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Funding Information North East

Opportunities

Comic Relief – UK Main Fund (Grants – UK)

No upper limit (most grants expected to be £10,000 - £40,000 per year for up to 3 years). Registered charities / not for profit. No deadline

Following a strategic review of its funding, Comic Relief has announced that its new UK grant making programme is now open for applications. The programme will provide funding for activities that tackle complex problems and create positive social change across the UK. Projects must address at least one of five themes:

- Supporting young people that face challenges and have limited opportunities
- Supporting people who face violence, abuse and exploitation
- Supporting those in severe financial hardship
- Supporting disadvantaged communities
- Aiming to empower and give a voice to marginalised groups of people, so that they can challenge injustice and bring about positive changes for those who face discrimination and stigma

<http://2013.comicrelief.com/apply-for-a-grant/uk/what-we-fund>

Source: Direct / Grants Online / FINE

Ideas Fund Innovators (Grant – UK)

10 x £500. Young people. Deadline 31st October 2013

Ideas Tap, a charity that supports creative young people, has announced that its Ideas Fund Innovators scheme for 16-22 year olds is now open for applications. Through the scheme, 10 grants of £500 are available to support creative projects run by young people (aged 16-22). To be eligible, applicants need to be members of Ideas Tap.

<http://www.ideastap.com/Opportunities/Brief/Ideas-Fund-Innovators-16-to-22-311013/#Overview>

Source: Grants Online / FINE

LocalGiving - Grow Your Tenner 2013 (Other – England)

Registered charities. Campaign begins 15th October 2013

Localgiving.com, the online giving site for small, local charities and community groups, is to run its Grow Your Tenner campaign again in October. Eligible charities using the Localgiving.com platform will be able to have donations up to £10 matched from the Cabinet Office. Single donations will be doubled pound for pound up to £10 each. When the £500,000 pot has been matched and turned into £1m, the campaign will end. Localgiving.com will also double monthly donations up to £10 a month for six months, adding an extra £60 to the total received.

<http://www.fundraising.co.uk/news/2013/08/12/localgiving039s-grow-your-tenner-2013-campaign-run-october#sthash.LQOiLqB8.dpuf>

Source: UKF / FINE

Newcastle Youth Community Opportunity Fund (Grant)

Up to £4,000. VCSE. Deadline 18th September 2013

This fund awards grants to projects providing activities for young people aged 13-19 who live in Newcastle. Applications must be able to demonstrate how young people were involved in developing the activities. Projects must also contribute to Positive for Youth outcomes and at least one of Newcastle Children Service's priority areas. To request an application pack email

Rachael.fawcett@newcastle.gov.uk or darin.maudlin@newcastle.gov.uk

Source: NCVS / FINE

Port of Tyne Community Action Fund (Grant – North East*)

*North and South Tyneside, Newcastle and Gateshead and the River Tyne corridor

Up to £5,000. VCSE. Deadline 18th October 2013

This fund supports community projects in the areas specified. Particularly welcome are applications for projects which focus on the following:

- Helping young people gain skills and confidence towards work
- Helping communities thrive
- Improving the environment

Applicants must show clearly how their project meets one or more of the aims and how it will improve an individual, group or community's situation.

<http://www.communityfoundation.org.uk/apply>

Source: Direct / FINE

Prince's Countryside Fund (Grant - UK)

Up to £500,000. Charities / "public benefit". Deadline 24th October 2013 (opens 23rd September)

The aim of the fund is to help improve the long-term sustainability of the British countryside. Funding is available to

- support projects that improve service provision in rural areas
- support rural enterprise
- support farming businesses
- provide training opportunities for young people

Funding is available for both capital and revenue costs. Applicants can be, but do not need to be, charities; all applicants must, however, be able to clearly demonstrate a significant level of public benefit arising from their activities.

Trustees have revised the criteria for applications. Key changes:

- Trustees will not accept applications where the objective of the project is to 'reconnect people with the countryside'
- Trustees will not accept applications from individuals or private enterprises (exceptions: CICs and Companies Limited by Guarantee)
- Trustees will not accept applications for capital funding for the purchase of buildings or land

<http://www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/page/apply-funding>

Source: Grants Online / FINE

Raising IT (Grant – UK)

**£14,400 - £72,000. Not for profit (turnover more than £500,000).
Deadline 23rd September 2013**

Raising IT, a charity website company, together with the Nominet Trust are inviting not for profit organisations to apply for funding to improve their website. The funding aims to help charities/social enterprises/housing associations etc that want to raise more money online or through social media but find that their efforts are frustrated by their existing website. Grants are available to cover the technology costs and some support services.

<http://www.raisingit.com/grants>

Source: Grants Online / FINE

Rosa: Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) Small Grants Programme (Grant – UK)

£500 - £5,000. VCSE. Next deadline 30th September 2013

Rosa has announced a three year small grants programme to tackle FGM in the UK. Funded by Comic Relief, the grants will be available to voluntary and community organisations across the UK. The grants will help organisations to

- become more confident, more knowledgeable and more skilled in tackling FGM within their communities
- improve their skills in engaging with, and lobbying, statutory bodies to encourage appropriate responses to FGM
- contribute to a unified movement across the UK bringing together a range of organisations engaged in tackling FGM

Grants will be available for training, mentoring, research, networking, and delivering advice and support services.

<http://www.rosauk.org/fgm-small-grants-programme-rosa-s-new-funding-programme>

Source: Funding Insight / FINE

Advice and Information Service (Contract – North Tyneside)

North Tyneside Council. Respond by 7th October 2013

The council is offering this tendering opportunity to organisations for the delivery of Advice and Information Services to all residents of North Tyneside.

This service will start 1st April 2014 with the contract period running for three years until March 2017, with an option for the council to extend the contract for up to a further two years. The council will invest up to £300,000 per annum in this service.

The successful organisation must be independently audited by CAB / Advice UK or other suitable alternatives.

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-99JEKH>

Source: NEPO / FINE

Information & Resources

Big Potential

Big Lottery Fund's (BIG) social investment support programme postponed

Big Potential, due to start this summer, will not go ahead as planned because the contractual relationship between the BIG and Exemplas has been ended. BIG had chosen the business consultancy Exemplas to deliver the programme, but the two organisations both said they had decided to end their contractual relationship. Charity Bank had also been due to deliver the programme. A new procurement process is due to begin in early autumn and BIG is aiming for the programme to be available to charities by the end of this year. Neither BIG nor Exemplas would say why their relationship had broken down.

http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/bulletin/third_sector_daily_bulletin/article/1209906/big-lottery-funds-social-investment-support-programme-postponed/?DCMP=EMC-CONThirdSectorDaily

Source: Third Sector / FINE

Middlesbrough and Teesside Philanthropic Foundation

£22,500 donation

A mystery business owner has donated £22,500 to be shared out between some of the area's community and charity projects.

http://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/local/teesvalley/stockton/10654672.Mystery_donor_hands_over_22_500_to_Teesside_charity/?ref=twtr&utm_source=twitterfeed&utm_medium=twitter

Source: FINE

Events & Training

Cheviot View - Short Breaks Market Consultation (Newcastle City Council)

16th September 2013. Newcastle Civic Centre. Respond by 12th September 2013

Newcastle City Council wishes to further develop short break services for children and young people with disabilities, their families and carers with Cheviot View Short Break Unit as the 'Hub'. Services may come from providers who currently deliver services in the City or from providers who aspire to deliver services. To achieve this aim the council recognises that it needs to know how best it can influence, help and support the local market to achieve better outcomes and value.

The council is hosting this event to encourage dialogue with and between providers, parents and the council about how they can engage more purposefully with each other to continue to develop 'fit for purpose' short break provision.
<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-9B6DST>

Commercial Skills Masterclasses for Public Service Delivery

19th – 20th November 2013. The Gateway Community Resource Centre, Warrington. £40

Using case studies, practical commercial tools and the direct experiences of expert facilitators, this two day masterclass course will guide delegates through the commercial skills required to succeed in a world of subcontracts, competition and payment by results. Surveying delegates beforehand, each event is tailored to their stated needs and interests and will tackle the key issues involved in both direct contracting and sub-contracting.

<http://www.vsnw.org.uk/events/view/671>

Institute of Fundraising North East Group Bi-Monthly Meeting

25th September 2013, 4-6pm. As You Like It, Newcastle. £3 pre-booked / £5

Members and non-members are invited to join the Group in networking over canapés and a glass of wine. Speakers this month are:

- Jonathan Andrews from JA Fundraising: "Remarkable Partnerships between charities and companies" - explaining why they're so important and how to create them
- Marketing team from Tiger Tiger: "Tiger Tiger working with charities"

Email catfly@live.co.uk by 15th September to let her know you are attending.

Service Provider Tender Consultation and Briefing Meeting – “Specialist Day Service for People with Learning Disabilities, Learning Disabilities with Associated Physical Disabilities, Physical Disabilities or Cerebral Palsy” (Stockton Borough Council)

**19th September 2013, 10am-12pm. Education Centre, Stockton. Respond
by 16th September 2013**

The formal tender process for the Specialist Day Service (as above) will commence late October 2013. In preparation, the council is inviting the existing and prospective new providers to attend this consultation and briefing meeting.

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-9AZKG9>

Writing better funding applications

**19th November 2013, 10am-1pm. NCVS & VODA members £20 / non-
members VCSE £35 / private & statutory organisations £50**

This is a half day session for those with some experience of preparing funding applications who want to improve their technique and chances of success.

<http://www.cvsnewcastle.org.uk/supportingdeveloping/training/workshops-training>

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