme. Those in rural areas will be prioritised.

Education Programme

Within the education theme, the Foundation continues to support educational innovations and developments. In 2008, its two programmes are as follows: **Human Scale Schools** - This programme is designed to help secondary schools strengthen their commitment to human scale education.

Cross-cultural Schools and Youth Work Projects - Support is offered to secondary schools, and to those agencies who work with them, to implement imaginatively and ambitiously that part of the KS3 curriculum designed to encourage empathy and understanding between students from different cultures, both within and between schools (i.e. inter-school linking projects, involvement of local community groups etc.). Support is also offered to youth organisations, and those agencies who work with them, wishing to initiate projects aimed at fostering better relations between young people from different cultures and faiths.

Social Change Programme

Financial Inclusion - Projects which will generate improvements in financial literacy and access to financial services for people currently not well-served by existing institutions and practices.

Environmental Awareness - Innovative work aimed at increasing personal responsibility and for trialling accessible, realisable solutions to aspects of local, national or international environmental issues. They are especially interested in working with excluded groups.

Older People - New ways to involve and support elderly people in their local communities.

Anglo-Portuguese Cultural Relations - Grants are available for: activities and events concerned with Portugal or containing Portuguese elements – its language, culture, people; cultural and educational interaction between British or Irish and Portuguese people.

Grant amount: Grants made by the Foundation rarely exceed £15,000

Application process: In writing – see more details on the website.

Deadline: 10 October 2008.

Further information: Email: info@gulbenkian.org.uk, Tel: 020 7636 5313, website: www.gulbenkian.org.uk



Cranfield Open Programme Scholarships

Priorities/details: To enrich management practice and leadership.

Cranfield offers assistance to high potential individuals, within certain economic sectors, to attend a selection of our open programmes. Programmes included in the scheme: The Business Leaders Programme; The Cranfield General Management Programme; The Advanced Development Programme; Developing General Management Potential; The Director as Strategic Leader; Developing Deliverable Strategies; High Performance Leadership.

Who for? Not for profit organisations e.g. Voluntary Organisations; Community Groups; Charities; Education sector (primary and secondary).

Grant amount: Awards will be made at 50% of the tuition fee. One award may be made per organisation per year.

Application process: Candidates should write a short case for consideration supported by a referee from within their organisation. Call or email Jane Roberts to discuss your requirements in more detail.

Deadline: 31 October 2008.

Further information: Tel: 01234 754351, Email: jane.roberts@cranfield.ac.uk Website: www.som.cranfield.ac.uk/som/index.asp

HEALTH

GlaxoSmithKline Community Health Awards



Who for? Open to registered charities that are at least three years old working in a health-related field in the UK, with a total annual income between £10,000 and £1 million. You don't need to present a new project. The awards are designed to recognise success and achievements for existing work.

Grant amount: This year ten winners will receive £25,000, with one overall winner receiving a further £10,000. Up to five highly commended awards of £5,000 and up to five runners up awards of £3,000 will be made.

Application process: The application form, guidelines, information and last years winners are available at www.kingsfund.org.uk/gskimpactawards

Deadline: Friday 26 September 2008.

Further information: Email: gskenquiries@kingsfund.org.uk

Department of Health Third Sector Investment Programme

Priorities/details: The Investment Programme, which replaces the Section 64 General Scheme of Grants from 2009-10, has been informed and developed through a wide ranging consultation with third sector organisations.



Who for? The Innovation Excellence and Service Development Fund aims to provide three year funding that supports projects with an explicit focus on supporting and driving innovation, excellence and service development in the health and social care field, with a potential national impact.

There are three funding strands project proposals can apply under: **Innovation** - projects that demonstrate an innovative approach to delivery of health and social care provision under any on the DH policy areas; **Excellence** - existing projects that have proved they can successfully and effectively deliver improved outcomes and could be called 'excellent'. This strand of funding would support dissemination of learning from these 'excellent' projects and support wider application;

Service Development - develop new providers at pre-investment stage or develop organisation's capacity and sustainability to maintain services/provision whilst reducing dependency on central government funding.

Depending on the proposed activities, there are also five cross-cutting themes for the Innovation Excellence and Service Development Fund: information, advice and advocacy; personalisation, dignity and carer support; community/user participation and peer support; prevention/early intervention; reducing health inequalities.

Grant amount: The Total Fund Value available for 2009/10 is expected to be 17.2 million for both strands of the Third Sector Investment Programme, with approximately £7 million available for new applications. Funding will be awarded for three years. DH expect to fund around 300 projects.

Deadlines: Monday 8 September 2008.

Further information: www.dh.gov.uk/thirdsectorinvestment

Sport England Survey

Priorities/details: Following the launch of Sport England's new strategy, they want to know how they can best distribute National Lottery funding in order to support sport in your community. They are looking for a new partnership between Government, its



agencies and the National Governing Bodies of sport to empower those with the passion and expertise to do even more. They will also continue to work alongside local authorities, who drive local provision and are a key partner in delivering a world-leading community sport infrastructure. Overall, their aim is to create a vibrant sporting culture in England.

Who for? They currently have around £45 million per year to invest in projects that will play a vital part in ensuring the growth in participation, which they need to develop a world-leading community sport system.

Application process: To participate go to: http://vm14.72sb.com/caa_survey/

INTERNATIONAL

EC Leonardo Preparatory Visits

Priorities/details: The Leonardo programme offers many different opportunities for organisations to get involved in European working.

Who for? You could: help your trainees or staff gain vital skills and experience by organising work placements in another European country; participate in a European partnership to share expertise and experiences; create new training materials to meet the needs of business; attend a special event to meet new European partners; have a meeting with your partners to write your application for funding. Preparatory Visits funding can be used to meet partners prior to submitting a Leonardo Mobility project, Partnership or Transfer of Innovation application, or to attend a Contact Seminar to find new partners. Contact Seminars are organised by National Agencies across Europe with the aim of bringing a variety of organisations together which share common aims, target groups and ambitions in a particular field. They provide an ideal opportunity to find partners and develop Leonardo applications. See all the available Contact Seminars, listed in the Events section.

Grant amount: The grant provides a contribution to the costs of your activity, up to a maximum of 1,000 euros.

Application process: The application form is available online. You must submit your funding application to us at least six weeks before the activity start date.

Deadlines: 17 December 2008.

Further information: Email: leonardo@ecotec.com, Tel: 0845 199 2929.

Website: www.leonardo.org.uk

UK-German Connection - Challenge Fund

Priorities/details: A new fund for language- and non-language-related activities, which is designed to encourage young people to: Pick a topic or subject of their choice and explore it in an international context;

Take a fresh look at cross- or extra-curricular project work; Take an active role in a practical, 'hands-on' team venture; Work together towards a concrete outcome, product or event of their choice.

Who for? Grants provided through the UK-German Challenge Fund cover project resources, joint activities and reciprocal partner visits.



This is a brand-new fund targeted both at curricular and extra-curricular projects - large and small - and we would like to invite you to help shape it!

Joint projects can cover a wide range of themes. Examples could include: Science and technology - Business and enterprise; Citizenship; Energy and the environment; Multimedia and ICT; Culture and the arts; Vocational skills; Cross-curricular themes. They can also cover a wide range of activities.

Those who are eligible include: Schools and youth groups in the UK and Germany. Youth groups should involve young people up to the age of 25 (please note: students enrolled at a Higher Education institution are not eligible). Applications from clusters of schools or youth groups or cross-sector clusters are also welcome! They always welcome a language-learning element in projects but this is not compulsory.

Grant amount: The total amount of grant provided will be judged on a case-by-case basis, depending on the size, circumstances and numbers involved in the individual projects. Grants are available for both large and small projects and the amount can be to anything up to, but will not exceed £5,000.

Application process: Please note - before submitting an application, the applicant institution must have established contact and agreed collaboration with a partner or partners in Germany. Teachers / youth leaders / project coordinators apply on behalf of their institution. Applications must normally be submitted at least four weeks in advance of the project start.

Deadline: 31 October 2008.

Further information: Tel: 020 7824 1570, Website: www.ukgermanconnection.org/challengefund

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Big Lottery Fund launches Young People's Fund 2 Local Grants Programme (Lottery Funding)

Priorities/details: The Young People's Fund 2 (YPF2) Local Grants programme wants to support projects that put young people at the heart of planning, developing and running local activities and services that can improve their lives. It's the chance for young people to lead on developing the activities and services that they want in their local area. The programme has two aims:



- To ensure that all organisations that provide services to young people, involve them in developing, running and reviewing policies and services.
- To help achieve the five Every Child Matters outcomes.

Who for? For initiatives that address the needs of vulnerable young people across England. Voluntary and community sector groups can work alone or in partnership with other organisations, companies and local authorities. The programme is focused on changing the lives of young people aged 10 –18. Projects working with young people up to the age of 25 will also be supported if they are finding the change to independent living difficult. Young people involvement is at the heart of the YPF 2 Local Grants programme. This programme will only consider projects that are youth led.

Grant amount: Grants of between £10,000 and £500,000 are available.

Deadline: 16 October 2008.

For more information: To help organisations that want to better involve young people in the planning and running of their projects BIG has appointed Participation Works Consortium which has developed a range of advice and information services that can be accessed free of charge, see www.participationworks.org.uk or www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

Children, Young People and Families Grant Programme

Priorities/details: The Children, Young People and Families (CYPF) Grant is a national programme to fund work by the third sector to improve outcomes for children, young people and families.

Who for? The new grant round for funding from April 2009 was launched in August 2008, and applications are now invited from long-standing partner organisations as well as from new organisations. All innovation (formerly project) grants will be payable over two financial years, that is from April 2009 - March 2011. This will allow for more flexible start dates, payment over a more realistic timescale, and time to evaluate the success of your work.

For this grant round only, strategic grants of two years duration, again from 2009 - 2011, are also being made. Subject to the next spending review, this means that for the 2011 grant programme, all our strategic partner organisations will be able to bid for three year funding in a single round. They will then work with them to deliver the overall aims and objectives of the Department over the full funding round from 2011 - 2014.

Application process: CYPF Programme, the Eligibility Questionnaire, the Grant Application guide, the Application form, and the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) are all available online.

Deadline: 31 October 2008.

Further information: www.futurebuilders-england.org.uk/content/Resources/Toptips/article_36_1488.aspx

Youth Sector Development Fund

Priorities/details: A consortium led by ECOTEC has been announced as the successful bidder to act as the managing body for the Government's £100 million Youth Sector Development Fund (YSDF). The consortium will provide an integrated package of business support as well as administering grants to successful third sector organisations who work with some of our most vulnerable young people. The Youth Sector Development Fund (YSDF) will help organisations to grow their capacity, support them to compete for local contracts and become fully sustainable.

Who for? Applications are welcome from organisations which provide services to society's most vulnerable young people, and particularly those whose work has a focus on preventing young people from committing crime, or becoming involved in anti-social behaviour, and those that, through the provision of positive activities, provide engaging and constructive alternatives for our young people.

The Department for Children, Schools and Families is now looking to fund up to a maximum of twelve proposals from organisations that work with the most disadvantaged young people. Proposals should focus on current youth priorities and how they contribute to one or more of the indicators below.

Indicator 1: Reduce the percentage of 16-18 year olds not in education, employment or training (NEET).

Indicator 2: More participation in positive activities.

Indicator 3: Reduce the proportion of young people frequently using illicit drugs, alcohol or volatile substances.

Indicator 4: Reduce the under-18 conception rate.

Indicator 5: Reduce the number of first-time entrants to the Criminal Justice System aged 10-17.

Grant amount: £30m is available to third-sector organisations whose work supports disadvantaged and vulnerable young people in finding their pathway to success.

Application process: Applications and supporting documents are available online.

Deadline: Friday 3 October 2008.

Further information: Email: ysdf@ecotec.com, Tel: 0845 630 8699, Website: www.everychildmatters.gov.uk/resources-and-practice/TP00046/

ENVIRONMENT

Volvo Adventure

Priorities/details: The Volvo Adventure - in partnership with the United Nations Environment Programme - is an educational programme that rewards environmental activities and the decision-makers of the future.

To enter, you form a team of two to five members aged 13 to 16 years and perform an environmental project in your local community.

Who for? The award is for teams of two to five young people working on a practical action project that will improve their school or community environment. It is an award for ongoing environmental projects that have had a positive impact on the environment. If you are just starting out we also offer resources to help you plan and develop your project based on successful past projects. Many winners have registered one year and entered the following year. The young people aged 13 to 16 years should be devising action plans to help their environment. You will need to show the role that young people have had in the project and the actions they have taken. Your project can focus on any environmental subject that you have found interesting.

Prize: The best projects are selected for an all expenses paid trip to Göteborg, Sweden where they can win: 1st place = 10,000 USD, 2nd = 6,000 USD and 3rd = 4,000 USD.

Application process: Register online.

Deadline: January 31 2009.

Further information: www.volvoadventure.org/home.aspx

Green Energy Trust

Priorities/details: The Green Energy Trust will grant up to half the cost of the chosen renewable technology.

Who for? Projects need to have a really strong community benefit and wider educational element. The Green Energy Trust is a small Trust with limited funds and unfortunately can't offer funding to all the projects that apply.

Projects from local community groups and not for profit organisations and charities within the UK may apply.

Grant amount: There is a maximum award of £25,000 but most projects receive around £10,000.

Application process: Application forms and guidance are available online.

Deadlines: The Trust meets three times a year to consider applications – usually during the first week of April, September and December.

Further information: Tel: 0141 568 3492, Email: greenenergytrust@scottishpower.com, Website: www.scottishpowergreentrust.co.uk



COMMUNITY COHESION



Awards for Bridging Cultures

Priorities/details: This year, the Awards for Bridging Cultures (ABCs) are launched for the first time. The ABCs will reward grass roots, community and voluntary organisations for local schemes and projects which promote intercultural dialogue and understanding. It will also reward public and private sector organisations for initiating and supporting such schemes.

Why is this important? The increasing pace and scale of globalisation is reflected in the increasing diversity of local communities. It is essential that society creates opportunities which bring people from different backgrounds together to learn about, interact with and critically review their own and other people's cultures. Over time this can help to achieve cultural change by building understanding and awareness. It can also help to promote trust and respect.

Who for? Community sports, culture, interfaith and education projects bring people together from different backgrounds, age groups and cultures to find common purpose in shared activities. The ABCs will highlight these schemes, reward the people and organisations that are leading and investing in them and share good practice. A one day conference and awards ceremony in November 2008 will showcase short listed projects in each of the three categories and celebrate overall winners.

Benefits to applicants include: an opportunity to showcase their work; sharing good practice and opportunities for learning from other applicants; short listed community and voluntary organisations will be supported to make a DVD of their scheme to support learning and sharing good practice; in addition, winners will receive publicity for their scheme, financial rewards to invest in their projects and the opportunity to become leaders in their field; and potential coverage of the submission in the local media for all applicants.

Application process: Apply online at Website: www.bridgingcultures.org.uk or call Tel: 024 7679 5768 to request a printed application form.

Deadline: Wednesday 1 October 2008.

Further information: Tel: 024 7679 5768, Website: www.bridgingcultures.org.uk,

Preventing Violent Extremism: Community Leadership Fund

Priorities/details: This grant fund is intended to support work that will build the capacity of individuals, organisations and communities to take the lead on tackling violent extremist influences.

Who for? The funding will be focused on the following areas: Capacity of organisations and communities; Supporting Muslim young people; Supporting Muslim women; Capacity of Muslim faith leaders; Local forums against extremism and Islamophobia. Funding for the first four strands of work will be limited to projects which have national reach/significance. Funding for the fifth strand of work will go to projects which are delivered locally. You can apply for funding for up to three years for 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-2011. Any offers of funding will only be guaranteed until 31 March 2009.

Application process: Guidance notes and application forms are available online.

Deadline: 30 September 2008.



Further information: Email: peu@communities.gsi.gov.uk, Website: www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/communityleadershipfund

Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust

Priorities/details: The Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust funds work in Britain under the programme headings listed below.



Who for? Peace - work promoting nonviolent conflict resolution, including work on the arms trade; developing effective peacebuilding measures; and supporting the right to conscientious objection to military service.

Racial justice - Work which promotes racial justice in all parts of society, including empowering black and minority ethnic people to engage in decision making and policy development, and work which monitors and challenges racism and racial injustice whether relating to colour or culture. The programme includes work addressing issues and policies that affect refugees and asylum seekers.

Power and responsibility - Work that encourages an appropriate relationship between people and the institutions that affect them, including strengthening the democratic process, enhancing corporate accountability, and building respect for human rights across the public and private sectors.

Quaker concerns - Work that helps to deepen the spiritual life of the Society of Friends or that develops Quaker responses to problems of our time.

Most grants made under these four programmes are to organisations based in Britain for work at a national level (apart from racial justice work at local level in West Yorkshire). The Trust also supports a small number of organisations under these four programmes that are based elsewhere in Europe for work at a European level.

Deadlines: 8 September 2008.

Further information: Tel: 01904 627810, Website: www.jrct.org.uk

FAITH



Repair Grants for Places of Worship in England

Priorities/details: The Repair Grants for Places of Worship in England scheme offers grants for urgent repairs to listed buildings which are in regular use as public places of worship.

Grants are available for formally constituted religious organisations. The scheme is jointly funded by English Heritage (EH) and the Heritage Lottery Fund and is administered by EH's nine regional offices.

Grant amount: Total funds available are £24,500,000 per annum. Grants are available from £10,000 to £200,000.

Who for? The main focus of the scheme is on urgent repairs required within two years, to high level elements of buildings. Other urgent repairs to historic fabric at risk of loss can also be considered.

EH's national priorities are to fund projects where: significant elements of the historic environment are at risk; there is a lack of alternative sources of funding; proposals seek to strengthen the ability of the sector to manage the historic environment. This scheme does not cover: unlisted places of worship. Applicants should: be a formally constituted religious organisation (any faith group, Christian or non-Christian).

Deadlines: EH deal with applications in two batches per financial year: places of worship listed grade I or II* - 30 June closing date; places of worship listed grade II - 30 September closing date.

Further information: Email: grants@english-heritage.org.uk, Website: www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.1122

Faiths in Action

Priorities/details: The Framework for Partnership outlines new support and

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£7.5m worth of investment over three years to encourage and enable greater local activity, bringing people from different religions and beliefs together. Ensuring that there is an independent Regional Faith Forum in every English region and community groups have access to funding under the Faiths in Action Fund.

Faiths in Action is a £4 million grants programme open to faith, inter faith, voluntary and community sector organisations at national, regional and local levels in England. Faiths in Action supports delivery of the Government document, Face to Face and Side by Side: A framework for partnership in our multi faith society.

In addition the government will:

- produce a guidance leaflet for local communities which shows ways in which individuals and groups can work together with those with different faiths and beliefs and those with none
- provide supportive guidance to local authorities on the practical steps they can take such as supporting shared community spaces
- work in partnership with the Inter Faith Network for the UK to organise an Inter Faith Week - encouraging faith communities across the country at all levels to raise awareness and celebrate inter faith work.

Who for? Open to faith, inter faith, voluntary and community organisations and groups in England. The grants will support a wide variety of local activities in a range of community settings. All applications must directly relate to one or more of the fund's four priorities, which are derived from this framework. A. Developing the confidence and skills to 'bridge' and 'link' B. Supporting shared spaces for interaction and social action C. Developing structures and processes which support dialogue and social action D. Improving opportunities for learning which build understanding

Grant amount: Grants of up to £12,000 are now available in round one, to be spent over two years from April 2009 to the end of March 2011.

Application process: Contact the Community Foundation – details below.

Deadline: 1 November 2008.

Further information: Community Development Foundation helpline Tel: 01223 400 341, Email: fundingadmin@cdf.org.uk, Websites: www.wired-gov.net and www.governmentfunding.org.uk

NEWS

Communities in control

Priorities/details The Government White Paper - Communities in control: real people, real power can be downloaded from:

www.communities.gov.uk/documents/communities/pdf/886045.pdf

Communities in control tells the story of power, influence and control and how people can use existing and new tools to access it. The White Paper looks at who has power, on

whose behalf is it exercised, how is it held to account, and how can it be accessed by everyone in local communities.

OUR PRICE RECORDS

Our Price

Priorities/details: Our Price can provide you with auction prizes, top tribute acts, auctioneers - all at no cost to you. Their auction prizes include personally signed items from the world of Music, Sport, Film and Television and fantastic Special Experiences. Whether your event is imminent or months in advance - they can help. Our Price have a dedicated team fully committed to supporting Fundraisers throughout the UK.

Further information: Tel: 0870 777 5001, Monday - Friday 9am - 5:30pm, Email: charitysupport@ourprice.co.uk, Website: www.ourprice.co.uk

DCLG Community Empowerment Fund

Priorities/details: Consultation on proposals for funding third sector organisations to empower communities across England. This consultation paper seeks views on a draft of the Empowerment Fund Prospectus which the Government intends to issue. This fund will provide support for existing national third sector organisations operating across England to help local communities turn key proposals into practical action on the ground. The funding prospectus is currently out for consultation until 30 September 2008.

Application process: Following the consultation DCLG will publish funding prospectus – w/c 20 October 08 for an Application deadline – w/c 17 November 08.

Further information:

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/empowermentfund



EVENTS AND TRAINING

Raising funds from the Rich 2008 - the annual UK conference on major donor fundraising - Wednesday 8 October, Central Hall Westminster

Priorities/details: Britain's richest donors and leading experts on major donor fundraising are gathering on 8 October for the annual 'Raising funds from the Rich' conference. Attended by 1,200 charity leaders and major donors last year, 'Raising funds from the Rich' is the largest UK event on major donor fundraising. The conference will include how to plan and execute a successful major donor fundraising programme, how to identify and profile those of your supporters who have high net worth, and identify additional rich individuals potentially supportive of your cause. USA

Fundraising Consultant at Action Planning, Ken Hoffman will go into how to access the growing number of US donors who are prepared to support UK causes.

Further information: The conference will be held at Central Hall Westminster from 10am to 4 pm, followed by a networking reception until 5.30pm.



Your attendance fee of £147 includes VAT, lunch, presentation materials and the networking reception. You can either register and pay online or Email: kbuckle@actionplanning.co.uk and they will register you and send you an invoice. You can download the full brochure at Website: www.actionplanning.co.uk/rich.pdf

DSC Training re Government Funding

Priorities/details: Get the funding you need from government schemes with essential training from the Directory of Social Change. DSC have gathered the experience and knowledge gained from researching and running governmentfunding.org.uk for the past five years to help you learn everything you need to know for a successful government funding bid. Learn all the essentials - the changing funding environment; how to negotiate the best deal for your beneficiaries as well as how to manage the funding relationship and maintain your independence - through real life examples and case studies.

Further information: www.dsc.org.uk/govfunding for more details and to book your place now. **Manchester - 16 October 08.**

Fees: Band A: £150.00; Band B: £234.00; Band C: £306.00. Band A: Voluntary and community organisations with a turnover up to £500,000. Band B: Voluntary and community organisations with a turnover of over £500,000. Band C: Statutory and commercial organisations.

Charities and tax – PKF seminar

Priorities/details: PKF Accountants and business advisers is holding a free tax and VAT catch-up seminar for charities. The seminar will take place on **Wednesday 10 September 2008**, 2:30pm – 5pm, at PKF's London office in Farringdon where PKF's dedicated tax team will discuss the latest important developments in the areas of tax, VAT, Gift Aid and PAYE. Speaking at the seminar will be Debbie Jennings, PKF Director of VAT, Sarah Campbell, PKF Senior Manager of Corporation Tax and Philip Fisher, PKF Partner of Employment Tax and Rewards.

Debbie Jennings said, 'In this seminar we'll advise attendees how to both comply with legal requirements and save money as well as how to avoid the common pitfalls that affect charities and the areas most likely to attract the scrutiny of the taxman.'

The seminar will be followed by a drinks reception, providing an excellent networking opportunity.

Further information: To register for this free seminar, or for further information, please contact Denny Coote, Tel: 0207 065 0140, Email: denny.coote@uk.pkf.com Website: www.pkf.co.uk



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Mind the Gap: Developing Third Sector People and Skills

Tuesday 21 October 2008 Time: 9.45am to 3.30pm Venue: Central Hall Westminster, Storey's Gate, SW1H 9NH

Priorities/details: Join NCVO at this conference to discover how you can find the resources to develop the skills of your organisation's most important asset – its staff and volunteers. The day will include presentations and discussions which will focus on the importance of skills in the sector - and the need to find practical ways to fund skills development when public funding is so difficult to achieve. There will also be plenty of opportunities to network and share your ideas and learning with others. The discussion will include up-to-date, real examples of the tangible benefits of investing in skills, as well as

exploring the cost of not investing in skills, for both organisations and those who fund or contract with them.

Price - NCVO Members: Voluntary and Public Sector £147, Corporates £220.50. Non-members: Voluntary and public sector £210, Corporates/other £315.

Further information: Email: workforcehub@ukworkforcehub.org.uk, Tel: 0207 520 2490.

Download a Mind The Gap brochure from Website:

www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/events/latest/?id=9424#about

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. Also look at our funding web page at www.t3sc.org/funding.htm

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