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Funding Information North East

Opportunities

Community Sport Activation Fund (Grant – England)

£50,000 - £250,000 for up to 3 years for VCSE. Next deadline 1st February 2013.

The Community Sport Activation Fund from Sport England is a £40m revenue fund developed to support grassroots activity at a very local level. The Fund was designed in response to demand and will aim to unlock potential and resources.

Sport England will not prescribe how projects will deliver but will invest in what works best in different areas, based on local evidence. The kinds of projects they expect to fund include the following:

- Activities reflecting a broad range of sports
- Informal opportunities which could lead to regular participation
- Multi-sport activities which provide people with a range of choices and opportunities to suit them
- Family orientated activities with a focus on 14 plus age group
- Local activator roles that focus on directly organising and delivering new opportunities for participation

The best projects will demonstrate the following key characteristics:

- A focus on a clearly defined geographical area and community
- Demonstrable understanding of sporting needs
- Evidence of what potential participants want or need in order to take part in sport once a week
- Local partners working together to deliver and help fund the project
- A clear and robust delivery plan
- Realistic, but ambitious, numbers for increasing and sustaining once a week participation

There are five opportunities to apply for this Fund over the next four years (applicants are encouraged to apply when their project is ready):

- Round 1 – 7th January 2013 – 4th February 2013. Funders will only invest in a small number of strong, well-developed projects that are able to start to deliver by 1st June 2013
- Round 2 – 7th May 2013 – 1st July 2013
- Round 3 - November 2013 – January 2014
- Round 4 - May 2014 – June 2014
- Round 5 - April 2015 – June 2015

http://www.sportengland.org/funding/csaf.aspx?utm_source=Linx+261+-+10+Jan+2013&utm_campaign=linx261&utm_medium=email

Source: FINE

European Integration Fund and Youth in Action (Grant – Europe)

Two European funds open for application.

European Integration Fund supports the integration of third country nationals in EU Member States. Public bodies and voluntary organisations are invited to apply for grants of between €400,000 (approx. £330,000) and €1 million (approx. £830,000), though they must be able to find 10% of the costs themselves.

Projects should address at least one of these priorities:

- Priority 1 - Local action to enhance migrants' economic, social, cultural and political participation
- Priority 2 – Co-operation with source countries in fostering integration
- Priority 3 - Governance and effectiveness of integration measures

Projects must be transnational and must be implemented by a European partnership. The deadline for submissions is **26th February 2013**.

ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/financing/fundings/migration-asylum-borders/integration-fund/calls/call_20121213/index_en.htm

Youth in Action programme 2007-2013 has a range of deadlines for proposals in 2013. The first one is **1st February 2013**. It will fund five areas of work:

- Action 1 – Youth for Europe
- Action 2 – European voluntary service
- Action 3 – Youth in the world
- Action 4 – Youth support systems
- Action 5 – Support for European cooperation in the youth field

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/youth/index_en.php

Source: SYFAB / FINE

Triangle Trust 1949 Fund (Grant – UK)

For registered charities (annual income less than £2m. Priority for smaller charities). Up to £20,000 over 2 years. Deadline 5th February 2013.

The Trust offers funding for community and voluntary organisations working with carers or the rehabilitation of offenders or ex-offenders within the UK.

In Spring 2013 they will be launching a new non-restricted funding scheme for organisations working primarily with carers or the rehabilitation of offenders or ex-offenders. Details will be launched in April 2013. Prior to the launch of this new funding the Trust is offering a single round of project grants for specialist registered charities working with carers or the rehabilitation of offenders or ex-offenders.

Projects may include direct practical support work, research projects or policy or campaigning work relevant to unpaid carers or the rehabilitation of offenders or ex-offenders.

Costs covered by the grant may include expenses, consumables or salaries directly relevant to the project. The project must start by 31st July 2013.

<http://www.triangletrust.org.uk/what-we-fund/project-grant-criteria>

Source: Clinks / FINE

Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust (Grant - UK)

For organisations or individuals carrying out legally charitable work. No maximum grant limits. Next deadline 15th April 2013.

Within the UK, the Trust makes grants to both organisations and individuals for activities that relate to the following:

- Peace and conflict resolution
- Promoting racial justice
- Power and responsibility
- Quaker concerns

The Trust tends to fund work that is on a national level. They often make unrestricted or core costs grants, as they believe that is often the most effective way to support an organisation.

There are no maximum grant limits although the Trust does stress that costings need to be realistic. Previously supported projects include:

- Asylum Aid received a grant of £203,170 from the Trust to support a project that enables women fleeing serious human rights violations to gain protection in the UK
- The British Pugwash Trust which received a grant of £120,000 over 24 months for its WMD Awareness Programme

<http://www.jrct.org.uk/>

Source: Funding Insight / FINE

Digital Technology Round (Grant – England)

For not-for-profit. Expected minimum £50,000 a year. Deadline 19th April 2013.

The Nominet Trust and the Education Endowment Fund have announced a new partnership to co-fund projects focusing on the use of digital technology in raising the attainment of disadvantaged children.

The two grant-making charities are inviting applications from any not-for-profit organisation which focuses on the use of digital technology to improve teaching

and learning outcomes. It is expected that the minimum grant will be £50,000 a year and that the smallest projects likely to be funded will reach at least 100 students. In most cases projects should also reach more than one school.

The funders are looking for initiatives that build on the existing evidence about effective teaching and learning practices, and use digital technology to make these practices more effective or efficient. Proposals should comply with the following:

- Focus on raising that attainment of pupils aged 5-16 in England. Funders are particularly interested in approaches that seek to improve the outcomes of disadvantaged learners and would expect applicants to be willing to work in challenging schools
- Have a clear rationale for how technology will make a difference to learning outcomes
- Be informed and supported by encouraging evidence of an impact on attainment
- Have the potential to be scaled up
- Be willing and able to be independently evaluated
- Be sufficiently developed to be able to test widely with 6-12 months
- Be led by not-for-profit organisations

<http://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-funding/digital-technology-round/>

Source: Grants Online / FINE

Henry Smith's Charity - Holiday Grants for Children (Grant - UK)

£500 - £2,500 for VCSE. No deadline (decision usually within 6-8 weeks).

Applications can be made by schools, youth groups, not for profit organisations and charities for grants towards holidays or outings within the UK for children aged 13 and under who are from areas of high deprivation, are experiencing disadvantage, or those who have a disability.

Applications can be considered for holidays or outings that have the objective of providing children with a break they would not otherwise have the opportunity to experience.

Grants are normally limited to a maximum of two-thirds of the total cost of a trip as the Charity would expect some local partnership funding to be in place.

<http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/holiday-grants-for-children.html>

Source: Grants Online / FINE

Welfare reform support and training (Contract – North East)

Regional Homelessness Group (RHG). Respond by 22nd January 2013.

Call for expressions of interest in delivering second tier training, support and advice to providers of supported accommodation in the North East of England on welfare reform.

RHG (made up of the 12 local authorities plus Homeless Link, Youth Homeless NE, Crisis, Shelter and the Northern Rock Foundation) is concerned that providers of supported accommodation (including direct access and other hostels, second stage supported accommodation, floating support and refuges) do not all have the skills and knowledge to prepare their residents for the Government's Welfare Reform and the impact that will have on their budgets and ability to sustain accommodation and move on to independence.

The RHG is calling for expressions of interest to deliver the following:

- Training, support and advice to homelessness services to ensure they have sufficient knowledge and tools to help their clients (those living in supported accommodation) to prepare for the impact of welfare reform.
- Providing information for homeless organisations to support their long term planning
- Development of preventative support initiatives for landlords
- Aggregation of the impact of Welfare Reform on people at risk of homelessness in the region

Expected cost of the work is around £50,000. Work should be delivered over the course of 1 year, starting 1st April 2013 at the latest.

Email expressions of interest to neil.munslow@newcastle.gov.uk. Limit responses to 4 sides of A4 and include the following:

- How the work would be delivered
- Timetable for delivery
- SMART outcomes and outputs
- Breakdown of cost
- Knowledge the organisation has which would qualify it to deliver this work
- Experience the organisation has in delivering this type of work

Source: VONNE / FINE

Big Lottery Partnership Opportunity - Fulfilling Lives a Better Start (Contract – Newcastle)

Newcastle City Council. Respond by 28th January 2013.

Newcastle is seeking a VCS lead partner to bid to the Big Lottery for their Fulfilling Lives: A Better Start initiative. The initiative aims to deliver a step change in preventative approaches in pregnancy and the first three years of life to improve life chances. For more information on the initiative visit

<http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/global-content/programmes/england/fulfilling-lives-a-better-start>

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-93YNBF>

Source: NEPO / FINE

Provision of a Consolidated Advocacy Service for Adults (Contract)

Darlington Borough Council. Respond by 4th February 2013.

Darlington Borough Council wishes to appoint a single contractor for the provision of a range of advocacy services for eligible adults. The Services will include: General Advocacy, Relevant Person Representative (RPR), Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy (IMCA) and Independent Mental Health Advocacy (IMHA).

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-93TN7J>

Source: NEPO / FINE

Provision of an Adults Carers Service in Hartlepool (Contract)

From Hartlepool Borough Council, in collaboration with Hartlepool Primary Care Trust. Respond by 8th February 2013.

To provide assessment, support, access to information and employment opportunities service to Adult Carers in Hartlepool. The service will be available to all carers over the age of 18 years who provide care and support to adults who are ordinarily resident in the borough of Hartlepool, with the overall aim of enabling them to achieve a range of outcomes broadly identified nationally within 'Carers at the heart of 21st Century families and communities: a caring system on your side, a life of your own; and locally in 'Who Cares for Carers' - a multi agency strategy for carers in Hartlepool 2011-2016. In particular, this service will support and facilitate Carers to meet individual outcomes and achieve equal access to a life in relation to health, well being and employment.

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-8Z7E72>

Source: NEPO / FINE

Framework for the Provision of Training Services in the Social Care Sector in Tyne & Wear for the Tyne & Wear Care Alliance (Contract)

Tyne & Wear Care Alliance. Respond by 20th February 2013.

The Alliance is inviting training providers to tender for inclusion on a framework for the provision of the following:

- Apprenticeship training services – Health and Social Care
- Awards/Diplomas training services – Health and Social Care
- QCF units – Health and Social Care

Work will be commissioned using a framework agreement on an agreed ad-hoc non exclusive call off basis. There will be 14 lots on the Framework with the maximum of 10 providers per lot.

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-93UQGA>

Source: NEPO / FINE

Specialist Learning and Development Framework for Children's Social Care

Newcastle City Council. Respond by 25th February 2013.

Newcastle City Council is committed to developing a high quality, safe and well led children's social care workforce who can support and protect children and young people, working with families, communities and other practitioners and agencies to ensure improved outcomes. In order to support this vision they intend to establish a learning and development framework that will reflect the necessary skills and knowledge needed across the workforce.

The Council wishes to engage with a range of training providers who can demonstrate evidence of experience of delivering to the children's social care workforce, and who are able to adapt programmes to respond to existing and emerging policy and practice.

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-922NSR>

Source: NEPO / FINE

Information & Resources

Contracting plans for probation service get a cautious welcome from the sector

Plans to contract out probation services for low and medium-risk offenders to private companies and charities have been given a cautious welcome by sector representatives.

Chris Grayling, the justice secretary, has announced an overhaul of the probation service that could mean responsibility for the rehabilitation of 200,000 offenders is transferred to the voluntary and private sectors. There will be a six-week consultation period on the proposals and successful bidders for probation contracts will be paid according to their results in cutting reoffending. The Ministry of Justice said it would set aside £500,000 to help charities prepare bids for the contracts.

Crime-reduction charity Nacro said the proposals could help charities to have more impact on offending, but warned that progress would be slow.

The St Giles Trust, which provides peer-support services to offenders, said the proposals were a "once-in-a-lifetime opportunity".

Clinks, an umbrella body representing charities that work with offenders, broadly welcomed the proposals, but warned against repeating mistakes made in the government's Work Programme. Martin's concerns about the Work Programme were echoed by Ben Kernighan, deputy chief executive of the National Council for Voluntary Organisations. "Contracts must be accessible to smaller, local charities, most of which have been shut out by the very large scale of contracts and unrealistic requirements for the amount of capital providers must hold in the Work Programme," he said.

Ralph Michell, director of policy at the chief executives body Acevo, welcomed the plans but said "we should not fool ourselves that the road ahead will be easy".
<http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/news/1166197/Contracting-plans-probation-service-cautious-welcome-sector/?DCMP=ILC-SEARCH>

Source: Third Sector Daily / FINE

Small grants make a big difference

Awards for All Funding Manager offers tips on applying.

One of the Funding Managers on Big Lottery Fund's Awards for All programme has written a piece containing some great tips and information on Awards for All which offers £300 - £10,000 to VCSE groups.

http://bigblog.org.uk/2012/10/02/small-grants-making-a-big-difference/?dm_t=0,0,0,0,0&dm_i=UH9,17JY5,5ARSMY,4382R,1

Events & Training

Short Breaks for Disabled Children Market Consultation Events

25th January and 1st February (see text). Sandhill Centre, Sunderland.

Sunderland City Council Short Breaks Service forms part of a range of support services for disabled children and young people. A Short Break is any activity that provides a Service User with a positive experience and provides the parent/carer a break from caring. Short Breaks can take place during the day, in the evening, at the weekend or overnight they can take place in the Service User's own home, in the home of an approved carer, in a community setting or in a residential setting. A Short Break can involve a Service User joining in a group activity such as a club, or it can be an activity a Service User does on their own supported by a care worker. The current contracts end on 31st July 2013, therefore Sunderland City Council is undertaking a comprehensive Short Break review to explore ways of delivering services in the future and are in the process of consulting with families, providers and staff and all findings will contribute and inform the future commissioning arrangements. The Council is hosting two events offering current providers an opportunity to share comments and contribute to the review process:

Event 1: 25th January 2013 2–4pm

www.amiendo.com/JOUSDHD

Event 2: 1st February 2013 10am–12pm

www.amiendo.com/VFTNGCM

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-93XL53>

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