

Funding – with deadlines

May Deadlines

The **Community Radio Fund** has grants available to help fund the basic core costs of running a community radio station. Approximately £429,000 is available for the two funding rounds in 2012/13. To be eligible, radio stations must be not-for-profit, run by local people for local people about local issues. Check eligibility, what can be funded, and what the priorities are at Community Radio Fund. The deadline for applications is **11th May**.

The Strategic Legal Fund for Refugee Children and Young People (SLF) opened in October 2011. The SLF supports strategic legal work: work which goes beyond securing justice for an individual to make a significant contribution to law, practice and procedures that upholds and promotes the rights of refugee and asylum seeking children and young people (up to the age of 21). The SLF is time limited and will run from October 2011 to July 2012. The SLF will test a new model for supporting legal work in the UK (initially working in England and Wales) by providing flexible and responsive funding. It will distribute up to £300,000 to eligible providers of specialist level legal services to undertake a non-profit making piece of work which does not qualify for public funding. Initially, cases in areas of law relevant to refugee children, including asylum, immigration, human rights, community care, housing, education, discrimination and health, may be supported. Deadlines are 14th May, 11th June, and 9th July. Go to www.migrationwork.org/strategic-legal-fund/how-to-apply

The Buy Better Together Challenge: have you devised new ways of buying collectively to help save money? Or do you have an amazing idea about communities working together that will deliver social benefits, that's just waiting to come out? This is an exciting initiative by Co-operatives UK and BIS to inspire new models of community buying, stimulate enterprise and promote shared learning. A £60,000 pot will go towards training, mentoring and seed funding for stand out projects, including £15,000 for the overall winner. Entries are asked to address one or more out of three challenges. For details go to <u>Buy Better Together</u>. Deadline for entries is **15**th **May.**

Groups looking to run a **summer play scheme** for children aged 5 to 18 years old can apply to the **Hilden Charitable Trust** for between £500 and £1,500. The play scheme must be locally-based, involve volunteers and last from two to six weeks. It also must have a budget of £10,000 or under and the overall charity's budget must not exceed £120,000. Priority is given to projects that are inclusive of children from refugee families and show BME involvement. The deadline for applications is **18th May**. Go to Hilden Charitable Trust

Launch of **Community Learning Pilot Scheme** - The Skills Funding Agency has launched the opportunity for community learning providers to become part of the Community Learning Trust Pilots. The aim is to put local communities in charge of their own community learning development. Proposals are welcomed from community learning providers who are directly funded through the Skills Funding Agency's Community Learning (previously Adult Safeguarded Learning) budget and applicants will be expected to work collaboratively with other community partners. They are not bidding for extra financial resources from BIS/Skills Funding Agency and will receive the same funding allocation in 2012/13 as in 2011/12. Providers should assume that there is no additional funding for pilot areas. t is expected that between 10 and 15 pilots will be selected. The deadline for full applications is **25th May**. Go to Further Education

Trust for London has the following funding priorities: Improving employment opportunities for disadvantaged people; Promoting the inclusion of recent arrivals to the UK; Promoting social justice (policy change and campaigning work); Strengthening the skills of the voluntary and community sector; and also small grants for groups who: Speaking out and campaigning activities - including support for disability groups; Promoting the inclusion and integration of recently established communities; and Mother-tongue and/or supplementary schools providing creative educational opportunities. Deadline is **30**th **May**. Go to www.trustforlondon.org.uk/grants/

The **Sport Relief-Evening Standard Dispossessed Fund** is accepting Faith-based community projects in London can apply for up to £10,000 from the **Church Urban Fund** and **London Catalyst's Faith and Belief grant**. Projects must have a significant link with a faith group, work with an appropriate expert health agency, tackle the effects of poverty and health inequalities and run on a budget of less than £150,000. Grants are made for one year and the next application deadline is **31st May**. Go to <u>Church Urban Fund</u>

Deadlines in June

Community Games Programme: Interested in organising your own local sporting and cultural event to celebrate the **London 2012 Olympic** and

Paralympic Games? You can also get involved by volunteering, participating, or being a spectator. Go to Community Games Programme

Last chance to apply to **Comic Relief** under the current programme. Groups will have to wait a year until it opens again. Open Schemes are: **Mental** Health; Sport for Change; Older People's Programme Managing Money Better; Refugee and Asylum Seeking Women; Young People 11-25; Young People and Mental Health; Sexually Exploited and Trafficked Young People; Domestic and Sexual Abuse of Young People; Young **People and Alcohol.** Grants generally range from between £25,000 and £40,000 and are available for between one and three years. The Sport for Change Programme offers grants of between £10,000 and £100,000. Under the Older People's Programme 'Managing Money Better' grants of over £10,000 are available. Deadlines: 8th June for Sport for change and Older People's Programme; **29th June** for others. Once these deadlines pass, the next opportunity to apply to this programme will be a year from now. Comic Relief's new strategy is expected to launch in spring 2013 with grant making resuming in summer 2013. Visit the Comic Relief website (opens new window) for further information. www.comicrelief.com/apply-for-a-grant/apply-for-a-uk-grant

Cable and Wireless Worldwide Foundation are offering grants up to £10,000 to not for profit organisations with eligible projects which provide accessible communication solutions to people with special needs. The Foundation is looking to partner and build relationships with these organisations. Deadline for applications is **25th June**, go to www.cw.com/about-us/cww-foundation/

Charities that work to help homeless people return to mainstream society, rather than simply offer shelter or other forms of sustenance, can apply to **Help the Homeless** for a grant of up to £3,000 towards capital costs. The overall project budget must be less than £1,000,000 and the next application deadline is **30th June.** Go to <u>Help the Homeless</u>

Deadlines beyond June

The Heritage Lottery Fund: **News!!!** A new fund called "All Our Stories" to support local projects across the UK that want to explore their local heritage has been launched. A wide range of voluntary and community sector organisations (including charities, community groups, and heritage organisations) throughout the UK can apply for grants of between £3,000 and £10,000. Funding will support activities which encourage exploring and learning about local heritage. Groups should be willing to share what they have learned with their community by doing things like holding a community event, performance, exhibition or producing a leaflet or designing a smart phone app or website, etc. Deadline is **31**st **July**.

To find out what other programmes are open in this fund go to www.hlf.org.uk

The North Face Explore Fund, has been launched. This is an annual pan-European grant making initiative to support non-profit community organisations whose goals are to encourage youth participation outdoors. The fund aims to inspire and enable the next generation of explorers by supporting organisations and initiatives that work to connect young people with nature, and provide education for individual and environmental health. Deadline is **8**th **August**. For more details go to. http://explorefund.eu

The Grants Programmes for **Inter Faith Week 2012** is now open to applications for events organised by and for young people focussed around Inter Faith Week, 18th-27th November, 2012. To see what projects could be funded go to **Inter Faith Youth Trust**. Deadline for applications is **1**st **September**.

The National Churches Trust is offering grants between £10,000 and £40,000 to churches that need to repair their roofs and gutters etc. There are also a small number of grants over £40,000. In addition, their Community Grants Programme offers grants of between £5,000-£25,000 to churches that want to increase access and ensure wider use of their building. The next application deadline is **1st September**. Read the <u>guidelines here</u>

The **Sportsmatch** funding programme is now reopen to applications for projects that will be delivered in the 2012/13 financial year. Sportsmatch acts as a match funding incentive by offering to double the pot of money available on a pound for pound basis. Grants of between £1,000 and £100,000 are available. All funding is expected to be allocated by the **end of Autumn 2012** so it is advised for organisations to submit their applications as soon as possible. To see what can be matched go to visit www.sportengland.org./funding/sportsmatch.aspx

Croydon Council is inviting bids from community groups that primarily serve the interests of Croydon council tenants and leaseholders, to provide **community activities.** These should tackle negative behaviour or build on positive qualities within the community, such as neighbourhood watch schemes, gardening projects, community events, activities for young people and lunch clubs. Groups can apply for up to £500. Go to <u>London Borough of Croydon</u> They are also inviting bids from not-for-profit groups to provide **nature conservation activities** in the London Borough of Croydon. Previous successful applications have included woodland projects, the conservation of ponds, planting for conservation, access improvements and purchase of insurance, tools and safety equipment to support volunteer projects. Go to <u>London Borough of Croydon</u>

You can apply to both funds for up to £500 until 28th February, 2013.

Funding – you can apply for at any time

AGE 16-25 Apprenticeship Grants: Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME's) which includes community groups and charities recruiting 16-24 year olds can now apply for apprenticeship grants of up to £1,500 under the AGE 16 to 24 programme. The AGE 16 to 24 grant is available from 1 February 2012 until March 2013 for eligible employers recruiting their first apprentice, who is aged 16 to 24. Priority will be given to small-medium sized employers with less than 250 employees and the Government expects to support at least 40,000 of these employers to recruit an apprentice for the first time. The £1,500 grant is in addition to the training costs of the apprenticeship framework which are met in full for young people aged 16 to 18 and 50% for those aged 19 to 24. It is expected that most employers will want to access AGE 16 to 24 to support the recruitment of one apprentice. However subject to budget availability and the employer's commitment to support the apprentice to the end of their programme, up to 3 grants can be made to any one employer. To find out more and to check your eligibility go to Apprenticeships

Community projects working in the areas of human rights, trafficking and asylum seeker issues, torture and abuse, persecution or prisoners at risk can apply to **The Bromley Trust** for funding. Most grants awarded are between £5,000 and £20,000. Since their funding is given on an unrestricted basis, applications are made without a requested amount. There are no application deadlines. Go to The Bromley Trust

Ernest Cook Trust offers grants between £100 and £50,000; most awards range from £4,000-£10,000. Projects must be clearly educational. The Trust is particularly interested in applications that educate young people about the environment and the countryside, the wide spectrum of the arts, crafts and architecture, and literacy and numeracy. For more details go to www.ernestcooktrust.org.uk/grants

LLoyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales offers grants averaging £5,500 to charities whose work improves the quality of life for people in local communities, particularly to support charities working at grassroots level. It focuses on three kinds of activity: family support; challenging disadvantage and discrimination; and helping to make the voluntary sector more effective. Applications are approved quarterly and can be made at any time. www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk

Santander Foundation offers grants from £500 to £10,000, average size is £4,000 to registered charities who help disadvantaged people in the areas of education and training, financial advice, or community regeneration.

Applications are accepted at any time. http://www.santanderfoundation.org.uk/howtoapply.asp

Paul Hamlyn Foundation supports projects in the Arts, Education and Learning, and Social Justice. The average grant given is £19,300. Applications are accepted at any time. www.phf.org.uk

Hedley Foundation offers grants between usually £1,000 and £5,000. Maximum grant has been £15,000 and the average amount awarded is £3,000. You can apply at any time; decisions are made three times a year. To see what the priorities are go to www.hedleyfoundation.org.uk

Are you a social enterprise looking to grow? Grants are available from the **Social Business Trust** to social enterprises across all sectors in the UK to help you grow and to achieve greater social impact. Although no minimum or maximum amount has been specified, the Trust has given cash awards of between £100,000 and £200,000 to previous grant recipients. There are no deadlines, check your eligibility at <u>Social Business Trust</u>

Cash for Kids is the umbrella brand for Bauer Radio's network of independently registered, local grant-making charities which operate across 20 local areas within the UK. Each local brand channels money into its local community. Grants are given to projects that benefit disadvantaged and disabled children who are aged 18 or under. Favourable consideration will be given to those projects which directly benefit a number of children and/or positively increase the quality of their lives. To find out whether there is a participating radio station in your area click here

The Heritage Lottery Fund has several programmes open: Your Heritage; Heritage Grant; Young Roots; Repair Grants; Parks for People also as the countdown to the Olympics approaches they are also funding sports heritage projects. Look on the website to see what projects have been funded which may inspire you

The Impetus Trust give long-term core funding to charities and social enterprises so they can build their capacity. This funding is linked to the organisation meeting pre-agreed milestones, which are tracked on a quarterly basis. In addition, an important part of the Impetus model is that we are often able to leverage our funding with additional funding from co-investors. For more details go to the Impetus Trust

Breaks 4 Kids will fund youth groups and school trips for children from low income households, by contributing up to 50% of the cost of their YHA accommodation and food. This gives children who would otherwise be left

behind, the chance to be included in the trip with the rest of their group. You must apply at least 8 weeks before the date of your trip and allow 3-4 weeks for a decision. For more information go to Breaks 4 Kids

The Allen Lane Foundation, set up by the late Sir Allen Lane who founded Penguin Books, offers grants to charities in the UK that help those who are disadvantaged including asylum seekers, migrant workers, older people, offenders and ex-offenders, people with mental health problems and people experiencing abuse. Grants of up to £15,000 are available and are given over one to three years. The aim of the work should be to make a lasting difference to people's lives, reduce isolation and encourage marginalised groups to take part in community life. There are no application deadlines www.allenlane.org.uk

Henry Smith Charity offers holiday grants for children aged 13 and under from deprived areas; those who are disadvantaged; those who have a disability; for holidays and outings in the UK. Maximum grant available is £3,000. Schools, youth groups, charities, voluntary and community groups are eligible. Applications are welcome at any time. www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk

The Yapp Trust makes grants for running costs and salaries to small charities that work with: Elderly people; Children and young people; People with disabilities or mental health problems; People trying to overcome life-limiting problems such as addiction, relationship difficulties, abuse, a history of offending. To find out more go to Yapp Charitable Trust

The Wakeham Trust is open to applications at any time. Preference is given to organisations that do not employ staff. Grants are provided to help people rebuild their communities, in particular neighbourhood projects, community arts projects, projects involving community service by young people, projects set up by those who are socially excluded, and innovative projects to promote excellence in teaching (at any level, from primary schools to universities). For more details go to www.wakehamtrust.org

Do you know anyone who works for **W H Smith**? If so you may want to ask about their grant scheme. They aim to support the local communities in which WHSmith staff and customers live and work. WHSmith employees must have direct involvement with projects. Maximum value is £1,000 and applications can be made any time. Go to www.whsmith.co.uk and click on Corporate
Responsibility/WH Smith Trust/ Grant making activities

Co-operative Community Fund will fund voluntary groups who address a community issue. Applicants can apply for between £100 and £2,000 for anything from equipment to event costs, help towards rent of fixtures, sport or computer equipment. You can apply at any time. Go to

www.co-operative.coop/membership/local-communities/community-fund

If you are a registered charity looking for capital funding try the **Duke of Devonshire's Charitable Trust**. You can apply at any time for between £50 and £100,000. Go to http://funding.vistaproject.org.uk/page/dukedevon

The Terrence Higgins Trust (THT) is the leading HIV and sexual health charity in the UK. The Trust has re-launched its national Hardship Fund with the support of funding secured through the Elton John AIDS Foundation and the MAC AIDS Fund, which will provide financial assistance for people living with HIV who are in severe financial need, and will provide up to £1.5m in grants over the next three years. Applications may be submitted at any time. For details of what they will fund go to http://www.tht.org.uk/

The Christian Initiative Trust offers grants to individual Christians or Christian organisations with unusual or new ways to promote and share their faith as well as those who support vulnerable people within communities as an expression of Christian love. Most grants are between £3,000 and £5,000 for initiatives that last up to one year. There are no application deadlines or application forms. Read the <u>funding criteria</u>, then go to <u>Andrews Charitable Trust</u> to apply.

The Sir Halley Stewart Trust is unique in funding the salary of a Christian worker in a charity over a period of two to three years and sometimes longer. The focus is on charities that encourage Christians to uphold and communicate their faith in the public domain and those that encourage closer working relationships between Christian denominations. Most grants are up to £50,000 over a two-year period. The board meets in June and October 2012. Go to <u>Sir Halley Stewart</u>

Westhill Endowment provides grants of between £1,000 and £20,000 to charities that promote the principles of the Christian faith and the interchange between the Christian Church and people of other faiths. Examples of funding awarded include research into community violence, courses for Christian youth workers, developing a football club, community drama and mentoring exoffenders. There is no application deadline or application form. To find out if your project is eligible go to www.westhillendowment.org/apply.html