-ANGUS FUNDING

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Enjoy this bumper Summer edition - there's still plenty of funding available out there as usual, we'd love to know if you are successful in accessing money from any of these funds

This month's Trusts: 2014 Communities Arts Trust Scotland Bank of Scotland Foundation - Small Grants Programme Big Lottery Fund: Community Spaces Scotland - NEW **BT Community Connections** The Cable&Wireless Worldwide Foundation Carnegie UK Trust Cashback Small Grants Scheme **Community Chest** Community Food and Health (Scotland) Small Grant Scheme Creative Scotland **CSV Action Earth** Emi Music Sound Foundation And/Or Equipment Awards Employer Recruitment Initiative - Skills Development Scotland Enterprise Music Scotland - Traditional Arts Small Projects Fund - NEW

Event Scotland - National Funding Programme Friends Provident Foundation Heart Research UK -Healthy Heart Grants Inspiring Scotland - Early Years, Early Action Fund Kellogg's Swim Active Grants Network Rail Community Safety Fund North Face - Explore Fund - NEW On Organ Fund Respectme Grant Fund Women's Fund for Scotland

EXTERNAL FUNDING EVENTS REPORT

Angus's Big Lottery Day in Arbroath on 24 June 2011 was attended by over 90 people. If you were not able to make it on the day, you will soon be able to find a presentation from the event on www.angus4community.com

ANGUS4COMMUNITY.COM

Youth Business Challenge

FunderFinder the trusts and foundations website closes at the end of next month. You can still access funding searches from www.angus4community.com

NEWS FROM THE FUNDERS

The Lottery has produced a guide to schools wishing to apply to Awards for All

Small grants factsheet (Scot).pdf

LLOYDS TSB FOUNDATION FOR SCOTLAND

In April, 54 grant applications were received, of which 27 were approved - a 50% success rate - and in June, 68 applications were presented to the Board of which 36 were recommended for approval. In the April round LTSB awarded grants totalling £153,859, and in June the total was £188,995.

All the charities supported in April had applied to the Foundation previously, and 25 had been supported by the Foundation at some point in the past. 30% of the funding provided continuation support for a salary or service which was funded by the Foundation in the past.

More than 80% of grants awarded in June related to charity running costs and existing salaries. There were also four awards for new posts, following charities reviewing their needs and restructuring.

There will be a funding surgery in Dundee on 30 August 2011. To book a place phone 0131 444 4020.

THE SCOTTISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION has funding available for up to £2,000 for community groups in the Dundee and Angus area and are keen to encourage eligible groups to apply for it. For further information on SCFs Express Grants programme visit http://www.scottishcf.org/strengthening-communities/

SCOTTISH NATURAL HERITAGE has announced that there will be no further grant application rounds between 1 April 2011 and 31 March 2012 as there is currently no funding available. Grant application rounds are planned to consider projects seeking funding between 1 April 2012 and 31 March 2013 and further information will be reported when available. The full application process for 2012-13 is currently under review, with a two-stage application process expected for multi-year projects seeking funding of £10,000 or more.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITES

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<u>SPORT</u>	WOMEN	YOUTH		

ARTS

ARTS TRUST SCOTLAND

The scheme - If you've got a great idea - for a sculpture, an installation, a painting, a play, a book, a screenplay or maybe something else - but you need a little money to take your idea from blank page to reality, Arts Trust Scotland may be able to help. The trust supports work which:

- is created by artists in Scotland
- adds to the growing reputation of Scotland's arts community
- helps individuals of talent to develop their skills and ideas.

They support work in any art form, and the application process is simple.

Amount - Awards are likely to be between £500 and £2,000.

Contact - For more information and to download an application form go to www.artstrustscotland.org.uk

Deadline - 12 August 2011

CREATIVE SCOTLAND

Creative Scotland has launched most of its new 15 Investment Programmes. Individuals and organisations can now apply for financial support. For more information, visit www.creativescotland.com/investment/investment/ programmes

Having read the guidelines online, if you'd like to speak to somebody at Creative Scotland, a special Investment Programme hotline has been set up. You can call 0845 603 6000 on **14 and 26 July 2011 between 3-5pm**, with further dates to be announced. They are also holding 'Investment Surgeries', where you can meet staff and receive assistance.

Surgeries are being scheduled including one at **Dundee Contemporary Arts on Thursday 28 July**. Full details of all Creative Scotland funding are available at http://www.creativescotland.com/investment/investment-programmes Programmes include:

Access, Audience Development and Participation

Guidelines are available at

http://www.creativescotland.com/sites/default/files/editor/Access Audience Dev Participation Guidelines v1-3 0.doc

Strand A - Access

The scheme - projects that address an identified audience engagement gap, drawing on existing or new research; organisations that are developing new partnerships with and between cultural and other sectors, especially when delivering a project that will work with under-participating groups. Rural communities are one of the priorities. **Amount** - this year £450,000 is available through open application for Access. Awards are likely to be in the range £10,000– £50,000 and this is a rolling open fund which will be open all year.

Strand B - Traditional Arts Mentoring and Advanced Tutoring

The scheme - to develop Scotland's traditional arts base by strengthening the transmission of skills, approaches and techniques between artists. Traditional arts are taken to encompass Dance, Music and Storytelling within the traditions which are actively practiced within Scotland. Creative Scotland is investing in two areas of activity: Mentoring and Advanced Tuition.

Amount - Awards are likely to be in the range of £1,000 - £3,000

Deadlines – 25 July 2011 and 24 October 2011.

Capital Programme

The scheme - This programme invests in cultural facilities, refurbishments and equipment that can improve access, presentation and enjoyment of the arts and film. Priority is given to:

- High quality capital projects which address major gaps in provision for audiences and participants;
- Workspaces for artists and the creative industries.
- Major public art projects.
- Equipment for cultural venues and producers.
- Strategic investment in cultural regeneration areas.

Amount - Up to £10,000 is available for smaller projects and £2,000,000 for larger projects.

Contact – further details will be launched shortly at http://www.creativescotland.com/investment/investment/ programmes/cultural-economy but in the meantime see

http://www.creativescotland.com/sites/default/files/editor/Investment-Programme-12-Capital 2.doc

Deadline – not currently given

EMI MUSIC SOUND FOUNDATION AND/OR EQUIPMENT AWARDS

The scheme - Schools that wish to purchase musical instruments and equipment can apply for funding. To date the Foundation has made awards to over 2,000 schools, individual students and teachers to 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.

Amount – up to £2,000

Contact - For more information visit www.emimusicsoundfoundation.com/index.php/site/awards

Deadline - 16 September 2011

ON ORGAN FUND

The scheme - The fund exists for the purpose of supporting the provision and restoration of pipe organs. **Amount** – the fund has made grants totalling over £220,000 to more than 580 places of worship which is an average of £400 per organisation.

Contact - http://www.onorganfund.org.uk/index.htm

Deadline - The trustees meet twice a year and grant applications are welcomed before the closing dates of 30 September 2011, with the next date likely to be April 2012.

ENTERPRISE MUSIC SCOTLAND - TRADITIONAL ARTS SMALL PROJECTS FUND - NEW

The scheme - designed to provide support for traditional artists, groups and organisations to create, platform, tour and showcase their work. The fund will support successful applicants offering imaginative projects in Scottish Traditional Dance, Music and/or Storytelling, and will also support professional development projects.

Amount - Each applicant can apply for an award of between £250 and £3,000.

Contact - All information (including full criteria, application form and notes) is available from http://www.emusicscotland.co.uk/financial-support/

Deadlines - 30 June 2011, 30 September 2011, 28 February 2012

BUSINESS

EMPLOYER RECRUITMENT INITIATIVE - SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND

The scheme - helps employers across Scotland to employ people who have experienced barriers to getting into work. The programme offers businesses money when they employ someone who has been out of work for some time or faced barriers in the past. Charities, not for profit organisations and social enterprises can apply. **Amount** - Up to £2,000

Contact - Skills Development Scotland at http://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk/our-services/services-for-employers/recruitment/employer-recruitment-incentive.aspx

YOUTH BUSINESS CHALLENGE

The scheme - Enterprise North East Trusts are holding a Youth Business Challenge in September for young entrepreneurs (16-23 yr old) who live in the Grampian, Tayside & Perth areas. School pupils, college students and the unemployed can apply. The weekend will present physical and mental challenges as well as stretching the participants' comfort zone. As there are only 25 places there will be an application process which will take place in the summer.

Amount - This is a fully funded "boot camp" being held from 16 - 18 September 2011.

Contact - For more info and to register go to

http://www.enetrust.com/Projects/YouthBusinessChallenge/EnterpriseBusinessChallenge_2011.asp where you will find more details or call 01224 289796

COMMUNITY SAFETY

NETWORK RAIL COMMUNITY SAFETY FUND

The scheme - To assist with their community safety programme, a grant fund has been established by Network Rail's Community Safety Team. The fund is available to the public sector and any constituted voluntary organisation. There are no age restrictions - projects can be targeted at young and/or older people. Projects are encouraged to give consideration to at least one of the key priorities of the Community Safety Team, demonstrating a positive impact on rail performance. (Priorities are: trespass and vandalism; assaults on staff and customers; level cross misuse; anti-social behaviour; crime against people and railway assets). The project must involve partnership working with key rail organisations (i.e. British Transport Police, Network Rail).

Amount - The fund will operate within a two tier structure - Small fund - up to £500 and Larger Fund - up to £2,000.

Contact - http://safercommunitiesscotland.org/Grant Funding.php or phone 01259 212079

Deadlines - 28 August 2011 and 28 October 2011

CONFERENCES

CARNEGIE UK TRUST

The scheme - funding for up to five not-for-profit conference organisers to attract leading public policy thinkers and commentators to debate issues of public concern. The support of the Trust will allow event organisers, in consultation with the Trust, to invite a small panel along with a chair to take part in a debate during the conference. The intention is to allow conference organisers to attract guests who may require, for example, travel expenses from abroad, fees and other expenses.

Amount – up to £3.000

Contact - For more information visit www.carnegieuktrust.org.uk/changing-minds/carnegie-challenge-2011

ENVIRONMENT

CSV ACTION EARTH

The scheme - If you are planning an environmental activity using volunteers or have a good project that improves biodiversity, you could be eligible for a grant. The CSV Action Earth campaign runs from May to October this year supported by Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH).

Amount - three different types of grants ranging from £50-£500 to cover materials, tools and expenses.

- SNH Local Nature Reserve Awards up to £500 for small volunteer-led projects on existing and proposed Local Nature Reserves
- SNH Biodiversity Awards of up to £250 for volunteer groups providing or improving wildlife habitats
- CSV Action Earth Express Awards which are easy-access grants of up to £50 for volunteers to improve their local public accessible environment in a number of ways

Contact - You can apply online, download forms or get more information at http://www.actionearth.org.uk/joomla/ **Deadline** – apply as soon as possible. Grants will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

BIG LOTTERY FUND: COMMUNITY SPACES SCOTLAND - NEW

The scheme - a new programme to support the rejuvenation of indoor and outdoor spaces for community benefit. The aim is to support local communities to become more involved in, and manage, indoor and outdoor spaces within their communities so that people can come together to share the space and become healthier, fitter etc. Grants can be used for buildings and spaces that need improvements to their appearance, functionality, accessibility, usefulness and sustainability.

Projects will need to meet all three of the outcomes expected which are:

- Communities come together to make better use of local spaces and places, including getting a wider, increased and better range of uses from communal areas.
- Communities come together to improve their environment, covering not only green environmental activities but also communities improving their physical environment including buildings. This might include (for example) improvements to village halls, clearing a neglected path network, or improving facilities at a local park to encourage access.
- Communities come together to get healthier and be more active, including improving both physical and mental health and well being.

A wide range of spaces and meeting areas will be supported, including:

- Local parks
- · Community paths and gardens
- Play parks
- Allotments
- Community centres
- Village halls e.g. new floor, kitchen, heating

Applications are welcome from:

- Voluntary and community organisations, whether registered charities or not
- Schools
- Community councils
- Social enterprises
- Private companies where the project is for community benefit and no profits accrue for the company.

Local authorities **cannot** apply but can be part of a partnership application. Applicants **do not** have to own the land or building; a suitable lease may be fine.

Eligibility – A complex set of criteria for eligibility has been devised. Only areas in urban and rural areas of greatest need are eligible for support. The most deprived 25% of Scottish data zones in one of the five following types of area are eligible:

- Large urban areas over 125,000 people;
- Other urban areas of between 10,000 and 125,000 people;
- Accessible rural areas with populations of fewer than 3,000 people within a 30 minute drive of a larger town:
- Remote rural areas with populations of fewer than 3,000 people within 30-60 minutes drive of a larger town:
- Very remote rural areas with a population of fewer than 3,000 more than 60 minutes from a settlement of 10,000 or more.

Also, the most deprived 50% of data zones within the following areas can apply:

- Accessible small towns with a population of between 3,000 and 10,000 within a 30 minute drive of a settlement of more than 10,000;
- Remote small towns with a population of between 3,000 and 10,000 within a 30-60 minute drive of a settlement of more than 10,000;
- Very remote small towns with a population of between 3,000 and 10,000 more than a 60 minute drive of a settlement of more than 10,000.

A full analysis of the geographic eligibility guidelines is available at www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/css approach eligibility.pdf

The External Funding Team has produced an overview map of Angus eligible areas, as well as street view maps of Forfar, Kirriemuir, Arbroath and Brechin. Only the Bridge St area of Montrose is eligible (DD10 8AA) Contact us if you wish us to send a copy of this.

An eligibility checker is available to check whether your postcode is eligible. This is available at www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_community_spaces_scotland?tab=1®ioncode=-sco

Amount - £9 million is available over three years. Grants can be for between £10,000 and £250,000 over up to two years. Most grants will be for less than £100,000. The money can be spent on project-related revenue costs, capital costs and full cost recovery overheads. Grants **cannot** be used to purchase land or buildings. Up to 95% of project costs can be funded. The 5% community contribution can include in-kind support. Grants will be paid from early 2013.

Contact - There is a two stage application process. Application guidance is available at www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/css guidance notes.pdf The Stage 1 application form is at www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/css stage1 application.pdf.

Deadline – for Stage 1 applications – 2 December 2012. The closing date for Stage 2 in the first round is 12 October 2012, with decisions by February 2013. There is a fast track process for projects already in an advanced stage of development. The deadline for this is 14 October 2011. A second application round will open on 14 June 2012, closing on 7 December 2012. This is suitable for projects with a potential start date after February 2014.

EVENTS

EVENTSCOTLAND - NATIONAL FUNDING PROGRAMME

The scheme - The National Funding Programme complements the International Funding Programme. Events which take place outside Edinburgh and Glasgow are eligible.

Contact - http://www.eventscotland.org/funding-and-resources/national-events-programme/ for guidelines and to apply or Tel 0131 472 2313.

Deadlines – 7 October 2011 for events taking place from 1 May 2012 onwards; 3 February 2012 for events taking place 1 September 2012 onwards.

FINANCIAL INCLUSION

BANK OF SCOTLAND FOUNDATION - SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

The scheme - accepts applications from charities registered in Scotland. The Foundation focuses its investment strategy around two themes:

- Developing and improving local communities;
- · Financial literacy, financial inclusion and social housing

Amount - up to £20,000

Contact - http://www.bankofscotlandfoundation.org/small-grants-programme

Deadlines - 19 July 2011 and 14 October 2011

FRIENDS PROVIDENT FOUNDATION

The scheme - The Foundation will consider requests for capital or revenue funding, core funds or project costs and is willing to consider applications from any type of legally independent organisation for work that is legally charitable.

Previously supported projects include:

- money management advice to young people via mobile phones and interactive digital TV.
- Research into the difficulties people with a learning disability have in gaining access to banking services.

Amount - up to £200,000

Contact - Visit http://www.friendsprovidentfoundation.org/ for further information.

Deadline - 5 August 2011

HEALTH

COMMUNITY FOOD AND HEALTH (SCOTLAND) - SMALL GRANT SCHEME

The scheme – funding for groups and agencies that would like to improve access to and take up of a healthy varied and balanced diet within low-income communities. Last year there was a 20% success rate among applicants. Home Start Angus received £520 for cookery lessons.

Amount - £500 - £3,000

Contact - www.communityfoodandhealth.org.uk/funding/smallgrants.php

Deadline - 12 August 2011

HEART RESEARCH UK - HEALTHY HEART GRANTS

The scheme - to support innovative, original projects that promote heart health and help prevent or reduce the risks of heart disease in specific groups or communities

Amount – up to £10,000

Contact – www.heartresearch.org.uk/grants/healthyheartgrant

Deadline - 31 August 2011

ICT

BT COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

The scheme - an award scheme which offers community groups the chance to get online and help people discover the internet. If your group helps the community access the internet and improves people's ICT skills, you could be eligible to apply for a year's free broadband.

Contact - To apply for an award visit www.bt.com/communityconnections

Deadline - 15 September 2011

THE CABLE&WIRELESS WORLDWIDE FOUNDATION

The scheme - The Cable&Wireless Worldwide Foundation will enhance the lives of those with special needs (The term special needs applies to people with physical, mental, behavioural and / or learning problems, also the circumstances that create an exceptional situation requiring individualised educational programmes, physical accessibility or care requirements.) through its expertise in mission critical communications, and will look to partner and build relationships with institutions that support, research, develop or implement the appropriate, specialist communication requirements. By making the most of its resources, the company is also aiming to offer communication solutions and services to organisations supporting people with special needs, as well as working with experts to understand how people's lives can be enhanced and enabling colleagues to build meaningful partnerships with relevant organisations.

Amount - not indicated

Contact - http://www.cw.com/about-us/corporate-responsibility/community/foundation/ to apply online

Deadline – 1 August 2011

MISCELLANEOUS

2014 COMMUNITIES

The scheme - to encourage groups to get involved in sport and physical activity, **which can include walking or gardening groups**. Grants will be available to groups who are looking to encourage participation, volunteering and community interaction through their sports projects. There are three key aims:

- More people take part in sport or physical activity
- More people volunteer in sport or physical activity
- More people and communities are brought together through taking part or volunteering in sport or physical activity

Applications from low participation groups are particularly encouraged i.e. women & girls, people who are disabled, people over 50 years of age, people under 25 years of age and people from black and minority ethnic communities. **Amount -** £300 - £1,000. They will partly fund costs of a larger project, however, the total project costs must not exceed £2,000 and you can only apply for one grant in a 12-month period. Decisions will be made within 15 working days.

Contact - call 0870 240 2391 or go to http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog 2014 communities.htm

Deadline - none

SPORT

KELLOGG'S SWIM ACTIVE GRANTS

The scheme – the scheme re-opens on 20 October 2011. Applications will be accepted from not-for-profit organisations such as; swimming clubs, schools, facilities, pool operators, community organisations and enterprises. The programme offers minimum grants of £10,000 and seeks to support any aquatic activity which enhances motivation, removes barriers and increases participation in the sport.

Projects must focus on one or more of the following areas:

- reach deprived communities
- target non swimming individuals
- break down barriers to participation in aquatic activity
- increase participation in aquatic activity
- target socio-deprived communities

Example projects that could be supported include; Supportive social sessions for mums-to-be and new mums; to provide an additional social opportunity; aquatic Youth Clubs for young people aged 14-19.

Contact - http://www.swimming.org/get-involved/kelloggs-swim-active

SWIM21/BRITISH GAS CLUB GRANT

The scheme - Swim21 accredited swimming clubs, and clubs working towards accreditation, can apply for a British Gas Club Grant to help with club development. The scheme is administered by the Amateur Swimming Association.

Amount - Grants of up to £1,000 for accredited clubs, or up to £500 for clubs working towards accreditation, are available.

Contact - For further information and application forms visit: http://www.swimming.org/

Deadline - 15 August 2011 and November 2011

WOMEN

WOMEN'S FUND FOR SCOTLAND

NEW GUIDELINES

The scheme - Grants to organisations predominantly run by/for women and women-only projects which seek to support and empower women back into employment. Projects may be funded that meet the aim of the fund "to support projects that enable women to be better able to cope with the effects of the economic downtown and to make changes that enable them to turn lives around".

Applications must address at least one of the following three outcomes

- 1. Women are more equipped to access opportunities that will lead to employment:
 - Building confidence and self esteem

- Improve mental health and wellbeing
- Increase motivation
- Support through challenging times i.e. domestic violence/abuse, addictions, recovery, family breakdown
- · Literacy and numeracy skills
- 2. Women are able to access employment:
 - Vocational and non vocational training, qualifications (associated childcare costs)
 - Volunteering opportunities
 - CV support, interview skills
- 3. Women have access to income maximisation advice and support:
 - Advocacy, life skills
 - Legal and financial advice and support

Amount - Grants of £2.000 - £5.000 are available

Contact - Applications can be made using the form available at www.scottishcf.org/grantsforwomen

Deadline - It takes around four months to process an application. Please apply in plenty of time before the Grants Committee dates .Committee dates for 2011 are as follows:

- 3 October 2011
- 6 December 2011

Should you have any queries contact the Grants Team. Tel: 0141 341 4960 grants@scottishcf.org/grants@scottishcf.org/grantsforwomen

YOUTH

CASHBACK SMALL GRANTS SCHEME

The scheme - funds programmes of activities for young people including: sports events, music tuition, camping trips, outdoor activities, drumming, art, swimming lessons, first aid courses, healthy eating projects and sailing courses. It is estimated that more than 12,000 young people have benefitted from these activities.

Groups that are members of the partner organisations are eligible to apply for this new year of funding.

Amount - The Scheme has distributed over £233,000 to 252 individual projects across the country. Grants of up to £1,000 are available to fund the start up costs of a group of unit, and up to £2,000 to fund an existing group to run a particular programme of activity. Groups should apply directly to the organisation of which they are a member.

Contact - For more information visit www.youthscotland.org.uk/projects/cashback-small-grants-scheme.htm

Deadlines - 1 September 2011, 1 December 2011, 1 March 2012 and 1 June 2012

COMMUNITY CHEST

The scheme - a small grant programme providing grants to help small community groups sustain and develop their activities. Groups can apply for funding for a wide range of activities or operational costs. They are particularly keen to fund activities that will help build and develop strong organisations, for example: training for committee members and volunteers, visits to other organisations or conferences; professional support or consultancy. Priority for funding will be given to groups working with:

- Disability or health related issues
- People excluded due to their ethnic origin, gender, sexual orientation or gender identity
- · Families and young people
- Older people

Amount - up to £1,000 and free training

Contact - Groups wishing to apply for a Community Chest grant can download an application form and guidance notes from the right-hand side of this page. http://www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk/5,40/grants/community_chest Deadline - Applications for the Community Chest programme are welcome throughout the year with the deadlines being the 15 September 2011 and 15 January 2012. They will let you know within 12 weeks whether your application has been successful or not.

INSPIRING SCOTLAND - EARLY YEARS, EARLY ACTION FUND

The scheme – to improve outcomes for vulnerable young children through funding a range of activities that particularly focus on parenting, play, childcare (over and above day-to- day childcare) and child or maternal health, as well as projects that will build the capacity of parents, families and communities for their children. They will fund

charities that operate on a national level and those that deliver front-line services in more than one local authority area. Organisations will have to be a registered charity at the point of investment.

Amount – not indicated

Contact - http://www.inspiringscotland.org.uk/Home/Our-Funds/Early-Years

Deadline - 15 July 2011

NORTH FACE - EXPLORE FUND

The scheme - The North Face have announced the launch of their Explore Fund to European applicants, designed to inspire and enable the next generation of explorers by funding non-profit organisations that are working to reconnect children with nature. The Explore Fund will support organisations that encourage youth outdoor participation, focusing primarily on creating more connections of children to nature, increasing access to both front & backcountry recreation, as well as providing education for both personal & environmental health.

Amount - up to €2,500

Contact – http://explorefund.eu/index.php where you can apply online.

Deadline – 8 August 2011

RESPECTME GRANT FUND

The scheme - National Anti-Bullying Week takes place from 14 to 18 November 2011. To make the occasion, respectme, Scotland's Anti-Bullying Service and Youth Scotland want to encourage and support anti-bullying campaigning at a local level. Youth Scotland affiliated groups are being offered the opportunity to apply for funding to develop anti-bullying themed events and activities. Whether your group has a passion for music, drama, video production or art, Youth Scotland want you to be as creative as possible. You might want to record a song, develop a play or produce a mural; the brief is fairly open, but they want you to come up with ideas to communicate the anti-bullying messages that you think people need to hear.

Amount - Grants of up to £1,000 to spread anti-bullying message

Contact - Youth Scotland, Tel 0131 554 256 and more details are available at

http://www.youthscotland.org.uk/projects/respect-me-grant-fund.htm

Deadline - 1 September 2011

AWARDS

2012 ASHDEN AWARDS FOR SUSTAINABLE ENERGY

The Awards take the form of a national competition open to voluntary organisations, schools, local authorities and businesses throughout the UK to identify practical and innovative schemes that demonstrate sustainable energy in action at local level. The Awards operate retrospectively: that is they reward projects that have already been put into action. They bring sizeable cash prizes, a big PR opportunity, and the chance to network nationally and internationally with projects sharing similar aims.

Contact - http://www.ashdenawards.org/our work

Deadline - 25 October 2011

THE GUARDIAN CHARITY AWARDS 2011 are open to social welfare charities that can demonstrate excellence and achievement in what they do. Eligible charities must also have been registered for more than two years and have an annual income of between £5,000 and £1.5 million. You can be nationwide or just operate at community level. You can have a strong environmental theme, or involve animals, but the key thing is that it must deliver clear benefit to people - adults or children - who are disadvantaged by poverty or disability or are marginalised in some other way.

Contact - 020 3353 4767 or Email - charityawards@guardian.co.uk

Deadline - 15 July 2011

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CHARITY CHECKOUT is a new payment provider which offers small charities the opportunity to handle one-off and regular gifts online. Charity Checkout provides charities with the facility to set up custom payment pages for specific campaigns, and an online account where they can manage and track their donations. It pays out all the donations received in a single payment each month to each charity, with Gift Aid included. It is possible for custom payment pages to be set-up in seconds, so charities can run micro-fundraising campaigns on Twitter or Facebook. There is a minimum donation of £3 accepted on the site.

There is no charge for charities to sign up to use CharityCheckout. A 4% fee is charged on donations made through the system, plus transaction costs of 2.8% which go direct to Charity Checkout's charity partner, the Dove Trust. This includes all credit/debit card fees, PayPal fees, admin fees, plus the cost of building and maintaining the software.

See: http://www.charitycheckout.co.uk/

NEW VILLAGE AND COMMUNITY HALL QUALITY AWARD

The Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations, (SCVO) has launched **Keystone**, a quality award for people who manage village halls and community buildings. The scheme provides information, support and encouragement to help build a quality approach to managing community buildings.

Recent research has shown that only 20% of halls have a business plan, and 66% have no year on year budget predictions.

Keystone helps you build up a folder of all your useful documentation, so would be really useful for any group considering applying for funding. You get professional help to work through the documentation, and at the end of it you receive an award that can be displayed in your hall.

There is no cost to sign up for the award.

Contact - for more details, visit

http://microsites.scvo.org.uk/villagehalls/NewsAndEvents/ViewNews.aspx?NewsID=1275&al=t&from=Home email keystone@scvo.org.uk or phone 01464 251729.

PARTNER EXCHANGE

ARCHNETWORK THE TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE OF SLOVAKIA

There are six places available on this programme to Eastern Slovakia from 12th - 19th September 2011 A week long exchange hosted by **Krajina**, a small company specialising in cultural tourism, in eastern Slovakia is on offer giving an opportunity to discover the country's tangible and intangible cultural heritage and the history, skills and traditions that are part of this regions daily life. The programme incorporates visits to UNESCO world heritage sites and ethnographic museums to see how traditional buildings and war memorials are preserved and interpreted. Participants have the opportunity to take part in Slovakian cultural traditions and way of life.

Arch provides **fully funded study visits** for trainers from Scotland's cultural heritage industry to visit organisations in other European countries to exchange best practice and establish new contacts and partnerships for future cooperation. European Partners work in a variety of contexts including cultural tourism, 'living heritage', traditional construction techniques and reconstruction, tourist network development and museums. These study visits are funded by the Leonardo da Vinci programme; the costs of travel, accommodation and subsistence are covered by the grant.

ICHI (Innovation in Cultural Heritage Interpretation) aims to develop the skills of Scottish professionals who train or coach others in the field of heritage interpretation and tourism through a programme of exchanges with partners in 7 European countries: Romania, Bulgaria, Turkey, Iceland, Latvia, Estonia and Slovakia. 5/6 people will be sent to each country, spending 7 - 8 days participating in workshops, site visits, hands-on activities and seminars. This is

intended to be an intellectual exchange –European partners will come to Scotland, but you are not obliged to host them.

Details of the programmes are available at http://www.archnetwork.co.uk/blog/ICHI2011 or email sheila@archnetwork.org.

CONSTITUTIONS

Please ensure that the copy of your constitution that you send to the Angus Council Community Grant Scheme, and all other funders, has been **signed and dated**, otherwise it's not a legally binding document. And remember, if your constitution states your accounts will be audited, this must be done by a qualified auditor and you will have to pay a high cost for this. If your organisation's yearly income is below £250,000 your accounts only require to be **independently examined** by a suitable person, but this can only be done if this is what your constitution says. Groups with modest resources are recommended to change their constitutions.

TRAVEL FOR FUNDRAISERS

Virgin Money Giving, the not-for-profit fundraising website (www.virginmoneygiving.com), is to offer special discount fares to fundraisers taking part in fundraising challenges overseas.

Fundraisers taking part in events such as overseas marathons or challenges will be able to get exclusive fares on their air travel for themselves and up to three other people.

To obtain these special fares, fundraisers must fill in an enquiry form at: https://keytravel.com/VMG Form/index.php

EVENTS

LOOKING FOR FREE SUMMER YOUTH GROUP IDEAS?

Youth Beatz returns to Dock Park, Dumfries on Saturday August 13th from 1.00pm-10.30pm. UK chart star Chipmunk will headline the event, along with Wagner, Basshunter, Emma's Imagination and many more. Created in partnership with, and at the request of young people, Youth Beatz 2010 attracted an audience of almost 12,000 young people. An interactive event for young people aged 12-25 to have fun, take part and be better informed about relevant issues, services and opportunities, Youth Beatz has been designed to be as much about socialising and experiencing major main stage acts, as it is aimed at creating civic pride and a lasting legacy of young people being fully involved in their community. The event will also feature activity-based entertainment, family attractions, dance and youth services information, local musicians and community groups. The event is managed through a partnership led by Dumfries and Galloway Councils Community Learning and Development Service in Nithsdale. Youth Beatz 2011 is free to enter but tickets will be required. It is a great chance to take your youth group to a free music event to end their summer holidays!

Free Group tickets for youth groups from across Scotland can be obtained by emailing youth.work@dumgal.gov.uk for further information visit www.youthbeatz.co.uk

EDINBURGH - 31 AUG 2011, COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING - PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE

Community capacity building is a way of working with people to develop their ability to jointly influence things that matter to them. This can involve developing confidence, skills, structures and knowledge. Strengthening the role of communities and building the capacity of people to work together to achieve change are essential to achieving Scotland's national outcomes. There is increasing agreement that these things are also essential to effective future delivery of public services. A recent LTS survey shows a strong and growing demand for community capacity building support. But the resources that can help to provide that support are tight. Many people, in different sectors, have a role to play. But it is often not clear what their contribution is and how they can best work together.

These two forums aim to provide opportunities for all those involved to come together and:

- Understand the crucial role of community capacity building
- Learn more about the contributions that different community activities make to building capacity
- Reach a better shared understanding of who the capacity builders are and how they can work together
- Help LTS and its partners to discover how best to offer support.

To reserve places at the Edinburgh event, to be held at Royal College of Surgeons, Nicholson Street EH8 9DW please go to: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CommunityCapacityBuildingOpenForums2011

There is no charge, but places are limited and will be subject to confirmation.

FORTHCOMING DEADLINES

18 July - Henry Duncan Awards

FUNDING SUCCESS

Angus Care and Repair received £1,000 towards their Small Repairs Service from the Lintel Trust's People strand

The Oyster Trust received £6,000 from the Lloyds TSB Foundation Henry Duncan Awards

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