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North Yorkshire County Council: Innovation Fund

Do you and your organisation have some innovative ideas regarding the delivery of social care to adults in North Yorkshire? If you have the NYCC, Health and Adult Services, Innovation Fund may be an opportunity to turn your ideas into reality!

The Innovation Fund is a three year grant to be allocated to voluntary sector organisations operating in North Yorkshire to develop new and sustainable approaches to services.

Deadline: 10th February 2012

INNOVATION FUND ADVICE SURGERIES

In January Funding Advisers will be running advice surgery sessions for Voluntary and Community Organisations who are applying to the second round of the Innovation Fund.

Come along to ensure you have the best possible chance of submitting a successful application.

For more information about dates, venues and contact details to book an appointment please visit

<http://www.ynyfundingadvice.org.uk/index.php/innovation-fund---north-yorkshire-county-council.html>

For more information about the fund visit NYCC's website: <http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/voluntarysector> (scroll to the bottom of the page)

GENERAL

Big Lottery Fund: Communities Living Sustainably

Could you help us learn how communities in England can live in a more sustainable way? If the answer is yes, your community could be one of ten to receive up to £1million to work across the public, private, voluntary and community sectors to build a sustainable and resilient community that can develop inspirational ideas and share their learning with other communities across England.

They are particularly keen to see vulnerable people benefitting by making greener choices that will help them reduce their costs and improve their quality of life.

They will invest in up to ten communities by providing:

- Access to expert support and advice to help each community develop their skills, knowledge and abilities and build on best practice within and between communities
- Up to £10,000 to develop a project delivery plan that details the environmental, economic and social challenges affecting the community and how they can be addressed
- Grants of between £500,000 and £1 million for up to five years.

This funding will provide an opportunity for communities to work together to access further resources and support so that their communities are sustainable and resilient long after their funding ends.

Deadline for the expression of interest stage is Tuesday **31 January 2012**.

Big Advice Line on 0845 4 10 20 30.

http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_communities_living_sustainably.htm?regioncode=-uk



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Awards for All: Reject Reasons

Awards for All England is a simple small grants scheme making awards of between £300 and £10,000.

The Awards for All programme aims to help improve local communities and the lives of people most in need.

To do this we want to fund projects that meet one or more of the following outcomes:

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

The application form is short and simple. Email us the completed form.

You will find out if you are successful within six weeks.

In October 2011 47% of applications in Yorkshire and Humber were successful—which in relative terms is low.

The main rejection reasons are:

- The project doesn't meet the programme outcomes (detailed above)
- Organisations are applying for excluded activities e.g. repeat activities, salaries and building projects over £25,000 (applicants should read the guidance notes).
- Insufficient evidence of need
- The project is primarily for sports, heritage or art projects (they should apply for the small grants for each of the lottery distributors).

The main reason any funding application fails is due to applicants not reading all the guidance documentation fully.

<http://www.awardsforall.org.uk/england/index.html>



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Reaching Communities programme – Buildings Strand

Following a review of the buildings strand of the Reaching Communities programme in November 2011, they have made a few immediate changes to the eligibility criteria Immediate changes to Reaching Communities Buildings:

1. Introduced IMD 2010 data on top of IMD 2007 data
2. Increased the urban percentage from 15 per cent to 20 per cent

The eligibility checker has been updated to incorporate IMD 2010 data and now includes the following eligible areas:

- The most deprived 20 per cent of LSOAs categorised as urban
- The most deprived 20 per cent of LSOAs categorised as rural (town and fringe)
- The most deprived 50 per cent of LSOAs categorised as rural (villages/hamlets/ isolated dwellings)

They have also introduced a process which offers some more flexibility around the eligibility criteria. This means they may now make an exception for projects that are based near an eligible area and which primarily serve beneficiaries in that area.

More information and FAQs about these changes and how you can get involved in a future more detailed review of the Reaching Communities buildings strand can be found on their website.

Maps of eligible areas will be added shortly.

http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_reaching_communities?tab=3®ioncode=-uk



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BIG - Heroes Return 2 - Extended by 12 months

The Big Lottery Fund (BIG) has announced that it has extended its Heroes Return 2 Programme by a further 12 months.

The programme's extension will ensure Second World War veterans who are yet to take advantage of the funding will have more time to apply for grants to cover travel and accommodation expenses and enables them to make trips throughout 2011 back to places across the world where they served. They can also receive funding to take part in an official commemoration in the UK.

WW2 veterans from the UK, Channel Islands and Republic of Ireland can apply for travel and accommodation costs to visit the places where they saw active service.

Those eligible are veterans who fought with or alongside British forces in World War 2 and who are resident in the UK and the Republic of Ireland. War widows and widowers of veterans are also eligible for funding, and carers and spouses can receive funding to travel with veterans.

You can apply between 1 April 2009 and 31 January 2012.

Grants are £150 - £5,500, depending on the number of people taking part and the destination.

Deadline: 31 January 2012

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



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Tesco Charity Trust Community Awards Scheme

The Tesco Charity Trust runs two funding schemes - the Community Awards and the larger Grants.

Community Awards - provides one-off donations of between £500 and £4,000 to local projects:

GRANTS FOR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S WELFARE

Applications should be made between: 1st December & *31st January*, expected decision date: End of April.

GRANTS FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE AND ADULTS AND CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Applications should be made between: 1st February & 31st March, expected decision date: End of June.

Larger Grant Applications - The Trustees also consider grant applications at their tri-annual meetings. These grants range between £4,000 and £25,000 and are to support local, national or international projects in areas where they operate.

Deadline: 31 January 2012

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

People's Postcode Trust - New deadlines

New funding rounds for 2012 applications to The People's Postcode Trust have been announced.

The next one opens 9 January and closes 24 February 2012. Further rounds for 2012 are as follows:

- 9 April to 25 May
- 9 July to 24 August
- 8 October to 19 November

Grants are from £500 - £10,000. Funding is for projects lasting up to three months in the fields of poverty, health, community development, sport, human rights or environment.

To apply for more than £2,000, you must be a registered charity and be able to provide a charity number.

www.postcodetrust.org.uk

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The Triangle Trust 1949 Fund

The Triangle Trust 1949 Fund is inviting applications from charity organisations for projects that support carers, community arts and education disability, older people, poverty, integration and rehabilitation.

Grants are normally in the range of £1,000 and £10,000.

The objectives of the Fund are the alleviation of poverty and the promotion of good health and welfare, the advancement and furthering of education.

Successful projects will either maintain an open, inclusive society or promote integration (or reintegration) of individuals or groups into society.

Preference will be given to smaller charities, charities which serve a locality or region of the UK, rather than national charities, and causes which find it more difficult to raise funds from the general public.

Deadline: 27 January 2012

www.thetriangletrust1949fund.org.uk

Comic Relief: 'Managing Money Better'

£2m of funding will be available in 2012 for projects which help older people cope with the challenging financial climate and the exclusion and hardship they may be facing. There will be two grant cycles in 2012 - in January and April.

PRIORITIES: They want to hear about ideas that can bring about substantial improvements to older people's lives; to support them to build their skills and knowledge, to manage their money effectively, to guard against financial scams and abuse, and to deal with cold homes.

CRITERIA: They'll be looking to fund organisations who have some experience of working in this area, as well as those that involve older people in the design and delivery of the activities. They'll favour projects that develop strategic partnership approaches with voluntary, private and public organisations including local people (of all ages) to meet the needs of older people. They'll also ensure that their funding targets isolated older people and those who live in the poorest and most deprived areas.

Full details including guidance notes on how to apply and expression of interest forms will be available on their website from January 2012.

www.comicrelief.com

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The Village Core programme

The Village CORE Programme is a dedicated support programme for communities looking to set up and run a community-owned rural shop.

It provides advisory support along with a £40,000 funding package comprised of a £20,000 grant matched with a £20,000 loan which is also matched by the equivalent community contributions.

Grants will be awarded to rural communities of at least 300 people which are planning to set up a community-owned shop.

The Village CORE Programme application process consists of the following stages:

Stage 1: Initial telephone enquiry - Any community interested in applying for the Village CORE programme should telephone Donna Smith or Harriet English on 01993 814377 for an informal discussion of their project and to assess their eligibility as a beneficiary of the Village CORE Programme.

Stage 2: Grant application - The community is then required to formally submit an application which will be sent out following the initial telephone enquiry. For information, full guidance notes can be downloaded.

<http://www.plunkett.co.uk/whatwedo/core/Core.cfm>

Dulverton Trust

The Dulverton Trust operates within the following main areas of activity:

Youth and Education - This is their largest category and is concerned with educational activities and opportunities for disadvantaged young people, helping them to achieve their true potential.

General Welfare - They support a wide range of activities that benefit disadvantaged people and communities.

Conservation - The Trust is keen to support the general conservation and protection of wildlife habitats.

Preservation - They are interested in the preservation of outstanding historic artefacts and buildings of national importance.

Peace and Humanitarian Support - This is a restricted category which embraces selected appeals.

Major Grants - for charities that operate nationally or across the geographical regions of the UK.

Minor Grants - for smaller charities usually working at local or county level. Priority will be given to charities working in areas of severe deprivation or rural isolation.

Trustees meet four times a year to consider Major appeals: in February, May, July and October. Minor appeals are considered four times a year at variable times between the main agenda meetings. There are no deadlines or closing dates.

<http://www.dulverton.org/>

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Pilgrim Trust

The Trust's aim is to preserve and promote Britain's historical and intellectual assets and to provide assistance to vulnerable members of society by supporting projects where their funds will make the greatest impact.

They are also interested in projects where charities are having difficulty in raising funds from other sources.

They favour giving to organisations where their grants will make a significant difference.

There are two programmes and the average grant size is £18,000.

1. Preservation & Scholarship

In this programme area emphasis is placed on projects that seek to conserve historical buildings, monuments and collections. Increased awareness of and access to collections is also important and they encourage projects that promote awareness either by making collections more available or by supporting academic research.

2. Social Welfare

Projects supporting people who misuse drugs or alcohol that fall within the following theme. Applications that fall outside this thematic area will not be considered.

- Projects to support the families and/or carers of people who have been or are misusing drugs or alcohol
- Projects in prisons and projects providing alternatives to custody that fall within the following themes:
 - Projects that seek to reduce the use of custody for women.
 - Projects that seek to support women who are leaving custody and that assist them to reintegrate with society and their families.

www.thepilgrimtrust.org.uk

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Fund101

Administered by Enterprise Nation, the programme is designed to assist those who are looking for relatively small amounts of capital support.

The initial funding pool is £50,000 and this will be topped up each month with an additional £5,000 provided by Intuit and PayPal. Individual grants ranging from £50 to £500 can be requested.

The grants can be used to fund miscellaneous capital costs associated with starting up a new venture and for existing small businesses to purchase equipment, promotional flyers, hardware etc, in order to boost their operations.

UK-based start-ups looking to commence trading and those who are already in business and need funding to further their enterprise may be eligible for assistance through Fund101.

To apply, entrants must complete an online application, explaining how much money they require and for what purpose.

They must then raise an equivalent number of votes to the grant they are seeking - if they need £100, they must engage 100 people to vote for them online.

When the target is met, the funds will be deposited into the successful candidates' PayPal accounts.

Grant recipients must agree to be profiled on the Fund101 webpage to explain how the grant has benefited their business.

The application process is now open and bids may be submitted at any time.

<http://enterprisenation.com/fund101/>

GENERAL

ESF Community Grant

Your Consortium Ltd would like to remind you that the deadline for the next round of applications for ESF Community Grants is **Friday 3rd February, 2012 at 5pm.**

Grants of between £2,000 and £10,000 are available, for small voluntary and community organisations in Yorkshire and The Humber to provide learning opportunities that help participants move closer to the labour market.

Funded activities must be aimed at unemployed individuals aged 18 years and over from the hardest to reach communities. Applications will be considered from any community that can evidence deprivation

If you are interested in applying for an ESF Community Grant, or for more information, please go to the following link: <http://www.yourconsortium.org/newsitem3.html>

Alternatively, if you have any questions, please contact Lee Steel on 01423 795300 or at lsteel@yourconsortium.org.

BBC Children in Need: Emergency Essentials Programme

The programme will be administered by Buttle UK across three years and will give emergency grants for essential items for struggling families living in extreme deprivation throughout the UK.

It will help them meet basic needs, for example ensuring that a child has a bed to sleep in and a hot meal a day.

Applications must come through statutory or voluntary agency able to assess the needs of the young person, and administer the grant.

<http://www.buttleuk.org/pages/-children-in-need-48.html>

CULTURE, ARTS AND HERITAGE

Beyond Borders: PRS for Music Foundation

It funds collaborations between organisations in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales to produce new music to be performed in at least two UK countries.

The scheme enables creators to produce exceptional new music to be performed in at least two UK countries.

Deadline: 30 January 2012

[www.prsformusicfoundation.com/
Partnerships/Flagship-Programmes/
Beyond-Borders](http://www.prsformusicfoundation.com/Partnerships/Flagship-Programmes/Beyond-Borders)



Paul Hamlyn Foundation - Arts

The Arts Open Grants Scheme supports work that increases people's enjoyment, experience and involvement in the arts. All applications to the Arts Open Grants scheme must relate to this theme.

Their grants aim to enable organisations to experiment with and develop new ways of engaging with audiences and participants.

This might mean introducing more people to traditional cultural activities or ensuring that the widest range of people have a greater opportunity to shape their own experience of the arts and culture.

Within this theme, they will support work for people of all ages, with an emphasis on inter-generational initiatives where young people (up to 25 years old) are one of the groups involved.

There is no minimum or maximum grant size.

There are no closing dates. You will be advised of the dates at which decisions may be taken when your application is being processed.

www.phf.org.uk

Arts Council England

The Arts Council England has published details on how it plans to invest £440 million of strategic funding between 2012 and 2015.

The Arts Council Plan sets out the following details for how strategic funding will be invested:

- **Targeted grant programmes:** These consist of a £180 million Capital programme to help improve existing arts facilities, a £50 million Catalyst Arts programme designed to help arts organisations increase their funding and diversify their funding streams, and a £45 million Touring programme which aims to encourage collaboration between organisations. The Capital and Catalyst Arts programmes are now open, and the Touring programme will open for applications on 5 December 2011

- **Grant commissions:** These aim to enable the arts sector to apply to deliver a particular piece of work to a detailed and specific brief given by the Arts Council. An open selection process will also be launched to find a national provider to continue the development and delivery of the £4.5 million Artsmark scheme. The scheme supports schools, further education colleges and youth justice settings in delivering high quality arts provision. Another fund is also being developed to

invest in a small number of areas with low arts attendance and engagement, to develop sustainable arts and cultural programmes that help get more people involved in the arts.

The Creative People and Places fund will launch in early 2012.

A £7.5 million Audience focus fund will be used to commission initiatives that increase, widen and sustain audiences and visitors for the arts, museums and libraries. The fund is now open for applications.

- **General strategic grant programme:** This programme will open in spring 2012. It will give organisations the chance to approach the Arts Council with creative solutions to achieve priorities that are not being fully addressed by the National Portfolio and other strategic funds. More details, including the priorities that are not being fully addressed, will be published in spring.

For more information on each of the initiatives, visit the Arts Council website [here](http://www.artscouncil.org.uk).

<http://press.artscouncil.org.uk/content/Detail.aspx?ReleaseID=1397&NewsAreaID=2Arts%20Council%20England%20launches%20strategic%20funding>

EDUCATION

Education Endowment Fund

The Education Endowment Fund (EEF) is seeking applications for projects that address educational disadvantage.

It is particularly looking for projects which can be developed, scaled up and replicated and which will have a measurable impact on attainment.

In the first two years funding will be focused on children eligible for free school meals attending primary and secondary schools targeted for EEF funding.

The following organisations are eligible to apply: Registered charities. Not-for-profit organisations. Individual schools. Clusters of schools. Teacher groups. Universities. Colleges. Academy chains. Mutuels. Co-operatives. Any combination of the above can apply for funding.

The smallest grant is likely to be around £50,000 per year.

Projects should reach 100 pupils and preferably a number of schools.

Applications may be submitted at any time but there are three review points per year when they will be assessed.

The next review points are:
27 January 2012 and 1 June 2012.

To apply, organisations should complete the online application form which is available on the website below:-

[http://
educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/](http://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/)

ENVIRONMENT

The Department for Energy and Climate Change (DECC): Local Energy Assessment Fund

£10 million of funding for local community energy projects and a £20 million boost to the existing public sector energy efficiency loan scheme.

The new £10 million Local Energy Assessment Fund (LEAF) will be run as a competition.

It will be managed by a number of community networks and administered by the Energy Saving Trust and give the chance to around 200 community organisations to "get to grips" with energy efficiency and renewable energy generation.

Organisations including parish councils, voluntary associations, development trusts and faith groups are all eligible to apply.

There is around £50,000 available for each successful community. It is meant to be used to help assess the potential for energy efficiency and local renewable energy generation and get things started in local communities. This is a short-term scheme where work will need to be completed by the end of March 2012.

The additional £20 million in loans to improve energy efficiency has been made available for public sector energy efficiency projects in England before the end of March 2012.

It is meant to help organisations save money on energy bills and reduce carbon emissions. The loans are provided for energy efficiency projects that are repaid within five years through lower energy bills.

<http://www.greencommunitiescc.org.uk/>

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CO2sense - Environment Voucher Scheme

You can apply for 2 days of free consultancy and up to £8,000 funding for new equipment that will help your business cut costs and carbon emissions.

The funding can be put towards:

- water and energy saving equipment
- more efficient machinery
- helping your business adapt to the impacts of climate change
- working with your supply chain to reduce the carbon footprint of your product

You will receive an on-site visit from one of their specialist Environmental Management consultant, who will identify how you could make savings. You will then receive a detailed report that will tell you what you can do to make cost and carbon savings.

You can then apply for funding to invest in new equipment that will help your business to make these savings. They will pay for up to half of the cost of this equipment, up to £8,000 – so you could get money-saving equipment for half-price.

Your business can save up to £200 per employee, up to 20% off electricity bills and 50% off water bills simply by changing the way you use resources such as water, raw materials and electricity.

There has never been a better time to make your business more efficient and cut your carbon emissions.

To apply – email kristina.lomas@co2sense.co.uk with your contact details and email address.

They will send you an email within 2 days letting you know what to do next.

Please visit the website below:-

<http://www.co2sense.org.uk/environment-voucher>



HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE

Age Uk

Age UK grants are for organisations working with people in later life. Grants help organisations that make life better for older people, by addressing people's immediate needs or tackling the root causes of problems they are experiencing.

Organisations receiving grants must be independently constituted, not-for-profit and accessible to all people in later life.

Age UK grants give out several million pounds each year from grant funds that are built up from donations by individuals, charitable trusts and companies.

They also distribute government and national lottery funding to local projects when funding is available.

They do not make grants to individuals.

<http://www.ageuk.org.uk/professional-resources/grants/#AgeUKgrants>



SPORT

Barclays Community Sports Award

The Barclays Community Sports Award has relaunched for the 2011/12 season!

The accolade is awarded each month during the Barclays Premier League football season alongside those for Barclays Player and Manager of the Month, to highlight the great efforts being made by many in community sport.

The award is open to any individual benefiting their community in any sport.

Each monthly winner receives £1,000 for their group or organisation, a limited edition trophy and is entered into the end of season award to win a further £5,000, all donated by Barclays Spaces for Sports. The end of season award winner also receives a VIP trip to London to receive their award from Gareth Southgate.

The award process will be open from 01 August, 2011. A single monthly prize of £1,000 will be on offer. If your entry arrives after 17.00 on the 12th of the month, it will be considered for the following month's award.

www.barclayscommunitysportsaward.com

FUNDING ADVICE

The York and North Yorkshire Funding Advice Network website is available to local voluntary and community organisations requiring information about funding.

The site contains:

- contact details of local funding advisors
- funding related news, including this downloadable monthly Funding Bulletin
- dates and venues for forthcoming funding training programme courses
- funding factsheets which give guidance on fundraising issues
- access to GRANTnet; a funding database which assists organisations identify funding sources available for specific projects
- supporting information and statistical data for inclusion in your funding applications
- links to other useful sources of information.

www.ynyfundingadvice.org.uk

Your Local Funding Adviser, based within local support and development organisations, is available to provide support to voluntary and community organisations. To find your local Funding Adviser's contact details go to the website above.



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