

FUNDING

Here is the funding available in the area that we have found from the 17 of October 2014. It also includes funding from previous newsletters that is still open for applications. The funding is organised into order of closest deadline. If you would like to a more detailed search please [click here](#) to go to our funding portal page.

Macmillan – Supporting You to Help Others Grants

Deadlines: 31 October 2014

Funding for both new and established cancer self help and support groups in the UK and their activities and user involvement projects and associated activities. For more information [click here](#).

Community Initiatives Fund

Meetings to consider proposals – October 2014 and January 2015

The purpose of the Community Initiatives Fund is to provide financial assistance to community based initiatives in the West Midlands. These initiatives must contribute towards the objectives in the Commissioners Police and Crime Plan or local crime and policing plans. The principal aims of the Fund are to provide small grants to help projects succeed and encourage community contact with local neighbourhood officers to increase trust and confidence and reduce crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour. For more information please [click here](#).

Grimple's Green Grants Scheme

Deadlines: October and January 2015.

Grants of up to £1,000 available for environmentally-friendly green projects across the U.K. and one off grants of £10,000 available for one especially worthy project.

For more information [click here](#).

Wessex Youth Trust

Deadlines: 1 November 2014

Is interested in supporting projects which provide opportunities to help, support and advance children and young people. Preference is given to pump-priming projects for development and more extensive fundraising initiatives. No minimum or maximum level of grant is specified. For more information visit: <http://www.wessexyouthtrust.org.uk/>

The FSC Kids Fund (UK)

Application Deadline: 1 November 2014

Funding is a maximum of £3,000. The FSC is an education charity is dedicated to help children engage with the natural environment. FSC Kids Fund will pay for up to 80% of the course fee for groups of disadvantaged young people to attend a non-curriculum day or residential course at an FSC Learning Location. This includes all equipment, tuition and waterproof hire costs. For more information go to: <http://www.field-studies-council.org/supporting-you/applying-to-fsc-kids-fund.aspx#>

Places People Play – Inspired Facilities

Deadlines: 3 November 2014

Grants from £20,000 to £75,000 are available to voluntary and public sector organisations to renovate or upgrade sports facilities for the benefit of their communities. Provided and administered by Sport England, part of the Places People Play programme, which will deliver a London 2012 legacy of increased mass participation in sport. For more information visit: <http://www.sportengland.org/funding/our-different-funds/inspired-facilities/>

Museum Resilience Fund

Deadline: 6 November 2014

The Museum Resilience Fund addresses the priorities set out in the Arts Council's mission statement 'Great arts and culture for everyone', and in particular its goal to support a step change for the museums sector by enabling museums to become more sustainable and resilient businesses. [Click Here](#) for more details.

Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme (REC) 2014-2020

Deadline: 12 November 2014

European Programme which aims to make people's rights and freedoms effective in practice by making them better known and more consistently applied across the EU. The programme also promotes the rights of the child and the principles of non discrimination and gender equality, including projects to combat violence against women and children. Please [Click Here](#) for more information.

Harry Payne Trust

Deadline: 30 November 2014

Grants are available between £100 and £500. Grants are offered to fund a range of community and social welfare projects. Support is almost entirely restricted to Birmingham and the immediately surrounding areas of the West Midlands, including Wolverhampton and Coventry. For more information please email: robcking@harrypaynetrust.org.uk

BBC Children in Need – Small Grants Programme

Next deadline: 1 December 2014

Grants of up to £10,000 for one year for not-for-profit organisations that are working with disadvantaged children and young people who are 18 years old and younger living in the UK. For more information click

Dowager Countess Eleanor Peel Trust

Deadlines: 31 December 2014

Grants of from £5,000 to registered charities with the emphasis on helping: medical charities and research; older people; and those who have fallen on hard times through no fault of their own. For more information [click here](#).

Sir Barry Jackson Trust

Deadline: 31 December 2014

The following funds are available:

- **The County Fund** – The bulk of the moneys available under this scheme go to the Birmingham Repertory Theatre Community tour. However, the Trustees have tended to reserve a sum for other grants to companies fitting the criteria. A small number of such grants are distributed each year, seldom exceeding £3,000 each.
- **The Hornton Fund** – The Trust normally distributes around £6,000 from this fund each year: individual grants seldom exceed £2,000 each.
- **The Sir Barry Jackson Trust Fund** – The Trust has around £3,000 a year to distribute from this fund.

All such grants are assumed to be one-off payments; companies should not assume that giving a grant implies that the Trust intends to repeat grant-aid in the following year, or to accept any continuous responsibility for the company's work. For more information [click here](#).

ESF Community Grants

Deadline: 27 February 2015

Grants up to £15,000 available. The grants are designed to help people over the age of 19 years increase their chances of finding work. It is not meant to create new jobs, but to give people who are financially inactive or unemployed new skills and confidence in order to find jobs. For more information go to: <http://bit.ly/1svOM38>

Orbit Heart of England Community Investment Fund

Deadline: None

There are two levels of funding; Grants of up to £500 and grants of between £500 and £5,000. Orbit Heart of England is a member of the housing organisation Orbit Group. Through its Community Investment Fund it aims to make a positive difference to their residents' lives and improve the quality of life in the neighbourhoods where their residents live. For more information please [click here](#).

George Henry Collins Charity**Deadline: None**

Grants are available for registered charities undertaking charitable activities within Birmingham and sometimes within a 25-mile radius of the city centre. Eligible organisations must be registered UK charities based and working within Birmingham. For further information write to:

Chrissy Norgrove

George Henry Collins Charity
c/o Martineau Johnson
1 Colmore Square
Birmingham
B4 6AA

Or phone 0870 763 1000.

Eveson Charitable Trust**Deadline: None**

The maximum funding available is £15,000. The Eveson Charitable Trust provides financial help to charitable organisations supporting and working with people with disabilities, mental health problems, children in need, older people, homeless people, hospitals, hospices and medical research. <http://bit.ly/1mEcDsp>

Connie and Albert Taylor Charitable Trust**Deadline: None**

Grants are available for charitable organisations undertaking social welfare projects in the West Midlands Area. For more information please contact applications@taylortrust.co.uk

vInspired Cashpoint Grants**Deadline: No closing date**

If you're 14-25 and have an idea that will solve a problem in your community you can apply for up to £500 to bring your idea to life. The funding is available to individual young people or small groups who have developed a project idea and want to run the project themselves. Funding will be allocated on a rolling basis until monies are exhausted. For more information visit: <https://beta.vinspired.com/opportunities/10066/events/157789>

Foyle Foundation Small Grants Scheme**No deadlines applications can be submitted at any time.**

Grants between £1,000 and £10,000 available to small, grass roots and local UK charities for projects that will make a significant impact on their work. For more information visit: <http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/small-grants-scheme/>

Awards for All – Reminder

Applications are still being accepted for the Awards for All programme for repeat and on-going activities taking place in the West Midlands. Previously Awards for All

focused on 'new' project ideas, however, in these challenging times they are increasingly aware of the pressures smaller groups face with rising costs and cuts to funding, and want to respond to this by looking at alternative ways of funding projects that support those most in need. The relaxation of this criteria will apply to all projects where the applicant has an income of less than (or equal to) £30,000 according to their latest accounts. For more information please visit: <http://www.awardsforall.org.uk/>

Church Urban Fund – Together Grants

No deadlines see website

Grants of up to £5,000 is available to enable churches and Christian organisations in England that are working in deprived communities, in partnership with others, to undertake new or expanding initiatives which directly tackle the effects of poverty. For more information visit: <http://www.cuf.org.uk/how-we-help/cuf-funding/together-grants>

PAF Fellowship scheme is now open for submission

The Fund is seeking applications from professional arts organisations that can offer development opportunities, support and training, in any genre of the performing arts from dance, music and theatre to opera, spoken word, circus and puppetry and everything in between. Rather than awarding grants directly to individuals themselves, we are looking for applications from performing arts companies, organisations, venues and festivals from across the UK to host a Fellow who should be selected by the organisation. For more information [click here](#).

Our Place Programme

Through a major expansion of the Our Place Programme, 123 more communities will be taking control of neighbourhood schemes by working in a way that brings together the right people – councillors, public servants, voluntary and community organisations and the community themselves – to tackle local issues and revolutionise the way an area works.

Following the success of 12 pilot areas in 2012 to 2013, the Department of Communities and Local Government made £4.3 million of funding available to support at least 100 new areas including Birmingham, Dudley, Shrewsbury, Staffordshire and Worcester. For more information

visit: <http://mycommunityrights.org.uk/our-place>

Comic Relief Local Communities Programme

No Deadline

Grants between £1,000 – £7,500 are available. The Fund will give priority to small, volunteer led groups or organisations in areas of disadvantage that have a clear understanding of the needs of their community. The projects looking for funding should increase local services, build the skills of local people, increase community cohesion, or respond to local economic needs. For more information go

to: <http://www.heartofenglandcf.co.uk/index.php/grant/comic-relief-local-communities-programme/>

Moto in the Community Trust

No Deadline

The Moto in the Community Trust, a grant-making charity launched in 2005, aims to make a 'real difference' to the communities within 25 miles of one of the 57 Moto sites. It does this by supporting local charities and community groups with funds raised at Moto locations across the UK. For more information visit: www.motointhecommunity.co.uk

Lloyds Bank Foundation

No deadline specified

Three new programmes offering short and long term grants, for small and medium sized charities (income between £25,000 and £1 million) that are committed to delivering work which breaks or prevents cycles of disadvantage. For more information

visit: <http://www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/our-programmes/>

The Equitable Charitable Trust

No deadline

An education charity that gives grants towards projects for children and young people under the age of 25 who are from disadvantaged backgrounds or disabled. The size of grants ranges from £3,000 to £30,000. Applications can be submitted at any time and are considered monthly by the Trustees. For more information visit: <http://www.equitablecharitabletrust.org.uk/>

Basic Online skills Programme – Big Lottery Fund

Launched in 2013, the programme aims to support projects that could improve the basic online skills of people who rarely or never use the internet. The Big Lottery Fund has invited seven applicants to develop their proposals further and is urging organisations interested in becoming a local delivery partner to contact them directly to find out more. For more information

visit: <http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/global-content/programmes/uk-wide/digital-skills>

Santander Community Plus Fund

No deadlines

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for small local charities or local projects of national charities with funding available to cover salaries, equipment or materials. Grants must directly help disadvantaged people in your local area. Applicants must be UK registered Charity, local charity or project of a larger charity. For more information

visit: <http://www.santanderfoundation.org.uk/community-plus.aspx>

Big Potential Programme

Funding scheme available to improve the sustainability, capacity and scale of voluntary and community sector organisations in order to access social investment so that they may deliver greater social impact. Eligible organisations will be able to access specialist one to one support before making an application for grants of between £25,000 and £75,000 to undertake more in-depth investment readiness work. To check eligibility, register interest and for more information

visit: <http://www.sibgroup.org.uk/bigpotential/>

Lloyds Bank Community Fund Invites Nominations

Lloyds Bank as part of its responsible business programme are inviting nominations for local good causes in the UK. Anyone over the age of 18 years and who is resident in the UK can nominate a project or a service that makes a positive difference to the local community for a cash prize. For more information

visit: https://communityfund.lloydsbank.com/communityfund/cf_home.asp

Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation – small open fund

No Deadline: see website

Not for profit organisations in the UK and Ireland can apply for grants which average between £10,000 and £30,000 for projects which fit with their new strategic priorities for 2014-2019 which are transitions in later life, participatory/socially-engaged performing arts and influence the marine environment and protect our oceans.

For more information visit: <http://gulbenkian.org.uk/open-fund/fund.html>

Church Urban Fund – “Together Grants Programme”

Deadline: Applications can be submitted at any time

Grants of up to £5,000 for Churches and Christian community groups that wish to tackle poverty. The fund is particularly interested in projects to tackle the underlying causes of poverty in the most deprived communities. For more information visit:

<http://cufstage.twittorialtest.co.uk/how-we-help/cuf-funding/together-grants>

The Together Grants Programme

Deadline: Rolling Programme

Small grants of up to £5,000 are available for churches and Christian organisations to engage in social action, by supporting them to initiate or develop community work. For more information

visit: <http://www.cuf.org.uk/Together-Grant-programme>

Clothworkers Foundation**No deadlines see website**

Grants of up to £75,000 for capital costs such as building refurbishment and office equipment for organisations which improve quality of life for people and communities facing disadvantage. Small Grants Programme provides grants of between £500 and £10,000 for capital costs. For more information visit: <http://foundation.clothworkers.co.uk/Open-grant-programmes.aspx>

Santander Foundations's Central Fund**No deadlines see website**

Grants of up to £10,000 for organisations with charitable status for projects within the UK. Grants must meet one or both of our charitable priorities – Education & Training, or Financial Capability and must directly help disadvantaged people. For more information visit: <http://www.santanderfoundation.org.uk/central-fund.aspx>

Children's services innovation programme**See website for deadline – expect fund to close end 2014 if not before.**

Seed grants of up to £10,000 are available to help develop innovative proposals that have the potential to transform outcomes for children who need help from social care services and/or be more cost-effective. For more information visit: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/childrens-services-innovation-programme?utm_source=LINX+316+-+20+Feb&utm_campaign=LINX316&utm_medium=email

Allen Lane Foundation**No deadlines, apply anytime**

Grants of between £500-£15,000 (average grant in 2012 just over £5,650) available to support Asylum-seekers/refugees, gay, lesbian, bi-sexual or transgender people, gypsies and travellers, migrant workers, offenders/ex-offenders, people experiencing mental health problems, violence or abuse and the elderly. For more information visit <http://www.allenlane.org.uk/index.html>

Barchester's Charitable Foundation:**No deadlines, apply anytime**

Grants of £100-£5,000 available to improve lives of older people/adults with a physical or mental disability giving them increased personal independence, self-sufficiency and dignity. For more information visit: www.bhcfoundation.org.uk/Apply/WhatWeDo.aspx