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## Opportunities

### **Artists Project Earth (Grant - UK/international)**

**VCSE. £500 - £20,000. Deadline 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013 / receipt of 100 applications - whichever comes first**

Artists Project Earth (APE) funds projects that tackle the effects of climate change. Applications are welcomed from organisations working to

- prevent the causes of climate change
- defend communities and ecosystems against the impacts of climate change
- support and build resilience for communities affected by natural disasters

These are broad topics and may include, among other things, projects that work to do the following:

- Create awareness of the causes, impacts and solutions to climate change
- Create political and social awareness of the need for rapid change and preparedness
- Lead to the adoption of low carbon technologies and lifestyles
- Prepare vulnerable communities and ecosystems for climate impacts
- Protect ecosystems at risk from climate change

APE has created a new category for funding called 'Inspiring Change', looking for projects that can make a real difference in the world - projects that show how artistic creativity can come to the aid of the planet. Priority will be given to the following:

- Combine creative ideas such as art/theatre/music and activism
- Ideas for new methods of public participation in creating a more just and sustainable world
- Projects that inspire positive changes in people, organisations, businesses and policy-makers
- Projects that provide solutions to environmental problems
- Projects that create green jobs for young people

<http://www.apeuk.org/apply-funding>

Source: Funding Insight / FINE

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## **Community Buildings Grant (Durham)**

**For community buildings (charitable organisations). Amount not specified. Respond by 1<sup>st</sup> May 2013**

Community Buildings Grant is a fund from Durham County Council for community buildings across the area; it aims to support the Council's community buildings strategy vision which is to 'ensure that by 2014 the County has a network of sustainable, well placed, highly valued and well used community buildings which are controlled by local people'.

This grant can be used to support new projects or to help with day to day running costs. The grant is intended to help community building management groups to become more independent, reach out to the local people in their area, offer new services or help reduce their running costs. Funding can be used for any capital and/or revenue costs, so long as it is legal and is not for an individual.

The exact amount that each applicant receives will not be known until all applications have been processed during June as the Council will equally share what is available between all successful applicants.

<http://www.durham.gov.uk/Pages/Service.aspx?ServiceId=8171>

Source: FINE

## **Connecting Classrooms – Partnership Grants (UK)**

**For UK schools. Up to £1,500 per school per partnership. Respond by 28<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

UK schools that have existing partnerships with schools in South America, Africa and South Asia can apply for funding to cover reciprocal visits and to support project work.

Applications are welcomed from schools and comparable institutions from nursery level to upper secondary, but must have an international school partnership.

To be eligible for funding partnerships must work towards three objectives:

- Increasing global citizenship
- Enriching education
- Developing an equitable and sustainable partnership

<http://schoolsonline.britishcouncil.org/programmes-and-funding/linking-programmes-worldwide/connecting-classrooms/partnerships>

Source: NCC / FINE

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## **Hilden Charitable Fund: Summer Playschemes (Grant - UK)**

**£500 - £1,500 for VCSE with income less than £150,000. Respond by 17<sup>th</sup> May 2013.**

The Fund has allocated a small budget to help community groups run summer play schemes for disadvantaged communities. Some priority will be given to projects which show they are inclusive of children from refugee families, and show BME involvement.

Organisations can apply for funding to run Summer Playschemes, with a budget of less than £12,000, for children aged 5-18 years lasting for 2-6 weeks with strong volunteer support.

<http://www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk/summer%20playcheme%20guidelines.htm>

Source: NCC / FINE

## **Interreg IVB North Sea Region Programme (Grant - UK)**

**Respond by 8<sup>th</sup> April 2013. The maximum budget will be €700,000, funded 50% ERDF and 50% co-financing. Projects cannot run for longer than 18 months.**

The aim of this Programme is to financially support transnational projects and partnerships that enhance the overall quality of life for residents of the North Sea Region. Local, regional and national authorities, non-government organisations, research institutions, universities and private partners who are within the eligible areas of the UK can apply for funding that will

- increase innovation
- enhance the quality of the environment
- improve accessibility of places
- deliver sustainable and competitive communities

<http://www.northsearegion.eu/ivb/news/show/&tid=650>

Source: NCC / FINE

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## **North Tyneside Women's Aid Legacy Fund (Grant)**

**Up to £5,000. Respond by 12<sup>th</sup> April 2013.**

The North Tyneside Women's Aid Legacy Fund at the Community Foundation aims to provide support and improve the lives of women and children affected by domestic violence. Beneficiaries must be either from North Tyneside or settling in North Tyneside.

The fund seeks to ensure that women and children who have experienced domestic violence are enabled to move to safe accommodation and supported to live in safely in the community.

This fund will support the set up or continuation of New Beginnings Funds that enable organisations to provide small grants themselves directly to individuals, up to a maximum of £500 for each individual. It can be used, for example, to purchase household equipment, provide new school uniforms, assist with decorating costs or pay a bond on a private tenancy.

It is expected that grants will be provided where there is significant hardship and no alternative sources of support. Therefore applications to establish or continue with a New Beginnings Fund must include the way beneficiaries will be selected.  
<http://www.communityfoundation.org.uk/apply> / [gl@communityfoundation.org.uk](mailto:gl@communityfoundation.org.uk)  
Source: Direct / FINE

## **Tesco Charity Trust (Grants - UK)**

**Two programmes.**

### **Large Grants Programme (respond by 24<sup>th</sup> May):**

Offers grants of £4,000 - £25,000 to charities working (international / national / regional basis, where Tesco has a presence) in the areas of

- children's welfare and education
- elderly people's welfare
- adults and children with disabilities

### **Community Awards - support for the elderly and/or people with disabilities (respond by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013)**

Offers VCS groups grants of £500 - £4,000 for projects such as

- befriending schemes
- luncheon clubs
- specialist equipment for disabled people
- day trips / social trips

<http://www.tescopl.com/index.asp?pageid=121>

Source: FINE

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## **Provision of a domiciliary care package in Westgate (Weardale, Co Durham) (Contract)**

**Durham County Council. Respond by 18<sup>th</sup> March 2013**

Durham County Council are seeking a suitably experience, qualified and registered organisation to provide a domiciliary care service in Weardale, County Durham.

The client has a medical history of stroke and CVA, hypertension, epilepsy, macular degeneration, thrombosis, AF, and recurrent UTI's. The client needs support with all elements of her care - Monday to Sunday, 4 calls a day, 2 care workers, 45 mins for each call (includes 15 minutes for feeding). The client would prefer female care workers.

[https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm\\_opportunity?openForm&contract\\_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-95QD97&opp\\_id=OPP-HIS-QTLE-95QDUX&search\\_id=&org\\_id=ORG-QTLE-75FCUZ&from=supplier\\_home](https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&contract_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-95QD97&opp_id=OPP-HIS-QTLE-95QDUX&search_id=&org_id=ORG-QTLE-75FCUZ&from=supplier_home)

Source: NEPO / FINE

## **Provision of Family Engagement Worker (Contract – national)**

**From National Offender Management Services (NOMS), respond by 18<sup>th</sup> March 2013**

NOMS are looking to appoint an organisation or organisations (for example single VCSE organisations, VCSE consortia, Local Authorities, etc) to deliver a Family Engagement Worker service which will provide Family Support services in a number of prison establishments.

The framework agreement aims to respond to the needs of prisoners and their families, with the aim of supporting and fostering the maintenance of positive relationships, supporting families at risk, and championing a "Think Family" approach to reducing Re-offending.

The length of the framework agreement will be for two years with the option to extend by two twelve month extensions.

<https://online.contractsfinder.businesslink.gov.uk/Common/View%20Notice.aspx?site=1000&lang=en&NoticeId=858490>

Source: Clinks / FINE

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## **Employee Telephone Counselling & Information Services Line (Contract – Newcastle)**

**Newcastle City Council. Respond by 25<sup>th</sup> March 2013.**

Newcastle City Council is looking to procure a 24hr employee telephone counselling and legal/financial information service. The contract is for 12 months to commence 1<sup>st</sup> June 2013 (option to extend for a further 12 months).

- The counselling element of the service should be able to support callers with any personal, emotional, lifestyle or work related matter which is causing them difficulty or anxiety. In particular, it should be capable of delivering appropriate advice and support to those people experiencing personal difficulties arising from significant work related change. This includes managers and others having to implement change
- The legal element of the service should be able to provide suitable information to callers on personal legal matters of any reasonable kind
- The finance element of the service should be able to provide suitable information to callers on personal financial matters of any reasonable kind, excluding any advice on investments or securities or similar matters covered by the relevant legislation

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-8ZRLNX>

Source: NEPO / FINE

## **Information & Resources**

### **Acevo encourages Government to help voluntary sector to apply for contracts**

**The Government should initiate reforms to unlock the voluntary sector's potential to transform public services, the head of the chief executives body Acevo has told George Osborne, the Chancellor of the Exchequer.**

In a letter to the Chancellor ahead of the Budget, Sir Stephen Bubb suggests that the Treasury considers providing funding to build capacity in the voluntary sector and make it easier for charities to apply for contracts.

<http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/Infrastructure/article/1174114/treasury-funding-help-charities-win-government-contracts-bubb-tells-chancellor/>

Source: Third Sector / FINE

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## **Big Lottery Fund**

**BIG are reorganising their work across England, improving local reach and ensuring funding is focused on people and communities most in need.**

BIG is putting in place a new local presence team across England. This will reshape their existing regional teams, making them more responsive to local needs, increasing engagement with local stakeholders and supporting the development of local partnerships. During this transition phase BIG will continue to have dedicated staff working at a local level working on local initiatives and events. The new teams are expected to be in place before the summer and BIG will then provide further details and a named contact for local teams.

<http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/england/> / [enquiries.ne@biglotteryfund.org.uk](mailto:enquiries.ne@biglotteryfund.org.uk) /

Source: Direct / FINE

## **Influencing Local Commissioning for Health and Care - Guidance for the Voluntary and Community Sector**

**Policy briefing, published by Regional Voices**

Regional Voices has published this policy briefing which gives an overview of health and wellbeing boards, joint strategic needs assessments and joint health and wellbeing strategies- and the role of the voluntary sector.

<http://www.regionalvoices.org/health-wellbeing>

Source: VONNE / FINE

## **North East Economic Review Evidence Base**

**A conference launching the North East Independent Economic Review Evidence Base took place last month.**

The North East Local Enterprise Partnership commissioned the review to look into the barriers facing the North East economy. The summary of the expert paper and evidence base, is available to download: <http://www.nelep.co.uk/ne-economic-review/evidence/>

Source: VONNE / FINE



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## Transforming Local Infrastructure

### NAVCA publish Transforming Local Infrastructure (TLI) analysis

NAVCA has published a report analysing the work that the 74 areas receiving TLI investment set out to do. The report pulls together common themes or similar areas of work based on the original funding bids.

<http://www.navca.org.uk/transforming-local-infrastructure-analysis>

Source: VODA / FINE

## Events & Training

### Santander Social Enterprise Development Awards (SEDA) workshop

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at 2pm – 4pm. Community Foundation, Newcastle**

The Social Enterprise Development Award (SEDA) is a community investment programme established by Santander in partnership with community foundations to help growing social enterprises across the UK. A national competition is held annually with prizes awarded to fund growth. The organisation must directly benefit society in one or more of the following ways:

- Improving social and community inclusion
- Supporting disadvantaged people through skills, training and employment
- Creating a greener environment

The next round of SEDA will be launched in summer 2013 and will be open to any organisation that is a social enterprise which has been established and trading for more than two years and is increasing its trading income. Applicants must be able to show that at least 26% of total income is generated from trading activities (not including grant funding). There will be a total of 9 awards to be made across North East England, Cumbria and Hull/East Yorkshire in 2013 (3 at £15,000, 3 at £30,000 and 3 at £50,000 depending on the turnover of the organisation - up to a maximum turnover of £1,000,000).

This workshop is for potential applicants to learn more. Places will be limited; contact Sue Martin on 0191 222 0945 or email [sm@communityfoundation.org.uk](mailto:sm@communityfoundation.org.uk) to confirm that your social enterprise meets the criteria and to book a place.

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