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Welcome to our **60th** edition, which means we have been producing the Angus Funding News for five years – and we are still bringing you news of new and different funds to apply to.

LOCAL FUNDING EVENTS

EUROPE FOR CITIZENS EVENT, Wednesday 19 August, Forfar

Funding for meeting with like-minded groups in Europe is not limited to town twinning associations and local authorities, though they are of course eligible to apply. Youth, cultural and heritage groups may also be interested in inviting overseas visitors to discuss matters of common interest in Europe, experience cultural diversity, exchange experiences. If you are interested in hearing about the Europe for Citizens Town Twinning programme, you are invited to a short presentation at 4pm in Forfar on Wednesday 19 August. To book a place, please contact Eddie Findlay on 01307 473264 or email externalfunding@angus.gov.uk

ANGUS FUNDING SURGERIES

Having completed our tour of the rural areas in the spring, we now have a series of dates for funding surgeries in the areas not yet covered. So, if you have any funding ideas you wish to discuss, want some advice on where to apply for funding, or help with completing a funding application form, do come along. As in the past, you do not have to book a slot, but if you don't you may have to wait a while as those who do book will be seen at their chosen times. To book, contact us at externalfunding@angus.gov.uk or phone Eddie Findlay on 01307 473264

All surgeries will run from 2pm – 4.30pm

Tuesday 18 th August	Arbroath ACCESS office, Old Parish Church, Kirk Square, DD11 1DX
Thursday 20 August	Carnoustie ACCESS office, 26 High Street, DD7 6AP
Tuesday 25 August	Forfar ACCESS office, Municipal Buildings, Castle Street, DD8 3AF
Thursday 27 August	Monifieth ACCESS office, 81 High Street, DD5 4AA
Tuesday 1 September	Montrose ACCESS office, Town House, High Street, DD10 8QW

And remember, if you wish us to visit you outwith these specific dates and locations, just give us a call.

BE BETTER@ FUNDING EVENT

We shall be holding a funding training event on **Friday, 4 September** in Forfar.

MORNING

- 9.45 Registration
- 10.00 Creating a Funding Package – match funding
- 10.30 Writing a Funding application
- 11.00 – 11.15 Coffee/tea break
- 11.15 Committee game (your turn to act the role of a funding assessor)
- 12.00 – 12.30 Question time (questions from the floor, and questions emailed to us in advance at externalfunding@angus.gov.uk)

(LUNCH IS NOT PROVIDED)

AFTERNOON

- 1.30 Awards for All – update on new application form, scoring criteria, and tips for success
- 2.00 – 3.30 - Opportunity to discuss your individual Awards for All/ Angus Council Community Grant Scheme application with funding staff

The event, in the same format will also take place in Dundee on Tuesday 1 September and in Perth on 17 September which Angus groups are welcome to attend if 4 September is inconvenient.

You are welcome to attend either the morning or afternoon sessions, or both. Please let us know when you register. To register to attend, please contact Eddie Findlay on 01307 473264 or email us at externalfunding@angus.gov.uk giving us the name of your organisation, the number of people from your organisation who will be attending, and which date you wish to attend.

LOOKING FOR LOCAL FUNDING EVENTS?

Remember that we list all of our forthcoming events on the local events calendar on the home page of www.angus4community.com It's a great way of seeing what's coming up and planning in advance.

NEWS FROM THE FUNDERS

EUROPEAN FUNDING

Cohesion Programmes and the Recession

On 22 July 2009, the European Commission simplified the rules governing the management of Cohesion Policy and projects in response to the recession. The aim is to launch more projects in the regions, and the changes will particularly affect projects under the European Social Fund. One of the key changes is to allow up to 100% of the cost of projects to be reclaimed, therefore removing the obligation for co-financing.

The principal changes are:

- In 2009 and 2010 the Commission may reimburse 100% of the public costs for projects financed by the ESF. Specifically, Member States will not be obliged to provide national co-financing, thus speeding up the implementation of projects to support employment.
- The Commission proposes establishing a single category of 'major project'. Previously, the Commission's approval was required for projects where the total cost exceeded €25 million for the environment and €50 million for other sectors. The threshold for approval is now set at €50 million for all areas. Smaller-scale environmental projects will therefore be able to start up more quickly.
- The rules relating to revenue-generating projects (for example, toll motorways or projects involving the leasing or sale of land) are also simplified in order to reduce the administrative burdens on the Member States.
- Investments in sectors linked to energy efficiency and the use of renewable energies in housing will be encouraged, given their considerable potential to provide growth and jobs.
- The European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) will be able to support the renovation or construction of housing for communities faced with social exclusion, particularly Roma, in both rural and urban areas. Previously, the construction of housing was ineligible under the ERDF and only housing in urban areas was eligible for renovation.

A copy of the full press release is available at

http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/09/1175&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&gui_language=en

EU culture programme

You can now access the application forms for the Culture Programme's strand 1.1 and 1.2.1 online from http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/culture/funding/2009/index_en.php

The deadline is 1 October.

Please note that in order to fill in the application form, Adobe Acrobat version 8.1.5 or higher is required.

Please also make sure you download and read the "eForm user guide." You can find links on the same page you will download the application form.

Partners for cultural projects

<http://partners.culture.info/> is a new online bulletin board for arts and cultural organisations looking for project partners in Europe or internationally. Organisations can list their project ideas if they are looking for partners or can search a listing of organisations looking for partners for trans-national projects.

Currently there are searches for projects involving performing arts groups, book festivals, sculpture parks, historic myths from a range of countries including Greece, UK, Kenya, Spain and Poland.

If you are interested in taking part in an international project take a look, If you have an idea for a project that could benefit from overseas partners, you can submit your partner search to the site.

LLOYDS TSB FOUNDATION FOR SCOTLAND

The Trust has changed its main telephone and fax numbers to:

Tel: 0131 444 4020 Fax: 0131 444 4099

Of 33 grants given by the Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland in its June funding round, 20 were towards salaries, mostly for around £6,000-£8,000. The full list of successful awards is available at <http://www.ltsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk/index.asp?tm=24> Other grants were given towards running and premises costs.

BIG LOTTERY FUND

Their strategic framework, outlining the BLF's direction up till 2015 has been published, along with results of their consultation, which attracted over 3,500 responses, 441 of which came from Scotland. This is not specifically about the forthcoming programmes, but will give an indication of the types of funding that are likely to be considered, which would indicate little change from the Investing in Communities programme - transition, isolation and empowering communities.

You can read the full document on.

<http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/scotland/bigthinking.htm?regioncode=-sco>

The BLF aim to open the next round of programmes by June 2010. The Investing In Ideas programme will continue in the meantime, to support the exploration and testing of new ideas, with grants of up to £10,000.

If you have a project in mind, it might be worthwhile to apply for Investing in Ideas to explore its potential, so you are ready to apply to the main grants programme as soon as it becomes available.

LOW CARBON BUILDINGS PROGRAMME PHASE 2 PROGRAMME

Following an announcement that the Low Carbon Buildings Programme Phase 2 grants programme was to be closed at the end of June 2009, the Government has decided to extend the programme until April 2011 by investing a further £35 million into the scheme.

Through this programme public sector organisations (including schools, hospitals, housing associations and local authorities) and charitable bodies can apply for grants of up to £200,000 for the installation of microgeneration technologies such as biomass boilers, air and water sourced heat pumps, hydro and wind turbines, etc.

Applications to the Low Carbon Buildings Programme Phase 2 can be submitted at any time.

<http://www.lowcarbonbuildingsphase2.org.uk/>

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

ARTS	BUSINESS	COMMUNITY	ENERGY	EVENTS	FAMILY
HEALTH	HOMELESS	SCHOOL	SOCIAL	SPORT	TOURISM
VOLUNTEERS	WOMEN		ENTERPRISES		

ARTS

THE BARBARA AND PHILIP DENNY CHARITABLE TRUST **NEW**

The scheme - for the promotion of education, in particular by providing financial assistance to people aspiring to become authors of books, journals or other literary works by means of grants or loans (interest free or otherwise at the trustees' discretion).

Contact - Terry O'Neill, 50 Tierney Road, London, SW2 4QS

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL VISUAL ARTISTS AWARD

The scheme - awards grants to individual Dundee-based visual artists towards the costs involved in researching and creating new work. The purpose of the scheme is to advance creative practice through research, conceptual or technical development. It is open to Dundee-based visual artists who work in and maintain a studio space in Dundee, or are a member of, and regularly use, a Dundee arts facility may also apply (e.g. WASPS studio tenants, Committee members of Generator Projects, or regular users of DCA Print Studio). Applicants may be of any age and at any stage of their career, but must be outwith full time education.

Amount – up to £1,000

Contact - for more information, contact Keri McGowan on tel: 01382 432479.

Deadline: November 2009

FIRST LIGHT MOVIES

The scheme - First Light Movies provides grants to projects that enable young people to participate in all aspects of film productions. The funding is available to organisations such as schools, youth services, community and voluntary groups that work with young people aged between 5 and 18.

Amount - each year approximately £700,000 of grants are available through three funding streams.

- The Studio Awards provides grants of up to £30,000 for between two and four films of up to 10 minutes.
- The Script Awards provides grants of up to £3,000 for script writing projects that team young people with script professionals.
- The Pilot Awards provides grants of up to £5,000 for one short film of up to five minutes in duration.

Contact - <http://www.firstlightmovies.com/funding/>

Deadline - 13th October for the Script Award and the Pilot Award.

The deadline for the Studio Award is 5th October 2009.

THE RADCLIFFE TRUST

The scheme – The Trust has a policy of making grants principally for Craft and Music Education. Applicants must be a registered charity and based in the UK.

Criteria For Music Grants: The Trust supports classical music performance and training, especially chamber music, composition and music education. Particular interests within music education are music for children and adults with special needs, youth orchestras and projects at secondary and higher levels, including academic research.

Criteria For Craft Grants: The Trust supports craft training among young people both at the level of apprenticeship and at the post-graduate and post-experience levels. Crafts are broadly defined, including building conservation skills, rural skills and traditional creative craft skills.

Amount - The majority of grants awarded are for amounts between £1,000 - £5,000.

For more information, visit www.theradcliffetrust.org or tel: 01285 841900.

SCOTTISH INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION TRUST

The scheme - to give financial help at a critical stage in their development to Scots who have shown ability and promise and wish to take their studies or professional training further in circumstances where public funds are not available; and to support projects which the Trust considers will contribute to the cultural, social or economic well being of Scotland or the improvement of the Scottish environment.

The Trust makes grants amounting generally to about £100,000 annually. The grants include -

- grants to individual students
- travel grants for young scientists, engineers and technologists in Scottish universities, nominated to the Trust by the universities themselves
- grants for charitable purposes to organisations or corporate projects.

Contact <http://www.scotinted.org.uk/index.htm>

Amount – around £100,000 is given annually in total. £1,000 - £3,000 for general grants, under £3,000 for individual students, under £2,000 for travel

Deadline – varies with the grant applied for

THE WINGATE FOUNDATION

The scheme - grants are for advancing musical education and performance. UK musicians and representative groups are eligible to apply. This grant programme supports music performance and music education that may not attract backing from commercial sponsors or other funding bodies.

Supported projects must demonstrate that a grant will make a significant difference to prospects and outcomes. Priority will be given to organisations which give opportunities to young professionals and for new adult audiences.

Contact - www.wingatefoundation.org.uk

Deadline –4 September and quarterly thereafter.

BUSINESS

EU - PROGRESS MICROFINANCE FACILITY

The scheme - The European Commission has proposed to set up a new microfinance facility providing microcredit to small businesses and to people who have lost their jobs and want to start their own small businesses.

The new micro-finance facility aims to make it easier for people who, in the current context of reduced credit supply, might have difficulties in accessing funds for business start-ups.

Workers who have lost their jobs or are at risk of losing them and want to establish their own businesses will have better access to funds and benefit from additional support measures such as mentoring, training and coaching. Disadvantaged people, including the young, who want to start or further develop their own small businesses, will also benefit from guarantees and assistance in preparing a business plan.

It is tailored to micro-enterprises, employing fewer than 10 people (91% of all European businesses), and unemployed or inactive people who want to go into self-employment but do not have access to traditional banking services. 99% of start-ups in Europe are micro or small enterprises, and one third of these are launched by unemployed people.

Amount - It will have an initial budget of €100 million. Micro-credit in the EU means loans under €25,000.

Contact - <http://tinyurl.com/kkjtsy>

Deadline - The Commission expects the new 'Progress Microfinance Facility' to be operational in 2010. We will bring you an update when more information is available.

COMMUNITY

CARNOUSTIE GALA COMMITTEE

The scheme – voluntary groups in Carnoustie can apply for funding from money raised by the annual gala

Amount – a total of £4,000 is available

Contact -The Secretary, Carnoustie Gala Committee, c/o 10 Winter Place, Carnoustie

Deadline – 21 August

CRUDEN FOUNDATION GRANTS PROGRAMME

The scheme - support for general community benefit. Registered charities operating in Scotland are eligible to apply. There are no set guidelines or application form and support is offered for a wide range of activities.

Contact - applications should be submitted to The Secretary, Baberton House, Juniper Green, Edinburgh, EH14 3HN

HILDEN CHARITABLE TRUST

The scheme The Hilden Charitable Trust supports a range of 'unpopular causes'. Small UK charities can apply and Hilden likes to support work at a community level. Project costs and core costs are both eligible. Priorities for funding are:

- homelessness
- minorities and race relations
- penal affairs

Amount – up to £5,000

Contact - for more information go to www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk

Deadline The next meeting of the Trustees is on 7th November, so applications should be in by 11th September.

SUS IT OUT PLUS

The scheme - Forward Scotland has received an award from the Big Lottery Fund to invest in the delivery of its **Sus it Out Plus** community empowerment programme. This will enable them to work with 150 groups, increasing awareness of sustainable development principles, developing group action plans and importantly providing funding to enable the building of vital skills and experiences.

The programme will run for two years and is open to community groups, new and existing, where they wish to develop themselves in a more sustainable manner.

Amount - £400,000 is available in total

Contact - If you are interested in taking part please contact christine.benzie@forward-scotland.org.uk

ENERGY

COMMUNITIES AND RENEWABLE ENERGY SCHEME (CARES)

The scheme – the Community and Renewable Energy Scheme (CARES) is the Scottish Government's rebranding of the previous Scottish Community and Householder Renewables Initiative (SCHRI) programme.

CARES is open to any non-profit distributing community organisations based in Scotland such as local/national voluntary, non-profit organisations and charitable organisations; local rural partnerships; local authorities; housing associations; universities and schools.

CARES provides funding for technical support, relevant training and the installation of renewable energy equipment. Funding is available for a wide range of renewable energy technologies to generate electricity with a particular emphasis on generating heat such as; hydro-electric wind; green hydrogen/fuel cells; geothermal; solar water heating; solar space heating; heat pumps; automated wood fuel heating systems.

Amount - the maximum grant available is of £150,000, which has increased 50% on the levels available under the previous Scottish Community and Householder Renewable Initiative.

Contact - <http://www.communityenergyscotland.org.uk/cares.asp>

Deadline-applications can be submitted at any time

GREEN ENERGY TRUST (UK)

The scheme - local community groups and not for profit organisations and charities within the UK can apply for grants for the installation of renewable technologies.

Projects also need to have a really strong community benefit and wider educational element. The Trust considers all kinds of renewable technologies, including small-scale hydro, wind power, biomass, landfill gas, solar energy and ground source heat pumps. Applications involving other technologies may also qualify for support. Grant requests must be to support the capital and installation costs of a renewable energy project.

Amount - up to £25,000 (but most projects receive around £10,000) for up to half the cost of the chosen renewable technology. The maximum amount would only be awarded to exceptional projects that tick all the boxes and demonstrate real value for money.

Contact - <http://www.scottishpowergreentrust.co.uk/content/>

Deadline – The Trust meets three times a year to consider applications – usually during the first week of September and December then April. Applications should be submitted as soon as possible. Applications will be screened for eligibility and completeness as long as they are received seven weeks prior to the Trustees' meetings, with the final deadline being four weeks before the meeting.

EVENTS

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS PROGRAMME

The scheme - encouraging large events that promote Scotland as an international tourist destination. Events supported through the International Funding Programme must:

- Generate substantial economic benefits for Scotland through increased visits from tourists, spectators and participants;
- Highlight Scotland as an event and tourism destination through international media coverage;
- Enhance opportunities for Scotland to host major events.

Businesses and public sector organisations in Scotland can apply.

Amount - variable

Contact – Eventscotland at <http://www.eventscotland.org/>

NATIONAL EVENTS PROGRAMME

The scheme – grants to showcase less popular regions to encourage tourism. The will support the strategic development of events, (outside of Edinburgh and Glasgow) that can encourage tourism.

Events funded should:

- Generate economic benefits for specific regions of Scotland
- Attract visitors and enhance the appeal of a region
- Involve local communities
- Demonstrate the capacity for growth
- Have the financial support of relevant local agencies

Businesses and public sector organisations in Scotland can apply

Amount - variable

Contact – EventScotland at <http://www.eventscotland.org/>

FAMILY

THE KELLY FAMILY CHARITABLE TRUST

The scheme - The Trust prioritises its funding in favour of charities whose activities involve all or most family members in initiatives that support and encourage the family to work as a cohesive unit in tackling problems that face one or more of its members. The overall objective is to reinforce the potential benefit and support the family members as a unit can give to each other.

Applications are also welcomed from sports and health-related charities whose activities comply with the above criteria.

The Trust will consider both capital and revenue grants. The Trust is happy to support requests for core funding as well as project-based grants, and actively encourages applications from relatively new organisations to help them become established.

Amount - Grants are awarded twice a year to charities whose aims fall within the criteria of the Trust. Grants will generally be in the range of £1000 - £5000, but Trustees will consider requests for higher amounts. The Trust is happy to be considering repeat applications as well as first-time applications. Although the initial policy was to award grants up to £5,000, the Trust is increasingly giving grants exceeding this amount. Last year £94,300 was distributed. Notwithstanding the instability of the investment market, there have been sufficient funds to ensure that grant distributions have remained unaffected over this period.

Contact - for more information please contact Stuart Armstrong: s.armstrong@kfct.org

All applications should be made on the Kelly Family Charitable Trust's official application form, which can be downloaded from <http://www.kfct.org.uk/apply.html>

Deadline - applications must be submitted by 1st March and 1st September to be considered at the subsequent meeting.

HEALTH

DRINKAWARE GRANTS

The scheme - Drinkaware updated its eligibility criteria in June for its programme of grants aimed at changing the UK's drinking culture for the better. Activities should influence public behaviour and find innovative ways to raise awareness about the effects of alcohol and reduce its misuse and minimise alcohol-related harm.

There are three grants schemes:

The Ideas Fund covers grants up to £2,000 and is designed to help community-based projects that need support to work up an initial idea before applying for a larger grant. The Fund can also be used to support development work by existing organisations looking to scope out a larger alcohol awareness or education initiative.

Awareness Projects covers grants up to £25,000 to help with project costs, resources or publicity materials for a project that is already at an advance stage of development. Projects should involve direct, hands-on work with individuals and communities. Drinkaware is especially keen to hear from projects that have already had a positive impact in tackling attitudes to drinking.

Big Impact Awards of up to £100,000 support larger scale initiatives that reach a wider audience and have, well, a big impact. You need to show evidence that your work has already been successful and that it has materially contributed to alcohol awareness and education. Projects should be pioneering as well as effective, and preference will be given to those with a national impact. Your work might be complex, it might involve a large-scale partnership, or it might involve a number of pilot projects around the UK. Projects must still be hands-on and involve direct work with individuals and communities.

Applications are accepted from organisations working primarily with people aged under 18 or between 25 and 44. You do not have to be a registered charity. Statutory agencies and partnerships can apply too. Grants are unlikely to be given to any organisation with an income above £10 million or free reserves covering more than 18 months.

Amount - grants of up to £100,000 are available.

Contact - full information and the updated application guidelines are available at <http://tiny.cc/zjRMz>

Drinkaware are always happy to discuss project ideas before you commit to a full application. You should always call them if you intend to apply for a large grant. Call 020 7307 or e-mail the Grants Officer, Andy Law, via alaw@drinkaware.co.uk

Deadline - applications dealt with as received. Allow at least two months for them to be processed.

HEALTHY HEART GRANTS

The scheme – grants for running specific projects to promote the message of heart health and to prevent or reduce the risks of heart disease in specific groups or communities. Applications are invited from voluntary organisations to run innovative projects that promote heart health and/or prevent or reduce the risks of heart disease in specific groups and communities. Projects must relate specifically to heart health, not just healthy lifestyles in general.

Examples of recently funded projects include -

- £10,000 to a project supporting healthy eating and cooking and physical activity sessions within a local Sikh community. Healthy heart checks are an important part of the programme, which is targeted at women over the age of 45.
- £3508.40 to a Happy Hearts project, which educates individuals with mental health problems and their families and carers in all matters related to heart health including diet, smoking, exercise, stress, and weight loss.
- £9961 to a Healthy Deaf Heart project, which spreads the heart message to deaf people, and their carers and families, through British Sign Language communicators and professional coaches.

Amount - grants of up to £10,000 are available. Any equipment purchases must be for the project alone and cannot be for more than £2000 or 50% of the grant requested, whichever is the lower figure.

Contact - application forms and guidance notes are available at www.heartresearch.org.uk/healthy_heart_grants.htm You can also contact the lifestyle team at Heart Research UK on 0113 297 6206 or e-mail lifestyle@heartresearch.org.uk

Deadline - 31 August 2009 for grants made in November 2009. 28 February 2010 for grants made in May 2010.

NHS TAYSIDE FUNDING FOR VOLUNTARY SECTOR

The scheme – funding is available for health improvement. Voluntary organisations and community groups can apply. Funding can be for core activities (3 year funding with annual reviews); projects (up to a maximum of 50% costs, for up to 3 years); commissioned services.

Core grants may be renewed but this is not automatic. A renewal application will be subject to the same basic vetting procedure as for a new application.

Applicants should note that funds are usually fully committed in each financial year with many organisations being refunded, so there is little scope for new applicants.

Amount - £50 to £30,000

Contact http://www.nhstayside.scot.nhs.uk/getting_involved/voluntorgfunding.shtml

Deadline – by 1 October 2009 for projects starting after 1 April 2010

HOMELESS

CRASH

The scheme – grants for refurbishing buildings for homeless people. CRASH is the construction and property industries' charity for homeless people. It helps frontline organisations that help homeless people. CRASH address issues of homelessness by helping with all aspects related to refurbishment of buildings. For example hostels, day centres, night shelters, training centres and move-on accommodation. The support programme offers professional expertise, cash grants and building materials.

Contact - <http://www.crash.org.uk/apply-for-help/> If you would like to discuss your needs before you complete an application form contact the CRASH office, Tel: 020 8742 0717. The application form is available to download and should be returned to Nicola Baskerville, Projects Administrator at: CRASH, The Gatehouse, 2 Devonhurst Place, London W4 4JD.

Deadline – none given

SCHOOLS

CONNECTING CLASSROOMS

The scheme - a global programme that creates partnerships between clusters of schools in the UK and around the world. These partnerships bring an international dimension to young people's learning, to improve their knowledge and understanding of other cultures and prepare them for life and work as global citizens.

Partnerships last for two to three years, initially, depending on the countries involved. There is no joining fee, and participating schools and co-ordinating bodies can receive grants to support activities that sustain their links during their involvement in the programme.

Contact - <http://www.britishcouncil.org/learning-connecting-classrooms-what.htm>

Deadline - the next application deadline is the 28th August 2009 for partnerships with schools in the Near East and North Africa; the Middle East; Latin America; and the Caribbean.

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

UNLTD - 4iP

NEW

The scheme - UnLtd, the charity for social entrepreneurs has teamed up with Channel 4 to launch a new funding scheme (4iP) to help individuals turn their digital media projects into a reality. Grants are available to help individuals develop early stage digital media ideas and prototypes and to turn these prototypes into social businesses. This can include supporting great ideas for websites, games and mobile services which help people improve their lives.

There are two themes that 4iP is looking to support. These are:

1. using the web and mobile to keep an eye on how government, organisations and elected representatives use their power; and
2. exploring how digital tools, games, applications and services can help people change their lives for the better whether that's their health, wellbeing, finances, work/life balance or dealing with unemployment.

An example of a past project is 'Promise Aid' – an online auction where people bid an action of kindness or a positive personal change instead of money.

The awards are available to individuals over the age of 16, as well as informal groups.

Amount – up to £5,000

Contact - to discuss your ideas and to obtain an application form please contact 0845 850 1122, email 4ip@unltd.org.uk or visit <http://www.unltd.org.uk/template.php?ID=179&PageName=4ip>

Deadline – not given

SPORT

CASH4CLUBS

The scheme - Grants are available for local sports clubs across the UK to provide additional opportunities for sporting activities, for example through the purchase of new equipment, improving facilities or providing training for coaches. Funding is available for both mainstream and minority sporting activities, providing that the sports club plays an active role in their local community. The fund is open to applications from any sports club in the UK as long as they are registered with their National Governing Body or local authority. No preference is given to the type of sport involved or the ages of people who will benefit from the project, but priority will be given to clubs that play an active role in their local community.

Amount - £250- £1,000

Contact - applications are accepted on a rolling basis and should be made using the online application form at <http://cash-4-clubs.com/>

Deadline - applications will be reviewed quarterly.

GIRLS ON THE MOVE PARTICIPATION PROGRAMME

The scheme - Girls on the Move is a project designed to increase physical activity levels among girls and young women in Scotland aged 12-18 years. Projects should aim to support participants to increase physical activity and skill levels, as well as self-esteem and confidence. Long-term impact is key, and Girls on the Move is keen to fund

projects that consider how activities can continue once funding has finished. Previous projects have included cheerleading, netball, dance, gymnastics, outdoor activities and many more.

Amount - grants of up to £2,000 are available

Contact - Girls on the Move is funded by the Robertson Trust and the Scottish Government and delivered by Youth Scotland. Further information and an application pack can be found at www.youthscotland.org.uk/projects/girls-on-the-move/the-participation-programme.htm or by e-mailing: girls@youthscotland.org.uk

Deadline - 1 September & 1 December 2009, 1 March 2010

SPORTSMATCH

The scheme - Sportsmatch offers pound for pound matched funding to investments made by businesses, trusts and individuals into projects that encourage sports participation at grass roots level. The scheme is open to community based sports projects, in particular those that benefit young people, disability groups, black and minority ethnic groups and/or women and girls. Sponsored projects should aim to include either increased participation at the grass roots level, new or enhanced activities, or activities that provide links to the local community and ensure long term benefits. Priority will be given to revenue projects (e.g. coaching, competition, facilities hire) over capital projects (e.g. cricket playing surfaces). Any not-for-profit group such as a sports club, local authority, governing body of sport, school etc. can apply.

Priority will be given to projects which can be seen to benefit young people, disabled people, ethnic minorities, school related projects, or projects in rural or urban recreationally deprived areas.

Amount - awards start at a minimum of £500 and go up to £10,000 per project. The funding available is primarily for running costs although capital awards can be made through the scheme.

Contact - applicants can apply online at <http://tinyurl.com/mfnoqn>

Deadline - the set closing dates have now been abolished and applications can now be submitted at any time.

TOURISM

INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

The scheme –the second round of this fund is now open. Details of successful applications in the first round are available on the website.

The fund has been set up through a partnership between Destination Dundee and Angus and Dundee Area Tourism Partnership to offer local tourism businesses the opportunity of funding towards innovative projects which will add to the area's economic growth. Projects should aim to develop tourism and attract more short-break visitors. Applicants should demonstrate how they intend to increase visitor numbers. Money is available for product development, marketing, promotion and research and aims to encourage partnership and collaborative working.

Amount - £140,000 in total will be available over two years. Applicants may apply for up to £20,000 each.

Contact – www.innovationfund.org.uk for more details, or Ann Butler by email at CamusaA@angus.gov.uk

Before applying you should register and download an expression of interest form.

Deadline – 30 September 2009

VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTARY ACTION FUND - COMMUNITY CHEST

The scheme -The Voluntary Action Fund's Community Chest has re-opened for new applications. The Community Chest is aimed at smaller community groups and voluntary organisations with an annual income under £25,000. Groups can apply for funding for a wide range of activities or operational costs. However, 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 and conferences; or professional support and consultancy. In addition, they are also keen to fund groups who meet any of the following criteria:

- Work with disability or health related issues
- Beneficiaries who are excluded due to their ethnicity, disability, gender, or sexual orientation
- Provide childcare

Amount – up to £1,000, plus free training to groups

Contact - you can download an application form and guidance notes from www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk or contact Patricia or Chris at Voluntary Action Fund. Tel: 01383 620780 or e-mail: Patricia.McKibben@voluntaryactionfund.org.uk

Deadline - 30 September and 31 December 2009

WOMEN

SCOTTISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The scheme – grants are available to registered charities and constituted community groups that provide support, services and activities to disadvantaged women and girls. The Women's Fund for Scotland supports a wide range of projects, initiatives and events. The goal of the fund is to improve opportunities for women and girls all over Scotland.

Projects should support women's development, self-sufficiency, and economic and social equality. The majority of this funding will be available for locally focused projects that also contribute to the regeneration or development of a specific geographic area, for example:

- Enhancing local facilities, for the purpose of encouraging women who experience discrimination, disadvantage, or live in areas of deprivation to live or work within their local community;
- Benefiting local women who have particular needs because of their gender, age, sexuality, disability or race or religion;
- Assisting women to make use of local facilities and opportunities for education, training or employment purposes;
- Promoting a safe and crime free environment for women in their communities.

Amount – up to £5,000. £135,000 in total is available. Grants are given from 25% - 100% of the cost of your project.

Contact - to apply or get further information contact the Scottish Community Foundation grants team on 0141 225 6670 or visit the website at <http://tinyurl.com/nv6lbh>

Deadline - The Scottish Community Foundation is advising potential applicants to submit their entries in good time ahead of the December deadline. Many groups leave it until the December closing date to apply for grants, but this money is available now. Groups are recommended to start applying to the fund as soon as possible in order to allow a decision to be made in sufficient time to plan for your events. Applications can be made up to 11th December 2009.

AWARDS

2010 IMPACT AWARDS

The scheme – open to charities that are at least three years old, working in the health field, with an income of £10k - £1m

Amount –£3,000 to £35,000 for twenty award winners, as well as free training valued at £3,500.

Contact – www.kingsfund.org.uk/gskimpactawards for an application form and guidelines

Deadline – 25 September

TALKTALK DIGITAL HEROES

The scheme - Digital Heroes will support 12 individuals, one from each region of the UK, involved in an outstanding project using digital technology to bring about positive social change and improve the lives of people in their local communities throughout the UK.

You can nominate yourself, or get someone else to do it.

You need to show:

- The history of the group and how it has achieved its outcomes;
- The description of the digital project the Hero is involved in (whether it's new or in existence already) and what it has achieved;
- What more you could do if you won the £5,000.

Amount - 11 of the Heroes will get £5,000 each to use on their project, and the overall winner will get £10,000.

The money winners receive can be used to support your existing project or a new one.

Contact - www.talktalk.co.uk/digitalheroes There is an online application form. Three short-listed candidates will be chosen in each of the UK regions and, yawn, the three people will be voted on by the public in their region.

Deadline - 11 September 2009.

FUNDING SUPPORT

REALISE YOUR ENTERPRISING POTENTIAL

Do you have some inspiring ideas to develop your organisation and help realise your sustainability? Perhaps you're looking to tender for new contracts or diversify your income base. Help is at hand with the new Realise

Mentoring programme. You can access free, confidential mentoring support from experienced mentors with expertise in the areas of greatest interest to you.

Whether it's successfully bidding for tenders, managing cultural change or developing your organisation's sustainability, Realise Mentoring can match you with the right mentor for your needs.

Free Mentoring support for enterprising third sector organisations across Scotland

Contact - www.realisementoring.org.uk

TECHNOLOGY DONATIONS FROM MICROSOFT, CISCO & SYMANTEC AVAILABLE TO SCOTTISH CHARITIES

Scottish charities can request product donations from organisations such as Microsoft, Symantec and Cisco through Charity Technology Exchange (CTX). A wide range of products can be requested as donations including:

- Microsoft Server products (Windows Server, Small Business Server, Sharepoint etc.)
- Microsoft Office 2003 & 2007
- Windows XP and Vista upgrades
- Cisco routers, switches and wireless access points
- Symantec desktop and enterprise anti-virus and firewall products

For full details of all participating donors, including available products and eligibility criteria, visit:

www.ctxchange.org/about_ctx/partners

Charities pay a small administrative fee to cover the costs of running the programme and whilst the administrative fees vary, charities will still make savings of between 92-96% on typical retail prices. In practice, this means that a small charity with say 10 computers, can acquire the latest office, anti-virus, publishing and server software to equip the organisation for around £200. To find out about how the programme works and to start the registration process, go to www.ctxchange.org/getting_started

PUBLICATIONS

A selection of new publications from the Directory for Social Change

365 Ways to Cut Costs by Alex Blyth

Gives cost cutting ideas for charities in recessionary times.

1st edition September 2009, £16.95

Data protection for Voluntary Organisations by Paul Ticher

Revised 3rd edition, September 2009-07-16

Sports Funding Guide by Tom Traynor

3rd edition, April 2009, £35

The Complete Guide to Creating and Managing New Projects by Alan Lawrie

3rd edition, November 2009, £18.95

UK Giving 2008 by Sally Clegg et al

An overview of charitable giving from individuals – who gives and how much

FREE – (p and p of £2.75)

Voluntary by not Amateur by Ruth Hayes and Jacki Reason

Provides information on legal issues, health and safety, equal opportunities, data protection, email and internet use

8th edition March 2009, £35

All of the above are available from DSC, www.dsc.org.uk/publications

TRAINING

19 – 22 October, and 9 – 12 February 2010, Glasgow and Edinburgh

Foundation Course in Fundraising Practice, £730/£990

28 – 30 September, Edinburgh

Corporate Fundraising – Masterclass, £620/£970

2 December, Edinburgh

How to raise money from Trusts £145/£285

For further details on all of the above contact training@dsc.org.uk or visit www.dsc.org.uk

Please note there are many more DSC training courses, but these are the only ones in their 2009/10 training guide which will be taking place in Scotland.

EVENTS

Fundraising and the Law

The Institute of Fundraising Scotland has been funded by the Scottish Government to deliver training sessions across Scotland on the new Charities and Benevolent Fundraising (Scotland) Regulations 2009. These courses are free of charge, running from 10am to 4pm on each of the dates below. Venues will be confirmed shortly.

2 September 2009	Glasgow
4 September 2009	Edinburgh
10 September 2009	Aberdeen
11 September 2009	Inverness
17 September 2009	Perth
29 September 2009	Dumfries
27 October 2009	Edinburgh
29 October 2009	Glasgow

To book your place, register your interest or for further information about the courses please contact the Institute's Scotland office on 0131 557 2100 or at Scotland@institute-of-fundraising.org.uk

YOUNG PEOPLE, YOUTH WORK & SOCIAL NETWORKING EVENT

26 August, 9.30am-3.30pm, Edinburgh

YouthLink Scotland in partnership with Young Scot are holding a conference to explore how the youth work sector can engage young people through the use of digital technologies with a particular focus on social networking.

Cost: £60 plus VAT. For more information call 0131 313 2488 or email ssymington@youthlink.co.uk

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