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FUNDING TRAINING PROGRAMME LAUNCHED THROUGHOUT YORK AND NORTH YORKSHIRE

The York and North Yorkshire Funding Advice Network, with support from City of York Council, has launched a new 2010 -2011 programme of funding courses which will be delivered throughout York and North Yorkshire from September 2010.

The Funding Training Programme is a series of six different funding courses which aim to develop the following fundraising skills:

- Searching and identifying appropriate sources of funding
- Writing successful funding applications
- Developing effective fundraising strategies
- Understanding funders language and guidelines
- Identifying measurable and achievable project outcomes
- Exploring creatively how to do things differently in terms of fundraising

Also available are three specialist funding courses:

- Writing a Business Plan
- Getting Ready to Tender for Contracts
- Understanding and Using an Outcomes Focus

For more details about the content of the courses, fees, dates and venues please download the full programme via the York and North Yorkshire Funding Advice Network website: www.ynyfundingadvice.org.uk/index.php/funding-training-programme

JOSEPH ROWNTREE FOUNDATION NEW INSIGHTS

Deadline for receipt of outline proposals:
12 noon on Monday, 2 August 2010.

Joseph Rowntree Foundation is interested in funding projects that address the economic, social and environmental challenges we face in a context of constrained public spending.

AIM: JRF has a longstanding commitment to working towards better outcomes for people and places that experience poverty and social disadvantage. They, like many others, are concerned that the current economic, social and environmental context, coupled with a long term reduction in public spending presents a real threat to these communities. Consequently, they are seeking proposals for projects that help us understand the future they are facing, and make concrete suggestions for ways in which disadvantaged communities can be protected, or even supported to thrive.

GRANT SIZE: They are very unlikely to fund any project with a budget of more than £100,000.

APPLICATION PROCESS: There is a two stage process with the first stage being a short written outline proposal.

PRIORITIES: The purpose of this call is to encourage original responses to the economic, social and environmental challenges we are facing.

They are interested in funding a range of projects, including theoretical work or deliberative processes as well as research projects. They will not fund ongoing service delivery, but will consider funding projects that draw on practice to demonstrate solutions to the challenges they face.

Proposals under this call must have relevance to their mission to search out underlying causes, demonstrate solutions and influence lasting change in one or more of their overarching themes:

Poverty: to examine the root causes of poverty, inequality and disadvantage, and identify solutions.

Empowerment: to identify ways of enabling people and communities to have control of their own lives.

Place: to contribute to the creation and development of strong, sustainable and inclusive communities.

CONTACT: <http://www.jrf.org.uk/funding/new-insights2010>

Due to the anticipated volume of outline proposals expected, they are unable to answer any email or telephone queries about this funding stream from potential applicants.

COMIC RELIEF

Comic Relief helps some of the poorest and most disadvantaged people in the world to turn their lives around. They do this by giving all the money the public raise to charitable projects across the UK and some of the poorest countries in the world, especially Africa.

ELIGIBILITY: They accept applications from the voluntary and community sector throughout the UK including: constituted voluntary and community groups, charities, social enterprises, co-operatives, faith organisations, and community interest companies.

PRIORITIES:

- Mental Health
- Domestic and Sexual Abuse
- Refugee and Asylum Seeking Women
- Sport for Change
- Local Communities
- Older People (They have narrowed the criteria for applicants. Only those that have an exact fit with the programme aims and outcomes will be considered.

- Young People aged 11-25
 - Sexually Exploited and Trafficked Young People
 - Young People and Alcohol
 - Young People with Mental Health Problems

GRANT SIZE: They can pay for all or some of your project costs, but they encourage you to get some of your funding from other sources if you can.

There is no minimum or maximum grant in most of their programmes, but where there are limits, these are clearly stated in the programme guidelines.

Their grants on average vary between £25,000 and £40,000 per year, and rarely exceed this upper limit.

CONTACT: http://www.comicrelief.com/apply_for_a_grant/uk. Comic Relief UK 5th Floor 89 Albert Embankment London SE1 7TP. Telephone: 020 7820 5555.



COMMUNITIES FIRST

Francis Maude promises new fund for community groups

Minister for the Cabinet Office says the Communities First fund will help start more groups in deprived areas, Francis Maude, Minister for the Cabinet Office, revealed.

Maude said the fund, called Communities First, would provide start-up funding for community groups in disadvantaged parts of the country. He did not say how much the fund was worth or when it would open.

"It's easier to set up a gang than to set up a community response to a gang problem," he told delegates at a conference in London.

Charities would be encouraged to offer support to the community groups financed by the fund, said Maude.

The minister said that one of the government's main aims was to increase social capital in local areas by creating small neighbourhood groups.

"We want to be super-local, seriously neighbourhood-based and almost microscopically granular," he said.

The government would also ensure that charities and social enterprises bidding for payment-by-results contracts in welfare or the rehabilitation of prisoners would have access to working capital so they were able to compete, Maude said.

One source of this would be the proposed Big Society Bank.

Maude also told the conference, run by strategy and fundraising consultancy Action Planning that the government would cut red tape to make it easier to set up a charity or a social enterprise, and said the third sector would receive a "better share" of public funds.

A spokesman for the Cabinet Office said later that the fund would operate in the most deprived areas of England with low social capital. The amount in the fund would be decided in the coming months.

Provided courtesy of Third Sector Online

BIG SOCIETY BANK

David Cameron and Nick Clegg announced proposals for a 'Big Society Bank' last May.

The Bank, which is to be paid for with funds from dormant bank accounts, aims to provide finance for charities, neighbourhood groups, social enterprises and other non-governmental bodies.

The first funds from the Big Society Bank will be made available in April 2011.

Downing Street said the bank hoped to have reserves of £60m-£100m in time for its expected launch in April next year. However, this should rise as more dormant funds are handed over.

Mr Cameron promises that the bank "will – over time – make available hundreds of millions of pounds of new finance to some of their most dynamic social organisations".

For more information go to this link:
http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/newsroom/news_releases/2010/100719-bigsociety.aspx

LOTTERY CONSULTATION STILL OPEN

The Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) has launched a consultation into proposed reductions in the share of National Lottery good causes of arts, sport, heritage and charitable expenditure, health, education and the environment.

NCVO will be responding to this consultation and they are interested in your views.

For more information, read the NCVO briefing on the proposed changes and to take part visit:
www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/advice-support/funding-finance

You can respond directly via
www.dcms.gov.uk

Closing date for comments is **21 August 2010**.



department for
**culture, media
and sport**

NATIONAL LOTTERY AWARDS 2010

AIM: The National Lottery Awards are an annual search to find the UK's favourite Lottery-funded projects. The awards recognise the difference these projects have made to people, places and communities across the UK and celebrate the talent, hard work and dedication of those involved in their running.

Public voting for the final round of the 2010 awards has commenced.

The awards reflect the variety of projects that benefit from Lottery funding.

Details of the shortlisted entries for each of the following categories are now available on the National Lottery Good Causes website:

- Best Arts Project.
- Best Education Project.
- Best Environment Project.
- Best Health Project.
- Best Heritage Project.
- Best Sports Project.
- Best Voluntary/Charity Project (in association with Woman magazine).

Winners will receive a cash prize of £2,000 and feature in a special BBC1 television show in the autumn.

Votes can be cast online, or by telephone. Voting telephone numbers for each project are available via the following link:

http://www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/awards/telephone_voting.cfm

The deadline for public votes to be cast is midday on 13 August 2010.



NY ADVICE SERVICES PARTNERSHIP FUND

AIM: The North Yorkshire Advice Services Partnership (NYASP) has established a fund to finance small-scale projects aimed at improving the quality of and access to legal and other advice to people in North Yorkshire.

GRANT SIZE: The Partnership currently has a budget of £11,400 to invest in projects. Due to the limited funding available a maximum funding limit of £5,700 per project has been set.

PRIORITIES: The Partnership's PRIORITIES are to:-

- sign-post referrals amongst the network member agencies and where appropriate share capacity to improve access to clients;
- improve information and access to services; and
- extend the range of preventative work programmes to respond to capacity challenges.

DEADLINE: The deadline for applications is 8 September 2010.

CONTACT: For details of the eligibility criteria and an application form contact:

Jonathan Spencer, NYASP Secretariat
c/o Policy and Partnerships Unit, North
Yorkshire County Council
County Hall. Email:
jonathan.spencer@northyorks.gov.uk
Tel: 01609 533488

WELLS SPORTS FOUNDATION

AIM: The Wells Sports Foundation is a new charity accepting applications from grassroots sports clubs to motivate young people aged 5 - 18.

GRANT SIZE: The Sports Grants Scheme has grants of £500 - £2,000 available for total project costs of £5,000, to cover costs such as equipment, CRB checks, coaching and umpiring qualifications.

ELIGIBILITY: Eligible sports clubs in England must have the Clubmark status.

The Foundation also operates a Sporting Ambassadors Scheme, where world class athletes from a variety of sports visit sports clubs and school events to encourage young people to get active and enjoy sport. The sporting ambassadors can attend activity days, coaching sessions and small group sessions.

DEADLINE: 10th of every month

CONTACT: Wells Sports Foundation
Website: <http://www.wellsportsfoundation.org/grassroots-sport/sport-grants.aspx>

AB CHARITABLE TRUST

AIM: The A B Charitable Trust offers small grants to support work that promotes and defends human rights and dignity.

GRANT SIZE: up to £5,000. Some larger grants are made to charities identified by the Trust.

PRIORITIES: They are particularly interested in charities working with vulnerable, marginalised and excluded people in society, with a focus on:

- Refugees and victims of torture
- Prisoners
- Elderly people
- People with mental health problems.
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The following themes are of particular interest to the trustees, in relation to the priority groups described above:

- Women
- Homelessness
- Therapeutic art.
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The Trust will make grants to cover core costs.

ELIGIBILITY: Only registered charities may apply.

CONTACT: Sara Harrity MBE, Director, A B Charitable Trust
Telephone: 020 7313 8070
Email: mail@abcharitabletrust.org.uk
Website: www.abcharitabletrust.org.uk

FIRST TRANS PENNINE EXPRESS FUNDING

AIM: First TransPennine Express (FTPE) and the Forestry Commission have Green Grants available for environmental improvements around trees and/or woodlands, which will benefit the community.

This includes creating woodlands, maintaining existing woodlands and tree planting.

ELIGIBILITY: Projects should preferably be near FTPE stations and routes. Community groups and clubs, charities, schools, individuals acting on behalf of these organisations and individuals giving open access to their land are eligible to apply.

DEADLINE: 15 October 2010

GRANT SIZE: of up to £2,000

CONTACT: Cath Johnston, First TransPennine Express.

Email:

Catherine.johnston@firstgroup.com

Website: <http://www.tpexpress.co.uk/about-ftpe/corporate-social-responsibility/environment.htm>

DAVID AND ELAINE POTTER FOUNDATION

AIM: The David and Elaine Potter Foundation is a charitable family foundation established in 1999 to encourage a stronger, fairer civil society. It has granted more than £10 million to registered charities in the UK and abroad.

The David and Elaine Potter Foundation supports the ideals of a rational and humane world. The Foundation seeks to achieve an impact through grants that promote reason, education, and human rights, in the hope of improving mutual understanding, reinforcing good governance, and encouraging the growth and maintenance of a robust civil society, particularly in less developed countries.

PRIORITIES: They have five areas of interest: Civil society, Human rights, Education, Research, and the Arts. The trustees are interested in lasting social change, and in forming long-term partnerships with the organisations the Foundation supports.

APPLICANT PROCESS: The grant application process is divided into two stages: a letter of enquiry and an application. An applicant is invited to submit a full proposal only if their letter of enquiry has been accepted

DEADLINE: There are no deadlines for letters of enquiry, as the Foundation reviews these requests regularly.

CONTACT: Please submit all correspondence to: The David and Elaine Potter Foundation, 10 Park Crescent, London W1B 1PQ.

www.potterfoundation.com

YOUTH MUSIC

Youth Music is the leading UK charity using music to transform the lives of disadvantaged children and young people.

AIM: They develop, fund and support exemplary music provision at every stage of a young person's development, whether it's the first time a mother and baby make music together, or a talented teens debut at the Royal Albert Hall.

Youth Music has transformed the landscape of musical opportunity in the UK. Since 1999, they've reached over two million children and young people through all types of music, both in and out of school.

PRIORITIES: They support music projects, develop music programmes and provide music-making opportunities for young people across the country.

Their current priorities are:

- Helping disadvantaged children and young people
- Encouraging talent and potential
- Improving music leadership
- Music for under 5s

GRANT SIZE: The Youth Music Open Programme is available for organisations wishing to apply for grants of £5,000 to £30,000.

CONTACT: www.youthmusic.org.uk.

FUNDING CENTRAL

Funding Central is a free smart website for the whole voluntary and community sector, including social enterprise, providing access to thousands of funding and finance opportunities, plus a wealth of tools and resources supporting organisations to develop sustainable income strategies appropriate to their needs.

If you are completely or **relatively new to fundraising**, Funding Central provides a guided search enabling you to identify the most appropriate funding and finance opportunities that best suit you and the beneficiaries that you support.

As an **experienced fundraiser**, you can drill down through thousands of opportunities to identify the most appropriate funding or finance for your organisation using the advanced search.

As a **funder** you will have access to your own exclusive area - the Funder Zone. Here you can explore statistics on your funding programmes or contracts, including web visits and comments made and add your own helpful hints to support fund-seekers.

As an **infrastructure organisation** you can use Funding Central to access a wealth of support materials to enhance your work with other groups and identify funding and finance opportunities for your own needs.

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

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 infrastructure 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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