

Funding Update May 2011



Nationwide Foundation Charities

Are offering support to address housing issues and homelessness among vulnerable groups. You can apply for grants of up to £5k. There are two priority groups: Survivors of domestic abuse and older people with their housing needs.

www.nationwidefoundation.org.uk/grants.asp#

Comic Relief – Older People

The Older People cycle will be open for applications on 8th April 2011. You can access the expression of interest form online so that you can begin your application. The deadline for submitting an expression of interest online is 10 June 2011.

www.comicrelief.com/apply-for-a-grant/programmes/older-people

The Department of Health Volunteering Fund

Provides grants to organisations in the health and social care field using volunteers. In 2010 a total of £550,000 was awarded to 43 successful projects, and a similar number will be supported in this 2011 round.

www.volunteeringfund.com/node/18

Sports England

Small grants programme - Up to £10,000 is available for local community sports projects that sustain and develop sports opportunities for people. Your project must cost less than £50,000 and have a timescale of less than 12 months.

www.sportengland.org/funding/small_grants.aspx

Co-operative Membership's Big Community Vote 2011.

Local community groups can nominate themselves for the Vote and the possibility to be awarded £2000 but they will need a co-operative member to act as a referee.

www.co-operative.coop/membership/local-communities/Big-Community-Vote-2011/

Essex Legacy Open Weekend

Celebrating the London 2012 Open Weekend in Essex

Grant Application Form for 2011

This is an opportunity for local community groups to showcase themselves and inspire others. Grants are available to enable parish or town councils, community groups or organisations, to organise small sporting or physical activity events that could include a culture element to mark London 2012 Open Weekend.

Events **must** be scheduled to happen within Essex during the '2012 Open Weekend' which is 22nd to 24th July 2011, and must be predominantly sport and/or physical activity and can include a culture element also.

If your group/organisation would like to hold such an event, and would like to apply for a grant of up to £250,

Rural Community Council of Essex, FAO Sara Ward, Threshelfords Business Park, Inworth Road, Feering, Essex, CO5 9SE by post or email to sara.ward@essexrcc.org.uk by Friday 27th May 2011 to be considered.

The Prince's Countryside Fund

The Fund has been set up to help rural areas in the United Kingdom to become more sustainable. The focus areas for the Fund are: projects to improve the sustainability of British farming in areas of deprivation; projects to improve the sustainability of rural communities; and projects to reconnect people with the countryside.

Funded by Prince's Countryside Fund

Application deadline: 18 May 2011

www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/

Warm Front 2011/12 - £110 Million Available for Home Energy Efficiency Improvements

The Warm Front scheme now has a new set of eligibility criteria and will be accepting new applications from 14 April 2011.

Qualifying households can get improvements worth up to £3,500 (£6,000 where oil central heating and other alternative technologies are recommended).

Grants are available for improvements such as: loft insulation, draught proofing, cavity wall insulation, hot water tank insulation, gas, electric, liquid petroleum gas or oil heating, glass-fronted fire - the Warm Front scheme can convert your solid-fuel open fire to a glass-fronted fire

www.direct.gov.uk/en/Environmentandgreenerliving/Energyandwatersaving/Energygrants/DG_10018661

Vegetarian for Life Grants

Funding is available for charities and charitable organisations supporting older vegetarians and vegans. Grants of up to £3000 are available, subject to financial status. Vegetarian for Life (VfL) is a registered charity set up to support and enhance quality of life for older vegetarians and vegans and is funded by the Vegetarian Housing Association. Charities and charitable organisations can apply on behalf of people who are: vegetarian or vegan. Over 60 years of age and in financial need.

Only one off costs will be considered, this may include equipment or other appropriate uses to help someone to live independently: Bath aids. Stair lifts. Ramps. Grab handles.

Minor kitchen and bathroom adaptations. Respite care.

Application forms and guidance notes can be obtained by contacting

admin@vegetarianforlife.org.uk

The Information Standard Subsidy Programme

Financial assistance is available to help organisations that provide health and social information to become Information Standard certified.

Funded by the Dept of Health to a maximum value of £5000

Application deadline: 30 September 2011

www.theinformationstandard.org/get-certified/register-your-interest

The Big Lottery Fund

Has launched its Improving Futures Programme a £20m fund for vulnerable children that requires organisations to work together to develop multi-issue support for their families.

Deadline for expression of interest: noon, 12th May 2011.

www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_improving_futures

The Lankelly Chase Foundation

Will focus its summer small grants programme this year on summer activities for children and young people who are living in refuges escaping domestic violence or who are young carers.

Deadline: 13th May 2011.

www.lankellychase.org.uk

The Foyle Foundation

Small Grants Scheme supports smaller charities in the UK, especially those working at grass roots and local community level.

www.foylefoundation.org.uk/small-grants-scheme/

The Trusthouse Charitable Foundation

Supports projects in the UK which address issues in Rural Communities and/or areas of Urban Deprivation, especially in the fields of Community Support; Arts, Education & Heritage; Disability & Health Care.

www.trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/

The Daily Telegraph

In partnership with the Royal Bank of Scotland has launched a grants programme to support community and amateur sports clubs across the country. Five grants of up to £1,000 will be awarded on a monthly basis.

www.telegraph.co.uk/sport/othersports/amateur/8281664/Enter-your-sports-club-for-a-1000-grant.html

The Worshipful Company of Weavers

Funds are available for projects working with young people in need or at risk, rehabilitation and resettlement of young prisoners and ex-prisoners.

www.weavers.org.uk/charitable-grants

The Equitable Charitable Trust

This is an education charity. It makes grants towards projects for children and young people under the age of 25 who are from disadvantaged backgrounds or disabled.

www.equitablecharitabletrust.org.uk/

The Caron Keating Foundation

This fund assists small cancer charities who finance professional carers, treatment centres and support groups.

www.caronkeating.org/

Forthcoming 2011 Funding Fayre

After our successful joint Funding Fayre last year, a venue has now been booked for **Thursday 7th July 2011**. We are holding the event at the Basildon Centre in Basildon and are inviting over 50 funders to attend. So please put this date in your diaries and look out for further information in our funding updates or via emails. You won't want to miss this event!!!

If you wish to attend this event, please call Shelley Hall at RRAVS on 01268 772796 or e mail her at funding@rravs.co.uk as soon as possible.

Thank you

Is Awards for All right for you?

- Do you need between £300 and £10,000 to help improve your local community and the lives of people most in need?
- Are you a voluntary or community organisation, school, parish or town council, or a health body?
- Do you have a UK-based bank or building society account in the name of your organisation (or, for schools, a local authority bank account) that requires at least two people (who are unrelated and do not live at the same address) to sign cheques or make a withdrawal?
- Can you send us an application at least three months before your project starts and complete your project within one year?
- Can you explain the need for your project and the changes that will happen because of it?

Our Awards for All programme aims to help improve local communities and the lives of people most in need. To achieve our aim 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.

Our outcomes are the differences we want our funding to make. We will consider how well your project meets our outcomes during our assessment. You must show how your project meets at least one of them to be considered for a grant. Voluntary and community organisations are also known as ‘third sector’ organisations, as they are separate from the public and private sectors. They are value-led organisations established for social purposes rather than the pursuit of profit and they reinvest surpluses to help tackle issues facing people and the planet. They include: registered and unregistered charities, co-operatives, friendly societies, industrial and provident societies, companies that are not-for-profit business and unincorporated associations.

To apply to Awards for All, voluntary and community organisations must have:

- a written governing document (for example, a constitution, set of rules or trust deed)
- at least three unrelated people on their governing body or management committee.

We expect organisations with a membership to be open to all and allow anyone to join, unless there is a good reason why this is not appropriate.

For further information and application form, visit our website:

www.awardsforall.org.uk/england or call our advice line on: 0845 4 10 20 30

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:



RRAVS

Shelley Hall – Funding and Development Officer

funding@rravs.org.uk

01268 772796



CAVS

Pippa Doxford - Funding and Development Officer

pippa.doxford@castlepointavs.org.uk

01268 638416



SAVS

Jo McPherson - Funding Development Officer

funding@savs-southend.co.uk

01702 356000



105 A High Street

Rayleigh

Essex

SS6 7QA

