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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

Funding Alert Questionnaire 2018

The Social Enterprise Team wish to thank everyone who responded to our recent questionnaire. In response to your comments we have listed imminent deadlines at the beginning of each topic. We have kept the name of the fund red to make it easier for you to identify funds which have a short window for applications. We hope you will find this helpful and we welcome your feedback. The Social Enterprise Team can be contacted at Tel: **01369 708547** thirdsectorenquiries@argyll-bute.gov.uk

ARTS AND CULTURE

1. Women Make Music Grants

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to support the development of outstanding women songwriters and composers of all genres and backgrounds at different stages of their career. The funding is available to support touring, recording, promotion and marketing, community projects involving high-quality music creators, music creator residencies and live performances featuring new UK music.

Deadline: 11th June 2018

<http://prsfoundation.com/funding-support/funding-music-creators/all-career-levels/women-make-music-2/>

2. The Elephant Trust

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 of up to £5,000 may be considered.

Deadline: 25th June 2018 <http://elephanttrust.org.uk/docs/intro.html>

3. Write4Film – Call for Entries

Write4Film is a professional development programme for Scottish-based writers currently working in other mediums and interested in making the transition to writing for screen. Write4Film is delivered by Scottish Film Talent Network with Script and Story Editor Anna Seifert-Speck. Following a successful first year of Write4Film, SFTN are again searching for exciting and bold writers with a successful track record in theatre, literature or radio to participate in a programme of workshops that will support their move to screenwriting. Up to eight writers will be selected and will finish the programme with a short film screenplay and feature treatment ideally positioned to apply to SFTN's Emerging Talent Shorts or First Feature Development fund.

Deadline: 2nd July 2018 <http://www.scottishfilmtalent.com/write4film-2/>

4. New Writers Awards 2019

The New Writers Awards offer an opportunity for early-stage writers in Scotland to develop their professional writing. Selected awardees will receive:

- a £2,000 cash award, allowing them to focus on their work;
- tailored personal development opportunities, which can include mentoring from writers and industry professionals;
- training in PR, performance and presentation training;
- the opportunity to showcase work to publishers and agents; and
- a week-long retreat offering time, space and the freedom to create new work "in pleasant surroundings".

New writers who are aged over 18 are eligible to apply, providing they are based in Scotland and can demonstrate a strong commitment to developing a career in writing.

Deadline: 4th July 2018

<http://scottishbooktrust.com/writing/scottish-book-trust-training-awards/new-writers-awards/apply-now>

5. Filmbank Media - Innovation Fund 2018

The aim of the Filmbankmedia Innovation Fund is to enable two new film societies or community screening groups to make a real impact within their community through the medium of film. Examples of how the Fund could be used may include special film screening programmes for seniors or youth groups; launching film workshops; for screening equipment; delivering a marketing initiative or to implement educational programmes in local schools.

Deadline: 31st July 2018 <https://www.filmbankmedia.com/licences/stsl/innovation-fund/>

6. John Brabourne Awards

Awards of up to £5,000 are available. The scheme has a small, limited annual budget and so between eight and twelve awards are usually made during each application round. Successful applicants will also benefit from professional support and talent development from The Cinema and Television Benevolent Fund (CTBF). In the past, grants have been awarded to cover the following costs:

- Production and development finance
- Post production and festival distribution
- Living and travel expenses
- Childcare
- Tuition fees
- Short training programmes
- Secondments

Suitable applicants will be working in the UK film, commercial television or cinema industry in a 'behind the scenes' capacity; including the areas of publicity, finance and festival programming.

Deadline: 31st July 2018 <https://filmtvcharity.org.uk/supporting-talent/john-brabourne-awards/>

7. Esmée Fairbairn Collections

Museums, galleries and heritage organisations in the UK can apply for support for time-limited projects that use collections for a social purpose, demonstrating that collections change lives and enhance public benefit. Grants of between £20,000 and £120,000 are available for initiatives lasting up to three years that:

- Work with an existing collection or collections to improve understanding of them and increase their use.
- Involve, inspire and have impact on people, communities and audiences through that collections work.

Successful proposals will:

- Engage local communities and/or those who are not typical museum attendees, and think about social impact.
- Be developmental for the organisation or sector.
- Think about the project's legacy, even if this is hard to define at the start of the project.

Provided by the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation and administered by the Museums Association (MA), the Collections Fund will distribute £3.5 million between 2017 and 2019 and aims to draw on the learning from these projects and beyond to stimulate excellent practice across the whole sector, through open events and resources for everyone.

Deadline: 12th September 2018

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

8. Foyle Foundation - Main Grants Scheme

The Foundation supports charities registered in the United Kingdom, the dominant purpose of which is to benefit either the Arts or Learning. Arts projects should make a strong artistic case for support in performing or visual arts by: helping make arts more accessible, encouraging new work and improving arts venues. Learning projects should have a long term strategic impact. Key areas for support are libraries, museums and archives, special education needs and increasing access to learning.

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

9. Foyle Foundation - Small Grants Scheme

The Foundation supports smaller charities in the UK, especially those working at grass roots and local community level, in any field, across a wide range of activities. Grants are one-off.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/small-grants-scheme/>

BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE

10. The Prince's Countryside Fund

The Fund is seeking applications from projects that will focus on developing stronger, more sustainable farm businesses and other rural enterprises with the aim of halting the decline of the rural economy. These projects

should focus on: providing business support and advice for rural businesses including supporting farmers in financial hardship to help them improve their efficiency and/or add value to their business through the provision of on-farm business advice; facilitating the transfer of knowledge for continuous improvement of agricultural businesses in poor rural areas and providing opportunities for continuing professional development of farmers; supporting farmer led initiatives including cooperatives and producer groups aimed at adding value, reducing costs, sharing information and shortening supply chains in farming/rural areas experiencing financial hardship; providing training opportunities and apprenticeship schemes for those seeking a career in agriculture.

Deadline: 14th June 2018 <http://www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/grant-giving-programme/grant-programme>

11. Credit Union Foundation

Funds are available to strengthen the financial position of credit unions and give them the capacity to develop new strategies for sustained and effective growth. Two kinds of grants are available: Large awards (of between £50,000 and £100,000) will provide a contribution to a credit union's reserves and help remove barriers to growth and innovation; Seed funding awards (of between £10,000 and £20,000) will help credit unions to make the changes they need to apply for a large award in a subsequent year or to pay for the costs of merger or investment in digital improvements.

Deadline: 18th June 2018 http://www.creditunionfoundation.org.uk/projects/development_fund

12. Audience of the Future: Design Foundations

UK businesses can apply for a share of £1 million for early-stage, human-centred design projects that will determine future R&D activity in immersive experiences. This is from the Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund. To lead a project you must:

- be a UK-registered micro, small or medium-sized enterprise (SME) if you want to work on the project alone
- be a UK-registered business of any size if you want to collaborate with other project partners
- carry out your project work, and intend to exploit the results, from the UK

Deadline: 4th July 2018 <https://apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/151/overview>

13. Design and Trial Smart Energy and Transport Systems

Businesses, universities, public sector organisations or research and technology organisations can now apply for a share of up to £41.5million which has been made available to invest in both the design and practical demonstration of new business models that intelligently link supply, storage and demand in heating, power and transport. The funding will help businesses to develop local energy approaches at scale that will create better outcomes for consumers and promote economic growth for the UK.

Deadline: 25th July 2018

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/design-and-trial-smart-energy-systems-apply-for-funding>

14. Cash Boost for Rural Tourism

A new fund designed to help rural areas in Scotland invest in the quality of their tourism offering has opened. Administered by VisitScotland, the Scottish Government Rural Tourism Infrastructure Fund will support sustainable, well planned, inspiring and collaborative infrastructure projects to enable more visitors to enjoy Scotland's rural communities. Local authorities or National Park authorities have been invited to submit applications on behalf of their communities for a share of the £6 million fund.

Deadline: 27th July 2018

http://www.visitscotland.org/business_support/advice_materials/funding_opportunities/rural_tourism_infrastructure.as

15. Grow Social Enterprises

Social Entrepreneurs that want to grow their business can apply for grants of up to £15,000. As well as the funding, social entrepreneurs will have access to a support package that includes 12 months mentoring; expert advice networking with investors, corporate partners and other successful entrepreneurs. To be eligible the applicants needs to aged 16 or over and living in the UK; be the founder of the venture/organisation and beneficiaries must be UK based. The funding is being made available through the UnLtd Grow IT awards scheme.

Deadline expression of interest: 1st August 2018 <https://unltd.org.uk/grow-it-award/>

16. The Fore

Small charities, social enterprises and community interest groups will be able to apply for grants of up to £30,000 plus support to unlock growth, sustainability and efficiency. To qualify applicant organisations will need to have a turnover of less than £500,000 per year). To apply for funding, organisations must register at the start of each funding round. Numbers for each round are capped and registration are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Once the cap is reached, the round is closed. Once successfully registered, organisations are invited to submit a simple application.

Deadline: 3rd September 2018 <http://www.thefore.org/charities/>

17. Low Carbon Transport Business Loan

Interest free loans of up to £100,000 are available to Scottish businesses to help lower their transport and travel costs. These loans are funded by Transport Scotland and have a repayment term of up to 6 years. The low-carbon transport loan aims to support organisations that want to reduce the carbon impact and fuel costs of their transport and travel arrangements with new, more efficient alternatives. Loans can be used to meet the cost of a wide range of measures to lower your business transport carbon footprint including plug in electric cars and vans, vehicle efficiency devices such as telematics systems and cycle facilities.

Applications may be submitted at any time

<http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/grants-loans/low-carbon-transport-business-loan>

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

18. Roald Dahl Marvellous Family Grants

Families facing financial hardship whilst caring for a child with a serious illness can apply for grants of up to £1,000 to fund a variety of essential items and services including (but not limited to) specialist equipment, creative therapies, hospital travel expenses, everyday items to improve the child's quality of life, attending medical/support group conference, social activities and memberships. Applications must be completed by health or social care professionals on behalf the family and are considered at monthly meetings.

Deadline: 11th June 2018 <http://www.roalddahl.com/charity/family-grants?platform=hootsuite%20>

19. Henry Duncan Grants

To apply to the Henry Duncan Grants, 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, Corra 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 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: 23rd June 2018 <https://www.corra.scot/grant-programmes/henry-duncan-grants/>

20. The Innovation Fund (TIF)

Communities and charities with ideas to tackle child poverty can bid for a new bid for part of a new £7.5 million innovation fund. Announced as part of the Scottish Government's tackling child poverty delivery plan, the fund, financed by the Scottish Government and the Hunter Foundation, is now open for applications from communities, local charities, health boards and councils. A panel with membership from across the sector will judge the applications. Applications must support new or existing projects that will have an impact on reducing child poverty by 2030. The Innovation Fund will support both new and the expansion of existing approaches that have an impact on reducing child poverty by 2030. They should help families to remain out of poverty for a minimum three year period.

Deadline: 29th June 2018 <http://www.thehunterfoundation.co.uk/>

21. Henry Smith Charity

Schools, youth groups, not for profit organisations and charities can apply for grants of £500 to £2,500 to support recreational trips or holidays within the UK between the 1st July and 31st August: 2018 for groups of children experiencing disadvantage or who have disabilities. Priority will be given to applications coming from the 20% most deprived areas in the UK. The grants can cover up to two-thirds of the cost of a holiday or trip lasting one to seven days.

Deadline: 2nd July 2018

<https://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/explore-our-grants-and-apply/holiday-grants-for-children/holiday-grants-for-children-overview/>

22. DM Thomas Foundation

Registered charities can apply for grants of up to £30,000 per year for projects that improve education and health for children and young people with disabilities; those who are sick in hospital; and those who are life limited (requiring palliative care). Grants can be made for up to two-years.

Deadline: 24th July 2018 <https://dmthomasfoundation.org/what-we-do/grants/dmtf-central-grants/>

23. Ragdoll Foundation

Not for profit organisations in the arts and cultural sector can apply for grants of up to £50,000 for projects that work with children and young people up to the age of 18 using the arts and creative media. Preference will be given to innovative projects which have a deep commitment to listening to children and allow the perceptions and feelings of children themselves to be better understood. Organisations can apply for both one-off short-term projects and for projects lasting up to three years.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.ragdollfoundation.org.uk/portfolio/grant-giving>

COMMUNITY FUNDING

24. Funding for Local Regeneration Projects

A capital grant fund that will support locally developed regeneration projects involving local communities has just re-opened to Stage One applications. All 32 Scottish local authorities individually, or as urban regeneration companies (URCs) or other special purpose vehicles (SPVs) are eligible to apply. Projects of any size, type or geographical focus and be submitted for consideration to the Regeneration Capital Grant Fund.

Deadline: 1st stage applications is 29th June 2018 <https://beta.gov.scot/policies/regeneration/capital-investment/>

25. Remembrance Day Soldier Silhouette Grants

Funding is being made available for a range of local voluntary and community organisations to purchase silhouettes of Tommies for community events that will celebrate the centenary of the end of World War One. Constituted voluntary and community organisations, charities, schools, places of worship and community interest companies that are considering holding a local community event that brings people together to remember the end of the First World War and to think about the Armed Forces Community today can apply for grants of up to £500 to purchase silhouettes of Tommies as part of their remembrance event. The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust is making £2 million available in grants for groups across the UK to purchase 10 silhouettes each. The trust will accept applications during the month of June and expects to award between 4,000 and 5,000 small grants. To be eligible, events should be open to people in the community, promoted ahead of time and bring together people from the Armed Forces community and the civilian community in the local area. Events can be modest and do not need to cost a lot to run. It might be something like having tea and cake following a remembrance event or arranging a venue for people in the community to come together and share a lunch. The grants are to be used to purchase up to 10 silhouettes and are to be used for the bench and chair silhouettes only. They do not cover the 6ft or 10" Tommy figures. An application form can be found on the There but Not There website.

Deadline: 30th June 2018 <https://www.therebutnotthere.org.uk/taking-part/armed-forces-covenant-fund-trust/>

26. Building Resilient Local Economies

Organisations working within the UK who want to help transform financial systems into 'engines for social benefit' can apply for grants to promote local economic resilience or to support projects that will change corporate behaviours in pursuit of wider social objectives. The funding is being made available through the Friends Provident Foundation - Building Resilient Economies programme.

Deadline: 2nd July 2018 <https://www.friendsprovidentfoundation.org/grants/>

27. Funding for Healthy Eating Projects

Grants ranging from £500 to £3,000 will be available to groups and agencies who would like to tackle one or more of the barriers to healthy eating, such as affordability or availability, and the negative impact of culture and lack of food skills. CFHS welcome applications from local groups or agencies working with and within low-income communities throughout Scotland including from agencies such as the NHS, schools or other local authority organisations if they work closely with community groups.

Deadline: 6th July 2018

<https://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/explore-our-grants-and-apply/holiday-grants-for-children/holiday-grants-for-children-overview/>

28. Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust.

Grants of £1,000 are available to registered charities for community projects. To be eligible to apply, the charity must have a maximum operating income and operating expenditure of 1000,000 per year.

Deadline: 31st July 2018 <https://austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk/how-to-apply-2/>

29. Funding to Support Rural Communities

The NFU Mutual Charitable Trust, which supports charities in the UK working in agriculture and rural development has announced that grants of between £1,000 and £50,000 are available. 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. 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: 26th October 2018 <https://www.nfumutual.co.uk/about-us/charitable-trust/>

30. Brexit Stakeholder Engagement Fund

The Scottish Government is providing funding to enable community organisations, charities and other grassroots groups examine what effect leaving the European Union will have on the people they help. The fund will be used to support a broad range of projects and activities that support local community based organisations across Scotland to plan ahead, facilitate dialogue and inform policy development on the impacts of the UK's exit from the EU. It will focus particularly but not exclusively on enabling community and third sector organisations to listen, think, plan and highlight any concerns about leaving the EU, and provide a platform for them to be heard on the wider national and international stage.

Applications may be submitted at any time <https://beta.gov.scot/publications/brexit-stakeholder-engagement-fund/>

31. ACHA Community Action Fund

Argyll Community Housing Association Ltd (ACHA) has a small fund from which the Association makes donations to registered charitable organisations which are worthwhile causes and which have some housing connection or a connection to the Aims & Objectives of the Association. Grants of £500 are available to charitable organisations for the following -

- Culture and recreation (e.g. art, sport, music, history)
- The environment (e.g. green initiatives, clean-ups, green spaces, wildlife and animal welfare)
- Community facilities (e.g. building maintenance, playgrounds)
- Community cohesion and engagement
- Social activities (e.g. fun days, bingo, lunch clubs)
- Health, wellbeing and personal and social development
- Unemployment
- Financial hardship
- Training and education
- Community safety (e.g. crime, anti-social behaviour, safety initiatives)

Applications may be submitted at any time <https://www.acha.co.uk/services-community-action-fund/>

32. The Prince's Countryside Fund - Rural Four

This dedicated programme of support for community projects in England, Scotland and Wales is funded by Players of People's Postcode Lottery. It focuses on tackling isolation and improving the health and wellbeing of people living

in sparsely populated areas. Overall, the project aims to: reinvigorate community networks by assist with rebuilding community assets; improve the health and well-being of 200 socially isolated people through providing access to improved community assets and a network of support; create a lasting legacy of support and community spirit in the areas supported.

Applications may be submitted at any time

<http://www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/grant-giving-programme/rural-four>

33. Transition Advice Fund

European citizens currently living in the UK will need to apply for 'settled status' to secure their right to stay here once Britain has left the EU. The Transition Advice Fund (TAF) aims to ensure that people who are eligible can secure their right to settled status—particularly those who need help to navigate the process or who risk failing to secure the status. They want to build the capacity of the voluntary sector to support people who need this sort of help, including: children and young people; carers; people with disability, long-term physical ill-health or mental health problems; people who have experienced domestic violence or trafficking; those with poor English language skills or who face digital exclusion; and people in care homes. The TAF is a pooled fund established by Unbound Philanthropy, the Paul Hamlyn Foundation and the Legal Education Foundation, who bring their combined experience of the migration and legal education space.

Applications may be submitted at any time <https://www.thinknpc.org/our-work/projects/transition-advice-fund/>

EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

34. Darwin Initiative - Fellowship Awards

Fellowship awards support promising individuals to acquire skills and knowledge that will contribute to achieving the Darwin Initiatives objectives - protecting and enhancing biodiversity and in doing so, to contributing to sustainable development. The host organisation where the individual will carry out the training or research must be in the UK. Applications for Fellowship funding should come from the UK organisation. There is no specific minimum or maximum level for a Fellowship Award, however, a typical award is around £20,000 to £25,000. Fellowships are provided for up to 14 months, and should start on or after 1st July 2019 and finish on or before 1st October 2020.

Deadline: 13th November 2018 <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/darwin-initiative-darwin-fellowship-awards>

35. Royal Society of Chemistry

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to enable the development of innovative products, activities and research projects which promote inclusion and diversity in the chemical science community. Members of the Royal Society of Chemistry, professionals, network groups, volunteer groups, institutions and organisations are all eligible to apply for funding that will make a significant difference to their ability to deliver the project. Outreach projects may also be funded. The funding is being made available through the Royal Society of Chemistry's Inclusion and Diversity Fund.

Deadline: 17th June 2018 <http://www.rsc.org/awards-funding/funding/inclusion-diversity-fund/>

ENERGY, RENEWABLES AND RECYCLING

36. Smart Energy GB in Communities

The second round of the Smart Energy GB in Communities Fund is now open for applications. Regionally or locally based charities and other not-for-profit organisations that have a trusted voice within their community and that can reach out and deliver support to people who may find it difficult to engage with the smart meter roll out are eligible to apply. For 2018, the Fund is focussing on activities targeted at the severely or profoundly deaf with grants of up to £7,500 available. This is the final round of funding in 2018.

Deadline: 11th June 2018 <https://www.cafonline.org/charities/grantmaking/smart-energy-gb-in-communities#tab4>

37. Community and Renewable Energy Scheme

The Scottish Government's Community and Renewable Energy Scheme (CARES) is now open for applications from Community groups, rural businesses and societies for the benefit of the community. The Enablement Grant – of up to £25,000 can be used to fund feasibility for energy systems or renewable energy projects, investigation of shared ownership opportunities or work to maximise the impact from community benefit association with renewable energy projects.

Applications may be submitted at any time <https://www.localenergy.scot/funding/>

Please note that all Argyll and Bute Council officers considering applying for European funding should contact the European Team - marylouise.howat@argyll-bute.gov.uk / Tel No 01436658917 for more information.

EUROPEAN FUNDING

38. 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 next funding rounds are as follows:

| | September | December | March 2019 |
|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| EOI Deadline | 13/07/2018 | 28/09/2018 | tbd |
| Application Deadline | 10/08/2018 | 26/10/2018 | tbd |
| LAG Decision Meeting | 20/09/2018 | 06/12/2018 | tbd |

39. Argyll and Ayrshire Fisheries Local Action Group

Applications for this fund are accepted on an on-going basis. If you have a project which fits with one of the Priorities within the overall project Objective (see table below) and wish to discuss its fit with the programme, please contact the European team: EuropeanFunding@argyll-bute.gov.uk

| Argyll and Ayrshire Fisheries Local Action Group | |
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| Objective | To support community-led economic growth and sustainable development within the FLAG Area, through diversification and innovation within our local economies whilst strengthening the governance of local fisheries resources and protecting the marine environment. |
| Priority 1 | Supporting diversification of local economies within the fisheries and aquaculture sectors. |
| Priority 2 | Strengthening the role of fisheries communities in local development and the governance of local fisheries resources. |
| Priority 3 | Supporting Innovation, lifelong learning and job creation in the fisheries and aquaculture supply chain |
| Priority 4 | Creating links between and adding value to existing marine initiatives |

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FUNDING for DIGITAL PROJECTS

40. Digital Participation Charter Fund

Community groups and not for profit organisations in Scotland can apply for grants of up to £10,000 to help reduce isolation and improve job opportunities through the teaching of digital skills. The funding is being made available through the Digital Participation Charter Fund. To date, this fund has supported 143 organisations to help 15,000 vulnerable people gain basic digital skills. All organisations which are funded become signatories of Scotland's Digital Participation Charter. Here they can work closely with other signatories to achieve the overall aim of

increasing the number of people in Scotland who have basic digital skills and can operate online safely and with confidence.

Deadline: 11th June 2018 <https://scvo.org.uk/digital/participation/charter-fund>

41. The Infinity Lab – Better World Innovation Challenge 2018

BT Infinity Lab is offering business start-ups and small companies funding of up to £10,000 through the Better World Innovation Challenge 2018. The aim of the challenge is support ideas that make use of technology to improve the lives of others. This may include for example helping single parents juggle childcare with their education, or a service that helps disabled people get more involved in the activities they love. As well as the funding winners will get the opportunity to trial their product or service with BT's employees and customer base; six months' support and six months flexible membership at TechHub's London's office space.

Deadline: 18th June 2018 <https://www.btplc.com/Innovation/Innovationnews/Betterworld/index.htm>

42. New Tech Fund to Support Disabled People and Their Employers

Access to work is a government initiative that provides financial support to ensure that someone's disability or health condition does not hold them back at work. As part of this the Minister for Disabled People has announced a new Tech Fund; this fund means that medium and large employers will no longer be required to pay a mandatory contribution towards the cost of assistive technology. The funding aims to help to break down the barriers that disabled people can face at work and help to create more inclusive workplaces. Applications are welcome from people with a paid job, who are over 16 years old with a disability or health condition and live in England Scotland or Wales. Employers will be able to make a significant saving through the Tech Fund. Before the new rules were introduced, medium employers paid the first £500 towards technological solutions and large employers paid the first £1,000, with both paying 20% of the cost thereafter up to £10,000.

Applications may be submitted at any time <https://www.gov.uk/access-to-work>

GENERAL FUNDING

43. Jo Cox Memorial Strengthening Grants

Jo Cox Memorial Strengthening Grants are open to smaller organisations in the UK working within one of two themes close to Jo's heart; Women's social, economic and political empowerment through supporting women-led civil society; and strengthening civil society capacity for early prediction of identity-based violence including mass atrocities. Grants are available between £50k and £100k.

Deadline: 13th June 2018 <https://www.ukaidirect.org/apply/jo-cox-memorial-fund-strengthening/>

44. Help the Homeless

Help the Homeless provides a grant scheme to support small and medium-sized UK charities that work to help homeless people rebuild their lives, re-enter society and live a normal life. Funding is targeted at projects to find practical ways to help disadvantaged individuals return to the community through training or residential facility provision, rather than merely providing short term shelter. Small and medium-sized registered charities with a turnover of under £1 million per annum can apply for grants of up to £5,000. The scheme will principally fund capital costs, but may consider revenue costs if necessary to the project. It will not fund computers or IT equipment. Projects must assist individuals in their return to mainstream society, rather than simply offering shelter or other forms of sustenance.

Deadline: 15th June 2018 <http://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/applying-for-funding/>

45. Illegal Wildlife Trade Challenge Fund

The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) and the Department for International Development (DFID) is providing grants through the Illegal Wildlife Trade (IWT) Challenge Fund for projects around the world tackling illegal wildlife trade. The fund supports action in these areas:

- Developing sustainable livelihoods for communities affected by illegal wildlife trade.
- Strengthening law enforcement and the role of the criminal justice system.
- Ensuring effective legal frameworks.
- Reducing demand for the products of the illegal wildlife trade

For the first time the IWT Challenge Fund will provide funding for projects schemes aimed at the illegal trade in certain species of flora around the globe. Applicant organisations can be based in any country and must:

- Have a credible record of working on similar types of projects.
- Have demonstrated experience managing projects of a similar size.
- Nominate a Project Leader who will be responsible for the technical direction of the project and be the main point of contact.

There is no minimum or maximum award size. In previous rounds, awards have ranged from £50,000 to around £480,000 (with an average project award of around £300,000) for a two to three year project. Any budget commitment must end by 31st March 2022.

Deadline for Stage One applications: 10th July 2018

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/illegal-wildlife-trade-challenge-fund-2018-application-round>

46. Round 25 of the Darwin Initiative - Main Projects

Main Projects support projects tackling key threats to biodiversity in developing countries. Projects must also be able to demonstrate how they will help to achieve the international Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Applicant organisations can be based in any country although applications should preferably have a UK connection, consistent with the UK Aid Strategy. There is no minimum or maximum award size. Awards have ranged from £50,000 to £430,000 (with an average project award of £300,000) for a three year Darwin project. The minimum length of a project is 1 year and the maximum length is 3 years. Any budget commitment must end by 31st March 2022.

Deadline: Stage One applications 24th July 2018

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/darwin-initiative-applying-for-main-project-funding>

47. Woodward Charitable Trust Main Grants

The Woodward Charitable Trust, a grant-making trust, is one of the Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts. Twice a year it offers a limited number of grants to charitable organisations in the UK, especially those which make good use of volunteers and encourage past and current users to participate. The trust's grant-making continues to be primarily reactive but with some selected projects initiated by the trustees. Grants of between £100 and £5,000 (around 100 grants are made per year) are available for one-off projects, though the Trustees are willing to consider funding running costs, including core cost and salaries. The Trust focuses its grant-making on the 'amelioration and raising awareness of social exclusion, particularly in the following areas':

- Children and young people who are isolated, at risk of exclusion or involved in anti-social behaviour.
- Prisoners and ex-offenders. Projects that help the rehabilitation and resettlement of prisoners and/or ex-offenders are supported as well as requests to help prisoners' families
- Disadvantaged women, covering refugees, domestic violence and parenting.
- Disability projects, which can include rehabilitation and training for people who are either physically disabled or learning disabled.
- Arts outreach work by local groups involving disadvantaged people.
- Projects that promote integration and community cohesion amongst minority groups, including refugees and travellers.

The Trustees favour small-scale, locally based initiatives.

Deadline: 31st July 2018 http://woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk/general_applications/

48. Noel Buxton Trust

The Noel Buxton Trust has a long-standing concern for the welfare of both families and prisoners, and its work in Britain continues to focus on these areas. The Trustees have an interest in funding work which, although pressing, does not easily attract funding from other sources.

Applications may be submitted at any time <http://www.noelbuxtontrust.org.uk/2012whatwefund.htm>

49. Comic Relief: Tackling Violence against Women and Girls

Comic Relief expect to make up to 40 grants of £60--£120K for between 1-3 years (grants larger than £120K may be awarded to bids made in partnership). This will focus on meeting the needs of women who are at risk or experiencing violence AND who have multiple and complex needs.

Deadline: 2nd July 2018

<https://www.comicrelief.com/apply-for-grants/open-grants-initiatives/tackling-violence-against-women-and-girls>

HEALTH

50. Grants to Support Family Carers

Adult and Children's hospices can apply for grants of up to £40,000 for projects that support people who provide unpaid care for terminally ill friends or family has just opened for applications. Grants of up to £40,000 are now available from the St James's Place Charitable Foundation to fund a range of project activities that support care givers to enable them to look after patients as well as projects that look after the care givers own needs. To be eligible for the grant, the organisation must be a full member of Hospice UK.

Deadline: 25th June 2018

<https://www.hospiceuk.org/what-we-offer/grants/open-grant-programmes/details/st-james-place-charitable-foundation-supporting-family-carers>

51. Wolfson Foundation Health and Disability Grants Programme

Through the programme, the Wolfson Foundation, makes grants of between £15,000 - £100,000 for new buildings, refurbishments and equipment for a range of organisations delivering excellent care and support. The funding is focused on Palliative Care and Hospices; Older People; and Transitions and Independence. Match funding is required for projects over £50,000. The Foundation does not provide funding for clinical care which might be considered the proper responsibility of the National Health Service (e.g. refurbishment of hospital wards or other facilities, or provision of surgical equipment). The Foundation also encourage applications from all parts of the UK, especially regions that have few alternative sources of funding.

Deadline: 1st July 2018 <http://www.wolfson.org.uk/funding/health-and-disability/>

52. Heart Research UK and SUBWAY Healthy Heart Grants

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: 2nd July 2018

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

53. Bank of Scotland Foundation

Organisations from across Scotland are set to benefit from a new mental health fund. Launched to mark Mental Health Awareness Week, the £320,000 cash injection from the Bank of Scotland Foundation is set to be split between a variety of groups. Charities can apply for grants of between £1,000 and £25,000, which must be used to deliver mental health projects over the next 12 months. This may include;

- Initiatives designed to encourage people suffering from Mental Health illness to get more involved in their local community.
- Support for life skills development for those with Mental Health illnesses.
- Promotion and delivery of financial awareness and money advice service for people with Mental Health illnesses and their families.
- Traditional support such as counselling sessions and therapy.

Deadline: 6th July 2018 <http://www.bankofscotlandfoundation.org/mental-health-fund>

54. Aspirational Awards

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: 27th July 2018 <https://www.lifechangestrust.org.uk/care-experienced-young-people/funding-opportunities-0>

55. Peer to Peer Resources and Conference Bursaries

The Trust has previously funded conference attendance bursaries for people living with dementia and their carers,

and grants for the creation of peer to peer resources. This is because we believe that it is important that conferences and seminars about dementia are attended by people living with dementia and carers. We also believe that people living with dementia and carers in Scotland have an enormous amount of knowledge and helpful information to share with each other.

Deadline: 31st March 2019 <https://www.lifechangestrust.org.uk/people-affected-by-dementia/funding-opportunities-0>

LAND AND PROPERTY

56. Royal Voluntary Services Scotland - Sheds Grant Fund

Royal Voluntary Service, with funding from the Asda Foundation, has established a Sheds Grant Fund to provide small scale funding to Sheds who are looking for help with either set up or early stage development costs. Funding is available to assist people in running Sheds and setting up new ones to help communities tackle social isolation and loneliness amongst their ageing population. Grants of between £250 and £1000 now open for new sheds. Funding can cover tools and equipment, building renovation costs, revenue costs and promotional materials.

Deadline: 24 June 2018 <https://www.royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk/volunteer/sheds>

57. National Churches Trust's Community

The National Churches Trust offers funding for projects that are in line with the aims of the Trust which are to:

- Help maintain the UK's heritage of church buildings and to enhance their ability to serve local communities.
- Promote the benefit to communities of church buildings and to inspire everyone to value and enjoy them.

The Community Grants programme offers grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 towards the cost of capital works (additions and extensions) and the introduction of facilities, such as accessible toilets and catering facilities. Projects must have an estimated cost of at least £25,000 (including VAT and fees) and have already raised 50% of the total project cost. To be eligible, the building must:

- Be a Christian place of worship (but not a Cathedral) in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.
- Be owned by the applicant or the applicant must have the right to carry out the work.
- Have been originally built as a place of worship and is open for regular public worship.

The principle denomination that worships in the building must be a member of (or belong to an umbrella body that is a member of) Churches Together in Britain and Ireland. The project must be led by a qualified professional, usually an architect or chartered building surveyor. Applicants can also be considered for a National Churches Trust Micro-Grant in Partnership with the Cinnamon Network. These are additional £2,000 micro-grants available to successful applicants to set up a Cinnamon Network Recognised Project that meets the needs of local people. The micro-grants allow churches to set up new social action projects such as CAP Money Courses, Make Lunch and Parish Nursing. Successful churches will also be able to access the support and training provided by Cinnamon Network's regional Advisers and Trainers. It does not fund existing projects.

Deadline: 2nd July 2018 <https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/our-grants/community-grants>

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

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to help churches of any Christian denomination develop high quality sustainable repair and community projects. Priority in this round 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 is being made available through the National Churches Trust Project Development Grant programme.

Deadline: 29th August 2018 <https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/node/4401>

59. 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>

SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION

60. Safer Routes to School Fund

Safety concerns are the main barrier to parents allowing their children to travel actively to school. Safer Routes to School funding supports infrastructure developments around school catchment areas and clusters to make it easier for pupils to walk, scooter and cycle to school safely. The fund particularly supports ambitious, area-wide solutions and innovative approaches to promoting active travel on the school run. We expect Safer Routes to School projects to engage the whole school community and to incorporate behaviour change activities and initiatives as part of the project. For design and school engagement, Sustrans can provide 100% of project funding, and for construction, projects can be match funded up to 50%. We anticipate most projects will apply for both design and construction funding.

Deadline: 1st July 2018 <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/scotland/schools/funding-schools>

61. Grants to Enhance the Teaching of Mathematics

Teachers in the UK can apply for grants of up to £400 to attend specific one or two-day conferences/events organised by professional mathematical organisations. The aim of the grant is to facilitate mathematical professional development to allow teachers in UK schools/educational institutions to develop their subject knowledge. The grant can contribute to the costs of registration for the course and a proportion of the travel and subsistence expenses of attendees. The funding is made available by the London Mathematical Society has announced that Mathematics. Any application for a grant under this scheme must be made by a teacher of mathematics or ITE provider based in the UK. The grants are open to teachers of mathematics from primary school to A-Level or equivalent (inclusive of STEP/AEA).

Deadline: 31st August 2018 <https://www.lms.ac.uk/grants/teacher-cpd-grants>

62. Funding for Links with Japan

Grants of £2,000 - £7,000 are available to promote and support interaction between the two countries. Daiwa Foundation Small Grants can cover all fields of activity, including educational and other projects and events. New initiatives are especially encouraged.

Deadline: 30th September 2018 <http://www.dajf.org.uk/grants-awards-prizes/daiwa-foundation-small-grants>

SPORT FUNDING

63. Sport Relief - Safe, Secure, Settled Fund

Sport Relief are launching the Safe, Secure, Settled fund. This initiative will invest in projects that are using sport to improve the lives of young people without a safe or secure place to live, helping them to gain the skills and resources to lead safe and positive lives. They will consider work that supports children and young people aged up to and including 25. They will also consider family-based interventions where the majority of beneficiaries are under 25. Applications are welcome for a minimum of £100,000 and a maximum of £500,000, over a period of between two and four years. We will support projects being delivered in the UK, India, South Africa, Brazil or Kenya. Applications for work in India, South Africa, Brazil or Kenya can be made by a locally registered organisation directly delivering the project or in partnership with a UK-based organisation.

Deadline: 14th June 2018 <https://www.comicrelief.com/apply-for-grants/open-grants-initiatives/safe-secure-settled>

64. Cycling Scotland - Cycle Friendly Employer Development Fund

The fund is aimed at encouraging and supporting organisations and workplaces across Scotland to take a leading role in increasing the number of journeys by bike. Capital projects which are focused on improving cycling facilities and physical infrastructure – such as cycle parking, signage, changing facilities - are the key focus on this funding opportunity. Applicants can also apply for up to 50% funding to deliver behaviour change initiatives in addition to their capital project.

Deadline: 9th July 2018 <https://www.cycling.scot/our-programmes/cycle-friendly/employer>

65. Rowing Foundation Grants Programme

The purpose of the Foundation is to promote the participation in rowing of young people (those under 18 or still in full time education) and the disabled of all ages. The Foundation gives grants of £500-£3,000 (up to 50% of the cost of the project) to help British rowing organisations, clubs and schools for rowing equipment and whose requirements may be too small or who may be otherwise ineligible for an approach to the National Lottery or other similar sources of funds.

Deadline: 8th October 2018 <http://www.therowingfoundation.org.uk/home/>

66. Funding Available to Increase Participation in Sports

Small charities and community groups with annual incomes of under £50,000 have the opportunity to access funding to deliver projects which help to overcome barriers to participation in sport and recreation. Projects benefitting from funding will either overcome barriers to participation in physical activities in creative ways or increase social cohesion through developing access to sports and other recreational activities. Over 400 grants of £500 will be made to members of Localgiving that meet the criteria. Non-members can register to apply and if successful will receive 12 months free membership.

Deadline: 31st October 2018 <http://grants.localgiving.org/pct>

YOUNG PEOPLE

67. O2 Think Big - Music and Healthy Minds Projects

Go Think Big offers up to £500 for social action projects which helps society or your community and is run by young people aged 15 to 24. Your project can be based around anything from skills workshops, podcasts or journalism pieces, to live events, community initiatives or apps. You should use digital technology to further harness your creative vision, and ensure that your idea makes a positive impact in some way. The topics change monthly and this month they are inviting ideas around using music to promote the importance of positive mental health

Deadline: 11th June 2018 <https://gothinkbig.co.uk/opportunities/youth-project-healthy-minds-music>

68. Young People National Lottery Fund

Schools, voluntary or community organisations, youth groups, youth associations and other non-profit organisations such as local heritage, community and sports groups across Scotland can now benefit from a new £550,000 National Lottery fund that aims to inspire young people to lead active lives and encourage positive mental health. Grants of between £3,000 and £10,000 will be awarded to projects in Scotland that improves the health and wellbeing of young people. Priority will be given to projects that show young people are integral at all stages of the project and demonstrate that they strongly meet a local need. In addition, successful projects will provide a platform to share what the young people have learnt, for example, through a performance, an inter-generational event, an exhibition or online.

Deadline: 18th June 2018 <https://national-lottery-yoyp.org.uk/>

69. Funding to Support Vulnerable Young Migrants

Not for profit organisations and private law firms that work with young migrants can apply for grants of up to £30,000 to undertake 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; education; etc.

Deadline: 6th July 2018 <http://strategiclegalfund.org.uk/>

70. 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 November 2018 <https://wessexyouthtrust.org.uk/grant-applications.php>