

Funding Opportunities – July 2009

Cash 4 Clubs

Cash 4 Clubs gives sports clubs the opportunity to apply for grants to improve facilities, purchase new equipment, get coaching qualifications, and generally invest in the sustainability of their club. Clubs must be registered with their sport's National Governing Body or local authority and can apply for up to £1,000 through the scheme. There are three levels of grants at £250, £500 and £1,000. Previous grants include the Southampton Canoe club which received a grant of £1,000 towards purchasing junior paddles and safety equipment; the Rugby Sea Cadets which received a grant of £1,000 to maintain and replace safety equipment; and Ipswich Basketball which received a grant of £1,000 to initiate a new women's team aimed at the 16+ league.

Applications can be submitted at any time and grants are awarded on a quarterly basis.

<http://cash-4-clubs.com/>

TalkTalk's Innovation in the Community Awards

TalkTalk's Innovation in the Community Awards enables charity and community groups throughout the UK to harness the power of the internet. Through the awards 30 cash prizes of £2000 are available. Five overall winners will receive an additional £250 of technology equipment. Talk Talk are keen to fund any technology project which extends the work of the organisation concerned.

Previous winners include Street League, a nationwide charity using football as a means of getting disadvantaged people into work and education and Camden Mighty Maiden Allstars, a north London group for children and young people aged 5 to 18, teaching gymnastics, dance, stunting and cheerleading.

Application deadline: 30 September 2009

<http://www.talktalk.co.uk/information/innovation-in-the-community>

Sport England Innovation Fund

Sport England has challenged innovators to come forward with ground-breaking concepts and solutions that will shape community sport over the next decade. This is an opportunity to transform grassroots sport and help create a lasting sporting legacy from the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. £5 million of National Lottery funding is available each year through a highly competitive process, with up to 20 projects expected to secure awards ranging from £10,000 to £500,000. Sport England wants to hear about innovations that will unlock a major barrier to participation in sport; exploit technology to deliver sport at new times, in new settings or to new audiences; and inspire more people to take up a sport by creatively adapting an existing game.

Disclaimer – this information has been checked as far as possible at the time of printing. However no responsibility is taken for errors or omissions. Additionally, the criteria, priorities, amounts available and application processes change regularly so please research each individual trust prior to submitting an application form.

Applications to Sport England's Innovation Fund will be assessed on a competitive basis by a panel of experts in sport and innovation. Sport England will only invest in innovations which could be rolled out across the country in a way that is both cost-effective and sustainable.

Application deadline: 10 August 2009

<http://www.sportengland.org/funding>

Children In Need Grants Deadline Approaching

Community groups and not-for-profit organisations only have until 15 July to bid for support to help them carry out projects that work with disadvantaged children and young people. The general grants programme distributes some of the millions of pounds raised for good causes during the annual Children In Need telethon. Funding is on offer for groups who work with underprivileged young people, particularly those affected by: disability; poverty and deprivation; illness, distress, abuse or neglect; and behavioural or psychological impairment.

Application deadlines: 15 July and 15 October 2009

http://www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/grants/general_grants.shtml

The BIG Family Idea

The Big Lottery Fund, in partnership with National Family Week, is inviting people to enter the BIG Family Idea competition, with an idea that could improve family life locally or nationally. The idea could aim to change government legislation, help disadvantaged families, encourage a healthier family lifestyle, or enhance communication between family members.

There are no restrictions on the size of the idea, and this could be a product; service; event; campaign; or a great social idea. BIG will provide £150,000 of Big Lottery Fund to an organisation that can develop the winning idea.

Application deadline: 31 July 2009

<http://www.nationalfamilyweek.co.uk/view.The-Big-Family-Idea>

Red Nose Day Funding Programme

Comic Relief has announced that it is now accepting applications for grants through its Red Nose Day Programmes (2009-12). Grants are available through a number of programme areas including sport for change.

There are no minimum or maximum grants in most of these programmes, but on average grants are of between £25,000 and £40,000 per year. Funding can be used to cover **Disclaimer** – this information has been checked as far as possible at the time of printing. However no responsibility is taken for errors or omissions. Additionally, the criteria, priorities, amounts available and application processes change regularly so please research each individual trust prior to submitting an application form.

running and/or capital costs. Comic Relief are keen to make sure that the funding reaches all parts of the UK, especially areas which often miss out, such as rural communities.

Application deadline: 24 July 2009

http://www.comicrelief.com/apply_for_a_grant/uk

Awards for Bridging Cultures

Funded by the Baring Foundation, the Awards for Bridging Cultures reward grassroots schemes and projects run by community and voluntary organisations that help to build bridges between communities and cultures. New this year is an award for individuals or founders who have made a significant contribution to initiating or running projects and schemes in addition to the award for organisations. Cash prizes are £5,000 or £10,000 depending on size of organization.

Application deadline: 14 September 2009

<http://www.bridgingcultures.org.uk/About>

Ron Pickering Memorial Fund

The Ron Pickering Memorial Fund provides grants for young athletes who are in education and may need financial help towards training or the provision of equipment. The application process begins each year on 1 October and closes on 30 November. To be eligible for funding applicants must be aged between 15 and 23 years and in education

and medallists from National Schools, AAA Under 17, Under20 or Under 23 Championships or in the top six of the appropriate UK ranking lists. Grants can be used to fund training or purchase equipment.

Application deadline: 30 November 2009

www.rpmk.org.uk

SITA Trust Enhancing Communities Programme - Small Grants

The Enhancing Communities Programme Small Grants scheme is provided by SITA Trust through the Landfill Communities Fund. Landfill site operators can collect a tax for every tonne of waste that goes into one of their sites. A proportion of this tax can be allocated to the Landfill Communities Fund to fund community and environmental improvement projects. SITA Trust receives its funding from the waste management company, SITA UK, which owns landfill sites across the UK.

The Small Grants Scheme provides funding for physical improvements to community facilities including sport and recreation facilities up to £10,000. Any not-for-profit organisation including community groups, parish councils, charities, local authorities and voluntary organisations may apply. Projects must have a total cost of £20,000 or less. To **Disclaimer** – this information has been checked as far as possible at the time of printing. However no responsibility is taken for errors or omissions. Additionally, the criteria, priorities, amounts available and application processes change regularly so please research each individual trust prior to submitting an application form.

be eligible for funding the project must be within ten miles of an active SITA UK Landfill site or within three miles of a qualifying SITA UK waste treatment site. A 'landfill locator' is featured on the SITA website to enable applicants to check if their project is based in an eligible area. All projects must have unrestricted public access for a minimum of 104 days per year.

Application forms can be downloaded from the SITA website, but must be posted as submissions cannot be accepted by fax or email. All applications must include photographs of the project site clearly showing the area to be improved. Applicants will be informed of whether they are successful or not within approximately seven weeks.

Application deadline: 12 August and 14 October 2009

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

EU Call for Proposals in Sport

The European Commission has issued a call for proposals to implement the 2009 Preparatory Action in the field of sport. A total of €4 million is available to support transnational projects put forward by public bodies or civil society organisations in order to identify and test suitable networks and good practices in the field of sport in the following areas: promoting health-enhancing physical activity; promoting education and training in sport; promoting European fundamental values by encouraging sport for persons with disabilities; promoting gender equality in sport.

EU grants will be provided to a maximum of 80% of the total costs. The matched funding can be partly made up of contributions in kind. Projects must start between 1st December 2009 and 31st March 2010 and end no later than 31st March 2011.

Application deadline: 31 August 2009

http://ec.europa.eu/sport/preparatory_actions/doc745_en.htm

Sport Unlimited Innovation Fund – South Yorkshire

The Sport Unlimited Innovation Fund is provided by South Yorkshire Sport and is available for sports clubs and community groups in the area to provide out of school sporting opportunities for young people aged between 11 and 19.

The fund is particularly focused on youngsters defined by Sport England as "semi-sporty" -

young people who participate in the two hours of PE a week on the national curriculum and up to an hour of another sporting or physical activity outside of school hours. Projects should attract people from this kind of background, as opposed to young people who are keen and regular participants in sporting activity. The fund can support a maximum cost of £60 per head for the number of youngsters involved in the programme of sessions. Successful organisations will be asked to provide between 8 and 10 sessions, each expected to last a minimum of one hour. Ideally, South Yorkshire Sport would like to support projects that deliver one session per week, although this requirement can be flexible if it is in the interests of programme delivery.

Application deadline: 21 October - for projects to take place during the Spring term (January - March 2010)

<http://www.sysport.co.uk/>