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Changes to Awards for All

Following feedback from funding advisers and applicants some small but important changes have been made to the Awards for All programme:

- Groups can now apply for **up to £10,000 per year** as long as they only hold **one Awards for All grant at a time**.
- Groups can apply for an **existing activity** if the activity hasn't taken place within **three years**.
- An **eligibility checklist** is on the new application form. This will make the application process easier for applicants.
- Successful applicants that have provided a **bank or building society details form** in the last two years will not need to resubmit this form as long as they are using the same bank or building society account.

Please note that old application forms will be accepted until the end of June 2011. The new application form and guidance notes are now available from the [England pages](#) of the Awards for All website or by calling the BIG advice line on 0845 4 10 20 30.

BBC Performing Arts Fund Reopens for 2011

From 2011 the BBC Performing Arts Fund (PAF) will choose an art form to focus on for each funding round. **In 2011 the chosen art form is dance.**

The scheme will support the development of groups, helping them to increase their skills and engage new audiences, raising their profiles in their communities.

Project examples may include the following:

- Sending group members on training courses or summer schools.
- Running workshops encouraging participation.
- Bringing in external consultants to improve performances and run master classes.
- Establishing partnerships between schools and other community organisations.
- Commissioning new performances.
- Providing opportunities for new and innovative performances.

Grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available from a £200,000 fund.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on 12 July 2011.

Further information:

Internet: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/performingartsfund>

BT Community Connections Awards

The BT Community Connections scheme has opened for a second 2011 round.

The awards scheme is intended to provide voluntary groups and charitable organisations working to benefit the community in the UK with IT equipment and Internet access. Successful applicants to the programme will receive a laptop and a year's free broadband Internet connection.

In particular, the scheme is keen to target areas of deprivation which normally receive little or no funding and would otherwise have no IT provision.

The award will be 12 months' free connection to BT Business Total Broadband Advance, which includes features described in the standard products and services terms.

The deadline is 15 September 2011 and winners will be notified by 12 November 2011.

For further information on how to obtain this funding opportunity locally, please contact the following:

Contact details:

Enquiries

BT Community Connections
PO Box 6919
London
W1A 8UX

Internet:

<http://www.btplc.com/Responsiblebusiness/Supportingourcommunities/Digitalinclusion/BTCommunityConnections/index.htm>

Carbon Trust: Energy Efficiency Financing Scheme Launched

The Carbon Trust and Siemens Financial Services have jointly launched a new scheme designed to provide flexible financing options to all types of organisations seeking to lower their energy costs and make their operations more efficient.

The Energy Efficiency Financing Scheme, which has an overall budget of £550 million over the next three years, is the first of its kind. It will enable UK businesses to invest in cost effective energy efficiency equipment and other low carbon technologies, such as new efficient lighting and biomass heating.

Loans and other financing options will be provided to fund equipment that can lower energy bills, with payments calculated so that they may be offset by the anticipated energy savings. Financing can be arranged from a minimum of £1,000, with no upper limits.

Siemens is providing the financial backing for the scheme, whilst the Carbon Trust will draw on its expertise in carbon saving from energy efficient technologies to assess the carbon, energy and cost savings of supported projects. It is anticipated that this will enable the financing to pay for itself through energy savings, resulting in no net cost to customers.

The scheme is available to all kinds of businesses and organisations operating in the UK, from sole traders and partnerships through to large corporate enterprises, local authorities and other public sector organisations.

Energy Efficiency Financing can fund a wide variety of costs. Projects that may qualify include building technologies, such as pipe insulation and air conditioning, or industrial process technologies, including compressed air, refrigeration or specialist production equipment. The financing may also be used to fund combined projects, such as replacing heating and lighting.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Internet: <http://www.energyefficiencyfinancing.co.uk>

Church and Community Fund

Under the Church and Community Fund, grants of up to £10,000 are available to community projects run by parish churches, deaneries, dioceses and other bodies connected to or working in partnership with the Church of England.

Projects supported must promote, aid or further the work of the Church of England. This does not exclude Anglican projects in partnership with ecumenical or other-faith partners, which are warmly welcomed, but it does exclude projects run by secular bodies which have little or no connection to the Church of England, overseas projects and projects in which an Anglican body is not a key player at a local level.

Application deadlines are 30 June and 31 September.

Further information:

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

Guardian Charity Awards - 2011 Round Open to Applications

The annual Guardian Charity Awards seek to recognise and encourage small and medium-sized charities that are improving social wellbeing in its broadest sense by delivering practical solutions to present-day problems.

Eligible charities must have been registered in the United Kingdom for more than two years and have an annual income of between £5,000 and £1.5 million.

Winners each receive £6,000, one year free NCVO membership and a tailored package of support from the Foundation for Social Improvement (FSI) that includes mentoring, expert advice and training, and a media package from the Media Trust.

The deadline for applications is 15 July 2011 (midnight).

For further information on how to obtain this funding opportunity locally, please contact the following:

Guardian Charity Awards

Guardian Media Group

Kings Place

90 York Way

London

N1 9GU

Telephone: 020 3353 4767

Internet: <http://www.guardian.co.uk/charity-awards>

IdeasTap is launching more opportunities for young creative people than ever before, including:

- Ideas Fund Green - eight awards of £5k for new and innovative artistic projects delivered in a sustainable way or that deal with environmental issues.
- Edinburgh Marketing Fund – ten awards of £500 to boost the marketing coffers of productions going to the Edinburgh Festival this summer.
- The first Magnum Professional Practice weekend workshop in Liverpool – ten subsidised bursary places for this incredible industry opportunity for emerging photographers, with advice from publishers, agents, commissioners and Magnum photographers.
- Barbican and IdeasTap Animate – six young animators will win the chance to have their film screened at the Barbican cinema as part of Watch Me Move: The Animation Show.

Further information:

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

PRS Women Make Music

PRS' unique funding opportunity for women music creators is now open for applications. It wants to raise the profile of women who are making music in the UK.

Are you:

- a woman creating and performing new music of any genre?
- an organisation commissioning a new piece of music from a woman you have not yet worked with?

Yes? Then you may be able to apply for up to £5000.

The final deadline for this funding opportunity is 5pm, 8th August 2011.

Further information:

Internet: <http://www.prsformusicfoundation.com/women>

Sported

sported. is a charitable organisation which provides funding and organisational development support to groups that use sport to improve the lives of young people in disadvantaged communities. The charity was founded by Sir Keith Mills, who was formerly the Chief Executive of the London 2012 Olympic bid.

sported.'s dedicated Regional Manager and team of Volunteer Mentors in the South East will offer bespoke business advice and one-to-one mentoring to assist providers of sport for development in becoming professional, sustainable and able to reach their full potential. sported. will also run a funding programme for its Member organisations which will provide them with the core funding required to run their projects successfully.

Details of how to become a member and the funding opportunities available can be found at:

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

The Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation has announced that it will use the money generated from last year's sale of the composer's Picasso portrait - Angel Fernandez de Soto - to help fund a wide range of culture, heritage and art projects.

The objects of The Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation are to promote culture, heritage and the arts for the public benefit. As well as providing Musical Theatre scholarships, the Trustees welcome applications to support projects in the areas of culture, heritage and the arts and will consider funding towards projects that make a real and ongoing difference to people's lives.

Further information:

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

The Arthur Rank Centre - Computers for Rural People

The Arthur Rank Centre is committed to supporting the rural community, and has set up the "Computers for Rural People" scheme to provide computers at very low cost to encourage people to take the first step.

Further information:

Internet: http://www.arthurrankcentre.org.uk/projects/computers_for_rural_people/

The Caron Keating Foundation

The Foundation is a family run charity, set up in Caron's memory by Gloria Hunniford and her sons Paul and Michael.

Funding is available to cancer charities in Britain to support all types of cancer causes.

The maximum grant amount is £25,000; however, the majority of grants are for a much lower amount.

The Foundation aims to make a difference by funding the following:

- Equipment to aid cancer detection.
- Counselling services.
- Different types of hospice care, both at home and in the Hospice itself.
- Drivers to take cancer patients to and from treatment centres.
- Complementary therapies to help with pain control.
- Bereavement counselling.

No application form is available. To apply, applicants should provide the Foundation with the following information:

- The amount of grant requested.
- What the grant will be used for.
- A copy of the organisation's audited accounts.
- A copy of any pamphlets that the organisation distributes.

For further information on how to obtain this funding opportunity locally, please contact:

The Caron Keating Foundation
PO Box 122
Sevenoaks
Kent
TN13 1UB

Internet: <http://www.caronkeating.org/>

The Cross Pollinate Foundation

The Cross Pollinate Foundation welcomes requests from small (under £1million income) Christian social action charities to present at its 'Dragons Den' style event for charity on Wednesday 12th October 2011.

Requests will only be considered from organisations that i) are a registered charity, ii) have a Christian identity, iii) have a turnover of less than £1 million and iv) are engaged in social change.

A request should be no more than one page of A4, saved with a file name identical to the name of the charity, emailed to admin@crosspollinate.co.uk **before the deadline of 23rd August 2011**. The request should answer the following questions:

- What does your organisation do?
- How does your organisation's Christian identity make a difference to the work?
- Please tell the story of one or more lives changed for the better by the work of your organisation
- What would you do with £5,000 or more if it could be raised, to create a specific, tangible and lasting change?

Further information:

Internet: <http://www.crosspollinate.co.uk>

True Colours Trust

The Trustees of the True Colours Trust are committed to supporting a large number of excellent local organisations and projects that support disabled children and their families on a daily basis.

The Trust has a small grants programme, open to application at any time, which provides grants of up to £10,000, usually for one-off purposes, to help smaller organisations develop and deliver programmes for children, their siblings and families.

The Trustees are particularly keen to support:

- Hydrotherapy pools
- Multi sensory rooms
- Mini buses
- Young carers projects
- Sibling projects
- Bereavement support

This programme is for UK organisations and projects only.

Further information:

Internet: http://www.truecolourstrust.org.uk/small_grants.aspx

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Stelios Award for Disabled Entrepreneurs in the UK

Sponsored by Sir Stelios Haji-Ioannou and administered by Leonard Cheshire Disability, the Stelios Award for Disabled Entrepreneurs in the UK seeks out and celebrates business ability by recognising an exceptional disabled entrepreneur.

The 2011 competition is open to disabled entrepreneurs on the management board, and with ownership, of any business in the UK. Eligible businesses must have an annual turnover above £10,000 and have been trading for between one and five years.

The Award carries a prize of £50,000, to be reinvested in the winner's business. The winner can spend this money however they like, for example, they could:

- buy a piece of new equipment that would enable them to increase production capacity;
- fund new staff costs to expand a sales team; or
- embark upon an international operation.

The deadline for receipt of entries is 5pm on 22 August 2011.

Further information:

Internet: <http://www.lcdisability.org/?lid=5083>

General Information

Localgiving.com

Small, local charities are set to benefit from online giving website Localgiving.com.

Founded by dotcom entrepreneur Marcelle Speller in 2008, Localgiving.com provides an opportunity for organisations too small to be registered with the Charity Commission to create an online presence through which members of the public can find and fund small community projects in their local areas.

Localgiving.com is a social enterprise owned equally by the Community Foundation Network and the Ardbrack Foundation.

All charities featured on Localgiving.com are independently vetted by their local Community Foundation, in a process that Localgiving.com says is approved by the Charity Commission.

An annual listing on the site, which includes the vetting process and full access to the fundraising and donation tools, costs £60. The site offers an online donation service with automated Gift Aid processing, as well as email marketing tools.

Further information:

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

The Charity Commission Insurance guide

The Charity Commission has produced a revised version of its guide giving an overview of the different types of insurance available, legal obligations and the options trustees have when identifying and managing risks.

Internet: <http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/Publications/cc49.aspx>

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

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.htm> or Tel: 01483 447115 on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

Training Courses

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

Please contact Libby Minto, email: libbym@surreyca.org.uk or Tel: 01483 447138 for a brochure, or view all courses on our website at <http://www.surreyca.org.uk>.

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: http://www.surreyca.org.uk/cvs_vc_details.htm

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