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If you need further information on any of these grants schemes, how to apply or are going to apply, Contact the Social Enterprise Team Tel: 01369708547 [thirdsectorenquiries@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:thirdsectorenquiries@argyll-bute.gov.uk)

## NEWS AND UPDATES

### Funding Alert Questionnaire

**We need your help!** Every year we distribute a Questionnaire asking for feedback on what you think of the service we provide. It's a simple online form that gives up some basic data that help with evaluating what people think is important. There is space to leave additional comment or requests for change. Your feedback is important to securing these services we need to be able to show the resources we spend on delivering this service make a real difference and fulfil a real need. The Questionnaire is open until **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017**  
<https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/forms/funding-questionnaire>

### Community-led Action Plans

There is a new resource available for community groups wishing to build a Community-led Action Plan, to consult with communities and find out what local priorities are and then to build partnerships and make an action plan. This resource offers a simple four step process and with Fact sheets and templates is ready for all.  
<https://www.communitytoolkit.net/>

### Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland Funding Surgeries in Glasgow

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2017, Venue: Reidvale Neighbourhood Centre, 13 Whitevale Street, Glasgow G31 1QW or Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2017, Venue: Robertson House, 152 Bath Street, Glasgow G2 4TB**

If you are unable to attend either of the dates above, **Call/Skype surgeries may also be booked on 10<sup>th</sup> June, 5<sup>th</sup> July and 2<sup>nd</sup> August.** Individual 45 minute appointments are available, from 11am to 5.45pm. Information and advice will be given to charities that wish to make a funding application to the Henry Duncan Awards. If you are:

- A registered charity in Scotland
- Have an income of less than £500,000

Are delivering programmes or services which are clearly focused on improving the quality of life for members of the community facing disadvantage. Then Please call to book a surgery appointment on **0131 444 4020**.

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

## ARTS AND CULTURE

### 1. Funding to Help Community Groups and Charities Purchase Musical Instruments and Equipment

Through the new programme grants of up to £1,000 are available to help groups and organisations purchase musical instruments or equipment. Awards can be made to any group, organisation or charity based in the United Kingdom that has a formerly constituted character and can demonstrate that securing funding will enable them to improve lives through music. Music for Alice are targeting two distinct groups. These are the "Music for Youth" award which is aimed at applicants focussed on using music to improve lives for 0-19 year olds; and the "Music for Health" award which is aimed at applicants focussed on using music for health or rehabilitation benefits.

**Deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

<http://network.youthmusic.org.uk/learning/blogs/musicforalice/funding-available-instruments-and-music-equipment>

### 2. Funding for Arts and Music Projects

Grants of £5,000 are available to registered charities that have an income of over £500,000 for projects that relate to Music and the Arts with priority given to projects that focus on homelessness; domestic abuse; prisoners/offenders;

training/education; counselling/support; refugees and asylum seekers; and activities for those with limited access or opportunities.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017** <https://austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk/what-we-fund/>

### 3. Made in Scotland Funding

The purpose of the Programme is to raise the international profile of Scottish artists through the promotion of Scottish work at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, and this fund supports the Made in Scotland Showcase as well as Onward International Touring.

**Applications may be submitted at any time**

<http://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/targeted-funding/made-in-scotland>

### 4. Launch of the 2017 Nick Darke Writers' Award

Nick Darke wrote in various forms but earned his living in the world of theatre, screen and radio. The Award recognises Nick Darke's impact across the arts and endeavours to continue his legacy through the promotion of talent. The 2017 category is stage play. Applicants should submit a full stage play script along with a one-page synopsis. Scripts must be a minimum of 45 minutes in length, and no maximum length. The winning entrant will receive £6,000. The award provides the time to write that financial support facilitates. The competition is open to all national and international writers aged 16 and over. The writer must be the sole original author.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017** <http://www.londonplaywrightsblog.com/?p=8480>

### 5. Creative Fund

Puppet Animation Scotland offers a range of practical schemes to assist the continuous skills development and nurturing of professional practitioners. The Creative Fund offers artists funding to explore a new creative idea or seek out professional development opportunities. All Scottish based artists can apply to the Creative Fund to explore elements of their creative and technical working practices which relate to puppetry, object manipulation, visual theatre and animated film. With each successful applicant, they will create a customised plan that offers them the clearest path to achieve their aims and objectives.

**Deadline: 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017** [http://puppetanimation.org/what-we-do/creative-fund/?dm\\_i=FES,4WQLK,5G2YOD,IM2X2,1](http://puppetanimation.org/what-we-do/creative-fund/?dm_i=FES,4WQLK,5G2YOD,IM2X2,1)

### 6. TV Programming

The production and distribution of European television programmes with the potential to circulate within the European Union and beyond. Applicant companies must:

- Be established in one of the countries participating in the MEDIA sub-programme and be majority owned by nationals from those countries
- Be independent – no more than 25% of the share capital can be held by a single broadcaster (50% when several broadcasters are involved)
- Have audiovisual production as their main business activity
- Own the majority of the rights to the project.

**Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

[http://www.creativeeuropeuk.eu/funding-opportunities/tv-programming?dm\\_i=FES,4WQLK,5G2YOD,ILY9X,1](http://www.creativeeuropeuk.eu/funding-opportunities/tv-programming?dm_i=FES,4WQLK,5G2YOD,ILY9X,1)

### 7. Grants to Help New, Innovative Visual Arts Projects

The Trust aims to make it possible for artists and those presenting their work to undertake and complete projects when confronted by lack of funds. The Trust supports projects that develop and improve the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the fine arts. Priority is given to artists and small organisations and galleries making or producing new work or exhibitions. The Trust normally awards grants of up to £2,000, but larger grants may be considered.

**Deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> June 2017** <http://elephanttrust.org.uk/docs/intro.html>

### 8. Wingate Foundation Music Grants Programme

The Music Grants programme supports those areas of music performance and education which do not readily attract backing from commercial sponsors or other funding bodies, or which are not eligible for public funding. Priority will be given to those organisations which give opportunities to young professionals and to education projects for young people as well as for new adult audiences.

**Deadline: 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017** [http://www.wingatefoundation.org.uk/sc\\_music.php](http://www.wingatefoundation.org.uk/sc_music.php)

## 9. Scottish Shorts 2017

If you're a new filmmaker with an engaging and exciting story to tell then Scottish shorts want to hear from you. They are accepting short film ideas from solo writers, solo writer/directors and teams made up of writer, director (or writer/director) and producer. If you're a producer or director without a short film idea you can apply by Registering Interest and they will try to pair you up with a project in need of either a producer or director (or both). New filmmakers are defined as having some experience in self-funded or student films, or filmmakers with drama experience, documentary or experimental filmmakers, theatre practitioners or literary writers making the transition to fiction for the big screen.

**Deadline: 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <http://www.scottishfilmtalent.com/scottishshorts/>

## 10. Manuscript Conservation Trust

The NMCT helps preserve important manuscript and archive collections by awarding grants for their conservation. Record offices, libraries and other similar publicly funded institutions including local authority, university and specialist record repositories are eligible for grants. Private owners can also qualify if they meet a range of criteria. Applications can be made for a grant to conserve one item or a whole collection and the grants can cover the cost of the conservator's time, conservation materials and digitisation if it is part of the conservation project. The majority of grants awarded fall between £2,000 and £10,000 and projects with other funding in place are usually prioritised.

**Deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017** <http://www.nmct.co.uk/applying-us>

## 11. Screen Funding

Screen Funding has an allocation of £4m for the period 2017/18 and there are five routes for funding:

- Market and Festival Attendance
- Single Project Development Funding
- Production Funding
- Distribution and Exhibition Funding
- Slate Development Funding

**Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

[http://www.creativescotland.com/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0008/39491/Screen\\_Funding\\_Guidance.pdf](http://www.creativescotland.com/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/39491/Screen_Funding_Guidance.pdf)

## 12. Distribution: Selective Scheme

The transnational distribution of European films. The scheme aims to encourage groups of distributors to release non-national films that might be a challenge were they to be supported by market forces alone. As a result of this support, European audiences can expect to gain access to a wider range of films.

**Deadline: 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

[http://www.creativeeuropeuk.eu/funding-opportunities/distribution-selective?dm\\_i=FES,4WQLK,5G2YOD,ILY9X,1](http://www.creativeeuropeuk.eu/funding-opportunities/distribution-selective?dm_i=FES,4WQLK,5G2YOD,ILY9X,1)

## 13. International Showcase Fund

The International Showcase Fund offers vital support for artists, bands, songwriters and producers based in England and Scotland who have been invited to play an international showcasing festival or conference and are able to build further opportunities to network and creatively collaborate around these showcase and conference commitments. Grants of up to £5,000 are available to help cover the costs of travel, visas and accommodation. The International Showcase Fund is a partnership between PRS for Music Foundation, UK Trade & Investment, British Underground, Arts Council England, the Musicians' Union, PPL and Creative Scotland and in association with PledgeMusic. As well as offering grant support, partners offer advice, guidance and workshops for some events. Associate partner, PledgeMusic provides bespoke advice to any applicant wanting to include Direct to Fan income as part of their showcase budget, as well as ongoing support for ISF grantees.

**Applications may be submitted at any time**

[http://www.prsformusicfoundation.com/funding/international-showcase-fund/about-isf/?dm\\_i=FES,4WQLK,5G2YOD,ILY9V,1](http://www.prsformusicfoundation.com/funding/international-showcase-fund/about-isf/?dm_i=FES,4WQLK,5G2YOD,ILY9V,1)

# BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE

## 14. Food Processing, Marketing and Co-operation Scheme

This scheme supports the Government's vision of the food and drink market helping to make Scotland healthier, wealthier and smarter; with stronger communities and production. FPMC is part of a £70 million food and drink processing support scheme, established under the new £1.3 billion Scottish Rural Development Programme (SRDP) 2014-2020. This scheme has the following objectives:

- To support capital costs of businesses that are involved in processing primary agricultural produce in order to develop both new and existing processing facilities.
- To support non-capital costs towards developing new food and drink businesses, such as consultancy costs.
- To support co-operation activities between food and drink producers and manufacturers and third parties such as retailers, the research community and the hospitality and food service sector.
- To support marketing activities at national and international trade shows and fairs.
- To support innovation such as clusters, process and organisation.
- To support training.

The following types of grants are available:

- Start-up grants for a new business.
- Development grants for an existing business.

A total of £70 million is available. The maximum rate of grant a business will be eligible for is determined by the size of the business (large, medium, small or micro) and by the activity or products the business produces. The scheme is open to submissions from individuals, constituted groups, and businesses that process agricultural products into food products or are involved in collaborative working within the food chain.

**Deadline: 16<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

<https://www.ruralpayments.org/publicsite/futures/topics/all-schemes/food-processing--marketing-and-co-operation/>

### 15. Funding available for Community, Outreach and Satellite Post Office Branches

Community Post Offices can now apply for funding of up to £10,000 (or below £2,000 for Outreach or Satellite Services) from the Post Office Community Branch Fund to pay for a wide range of improvements. The aim is to support the growth and long term viability of the Post Office business. The improvements can include changing the branch format or signage; gearing up for new services such as Click and Collect; other refurbishment work or investing in growing the business, for example by improving your parcels facilities. The fund is open to Post Offices where there is no other suitable retailer within half a mile.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://postofficecommunityfund.co.uk/>

### 16. Nesta's Open Up Challenge for Open Banking to Help UK Small Businesses

According to Nesta, most small businesses will soon be able to securely share their banking data with trusted third parties via open banking Application Programming Interfaces (APIs), and allow third parties to initiate payments on their behalf. Nesta's Open Up Challenge is intended to shape the future of small business banking. Nesta is looking for 20 teams from anywhere in the world that will use APIs to create value for the UK's five million small businesses, including the way they access and use bank accounts, loans and overdrafts. The teams will be encouraged to develop next-generation services, apps and tools in order to drive greater transparency, choice and innovation for small business customers. The programme has an overall budget of £5 million and has two stages:

- Stage 1 (Innovation) is aimed at ideas that deliver the most benefit to small businesses, and entries can be at an early stage or even just an idea. This stage will take place between July and December 2017.
- At Stage 2 (Market Ready) the programme will focus on entries that are primed for market. This stage will take place between March and September 2018.

Winners will receive:

- In the Innovation Stage applicants will be awarded a £50,000 development grant up-front and then share in a £1 million reward pot if they are selected to be one of up to ten successful Stage 1 prize winners.
- If successful at the Market Ready Stage, participants will receive a development grant from a pot of £500,000 for up to five teams, plus a share of a £2 million pot if they are one of the final three Stage 2 prize winners.
- Exclusive Early-Stage Access to Data
- Participants will get access to a 'Data Sandbox', containing one of the largest anonymised UK banking transaction datasets and APIs aligned with the forthcoming Open Banking standard.
- Use of the Data Sandbox to securely build and test products so they can commence running in 2018.
- Technical Support

The Challenge invites applications from individuals, teams, public limited companies, private limited companies and limited liability partnerships. The programme is aimed at fintechs, data scientists and others from anywhere in the world; however teams must be able to demonstrate that their solutions are designed to benefit UK small

businesses and proposed services should be suitable for launch within the UK market and its regulatory framework. The applicant can be a start-up, a lone developer or an established company.

**Deadline: Stage 1 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017** <http://www.nesta.org.uk/project/open-challenge>

### 17. Social Entrepreneurs Fund (Scotland): Build It Awards

The Social Entrepreneurs Fund provides financial and business support for individuals wishing to set up and run businesses with a social or environmental purpose in Scotland. Applications are welcome from individuals, or a maximum of three individuals, with a good business idea that may be developed using a social enterprise model. 'Build It' awards, also known as Level 2 awards, offer up to £20,000 for individuals ready to move forward with their idea and require resources to get started. Additional funding, worth up to a further £5,000, is available under exceptional circumstances. The average award at this level is usually around £18,000. Funding will help to develop new social enterprise activity throughout Scotland; ultimately bolstering capacity, capability and financial sustainability within the third sector. It is anticipated that this will help to ensure that the third sector contributes fully towards the national outcomes of the Scottish Government. All application and guidance forms are available to download from the Social Entrepreneurs Fund website. Applicants should contact Firstport or see the Social Entrepreneurs Fund website for the latest information. Shortlisted applicants are required to pitch before a judging panel on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017.

**Deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017** <http://www.firstport.org.uk/funding>

### 18. Scottish SMEs May Receive Support to Attend International Trade Shows

Attending overseas exhibitions provides an ideal opportunity to test new products or services, conduct competitor research, position a company, raise brand awareness and pitch a business before prospective investors. Small to medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) based in Scotland may apply for funding to access extended networks and expertise. Businesses may apply for three levels of grant funding worth £1,000, £1,400 and £1,800 respectively, intended for the purpose of covering the costs attending international trade shows. Successful applicants may also benefit from the following comprehensive support:

- Pre-event briefings complete with advice as to how best to prepare.
- Help to perfect the elevator pitch.
- One-to-one support from trade advisors.
- Opportunities for networking with both market and sector experts.
- Opportunities for participation in business meetings and receptions.
- Support with marketing, promotion and PR.

Successful applicants are expected to exhibit as part of a group led by an Accredited Trade Organisation (ATO) such as Scottish Development International or UK Trade and Investment (UKTI). There is the option to co-exhibit alongside similar-minded enterprises on a Scottish pavilion or stand held by Scottish Development International.

**Applications may be submitted at any time**

<https://www.scottish-enterprise.com/services/do-business-outside-scotland/funding-to-attend-trade-shows/overview>

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

### 19. Armed Forces Covenant Fund Launches Families in Stress Priority

Grants of between £20,000 and £300,000 for programmes of work lasting between two to three years are available. The funding is for projects that support families of serving personnel who are experiencing a significant stressful life event and would benefit from an intervention from a provider who can offer specialised, localised (or easily accessible) and immediate support. These life events could include: life-changing injury, bereavement, domestic abuse, relationship break-up, those subject to the civil or service justice system or mental health issues. Beneficiaries should be the families of serving personnel based both in the UK and overseas. Projects must either be new or enhance the support that is already available with an emphasis on long-term self-sufficiency. Projects should fill gaps in provision and not replicate or replace services already provided, nor create dependency. This priority will not fund capital schemes such as play parks or projects that extend to families of veterans. Projects should demonstrate an understanding of the diverse nature of service families (e.g. geographically dispersed, deployment status, accompanied/unaccompanied overseas, single parents, single service personnel (where the family may be a relative such as parent), reservists, foreign and commonwealth personnel and their families, Service children and those with caring responsibilities etc.) and offer immediate and/or easily accessible support. Applicants also need to be working in close partnership with their local Armed Forces base(s). Projects must also

demonstrate how they support at least one of the principles that underpin the UK Armed Forces Families Strategy: fairness, choice, empowerment, resilience. Local charities (or a branch of a national charity) or community interest companies that provide specialist services can apply. The lead organisation must work in close partnership with one or more armed forces base. The applicant must be able to provide evidence of real engagement and partnership working between the charity and the armed forces base(s).

**Deadline: Expressions of Interest 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covenant-fund-guidance-on-how-to-apply>

## 20. Funding for Summer Playscheme Grants Programme

Registered charities and community groups that want to run summer play schemes for children between the ages of 5 and 16 can apply for grants of between £500 and £1,000. The funding is made available by the Woodward Charitable Trust which supports about 35 playschemes each year that run for a minimum of 2 weeks or 10 days across the summer holidays. Preference is given to small local playschemes that provide a wide-ranging programme of activities; schemes that involve a large number of children; schemes catering for those from disadvantaged backgrounds or that have a disability; schemes that are inclusive such as projects that work with children from a range of backgrounds, abilities and race; and schemes where past users are encouraged to come back and help as volunteers. Grants can only be paid to registered charities. Organisations that are not a registered charity can still apply but need the agreement of a registered charity to accept the grant on their behalf.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017** <http://www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk/summer%20playcheme%20guidelines.htm>

## COMMUNITY FUNDING

### 21. Funding to Improve Local Communities and Promote Financial Inclusion

The aim of the Foundations grant making is to support projects that improve and develop local communities and promote financial literacy and financial inclusion. The types of projects supported include initiatives designed to encourage the involvement in the community of those too often excluded; working with people on low incomes, at risk from poverty or with problems finding accommodation; improving the standards of local facilities; promoting financial awareness and money advice; developing and improving local communities; financial literacy and financial inclusion. Through the small grants making programme, grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 are available and through the medium grants making programme grants of between £10,001 and £25,000 are available. Applications can only be accepted from charities registered in Scotland.

**Deadline: 7th July 2017** <http://bankofscotlandfoundation.org/funding-programmes>

### 22. Community Radio Fund Re-opens for Applications

Funding is available to not-for-profit radio stations that have a social purpose, and work to involve their target community in running the service. Funding will be available to Community Radio Stations towards their core running costs. These can include management costs; administration, financial management & reporting costs; fundraising to support the station; community outreach work; and the costs involved in using volunteers; etc. Grants can only be made to community radio licensees which are broadcasting under a community radio license (and not an RSL, for example). The average grant awarded over the last few years has been in the region of £15,000.

**Deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/tv-radio-and-on-demand/information-for-industry/radio-broadcasters/community-radio-fund>

### 23. Faiths in Scotland – Community Action Fund

Faiths in Scotland Community Action Fund works with local faith groups by providing grants and support in Scotland's most deprived urban and rural communities. Since April 2009, Faiths in Scotland Community Action Fund has awarded grants in excess of £1,000,000. The fund is open to applications from faith-based registered charities, who either work with, or aim to begin working with people under the age of 18. Faiths in Scotland are offering awards for one year up to £5000 and all funds must be spent within 12 months of the Award Date.

**Deadline: 29<sup>th</sup> September 2017** <http://www.faithincommunityscotland.org/faith-in-community-scotland-action-fund/>

### 24. Henry Duncan Awards

To apply to the Henry Duncan Awards, charities must have an annual income of less than £500,000 and be delivering programmes or services which are clearly focused on improving the quality of life for members of the

community facing disadvantage. One-off awards of up to £7,000 are made to charities working with people who may typically be experiencing challenging family circumstances, disability, mental ill health, abuse or poverty.

At present, the Foundation is particularly interested in supporting:

- vulnerable children and young people
- isolated older people
- carers
- families in poverty
- people affected by disability or mental health issues

Please note that it is important that applicants can clearly demonstrate the difference that our funding will make to the people they work with and how their quality of life will be improved in the longer term. Applicants can apply for core funding, such as running costs or salaries, or project funds. They will consider applications for small capital costs such as equipment.

**Deadline: 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017** <https://www.itsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk/grant-programmes/henry-duncan-awards/>

## EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

### 25. Looked after Children and Young Carers Programme

The British and Foreign School Society has launched a new programme dedicated to improving approaches to the educational attainment of 'looked after children' and young carers in the UK. Government data shows that looked after children have significantly poorer educational outcomes than children not in care throughout primary and secondary school, with the gap widening as children get older. Young carers experience similarly poorer educational outcomes and studies suggest that almost a third of young carers experience educational problems, such as absenteeism, as a direct result of their caring role. The programme offers funding and non-financial support and aims to pilot novel approaches to improving the educational attainment of these children and young carers which can be scaled up so that in time they are able to take advantage of opportunities afforded by tertiary education and employment. Funding of no more than £100,000 will be available over a 3 year period and match funding will be required. Applications will be considered from educational or training institutions which have UK charitable status or, in the case of schools, colleges, universities and Churches, "exempt charity" status.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <https://www.bfss.org.uk/grants/looked-after-children-and-young-carers/>

### 26. Funding to Use Digital Technology for Vocational Training

VocTech Seed offers grants of up to £50,000 for projects lasting up to 12 months. UFI will be looking for innovative ideas that use digital technology for vocational learning. As the name suggests, VocTech Seed is intended to support innovative and creative projects at a relatively early stage of development. It aims to enable new ideas to reach a point where they can demonstrate their potential to customers or funders and reach the market. Ufi is also particularly keen to support projects which will have long term impact on employers, communities of learners or sectors which cannot easily access current provision because of industry or market conditions, past learning history or other factors.

**Deadline: 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <http://www.ufi.co.uk/voctech-seed-2017>

### 27. Applications Invited for the 2017 Prince's Countryside Fund Land Rover Bursary

The Prince's Countryside Fund was set up to support the people who live and work in the countryside. Working in partnership with Land Rover, the Fund is inviting applications for the Land Rover Bursary, which will award up to five inspiring young people the use of a Land Rover vehicle for one year to support their career in farming or related professions.

- Those embarking on a new business venture that requires the use of a Land Rover to access remote areas or challenging terrain.
- Those working in the countryside and requiring a Discovery Sport to access remote customers or clients.
- Those whose work requires them to transport a trailer and / or heavy machinery between sites / locations.

Entrants must be based in the UK and aged between 21 and 35 and pursuing a career in farming or a related profession. Entrants can apply for professional or community use. All entrants must have more than two years' driving experience, a UK driving licence and no more than six penalty points.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017** <http://www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/how-we-help/the-land-rover-bursary->

### 28. Carnegie UK Trust Announces £150,000 Engaging Libraries Programme

The programme offers £5,000 - £15,000 to libraries to deliver a public engagement project on a health and wellbeing theme along with a package of support from library and engagement experts and a kick starter day that offers an

opportunity to share project ideas, get advice and meet other projects. Library staff who are interested in applying are invited to attend one of the applicant workshops running during May 2017. Workshops will be experiential and aimed at building understanding of the Engaging Libraries programme; they will also support ideas generation and development through group and one-to-one sessions.

**Deadline: 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2017** <http://www.carnegieuktrust.org.uk/project/engaging-libraries/>

## ENERGY, RENEWABLES AND RECYCLING

### 29. Innovative Local Energy Systems (ILES)

This new funding call offers support for innovative local low carbon energy solutions across Scotland, particularly focusing support on more rural and remote parts of Scotland, small towns and settlements (with a population of up to 50,000) and areas which are off the gas grid. This invitation is for Stage 1 (of a 2 stage funding call) support for Development stage activities. Funding of up to £100,000 will be made available for successful applicants to progress investment-ready business proposals. As part of the call being launched, the LCITP team are hosting several information workshops throughout Scotland in May/June. Information on dates, locations and the Registration Form are available at -

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Business-Industry/Energy/Action/lowcarbon/LCITP/ILES/ILES-Workshops>

**Deadline: 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017** <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Business-Industry/Energy/Action/lowcarbon/LCITP/ILES>

### 30. Scottish Green Bus Fund

Bids will be welcome from bus operators, local authorities, regional transport partnerships and companies that are leasing or renting LCVs to such organisations within Scotland. The seventh round will function as a Challenge Fund with a fixed budget of approximately £3 million during the financial year 2017-18. The Scottish Government has already invested £14.8 million throughout the course of the previous six rounds, with more than 300 low emission buses being introduced to the Scottish fleet. Successful bidders may receive up to 80% of the price difference between an LCV and the diesel equivalent. Each bidder will receive no more than £1.5 million however joint bids may be submitted for over £1 million. Bus companies must note that the £1.5 million maximum is applicable collectively throughout all subsidiary companies. Successful applicants will be announced by the end of July 2017. These applicants must then place all orders with bus manufacturers by 25<sup>th</sup> August 2017. Funding may only be paid upon bus manufacturers' confirmation of orders that have been placed by this date.

**Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017** <https://www.transport.gov.scot/news-item/58e231d4f6e9250c54a88228>

### 31. Funding to Understand and Address Fuel Poverty

The EAGA Charitable Trust has announced that its grant making programme has re-opened for applications. The Trust provides financial support for work that contributes to understanding and addressing the causes and effects of fuel poverty. Grants of up to £20,000 are available during this funding round; and projects should be completed within 12 months. During 2017 priority will be given to projects that address health, wellbeing and social cohesion aspects of fuel poverty; and low-carbon policies, behaviours and practices. The Trust strongly encourage applicants to seek co-funding of projects wherever possible.

**Deadline: 28<sup>th</sup> July 2017** <https://www.eagacharitabletrust.org/grants-offered/>

### 32. Launch of the 2017 Green Alley Award Supporting Eco-entrepreneurs Across Europe

The theme of the Awards is about connecting green ideas. Green Alley is looking for ideas, new services, products and technologies that can turn waste into a resource. In return it offers strategic support, networking opportunities and financing to boost business across Europe. All competition finalists will be invited to Berlin to participate in a one-day event with networking and learning opportunities. In individual workshops the start-ups will learn how to start, finance and boost a green business. All finalists are expected to pitch their business idea to an expert jury who will then select the winner of the Green Alley Award 2017. The winner receives a cash prize of €7,000 and a package of additional benefits, including dedicated PR support for at least six months, coupled with the opportunity to pitch for an investment or crowdfunding. By taking part in the contest entrepreneurs will profit from a network of green economy experts and valuable new business contacts.

Entrepreneurs and start-ups operating in the green economy from across Europe with business ideas for the circular economy and new ways of looking at waste can apply.

**Deadline: 25<sup>th</sup> July 2017** <http://green-alley-award.com/>

### 33. Wave Energy Scotland Open to Applications

This scheme funds the development of innovative technologies to produce low cost, efficient and reliable components and subsystems which can then form the basis of the cost effective generation of wave energy in Scotland. This will enable developers to take projects from the earliest development stage through to proving and demonstration. This new call is for the first of the three stages of the Control Systems programme. Up to 100% of project costs are available through this call for Feasibility Study proposals through a contract for research and development services. Businesses may apply for funding worth up to £47,000 for duration of up to three months and may contribute further funding if desired. Applications are welcome from innovative technology developers that require investment to advance technology through rigorous testing and, in time, towards commercialisation. Calls will produce technologies that have been through a rigorous process so as to reduce the technical and commercial risk attached to developing them further. This is essential for developers to attract private sector investment important to producing wave energy on a commercially viable scale. Applications may be made online with required registration. Individual companies may apply however smaller businesses are expected to form a consortium in order to make their bid. A brokerage event will take place in Edinburgh, 12 May 2017 which will help businesses to find partners. If required, then the applicant's response to the Assessors' clarification should be completed by email by 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2017. The contract will be awarded 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

**Deadline: 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

<http://www.waveenergyscotland.co.uk/news-events/fourth-innovation-call-for-wave-energy-scotland-open/>

### 34. Connecting Europe Facility - 2017 CEF Energy Call Open

The 2017 CEF Energy Call for Proposals will make a total of €800 million available to finance trans-European energy infrastructure projects of common interest in the energy sector, namely in electricity and gas. CEF contributes to projects with a European added value and significant societal benefits which do not receive adequate financing from the market. The 2017 Call supports projects geared at the following objectives:

- Ending energy isolation.
- Increasing competitiveness by promoting the integration on the internal energy market and the interoperability of electricity and gas networks across borders.
- Enhancing the European Union's security of supply.
- Integrating energy from renewable sources and developing smart energy networks.
- Eliminating energy bottlenecks.
- Completion of the internal energy market.

Proposals must be submitted by one or more Member States or by international organisations, joint undertakings, or public or private undertakings or bodies established in Member States. Where necessary, third countries and entities established in third countries may participate in actions; however, they may not receive financial assistance except where it is indispensable to achieving the objectives of a given project of common interest.

**Deadline: 12<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

<https://ec.europa.eu/inea/en/connecting-europe-facility/cef-energy/calls/2016-cef-energy-calls-proposals>

### 35. LIFE Programme for the Environment - 2017 Call for Action Grants Launched

The 2017 Call for the LIFE Programme is open to applications. The LIFE Environment sub-programme follows closely in the footsteps of previous LIFE Programmes and focuses on three priority areas: LIFE Nature and Biodiversity:

- best practice, pilot and demonstration projects that contribute to the implementation of the Birds and Habitats Directives and the Union Biodiversity Strategy to 2020, and the development, implementation and management of the Natura 2000 network.

LIFE Environment and Resource Efficiency:

- pilot and demonstration projects to develop, test and demonstrate policy or management approaches, best practices and solutions.

LIFE Environmental Governance & Information:

- information, awareness and dissemination projects to promote awareness raising on environmental matters.

Public bodies, commercial organisations and non-commercial organisations, including NGOs are eligible to apply. The application timetable is as follows:

- Traditional Projects - Environment and Resource Efficiency: **12<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

- Traditional Projects - Nature and Biodiversity: **14<sup>th</sup> September 2017**
- Traditional Projects - Environmental Governance and Information: **14<sup>th</sup> September 2017**
- Preparatory Projects: **20<sup>th</sup> September 2017**
- Technical Assistance: **7<sup>th</sup> September 2017**
- Integrated projects: **26<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

Applications for traditional projects will be made by eProposal. Applications for Technical Assistance, Preparatory Projects and Integrated Projects will be submitted using the corresponding application package to the Directorate General for Environment.

<http://ec.europa.eu/environment/life/>

Please note that all Argyll and Bute Council officers considering applying for European funding should contact the European Team - [genna.lugue@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:genna.lugue@argyll-bute.gov.uk) / Tel No 01546 604899 for more information.

## EUROPEAN FUNDING

### 36. Argyll and the Islands LEADER

The Argyll and the Islands LEADER funding Programme aims to "support community-led economic growth and sustainable rural development within the Argyll and the Islands area". Grants are awarded by the Local Action Group (LAG) to projects that can clearly demonstrate at least one of the following key themes:

- Strengthening the rural economy through maximising the sustainable use of natural, cultural and heritage resources as an economic driver in the area of Argyll and the Islands.
- Enhancing services and facilities within the area of Argyll and the Islands for the purpose of attracting individuals, families, visitors and investors for the purpose of growing and maintaining economically viable communities.
- Small Business Support & Farm Diversification.

For details on the application process, applicants should visit <http://www.aiLEADER.org> the 2017 dates for LEADER funding rounds can be found below:

	September	December
EOI Deadline	28/07/2017	13/10/2017
Application Deadline	11/08/2017	27/10/2017
LAG Decision Meeting	21/09/2017	07/12/2017

The Argyll and the Islands LEADER LAG is part-financed by the Scottish Government and the European Community LEADER 2014-2020 programme.

### 37. Interreg North West Europe (2014 – 2020)

The fifth call for project proposals under the North-West Europe Programme 2014-2020 is now open. The Programme's mission is to produce measurable positive change in North-West Europe around three themes:

1. Innovation
2. Low Carbon
3. Resource and material efficiency

Governmental organisations, civil society (non-profit organisations), education and knowledge institutions such as universities, intermediate bodies such as chambers of commerce or development agencies, enterprises, social enterprises and social housing providers can apply for grants of up to 60% of eligible costs. Applications must include partners from at least two different Member States in North-West Europe (Ireland, Luxembourg, Switzerland, and parts of France, Germany and the Netherlands).

**Deadline for project proposals: 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <http://www.nweurope.eu/>

### 38. Interreg Europe (2014 – 2020)

The third call for project proposals under the INTERREG Europe Programme 2014- 2020 will fund the following four priorities:

1. Research and Innovation
2. SME Competitiveness
3. Low Carbon Economy
4. Environment and resource efficiency

Interreg Europe supports interregional cooperation projects. These are projects that involve partner policy organisations from at least three different countries in Europe who come together for three-five years to learn from each other and to address a regional policy issue of common concern. Interreg Europe co-finances **up to 85% of project activities**. Depending on the number of partners involved, duration of interregional learning etc., the average total budget of a project is expected to be €1-2 million.

**Deadline for project applications: 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017** <http://www.interregeurope.eu/>

## GENERAL FUNDING

### 39. Road Safety Trust

The Road Safety Trust, an independent charitable trust, works to support projects and research that will make the UK's roads safer for all road users and reduce the numbers of people killed or injured on UK roads. The Trust provides funding to public and professional UK organisations, including charities and university departments, for projects that are innovative and will enhance the knowledge and practice of the road safety community. Grants of up to £100,000 are available over a period of up to three years to support projects that are innovative and will enhance the knowledge and practice of the road safety community. Applicants should be able to give a clear indication of their project's benefit to road safety. Successful applications will:

- Support the Road Safety Trust's objectives by developing approaches, knowledge or learning around Road Safety.
- Have a clear statement of the project objectives and a good understanding of the Road Safety issues to be addressed.
- Aim to create a demonstrable benefit to the public regarding road safety.
- Have a project plan with clear milestones and, where appropriate, a clearly explained methodology.
- Have a research or project team that is able to demonstrate appropriate knowledge of the literature and skills to complete the project.
- Provide evidence of match funding.
- Have a clear breakdown of costs.
- Include a clear programme and timetable for evaluation of the achievement of the project objectives and impact.
- Involve any or all of the following: an element of innovation, partnership working and sustainability beyond the life of the project.
- Includes a plan for dissemination and publication of any results.
- Have the projects major outputs distributed in the form of published results not the commercial development of any product.
- Include a clear explanation of why an application is being made to the Trust rather than elsewhere.

Education, enforcement and/or engineering approaches are likely to underpin successful applications.

**Deadline: 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <https://roadsafetytrust.org.uk/>

### 40. Support Adoption for Pets Launches 2017/18 Programme to Support UK Rescue Centres

New guidelines for the 'Support Adoption for Pets' grants programme have been published by Support Adoption for Pets, a registered charity which runs its own small animal adoption centres. It fundraises through public donations to pay for these centres and to provide financial support to other pet rescue and rehoming organisations in the UK. The charity offers funding to other charities and non-profit organisations in the UK whose main objective is to find homes for UK pets. The grants are aimed at projects that have a direct impact on animal welfare, and make a real difference to the welfare of UK domestic pets in rescue, including reducing the number of pets in rescue. Support Adoption for Pets donates nearly £1 million in grants each year. To be eligible, groups must be based and operating in the UK, and rescuing and rehoming UK pets as their main charitable activity. Geographical and financial restrictions do apply, so applicants are encouraged to view the full criteria to check whether their organisation is required to be registered or not. Grants are usually made up to £50,000 and can be used for the following costs:

- Running costs (limited to vet bills and/or boarding costs) up to a maximum of 20% of a rescue's annual expenditure.
- Trap, Neuter and Release schemes for feral or stray cats.
- Capital items, such as vehicles, UPVC pens for foster homes, field shelters and equipment.
- Low cost vaccination and or neutering programmes made available to the public.

- Building renovations and new building work on land which is either owned in the rescue's name or is on a long-term (minimum 25 year) lease to the rescue. Building work on land which is owned or leased by an individual is not eligible for funding.

The funder prioritises groups for which the funding will have a real, direct impact on the welfare of domestic pets.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <https://www.supportadoptionforpets.co.uk/>

#### 41. Wingate Foundation - Jewish Life and Learning Grant

Through this grants programme, the Foundation aims to encourage Jewish cultural, academic and educational life in a manner that enhances the Jewish contribution to the life of the wider community. In particular, applications are invited from academic institutions specialising in Jewish subjects and from bodies promoting Jewish culture, including museums, libraries and literary publications. Applications are also welcomed from organisations able to demonstrate a record in inter-faith dialogue, in the promotion of reconciliation between Jews in Israel and their Arab neighbours and the encouragement of liberal values in both communities.

**Deadline: 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017** [http://www.wingatefoundation.org.uk/sc\\_jewish\\_life\\_and\\_learning.php](http://www.wingatefoundation.org.uk/sc_jewish_life_and_learning.php)

#### 42. The NFU Mutual Charitable Trust

The NFU Mutual Charitable Trust, which was set up in 1998, to promote and support charities in the UK working in agriculture, rural development and insurance has announced that the Trust is open for funding applications. The Trustees are particularly interested in initiatives in the areas of education of young people in rural areas and relief of poverty within rural areas. Projects supported in the past include Farms for City Children, which aims to expand the horizons of children from towns and cities by offering them a week in the countryside living together in one of their farms and the Royal Highland Education Trust which aims to create an opportunity for each child in Scotland to experience the countryside and to facilitate a wider understanding of the environmental, economic and social realities of rural Scotland. Its key activities include farm visits, classroom speaker visits and a number of high profile national competition. The NFU Mutual Charitable Trust also provides small grants of up to £250 through the NFU Mutual's Community Giving Fund which supports worthwhile community events, charities, schools and community group activities that are local to their operations.

**Deadline: 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <https://www.nfumutual.co.uk/about-us/our-charitable-trust/>

#### 43. The Law Society Charity Grants

The Charity provides grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 to voluntary sector organisations whose work is related to the law and the legal profession for projects that promote human rights; provide access to justice; and provide legal education. Priority is particularly given to projects that promote the needs of excluded, under-represented or disadvantaged groups and minorities.

**Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017** <http://www.lawsociety.org.uk/about-us/law-society-charity/apply/>

#### 44. National Marine Aquarium – Grants Programme

The National Marine Aquarium awards grants for projects that seek to drive marine conservation through engagement. These projects may be science-based but could equally be based around arts or drama - indeed, the more innovative the better, as long as they make a contribution to raising awareness of the marine environment. Grants awarded so far have been in the region of £1,200 to £5,000 and it is likely that future awards will be for similar amounts. Applications can be submitted by individuals, community groups, schools, or other conservation charities.

**Deadline: 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017** <http://www.national-aquarium.co.uk/marine-conservation/grant-opportunities/>

#### 45. Rosa Launches Voices from the Front Line Grants Scheme

Rosa's Voices from the Front Line Grants Programme is designed to support women's organisations to promote their fight for gender equality in the UK through charitable advocacy work. The programme aims to:

- Support advocacy and influencing work across any one of Rosa's four pillars.
- Amplify the voices of individual women at the frontline of grassroots work in the UK.
- Support work which can, long-term, tackle the underlying causes of a problem and create change.
- Nurture talent.

One-off grants of between £500 and £2,000 are available to voluntary and community women's sector organisations in the UK for projects which:

- Stimulate debate and amplify women's voices.

- Raise awareness of one or more of Rosa's four pillars.
- Influence the public, policy makers, media and/or government.
- Change behaviours, attitudes or policies.

Funding can be used to cover costs relating to increasing the skills, capacity and credibility of women who wish to challenge gender inequality and promote awareness and change. Creative approaches are encouraged. Examples of work that will be supported include:

- Coaching or travel costs for a service user to speak at an event or national conference.
- Presentation, media or lobbying training to support organisational advocacy strategies.
- Costs of creating campaign materials, such as posters, infographics or videos.
- Articulating the story of one woman to champion an organisation's work.
- Making a case to local commissioners for the value of the group's service.
- Meeting costs with local/national government representatives or for planning a campaign.

It is expected that up to 25 projects will be supported in 2017/18. Although it is not required to be a registered charity, the applicant's activities must be charitable, legal and for the benefit of women.

**Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017** <http://www.rosauk.org/news/voices-from-the-frontline/>

#### 46. The Transform Foundation

The Transform Foundation provides grants for charities to develop an effective social media and web presence with the aim of developing future funding streams. The grant programmes are aimed at small to medium-sized charities and other not for profit organisations.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <https://www.transformfoundation.org.uk/facebook-grants>

#### 47. Help the Homeless

Help The Homeless allocates grants (generally up to £5,000) for capital costs to small and medium-sized registered charities. Applications must relate to projects that assist individuals in their return to mainstream society, rather than simply offer shelter or other forms of sustenance.

**Deadline: 15th June** <http://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/applying-for-funding/>

## HEALTH

#### 48. Creative Breaks Grants Programme

In 2017 Shared Care Scotland is administering £500,000 in grants to third sector organisations operating in Scotland on the behalf of the National Carers Organisations and the Scottish Government. Grants of up to £50,000 (average grant estimated to be £17,000) are available to support projects which develop and deliver short breaks projects and services for unpaid carers of adults (aged 21 years and over), carers of older people (aged 65 years and over), young carers (caring for children or adults) and those that they care for. This year Shared Care Scotland is particularly keen to fund projects which address one or more the following priority issues:

- **Choice and control** - projects that seek to find new, more effective ways of increasing carers' choice, control and confidence in accessing short breaks that meet their needs.
- **Outreach** - projects that actively seek to reach less visible and under-served carers, such as BME carers and carers from the Gypsy / Traveller communities, carers in remote and rural areas, carers living in areas of multiple deprivation, carers who are less likely to ask for or access support, and help them overcome barriers to accessing short breaks.
- **Joint-working** - projects that seek to work in partnership with other agencies to maximise the opportunities for carers to access short breaks that meet their needs, fill gaps and reduce duplication.

To be eligible for funding, applicants can be a third sector organisation or a registered charity, have all the relevant registrations, policies and procedures required for their project in place (e.g. PVG checks, safeguarding, Care Inspectorate requirements etc.) and have appropriate and effective governance and financial management arrangements in place.

**Deadline: 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <http://www.sharedcarescotland.org.uk/shortbreaksfund/creativebreaks/>

#### 49. Pink Ribbon Foundation Accepting Applications for 2017

The Pink Ribbon Foundation's mission is to fund projects and provide financial support to UK charities which relieve the needs of people who are suffering from, or who have been affected by breast cancer or who work to advance the understanding of breast cancer, its early detection and treatment. Grants of up to £5,000 are available

for revenue, capital or project costs. The Foundation provides financial support to charities in the UK whose objects are:

- To relieve the needs of people who are suffering from, or have been affected by, breast cancer by providing, or assisting in the provision of, information, care or emotional, practical and financial support.
- To advance public education in the understanding of breast cancer, its early detection and treatment, in particular but not exclusively by commissioning, or conducting, research into the causes, detection and treatment of breast cancer and by disseminating the results of such research.

The Foundation is keen to support initiatives which promote a positive view of living with breast cancer. The Foundation will consider applications from general cancer charities if any grant made will be used to benefit those suffering from, or affected by, 50% of patients that suffer from Breast Cancer or for research into, or the dissemination of information about, breast cancer. The Foundation welcomes applications from all ethnic and minority groups.

**Deadline: 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <http://www.evoc.org.uk/noticeboard/notices/pink-ribbon-foundation/>

### **50. Youth and HIV: Think Afresh (UK / International)**

Grants of between £100,000 and £350,000 are available to UK or non-UK youth led organisations working in partnership with local organisations in Kenya, South Africa, Zambia, or Zimbabwe to increase access to services and information for adolescents (10-19 years old) and young people (15-25 years old) affected by HIV and to strengthen the quality of services. Comic relief are particularly interested in funding innovative approaches that fill gaps in meeting the HIV-related needs of young people particularly those from highly vulnerable and marginalised groups. Applicants with relevant track record who have not previously received funding from Comic Relief are particularly encouraged to apply and projects should have a duration of 24 - 36 months.

**Deadline: 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <http://www.comicrelief.com/grants/initiatives/youth-and-hiv-think-afresh>

### **51. Macmillan's supporting you to Help Others Grants**

The Supporting You to Help Others grants programme can fund cancer self help and support groups and their activities and user involvement projects and associated activities. Applications are welcomed from groups and individuals that contribute to achieving Macmillan's Inclusion Vision. The funding is available as follows:

- Start-up grants of up to £500 to support the start-up of a new self help and support project for people affected by cancer.
- Development grants of up to £3,000 to improve the sustainability or increase the reach of existing self help and support groups or projects that have been established for 12 months or more.
- User Involvement Grants of up to £3,000 to encourage the involvement of people affected by cancer in the design and improvement of cancer services.
- Individual Development Grants of up to £500 to enable people affected by cancer to develop their skills and use their cancer experience to help support others affected by cancer.

A maximum of £500 for projects that have been running for less than 12 months. A maximum of £3,000 for projects that have been in existence for more than 12 months.

**Deadline: 4<sup>th</sup> August 2017**

<http://www.macmillan.org.uk/information-and-support/coping/talking-about-cancer/find-groups-and-talks-near-you/how-we-support-your-group.html>

### **52. Bupa UK Foundation's 'Healthy Future' Programme**

This year's theme is 'Healthy Futures' with a focus on young adults aged 18 to 25 years. There is specific interest in projects that will have a positive impact on the health and wellbeing of young adults who face ongoing health challenges, supporting and empowering them to live life to the full. It is expected that around 12 to 15 grants will be awarded in this funding round. The majority of grants are for £20,000 or less. A small number of grants are awarded within the £20,000 to £50,000 range, and occasionally grants of over £50,000 are awarded. Applications should relate to a specific project, not 'business as usual' or core costs. Successful grant recipients will receive an additional 15% on top of grant funding awarded as a contribution towards core costs. The funding is for practical projects that are designed to engage and support people directly. Projects must clearly fit the following criteria:

- Supports young people aged 18 to 25 years who face ongoing health challenges.
- Focuses on addressing, supporting or improving health or wellbeing.
- Provides evidence of the specific needs that the project aims to address.

- Explains how those who will benefit from the project will be reached and engaged.
- Includes details of how the health outcomes and impact of the project will be measured.

Not-for-profit organisations, including social enterprises and community interest companies, based and operating in the UK can apply. Partnership bids will be accepted as long as there is one clearly identified lead organisation that will take a central co-ordinating role to ensure the project is delivered as outlined.

**Deadline: 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <http://www.bupaukfoundation.org/page/apply-for-funding/>

### 53. Heart Research UK and SUBWAY Healthy Heart Grants Opens for Scotland

The Healthy Heart Grants scheme is a result of a partnership between the Heart Research UK (HRUK) and the SUBWAY franchise. The money for the grants is raised by SUBWAY staff and customers through in-store fundraising and collection boxes located throughout the UK. Grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 are available for not-for-profit organisations that have a new and innovative project designed to promote heart health and to prevent or reduce the risks of heart disease in specific groups or communities. The scheme does not support general healthy lifestyle projects. Projects must focus on, and actively promote, heart health or reduce the risk of heart disease for the duration of the project. Grants are available in specific regions at certain times of the year. Applications are currently being accepted from organisations in Scotland.

**Deadline: 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

<https://heartresearch.org.uk/community-grants/heart-research-uk-and-subway%C2%AE-healthy-heart-grant>

## LAND AND PROPERTY

### 54. Scottish Land Fund

Community led organisations in Scotland can apply for funding of between £10,000 and £1 million through the Scottish Land Fund (SLF). The funding aims to support projects both in urban and rural Scotland that will help local community development through the ownership of land and buildings. A total of £10 million is available for 2016-17. Applicants can be from one of a wide range of representative community bodies, including voluntary organisations. To apply, contact the Big Lottery Fund Scotland to discuss your idea at [advicescotland@biglotteryfund.org.uk](mailto:advicescotland@biglotteryfund.org.uk) or on 0300 123 7110. Projects that are eligible will be assigned a Scottish Land Fund Adviser from Highlands and Islands Enterprise, who will help you develop your idea and get ready to submit your application. The SLF will fund the purchase of land or land assets. Eligible organisations can also request some revenue funding to help with the cost of developing their proposal or initial running costs of their project after acquisition.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/scottishlandfund>

### 55. Great Place Scheme

The Great Place Scheme will fund projects in areas where there is a commitment to embed heritage in local plans and decision-making. By strengthening the networks between heritage, civic and community organisations, and by involving citizens and local businesses, projects will enhance the role that heritage plays in the future of each place participating in the Scheme. In time this will lead to the wide range of social, environmental and economic benefits that heritage can achieve. This is a pilot scheme. It will fund activities which can be built on in the future, and whose learning can be shared with other places.

**Deadline: Expression of Interest 8<sup>th</sup> June 2017** <https://www.greatplacescheme.org.uk/scotland>

### 56. Paths for All - Community Paths Grants

The Paths for All Partnership has launched the Community Paths Grant with new guidelines and priorities for 2017. Grants of up to £1,500 are available to:

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| • Improve and maintain existing path.     | • Install signage and way-markers.   | • Buy and plant native trees and shrubs. |
| • Buy tools, materials and insurance.     | • Produce new leaflets or promotional materials which use the Path Grading System. | • Sow a wildflower meadow.               |
| • Hire a contractor, plant and machinery. |  |  |

The funding provides communities in Scotland with the resources they need to upgrade, promote and maintain community paths close to where they live by:

- Creating new volunteering opportunities for everyone.
- Bringing communities together to work and learn from each other.

- Creating better places for people to explore and enjoy.
- Creating links that people can use as part of their everyday travel.
- Improving communities' health and wellbeing by getting people more physically active outdoors and in contact with nature.

The 2017 priorities are projects which will engage and empower:

- Young people.
- People with poor physical or mental health, or people who are experiencing exclusion (such as a disability or through their ethnicity).
- Communities in or close to our towns or cities, particularly those in the 20% most deprived areas.
- Communities to get more physically active outdoors.
- Communities to travel more actively.

Any constituted community group with their own bank account can apply as can community organisations and registered community charities such as community councils, development trusts and community woodland groups working in Scotland. Two free training courses are being offered to help groups plan their project and prepare their funding application. Places are limited so groups should book now for the following:

- 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017 - Funding your community path project at the Melting Pot, Edinburgh.
- 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017 - Grading your community paths at SRUC Oatridge Campus, Broxburn.

**Deadline: Expressions of Interest 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

<http://www.pathsforall.org.uk/pfa/support/community-path-grants.html>

## SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION

### 57. New Schools Initiative to Help Young People Travel Abroad

The newly-launched Move2learn, Learn2Move initiative will fund the travel of at least 5,000 young people to other EU countries - individually or together with their school class. The one-off initiative which celebrates the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Erasmus programme for education and training, youth and sport is open to young people attending schools taking part in eTwinning, the online learning community for teachers in Europe. The young people must be aged 16 to 19 and the modes of transport used must be environmentally friendly. The National Support Services which are implementing eTwinning in all 28 Member States will help the Commission in the selection of classes on the basis of specific criteria, including the quality of the project they have put forward under eTwinning for the school year 2016-2017, the extent to which social inclusion (e.g. of disadvantaged young people) has been taken into account in their project and whether the class has travelled abroad before.

**Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

[http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/updates/20170328-new-schools-initiative-help-young-people-travel-abroad\\_en](http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/updates/20170328-new-schools-initiative-help-young-people-travel-abroad_en)

### 58. Grants for UK-German School Partnership Visits

The Partnership Visit Fund supports new or on-going partnerships between UK and German schools by providing financial support of up to £1,000 for teachers' visits to a partner school. Teachers of primary and secondary schools can apply for a visit that revives an existing school partnership or develops a new one, or allows new teachers to familiarise themselves with the partner school. The focus of the visit must be on planning future activities between pupils, and developing an interactive project to take place within the year. Visits should not last longer than one week, the school must provide 25% of the required funding and a maximum of 3 teachers can be supported.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://www.ukgermanconnection.org/partnershipvisits>

### 59. Funding for Food Education Projects

Local Authority Schools and Early Learning and Childcare settings in Scotland can apply for grants of up to £3000 for food education projects. The funding which is being made available through the Education Scotland Food for Thought Education Fund will support projects that provide progressive, high quality learning experiences which help to embed food education into the learning ethos of the school, early learning or childcare setting. It is essential that food based projects include a business or community link. Business in the Community Scotland is a partner in the Food for Thought Fund and can help establishments to find a business/community link if help is required.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

[https://education.gov.scot/what-we-do/ensuring-the-impact-of-cfe/Food%20for%20Thought%20Education%20Fund?dm\\_i=LQE,4W4T4,6LKTGE,IJ1LT,1%20](https://education.gov.scot/what-we-do/ensuring-the-impact-of-cfe/Food%20for%20Thought%20Education%20Fund?dm_i=LQE,4W4T4,6LKTGE,IJ1LT,1%20)

## 60. Foyle Foundation Schools Library Programme

State funded schools as well as dedicated schools that do not have or want to improve their libraries can apply for funding through the Foyles Foundation Schools Library Programme. Priority will be given to primary schools and to funding library books. The Foundation will also consider contributions towards e-readers, library software, necessary IT equipment and specialist seating/desks. Preference will be given to schools which can clearly demonstrate that their library can be maintained and renewed in the future. The average grant made under this programme is between £3,000 and £10,000. Applications will be strengthened if the PTA/Friends group can support the project.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/how-to-apply/state-schools.php>

## SPORT FUNDING

### 61. Funding for Sports Related Projects Run by Young People

vInspired, the Volunteering Charity, has announced that its Cashpoint grants scheme is currently open for applications for sport-related projects. The Cashpoint grants scheme offers grants of up to £500 to give young people (aged 14-25) the opportunity to bring their ideas to life. The funding is available to individual young people (or small groups) who have developed a project idea and will run the project themselves. Projects must be run on a volunteer only basis and funded projects must create at least 2 new volunteering opportunities for 14-25 year olds (in addition to the applicant). vInspired cashpoint must be the only funder for the project.

**Applications may be submitted at any time**

[https://vinspired.com/cashpoint?utm\\_content=bufferb5736&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=twitter.com&utm\\_campaign=buffer](https://vinspired.com/cashpoint?utm_content=bufferb5736&utm_medium=social&utm_source=twitter.com&utm_campaign=buffer)

### 62. Funding Competition for Innovation in Cycling and Walking

The Department for Transport (DfT) has launched a £470,000 competition for innovative projects that lead to more walking and cycling. The Department is seeking proposals that will tackle current barriers and encourage more journeys made by bicycle or on foot. Innovations may include, for example, technology, infrastructure, manufacturing or behavioural change. The competition is open to individuals, groups and organisations. It is particularly suitable for early-stage, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). Industry partners such as local government, independent and third sectors can carry out the project on their own or in partnership with others. This competition has 2 phases. Phase 1 (£170,000) is for proof of concept projects that can last up to 15 weeks and range in size up to a total cost of £25,000 each. Phase 2 (£300,00) is for demonstrator projects. Projects that can last up to 9 months. They can range in size up to a total cost of £100,000 per project. In order to apply applicants must register before **midday: 7<sup>th</sup> June 2017** and submit their application before **midday: 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/funding-competition-innovation-in-cycling-and-walking>

## YOUNG PEOPLE

### 63. Comic Relief - #iwill Youth Social Action Fund

Comic Relief and the #iwill campaign have joined together to create this one-off £2.4 million fund which supports the UK-wide campaign to get six out of ten young people involved in social action by 2020. Co-produced with young people, and championing peer to peer engagement and the importance of trust building, this initiative will fund projects to seek out young people, and encourage those from disadvantaged backgrounds to participate in and lead youth social action. Grants of between £20,000 and £50,000 per year for up to three years (with a maximum of £150,000 in total) are available. Organisations based in the UK can apply as long as they have a strong track record of working with young people in areas of deprivation and poverty and have engaged with the types of young people that would benefit from this work and have demonstrable knowledge and experience of the communities they will be working with. There is no restriction on the annual income of the organisation or partnership applying for a grant. The funding is for projects that meet the following criteria:

- Ability to demonstrate effective ways to build relationships with 'reluctant' young people in their own community.
- Ability to demonstrate how they will engage those young people in creative, innovative and meaningful social action.

Activity funded under this programme will need to reflect the Step up To Serve Six Shared Principles of quality social action: challenging, youth-led, socially impactful, progressive, embedded, and reflective. Youth social action can include any activities around campaigning, fundraising and volunteering, all of which can create a double

benefit for communities and the young person themselves. Priority will be given to projects that will work with young people in areas of high need and deprivation, and where there are minimal services or activities available for young people. It is expected that applicants demonstrate the need of the young people they will work with, based on indices of deprivation, unemployment and other measures as they see fit. Projects should demonstrate they understand and have a track record of successfully engaging with 'reluctant' young people (typically coming from lower socio-economic circumstances, are generally unaffiliated with faith groups and more likely to be boys) through a range of activities.

**Deadline: 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <http://www.comicrelief.com/grants/initiatives/iwill-youth-social-action-fund>

#### **64. Funding to Support Disadvantaged Young People**

The Fund aims to help young people (aged 15 - 30) at risk of criminal involvement to stay out of trouble and assist in the rehabilitation of offenders, particularly young offenders both in prison and after release. Grants are usually no more than £15,000 per annum, and to make sure grants of this size have an impact, the Weaver's Company will not fund large organisations. Grants are normally awarded to registered charities or organisations in the process of applying for registration. To be eligible for funding, local organisations such as those working in a village, estate or small town should normally have an income of less than £100,000. Those working across the UK should normally have an income of not more than £250,000. Grants are usually given for one year.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017** <http://www.weavers.org.uk/content/grant-application-guidelines>

#### **65. Aspirational Awards Open for Applications**

Young people aged 21-26 who have at least three months of care experience can apply for funds from the Aspirational Awards from the Life Changes Trust. The fund aims to empower care experienced young people to think big about their future and transform their lives with a significant grant to help them reach their best potential. The funding is flexible and designed to meet the specific needs of individuals but priority will be given to applications that show how the funding will: have a long-term, positive impact; achieve aspirations in life; be used to support something which the individual has already made steps towards achieving. There is no specific grant amount and applications will be assessed based on what each individual is applying for.

**Deadline: 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017** <http://www.lifechangestrust.org.uk/care-experienced-young-people/funding-opportunities>

#### **66. CashBack for Creativity Fund Opens for Applications**

YouthLink Scotland has launched a £250,000 CashBack for Creativity Open Fund for 2017/18. The Open Fund is a part of the Scottish Government's CashBack for Communities programme which reinvests the proceeds of crime back into communities to benefit Scotland's young people. Grants of up to £10,000 are available for projects providing high quality arts, screen or creative industries activities for young people ages 10-24 years old who face one or more forms of the following disadvantages. Living in areas of deprivation (priority will be given to projects working in communities within the top 20% SIMD); being unemployed, not in education or training; being excluded, or at risk of exclusion from school; being at risk of being involved in antisocial behaviour, offending/re-offending.

**Deadline: 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017** <http://www.youthlinkscotland.org/Index.asp?MainID=11010>