

Funding News for January 2012

Fund Name: Mrs Smith and Mount Trust

Next Deadline Date: 31 January 2012

Website: <http://www.pwwsolicitors.co.uk/charitable-applications/charity-details/the-mrs-smith-and-mount-trust>

Average Grant: £5,000

The Trust aims to assist disadvantaged people towards greater independence or a better quality of life.

The Fund currently has the following priority areas:

- Mental Health
- Learning Disability
- Homelessness
- Health in the Community. This category is for registered charities with an annual income of less than £500,000, working to improve health in the community. This could include groups working in areas such as food poverty, childhood obesity, specific health conditions and hospices. The Trustees do not consider appeals for equipment under this category

The majority of grants are for projects, but general running costs for a charity are sometimes funded, particularly if the Trust has supported that charity in the past.

The Trustees will not normally consider building costs, only refurbishment or alterations necessary to bring a building up to standard to meet legislative requirements.

Fund Name: Sportessex - Sportivate

Next Deadline Date: 16 January 2012

Website: http://sportessex.com/content_nboard.php?page=Sportivate

Maximum Grant: £30 per participant

Sportivate is part of the Sport England 'Places, People, Play' programme, aimed at people aged 14-25. Clubs and community organisations should offer a new, short, introductory course of activity run by a qualified coach.

Fund Name: The Lord's Taverners

Next Deadline Date: 16 January 2012

Website: <http://www.lordstaverners.org/charity/support-and-funding/special-needs.htm>

Maximum Grant: £5,000

The Lord's Taverners have a range of funding streams around cricket and supporting young people with special needs

- Donating specially adapted minibuses and sports wheelchairs, giving young people vital transportation and access to sport and recreation
- Creating new pathways for participation, development and competition in sport
- Providing grants for play, sports and sensory equipment

Fund Name: Essex Community Foundation

Next Deadline Date: 9 January 2012 (results within 10 weeks)

Website: <http://essexcommunityfoundation.org.uk/index.html>

Maximum Grant: £10,000 (average grant £3,500)

Essex Community Foundation awards grants to voluntary or community groups, which are charitable in purpose and are working for the benefit of people in Essex, Southend or Thurrock. They support a wide range of projects and welcome applications from both new and established groups.

Essex Community Foundation also administer the Comic Relief fund, with the same deadline dates. Comic Relief give grants of up to £10,000 to be spent within one year of being awarded. Funding is available to support groups and projects that:

- increase access to sport and exercise for people who face social exclusion and isolation
 - help people who are experiencing difficulties in their lives
 - increase local services
 - builds skills of local people
 - increase community cohesion
 - respond to local economic needs
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Fund Name: BBC Children in Need

Next Deadline Date: 15 January 2012

Website: http://www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/grants/general_grants.shtml

Maximum Grant: Small Grants of £10,000 or less, Main Grants over £10,000, both per year for up to three years

Organisations and projects must be based in the UK and you need to be a registered charity or other not-for-profit. Children In Need's focus is firmly on children and young people experiencing disadvantage. They fund organisations working to combat this disadvantage and to make a real difference to children and young people's lives. Such disadvantage includes:

- Illness, distress, abuse or neglect
- Any kind of disability
- Behavioural or psychological difficulties
- Living in poverty or situations of deprivation

Fund Name: Catalyst Arts capacity building and match funding scheme

Next Deadline Date: 31 January 2012

Website: <http://www.catalyst-artsandheritage.org.uk/>

Maximum Grant: £240,000 over a three year period

This scheme is designed to bring new money into the arts sector to enhance and not simply to replace, existing sources of funding so that the arts organisations we fund will be able to contribute most effectively to our strategic framework *Achieving great art for everyone.*

The scheme provides support to arts organisations over the three year period 2012-15 with an initial emphasis, where appropriate, on helping them to continue to build and develop their capability and capacity to generate new sources of funding, as well as offering match funding to attract more donations.

Note there are strict criteria which organisations must meet before submitting a bid to this fund.

Fund Name: Church and Community Fund
Next Deadline Date: from 3 January 2012
Website: <http://www.ccfund.org.uk/home/home>
Maximum Grant: £20,000 (some larger grants)

As reported last month, the CCF has revamped its Funding Guidelines, and has now published its new criteria. It is open to new applications from 3 January.

Aim

The Church and Community Fund aims to grow the Church of England and develop its capacity to engage with the whole community

Objectives

By making grants to the national church and local projects the Fund will assist the Church of England to:

- Develop its capacity to engage with the whole community through supporting innovative use of resources;
- Help transform areas of greatest need and opportunity and;
- Grow spiritually and numerically

Strategic Funding Themes

The CCF will support projects that:

- Significantly expand the Church's engagement with neighbourhood renewal;
- Seek innovative ways of developing established community projects so that they either a) grow existing or b) evolve into new communities of Christian Faith, and;
- Replicate models of successful community engagement across the wider church

Fund Name: Charles S French Charitable Trust
Next Deadline Date: not known
Website: <http://csfct.org.uk/index.htm>
Maximum Grant: £5,000

The principal objective of the Trust is to provide support to a wide range of charitable activities, primarily within Essex and North East London. They support charities which demonstrate that they make a worthwhile contribution to the needs and lives of others, whilst keeping costs and overheads low.

Fund Name: Hilton in the Community Foundation
Next Deadline Date: 7 February 2012
Website: <http://www.hilton-foundation.org.uk/home.htm>
Maximum Grant: £10,000

The Foundation aims to support a range of causes helping young people, with a particular focus on these areas:

- Disabled children
- Children in hospital
- Homelessness
- Life-limited children in hospices

Fund Name: Arts Council – small grants scheme
Next Deadline Date: ongoing
Website: <http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/grants-arts/>
Maximum Grant: £10,000

Grants are for individuals, arts organisations and other people who use the arts in their work. They are for activities carried out over a set period and which:

- engage people in England in arts activities; and
- help artists and arts organisations in England carry out their work

If you require any further help or assistance with any of the above funding programmes or advice on any aspect of funding or group development please contact: **Shelley Hall, Funding Officer at RRAVS on 01268 772796 or funding@rravs.co.uk.**



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