

Funding bodies with grants for local biodiversity projects.

#### St. Modwen Environmental Trust (UK)

St. Modwen Properties PLC, which is one of the UK's largest regeneration company's, has launched a new environmental fund to support communities in which the company is active. The Funding will be available through two grant making streams. These are larger project grants of over £10,000 and small projects grants of less than £10,000. The funding is available to not-for-profit organisations, such as community groups and charities. The Trust will generally not fund local authorities, profit making organisations or private clubs, but may fund projects from the public sector e.g. schools, where mainstream funding is not available. The Fund will normally make grants only for projects which are within 10 miles of a landfill site. Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.stmodwenenvironmentaltrust.co.uk/index.html>

#### Batty Charitable Trust (UK)

Charities, in particular smaller charities can apply for funding through the Batty Charitable Trust (BCT). Grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 are available to support community and grass roots projects. Grants are usually awarded for a one year period. In the year ending 31 March 2008 the Trust made 119 grants totalling £551,500. In the previous year (ended 31 March 2007) the Trust paid out 95 grants totalling £502,675. Example of the type of projects supported include amongst many others:

- \* Projects that support vulnerable and disadvantaged children
- \* Musical instruments and other types of equipment
- \* The running costs of shelters
- \* Refurbishment of community facilities
- \* Projects supporting people with disabilities; etc.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

<<http://www.battycharitabletrust.org.uk/>>  
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#### The Joanies Trust (UK)

Registered charities working with young people aged 11 to 25 are eligible to apply for grants through the Joanies Trust. Each year, the Trust makes approximately 30 grants with an average value of £1,000 to support projects that offer intensive support to young people as well as those that promote preventative work, and especially those that are designed to lead to individual development through integration, work opportunities or accreditation. In particular the Trust is looking to support projects that show innovation and imagination as well as evidence of close consultation with

young people in developing their project. The next deadline for applications is the 31st December 2008.

<<http://www.joaniestrust.org.uk/index.htm>>  
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#### Third Sector Research Programme (UK)

Under this programme, community and voluntary groups are able to apply for grants of between £10,000 and £ 500,000 (and for exception projects up to £1 million) for up to five years to undertake research in the areas of health and social wellbeing. Applicant organisations are encouraged to link up with universities and the wider research community, however universities themselves are ineligible to apply for funding. It is expected that the findings from funded research will ultimately lead to the development of better services for people in the UK. To apply for funding, organisations must first register with the programme. If your registration is accepted you will be sent a password to open the on-line application form. Applications can be submitted at any time up to the 29th May 2009.

<<http://www.bigresearchprogramme.org.uk/content.php?key=home>>  
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#### Community Matters (UK)

Supermarket chain, Waitrose will award funding of £2,2 million over the next year to nearly 7,000 charities and local good causes. The funding is being made through a new initiative called Community Matters. Through this scheme, Waitrose will allocate £1,000 a month to each of its 190 branches to distribute amongst three local community projects as chosen by its customers and employees. As part of the scheme, each customer will be given a token at the checkout that they can place into a box representing their preferred good cause - the amount of money each charity receives will be in direct proportion to the number of tokens customers allocate. Each month, staff then get to vote on which three applications will be funded. To be considered for a donation, good causes and charities are asked to get in touch with their local Waitrose branch. Please contact your nearest Waitrose store for details.

<http://www.johnlewispartnership.co.uk/Display.aspx?MasterId=a4e17b78-fb5b-40d2-9499-46154da7dd91>  
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#### Funding Through Local YouthBanks (UK)

YouthBank is an innovative UK-wide grant making initiative run by young people for young people. Local Youth Banks provide small grants to young people for activities of benefit to the community and that also benefit the young people taking part. YouthBank is unique in that it is young people themselves who make decisions about how local YouthBanks are managed and run and, through a Board of young people, also direct the UK-wide programme. Grant making criteria and processes are decided by each individual YouthBank. Local areas can also receive funding, advice and support from YouthBank UK, the national umbrella body, to set up local Youth Banks. For example a grant of £75,000 was recently awarded to set up a Youth Bank in Cambridge. Applications can be made at any time.

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