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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

NEWS AND UPDATES

Sustainable Communities Fund – Information Sessions

The TSI are holding sessions to help groups post their ideas and take them forward:

Bute and Cowal

Tuesday 5th December 2017 – TSI Office, Edward Street, Dunoon – 6pm to 8pm

Wednesday 6th December 2017 – TSI Office, Edward Street, Dunoon – 1pm to 3pm

Friday 8th December 2017 – Fyne Homes Board Room, 11 Victoria Street, Rothesay – 12pm to 2pm

Helensburgh & Lomond

Wednesday 13th December 2017 TSI Office 14 Colquhoun Square Helensburgh G84 8AD – 4pm to 6:30pm

Tuesday 19th December 2017 Cove Burgh Hall Shore Road, Cove, G84 0LY 1pm to 3pm

Mid Argyll Kintyre & the Islands

Saturday 2nd December 2017, Gaelic College, Bowmore ISLAY: (at the Craft Fair) 11am-2pm

Monday 4th December 2017 Campbeltown Town Hall 1-5 pm

Tuesday 12th December 2017, Lochgilphead Community Centre 2-5pm

Oban, Lorn & the Isles

Antonia Baird will be available to answer any questions on the 22nd and 23rd December and 4th, 5th, 6th January. She can be contacted on 01505 604270 or by emailing: Antonia.baird@argyll-bute.gov.uk

The Community Development Team are happy to come to any village on request. Contact them at communitydevelopment@argyll-bute.gov.uk or tel: 01369 708669

ARTS AND CULTURE

1. The Scottish Schools Pipe and Drums Trust

The Trust aims to advance education the arts, heritage, culture and community development by encouraging young people in Scotland to take up and play the chanter, pipes and drums; and by supporting the development of school pipe bands. The Trust is prepared to consider funding from £250 to £5,000. The following are eligible to apply:

- State schools.
- Local authorities.
- Pipe bands, voluntary or charitable organisations. Governing document and details of members of the governing body should be supplied.
- Independent schools. The Trust encourages collaboration between independent and state schools. The SSPDT grant must benefit state school pupils, for example, by creating additional places at a workshop, by providing tuition, or by sharing resources.

The Trust will fund:

- Tuition of pipes, drums and chanters for state school pupils from P5 and above.

- Tuition for a combination of schools.
- Instruments: bagpipes and drums up to a value of £5,000. Generally instruments are loaned by SSPDT for a period of two years, renewable by negotiation.
- Approved workshops promoting the objectives of the Trust.
- Contribution to travel costs in remote locations.

Applications may be submitted at any time <https://sspdt.org.uk/funding/open-grant-fund-guidelines/>

2. Archives Revealed Cataloguing Grants

Archives Revealed is a new partnership programme between The National Archives and The Pilgrims Trust. It is the only source of funding available in the UK dedicated to cataloguing and unlocking archives. Grants of up to £40,000 are available to create catalogues of important archival collections. Funding is available to the following UK organisations: public sector bodies; registered charities; other not-for-profit organisations; organisations that make their collections accessible to people outside their organisation; organisations that have access to professional archive expertise; organisations with owned or deposited collections where public access can be guaranteed for ten years of the project end date.

Deadline: 12th January 2018 <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/archives-sector/finding-funding/archives-revealed/>

3. Museums Galleries Scotland Recognition Scheme

The aim of the Recognition Scheme is to celebrate, promote and invest in the nationally significant museum and gallery collections around Scotland held outside the nationally-run institutions. Organisations that become holders of Recognised Collections of National Significance must commit to meeting the objectives of the scheme, which are to do as follows:

- Raise awareness of the Recognised Collections locally, nationally and internationally.
- Raise standards of collections management and care.
- Raise standards of public service delivery in those organisations that hold collections recognised through the scheme.
- Safeguard continuing levels of investment in the Recognised Collections from existing funding sources, including local authorities and universities.
- Increase public access to the Recognised Collections as sources of creativity, learning and enjoyment.
- Increase the social and economic impact of the Recognised Collections.
- Encourage the museums and galleries which hold Recognised Collections to make an increased contribution to the Scottish museums sector through collaboration and partnership working.

Funding of up to £60,000 per project is available, to cover 100% of costs. The scheme applies to collections held within Scottish non-national Accredited or Registered museums and galleries. Applicants must be organisations that manage museums or galleries that are Registered or Accredited under the Museums, Libraries and Archive Council's Scheme. The collection should be made publicly available through Accredited or Registered sites, unless there are exceptional circumstances. Collections must fit the definition of collection for the purposes of the Recognition Scheme; the term 'collection' specifically relates to the material culture held within museum and gallery collections. Further, 'collection' is defined as a group of objects together with its associated information that, however originally collected, forms an integrated, coherent assemblage of material that has cultural and/or heritage value. The collection may comprise the entire holding of the museum or gallery or be a group within that holding, or be a distributed collection held between partner organisations.

Deadline: 2nd February 2018

<https://www.museumsgalleriesscotland.org.uk/accreditation-recognition/recognition-scheme-application-process/>

4. Grants to Help New, Innovative Visual Arts Projects

The Trust offers grants to artists and for new, innovative visual arts projects. It 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: 22nd January 2018 <http://elephanttrust.org.uk/docs/intro.html>

5. Local Film Festival Challenge Fund

The Local Film Festival Challenge Fund will offer one-off grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 for activity to take place in the first quarter of 2018, which are intended to help with developing the concept of, building interest for, or planning the format of, a new local film festival, anywhere in Scotland. From 2014 to 2017 Regional Screen Scotland operated a Development Programme for Local Film Festivals, with funding provided by Creative Scotland and Film Hub Scotland. This provided development funding for five festivals over three years, and a range of one-off grants for festivals across Scotland. This programme is now drawing to a close, and will conclude with three linked activities:

- A Gathering to celebrate, and share experiences about, local film festivals
- A media campaign to raise awareness of the value of local film festivals in Scotland
- A small, one-off 'challenge fund' to support the first stages of developing two or more new local film festivals

Activities might include:

- Mentoring support from a more established festival to a new or growing festival
- A regional meeting or meetings to develop a festival concept
- A trial programme of screenings to gauge interest and support
- A mini-consultancy to assist audience development or commercial opportunities

This is not an exhaustive list, they welcome different – and innovative – ideas and proposals. The funding scheme is open to properly constituted organisations (not individuals). The film festival must take place in areas prioritised by Regional Screen Scotland, namely areas of cinema under-provision within Scotland

Deadline: 11th December 2017 <http://regionalscreenscotland.org/announcing-the-local-film-festival-challenge-fund/>

6. Performing Arts Micro Bursaries

The Performing Arts Micro Bursaries support independent artists and producers with awards of between £250 and £1,000. They are interested in proposals for development activities in the performing arts where a clear and specific learning opportunity has been identified. This could be for the making of new work, research, travel, training or mentoring. The awards are for individuals who have been practicing professionally for no more than 10 years, have completed their formal education and are resident in the UK. The foundation cannot accept applications for course fees or any associated study or living costs. This fund has been created using legacy funds from the BBC Performing Arts Fund to provide individuals with direct support for their professional and creative development, without the expectation of a specific product output and/or public engagement. Applications will be assessed on meeting the eligibility criteria.

- The potential of the activity you have identified to impact positively on your practice/career.
- The need for the activity – would it happen otherwise?
- Your ability to manage and make a success of the activity.

Please note that activity requested to be supported cannot commence before 1st March 2018.

Deadline: 9th January 2018 <http://www.jerwoodcharitablefoundation.org/projects/performing-arts-micro-bursaries/>

7. The Museums Association - Esmée Fairbairn Collections Fund

The fund focuses on time-limited work on collections which has clear social benefit, outside the scope of an organisation's core resources. Between 2017 and 2019, the Fund will award £3.5m to collections projects that demonstrate the inspiring and engaging potential of collections to deliver social impact for people and communities, innovating for the sector or at least for your organisation. They are looking for proposals to: work with an existing collection or collections to improve understanding of them and increase their use; and through that collections work, involve, inspire and have impact on people, communities and audiences.

Deadline: 28th February 2017

<http://www.museumsassociation.org/collections/18022011-esmee-fairbairn-collections-fund>

8. Creative Europe Culture: Cooperation Project Calls

Support for the delivery of cultural, creative and heritage transnational cooperation projects, across any art form for a maximum duration of four years. Creative Europe Culture Sub-programme and European Cooperation Projects (small and large) Creative Europe is the European Union's programme to support the cultural, creative and audiovisual sectors.

CATEGORY 1: Small Cooperation Projects

- You would apply as a partnership of a minimum of 3 partner organisations from 3 different eligible countries;
- You can apply for a grant of up to €200,000;
- You can apply for up to 60% of the total project budget. Match funding is required.

CATEGORY 2: Large Cooperation Projects

- You would apply as a partnership of a minimum of 6 partners from 6 different eligible countries;
- You can apply for a grant of up to €2 million;
- You can apply for up to 50% of the total project budget. Match funding is required.

Deadline: 18th January 2018 <http://www.creativeuropeuk.eu/funding-opportunities/cooperation-projects>

9. ScotRail Cultural and Arts Fund

Funding of between £500 and £2k is available to individuals/sole traders and community groups working in Scotland with an income of no more than £100k per year. The fund aims to support arts, community recreation, and sports activities near a train station or with a travel or safety theme.

Deadline: 18th December 2017 <https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/scotrail-cultural-and-arts-fund/>

10. Museums Galleries Scotland - Vocational Pathways Fund

This fund has been introduced to address the need for good quality, affordable vocational training that will increase access to the Scottish museum sector for those to whom it has previously been quite closed, and develop progression routes for existing staff. In doing so it will help to diversify the sector workforce and address identified skills gaps so as to enable the Scottish Museum sector to thrive in the future. It will fund projects that either: build the infrastructure of the sector to increase its capacity to facilitate work-based vocational learning at all levels identified in the Vocational Pathways Framework; pilot ways of addressing the gaps identified in the Vocational Pathways Framework (i.e. where there is currently no qualification). All projects will need to demonstrate that they will have a benefit for the whole museum sector, not just the participating organisations.

Deadline: 19th February 2018 <https://www.museumsgalleriesScotland.org.uk/funding/vocational-pathways-fund/>

11. Music Training and Continuing Professional Development Fund

Music freelancers, individuals, networks and organisations working with young people both in and out of school settings in Scotland can apply for a grant towards training and continuing professional development. Provided by Youth Music Initiative and administered by Scottish Music centre, the aim of the Fund is to strengthen youth music in Scotland for the benefit of young people. Grants can support a wide range of professional development activity and training including for example: Attendance at conferences; masterclasses or mentoring; receiving private tuition in a particular genre or instrument; development or design of specialist courses; and innovative approaches to improve engagement in music. A total budget of £45,000 is available to be distributed as awards to individuals generally ranging from £100 to £750, and for organisations as grants of between £500 and £5,000. Eligible costs include: Course or conference fees; travel; accommodation; subsistence; childcare costs (individuals only, and only when necessary due to undertaking the proposed activity); and loss of earnings for freelance music tutors. Applicants must also be resident in Scotland and have at least 10% partnership funding in cash or in-kind.

Deadline: 30th March 2018

<http://www.scottishmusiccentre.com/development/training-and-continuing-professional-development-fund/>

BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE

12. Big Issue Invest

Big Issue Invest has just launched their Power Up Scotland Programme to develop early stage social businesses through investment, business support and cross-sector partnerships. Power Up aims to enable up to 20 Scottish early-stage social ventures to access loan funding of up to £50k over the next two years. It has been developed for organisations likely to be accessing finance for the first time, and with social value creation being the key criterion. Click Investment Enquiry and scroll down to complete an Expression of Interest form initially.

Deadline: 8th January 2018 <https://bigissueinvest.com/powerup/>

13. Social Economy Growth Fund

The Social Economy Growth Fund will enable the third sector/social economy to improve and increase services and support for people experiencing poverty and disadvantage. It will enable social economy organisations to grow their

capacity for example by creating new/expanding existing services and employing additional staff. The Fund will support organisations with a proven track record of working successfully with individuals and families who experience disadvantage, poverty and social exclusion. The Social Economy Growth Fund is supported by the European Social Fund (ESF) and the Scottish Government. The Scottish Government will provide match funding for the Fund 'at source'.

Deadline: 22nd December 2017

<https://beta.gov.scot/publications/social-economy-growth-fund-round-2-guidance-application-form/>

14. Social Investment Scotland - Growth & Replication Challenge 2

The Challenge is a competitive opportunity that combines bespoke business support with tailored financial backing. Social Investment Scotland are looking for organisations who have developed strategies for growth or replication, are looking for investment between £100k and £1M and need help to make that happen in 2018.

Bespoke Support: Professional business support worth up to £10,000 to address issues such as:

- Social Impact
- Governance
- Products & Services
- People & Skills
- Business Plan, Sales & Marketing
- Financial Controls

Tailored finance

- Access to flexible and tailored finance:
- Secured and unsecured investment:
- Up to 13 year fixed rate terms to provide confidence on future costs
- Patient arrangements (nothing or something to pay for the first 3 years)
- No upfront fees

Deadline: 11th December 2017 <http://www.socialinvestmentscotland.com/growth-replication-challenge-2-launched/>

15. Friends Provident Foundation - Building Resilient Local Economies

The programme aims to build a more resilient, fairer and sustainable economic system. Organisations working within the UK who want to help transform financial systems into 'engines for social benefit' can apply for up to £200,000 for work lasting up to five years. These can be in the form of grants, loans, part loans or underwriting to cover capital or revenue funding, core costs or project costs. Activities funded will fit closely with the aims of the Foundation and deliver one of two key outcomes. These are "System Change" and "Local Economic Resilience". Under 'Systems change' the Foundation will be looking for strong analysis of the issues and problems to be addressed together with effective methods of delivering policy and corporate behavioural change. Activities supported under 'Local economic resilience' will build on current technologies and approaches with funded projects focussing on building local partnerships, sharing knowledge and complimenting other local initiatives.

Deadline: 5th February 2018 <https://www.friendsprovidentfoundation.org/programme-overview/>

16. Scottish Government Social Entrepreneur Fund

The Awards Programme offers two different levels of start-up awards – Start It and Build It, together with business support from a dedicated team of advisors to help you develop the skills and knowledge you'll need to succeed. The links will help guide you through the application process for each level. The Awards Programme is highly competitive, so you will need to be sure that your idea meets the specific funding criteria for each level. Of those applications that are eligible, they support the ideas that can provide the strongest evidence of their business potential, and their ability to create significant, lasting social impact.

Start It Awards: The first level of funding is for individuals with an innovative business idea which addresses a social, environmental and/or community issue. Individuals can apply for up to £5,000 start-up costs to pilot their idea.

Build It Awards: The next level of funding is for individuals who have already piloted their social enterprise idea and have proven that the concept works. Funding of up to £20,000 is available to cover an individual's salary/living costs for one year, so that they can begin running the business full time. An additional £5,000 discretionary funding is available on top of this for other costs in certain cases.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.firstport.org.uk/funding>

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

17. Funding to Support Vulnerable Young Migrants

Not for profit organisations and private law firms that work with young migrants can apply for grants of through the Strategic Legal Fund (SLF) for Vulnerable Young Migrants. The maximum grant available is £30,000 but, in view of

the limited funding available, lower applications are encouraged. The average grant size is around £12,000. Grants are available to undertake strategic legal work to benefit children and young people (under the age of 25) who are significantly disadvantaged by migration status. The fund will accept applications in any area of law that affects vulnerable young migrants including immigration; asylum and asylum support; human rights; and Education; etc. The SLF only funds two kinds of strategic legal action. These are pre-litigation research and "third party intervention" in an existing case. The maximum grant length is 12 months, and most grants are for around six months.

Deadline: 12th January 2018 <http://strategiclegalfund.org.uk/>

18. BBC Children in Need Main Grants Programme

The BBC Children in Need Main Grants programme will consider applications requesting grants of over £10,000 to support projects for up to three years. Registered charities and not-for-profit organisations in the UK can apply if they are supporting children and young people of 18 years and under who are experiencing disadvantage through:

- Illness, distress, abuse or neglect.
- Any kind of disability.
- Behavioural or psychological difficulties.
- Living in poverty or situations of deprivation.

Organisations must be working to combat this disadvantage and make a real difference to children and young people's lives. Organisations that already hold a grant from Children in Need can apply for further funding providing the current grant is coming to an end within the next 12 months. Applicants will need to be able to provide convincing evidence of the differences the grant has made to the lives of the disadvantaged children and young people the organisation has worked with.

Deadline: 16th January 2018 <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/3XW7FvN20PD3xr2c1T62Xly/main-grants>

COMMUNITY FUNDING

19. Supporting Communities Fund

Argyll and Bute Council is changing how it distributes its grants to local community groups and third sector organisations, giving local communities more of a direct say in how the funding is allocated. The fund is open to community groups including community councils and parent councils. A website has been created specifically for the fund: www.abpb.co.uk for applicants to let their communities know what they would do with the money and how it would benefit the area. The ideas website allows people to see the ideas being proposed, ask questions to find out more, offer suggestions to help shape the ideas and provide feedback to groups before they submit a funding application. Projects can receive up to a maximum of £2,500. Applications will be decided by participatory budgeting. This means that officers will score applications and recommend a list to Councillors who will agree which projects will go forward to a public vote. Members of the public will have the final say on which projects receive funding through a vote in April 2018. If you would like to apply to the fund, visit www.abpb.co.uk to post your idea. The fund is split between the four Area Committee areas – Bute and Cowal, Helensburgh and Lomond, Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands, and Oban, Lorn and the Isles. A step by step guide to posting an idea on the site is can be found at www.abpb.co.uk and the Council's Community Development Officers will be able to help anyone who needs support to post an idea or use the site. The Community Development Team can be contacted by email communitydevelopment@argyll-bute.gov.uk or by calling 01369 708669.

Deadline for groups to post their ideas for projects 22nd December 2017

20. Community Centres and Village Halls

Trusthouse is interested in applications for capital projects at community centres in the most deprived urban areas and village halls in remote and economically deprived rural areas. They want to support community centres and village halls which are at the heart of small, deprived communities. They expect that you will be providing a range of activities for all ages and abilities which help to promote community cohesion and address local problems of isolation, poverty, lack of local facilities, transport and other issues of relevance to your area.

Applications may be submitted at any time

<http://trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/applying-for-village-or-community-centre-grant/>

21. Post Office - Community Branch Fund

The fund offers investment for sub postmasters to support the growth of their Post Office business and help to underpin the long term viability of their business. It can be used for a wide range of improvements such as changing

the branch format to open plan, new signage, or gearing up for new services such as Click & Collect. Funding is also available for Outreach and Satellite services.

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

22. Community Active Travel Grants

We are offering small grants of up to £3000 to communities in Scotland to develop, deliver and promote their own community led active travel projects. Our Community Active Travel Grants aim to empower communities to make changes to paths in their area that will make it easier for people to make every day journeys by active travel. Increasing active travel in communities helps to create a healthier, socially inclusive, economically vibrant, environmentally friendly Scotland. The grant can be used for a number of things, but must make it easier for people to walk and cycle when making short everyday journeys. We will give priority to projects that

- Improve paths so it's easier for people to use them and be more physically active
- Show people where active travel routes are
- Provide opportunities and encourage people in communities to work together

The grant will fund active travel routes to schools, to places of work, other popular places within towns and routes that help connect communities. The grant scheme is open to any constituted community group in Scotland who have their own bank account. Community organisations and registered community charities such as community councils, development trusts and community woodland groups can also apply.

Deadline: 12th January 2018 <https://www.pathsforall.org.uk/pfa/news/community-active-travel-grants.html>

23. Big Lottery Fund - People and Places Programme

The Big Lottery Fund has recently changed the application process to the People and Places Programme by introducing an initial conversation, either by email or by phone, to discuss the project idea. If the project is a good match for the programme, an application pack will be sent to the group. If the project is not eligible or not a good fit, the Big Lottery Fund's Advice Team will provide feedback. In addition to the change to the application process, the programme has now been split into two strands

- Medium grants offers funding from £10,001 to £100,000 for projects lasting up to five years.
- Large grants offers funding from £100,001 to £500,000 for projects lasting up to five years.

Previously, the programme provided small grants, but groups that need a small grant should now look to the Big Lottery Fund's Awards for All programme. The People and Places Programme offers revenue and capital funding for projects where people and communities are working together and using their strength to make positive impact on the things that matter the most to them. Projects should address one of the following themes:

- Revitalised communities
- Improved community relations
- Enhanced local environments and community amenities.

Applications may be submitted at any time https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_people_places

24. Weir Charitable Trust

The Weir Charitable Trust has a small amount of funding that it provides each year as grants to small charities and community groups with an income of less than £100,000 that are providing services or have projects that help Scottish communities. The average grant is typically around £3,500, although applications for larger amounts will be considered, and is intended for small groups who are struggling to secure funding for their activities from mainstream sources. To be eligible, proposals must address one of the following areas:

- Health
- Culture
- Animal Welfare
- Sport
- Recreational Facilities

Please note the Trust will not fund individuals, social enterprises, governing bodies or commercial ventures, including business start-ups, nor can it sponsor groups undertaking an event to raise money for a charity.

Deadline: 28th February 2017 <http://weircharitabletrust.com/apply-now>

25. Funding for Community Projects

WREN offers grants of between £2,000 and £100,000 under the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund. All types of projects can be considered as long as they fall within one of the following categories: Land Reclamation, Community Recycling, Public Amenities and Parks, Biodiversity or Historic Buildings. Charities, community councils, church or community organisations and voluntary groups can apply for funding as long as they are operated on a not-for-profit

basis and have a formal constitution and bank account; Local Authorities can also apply. Eligible applications will be for projects costing less than £500,000 in total and that are targeted on a specific site at a single location.

Deadline: 28th February 2018 <http://www.wren.org.uk/apply/fcc-scottish-action-fund>

26. Grow Wild - Community Project Fund

Grow Wild is awarding funding of £2,000 or £4,000 to community groups that want to bring people together through activities that connect their community and celebrate UK native wild flowers, plants and/or fungi. Your project should stand out from the crowd and engage one or more of these groups: young people aged 12-18; students and young people aged 18-25; people living in urban areas; people experiencing hardship and reduced access to services; adults that are less engaged with their community and environmental activities.

Deadline: 15th January 2018 <https://www.growwilduk.com/project-funding>

27. CSV Local Nature Reserve Awards

Offer up to £500 for activities taking place on LNRs which encourage volunteer involvement and bring new volunteers onto the reserve. Activities could involve wildlife recording and education, raising profile of the site and protecting and enhancing biodiversity. We will prioritise applications from community or 'Friends of' groups. Events should involve the local Ranger Service or LNR Managers.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://actionearth.csv.org.uk/apply>

28. Big Lottery Fund (Scotland) - Improving Lives

Funding for people experiencing challenges in their lives to help them overcome this and become more resilient. They want to fund activity which means people: are better able to identify solutions that enable them to take control over their lives and build resilience; are able to shape the projects and services they use to better meet their needs; have more access to support and opportunities to improve their lives. Public, community or charitable organisations may apply.

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

29. Rayne Foundation

Provides grants to organisations working in four main sectors – the arts, education, health and medicine, and social welfare. The Foundation has a flexible approach in its support of innovative, high quality projects, but is particularly interested in those which are of direct benefit to vulnerable and disadvantaged people or communities. It prefers projects which have potential for wider than just local application, those which are likely to encourage funding from or involvement of other organisations, and/or those which are hard to fund. There is no limit on the maximum grant but they usually support 50% of the project cost, with their average grants being £15,000. Community or charitable organisations may apply.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.raynefoundation.org.uk/our-work/grantmaking-uk>

30. Garfield Weston Foundation

Supports a broad range of organisations and activities which share a commitment to making a positive impact to the lives of the communities in which they work, and which are driven by a desire to achieve excellence. We make grants across the UK to community or charitable organisations in the following categories:

- Arts
- Education
- Youth
- Health
- Community
- Environment
- Religion
- Welfare

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.garfieldweston.org/how-to-apply/>

EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

31. The Finnis Scott Foundation

Grants are available of between £500 and £10K to UK charities and individuals in the areas of horticulture and plant sciences, as well as fine art and art history. The Trust places an emphasis and interest on work helping train young professionals.

Deadline: 15th December 2017 <https://www.finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

32. Adopt an Apprentice

Adopt an Apprentice and not only will your business benefit from a skilled trainee, but you will also receive a financial incentive. The financial incentive will help cover wage and recruitment costs of taking on a Modern Apprentice who has been made redundant from another employer. For businesses in the oil and gas industry, the financial incentive is £5,000. For businesses in all other industries the incentive is £2,000. Public, community or charitable organisations may apply.

Applications may be submitted at any time

<https://www.ourskillsforce.co.uk/funding-and-support/adopt-an-apprentice/>

ENERGY, RENEWABLES AND RECYCLING

33. Low Carbon Travel and Transport Challenge Fund

Transport Scotland's Low Carbon Travel and Transport Challenge Fund is now open for Round 2 applications. Energy Saving Trust administers the fund on behalf of Transport Scotland. Public, community and third sector organisations can apply for funding under the European Regional Development Fund 2014-2020 Programme to facilitate the delivery of active travel and low carbon transport hubs. Following the first round of funding awards, there remains £2.25 million of uncommitted ERDF funds to invest in projects from the Highlands and Islands (H&I) area and £2.15 million of ERDF funds for projects from the Lowlands and Uplands (LUPS) area of Scotland. Transport Scotland (TS) is also making available a limited amount of funding - up to £1 million - to support a proportion of the funding requirements of projects, subject to its 2018/19 budget being confirmed. Transport Scotland has made the following changes to the criteria for the second funding call:

- Total eligible project costs are set at a minimum of £250,000 and a maximum of £2 million.
- Applications are required to provide match for the TS/ERDF funding. Applicants in H&I can apply for up to 80% and applicants in LUPS can apply for up to 70% of their total eligible project costs. These limits include an ERDF intervention rate up to 70% ERDF for H&I and up to 40% for LUPS. The H&I intervention rate (up to 70%) is subject to European Commission approval.
- Path-only applications will be considered provided they can demonstrate that the path works are of sufficient scale and strategic importance, supporting every day functional trips.

Deadline: 19th January 2018

<http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/businesses-organisations/transport/low-carbon-travel-and-transport-challenge-fund>

34. Central Scotland Green Network - Development Fund

The fund aids the development and implementation of projects delivering the Central Scotland Green Network on the ground. Projects should deliver at least one of the following priorities: Woodlands; Community Food Growing; Strategic Routes; Active Travel. In addition, projects that contribute to greening of vacant or derelict land and community growing, environmental or access improvements in disadvantaged communities will be prioritised. The CSGN Development Fund is managed by the Central Scotland Green Network Trust, with funding provided by Forestry Commission Scotland, Scottish Natural Heritage, Transport Scotland and the Scottish Government.

Deadline: 5th February 2018

<http://www.centralscotlandgreennetwork.org/resources/funding/csgn-development-fund>

35. 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: 1st May 2018 <http://www.national-aquarium.co.uk/marine-conservation/grant-opportunities/>

36. AquaFund

AquaFund® is ADSM's multi-million-pound grant which is designed to enable organisations to make water efficiencies and financial savings. The AquaFund® Scheme will provide the cash, the resources and the expertise to drive down your water costs: public, community or charitable organisations can apply.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.adsm.com/aquafund/>

37. Local Energy Scotland Start-Up Grant for Community Groups

Are you in the early stages of thinking about a community renewable energy project and not sure where to start? CARES provides grant funding to help towards the start-up costs of feasibility studies, community consultation and other preparatory costs. Up to £10,000 is available for community groups to fund non-capital aspects of a project. You may wish to look at what is feasible in your area, learn what other groups have undertaken, or develop a plan for a community benefit income stream from a local renewable energy project. These should be early stage activities without which the installations would not be able to go ahead. Before applying for CARES funding we recommend [reviewing your ideas with our team](#) and also looking to other sources of funding for early stage community capacity building activity. Public, community or charitable organisations may apply.

Applications may be submitted at any time

<http://www.localenergyscotland.org/communities/generating-your-own-electricity/financial-support/start-up-grant-for-community-groups/>

38. Local Energy Scotland Pre-Planning Loans

The Pre-Planning Loan provides support to community applicants taking forward plans for renewable energy generation schemes on land they own or could lease from a land owner. This loan will cover up to 95% of pre-planning costs such as Environmental Impact Assessments and technical feasibility studies. The maximum loan per entity is £150,000. Applicants must contribute a minimum of 5% and must fund any recoverable VAT. Credit checks are undertaken, but security is not required. We know not all projects will lead to local energy generation and if your project does not progress due to failure to gain planning consent or other major obstacles then the loan can be written off. Interest is charged at 10% per annum from the date of each drawdown. You can access an [Expression of Interest Form](#) [here](#) or to find out more about CARES loans please [contact your local development officer](#). Public, community or charitable organisations may apply.

Applications are competitive and will be taken until funds are fully allocated.

<http://www.localenergyscotland.org/communities/generating-your-own-electricity/financial-support/pre-planning-loans/>

39. BEIS Investing in Building Thermal Efficiency Innovation Fund

The objective of the Thermal Efficiency Innovation Fund is to support, through capital grants, the development and demonstration of innovative technologies, processes and business models that can be widely deployed to improve the thermal efficiency of existing UK buildings. The Fund will consider proposals that enable the installation of existing or new measures in buildings with solid walls or buildings that have previously been difficult / expensive to treat. All forms of insulation including insulation of roofs, walls, floors, and systems approaches to address particular difficult-to-treat aspects of improving building thermal efficiency are in-scope, provided they improve the energy performance of the building. New ways of installing existing technologies that reduce cost and/or improve performance are in scope. Controls and other technologies which can reduce energy consumption within buildings are also within scope of the call. Innovative technologies, processes and business models are eligible for support and applicants may apply for a grant of £200,000 to £2 million. Only one proposal per applicant may be submitted. Innovative technologies, processes and business models are eligible for support and applicants may apply for a grant of £200,000 to £2 million. Only one proposal per applicant may be submitted. The scheme is open to UK-based:

- SMEs
- private sector organisations irrespective of size
- collaborative proposals
- Universities and Public Sector Research organisations.

Deadline: Registration is required by 12th December 2017

Applications should be submitted by 2nd January 2018

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/innovations-in-the-built-environment#investing-in-building-thermal-efficiency-innovation>

40. Electric Vehicle Loan (Scotland)

The interest-free Electric Vehicle Loan, funded by Transport Scotland (an agency of the Scottish Government), currently offers drivers in Scotland loans of:

- up to £35,000 to cover the cost of purchasing a new pure electric / plug-in hybrid vehicle
- up to £10,000 to cover the cost of purchasing a new electric motorcycle or scooter

The loan has a repayment term of up to six years. Loans are available for residents in Scotland to help with the cost of buying a new electric or plug-in hybrid vehicle. An electric car can be powered, in part or full, by a battery that can be plugged directly into mains electricity. The main types of electric car are:

- Pure-EV
- Plug-in hybrid EV (PHEV)
- Extended range EV (E-REV)

Loans are only available, and can only be used, for the purchase of a new pure electric and plug-in hybrid vehicle by an individual (not any firm or company) whose principal residence is in Scotland. With the exception of an initial deposit, applicants must not have made any other payment towards the purchase of the vehicle before receiving a loan offer under this programme as funding is not provided retrospectively.

Deadline: 1st March 2018 <http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/grants-loans/electric-vehicle-loan>

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 / Tel No 01546 604899 for more information.

EUROPEAN FUNDING

41. 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 LEADER funding round has now closed and dates for 2018 funding rounds will be announced shortly. The Argyll and the Islands LEADER LAG is part-financed by the Scottish Government and the European Community LEADER 2014-2020 programme.

42. ERDF Circular Economy Investment Fund for Resource Efficiency in Scotland

The Circular Economy Investment Fund is an £18 million grant funding opportunity for businesses and organisations in Scotland working in all business and social economy sectors, who are helping to create a more circular economy. Proposals are invited from small to medium-sized enterprises (fewer than 250 employees/turnover less than €50 million) and non-profit organisations. Funding is aimed at SMEs that require a minimum grant investment of £50,000 with up to £1 million available for higher value applications. Proposals for funding will be considered for new circular economy products; development and adoption of innovative business models for new circular economy products and services; and development/uptake of innovative technologies, products and services to support a circular economy.

Applications are accepted on a first come first served basis and the fund closes 31st December 2017
<http://www.zerowastescotland.org.uk/content/circular-economy-investment-fund-and-service>

43. ERDF Low Carbon Travel and Transport Programme

Transport Scotland and Energy Saving Trust second funding call for the Low Carbon Travel and Transport Challenge fund is now open. Public, community, and third sector organisations can apply for funding to facilitate delivery of active travel and low carbon transport hubs. Organisations in Highlands and Islands area of Argyll and Bute can bid for up to 80% of total eligible project costs (this ERDF intervention rate for H&I is subject to European Commission approval). The remaining project costs must be provided through match funding and projects costs can be between £250,000 and £2million. Projects must be completed by December 2019.

Deadline: 19th January 2018

<http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/businesses-organisations/transport/low-carbon-travel-and-transport-challenge-fund>

44. Northern Periphery and Arctic Programme (2014 -2020)

The Northern Periphery and Arctic Transnational Cooperation Programme has opened its fifth call for project proposals. The call for preparatory projects is still open and on-going. The Highlands and Islands area of Argyll and Bute is eligible under this programme and the call is open for all priority axes below:

1. Using Innovation to Maintain And Develop Robust And Competitive Communities
2. Promoting Entrepreneurship to Realise the Potential of the Programme Area's Competitive Advantage
3. Fostering Energy-Secure Communities through Promotion of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
4. Protecting, Promoting and Developing Cultural and Natural Heritage

Terms of Reference have been formulated encouraging applicants to address specific actions, target groups, and sectors.

Deadline for project submission: 28th February 2018

Decision date: 13th June 2018

More information about the Programme can be found at: <http://www.interreg-npa.eu/news/fifth-call-pre-announcement/> or by contacting the regional contact point for the Highlands and Islands Kateryna McKinnon, Kateryna.mckinnon@hient.co.uk

FUNDING FOR DIGITAL PROJECTS

45. Tech for Good to Run for a Third Time

Comic Relief and Paul Hamlyn Foundation have joined together once again to offer a funding and support package to an estimated 12 projects in 2018. The programme is offering grant funding for nine months alongside access to technical expertise and an intensive support programme between July 2018 and March 2019. To access this support, applicants need to be not-for-profit organisations based, and providing services, in the UK with proposals that focus on Comic Relief's four strategy themes (Investing in Children and Young People; Empowering Women and Girls; Building Stronger Communities; and Improving Health and Wellbeing). The funding is for projects at any stage of development, with solid user-centred research, a clear problem to address, and a compelling digital solution to achieving this. The technology may be simple or cutting edge. The funding is for new products and services that can be shared with the wider not-for-profit sector.

Deadline: 20th December 2017

<https://www.comicrelief.com/apply-for-grants/open-grants-initiatives/tech-for-good-2018>

46. Vulcanus in Japan Programme Accepting Applications for 2018-19 Session

The Vulcanus in Japan programme consists of industrial placements for EU students of engineering or science. It starts in September and ends in August of the following year in order to accommodate the academic year in EU Member States. The programme aims to contribute to the improvement and stimulation of industrial cooperation and to better mutual understanding between Japan and the EU. Students will:

- Study the range of advanced technologies employed by a leading Japanese host company.
- Learn Japanese and understand and appreciate Japanese culture with a view to an enriching one-year experience abroad.
- Be well placed in a future career to interact with Japanese businesses and people.

Students are awarded a grant of ¥1.9 million to cover the cost of travel to and from Japan and living expenses in Japan. There is no charge for the language course and seminar, and accommodation is provided free of charge during the course and seminar and the company traineeship. The 2018-2019 Session will run from 1st September 2018 to 30th August 2019.

Deadline: 20th January 2018 <http://www.eu-japan.eu/events/vulcanus-japan>

47. Funding to Develop Digital Platforms to Address Social Challenges

The fund provides grants of between £15,000 and £30,000 and aims to support early stage organisations to develop and apply digital platforms to address a social challenge." The theme of the fund this year is "prevention"; recognising the pressure on local authorities and other public-sector organisations. Nesta is inviting EOIs from people with ideas that use digital platforms to relieve pressure on existing public services. Example areas might include: Connecting the elderly, addressing transport poverty, sharing community resources, reducing waste and improving sustainability, supporting communities to help themselves, supporting people with low level care needs, encouraging children to learn and play, addressing anxiety and mental health issues in young people and tackling

homelessness. Funding can be used to cover direct staff costs, related staff costs and learning and development/user research.

Deadline: Expression of Interest 5th January 2018 <https://www.nesta.org.uk/sharelab-fund>

48. Barclays Fast Growth Tech Fund

Barclays has launched a £100 million debt finance fund to help fast growing UK technology businesses rival their US counterparts. By providing the funding it is hoped this will enable technology firms to focus on areas typically seen as more risky by equity investors, like R&D, sales and marketing, without having to give away any equity in the company. Applicants are advised to contact the funding provider to discuss eligibility in the first instance.

Applications may be submitted at any time <https://www.mygov.scot/barclays-fast-growth-tech-fund/>

49. Scottish Enterprise R&D / Feasibility Support Grant

A grant to help you undertake technical feasibility studies and research and development (R&D) projects with a commercial endpoint. Your project must exhibit:

- An advance in technological innovation for the UK industry or sector concerned
- The technical risks and challenges associated with defining and developing the technology

You must be able to demonstrate:

- That you own, or have rights to exploit, the intellectual property required to undertake the project
- All intellectual property developed throughout the project will be owned by the company receiving grant funding
- How commercial prospects for the end product or process will be achieved, with realistic and effective routes to market
- That you have the necessary management and technical expertise and resources (either in-house or brought-in) to make the project a success
- That both the project and the business are financially viable
- That financial assistance from SMART: SCOTLAND is essential

Small or medium sized businesses, university spin-outs or an individual, based, or planning to set up, in Scotland.

Applications may be submitted at any time

<https://www.scottish-enterprise.com/services/develop-new-products-and-services/smart-scotland/overview>

50. Transform Foundation Website and Digital Support

Each £18,000 grant covers strategy, design and development to build an amazing website. The grant covers 100% of the upfront costs. Your organisation will only need to fund ongoing costs. Public, community or charitable organisations may apply

Applications may be submitted at any time <https://www.transformfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-funding>

GENERAL FUNDING

51. Commonwealth Foundation

The Commonwealth Foundation's mission is to support civic voices to share their stories, learn and act together and influence the institutions that shape people's lives. They will support projects that strengthen civic voice so that it: is more effective in holding governance institutions to account; enhances involvement in policy processes; shapes public discourse. Your project should address one or both of the following two areas and may include the use of creative expression to achieve project aims: stronger civic voice engaging in policy processes to hold government to account; public discourse more reflective of less-heard voices.

Deadline: 3rd January 2017 <https://commonwealthfoundation.com/submit/>

52. Corra Foundation - Scottish Government Malawi Development Programme

International development is a key part of Scotland's global contribution within the international community. This funding round relates to projects specifically for work in Malawi, which would cover one or more elements, as provided by the Government of Malawi: health; civil society and governance; education (general and higher education); sustainable economic development (which includes renewable energy).

Deadline: 26th January 2018

<https://www.corra.scot/grant-programmes/scottish-government-Malawi-development-programmes/>

53. Polden-Puckham Charitable Foundation

The Foundation offers grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 per year, for up to three years, for pioneering and practical projects that address the Foundation's main areas of interest which are:

- Peace and Security - The Foundation supports the development of ways of resolving violent conflicts peacefully, and of addressing their underlying causes.
- Environmental Sustainability - The Foundation supports work that addresses the pressures and conditions that risk global environmental breakdown.

Registered charities that are working to influence policy, attitudes and values at a national or international level can apply. These may be single issue groups working to achieve a particular change, or organisations with a broader remit. Particular consideration is given to small pioneering headquarters organisations. The financial support is intended for UK registered charities for whom the grant would represent between 5% and 50% of their annual income. Organisations or projects that are not UK registered charities will be considered if they can indicate a UK registered charity that is able to receive funds on their behalf.

Deadline: 9th February 2018 <https://www.polden-puckham.org.uk/how-to-apply-report>

54. The Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust

Through the Trust, grants are available to projects of significance to horticulture (or botany with a strong horticultural content) and education for horticulture. The types of activities that can be funded include gardeners' training schemes run by appropriate organisations; restoring gardens of historic interest; developing new gardens for public access and enjoyment; exhibitions, book publications, research and educational programmes relating to horticulture; expeditions to collect and protect plants of scientific and horticultural value; and study-visits by horticulturists or botanists with strong horticultural links.

Deadline: 15th February 2018 <http://www.grantsforhorticulturists.org.uk/Smith.html>

55. Grants of £50,000 Available to Support the Armed Forces Community

Grants of up to £50,000 are available to any not-for-profit or non-statutory organisation running, or planning, charitable activities in support of the Armed Forces community. Priority will be given to projects or services supporting the following outcome themes: Employment and training; Family support; Homelessness and outreach; and Supporting the elderly. Organisations successful at Stage 1 of the application process will be invited to submit a Stage 2 application. The deadline for Stage 2 applications is the 2nd April 2018 with decisions to be confirmed in June 2018.

Deadline: 26th January 2018 <https://britishlegion.flexigrant.com/>

56. Mickel Fund - £500 - £10,000

If your charity deals with any of the following you will be considered for funding; Age Concern, Animal Welfare, Cancer Care, Cancer research, Children & Youth Support, Education/Outreach, Hospices, Housing & Homelessness, Injuries, Medical Assistance, Music/Culture, Medical Research, Veterans, World Wide Appeal Based Projects. Donations can take the form of core funding including salaries and general running costs, project grants or capital grants for building or equipment.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.mickelfund.org.uk/>

57. A E B Charitable Trust

The AEB Charitable Trust presently makes grant of £1,000 - £10,000 to charities in support of the following: The promotion of interests of wildlife, ecology and nature; The advancement of health, in particular, research into and treatment of Alzheimer's and the care of the confused elderly; The support of museums and galleries, music and the arts in Scotland; Assistance to the infirm, the emergency services, disabled and retired members of the Armed Forces.

Deadline: 31st January 2017 <http://www.turcanconnell.com/the-aeb-charitable-trust/>

HEALTH

58. The Robertson Trust - Open Grants

The Trust provides funding to third sector organisations to deliver positive outcomes for the individuals and communities that they work with through three funding strands. Care and Wellbeing seeks to improve people's physical and mental health including: ensuring the best quality of life for Scotland's vulnerable adults, including those

directly or indirectly affected by dementia; improving the health and wellbeing of children & young people affected by mental and/or physical ill health; supporting adults with life limiting, long term health conditions or disability to overcome barriers and remain involved with their communities. Realising Potential addresses social and educational inequalities in children and young people including: enabling young people to realise their potential; supporting "at risk" young people to make positive choices; broadening horizons and nurturing talents among Scotland's young people. Strengthening Communities looks for solutions which address local need including: reducing health and social inequalities in Scotland's communities; supporting people and communities to find routes out of poverty; empowering communities.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/what-we-fund>

59. Life Changes Trust – Get Outdoors Fund

We are looking for proposals that will provide people with dementia with a high degree of choice and control and that are not overly prescriptive. The funding is for any organisation, community or enterprise and could be used to benefit people living with dementia in their own home, in a care home, a hospital or any other setting. In order to do this, the Trust is offering Awards of up to £15,000 to be spent over a timescale of up to 2 years (starting from April 2018). Applications must be made via the Trust's online application portal.

Deadline: 12th January 2018 <https://www.tfaforms.com/4639718>

60. Life Changes Trust - LGBTi Communities and Dementia

The Trust has made a commitment to increase understanding about the particular issues that people from certain 'protected characteristic' groups may face when they are affected by dementia. In order to do this, the Trust is offering awards of between £15,000 and £50,000, to be spent over a timescale of up to 2 years (starting from April 2018). The Trust are looking specifically for projects focusing on LGBTi Communities and Dementia. Projects must actively engage people living with dementia or people caring for someone who lives with dementia. Applications must be made via the Trust's online application portal.

Deadline: 12th January 2018 <https://www.tfaforms.com/4639770>

61. Life Changes Trust – Rights Made Real in Care Homes

The Trust wants to invest in work that will make rights real for people with dementia living in care homes. By investing in strong projects, a strong portfolio of evaluated projects will be available for others to learn from. We plan on funding approximately fifteen projects between 2018 and 2020. The Trust, in partnership with Scottish Care, is seeking applications from care homes in Scotland. The care home must demonstrate that it can run a project (or similar) that will actively promote the rights of residents living with dementia. You can apply for up to £20,000 to be spent over a period of up to 24 months. In the application the care home must show which of the new Health and Social Care Standards will be better realised through the project. You should also outline any human rights or equalities legislation/conventions that would be engaged by the project.

Deadline: 9th March 2018 <http://www.lifechangestrust.org.uk/people-affected-by-dementia/funding-opportunities-0>

62. Grants to Support Activities in Education and Health

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to registered charities for projects that improve education and health for young people in four key areas: Children and young people with disabilities, Children and young people in hospital: Employability and training programmes for disadvantaged young people: Life-limited children and young people requiring palliative care. The Foundation is a small charity and generally will not make awards of over £30,000 (per year). Funding can be requested for one-off projects or for up to 2 years work. Applications from schools and hospitals are welcomed as long as they are made through an appropriate registered charity.

Deadline: 6th February 2018 <http://dmthomasfoundation.org/what-we-do/grants/dmtf-central-grants/>

63. Alcohol Research UK Funding Research Innovation Grants

Alcohol Research UK is continuing its priority theme, Treatment and Recovery Today, but is committing extra funding to the programme to reflect the potential costs of building public involvement into the design and delivery of funded project. The programme now offers grants of up to £75,000 for projects that address emerging issues in alcohol research, employ novel theoretical or methodological approaches, or pilot new work in treatment or service delivery. In particular, proposals that address one or more of the following areas are encouraged:

- Mental health issues and dual diagnosis.
- Needs assessment and response to demand.

- Pathways through, and barriers to, treatment and recovery.
- Health or social inequalities and access to/experiences of treatment and recovery support.
- Experiences of minority groups or hard-to-reach communities.
- Understanding the 'active ingredients' in treatment and recovery.
- The impact of economic pressures/sector restructuring on service provision.

Applications will be accepted from researchers who are employed in the UK by organisations such as universities, colleges, other academic institutions, local authorities, voluntary organisations, police, probation and health authorities. Applicants should read the Research Strategy before applying for the programme.

Deadline: 16th January 2018 <http://alcoholresearchuk.org/grants/>

64. The Wolfson Foundation

The Wolfson Foundation funds new buildings, refurbishments and equipment for a range of organisations delivering excellent care and support. This funding tends to focus on enhancing care, providing better opportunities and improving quality of life. The Foundation has awarded over £35 million to more than 200 different organisations over the last ten years. The Foundation's funding in this area is focussed on three themes:

1. Palliative Care and Hospices
2. Older People
3. Transitions and Independence

The size of these grants varies from around £15,000 to £100,000. Larger grants are given to key, strategic projects deemed ambitious and well thought-out, with a clear long-term focus. Charities are encouraged not to apply more than once every five years. Match funding is required for projects over £50,000. We encourage applications from all parts of the UK, especially regions that have few alternative sources of funding. National organisations with a federated or membership structure are asked to contact the main fundraising team for the overall organisation if they are considering the Wolfson Foundation as a funding source.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.wolfson.org.uk/funding/health-and-disability/>

LAND AND PROPERTY

65. 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 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>

66. National Churches Trust - Maintenance Grants

This is a pilot programme, in partnership with the Pilgrim Trust, offering awards to encourage churches to act on small, urgent maintenance issues and repairs to listed church buildings, as identified in a recent Quinquennial Inspection Report, condition survey or report by a gutter management contractor, and costed between £1,000 and £10,000. Proposed works must be to the main listed church building, and applicants must be able to show they have already raised 50% of the total repair costs, and to have obtained two quotes for the works.

Deadline: 24th January 2018 <https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/our-grants/maintenance-grants>

67. Funding to Help Churches Develop High Quality Sustainable Repair and Community Projects

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to support churches of any Christian denomination to develop high quality sustainable repair and community projects. Priority during 2018 will be given to applications from the North East of England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales, as well as from Baptist and Presbyterian churches. Buildings must have been built as churches originally and 50% of the funds needed must be in place. The funding can be used to diagnose issues affecting the church; test the viability of proposed solutions to improve sustainability; and develop

guiding policies and plans that will be implemented through an application to the Heritage Lottery Fund, or other large church heritage funders.

Deadline: 10th January 2017 <https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/node/4401>

68. Funding to Regenerate Historic Buildings

Charities, not for profit companies, CICs, Parish and Town councils can apply for funding to assist with the costs of developing and co-ordinating a project which helps to find a sustainable use for an historic building and takes it towards the start of work on site. The grants are intended to support project development costs only and not for on-site capital works. The AHF also makes Project Viability Grants (PVG) of up to £5,000 to fund studies to look at potential uses for a building and at its current condition.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://ahfund.org.uk/grant/>

69. Architectural Heritage Fund Heritage Mortgage Scheme

The Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF), an independent charity, encourages and supports the work of organisations dedicated to the preservation and renewal of buildings of architectural and historic significance which have failed to find a viable re-use on the open market. Through the new Heritage Mortgage Scheme the AHF is offering mortgage-style loans of between £150,000 and £500,000 over terms of between 10 and 20 years (30 in exceptional circumstances) to assist registered charities and not-for-profit organisations in the UK to acquire buildings, or provide working capital for restoration projects. All AHF loans are typically fixed at 4-6% but can be linked to Base Rate. The AHF can normally lend applicants up to 70% of the estimated open market resale value of any acceptable property or land over which it takes a first charge. If this is the project building for which the loan is required, it can lend up to 70% of the property's estimated "end value" (the projected value once work has been completed).

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://ahfund.org.uk/the/>

SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION

70. Funding for Breakfast Clubs

Schools based in England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland can apply for grants of up to £1,000 to support Breakfast Clubs through the Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants Programme. The aim of the programme is to provide breakfast to those children who need it most. A limited number of grants are available so priority will be given to schools that have 40% and above of children eligible for pupil premium funding. Only one grant per school in each academic year is available. All schools that apply to the Kellogg's Breakfast Club Grants Programme will be automatically signed up to the Kellogg's Breakfast Club Network. Through the Breakfast Club Network, Kellogg's will contact you with offers and information to help your Breakfast Club. Schools can apply for an award at any date and you will hear within one month if you have been successful. If you are unsure about any of the above or have any other queries then please contact Forever Manchester on 0044 161 214 0940 or e-mail kelloggs@forevermanchester.com

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://forevermanchester.com/kelloggs-breakfast-club-programme/>

71. School Grants to Promote Physics

UK schools and colleges can apply for grants of up to £600 from the Institute of Physics for small-scale projects or events linked to the teaching or promotion of physics and engineering to pupils aged 5 - 19. Grants can be used to support a wide range of projects. This can include organising a school based science week or extracurricular activities such as a science club. Alternatively, schools and colleges may want to use the funding to organise a careers event or a visit from a working physicist or engineer.

Deadline: 1st February 2018 http://www.iop.org/about/grants/school/page_38824.html

72. Nineveh Charitable Trust

The trust supports a broad range of UK-based projects and activities of benefit to the General Public, with an emphasis on promoting better understanding of the environment and countryside, whilst facilitating improved access, education and research. They also want to encourage schools' interactions with the countryside and farming as a part of their STEM curriculum. The trust are keen to receive more applications from Scotland.

Applications may be submitted at any time <https://www.ninevehtrust.org.uk/how-to-apply/>

73. Funding for Projects that Support Disadvantaged Young People

The Trust awards grants to registered charities (including schools pre-schools and PTAs) that help, support and advance the wellbeing of disadvantaged children and young people up to the age of 21 years. Applications from self-help organisations and charities requiring seed corn funding or pump priming for the development of more extensive fund-raising initiatives are preferred, as are specific project funding requests rather than contributions to broader appeals.

Deadline: 1st May 2018 <http://www.wessexyouthtrust.org.uk/grant-applications.php>

74. Heart of Experia Charity Fund

Schools, charities and community groups can apply for grants of up to £5,000 for projects with a charitable purpose which benefit the community as a whole. The Fund is particularly interested in supporting projects whose aims relate to financial inclusion, financial education, entrepreneurship or developing skills useful in business. The funding must also make the project or group more sustainable. To be eligible to apply for funding the applicant organisation must have had a gross income of £500,000 or less in the most recent full financial year; have a written constitution and a management committee; and have unrestricted reserves that are less than 6 months' running costs.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.charityfund.org.uk/who-we-are/>

75. Funding for Schools to Purchase Musical Equipment

Schools in the UK, that wish to purchase musical instruments and equipment can apply for funding of up to £2,000 through the EMI Music Sound Foundation's Instrument and/or Equipment Awards. To date the Foundations has made awards to over two thousand schools, individual students and teachers improve their access to music through the purchase or upgrade of musical instruments and equipment. The funding has to be made for music education that is beyond statutory national curriculum music teaching. The Foundation cannot fund retrospectively and schools are not eligible for financial assistance under this scheme if they have already purchased their instruments or if they do so before their application has been approved.

Deadline: 31st January 2018 <http://www.emimusicfoundation.com/index.php/site/awards/>

76. Bright Ideas Challenge for Schools

Secondary school students, aged 11-14, across Great Britain are being given the opportunity to win Prizes for their school by imagining what cities could look like in 2050. Organised by Shell; the Bright Ideas Challenge invites students to imagine how cities of the future might be powered. The winning team could win up to £5,000 to enable their school to super-size its science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) offering. Prizes include individual prizes of £30 Science Museum Vouchers, 6 £750 Mini-Prizes, £1,500 Regional and £2,500 National Champion Awards and £1,000 Finalists Awards. An 'Early Bird Prize Draw' to win a facilitated STEM workshop will be held for all schools submitting a fully qualifying entry before 19th January 2018. A funded VIP London experience at Make the Future Live is also part of the overall prize. Entries must be submitted by a teacher at a school in England, Scotland or Wales on behalf of a team of 2 - 5 individuals at that school.

Deadline: 27th April 2018

<http://www.shell.co.uk/energy-and-innovation/make-the-future/live/schools/bright-ideas-challenge.html#iframe=L2ZvcmlzL2JyaWdodF9pZGVhc19jaGFsbGVuZ2VfcmVnaXN0cmF0aW9uXzlwMTg=>

SPORT FUNDING

77. Funding to Grow Community Tennis

Clubs, local authorities and educational institutions (schools, colleges and universities, etc.) have the opportunity to come together with other local partner organisations to apply for capital funding to create a community tennis network in their area. The funding is being provided through the Lawn Tennis Associations £125 million Transforming British Tennis Together Programme. The overall aim of the programme is to get more people playing tennis at a grassroots level by providing: accessible facilities where people can play come rain or shine, people to operate these facilities and an easy way for players to find and book courts. There is no upper limit to the amount that can be bid for and for each successful bid, the programme will provide up to 50% of the necessary funding, around half of which will come in the form of a grant and the remaining half as an interest free loan. There will be two application rounds each year for the next ten years. Organisations struggling to find local partners can apply for funding through the Growing the Game fund. The Growing the Game fund is for single venues who want to help more people from their local community to play tennis and will fund up to 50% of each project (just like the

Transforming British Tennis Together fund), however this will be primarily issued in the form of an interest free loan.
Deadline: 28th February 2018 <https://www.lta.org.uk/venue-management/facilities-advice/>

78. Cycling Scotland Development Grants

Development grants of up to £20,000 are available to support and enable delivery of initiatives and projects that will lead to more communities receiving the Cycle Friendly Community Award. Community or charitable organisations may apply.

Applications may be submitted at any time

<http://www.cyclingscotland.org/our-projects/award-schemes/cycle-friendly-community-project/cycle-friendly-community-award>

YOUNG PEOPLE

79. Funding for Events to Celebrate the Year of Young People (Scotland)

As part of the **Year of Young People 2018**, Young Scot is working in partnership with EventScotland to establish a new fund. Create18 is open to groups of young people from across Scotland aged 8-26 who can apply to receive funding of between £250 and £1,000 for events they would like to run in the Year of Young People 2018. Create18 events could be anything from film festivals, gigs, theatre and dance performances, to art exhibitions, sports competitions, fashion shows and nature trails. The themes for 2018 are

- **Participation** - looking at how young people can influence public services and decisions which affect their lives;
- **Education** - creating a stronger role for young people in shaping their learning; Health and Wellbeing - supporting young people to lead healthier, active lives;
- **Equality and Discrimination** - broadcasting the value of young Scots, challenging negative perceptions of young people, and supporting young people to take leading roles in challenging discrimination in all its forms;
- **Enterprise and Regeneration** - celebrating young people's role in innovation, entrepreneurship
- **Scottish; and Culture** - celebrating young people's talent and contribution to Scottish culture and arts.

Deadline: 22nd January 2018 <https://young.scot/yoyp2018/yoyp-articles/create18-fund/>

80. DM Thomas Foundation for Young People

Funds activities which work in the areas of education or health with; Children and Young People with disabilities; Children and Young People who are sick in hospital; and Children and Young People who are life limited (in palliative care). Open to registered charities.

Deadline: 6th February 2018 <http://dmthomasfoundation.org/what-we-do/grants/dmtf-central-grants/>

81. Youthlink Scotland - CashBack for Communities Youth Work Fund

The CashBack for Communities Youth Work Fund aims build the capacity of young people and the youth work organisations who work to support them. They welcome proposals for the delivery of targeted youth work activity programmes which provide diversionary youth work activities for young people aged 10 to 24 who face one or more forms of disadvantage as listed below: 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: 15th December 2017

<https://www.youthlinkscotland.org/funding/cashback-for-communities/cashback-for-communities-youth-work-fund/>

82. Funding to Help Creative Young People Shine

Young people or groups of young people who need financial help in developing their talent within the creative industry can apply for grants of between £50 and £600 through the Nurturing Talent - Time to Shine Fund. Funding will be awarded to those young people who demonstrate enthusiasm, ambition and talent in their chosen field and who would benefit from financial help to develop this further. Individual applicants and groups of individuals can apply. Funding is available to young people aged between 14 and 20 who live in Scotland and wish to develop their talent in Drama; Dance; Music; Film; the Visual arts; Literature; the digital arts. Applications from professional arts organisations, schools or other educational institutions will not be accepted.

Deadline: 26th January 2018 <https://young.scot/information/learning/nurturing-talent-time-to-shine-fund/>

83. Aspirational Awards for Care Experienced Young People

The Aspirational Awards scheme is a young people-led individual grants fund which aims to empower care experienced young people to think big about their future and to reach their full potential. The scheme provides the opportunity for young people to apply for a funding award aimed at achieving their ambitions, as well as supporting their personal development to enable them to reach as high as possible in life.

Deadline: 10th December 2017 <http://www.lifechangestrust.org.uk/projects/aspirational-awards>

84. New £3 Million Fund to Benefit Lives of Young People

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE) has announced a £3 million investment to support more young people accessing and doing their DofE. The new investment is made possible thanks to £40 million of seed funding from government and the National Lottery to create the #iwill fund. The DofE is acting as a match funder and is awarding grants on behalf of the #iwill fund. The #iwill fund supports the aims of the UK-wide #iwill campaign to increase the number of people taking part in social action. This includes activities such as campaigning, fundraising and volunteering, all of which enable young people to make a positive difference to their communities. The DofE will work with established DofE centres in schools, clubs and other organisations across the UK to ensure the funding supports more disadvantaged young people in their DofE journey over the next four years and longer term. The funding will cover activities such as training for new organisations to run the DofE, equipment and transport for local groups, training for DofE Leaders and gifted participation places.

Applications may be submitted at any time <https://www.dofe.org/3m-fund-to-benefit-lives-of-young-people/>

85. Support for Environmental Outreach Education for Disadvantaged Young People

Schools, colleges and youth groups can receive up to 80% towards the costs of providing environmental outreach education for groups of disadvantaged young people through the Field Studies Council's Kids Fund. The Field Studies Council is an independent educational charity committed to raising awareness about the natural world and works through a network of residential and day Centres in the UK to provide outreach education and training. The funding is available to help young people aged 14 - 18 (25 for those with special needs) attend a course who may otherwise be excluded due to some form of disadvantage - health, mobility, deprivation or financial. One free staff/adult place is provided for every 12 young people; additional adults pay 20% +VAT. This includes all equipment, tuition and waterproof hire costs. Food and accommodation are included for residential courses.

Deadline: 1st March 2018 <http://www.field-studies-council.org/about/fsc-kids-fund/applying-to-fsc-kids-fund.aspx>