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## More than 1/3 of applications for grants were ineligible, study shows

Charities submitted more than a third of a million applications in the past year for grants for which they were not eligible, research by the Directory of Social Change of 2009/10 bids has found.

More than 361,000 grant applications, out of a pool of almost a million, did not meet the criteria of the UK grantmakers concerned, the DSC reported.

The report was based on research into 2,500 charitable funders, which were asked how many applications they received, how many were ineligible and how many grants they made during the 2009/10 financial year. Of the eligible applications, 317,000 were successful and 306,000 were unsuccessful.

By David Ainsworth, Third Sector Online, 5 May 2010

**DO YOU REQUIRE FREE ADVICE ABOUT FUNDING FOR YOUR ORGANISATION? THEN CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FUNDING ADVISER.**

**CONTACT DETAILS CAN BE FOUND VIA THE YORK AND NORTH YORKSHIRE FUNDING ADVICE WEBSITE:**

<http://www.ynyfundingadvice.org.uk/index.php/contacts.html>

## North Yorkshire Aggregates Grants Scheme

### GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY QUARRYING

**AIM:** People affected by quarrying in North Yorkshire are being invited to apply for grants to fund local community and environmental projects.

The North Yorkshire Aggregates Grants Scheme has just opened for new applications from communities who are affected by quarries extracting sand, gravel and crushed rock. The Scheme gives communities, organisations, private landholders and local councils the opportunity to implement a range of projects that compensate for the impacts of quarrying.

**GRANT SIZE:** up to £20,000

**ELIGIBILITY:** Eligible projects will have clear public benefits and support from local communities, and will be within 5km of an active quarry, 2km of a dormant quarry or alongside a major transport route.

**PRIORITIES:** Priority will be given to projects which encourage community participation and those that conserve and enhance the natural and built environments.

Funding for the scheme is provided by Central Government through the North Yorkshire Strategic Partnership. This

partnership is led by North Yorkshire County Council and brings public, voluntary and business sectors together to work for the wellbeing of the County's communities. The partnership's primary objective is to deliver genuinely sustainable communities through better outcomes for local people.

The North Yorkshire Strategic Partnership has already provided £306,000 to projects in North Yorkshire in 2009/10 with income generated through the Aggregates Levy. The levy was introduced by the Government to reduce demand for primary aggregates by making them more costly and make the use of recycled and secondary materials more viable.

**DEADLINE:** Expressions of interest must be received by 25th June 2010.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** Projects will then be assessed and successful ones will be invited to complete a full application for submission by 13th August 2010. The decision on which projects receive funding will be made by the 13th September 2010 and any subsequent grant awarded must be claimed by the end of March 2011.

**CONTACT:** Forms are available from Chris Lodge at Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust, who administers the Scheme. Please contact 015242 51002.

## North Yorkshire Aggregates Grants Scheme

**The community Foundation administer the following funds (additional funds are detailed on their website)**

### North Yorkshire Fund

**AIM:** The North Yorkshire Fund is designed to help voluntary organisations, community groups and small charities based in, and/or serving the communities of North Yorkshire for projects that are innovative and that can demonstrate that they will make a real difference to people lives.

**GRANT SIZE:** between £250 and £1,000.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Applications will only be accepted from voluntary organisations, community groups and small charities.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** They have a very straightforward online application process, however if for any reason you cannot apply in this way then an application pack can be requested from the office. Please ensure you have read the guidance notes.

### The North Yorkshire Fund Educational Travel Award

**AIM:** The North Yorkshire Fund Educational Travel Award is aimed at individuals and is designed to give the applicant the opportunity to travel overseas for the purpose of being further educated in the field of study which is the subject of their full time university course. A maximum of two awards will be made each year.

**DEADLINE:** The fund is now open for new applications until 11th June 2010 and a maximum of two awards will be made by the end of June 2010.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** To apply for funding download the guidance notes and application form via the website below.

### Stokesley & Great Ayton Fund

**AIM:** This fund is to help voluntary organisations, community groups and small charities based in, and/ or serving the communities of Stokesley & Great Ayton.

**GRANT SIZE:** Grants are available from £250.

**PRIORITIES:** Funding is for projects aimed at improving facilities for young people in the Stokesley & Great Ayton areas with the aim of reducing youth crime and anti social behaviour.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** They have a very straightforward online application process, however if for any reason you cannot apply in this way then an application pack can be requested from the office. Please ensure you have read the guidance notes.

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

telephone:

01759 377400

## Third Sector ERDF Access Fund

**AIM:** Yorkshire Forward has created the Third Sector ERDF Access Fund, which will be delivered locally throughout the county by the Yorkshire Community Foundations.

The funding has been made available by Yorkshire Forward to help Third Sector organisations prepare themselves to make bids for larger sums from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF).

ERDF can contribute up to 50% of the total cost of projects costing £500,000 and above. The aim of the ERDF Access Fund is to provide smaller grants to help with preparatory tasks such as the carrying out of feasibility studies, exploring possibilities of collaborative working with other local organisations and gaining expert advice on the preparation of bids.

Successful bids for the larger sums from ERDF must be based upon the Fund's Priority 3 objectives:

- ⇒ Capital projects (buildings/ refurbishment)
- ⇒ Transport projects
- ⇒ Business support
- ⇒ Social enterprise support
- ⇒ IT development/knowledge.

**GRANT SIZE:** between £2,000 and £10,000

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** To apply for funding from the Third Sector ERDF Access Fund, download and fill in the application form by following the link below.

**Applicants must also read through the overview and criteria sheet before completing the application form.**

[Third Sector ERDF Access Fund overview and criteria sheet](#)

[Third Sector ERDF Access Fund application form](#)

The grants come from the ERDF operational programme for the Yorkshire and Humber 2007-2013, which had over £500 million available for investment in the region. Over £100 million of which was earmarked to support the Programme's third priority of Sustainable Communities which is of particular relevance to Third Sector organisations.

**CONTACT:** Jan Norton - Grants Manager

York & North Yorkshire Community Foundation. Tel: 01759 377400 E-mail: [office@ynycf.org.uk](mailto:office@ynycf.org.uk)

## Macmillan Cancer Support Grant Programme

Do you have plans for your group but need money to make them happen? The good news is there are three grants available to groups.

### Start-up grants

**AIM:** Start up grants are available to anyone who wants to set up a support group for people affected by cancer, or to develop a newly established group that has been running for no more than a year.

**GRANT SIZE:** You can apply for up to £500 to fund any core costs that will help to set up and run your group.

**DEADLINE:** Applications are assessed on a monthly basis.

### Developing grants

**AIM:** Developing grants are available to established groups who have been offering cancer support in their community for at least a year or more.

**GRANT SIZE:** You can apply for up to £3000 to develop a group's activities and resources.

**DEADLINE:** Grants are assessed three times throughout the year.

Closing dates for developing grants in 2010:

- round two: 2 July 2010
- round three: 29 October 2010

### Training and conference grants

**AIM:** These grants are available to members of independent cancer support groups, community groups and small voluntary organisations.

**GRANT SIZE:** You can apply for up to £3000 to help with the costs of hosting or attending training courses, workshops, conferences and events that aim to either:

- set up or identify the need for a new cancer support group
- develop the activities of an existing cancer support group
- raise awareness of self-help and support to address an unmet need within a particular community (eg: people affected by a rarer cancer or from a minority group).

**DEADLINE:** Applications are assessed on a monthly basis.

You can apply for a grant at any time throughout the year until 1 December 2010. Before completing an application form, please read the grant application guidance carefully to check your eligibility and to see what items and activities they will consider funding.

**CONTACT:** For more information about grant applications for cancer support groups please contact:

Email: [resources@macmillan.org.uk](mailto:resources@macmillan.org.uk) or call 020 7840 4936.

## Cash for Kids

Cash for Kids - North Yorkshire and County Durham is open to applications. "Cash for Kids" was formerly known as "Make a Child Smile".

**AIM:** TFM Radio/ Magic 1170 provide the "Cash for Kids" scheme to support registered charities to run projects for sick, disabled or underprivileged children, aged 17 or younger, who live in Tees Valley, North Yorkshire and South County Durham area.

Funding is intended to make a long-term difference to a child's future.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Funding can be provided to registered charities based in the TFM Radio / Magic 1170 broadcast area which encompasses Tees Valley, North Yorkshire and the South County Durham area.

To be eligible, projects must help disadvantaged or disabled children who are:

- Aged 17 years or younger.
- Living in Tees Valley, North Yorkshire or South County Durham.
- Suffering mental, physical or sensory disabilities.
- Suffering behavioural or psychological disorders.
- Living in severe poverty or situations of deprivation.
- Suffering distress, abuse or neglect.

Projects will also be considered that:

- Prevent distress and disadvantage linked to any of the above.
- Provide opportunities for young people.

**Eligible Expenditure:** Funds may be used for a variety of projects and activities, including the following:

- Purchase of medical, educational or sporting equipment.
- Holiday schemes.
- Transport facilities.
- Developing activities for children and young people.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** Information on funding rounds will be broadcast on TFM Radio / Magic 1170 and on the TFM Radio website. Application forms and guidelines can be downloaded from the TFM Radio website.

**DEADLINE:** Applications may be submitted at any time and will be considered at one of the Trust meetings which are held several times a year.

**CONTACT:** Contact TFM Radio for further information or to request a print version of the application form. Please contact the following: Dawn Carney, TFM Radio/ Magic 1170. Tel: 01642 888222

## Leeds Building Society Charitable Foundation

### **FUNDING FOR HARROGATE, RIPON AND YORK AREAS.**

**AIM:** Leeds Building Society Charitable Foundation was established by the Society in 1999 to support the communities around its nationwide network of branches by making donations to charities working in those areas. Since it's establishment the foundation has made total donations of over £890,000.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Applications will normally only be considered from registered charities. They may also consider applications from groups affiliated to registered charities.

What kind of projects will the Charitable Foundation support? Generally, they will consider applications for community based projects which aim to provide relief of suffering, hardship or poverty, or their direct consequences.

Some examples of the areas in which they have made donations include:

Support to:

- Homeless people
- Adults and children with physical and mental disabilities;
- Older people;
- Underprivileged families;
- Deaf, blind and partially sighted people; and
- Community projects benefiting local residents
- Victims of natural and civil disasters in the UK

The project must operate in the area of one of their 67 branches.

**GRANT SIZE:** Donations are normally in the range of £250 to £1000. The application must be for capital expenditure. They cannot consider applications towards general running costs.

Are there any projects that the Charitable Foundation will not support? The Foundation is unlikely to make donations for:

- The restoration or upgrading of buildings, including churches
  - Environmental charities (unless there is a benefit to a disadvantaged community)
  - Administration equipment such as IT equipment for a charity's own use
- The Foundation is unable to support:
- Projects with religious, political or military purposes
  - Overseas charities or projects
  - Individuals, including sponsorship of individuals
  - Animal welfare projects
  - Medical research

**DEADLINE:** The Trustees meet quarterly in March, June, September and November.

**CONTACT:** The Secretary, Tel: 0113 216 7296. Website:  
[http://www.leedsbuildingsociety.co.uk/about/charitable\\_foundation.html](http://www.leedsbuildingsociety.co.uk/about/charitable_foundation.html)

## Nominet Charitable Foundation

**AIM:** Funding innovative Internet projects that make a positive difference to the lives of disadvantaged and vulnerable people, primarily in terms of education, safety and inclusion.

### **PRIORITIES:**

They aim to fund initiatives that:"

■"increase education in the subject of the Internet and information technology particularly in deprived areas"

■"relieve the social, health, and educational needs of disabled, sick and frail elderly people"

■"support research into innovations that may relieve such needs by conducting and commissioning research, applying such research, and by the publication of effective results"

■"advance the education of young people in the United Kingdom to support education institutions offering a strong emphasis on technology and its practical applications"

■"promote the protection of children and other vulnerable people from danger, suffering, or being abused through the use of the Internet"

■"provide and support the provision of services that will protect people and property from criminal activities on the Internet and to assist in the development of technology to prevent and detect criminal activity on the Internet"

■"assist the development of the Internet in developing countries to relieve financial hardship and advance education."

"Projects must:"

■"be a new initiative or a distinctive extension of an existing project"

■"be original and innovative - or provide a fresh and different approach to an existing project"

■"have a wide reach or demonstrable potential in the long term"

■"make a significant difference to the users"

■"be through a formal entity or organisation"

■"be capable of delivering what is promised - with risk and mitigation assessed"

■"have the Internet at the core."

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** Potential applicants should complete an initial Eligibility Questionnaire on the trust's website. If they would like you to progress your application further, they will send you a link to a more detailed application form. They will let you know if you do not qualify."

**CONTACT:** Phone: 01865 334000

Email: [enquiries@nominettrust.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@nominettrust.org.uk)

Web: <http://www.nominettrust.org.uk>

## Better Net Awards

Have you got an innovative idea to bring about positive change using the internet?

**AIM:** The Better Net Awards is an exciting new programme from UnLtd and Nominet Trust to provide individuals with funding and support to improve and encourage the development of a safe, educational and inclusive Internet.

Grants are available to individuals to develop and lead Internet based solutions to the problems that affect our society.

A limited number of projects may be eligible to apply for up to £15,000, see below for details.

**ELIGIBILITY:** To be eligible for an Award, you must have an original and innovative project that meets at least one of the following themes:

- Increases education about the Internet & Information Technology
- Promotes and addresses online safety
- Provides an Internet based solution to social, educational, health and environmental issues
- Increases digital inclusion and the use of new media for a social purpose

Your project must not:

- Be part of your paid employment
- Involve political or religious campaigning
- Involve activities outside the law or against public policy, or anything that encourages ethnic, religious or commercial disharmony

- Involve employing people other than yourself to carry out most of the project work

- Be used mainly to achieve academic qualifications

- Be used to fund living expenses

Who can apply?

You can apply as an individual or informal group if you are:

- Over the age of 16

- Living in England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland

- Not part of an established organisation

**GRANT SIZE:** Up to £5,000 of funding and support is available to develop your idea.

For those who have an established project with a wide reach or demonstrable long-term potential, you could be eligible to apply for a specialist package of support and funding of up to £15,000.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** If you are applying as individual, download an individual application form. If you are applying as an informal group, an individual must be nominated to take the lead on your project and complete the individual application form. All other group members must fill in the group application form.

**CONTACT:** To request printed copies of the application forms, please email [BetterNet@unltd.org.uk](mailto:BetterNet@unltd.org.uk) or call 020 7566 1120. <http://unltd.org.uk/betternetawards/>

## LSIS - Flexibility and Innovation Fund

**AIM:** The LSIS Flexibility and Innovation Fund is a new opportunity for the learning and skills sector.

Its main purpose is to promote and support innovative projects that have the potential to yield significant improvements in sector practice or performance.

This £2,000,000 fund, established in Autumn 2009, represents LSIS's commitment to directing funding into the learning and skills sector and promoting sector-based expertise.

To date, 88 successful bids from the first two flexibility and innovation funding rounds represent an investment of £6.5 million from this fund going directly to the sector.

**DEADLINE:** Funding rounds open around a month before the announced closing date.

The next closing date will be midday Friday 18 June 2010.

Further funding rounds will follow in November 2010 with two more in 2011.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** An application form and further guidance are then published on their website.

Given the large number of applications for funding (a total of 432 in the first two funding rounds) LSIS cannot provide feedback on the assessment of individual bids. Instead generic guidance is offered on the characteristics of successful and unsuccessful bids. These are presented in the statement on the Qualities of Successful Bids. It is hoped that this guidance will provide helpful feedback to unsuccessful applicants and to applicants intending to submit bids in future funding rounds.

You can read more about the flexibility and innovation fund in the frequently asked questions (FAQs). This is regularly updated in response to further queries and feedback from providers within the learning and skills sector.

**CONTACT:** If you have a specific question regarding the fund that is not covered in the list of FAQs please contact the LSIS helpline Tel: 0870 211 3434 Email: [excellence.innovation@lsis.org.uk](mailto:excellence.innovation@lsis.org.uk)

Website:

<http://www.excellencegateway.org.uk/page.aspx?o=263452>

## Elton John AIDS Foundation

**AIM:** During the next strategic cycle, EJAF seeks to support programmes that demonstrate value for money and fully involve people living with HIV for which multi-year funding is available:

**Gay and bisexual men living with HIV -** They are seeking UK wide collaborative programmes that enable MSM to manage their mental, physical and emotional health, be confident about disclosing their HIV status and reduce the risk of onward transmission of HIV.

**Long Term Survivors and older people** - They are seeking UK wide collaborative programmes that address the impact and social isolation of HIV on those who have been living with HIV for over 10 years and/or those aged over 50.

**Employment and training** - They are seeking UK wide collaborative programmes that enable people living with HIV to access training and support in order to gain employment, remain in employment and increase their income.

**Children affected by HIV** - They are seeking UK wide collaborative programmes that address the needs of children infected and affected by HIV, their parents and carers.

**Poverty and nutrition** - They are seeking UK wide collaborative programmes that address the impact of poverty on people living with HIV in the UK.

**Regional Grants Fund** - EJAF also operates a regional grants programme open to collaborative regional HIV programmes addressing the above issues, particularly those operating in Brighton, the East of England, the Midlands, London, the North West, South Central, Yorkshire and the Humber areas.

**Robert Key Memorial Fund** - This fund is seeking applications which advance the rights and meet the needs of people living with HIV/AIDS from vulnerable or marginalised communities.

**ELIGIBILITY:** To be eligible to apply to them for a grant in the UK your project must fit within the strategy outlined and you must be applying on behalf of a registered non-profit or charitable organisation.

If this is the case, please go to website below and provide them with the information required via Email: [grants@ejaf.com](mailto:grants@ejaf.com)

**DEADLINE:** There are no set deadlines for submission of this information.

**CONTACT:** Tel: 020 7603 9996 Fax: 020 7348 4848

Website: <http://www.ejaf.com/Ourwork/Countries/UK/UKGrantStrategy>

## Help the Homeless

**AIM:** Small grants to help establish the single homeless into mainstream society. It has a small grants programme for capital expenditure – but does not provide grants for running costs or individuals.

Though the popular perception of homeless people is one of vagrants often living in "cardboard cities", the reality is very different. People of all ages and from all walks of life may find themselves homeless for a wide variety of reasons, and suddenly reliant on various charities or the goodwill of friends for shelter and survival.

Help The Homeless seeks to support such people in making their return to the community. It does so by making regular grants from invested funds to charitable organisations who apply for support for their work. These organisations will vary from small groups to established residential or training facilities.

**GRANT SIZE and ELIGIBILITY:** Help The Homeless main funding remit is the regular allocation of Small Grants (generally up to £3000) for capital costs to small and medium-sized charities only. Grants to larger charities will only be considered if the project is suitably innovative and it is only possible for a large organisation to develop it.

All applications must relate to projects that assist individuals in their return to mainstream society, rather than simply

offer shelter or other forms of sustenance.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** All applicants must use the official form downloadable from the website and clearly describe the aims and structure of their organisation, their future plans and specific details of how any grant money will be spent. A copy of the latest available audited accounts is also required.

**DEADLINE:** The quarterly deadlines for grant applications each year are: 31st March / 30th June / 30th September / 31st December.

**CONTACT:** The Secretary, Help The Homeless, 6th Floor, 248 Tottenham Court Road, London W1T 7QZ Email: [HTH@help-the-homeless.org.uk](mailto:HTH@help-the-homeless.org.uk)

Website: <http://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/>

## Arts Council England CUTS

Arts Council England has a press release responding to the £19 million reduction in funding from the Department for Culture, Media or Sport (DCMS).

The press release says it will do its best to minimise the impact on frontline organisations and grants however they cannot make any promises that there will be no effect.

To read the press release visit the Arts Council website <http://press.artscouncil.org.uk/content/Detail.aspx?ReleaseID=1023&NewsAreaID=2>

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## 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, for costs such as equipment, CRB checks, coaching and umpiring qualifications.

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

**DEADLINE:** The deadline for grant applications is the 10th of each month.

For more information on the Sports Grants Scheme visit the Wells Sports Foundation website.

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

**CONTACT:** For more information on the Sporting Ambassadors Scheme visit the Wells Sports Foundation website <http://www.wellsportsfoundation.org/grassroots-sport/sport-grants.aspx>

## UnLtd - BIG Challenge

Big Challenge is open!

**AIM:** It's your turn to Imagine, Inspire and Involve now! If you can think of a project idea that inspires other young people then submit your idea to Big Challenge before 6th July to be in with a chance of winning part of the £65 000 prize fund to make it happen.

BIG Challenge gives YOU the opportunity to tackle the BIG issues that we face in the UK.

**ELIGIBILITY:** If you are aged 16 to 25 then you can apply for part of the £65,000 prize fund to tackle the Big Challenge theme for 2010.

**PRIORITIES:** The Big Challenge Youth Leadership Team are looking for original project or campaign ideas that will have a big impact and inspire other young people. This is your chance to make a difference!

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** You can apply on your own or in a group with other young people and all applications will be shortlisted by their Youth Leadership Team before going on to a final online public vote. If you win part of the Challenge fund, you will receive cash and support to help make your ideas a reality.

**CONTACT:** Contact them with any questions Email: [bigchallenge@unltd.org.uk](mailto:bigchallenge@unltd.org.uk)  
Website: <http://www.bigchallenge.org.uk/default.aspx>

## Village CORE Programme

The Village CORE Programme is managed by the Plunkett Foundation in partnership with Co-operative & Community Finance and the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation.

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

**GRANT SIZE:** 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.

This programme, which will have supported over 50 new community-owned rural shops by the end of 2009, has recently been renewed for a further three years. Grants will be awarded to rural communities of at least 300 people.

**CONTACT:** For further information visit <http://www.plunkett.co.uk/whatwedo/core/Core.cfm> or contact the Plunkett Foundation on (01993) 810730, email [ruralcommunityshops@plunkett.co.uk](mailto:ruralcommunityshops@plunkett.co.uk).

## Community awards

**AIM:** Your neighbourhood can benefit from assets seized from criminals in North Yorkshire.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Organisations such as schools, youth clubs, care homes, sport clubs, churches and community centres can submit bids for the £24,000 funding which has been set aside for projects in North Yorkshire.

**GRANT SIZE:** Grants of up to £2000 are available.

The funding can be used for any project which benefits the community, such as repairing the roof, painting and decorating a community building or buying new equipment.

**CONTACT:** Application forms can be downloaded from <http://www.northyorkshire.police.uk/index.aspx?articleid=4093>

## Enterprise marketing vouchers

**AIM:** Enterprise Marketing Vouchers are a way of helping your small business, charity or social enterprise to access funding to implement marketing. By applying now you can claim up to £2000 in matched funding towards the cost of marketing your business. The process is simple with very little eligibility criteria.

**ELIGIBILITY:** In order to be considered you need to...

- Be running a business, charity or social enterprise that is located in or employing people in Yorkshire and the Humber.
- Private businesses, will need to have been trading for less than 3 years.
- Have a clear marketing requirement that you can demonstrate has the potential to generate more business.
- Be in a position to match any funding that might be available to you with a minimum investment of £1000 plus vat

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** To make an application or be contacted by a member of their team simply complete the application form to your right and they will be able to return your enquiry within 2 working days.

**CONTACT:**

<http://www.emvouchers.co.uk/index.php>

## Anchor Foundation

**AIM:** The Anchor Foundation provides grants for up to three years, to Christian charities that encourage social inclusion through ministries of healing and the arts. There are examples on the website of previously funded projects.

**GRANT SIZE:** between £500 - £10,000. Capital or revenue costs can be supported.

**DEADLINE:** The next deadline for applications is 31 July 2010.

**CONTACT:** For more information visit the Anchor Foundation website here.  
<http://theanchorfoundation.org.uk/information.html>

## Renewable Energy Funding Programme

The CO2Sense, Renewable Energy Funding Programme is now accepting applications.

**GRANT SIZE:** Funding is available from £20,000 - £750,000, as grants or commercial investments. All funding must be spent by March 2011.

**AIM:** The Renewable Energy Programme is available to support a variety of renewable energy technologies, particularly those that are innovative or technologically advanced. The Community Renewable stream of the funding seeks to promote community ownership of renewable energy projects. Community based projects are eligible for funding to support both the development and capital costs.

**ELIGIBILITY:** To be eligible, projects must take place in the Yorkshire and Humber region and must be connected to the national grid.

**CONTACT:** For more information contact the CO2Sense Renewable Energy Funding Programme by telephone, 0113 237 8451, email or visit the CO2Sense website <http://www.co2sense.org.uk/funding>

## Co-operative Charitable Foundation

**AIM:** The Community Fund is the Co-operative Charitable Foundation grant scheme that helps local communities throughout the UK.

Since they started the initiative in 1997, thousands of clubs, community groups and self-help organisations have benefited.

The way the scheme works is by committed members of The Co-operative Group who want to help improve the lives of others, donate part or all of their share of the profits. These members have already raised millions of pounds each year for all kinds of community projects, and last year alone they gave away £1.2 million in donations.

### **GRANT SIZE and APPLICATION**

**PROCESS:** If your community, voluntary or self-help group needs a grant of up between £100 and £2,000, you can apply using the online form.

**CONTACT:** Website: <http://www.co-operative.coop/membership/local-communities/community-fund/>

## ASDA Foundation

**AIM:** The ASDA Foundation is ASDA's charitable trust which was set up in 1988 to support local good causes chosen by their colleagues, and is funded by profits from the mid-week national lottery.

They see the foundation as one of the many ways to give something back to the communities that support us. That's why they lend a hand to the wide range of good causes with which their colleagues are involved — including everything from local charities and playgroups to football teams.

The ASDA Foundation is primarily for colleagues who have already raised money for their chosen cause through their store or depot, and require additional support.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Under the Foundation's terms, they will assist any charity in the UK, as well as people and projects who require financial assistance, providing they have the support of local ASDA colleagues.

Because they receive thousands of applications each year, they are not able to support every cause, and cannot consider applications where the donation will be used to pay salaries or where it will be added to general funds.

**CONTACT:** Enquire in store or visit Website: <http://your.asda.com/asda-foundation>

## Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust

**AIM:** The Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust awards grants to charitable organisations in the United Kingdom and overseas.

The trustees welcome applications for projects within the following areas for the next three years. These categories are then repeated in a three-year rotation.

*2009 - Community; Disability. Deadline for applications: 1st June & 1st Nov 2009*

**2010 - Children; Youth; The Elderly; Medical**

**DEADLINE:** 1st June & 1st Nov 2010

Please note that, for 2010, only Medical Research projects dealing with the ageing population will be considered. The other priorities - Children, Youth and the Elderly - as well as other non-research based medical work are still welcome.

2011 - Music and the Arts; Overseas. Deadline for applications: 1st June & 1st Nov 2011

**GRANT SIZE:** between £1,000 and £10,000, with the majority being £5,000 or less. Exceptionally, grants of up to £20,000 are made, but these are usually for medical research projects. Grants are usually awarded for one year only.

**CONTACT:** Email: [admin@austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk](mailto:admin@austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk)

Website: <http://www.austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk>

## Tesco Charity Trust Community Awards Scheme

The Tesco Charity Trust runs two funding schemes - the Community Awards and the larger Grants. Please see below for details on each scheme.

### Community Awards

The Tesco Charity Trust Community Awards Scheme provides one-off donations of between £500 and £4,000 to local projects that support children and their education and welfare, elderly people and adults and children with disabilities.

There are four rounds of funding each year. Please see the website to view a copy of their criteria and application deadlines. Applications should be made via the online application form. If you require any support whilst completing your application please contact their helpline on 0845 612 3575.

### Larger Grant Applications

The Tesco Charity Trust 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.

Please see the website to view a copy of their guidelines.

**CONTACT:** Tel: 0845 612 3575 Website: [www.tescopl.com/tescocharitytrust](http://www.tescopl.com/tescocharitytrust)

## A B Charitable Trust

**AIM:** The A B Charitable Trust (ABCT) is an independent, UK based grant-making organisation founded in 1990 that is concerned with promoting and defending human dignity.

ABCT supports charities that defend human rights, such as freedom from torture and arbitrary imprisonment, and promote respect for individuals whatever their circumstances.

**PRIORITIES:** The Trust is particularly interested in charities that work with vulnerable, marginalised and excluded people in society, with a focus on:

- ⇒ refugees and victims of torture
- ⇒ prisoners
- ⇒ older people
- ⇒ people with mental health problems

**GRANT SIZE:** Medium sized grants available. Need to contact for exact deadlines. If you do not work in these particular fields, but meet their wider criteria, you may be able to apply for a small grant of up to £5,000.

**CONTACT:**

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

## Eco-Innovation Projects within Europe

**AIM:**The European Commission has announced a call for proposals for the Eco-Innovation Projects within Europe. Organisations, including social enterprises and other not for profit organisations, that have developed an environmental product, service, management practice or process that has a proven track record yet has not been fully marketed due to remaining risks are eligible to apply.

**GRANT SIZE:** Around €35 million of funding is available overall, with grants available to cover up to 50% of eligible costs to help projects overcome risks and reach the market fully. Projects can last up to 36 months.

**DEADLINE:** The deadline for applications is 9 September 2010.

**CONTACT:** Full bidding guidance is available at the Europa website <http://ec.europa.eu/ecoinnovation>

## Baring Foundation

News from the Baring Foundation

### Arts Programme 2011

The Baring Foundation has announced that its Arts Programme 2011 will open for applications at the end of September 2010. It will continue the 2009 theme of organisational development funding for arts organisations in the UK, which are already creating and displaying arts made by older people. New application materials will be available on the Baring Foundation website from the end of September 2010.

### Strengthening the Voluntary Sector - independence programme 2010

The Foundation has launched its 2010 round of the Strengthening the Voluntary Sector Programme but is not inviting applications. For 2010, applications have been invited from a closed list of 20 organisations as a result of the trustees' wish to improve the ratio of grants to applications. This follows concern about the large amount of applications that could not be funded in previous rounds. The programme will again focus on legal advice and advocacy organisations. Grants will be made in July 2010

**CONTACT:** For more information, see the Baring Foundation website <http://www.baringfoundation.org.uk/>

## Ideas Fund

What is the Ideas Fund?

Got a creative project that needs funding? Aged between 16-25? Based in the UK? Then the Ideas Fund is for you. It's their way of helping you to make your ideas a reality.

The Ideas Fund is currently split into four categories, although these are subject to change and more funds may be added in the future.

### Ideas Fund Innovators

Open all year, with four deadlines for submissions, this Fund offers £1,000 awards for projects from any creative discipline. As the name suggests, the focus is on innovation. In the past they've funded everything from performances to photography collectives, visual artists to filmmakers.

### Summer Ideas Fund – theme TBA

Launching in June. Sign up to the Ideas Fund Group if you want to be the first to find out more.

### Ideas Fund Edinburgh

Open for six weeks from October every year, the Edinburgh award provides one winning company with £20,000 and the runner up with £10,000, along with expert mentoring, to take a show to the world's largest arts festival.

### Ideas Fund Shorts

Open for six weeks from February every year, Shorts offers young filmmakers £5,000 to create a five-minute short film.

**CONTACT:** <http://www.ideastap.com/IdeasFund>

## 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](http://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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