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Funding Information North East

Opportunities

Arts Council - Strategic Touring Programme (Grant - England)

Over £10,000 for VCSE / partnerships. Deadline 14th June 2013

The £45m Strategic Touring programme aims to encourage collaboration between organisations so that more people across England can experience - and be inspired by - the arts, particularly in places that rely on touring for much of their arts provision. The funding is available to both organisations and individuals. Partnerships, networks and consortia can also apply.

The programme aims include:

- better access to high quality work in places which rely on touring for much of their arts provision
- more high quality work to reach people/places with the least engagement
- more high quality work on tour to connect more effectively with people across a wide range of venues
- stronger relationships forged between those involved in artistic, audience and programme development on both the supply and demand side of touring
- a wide range of high quality work on tour including more work by and for children / young people and people from diverse backgrounds

<http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/apply-for-funding/strategic-funding/grant-programmes/strategic-touring-programme/>

Source: Grants Online / FINE

BE Group – Investment and Contract Readiness (Grant – England)

£50,000 - £150,000 for social ventures. No deadline; rolling basis from 21st May 2013

BE Group are an approved provider of the Investment and Contract Readiness Fund. Social ventures can apply to this fund and access grants to support ambitions and strategies for growth. The grant is available to purchase specialised investment and contract readiness support and to cover some of the costs of putting the investment or contract readiness plan into action in the social venture.

Grants will be available to ambitious organisations with a social, charitable or environmental purpose that need assistance to raise at least £500,000 investment or want to bid for contracts over £1million.

www.beinvestmentready.org.uk

Source: Direct / FINE

Big Lottery Fund: Digital Skills (Grant – UK)

For partnerships. Not yet open (opens Autumn)

The Big Lottery Fund (BIG), as part of its commitment to help charity Go ON UK eliminate the digital divide, is announcing an investment of up to £15m to build the skills that people and organisations across the UK will need in order to take full advantage of support and services available online. BIG expects to fund a very small number of UK-wide projects focusing on communities most in need.

Partnerships will need to be led by a single organisation, which can be a

- voluntary and or community organisation
- public sector organisation
- not for profit organisation
- social enterprise

Applicants can apply for all the eligible costs of the project they want funded, including revenue, capital and overhead costs. BIG expect their contribution towards overheads to be calculated on a full cost recovery basis.

BIG aims to build on the huge success of the Go ON Liverpool cross-sector partnership, which included £100,000 of funding from BIG and helped reduce the numbers offline in the city by 55 per cent in just 18 months. Announcing plans to 'supercharge' existing local activity and adapt the Go ON Liverpool blueprint by making digital skills a regional priority, Go ON UK has also unveiled plans to kick start their digital skills delivery strategy in the North East in October.

http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/global-content/press-releases/uk-wide/110513_uk_skills-at-go-on-uk-summit

Source: Direct / FINE

Children's Foundation – Regional Small Grants (North East)

Up to £1,000 for non-profit. Deadline end of June.

The Regional Small Grants Programme awards up to £15,000 per year to community groups across the region that reflect the charity's aims of Happy, Healthy and Safe children.

The Panel is able to consider projects that complement and enhance the existing work of the Foundation or that represent key challenges facing the region. Key areas supported:

- Mental health
- Disability
- Child safety
- Exercise and obesity

Equipment for health projects not funded by the NHS will also be considered.

Examples of grants awarded during the financial year ending 2011 include:

- Sunderland Gateway - £1,000 to purchase new equipment for their disability sports programme
- Hendon Young People's Project - £750 to purchase equipment and materials to enhance the activities they offer to disabled and special needs children

<http://www.thechildrensfoundation.co.uk/2011/06/07/regional-small-grants/>

Source: FINE

Dickon Trust (Grant – North East*)

£1,000 for registered charities. Deadline end of May

*from the Tees in the South to Cumbria in the West and Scotland

The Trustees support a wide range of charitable purposes and are particularly interested in supporting young people.

Grants are one-off and are for £1,000 (although grants up to a maximum of £2,000 may be awarded). In 2011/2012 48 grants were awarded.

www.dickontrust.org.uk

Source: FINE

Enabling Choice (Grant - UK)

Up to £30,000 for hospices. Deadline 2nd August 2013

Help the Hospices has announced that grants are available to full member hospices to fund new developments in care that will enable more people to be discharged from hospital to their preferred place of care, whether this be at home or in a hospice.

Funded by the St. James's Place Foundation, funding can be used to implement work that either addresses the findings from a feasibility study/scoping exercise or supports new developments that demonstrate a clear evidence of need. The total funding available is £300,000. Examples of the type of projects and services which could be funded:

- Building a strong volunteer base able to respond flexibly to changing needs
- Delivering education and training to care staff
- Providing opportunities for hospice staff to develop their skills

<http://www.helpthehospices.org.uk/our-services/grants/uk-grants/enabling-choice/>

Source: Funding Insight / FINE

Homeless Hospital Discharge Fund (Grant – England)

For VCSE. No limit. £10m total fund. Deadline 8th July 2013

This new grant fund, from the Department of Health, is aimed at charities, community benefit societies and social enterprises that support homeless people after they leave hospital. Eligible organisations that spend more than 50 per cent of their income on homeless people can bid for a share of the fund.

Organisations that receive funding will be expected to increase the number of homeless people given accommodation and healthcare once they leave hospital and decrease the number of homeless people who return to hospital after they have been discharged.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/homeless-hospital-discharge-fund-2013-to-2014>

Source: Third Sector / FINE

Joicey Trust (Grant – North East*)

For registered charities / third party. Deadline 31st May 2013.

* For work in NE, SR, DH4/5, TD12 and TD15 postcodes

The Trust awards one-off grants and occasionally recurrent grants (up to a maximum of three years) to a large number of registered charities in the North East, many to organisations working in the field of social welfare and youth.

Grants are made across a wide spectrum for either revenue or capital funding. The main exception for which applications will not be considered covers medical research.

The Trust made 172 grants during the financial year 2011/2012 totalling £223,780. Grants ranged from £100 to £10,000; the majority were under £2,000.

www.thejoiceytrust.org.uk

Source: FINE

School Improvement Support (Contract – Stockton)

Stockton on Tees Borough Council. Respond by 24th May 2013

The Council wants to secure a strategic partner to supplement their capacity for schools to improve outcomes for young people specifically in the following areas:

- School Improvement Advisers
- Support for school systems
- Support for governance
- Providing specialist support for the progress of vulnerable groups
- Providing support to improve the quality of teaching and learning

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-97KEPX>

Source: NEPO / FINE

Support Services for Children and Young People with Autism (Contract – North Tyneside)

North Tyneside Council. Respond by 28th May 2013

Opportunity to provide services for children and young people with core autism and associated complex difficulties.

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-94MPSM>

Registered Housing Provider Opportunity for Empty Homes Programme in partnership with Durham County Council (Contract)

Durham County Council. Respond by 30th May 2013 (Expression of Interest)

The Council is seeking to identify experienced Registered Housing Providers who would be in a position to assist in the delivery of its Empty Homes programme.

Please note this is not a formal tender exercise; instead the Council is seeking to appoint a preferred partner(s) in the delivery of the programme.

https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?OpenForm&contract_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-97KGSS#

Source: NEPO / FINE

Artist Residency at Redcar (Contract)

Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council. Respond by 31st May 2013

The Council, supported by Mima and the Arts Council, has created an opportunity for a professional visual artist to undertake a 12-month residency in Redcar commencing in Spring 2013.

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-97JAXH>

Source: NEPO / FINE

Through the Gate (Contract – North East / Northumbria)

Northumbria Probation Trust. Respond by 3rd June 2013.

Northumbria Probation Trust (NPT) recently published a tendering opportunity to develop and maintain 10 Women's Hubs across the Trust area (see FO Issue #9). The Hubs will be partnerships between Probation and other agencies and will work with women who are

- under the supervision of NPT
- managed through Integrated Offender Management schemes
- at risk of offending and have been referred by agencies (e.g. police / courts)

In addition to this previous tender, NPT has recognised the need to engage with women offenders who are not subject to probation supervision. NPT would like the successful Hub providers to work with short term prisoners (less than 12 months) released from Low Newton Prison. This tender seeks to acquire a Through the Gate service to

- identify and engage with women in custody in HMP/YOI Low Newton returning to Northumbria Probation Trust area prior to discharge
- agree action plans for discharge with Prison and Probation staff
- meet women on discharge and support them in their rehabilitation
- link and support women's engagement with Women's Community Hubs
- offer mentoring for offenders discharged without licence or supervision
- maintain effective communications with NPT staff and managers

The contract is initially for a period of twelve months commencing 1st July 2013 with a three month break clause and a possibility of extension for a further one or two 12 month periods, subject to funding and approval. The budget available for the total contract is about £20,000.

<http://www.northumbria-probation.co.uk/information/contractsandtenders.html>

Source: Direct / FINE

Information & Resources

Big Lottery Fund

New Chief Executive

Dawn Austwick, Chief Executive of the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation, will take over from Peter Wanless, who stands down at the end of May to become Chief Executive of NSPCC. Austwick takes up her position in the Autumn; in the interim period Ceri Doyle, the current director of strategy, performance and learning, will be acting CEO.

http://www.civilsociety.co.uk/governance/news/content/15139/social_investment_pioneer_to_take_up_chief_exec_role_at_big?utm_source=13+May+2013+Fundraising&utm_campaign=13+May+Fundraising&utm_medium=email

Source: Civil Society / FINE

Big Society Capital

Plans to commit up to £100m to social investment in the next year

Social investment body Big Society Capital (BSC) will work with mainstream financial institutions over the coming year to see how they can better support social investment, the social lender has said in its first annual report. Nick O'Donohoe, Chief Executive, says in the report that it will aim to commit between £75m and £100m to up to 20 new investments over the coming year. A spokesman said it could not give many further details on which institutions these would be. In a blog, however, O'Donohoe said that BSC would be working with the Northern Rock Foundation "to capitalise a fund that will invest in social investment finance intermediaries serving North East England".

<http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/news/1181893/big-society-capital-plans-commit-100m-social-investment-next-year/>

Source: Third Sector / FINE

National Coalition for Independent Action

Concerns about NAVCA's ties with ACEVO / inquiry / winding up

NAVCA, a membership body for the CVS sector, announced a closer working partnership with ACEVO last September. Discomfort with the emerging relationship was discussed last Friday, however, at an event organised by the National Coalition for Independent Action (NCIA), a group which supports independent voluntary and community action. NCIA have also launched an inquiry into

voluntary services, which will last six to nine months, and announced that they are looking to wind up in the next three years.

http://www.civilsociety.co.uk/governance/news/content/15137/cvss_concerned_about_navcas_recent_alliances?utm_source=13+May+2013+Fundraising&utm_campaign=13+May+Fundraising&utm_medium=email

Source: Civil Society / FINE

Events & Training

Blackbaud Fundraising Workshop: The Art of Fundraising

29th May 2013, 9:30am – 1:30pm. Blackbaud Europe, London. Free

Elements:

- Gain insights into why Customer Relationship Management is important for today's charitable organisations
- How to get the most out of a fundraising database
- The importance of multi-channel communication in fundraising
- How different generations of UK donors interact with not-for-profits and how this information will help organisations

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/YDPZBNZZ?gator_td=IFN6zv7YHE0wZYeKpz9OjSiXKW2nFQ8AWU1rOjhg0To6%2byQZOPZ9T2jeKszmWIDdjo%2fv73LM1An87IgzklkOhEnFregoYHfvPyIEpXuBFIf90cfkqYYnf4Uh%2fPbuwi3P3zWqr5cSR6ycuJoOxPUosU8dajGZZVO8y1fczSnHmXXbKZwsbSis2s%2fDoNeRn%2bUYrzGGwst12gRf77PEYcygA%3d%3d

Public Law and the Compact workshop

20th June 2013, 9am-1pm, Park House, Station Rd, County Durham. Free

One Voice Network are offering free tickets to NAVCA's Public Law and the Compact workshop which provides information and guidance, for both the public and voluntary and community sectors, on fair and lawful decision making. The workshop will provide delegates with an overview of public law, linking it to the County Durham Compact and - through case studies and interactive group work - will consider the outcomes of decisions and actions that have already taken place in other areas, including the dispute resolutions used. Places on this workshop will be strictly limited to a maximum of 20 people and will be issued on a first come first served basis.

<http://www.eventbrite.com/event/6648350395#>

Third Sector Commissioning Conference

10th July 2013, Central London. Price from £225 (see text)

This conference will provide guidance on how to meet the requirements laid out in the recently introduced Social Value Act through innovative case studies that offer benefits to the wider community as well as achieving value for money.

Key issues addressed on the day:

- Encouraging different third sector models to deliver public services
- Working in an innovative partnership approach between local authority commissioners and third sector service providers
- Demonstrating social return on investment
- Third sector delivery of community health services

Prices: Public Sector £350 / Central Gov £350 / Private Sector £545 / Concessionary Discount (inc. charities) £225

http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/local-government-communities/full-conference/article/third-sector-commissioning-1.html?code=EMCD&utm_source=Adestra&utm_medium=email&utm_term=&utm_content=Book%20Now&utm_campaign=Copy%20of%20Third%20Sector%20Commissioning%20-%20July%202013%20-%20202

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