

Grants to Promote Walking (Scotland)

The Paths for All Partnership has announced that it has funding available to fund new and innovative ways of promoting walking for health. The aim of Paths to Health is to increase the health and well-being of inactive people by promoting regular walking within local communities. The funding is available to any organisation, group or partnership within Scotland, which can demonstrate that it is working in the interests of the wider community. Funding is available through two funding streams:

- The small grants schemes for grant of up to £2,000
- The large grants scheme for grants of between £2,000 and £40,000 for projects lasting up to three years.

Applications should demonstrate the involvement of the local community in planning and running local projects. The development of volunteers within the community to help run the scheme is integral to achieving long-term sustainability of led walk programmes. In addition grants of up to £2,000 are available to businesses that introduce walk to work initiatives. The Paths for All Partnerships would encourage any potential applicant to discuss any proposals with the Paths to Health team as soon as possible. Applications for small grants can be made at any time and for large grants the application deadline is the 6th April 2009.

<http://www.pathsforall.org.uk/pathstohealth/grants.asp>

Voluntary Sector Development Fund (Scotland)

The Scottish Government has announced that over 120 voluntary sector support organisations are to share £1.2 million in grants awarded through the Voluntary Sector Development Fund (VSDF). The purpose of the Voluntary Sector Development Fund is to assist Voluntary Sector organisations in meeting the costs of developing a highly trained and qualified workforce (meeting phase two qualification registration requirements set by the Scottish Social Services Council). The funding will be used to directly fund and/or

support training and development needs to meet the registration requirements. The priority for this year will be to assist the funding of the SSSC's Phase two registration requirements, specifically for Care Home Services for Adults (Adult residential care workers, support workers in adult residential care and residential adult care staff with supervisory responsibilities) and managers in housing support. The Voluntary Sector Development Fund has made over £7 million available to voluntary care organisations since 2001. The next application round is likely to be announced later in 2009.

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2008/12/30104600>

Nationwide Foundation Seeks Applications Under its Small Grants Programme (UK)

The Nationwide Foundation which works towards a just and caring society by enabling people to take part in building better futures in their communities is currently accepting applications for funding under its Small Grants Programme. Under the programme grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities with a yearly income of less than £500,000. The Small Grants Programme is part of Nationwide Foundation's Supporting Families programme and has the following aims:

- To promote the well-being of young men, women and children whose lives have been affected by domestic violence and to reduce the prevalence of domestic violence through increased service provision, education and awareness raising.
- To improve the quality of life of families with a member or members in prison, through the provision of services responsive to their needs.
- To provide young people who are or have been involved with the criminal justice system with a rehabilitation programme designed to obtain the skills, confidence and personal support networks to enable them to lead fulfilled and successful lives.

Previous projects funded include:

- A grant of £5,000 towards the salary costs of a counsellor involved in the specialist support and advocacy service for women suffering domestic violence.
- A grant of £4,000 towards setting up workshops for women from Black and Minority Ethnic groups living in the London Borough of Newham, who are experiencing domestic abuse and difficulties in their relationships.

There is no application closing date for the Small Grants Programme.

<http://www.nationwidefoundation.org.uk/default.asp>

Partnership Charitable Trust Grant Programme (UK)

The EAGA Partnership Charitable Trust is a grant-giving trust that supports projects and research into the causes of fuel poverty and its impacts on health, in particular, the health of vulnerable consumers. There is no minimum or maximum grant level that organisations can apply for, however there is a strong preference for supporting large projects that can influence national policy. Previous projects funded include:

- The development of a simple easy to use tool to help social housing providers in England and Wales identify homes that are energy inefficient and set targets for their improvement to ensure all homes are capable of delivering affordable energy.
- The development of a methodology for predicting the level of fuel poverty in small areas.

The Trustees meet three times a year to consider applications. The next application deadline is the 1st May 2009.

http://www.eaga.com/charitable/charitable_trust.htm

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation (UK)

The Trusthouse Charitable Foundation has announced that funding is available to local and national charities or not-for-profit organisations that address rural and urban deprivation. Under Rural Issues grants are available for projects that could include for example providing transport for the elderly, disabled or disadvantaged; contact networks for young disabled people; projects which encourage a sense of community such as community centres and village halls; employment training schemes especially those promoting local, traditional crafts; projects addressing issues such as drug/alcohol misuse or homelessness. Under the Urban Deprivation grants are available for projects that could include for example youth clubs; training schemes to help people out of unemployment; drop in centres for the homeless. In addition, from July 2009, the Foundation will start a three year themed grant which will fund projects addressing mental health issues for prisoners and ex-offenders. The Grants Committee meets quarterly to consider applications at the beginning of February, May, July and November. The deadlines for submitting applications is generally 2 months before the date of a meeting.

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

Funding to Promote Financial Inclusion (UK)

The Friends Provident Foundation makes grants of up to £200,000 to not-for-profit organisations for projects that address financial exclusion within disadvantaged communities. The funding is distributed through the Financial Inclusion Programme 2007 – 2009. The Foundation will consider applications for work that will make a strategic contribution to the overall outcome of financial inclusion in the UK. The Foundation will consider requests for capital or revenue funding, core funds or project costs. The Foundation is willing to consider applications from any type of legally independent organisation, but can only support work that is legally charitable. Actions previously supported through the Foundation include:

- Making money management advice available to young people via mobile phones and interactive digital TV

- A research project to look at the difficulties that people with a learning disability are having in gaining access to banking services.

The next closing date for applications is the 30th January 2009.

http://www.friendsprovident.co.uk/common/layouts/subSectionLayout.jhtml?pageld=fpcouk/SitePageSimple%3Afriends_provident_foundation_landing+_page#

First Light Movies Announces New Application Deadlines (UK)

First Light Movies provides grants to projects that enable young people to participate in all aspects of film productions. Since launching in 2001, First Light Movies have enabled over 12,000 young filmmakers to write, act, shoot, light, direct and produce over 800 films. The funding is available to organisations such as schools, youth services, community and voluntary groups that work with young people aged between 5 and 18. Every year approximately £700,000 of grants are available through three funding streams:

- The Pilot Awards provides grants of up to £5,000 for the production of a 5 minute film.
- The Studio Awards provides grants of up to £30, 000 for between two and four films of up to 10 minutes.
- What's the Big Idea Awards provides grants of £3,000 to develop ideas and stories for films.

Schools that have received funding include:

- Balfour Junior School in Brighton received funding to make an environmental documentary 'The Amazing Adventures of the Plastic Bag'.
- Mousehole County Primary School in Cornwall received funding for 'School of Fish', a film that looks at how the holiday trade affects the lives of people in Cornwall.

- Prudhoe Community High School in Northumberland received funding for 'The Legend of Long Lankin', an animated drama retelling the folktale of the local murderous villain Long Lankin and his female accomplice.

A crew of 15 13 to 17 year olds will produce the film. The deadline for applications is the 31st March 2009 for the What's The Big Idea? Award and the Pilot Awards. The Studio Award is currently closed but the next deadline will be announced in early 2009.

<http://www.firstlightmovies.com/funding/>

PRS Foundation Grants Programme (UK)

The PRS Foundation for New Music (PRSF), which is the UK's largest independent funder for new music of any genre, provides a range of grants to stimulate and support the creation and performance of new music in the UK has announced the application deadlines for its grant making programmes in 2009. The Foundations grant making programmes supports music festivals, new music, unsigned bands and promoters, etc. The Foundation also provides a range of bursaries to individuals. Since March 2000 the Foundation has made more than 2500 grants totalling some £10 million. For more information on the types of grants available and the application deadlines, please click on the link below.

<http://www.prsfoundation.co.uk/funding/2009deadlines.htm>

Active European Remembrance (UK)

The EU has announced a new call for proposals under the Active European Remembrance Initiative. The Active European Remembrance Initiative is of the EU's "Europe for Citizens" programme 2007-2013 and supports:

- Projects that are linked to the preservation of the main sites and memorials associated with the mass deportations, the former concentration camps and other large-scale martyrdom and extermination sites of Nazism, as well as the archives documenting these events and for keeping alive the memory of the victims, as well

as the memory of those who, under extreme conditions, rescued people from the Holocaust;

- Projects linked to the commemoration of the victims of mass exterminations and mass deportations associated with Stalinism, as well as the preservation of the memorials and archives documenting these events.

The closing date for applications is the 30th April 2009.

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/citizenship/action4/funding_en.htm

Volant Charitable Trust (UK)

Registered charities whose purpose is to alleviate poverty and social deprivation with particular emphasis on children's and women's issues have the opportunity to apply for funding through the Volant Charitable Trust. The Trust which was set up by the author J K Rowling also supports research into the causes, treatment and possible cures of Multiple Sclerosis. However this funding stream is currently fully committed and is not considering further applications for funding in this area at the present time. In addition the Trustees will as and when appropriate, support disaster appeals. The Trust will support both capital and revenue funding. Applications for funding requests of £10,000 or less, for those projects based in Scotland only, are dealt with by the Trust's appointed agents, the Scottish Community Foundation. The closing date for applications is the 27th February 2009.

<http://www.volanttrust.com/index.html>