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CAVOS

funding update

Awards for All: The new fund

We informed you in our last Funding Update that the Awards for All programme would come to a close on 31st March 2009.

BIG Lottery recognise that Awards for All was a very popular fund and have replaced it with a new small grants programme and they've called it....
.....Awards for All!

The new Awards for All went live on 1st April 2009

So it's a new programme with the same name! Some aspects of the programme are similar to the old one but several key updates have been made.

New application forms and guidelines have been published. Please discard any old application forms that you may have.

See pages 3 & 4 for the full breakdown of the Lottery small grants programmes including Awards for All

CAVOS Funders Fair & Networking Event

The aim of this event is to give VCS groups the chance to promote themselves, network with other groups and speak to some of the North East's top funders

Friday 1st May 2009 10am—2pm

@ Spennymoor Town Hall

Booking is essential.
See newsletter for details

CAVOS Funding training

CAVOS will once again be running it's ever popular funding training course:

'Everything You Need to Know About Funding'

11th June 2009 at Spennymoor Town Hall

This course is ideal for people who are new to funding or for those who want to brush up on their knowledge.

Booking is essential.
See training programme for details

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Henry Smith Charity

The Henry Smith Charity was founded in 1628 and makes grants totalling over £20 million per year for a wide range of purposes.

The charity uses the following programme areas to classify their grants:

- ⇒ Hospitals and medical care
- ⇒ Hospices and palliative care
- ⇒ Medical research
- ⇒ Disability
- ⇒ Elderly
- ⇒ Young people
- ⇒ Drugs and alcohol
- ⇒ Community services
- ⇒ Family service
- ⇒ Homelessness

The Henry Smith charity offers three types of funding:

Special List: could include purchase/refurbishment of a building, purchase of specialist equipment, other similar capital expenditure, or one year's running costs. Grant applications must be for £10,000 or more for one year only.

General List: usually for a specific item in the applicant's budget such as a salary or towards the costs of a particular project. Grants can also be used for core costs. Grants applications must be for £10,000 or more per annum.

Small grants: one-off payments that can be for one-off capital items. Small grants of £10,000 are offered to organisations with an annual income of less than £150,000

For further information: 020 7264 4970
www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk

Source: FINE

V Match fund

The national volunteering charity for young people, V has announced that its Match Fund is now open for applications.

The overall aim of the V Match Fund is to create opportunities so inspiring that volunteering becomes a valued part of the lives of most 16-25 year olds. V aims to reach out to the most disadvantaged and disengaged young people.

There are six core themes for the V Match Fund designed to reflect young people's passions:

- ⇒ Community cohesion
- ⇒ Environment
- ⇒ Health
- ⇒ Children and Young People
- ⇒ Poverty
- ⇒ Human Rights

Priority is also given to the following groups of young people:

- ⇒ Offenders and ex-offenders
- ⇒ Disabled
- ⇒ Those in and leaving care
- ⇒ Those from BME groups
- ⇒ Refugees
- ⇒ Those not in education
- ⇒ Lesbian, gay, bisexual & transgendered
- ⇒ Lone parents
- ⇒ Those living in rural areas.

There is a two-stage application process - stage one requires an online Eligibility Questionnaire to be completed

The next deadline is Friday 8th May for projects starting August 2009

For further information: 020 79607000

matchfund@wearev.com
www.wearev.com

Source: FINE

Grassroots Grants

The income threshold for groups applying to Grassroots has been raised with immediate effect to £30,000 per year – so if you are a group whose total income is £90,000 or less for the last three years, you are now eligible to apply.

Any groups that applied previously but were rejected on grounds of income are invited to re-apply, providing of course that they are below the new threshold. www.countydurhamfoundation.co.uk



Trusthouse Foundation

Trustees of the Trusthouse Foundation have completed a review of the grants criteria in 2008 and now have two overarching themes to their grants:

Rural issues

The Foundation are interested in projects providing transport for the elderly, disabled or disadvantaged; contact networks for young disabled people; projects which encourage a sense of community; employment training schemes; projects addressing issues such as drug / alcohol misuse.

Urban deprivation

Supports local and national charities or not-for-profit organisations working within areas which are classified in the latest government Indices of Multiple Deprivation e.g. youth clubs; training schemes to help people out of unemployment; drop in centres for the homeless

The Foundation offers three schemes:

Large Grants scheme:

grants between £10,000 and £30,000 for capital work only

Small Grants scheme:

grants between £5,001 and £9,999 for revenue and / or capital costs

Fast Track scheme:

grants of £5,000 and below for revenue and / or capital costs

For more information and applications forms:

020 72644990

www.trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk

Source: FINE

Veterans challenge fund

The Veterans challenge fund (VCF) is credited with £750,000 annually for distribution. There are no maximum or minimum limits but past awards have ranged from £400 to £95,000 in value.

The VCF supports the Strategy for Veterans, which has three key pillars. To ensure that veterans receive:

- ⇒ Excellent preparation for the transition to civilian life following their service
- ⇒ Support in terms of the provision of advice and help from Government and voluntary sector where needed
- ⇒ Recognition of their contribution to society

Applications for financial support must fall under at least one of these three headings, or be concerned with researching veterans' issues or improving communication of veterans' service deliverers

020 7219 9787 / 9225

www.veteransagency.mod.uk

Source: FINE

Paul Hamlyn Foundation: Education Guidelines

The Paul Hamlyn Foundation is a one of the larger independent grant-making foundations in the UK. They make grants to organisations which aim to maximise opportunities for individuals to experience full quality of life. They are particularly concerned with children and young people, and others who are disadvantaged.

Their funding programmes are: Arts, Educations & Learning and Social Justice.

The Foundation has recently issued new guidelines for its Education and Learning programme, which has three specific themes:

- ⇒ Supplementary educations
- ⇒ Tacking school exclusion and truancy
- ⇒ Developing speaking and listening skills for 11-19 year olds

The Trust has developed a number of Special Initiatives designed to provide a more proactive response to key issues where they believe they can make a distinctive contribution that will result in a significant impact. Full criteria and an online eligibility service is available on the website:

020 72273500 www.phf.org.uk

Source: FINE

The new 'Awards for All'

Awards for All makes grants to:

- ⇒ Voluntary groups
- ⇒ Parish / town councils
- ⇒ Schools
- ⇒ health bodies

- Awards for All makes grants of between £300 and £10,000
- Each applicant is able to apply for a maximum of £10,000 in a two-year period
- Awards for All grants must be spent within 12 months
- Applicants can only hold one Awards for All grant at a time

Any projects applying to Awards for All must meet at least one of the programme outcomes:

1. People having better chances in life with better access to training and development to improve their life skills
2. Stronger communities with more active citizens working together to tackle their problems
3. Improved rural & urban environments which communities are better able to access and enjoy
4. Healthier and more active people and communities

Awards for all will only pay for Arts, Heritage or Sports activities that meet one or more of the above outcomes. Any Arts, Heritage, or Sports activities that do not meet one or more of the above outcomes should apply for funding from another source.

How they will assess your application

They will check:

- How your group is set up and managed
- If your project is well organised
- If your application supports community activities
- If your budget is realistic
- What you are contributing
- Who will benefit

Decision making

- They will make decisions within 30 working days of receiving a completed application form
- If they want to fund the application, they will make a CONDITIONAL grant offer.
- Following a conditional offer, they will ask for signatures, bank statements and any other documents needed – you will have 20 working days to send this to them. If you do not send the information that is asked for within this time then they will withdraw the offer.
- Awards will be confirmed if all documents are satisfactory within 10 working days. If the documents you send are not satisfactory then they will withdraw the conditional grant offer.
- Grants will be paid into your group's bank account once your grant has been confirmed
- If your application is REJECTED they will explain why, and once you have addressed any concerns you can apply again.

Supporting documents:

- ⇒ Its as easy as **ABC**
 - ⇒ **A**nnual Accounts
 - ⇒ **B**ank / Building society account statements
 - ⇒ **C**onstitution
- No need to send these with application form*
- ⇒ Signatures requested from groups who receive a conditional offer of a grant
 - ⇒ You will have to provide an independent referee with your application form.

Prioritising applications – scoring system:

- ⇒ How many outcomes are met?
- ⇒ How strong is the evidence of need?
- ⇒ Will the project try to involve as many people as possible?
- ⇒ Value for money
- ⇒ Annual income
- ⇒ Previous Awards for All grants

For further information: www.awardsforall.org.uk 0845 4 10 20 30

Grants for the Arts

Grants for the Arts are for individuals, arts organisations and other people who use the arts in their work. The grants are for activities carried out over a set period and which engage people in England in arts activities, as well as help artists and arts organisations in England carry out their work. The programme aims to be flexible and encourage new ideas for arts-related activity

Grants are available to individuals & organisations and will pay for activities lasting up to 3 years:

- ⇒ Grants of £1,000 to £30,000 are available for individuals
- ⇒ Grants of £1,000 to £100,000 are available for organisations

Applications to Grants for the Arts require the submission of an application form, which can be downloaded from the website alongside full guidance notes. Grants for the Arts is a continuous programme so applications can be made at any time

For further information: www.artscouncil.org.uk 0845 3006200

Heritage Lottery Fund

The Heritage Lottery Fund runs two small grant schemes:

Young Roots

- ⇒ This scheme makes grants to involve 13 to 25 year olds in funding out about their heritage, developing skills, building confidence and promoting community involvement
- ⇒ Grants of between £3,000 ad £25,000 are available

Your Heritage

This scheme supports projects that relate to the local, regional or national heritage of the UK and that help people to learn about and look after their heritage

Grants of between £3,000 and £50,000 are available

The Heritage Lottery Fund offer help and advice to potential applicants before the submission of an online pre-application form. Full applications require the submission of a simple application form which can also be accessed via the website

Applications can be made at any time and organisations should expect to receive a decision on their application within 10 weeks of the Heritage Lottery fund receiving it

For further information: www.hlf.org.uk 0207 5916042

Sport England

Sport England's small grants programme funds community projects that encourage people to become involved in sport and ensure that they have a quality sporting experience. The scheme also helps people to improve their performance in their chosen sport.

This scheme is for not-for-profit sports clubs, voluntary and community organisations, local authorities and education institutions.

Grants of between £300 and £10,000 are available for revenue and small capital projects.

Applications to the programme require the submission of an online application form. Sport England offer advice and support to applicants and the whole process, from receipt of application to decision, will take no longer than 6 weeks.

For further information: www.sportengland.org 08458508508

for further information on all Lottery funding www.lotteryfunding.org.uk



BT Community Connection Awards 2009

BT's Corporate Responsibility Unit has been running the Community Connection Awards since 2000, and has so far enabled over 5,000 groups to get online and has benefited an estimated six million people directly and indirectly. The 2009 awards were launched on 17th March.

The Community Connections scheme targets voluntary and community groups that could benefit from internet access and ICT but don't necessarily have the resources.

The Scheme offers community groups the opportunity to apply for an awards package, valued at £1,300 which consists of a multi-media internet-ready computer, a contribution towards one year's broadband internet access through BT Total Broadband, and a Community website.

The Awards also reflect the massive developments in technology and the scheme continually evolves with different programmes to provide community and voluntary groups with not only equipment, but also the skills needed to use ICT to it's full potential.

Information on applying to the Community Connection Awards available on the website:

www.btcommunityconnections.com

Source: FINE

Biffaward

Biffaward awards grants to community and environmental projects across the UK.

Small grants: offers quick access to lower levels of funding for projects that enable communities to improve local amenities & to conserve wildlife

Grants of between £250 and £5,000 are available for projects which do not cost more than £10,000 in total.

Main grants – Community: looks to award grants to projects that provide or improve community spaces, cultural facilities and places for outdoor recreation.

Grants of between £5,000 and £50,000 are available for projects that provide and improve community facilities. Applicants will need to find a third party funder(s) to provide 10% of the grant required

NB. The is strict criteria for applying to any of Biffaward's programmes and this should be consulted before applications are submitted. An expression of interest form must be completed in the first instance.

www.biffawards.org.uk

01636 670000

Source: FINE

Community Cash Awards

Community Cash Awards will see £1 million of grants being distributed by The Prince's Trust to young people who want to run community projects in some of Britain's poorest areas.

Community Cash Awards supports 14 to 25 year olds to get practical and financial help to set up projects that will make a positive difference to their community. Community Cash Awards are available to help young people who want to transform their area and learn practical skills.

Projects supported by the Awards can range from helping tackle the dangers of drugs and crime, to improving local youth facilities or sex education workshops in schools. Eligible projects must play a role in their community and meet the following criteria:

- ⇒ Be run and managed by people between the ages of 14 and 25
- ⇒ Clearly benefit the local community
- ⇒ Benefit the people running the project
- ⇒ Be a new or developing project

Funding of up to £1,000 is available for 14 to 16 year olds and funding of up to £5,000 is available for those aged 16 to 25.

To make an application the submission of an online enquiry form is required, alternatively applicants can also call 0800 842842

For further information visit www.princes-trust.org.uk

or contact the regional office on 0191 4973210

Source: FINE



Community Foundation

Local Action on Global Issues

Local Action on Global Issues is a grant making programme to educate and raise awareness on environmental issues. It supports environmental projects and shared learning between the grantmakers and voluntary and community groups.

The Fund supports projects that are able to demonstrate one or more of the following outcomes:

- ⇒ Have a positive impact on the environment
- ⇒ Raise awareness of environmental issues
- ⇒ Educate people about global issues
- ⇒ Demonstrate how local action can contribute to tackling global issues

Grants of between £1,000 and £2,000 are available to voluntary and community organisations for revenue and capital projects. Projects should enable people to engage with their local environment & think about global environmental issues.

For further information or an application form: 0191 2221945
www.communityfoundation.org.uk

Source: FINE

Equitable Charitable Trust

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

Grants made by the Trust fall into three broad categories

- ⇒ Education projects or services that support the learning and development of disabled children and young people in the UK
- ⇒ Education projects for disadvantaged children and young people in the UK, particularly those that support delivery of the National Curriculum of vocational learning opportunities.
- ⇒ Education projects that will increase participation in education for disadvantaged or disabled children in developing countries.

The size of grants ranges from £2,500 to £30,000; mostly for sums between £5,000 and £25,000. The length of funding can range from one to three years. Grants of more than one year are paid in annual instalments. The Trust does not have an application form but recommends that organisations follow the guidelines outlined on the website.

For further information: 020 72644995 / 4993
www.equitablecharitabletrust.org.uk

Source: VODA

Nationwide Foundation

The Nationwide Foundation works towards a just and caring society by enabling people to take part in building better futures in their communities. The Foundation has a history of offering support to those most in need, with a focus on targeting social exclusion.

Grants are currently available for registered charities under the Small Grants Programme, which offers one-off donations of up to £5,000 to charities with an income under £50,000

The Small Grants Programme has the following aims:

- ⇒ To promote the well-being of young men, women and children who have been affected by domestic violence and to reduce domestic violence through increased service provision, education and awareness training.
- ⇒ To improve the quality of life of families with family members in prison
- ⇒ To provide a rehabilitation programme for young people involved with the criminal justice system

All sections of the community are welcome to apply. There are no deadlines for applications and forms and guidelines can be downloaded from the website

For further information: 01793 655113 www.nationwidefoundation.org.uk

Source: FINE

Capacitybuilders and Futurebuilders £16.5 million Modernisation Fund

Capacitybuilders and Futurebuilders will be working together to deliver the £16.5 million Modernisation Fund element of the £42.5 million Government initiative to help the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) through the recession.

The Modernisation Fund was launched as a key part of the Government's action plan for the VCS 'Real Help for Communities: Volunteers, Charities and Social Enterprises'. The Fund will help organisations become stronger and more resilient and will comprise of a mix of loans and grant funding.

Capacitybuilders will be launching a programme early in the summer offering smaller grants to VCS groups and organisations with a turnover of under £1million to assist them with the purchase of business support to help explore the benefits of collaboration, merger, restructuring and to meet the costs associated with these.

Capacitybuilders funding will be targeted at organisations working in areas at most risk of being affected by the economic downturn and specialise in providing services of particular importance to communities during a recession including family support, debt advice & counselling and tackling homelessness.

Futurebuilders will offer loans to larger VCS organisations with a turnover of £750,000 and over. The loans will primarily focus upon mergers, and activities related to the financial and capacity issues associated with these.

Additional information on the different aspects of the Government's support programme will be made available when they are launched.

For further information:

www.capacitybuilders.org.uk

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Source: FINE



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