



**Funding Alert No 33**

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## **Does Your Community Group Or Project Need Funding?**

Each County Councillor has a funding allocation of £8,250 for projects and initiatives that contribute to the well-being of local communities. This is called Members' Allocations. Scores of local projects and initiatives have received funding and more are in the pipeline. The funding has helped school gardens and grounds, community safety, the local environment, local youth organisations, the elderly, and the wider community.

If your local group or organisation is in need of funds for a project which will be of long term benefit to the local community, please contact your local County Councillor. Full contact details for all the County Councillors can be found in the find your councillor section of the Surrey County council website.

Internet: <http://www.surreycc.gov.uk>

## **BBC Children in Need**

BBC Children in Need awards grants to projects which follow their manifesto to 'positively change the lives of disadvantaged children and young people in the UK'. Disadvantages experienced by children and young people include:

- illness, distress, abuse or neglect
- any kind of disability
- behavioural or psychological difficulties
- living in poverty or situations of deprivation

The next deadline for applications is 15 October 2009

To read the extensive and very helpful guidelines visit [www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/grants](http://www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/grants).

## **Beacon Initiative - Equality and diversity workforce grants**

Children England in co-operation with the CWDC is offering children's voluntary sector organisations the opportunity to apply for a small grant to develop and promote innovative practice in the field of equality and diversity. This is about doing something new and different. The maximum sum will be £2500 per organisation and there will be a total of 10 grants.

Do you have ideas about how to better promote equality and diversity with your workforce, in ways that contribute to their development and do you want to develop your practice and then share your success with others? If yes, then this will be a scheme for you.

**The closing date for applications is 1 September, 2009.**

Further information and an application form please click  
Internet: <http://www.childrenengland.co.uk>

## **Big Challenge**

This is a competition for young people funded by Vodafone and youth charity "V" and the social enterprise foundation and competition organisers UnLtd.

The contest offers either groups of young people or those working on their own, aged 16-25, the chance to win a share of £60,000 to carry out projects that use volunteering to help tackle the problems facing the 21st century.

This year's Big Challenge theme focuses on bringing communities together. Applications can be submitted in any creative format and will be shortlisted by UnLtd Youth Leadership Team before a final vote by the public.

**The deadline for bids is the 28 September 2009.**

Further information  
Internet: <http://www.bigchallenge.org.uk/>

## **Cash 4 Clubs**

This scheme, funded by Betfair and supported by SportsAid, offers grants of between £250-£1,000 to grassroots sports clubs.

No preference is given as to the types of sport or the age range accessing the activity, however clubs should play an active role in the community, encourage social interaction and fitness, and be registered with their sports' National Governing body.

All types of costs will be considered, including equipment, training and capital costs.

Further information  
Internet: <http://www.cash-4-clubs.com/>

## **Comic Relief**

Comic Relief has recently undertaken a review of its grants programmes and will operate the following grants schemes over the coming years:

- Mental Health
- Domestic and Sexual abuse
- Refugee and Asylum Seeking Women
- Sport for Change
- Young people aged 11-25 in areas such as Sexually Exploited & Trafficked Young people
- Young People and Alcohol
- Young people with Mental Health Problems

There are no minimum or maximum grants for most of these programmes, but on average grants range between £25,000-£40,000 per year. Funding can be used to cover running costs. However capital costs are rarely supported. Eligible applicants include: constituted voluntary and community groups, charities.

Further information:

UK Grants Team, Comic Relief, 5th Floor, 89 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7TP

Tel: 020 7820 5555;

Email: [ukgrants@comicrelief.com](mailto:ukgrants@comicrelief.com)

Internet: <http://www.comicrelief.com>

## **Comic Relief Funding is available through Surrey Community Foundation**

Surrey Community Foundation is inviting applications for grants of £1,000 - £10,000 through the Comic Relief Fund. Comic Relief particularly wishes to support small, locally based groups in areas of disadvantage that are addressing the needs of their communities.

The programme will benefit:

1. Sports Projects that increase access to sport and exercise for people who face social exclusion and isolation; help people who are experiencing difficulties in their lives.
2. Community Projects that increase local services; build skills of local people; respond to local economic needs

### **The next deadline for applications is 25th September 2009**

To apply for the Comic Relief programme please contact Lucy Heath, Grants Officer at [lucy@surreycommunityfoundation.org.uk](mailto:lucy@surreycommunityfoundation.org.uk) or on 01483 409230 to discuss your project.

## **Community Cashback Pilot Scheme - Have Your Say**

A new pilot fund has been launched in England and Wales, which will give local people a direct say on how money will be spent to benefit their communities.

The £4 million Community Cashback Scheme will be funded by money and assets seized from wealthy criminals. The public will be able to choose which worthwhile community projects are funded. This will be done through feedback received on a new dedicated website, through neighbourhood policing meetings and via Citizens Panels.

Until now, money recovered from criminals has been split between frontline services, such as the police and government departments involved with the criminal justice system. This is the first time a portion of that money is being paid back into communities.

Projects will be assessed against the following criteria:

- The projects should be related to nuisance, anti-social or criminal behaviour or its impact on the community
- Projects could focus on one or several neighbourhoods
- Projects should be community-focused and make a noticeable difference to the community

- Projects must demonstrate value for money, be able to be delivered quickly and their impact should be clearly evaluated
- Outcomes must be visible to the community

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Internet: <http://cashback.cjsonline.gov.uk/how.html>

## Elephant Trust

The Elephant Trust offers grants of up to £2,000 to artists and institutions (priority is given to small organisations and galleries) for new, innovative visual arts projects based in the UK. The Trust was created in 1975 by Roland Penrose and Lee Miller with a view to develop and improve the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the fine arts.

**The next deadline for applications is 21 September 2009.**

Further information

Internet: <http://www.elephanttrust.org.uk>.

## Faiths in Action – Round 2

Faiths in Action is a £4 million grants programme for faith, inter faith, voluntary and community sector organisations at national, regional and local levels in England. Faiths in Action aims to bring faith communities together, promoting understanding, dialogue and partnerships.

Round 2 of the grant funding programme will shortly be open to receive applications. Guidance notes are already available at the CDF website and the application form will be available shortly.

Further information

Internet: <http://www.cdf.org.uk/>

## Fidelio Charitable Trust

Fidelio welcomes applications for grants in support of the arts, in particular the dramatic and operatic arts, music, speech and dance. Institutions, colleges, arts festivals and other arts organisations in the United Kingdom, may seek financial support for individuals or groups of exceptional ability, whom they have been responsible for selecting, to enable them to:

- receive special tuition or coaching (e.g. in the case of musicians to attend masterclasses)
- participate in external competitions
- be supported for a specially arranged performance
- receive support for a special publication, musical composition or work of art

Applications from individuals or groups seeking support for themselves will not be accepted.

Further information

Internet: <http://www.fideliocharitabletrust.org.uk>.

## GlaxoSmithKline Impact Awards

These awards are designed to recognise and reward charities that are doing excellent work to improve people's health.

Applicants must be registered charities that are at least three years old, working in a health-related field in the UK, with a total annual income between £10,000-£1m.

An overall winner will receive £35,000, nine other winners receive £25,000 and up to ten organisations that are highly commended or runners up receive £5,000 or £3,000.

**The deadline for bids is the 25 September 2009.**

Further information:

Internet: [http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/research/projects/gsk\\_impact\\_awards/](http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/research/projects/gsk_impact_awards/)

## The Hardship Fund is now open for applications

It will support third sector organisations in England who are delivering front-line services to the most vulnerable and disadvantaged people in society.

Grants of between £50,000 and £250,000 are available to organisations with an annual income of at least £200,000 that are in financial hardship as a result of the recession, which is impacting on their ability to deliver services in the following areas:

- health and social care
- housing support
- education and training
- information, advice and guidance

To apply to the Hardship Fund, please read the guidance notes before filling in and returning your application form.

If you have any queries, please contact the Hardship Fund helpline

Tel: 0113 246 1561

Email: [hardshipfund@cdf.org.uk](mailto:hardshipfund@cdf.org.uk)

Internet: <http://www.cdf.org.uk>

## Mediabox

Mediabox, a Department for Children, Schools and Families fund, aims to enable disadvantaged 13-19 year olds to develop and produce creative media projects, using print, television, film, radio or online platforms.

Grants from £5,000 - £20,000 are available through Round 1 of its Mix Mediabox funding scheme which will open for applications on the 10th August 2009.

**The deadline for applications is 21st September 2009.**

Further information

Internet: <http://www.media-box.co.uk>

## The Nominet Trust

The Nominet Trust funds internet projects that make a positive difference to the lives of disadvantaged and vulnerable people. The Trust has been awarded £5 million from Nominet, the Internet registry for .uk domains and will provide grants to organisations that can show that their IT-related projects can make a positive difference to disadvantaged and vulnerable groups.

Organisations wishing to apply need to complete an online eligibility questionnaire. Those organisations deemed successful will be provided with a link to a more detailed application form.

Further information

Tel: 01865 334000

Internet: <http://www.nominettrust.org.uk>

## Reaching for Gold

Reaching for Gold is a new competition to encourage innovation and creativity in young people – essential skills for the industries that will lead us out of recession.

14-19 year olds across the South East are invited to put forward ideas that can make a practical difference to society. The themes for the competition are Youth, Community and Disability.

Online applications are being sought from across the South East, particularly targeting those living or working with disadvantage or disability, through Community and Voluntary Organisations and schools.

Nine winning applicants will be selected to work intensively with both Corporate and Voluntary Sector Partners to develop their ideas and project management skills.

The competition will culminate with the young people pitching their projects to a 'Dragon's Den' style panel at **Windsor Castle** on **15th December 2009**, followed by an awards ceremony.

All finalists will receive mounted certificates. The top three groups will each receive a Gold, Silver or Bronze medal and the overall winner will take home the Reaching for Gold Trophy (theirs for a year!). In addition to that, the organisation that puts forward their young people and wins, will receive a cheque for **£5000** to help work up the winning idea further.

Applicants need to submit their ideas using the online application form by **5pm on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2009**.

Further information

Internet: <http://www.reachingforgold.org.uk>

## South East Region ESF Community Grants

**£1,000,000 will be available in Round 3 across the South East Region**

Grants of up to £12,000 are available for charity, voluntary and community organisations who are supporting the most disadvantaged individuals not in employment to access further learning opportunities or progress to employment.

Application forms, the funding Criteria, and Guidelines are available on the Surrey Community Action website [www.surreyca.org.uk](http://www.surreyca.org.uk)

**The closing date for Round 3 is 21 September 2009 at noon.**

For further information or enquiries please contact The South East Region Community Grants Manager.

Tel: 01483 459292 Ext 237

Email: [communitygrants@surreyca.org.uk](mailto:communitygrants@surreyca.org.uk)

Internet: <http://www.surreyca.org.uk>

## The Surrey Hills LEADER Programme

Leader is a new source of funding for farmers, growers, foresters and rural communities helping to secure a sustainable future for rural Surrey. Leader can fund a wide range of activities to support rural communities and micro businesses:

Development of rural micro-businesses

- Retailing, manufacturing or service industries, including self-made products, equestrian and creative products
- Traditional trades required to maintain and enhance the landscape
- Renewable energy

Maximum grant aid rate 50%.

Basic services for rural communities

- Development of community buildings to provide services
- Development of community enterprises to provide key services eg childcare, eldercare
- Energy services eg woodfuel based heat system for community buildings
- Shop and retail services
- ICT for community benefit
- Cultural and leisure activities – places for the production and display of local art and culture

Maximum grant aid rate 100% but typically less.

Village renewal and development

- Small scale infrastructure projects to improve village approaches, main streets, community buildings, amenity spaces and workspaces.
- Collaborative networking social enterprises to improve the uses of community facilities.

Maximum grant aid rate 100% but typically less.

If you have any queries on the Surrey Hills Leader Programme please contact:

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Surrey Hills Leader  
County Hall  
Kingston  
Surrey KT1 2DY  
email: [surreyhillsleader@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:surreyhillsleader@surreycc.gov.uk)  
Internet: <http://www.surreyhillsleaderbid.org.uk>

## Waverley Borough Council - Hardship fund for community organisations and charities

As part of the **Don't Lose Your Home or Business Project**, Waverley may be able to help your community organisation or charity continue to deliver your services during the current economic downturn by providing financial assistance with rising fuel costs.

If your organisation owns or leases a building in Waverley that directly incurs fuel costs and you can demonstrate that rising costs are having an effect on your ability to continue to deliver your services, you may be able to apply for one-off financial assistance with rising fuel costs or a tapered contribution over the next two or three years

For more information contact Jane Todd, Waverley's Grants Officer:

Tel: 01483 523067

Email: [jane.todd@waverley.gov.uk](mailto:jane.todd@waverley.gov.uk)

Internet: <http://www.waverley.gov.uk>

## Youth of Today Leadership Fund

Offers funding to organisations providing opportunities for youth leadership (13-19 years old). It has two funding streams:

- **Scaling Up** - This fund helps organisations take their existing projects to the next level. Themes include: helping more young people take on leadership roles in their community; creating more opportunities for young people to influence the decisions affecting them and raising the quality of youth leadership opportunities. Up to 30 grants of between £5,000 - £20,000 are available.
- **Reaching Out** – Targeted at established third sector organisations to help develop new and exciting projects. Up to eight grants of between £75,000-£100,000 are available. Please check their website in September for more details.

There is a variety of bidding deadlines –

**Scaling Up** (Round one closed on 31 July. The next deadline will be in Autumn 2009).

**Reaching Out** (will open in Autumn 2009).

Further information:

Email: [fund@theyouthoftoday.org](mailto:fund@theyouthoftoday.org);

Internet: <http://www.theyouthoftoday.org/fund-your-dream-project>

## USEFUL INFORMATION

### Big Lottery Strategic Framework published

The new strategic framework from the Big Lottery Fund has been published. There are three themes underpinning the strategic framework:

- Community learning and creating opportunity
- Promoting community cohesion and safety
- Promoting well-being

The new funding portfolio will be launched in 2010, with Reaching Communities and Awards for All continuing in the meantime, plus some smaller programmes to be launched during the year.

To read the full document, go the Big Lottery website at [www.biglotteryfund.org.uk](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk).

## **Department of Health Investment Programme – Guidance Document**

Voluntary/Community Organisations looking to apply for funding from the Department of Health should read this information pack carefully, as there are changes to the eligibility rules, funding strands and themes for funding from 2010 – 2011.

There are also improvements to the online application system, building on feedback given in previous years. The pack provides new guidance for potential applicants and explains the process to those who have never before considered Health funding.

The deadline for applicants wishing to apply for funding is the 4<sup>th</sup> September 2009.

Further information

Internet: <http://www.dh.gov.uk>

## **Funding Central: New Grant Search database**

This new government funded grant search website operated by The National Council of Voluntary Organisations (NCVO) and The Office for the Third Sector (OTS) has just been launched.

The website seeks to provide comprehensive information about national, local and regional government funding, national, local or regional charitable funding, and EU funding. The target audience for Funding Central is voluntary and community sector and social enterprises.

Further information

Internet: <http://www.fundingcentral.org.uk>

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## **Funding Alerts**

If you would like to be notified by Email whenever a new Funding Alert is posted on the Surrey Community Action website please send your request to Jackie Hetherington at [jackieh@surreyca.org.uk](mailto:jackieh@surreyca.org.uk)

## **Funding Advice**

We can help you to find sources of funding or resources that meet the needs of your community or voluntary group. Surrey Community Action offers free funding and resource advice to all voluntary, community and faith groups in Surrey. We can provide you with information about suitable sources of funding, 1-1 support with your fundraising and signposting to further sources of information. To find out more, please contact Surrey Community Action's Funding and Resource Adviser either through our website:

[http://www.surreyca.org.uk/grants\\_funding\\_advice.htm](http://www.surreyca.org.uk/grants_funding_advice.htm)

or Tel: 01483 459292 ext 215 on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

*\* Please note the blanks in the address above are in fact underscores*

### **Training in Practical Fundraising Skills**

Surrey Community Action's training programme covers an extensive range of short courses and other services to develop the skills and increase the capacity of their organisations.

Please contact Ann Meager Email: [annm@surreyca.org.uk](mailto:annm@surreyca.org.uk) Tel: 01483 459292 ext 238 for a brochure.

Surrey Community Action is a registered charity which works to strengthen and support the Voluntary, Community and Faith Sector (VCFS) across Surrey through access to advice, training, funding and advocacy. Surrey Community Action actively encourages volunteering and the details of local volunteer centres in Surrey can be found on our website at: [www.surreyca.org.uk/vb.htm](http://www.surreyca.org.uk/vb.htm)