

July 2010 Funding Update

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Rayleigh, Rochford and District Association for Voluntary Service (RRAVS)
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Essex Community Foundation

This foundation awards grants to voluntary and community groups and organisations that are charitable in purpose and are working for the benefit of people in Essex, Southend or Thurrock.

In order to make grants, Essex Community Foundation manages funds from a wide range of sources and matches applications to the most appropriate fund. Grants of up to £10,000 are available, however, the average grant is usually £3000.

Eligible activities that the foundation will support are core costs, revenue costs, capital costs, new or continuing projects and one off initiatives. Exclusions are projects that operate outside of Essex, or benefit non Essex residents, political or religious activities that are not for the wider public benefit, statutory agencies, including parish councils and schools in the discharge of their statutory obligations, contributions towards general appeals, eg a £10,000 request for a project totalling £100,000 or activities that support animal welfare.

Applications are accepted from voluntary or community groups and charitable organisations that are working for the benefit of people in Essex, Southend or Thurrock.

Deadline for this programme is the 9th September 2010. For further information and application form, please go to www.essexcommunityfoundation.org.uk.

Hilton in the Community Foundation

Hilton in the Community Foundation (HCF) is a grant making Charitable Trust. It was set up to give focus to the charitable activities and donations of Hilton International. Hilton Hotels and LivingWell Health Clubs in the UK and Ireland support HCF, and a large proportion of income is generated through ongoing fundraising initiatives in the hotels and clubs by the staff guests and suppliers.

HCF is committed in supporting those most in need to have a brighter future. The purpose of HCF is to support young people worldwide, whilst its vision is to make a real difference to those most in need – in places where Hilton International operates.

The foundation considers grants of up to £5,000 for the following eligible activities -:

- Young People and Education
- Young People and Health
- Young People affected by Disasters

There are many exclusions to this fund and a number of items of criteria which need to be met so please visit www.hilton-foundation.org.uk for all further information and application forms. Deadline for next round of funding is 3rd August 2010.

Veolia Environmental Trust

This trust is committed to supporting community and environmental projects across the UK. These could include projects aiming to install or enhance play areas and skate parks, restore footpaths and green spaces, protect natural habitats or improve community halls. Preference is given to projects that can demonstrate the following -:

- The project is sustainable now and in the long term
- Economic, social and environmental issues have been taken in to account
- The project involves the socially disadvantaged
- Recycled products and energy saving devices are used where possible
- Good use made to volunteers
- The project aids 'skills transfer'

The average award is between £25,000 and £40,000. Applicants can obtain funding of up to £150,000 in very special circumstances, although any grants of over £100,000 are extremely rare. Match funding is a requirement where projects with a total cost exceeding £25,000 must have a minimum of 20% already secured.

Initial applications can be submitted at any time with deadline for full applications for both London and South being 30th July 2010. For further information visit www.veoliatrust.org.

Kerrygold Community Awards

These awards have been set up to recognise and reward community projects in the UK, where groups of individuals have worked together to achieve something in their community. Support may include trying to improve a town by creating a clean park area where families can meet and children can play or to help the environment by setting up a weekly litter pick.

Projects should be aimed at helping the immediate community in which they are based (only the community within a 10 mile radius of the applicants base), and should be staffed by members of that community. Projects should be non profit generating and should not be initiated by national registered charities.

Applicants are asked to provide some details about the project including the project name, a brief summary of the project (max 20 words) which will appear alongside the photo on the website and a full 250 word description of the project.

Awards of £2000 are available with a deadline of 31st July 2010. For more information, go to www.kerrygoldcommunityawards.co.uk

Peoples Post Code Trust

Grants of between £500 and £10,000 are available to make the UK a better place for both people and nature. To be eligible for funding, all projects must help in one of the following areas, Poverty Prevention, Advancement in Health, Community Development, Public Sports, Human Rights and Environmental Protection.

The project has to have a clear charitable purpose and show visible results within three months of receipt of grant notification. All funding must be spent within three months of the date its received and applicants must be able to provide receipts equalling the total amount awarded.

Full guidelines and application forms are available at www.postcodetrust.org.uk or email info@postcodetrust.org.uk or tel -: 0131 555 7287.

Deadline for the programme is 30th July 2010.

Comic Relief – Older Peoples Programme

This programme is built around supporting older people to bring positive change to their communities, enabling them to contribute their time, energy and skills to those individuals who need it most.

Comic Relief is interested in supporting applications which help improve understanding of:

- the best ways older people can bring about change in their communities
- the added value of projects being led and delivered by older people
- the most effective ways of sharing innovative practice in meeting older people's needs

Most awards will be between £15,000 and £40,000 per year, depending on size and nature of project. Grants may be for up to three years.

An Expression of Interest must be completed first and deadline for this stage is 3rd September 2010. For further information on this programme, please go to www.comicrelief.com.

Ford Britain Trust

The Ford Britain Trust was created for the advancement of education and other charitable purposes beneficial to the community. In making donations, the Trustees pay particular attention to those organisations that are located in and working in areas where the Ford Motor Company Limited has its present activities.

Small grants of up to £250 and a large are available. Large grants are usually to a maximum of £3,000. Contributions to capital projects and capital expenditure are considered and general funding costs are covered by the small grants scheme. Applications relating to core funding, operating costs, salaries or revenue expenditure will be considered in the same way as requests for general funding and will, therefore, be eligible for small grants only.

Both large and small grant deadlines are the 1st September 2010. Please visit www.ford.co.uk/aboutford/corporatesocialresponsibility/fordbritaintrust

BIG Lottery News.....

Awards for All

Awards for All, the small grants programme, is inviting groups to apply for grants between £300 - £10,000. Grants can be for new activities that meet the priorities of:

- People have better chances in life
- Stronger Communities
- Improved rural and urban environments
- Healthier and more active people and communities

Organisations can apply for money for project costs, equipment and building work.

The application form is short and simple and can be downloaded from the website www.awardsforall.org.uk and can be submitted via e mail once completed. Applicants will find out if they are successful within six weeks and will be asked to submit supporting documents in order to confirm the grant.

Improvements to Reaching Communities

There is no change to the programme to who can apply, what they will fund, or the difference they want to make. The programme will continue to make awards of between £10,000 and £500,000 and will continue to provide funding for up to five years.

Improvements include:

- If you apply for less than £40,000 for each year there will be a simpler application process and quicker decision making. This will benefit smaller organisations in particular.
- They will provide more support for applicants at every stage of the application process, particularly in those areas, and for those groups, that have received less funding than they would have expected.
- If not successful, BIG will give you better, more detailed feedback on your application.

To find out more visit www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

If you require any further help or assistance with any of the detailed funding programmes then please contact your local Funding Officer listed below -:

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