

External Funding Alert

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○ The external funding alert from South Ayrshire Council provides details on new funding opportunities available and approaching deadlines of various programmes. More detail on these opportunities can be obtained by clicking on the links provided or by contacting the External Funding Team. If you wish to be added to our mailing list, email: externalfunding2@south-ayrshire.gov.uk. You can also conduct your own external funding search at: www.open4community.info/southayrshire/Default.aspx

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News

COMMUNITY BROADBAND SCOTLAND – FOR COMMUNITIES WITH LIMITED OR NO BROADBAND

Step Change is part of the Scottish Government's Action Plan to provide super fast broadband in hard to reach or rural areas.

Superfast or next generation broadband (NGB) will transform economic and social opportunities available to those areas, as well as helping to reduce our carbon footprint. It will enable the delivery of public services, open up online learning opportunities, support remote and home working possibilities as well as enabling people to download music or catch up on missed TV programmes.

Commercial providers will not provide next generation broadband services to everyone. In Scotland broadband deployment is particularly challenging.

Currently many rural communities are unable to get the broadband coverage or speeds they need to fully benefit from being online. Community Broadband Scotland (CBS) is here to help communities receiving speeds of less than 2 Mbps to take forward their own projects to improve local broadband provision.

Scotland's Digital Future sets out how Scottish Government will deliver a step change in broadband speeds, paving the way for delivery of world-class, future proofed infrastructure across all of Scotland by 2020. To this end £240 million of public funds

has been committed to the Step Change1 programme to provide infrastructure with the capacity to deliver next generation broadband to at least 85% of homes and businesses and an aspiration to provide a minimum of 2 Mbps for everyone.

CBS has been set up to help communities in the 15% 'harder to reach' areas that will not benefit directly from the Step Change1 programme. It will support communities to close this gap by developing their own broadband projects. There are many examples of communities in Scotland who are doing just this. They have demonstrated that the technology is available to develop high-speed local networks.

Community Broadband Scotland – An Overview

CBS is a £5 million initiative which works to encourage and support the development of successful and sustainable community broadband projects, capable of delivering next generation speeds, through the use of established technologies and business models.

CBS works with Scottish communities that receive speeds of less than 2 Mbps and are least likely to benefit from a next generation solution under the Step Change programme.

CBS provides:

- an informative website providing resources, templates and case studies at <http://www.communitybroadbandscotland.org>
- a network of on-the-ground CBS advisers;
- a Start Up Fund; and
- a telephone helpline – 0800 917 3688

Further information can be found via the Scottish Government's web link below.

Link: <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Economy/digital>

VOLUNTARY SECTOR DEVELOPMENT FUNDING (VSDF) 2013-14

The Scottish Government has confirmed that around £950k will be provided for Voluntary Sector Development Funding (VSDF) to support voluntary sector organisations, registered with the Care Inspectorate to provide social services. Small and medium-sized organisations in particular are encouraged to apply.

VSDF is made available to contribute to the costs associated with meeting required registration qualification criteria set by the SSSC and to assist employers in achieving a qualified workforce. VSDF continues to assist with the costs of Scottish Vocational Qualifications, Management Awards and Professional Development Awards. The level of contribution available for each qualification is set out in the guidance notes.

The priority groups of workers which are eligible for support through VSDF funding this year, as agreed by Coalition of Care and Support Providers in Scotland (CCPS) Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC) and Scottish Government, are as follows:

- **Staff in Care Home Services for Adults** – Practitioners
- **Staff in Housing Support/Care at Home Services** – Supervisors, Support Workers and Managers. This workforce group is seen as a priority. Priority will be given to funding to Supervisors and Support Workers. If the grant is oversubscribed Scottish Government cannot guarantee to meet the demand for Managers.
- **Assessors** – VSDF is available to support the costs of an assessor qualification for staff working within any of the eligible groups of workers described above.

The priority is to enable as many staff as possible to meet required registration within the funding available, to help meet registration priorities and to achieve value for money. In the event that the total funding applied for exceeds the available funding and the fund is oversubscribed, a priority rating will be applied in line with the priorities set out above.

This year there will also be an upper ceiling of £28,000 that any one organisation can receive. Funding not used in the current financial year can be carried forward to enable qualifications to be completed.

Guidance notes and the application form

- [VSDF guidance notes 2013 \(71.98 kB\)](#)
- [VSDF application form – part one \(93.5 kB\)](#)
- [VSDF application form – part two \(29.31 kB\)](#)

For more information email Chloe Aird at Chloe.Aird@scotland.gsi.gov.uk or call 0131 244 7562.

Completed applications must be sent to Scottish Government by 23 August 2013.

Programme Updates

NOMINET TRUST

This scheme is focused on supporting projects and organisations that use digital technology to improve the lives of the disadvantaged and vulnerable and to strengthen communities.

There is no upper or lower, funding limit as applicants should be realistic about what they need to achieve their project objectives. The Trust will consider funding any length of project up to a maximum of three years.

Organisations that are looking for funding of over £100,000 should demonstrate that they have been successful in attracting part match-funding from other organisations.

Support is available for innovative projects that use digital technology to design radically new solutions to address specific social challenges. The following investment programmes are open to applications:

- Encouraging open innovation
- Supporting young people to address the social challenges they face
- Improving well being and opportunity for people in later life

The Trust considers applications twice per year in May and September. The majority of projects the Trust invests in are UK-based. However, a small number of investments are made each year in international projects.

Further information, guidance on how to apply is available from their website via the link below.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

[Link: http://www.nominettrust.org.uk/how-to-apply](http://www.nominettrust.org.uk/how-to-apply)

GLAXOSMITHKLINE (GSK) IMPACT AWARDS OPEN TO APPLICATIONS (UK)

The IMPACT Awards recognise and reward small to medium-sized charities in the UK that are doing excellent work to improve people's health. Applicants must target community health needs in the UK and have a track record of achievement in this area.

The Awards recognise excellence in existing work and do not seek to fund new projects. Applications should meet the following assessment criteria which focus on six areas of impact:

- **Innovation** – Leadership, creativity and initiative in addressing current challenges in healthcare access and delivery.
- **Management** – Efficient use of resources; quality of management processes; equality of opportunity; clear objectives and plans; strength and financial effectiveness of the organisation.
- **Partnership** – Working effectively with others (members, users, private and public sector partners, etc.); willingness to share 'best practice' and to learn from others.
- **Achievement** – Measurable results achieved; numbers of people benefited; impact on access to healthcare; a reflective approach to evaluation of the work; measurement and monitoring of performance.
- **Community focus** – Involving and responding to users and the community; openness and provision of information; adaptability to changing circumstances and needs.
- **Targeting needs** – Awareness of community issues and priorities and having a detailed understanding of the target community; ensuring services are accessible to, and focus on, people in need.

Up to ten winners will receive £30,000 unrestricted funding with one overall winner receiving an extra £10,000. Winners will also receive free training valued at £4,000, a specially commissioned professional film and photographs along with publicity and press support. Up to ten runners-up will receive £3,000.

The deadline for applications is 20 September 2013 (5pm).

[Link: http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/projects/gsk-impact-awards](http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/projects/gsk-impact-awards)

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

This scheme has a pot of £72,500 available to constituted local community organisations across South Ayrshire working for the benefit of their local area and residents. The fund can be used to help develop the necessary skills and access expertise to develop successful funding bids and more effectively deliver improvements in their areas.

For more information, call Marion Young on 01292 612626 or email: marion.young@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

Deadline for applications: Monday 29 July 2013
Monday 28 October 2013
Monday 27 January 2014

Link: <http://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/cpp/community-devfund.aspx>

CHANGE FUND CAPACITY BUILDING GRANT FUND 2011-2013

The Change Fund Capacity Building Grant Fund provides grants of up to £500 and free training to Community/Third Sector groups involved in providing older people's services in south Ayrshire. The aim is to help them sustain and develop their activities.

The Fund can be used to build capacity and could include:

- Food Hygiene training for volunteers
- Small pieces of equipment e.g. dishwasher
- Volunteer expenses

For an application pack or more information please contact Marie Oliver, VASA Change Fund Team, 27-29 Crown Street, Ayr, KA8 8AG
Tel: 01292 281800 or email: marie@voluntaryactionsouthayrshire.org.uk

Resources/Information/Publications

Resources

REDUCE TECHNOLOGY COSTS

Through this programme, eligible UK-based charities are able to request donated technology products from partners such as Microsoft, Symantec and Cisco.

The products include operating system software and server software, security software and hardware products such as switches, routers, wireless equipment and firewalls.

Although there is an administration fee for charities the CTX programme still gives savings of 92-96% on typical retail prices. For further information visit

http://www.ctxchange.org/about_ctx

JUSTGIVING

Online fundraising platform JustGiving is expanding its services to enable any business to fundraise online for charity. This will enable businesses to showcase their employees' achievements, and match their donations with company funds if they choose.

The new tools offer:

- branded company fundraising pages to showcase all a business' employee fundraising activity in one place
- running totals of all donations raised by employees
- the facility for employees to form teams to compete against each other and link their JustGiving individual fundraising pages to their company page
- leader boards featuring the most successful fundraising staff to encourage competition and reward success
- the option for companies to match-fund the sums raised by their employees and to display this total publicly on their company profile
- measurement and reporting of fundraising data

Perhaps you know of a local company that would like to raise funds for your group in this way.

Further details are available via the web link below.

Link: <http://www.justgiving.com/companies>

Identifying sources of funding

If you are looking for funding you may find these other links helpful:

1. www.fundingcentral.org.uk
2. www.acf.org.uk/seekingfunding/index.aspx?id=70
3. www.family-action.org.uk/section.aspx?id=1037 (Educational Grants Advisory Service: for post-16 students studying at specific colleges or universities)

BIG LOTTERY – APPLICATION HELP

The Communities and Families Fund offers quick decisions on grants of up to £10,000 for groups working with children from pre-birth to age 8, and their families.

BIG have also produced a video guide to the programme which can be seen at:

Link: www.youtube.com/watch?v=B9JBOBVOvt0&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Big+Lottery+Fund&utm_campaign=2232546_Scotland+bulletin+March+2013&dm_i=UH9,1BUN6,5ASJN0,419LL,1

Top 6 reasons that great projects don't get their grants

BLF have made a user friendly film for applicants. To summarise, they are:

1. organisation name not matching on all documentation
2. bank statements not original
3. bank account signatories
4. barriers to membership
5. unsigned constitution
6. accounts are unclear

BLF highlight that the most common weakness for failure with applications to the Young Start scheme is lack of involvement of young people in developing the bid.

Link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0OTQ2Ad0CNE&feature=youtu.be>

BLF Success rates:

- 2014 communities – 91%
- Awards For All – 66%
- Investing in Ideas – 43%
- Investing in Communities stage 1 – 47%
- Investing in Communities stage 2 – 79%
- Scottish Land Fund – 100%
- Communities and Families Fund – 77%
- Young Start – 43%

Link: <http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/scotland/>

New Funding Opportunities

Arts, Culture & Heritage

ADAM REYNOLDS MEMORIAL BURSARY

This scheme has been set up in memory of Adam Reynolds who died in 2005. Adam was a Chair of Shape and renowned sculptor and activist for disability and equality in the arts. Shape is a charitable company aiming to achieve access to the arts for disabled and deaf people.

The Bursary provides an opportunity for disabled or deaf artists to develop their ideas and practice without pressure to deliver a particular outcome. The successful applicant receives a grant of £5,000 and a three-month residency at Spike Island – an international centre for the development of contemporary art and design – in Bristol in winter 2013/14.

The artist will also be able to benefit from support and advice from the Artists Professional Development team at Shape.

The Bursary intends to provide time, space and support for artists to work in an open-ended way for a period of three months. The grant may be used to cover any costs associated with this work, for example:

- Hiring equipment.
- Purchasing materials.
- Paying for assistant artists or technicians in order to realise a particular work.
- Living expenses to free up time to concentrate on the residency (for example, childcare costs, rent or lost income).

Disabled or deaf visual artists based in the UK may apply to this programme. Applicants must demonstrate that they have been making and showing work for over five years.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 2 September 2013.

Link: <http://www.shapearts.org.uk/news/armb-2013-call-for-submissions.aspx>

ARTS TRUST OF SCOTLAND

This scheme seeks to help working artists in Scotland fulfil their potential, realise their visions and enable those who value the contribution of Scotland's arts, artists and creativity to national life, to contribute to their continued development. It subsequently aims to support work which:

- Is created by artists in Scotland.
- Adds to the growing reputation of Scotland's arts community.
- Helps individuals of talent to develop their skills and ideas.

The Trust therefore hopes to offer an opportunity for those who derive pleasure from the arts to recognise, in a tangible way, the enormous success of Scottish artists and arts organisations and provide for their future.

The Trust typically allocates around £24,000 funding per annum, with funding decisions taken at Trustee meetings, held twice a year. Awards are likely to be between £500 and £2,000, with a maximum of roughly 10 successful applicants awarded grants in each round.

In addition to applications for general funding, the Trust also wishes to support Scottish artists wanting to work in an international context. One of its interests is, therefore, to offer annual international travel bursaries, which will have a separate application process in the future.

Not a specified requirement.

The deadline for receipt of applications is Midday on Thursday 22 August 2013.

Link: <http://www.artstrustscotland.org.uk/>

THE BBC PERFORMING ARTS FUND

This scheme is funded through revenue from the voting lines of BBC One entertainment programmes such as The Voice, Strictly Come Dancing and Over the Rainbow and is run by a Board of Trustees.

Each year the Fund's work focuses on a different art form – music, dance or theatre – and grants are distributed via two schemes, one for individuals and one for community groups.

The Fund aims to seek out and support aspiring individuals and community groups who, for reasons of lack of existing support, personal background or circumstance, would not have been able to achieve their greatest potential without the Fund's support or intervention.

Funding is available as follows:

- Community Theatre scheme – Grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available.
- Theatre Fellowship scheme Organisations can only apply for £10,000.

Funding is available for projects that include the commission of a new piece of theatre created by a specified professional theatre maker chosen by the group. Groups should be ambitious, willing to take on a challenge and looking for ways to increase their group's confidence and motivation and to raise their profile in the local community. Projects should benefit not only the groups themselves but also the wider community.

Community Theatre scheme

Not for profit groups that have a minimum of eight performing members are eligible to apply. Groups can be performing any genre of theatre but must have in existence since 1 April 2011 and funding cannot be used for regular core costs.

Theatre Fellowship scheme

Not-for-profit and commercial organisations that are working within any genre of theatre in the UK are eligible to apply. Organisations must have been in existence since 1 April 2011 and funding cannot be used for regular core costs.

Further information, guidance and contact details are available via the link below.

The deadlines are as follows:

- **Community Theatre scheme: 16 September 2013 (5pm).**
- **Theatre Fellowship scheme: 22 July 2013 (5pm).**

Link: www.bbc.co.uk/performingartsfund/grants/community-dance

THE ELEPHANT TRUST

This scheme, created in 1975 by Roland Penrose and Lee Miller, seeks to support developing and improving the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the fine arts in the United Kingdom.

The Trust's aim is to make it possible for artists and those presenting their work to undertake and complete projects when frustrated by lack of funds. It is committed to helping artists and institutions that depart from the routine and signal new, distinct and imaginative sets of possibilities.

Available grants are usually limited to £2,000, but larger grants up to £5,000 may be considered.

Applicants should submit well argued, imaginative proposals for making or producing new work or exhibitions.

Funding priority is given to artists in the visual arts, small organisations and galleries within the United Kingdom.

Further information, guidance and application forms are available via the link below.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 23 September 2013.

Link: <http://www.elephanttrust.org.uk/docs/theguide.html>

THE HENRY MOORE FOUNDATION

This scheme was set up in 1977 to advance the education of the public by the promotion of their appreciation of the fine arts, particularly the works of Henry Moore. It operates from Perry Green, Hertfordshire and at the Henry Moore Institute in Leeds. The Foundation supports a wide range of projects and activities in the visual arts.

The objective of the Foundation is to support all aspects of the arts in which Henry Moore himself was engaged: sculpture, drawing and print-making. The Foundation offers funding in the following categories:

- **New Projects** – Grants may be awarded as follows, up to a maximum of: £20,000 for a large museum exhibition; £10,000 for an exhibition catalogue; and £30,000 for a commission.
- **Collections** – The maximum sums available are the region of £15,000 for an acquisition and £20,000 for display and/or conservation.
- **Long Term Research and Development** – Maximum sums are in the region of £20,000 per annum.
- **Small Research Grants** – Grants of up to £2,500 are available.
- **Support for Artists: Residencies or Fellowships** – The Foundation awards grants worth up to £6,000 to artists supported by host institutions, for residencies or fellowships of between two and six months. The number of residencies or fellowships awarded will depend on the resources available in any year.
- **Conferences, Lectures and Publications** – Sums up to £5,000 are available.
- **Postdoctoral Research Fellowships** – The Foundation awards a small number of two-year postdoctoral fellowships.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 4 September 2013.

Link: <http://www.henry-moore.org/grants/applying-for-a-grant1/make-an-application>

Buildings

THE SCREWFIX FOUNDATION

This scheme is a new charity with a clear purpose of raising funds to support projects that will fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and community facilities specifically for those in need in the UK.

They raise funds throughout the year to support causes that will change people's lives. They work with both national and local charities donating much needed funding to help all sorts of projects, from repairing buildings and improving facilities in deprived areas, to decorating the homes of people living with sickness or disability. Eligible projects:

1. Help with, or pay for the cost of building a new building;
2. Replacing machinery or equipment needing to be replaced by a professional e.g. boiler system, electrics, kitchen or bathroom refits;
3. Maintenance of existing buildings – modernisation, decorating, cosmetic updating;
4. Help with or pay for the full decoration of a whole building or a large proportion of it;
5. Help with or pay for the fixing of buildings which have suffered damage from events such as weather and flood damage; and
6. Maintenance of community facilities for non-building structures such as play parks and gardens

Further information and guidance is available from the Screwfix website.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: <http://www.screwfix.com/jsp/landing.jsp?id=ScrewfixFoundation> to download the application form

Children/Young People/Youths

THE ADAMSON TRUST

The scheme intends to support organisations and registered charities that provide assistance with the cost of holidays or respite breaks for young people aged 17 and under who have a physical or mental disability.

Applications on behalf of groups of children, organisations or other registered charities in Scotland will be considered.

There are no stated minimum or maximum amounts but funding is available for the costs associated with holidays and/or respite breaks. Applicants are advised to contact the Trust to discuss restrictions.

Contact details are as follow:

Adamson Trust

PO Box 26334
Crieff
Perthshire
PH7 9AB
Tel: 07770 842 502
Fax: 01764 682 359

The deadlines for receipt of applications are: 30 September, 31 December, 31 March and 30 June.

Link: *None Given*

CASHBACK FOR COMMUNITIES SMALL GRANTS SCHEME

This scheme seeks to provide support for local volunteer led groups or units, who may not previously have had access to external funding, to enhance their programmes for young people and get positive projects off the ground.

The scheme, which is aimed at those working with 10 – 19 year olds, is being run in partnership with six national youth organisations: The Scout Association (The Scottish Council), Girlguiding Scotland, Boys' Brigade, Girls' Brigade Scotland, Clubs for Young People (Scotland) and Youth Scotland.

It will fund the following:

- The start-up costs of a unit or youth group (up to a maximum of £1,000), particularly in areas of deprivation or need.
- The costs (or part of the costs) of a particular project or programme of activity (up to a maximum of £2,000).

The minimum amount that can be applied for is £100.

Eligible local units or youth groups will:

- Be led by volunteers.
- Have members which include young people aged 10 or over.
- Be based in Scotland.
- Be a member of one of the six partnership organisations.

The last requirement is to ensure all groups awarded a small grant have the appropriate national organisational support, with clear operating policies in place, and are properly constituted.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 1 September 2013.

Link: <http://www.scouts-scotland.org.uk/development/funding/cashback-for-communities.aspx>

O2 THINK BIG

This scheme has been set up to help make your ideas a reality. Think Big can make funding and training awards to young people aged between 13 and 25 years old in the UK.

Awards will be made to individual and group applicant's, the most important thing to remember is that your proposed project should benefit your local community.

O2 Think Big wants to act as a support rather than a driving force in your project, helping you make it work and give you the opportunities to be heard.

Funding and training can be awarded at the beginning and during a project.

Examples of projects under way include the operation of a youth club and the transformation of a local green space.

Visit O2's Think Big for more information on past applicants and how to apply.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: <http://www.o2thinkbig.co.uk/Start-a-project/>

Education

WWI COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAMME – BATTLEFIELD SCHOOL VISITS

This scheme is open to all secondary schools in Scotland to help them meet the costs of trips to Western Front battlefields and war graves. The Scottish Government's new WWI Commemorative Programme – Battlefield School Visits aims to enable pupils to develop a deeper understanding of the causes and consequences of the First World War and its impact on people's lives.

Schools must meet the following criteria:

- The visit must be for a genuine educational purpose and booked in advance.
- Priority will be given to schools in areas with high indicators of multiple deprivation in accordance with the Scottish Government's Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation.
- Priority will be given to schools who have not previously applied. Schools that submit subsequent applications will be held on a reserve list and an award may be made if funding is available.
- Applications for a subsidy should be made prior to the visit and all claims must be made within one month of the date of visiting.

Grants of up to £2,000 are available with eligible costs including travel, accommodation and costs associated with tour guides, however the flexible approach of the scheme, enables schools and local authorities to decide how to allocate funds.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: <http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/learning/educational-groups/battlefield-school-visits.htm>

Environment

FREE TREES FOR UK'S COMMUNITY AND YOUTH GROUPS

This scheme will provide allotment groups, resident associations, parish councils, youth groups and other not-for-profit groups with free trees to plant in November.

Twice a year, the Woodland Trust gives away free trees to community groups, youth groups and schools in an effort to create more woodlands throughout the UK. According to the Trust, the UK has just 11.8% of tree cover, one of the lowest in Europe, and the Trust wants to change that by creating a UK rich in native woods and trees. This can be done relatively quickly because a saplings planted today will take 12 years to flourish into young woods.

This autumn the Trust will be giving away 4,000 free tree packs. Groups can apply for packs of 30 trees worth £30, 105 trees worth £105, or 420 trees worth £420. The packs come in a choice of themes – small copse, small hedge, wildlife, year-round colour, wild harvest, wetland and wood fuel – and are designed to help groups choose the right species mix for their local area.

Any not-for-profit group may apply as long as the trees will be planted on one publicly accessible site with permission from the legal landowner, with support from the community where the trees are to be planted and community involvement in the project.

Full details can be found on the Woodland Trust website via the link below. Groups are encouraged to apply as early as possible and to check the Trust's website for a possible early closing date.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 13 September 2013, although this could be subject to change.

Link: <http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/en/moretreesmoregood/free-trees/Pages/free-tree-packs.aspx>

Families

THE KELLY FAMILY CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme was set up in 2004 by members of the Kelly family with the aim of supporting charities whose activities nurture and support family life.

Grants are generally given in the range of £1,000 to £5,000 but can occasionally be in excess of that. However applicants are expected to show what other sources of funding have been sought and secured.

The Trust's focus is on the family and the nurturing of its potential to create a supportive structure within the family unit. It is interested in encouraging the development of strong and supportive family bonds through activities that help all elements of the family unit to grow together and support each other.

The Trust will consider both capital and revenue grants and is particularly interested in innovative projects and in projects that work in partnership with other local agencies to provide coherent support to improve the overall quality of family life. The Trust will support applications for core funding from relatively new organisations to help them become established.

The Trust will only consider applications from registered charities. Applicants must be based within the UK, although preference is given to those based in Scotland.

Successful applicants are expected to provide annual progress reports detailing how their grant is being used.

Further information and guidance on how to apply can be found on their website via the link below.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 1 September 2013.

Link: <http://www.kfct.org.uk/apply.html>

Health & Social Welfare

BAILY THOMAS CHARITABLE FUND

This scheme was established primarily to aid the research into learning disability and to aid the care and relief of those affected by learning disability.

The Charity aims to support work for the aid and relief of those affected by learning disability and operates three grant schemes:

- **General Grants** – Grants range from £250 upwards, with no upper limit.
- **Small Grants** – The Charity also provides small grants of up to £5,000. These are assessed outside of normal grants meetings.
- **Research Grants** – A limited fund distributes funds on an annual basis for research projects. Grants range from £250 upwards, with no upper limit. Please note that applications for research grants will only be considered from established research workers and the programme is currently closed to new applications.

Funding is normally considered for capital or revenue costs and for both specific projects and general running and core costs. Normally one-off grants are awarded but exceptionally a new project may be funded over two or three years, subject to satisfactory reports of progress.

The amount of funding available depends on a number of factors including the purpose, the total funding requirement and the potential sources of other funds including, in some cases, matching funding.

The main grants and small grants programmes provide funding to aid the care and relief of those affected by learning disability. The Charity will fund projects concerning children and adults with the conditions generally referred to as severe learning difficulties or autism.

Applications will only be considered from voluntary organisations that are registered charities or are associated with a registered charity. Schools, Parent Teacher Associations and Industrial & Provident Societies can also apply.

A second application from an organisation will not normally be considered for a period of at least two years after completion of an initial grant. If the previous application was unsuccessful, this period is one year.

Where a specific project is funded, successful applicants will normally be asked to submit a written, brief report, on completion of the project.

Further information, applications and guidance notes are available on their website.

The deadlines for receipt of applications are as follows:

- **General Grants** – 1 September 2013.
- **Small Grants** – Applications can be made at any time and will be considered before the main meetings.

Link: <http://www.bailythomas.org.uk/default.aspx>

COMMUNITY FOOD AND HEALTH (SCOTLAND) – ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

This scheme was set up in October 1996 as a result of the recommendations contained in the Scottish Diet Action Plan published a few months earlier. It is funded by the Scottish Government.

The project is based within the Scottish Consumer Council, and is assisted by a Steering Group made up of a range of groups and agencies, which advises on the nature and direction of the work.

The project offers a grants scheme for community initiatives, toolkits and guides for groups to use; information exchange and networking facilitation; development of partnership working models; and support action research and practice development.

The aim of the fund is to support groups and agencies that work with or within low-income communities to improve access to, and take-up of, a healthy, varied and balanced diet. It supports both community initiatives and inter-agency partnership working.

Grants of between £500 and £3,000 are available; and although match funding is not a specified requirement, applicants should state any other sources of funding or in kind support and whether that help depends on receiving funding from this scheme.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 5pm on Friday 9 August 2013.

Link: <http://www.communityfoodandhealth.org.uk/funding/annual-development-fund/>

JAMES TUDOR FOUNDATION

This scheme was established for the relief of sickness. Grants are available for registered charities under the following programme areas:

- palliative care;
- medical research;
- health education;
- awards and scholarship;
- the direct relief of sickness;
- overseas funding for the relief of sickness; and
- the fulfilment of the Foundation's objectives by any other means.

There are no minimum or maximum levels of grant specified and match funding is not a requirement. However the Foundation prefers to support smaller charities rather than large national charities.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: <http://www.jamestudor.org.uk/>

SUPPORT AND CONNECT

This scheme is a £10 million fund which is part of the Investing in Communities portfolio from the BIG Lottery Fund which aims to improve the support available locally for people experiencing hardship and material need.

Grants of between £10,000 and £350,000 are available to support up to 100% of project costs.

Support is available for the following types of projects:

- Welfare advice.
- Financial skills training and services.
- Action to address food poverty.
- Provision of clothing and household goods.
- Action to address fuel poverty.

All applications must demonstrate how their activity will bring about both of the following outcomes:

- Organisations helping those in hardship are better connected to each other so they can offer more effective support.
- People in hardship have better access to services that can help them.

Organisations can apply to enhance, develop or extend existing services and support to meet an increase in demand or develop new provision where a gap has been identified.

Applications should demonstrate that they are aware of, and have considered, existing local provision and that the application makes connections with other organisations so there is no duplication and people in hardship are clear where they need to go to for support.

Funding is available for project costs such as staff, training, equipment, the cost of running premises, providing information, evaluation, and overheads. Capital costs up to £50,000, such as the minor refurbishment of premises are also eligible.

Partnerships are eligible to apply; however, one organisation must be designated as the lead applicant.

The deadline for receipt of applications is Midday on 6 September 2013.

Link: <http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/supportandconnect>

WILL CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme, established in 1990 by private philanthropy, makes grants to other charities in specific fields of activity. It provides support within the following categories: care of and services for blind people; long-term care of people with learning disabilities; and care of and services for people suffering from cancer.

Grants vary in amount, but generally fall within the range of £5,000 to £20,000.

The Trustees may occasionally consider larger exceptional grants, but this is unusual and generally confined to charities that are well known to the Trust and have been supported for some time. There is no separate application process for this, and contenders will be identified from the normal grant round.

In the current financial climate, commitments to make future payments are given only in exceptional circumstances, with grants normally being one-off annual grants. Charities which have received a grant in one year are encouraged to apply in the next and subsequent years, but should note that only in exceptional circumstances will grants be given to the same charity for more than three successive years.

Projects supported by the Trust are likely to require some form of contribution from the applicant.

Grants are awarded only to UK registered or exempt charities. Eligible applicants must be based mainly within the UK, although some work abroad may be permitted.

Applicant organisations must have proven track records of successful work in their field of operation or, in the case of newer charities, convincing evidence of ability.

The Trust will not fund individuals, on-going running or core costs.

The Trust distributes income twice yearly in March and November. Each category will only be considered once a year.

The deadlines for receipt of applications are as follows:

- **Applications relating to Blind People and Learning Disabilities should be submitted from November and be received by 31 January at the very latest.**
- **Applications relating to Cancer Care should be submitted from June, and be received by 31 August at the very latest.**

Link: <http://www.willcharitabletrust.org.uk/grantspolicy.htm>

Volunteering

VOLUNTARY ACTION FUND (VAF) – VOLUNTEERING SUPPORT CLUSTER

This scheme makes one-off grants, up to £30,000, available to small groups (four to five) of Third Sector organisations to create new or enhanced volunteering projects, increasing the diversity of volunteers, especially those from disadvantaged groups, and improving opportunities, skills and personal development through volunteering.

The lead applicant must have an annual income of below £250,000 in their last financial year.

The deadlines for receipt of applications are 19 July 2013 and 31 January 2014.

Link: <http://www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk/funding-and-support/volunteering-development-grants/>

TACKLING SECTARIANISM – SMALL GRANT PROGRAMME NOW OPEN

The Voluntary Action Fund (VAF) is now accepting applications for its Tackling Sectarianism Small Grant Programme

The grant is aimed at small community based organisations and faith-based groups with an income of less than £100,000 per year. Groups can apply for grants of up to £5,000 for projects that will increase understanding of how sectarianism impacts on the lives of people in their community and make a positive impact on tackling the sectarianism experienced.

The programme will run from July 2013 – March 2015.

The Scottish Government is interested in gathering evidence from the funded projects that will help to build its understanding of:

- The problems caused by sectarianism in different communities and ways in which these problems impact on the lives of the people living in those communities;
- The impact that the projects and activities delivered have on individual communities and the lives of the people living in those communities; and
- What communities want to do to tackle the sectarian problems they are experiencing and how they can work together to deliver the change that they themselves want to see in their community.

The project must also encourage volunteers and support the development of volunteering activities.

Full details, an Eligibility Checklist, Guidance Notes and Application Form can be found on VAF's website at <http://www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk/funding-and-support/tackling-sectarianism-small-grants-programme/>

If you have any additional queries about the fund or wish to discuss a project proposal with a member of our Tackling Sectarianism Small Grant Programme Team, please phone 01383 620780.

Awards

THE SMARTA 100 AWARDS

This scheme is an annual celebration of the most 'resourceful, original, exciting and disruptive' small businesses in the UK. Entrepreneurs who are involved with a face-to-face business, social enterprises or e-commerce ventures are invited to enter the awards, which carry a grand prize of £10,000 to boost operations.

Smarta differs from other business awards by championing not just the most profitable businesses, but also by unearthing a true cross-section of the UK's most enterprising small businesses.

Individual entries are invited in up to three of the following categories which make up the 2013 Awards:

- Mobile Business of the Year
- Start up of the Year
- Female Entrepreneur of the Year
- Made in Britain
- Most Innovative Business
- Best Use of Technology
- Best Use of Marketing
- Best People Business
- Biggest Social Impact
- Micro Business of the Year

The winner of each category will receive a £1,000 cheque. The overall Business of the Year will be awarded a £10,000 grand prize.

Entries are accepted from entrepreneurs running small social enterprises and for-profit businesses in the UK. All Smarta 100 winners will be guests at an awards ceremony to be held in November, where overall and category award winners will be announced.

The deadline for receipt of entries is 31 August 2013.

Link: <http://www.smarta.com/smarta100/>

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE AWARDS 2013

This scheme has a total of 10 main award categories, in 2013, which are open to social enterprises including specific awards that investors, corporates, public sector bodies and charities may also apply for. All the categories listed in the Appendix are open to organisations from England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

Social Enterprise Scotland invites applications for all of the awards, however Categories

1, 2, 3, 5 and 9 will also be recognised within a specific Scottish Awards Programme.

All applications will be put forward for the UK Awards Programme, managed by Social Enterprise UK. The winners of categories 1 and 2 in Scotland will automatically be shortlisted within the UK Awards Programme in those categories.

- 1 Scottish/UK Social Enterprise
- 2 One to Watch
- 3 Innovation – product or service
- 4 Demonstrating Social Impact
- 5 Social Enterprise Market Builder
- 6 Social Investment Deal
- 7 Health & Social Care Social Enterprise
- 8 Consumer / Retailer Social Enterprise
- 9 Education and Training Social Enterprise
- 10 Environmental Social Enterprise

Please remember that your application will be judged against a set of generic criteria.

- Business/Sustainability of the organisation
- Impact/Evidence
- Mission/values
- Strength of reason to win

If you require further information and/or guidance about the Awards, please email sine.munro@socialenterprisescotland.org.uk.

The deadline for receipt of applications is Midnight on Tuesday 6 August 2013.

Link: <http://www.socialenterprisescotland.org.uk/news/1220>

Trusts

LLOYDS TSB FOUNDATION FOR SCOTLAND

The Henry Duncan Awards is currently the main grant programme to be operated by the Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland. The programme, named in honour of the Reverend Henry Duncan who founded the first Trustee Savings Bank, aims to support and work in partnership with charities operating in Scotland in order to improve the quality of life for people who are disadvantaged or at risk of becoming disadvantaged.

There are two different levels of award (requiring different application forms):

- Awards for up to £2,500 (only available for charities with an income of under £25,000).
- Awards for over £2,500 (only available for charities with an annual income of between £25,001 and £500,000).

There is no upper limit to the awards made, but it is worth noting that the average size of award is between £6,000 and £8,000.

Awards will be considered for one year funding only. Where an award is made, re-application is not possible until at least 12 months have elapsed from the date that the original grant was awarded. This includes previous applicants to the Foundation's Standard Grant Scheme.

It is important that applicants are able to tell the Foundation how their service or project will make a difference to the people they work with.

Funding can be put towards:

- Salaries, core costs and running costs.
- Small capital appeals such as equipment, minor refurbishment, fixtures and fittings.

Some awards will be made on a conditional basis. This means that the Foundation will need confirmation that something specific has happened before it releases the money.

The Foundation will accept applications for Henry Duncan Awards from grassroots charities operating in Scotland.

Applicants must be registered in Scotland as a charity and must have an income of less than £500,000 per annum. Awards are made on merit to charities in Scotland with no geographic bias.

The remaining deadlines for receipt of applications are 15 July and 16 September 2013.

Link: <http://www.ltsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk/>

THE TUDOR TRUST

This scheme supports organisations working across the UK. It funds a wide range of people and organisations working to build stronger communities. The Trust does not have specific funding programmes designed to advance a particular agenda as it believes that the groups it supports are best placed to identify problems and develop solutions.

The Trust aims to support work which tries to meet the many different needs of people at the margins of society. The Trust is interested in how organisations tackle these needs, and their root causes, as well as wanting to encourage progress, development and fresh ideas rather than keeping things as they are.

There is no maximum or minimum level of grant. In some situations the Trust may make a loan.

Most grants are made over one, two or three years. The Trust understands that tackling deep-rooted problems takes time so funding is sometimes available over a longer period, usually by making a further grant following on from the original one. However, applicants should be aware that the Trust's funding cannot continue indefinitely.

Voluntary and community groups working in any part of the UK, with a constitution and bank account, are eligible to apply for the following:

- Core organisational costs, such as salaries and day-to-day running costs.
- Project grants.
- Capital grants for buildings or equipment.
- Grants to help strengthen the organisation.

The Trust is more likely to fund groups with an annual turnover of less than £1 million. However, grants are sometimes made to larger groups, particularly for work which could be influential or which a smaller organisation would not have the capacity to deliver. Larger organisations are advised to contact the Trust before making an application.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: <http://tudortrust.org.uk/>

Imminent Deadlines – July – August 2013

SCOTTISH POWER – THE ENERGY PEOPLE TRUST

This scheme's objective is to help combat fuel poverty and assistance is available for organisations to fund projects or schemes that will help fuel poor or vulnerable groups of people, with priority given to projects that are aimed at helping families with young children and young people.

DEADLINE: 16 July 2013

MAX GRANT: £50,000

Link: <http://www.energypeopletrust.com/content/default.asp?page=home>

THE VOLUNTARY ACTION (VAF) – VOLUNTEERING SUPPORT CLUSTER

This scheme will fund an organisation to employ a Volunteer Coordinator/Manager, to work across a 'Cluster' of 4 or 5 organisations, to develop volunteering for people experiencing disadvantage.

DEADLINE: 19 July 2013

MAX GRANT: £30,000

Link: <http://www.vaf.org.uk>

WOLFSON FOUNDATION

This scheme's main objective is to provide capital infrastructure in the following areas: Science and technology; Arts and humanities; Education; and Health and disability. The Foundation allocates approximately £30 million per annum. There are no minimum or maximum levels of grant that can be applied for and the size of the grants varies greatly across different programme areas.

DEADLINE: 20 July 2013

MAX GRANT: Various

Link: <http://www.wolfson.org.uk/>

VOLANT CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme will provide benefit for such purposes, objects or institutions regarded as charitable in law without any geographic restriction.

DEADLINE: 26 July 2013

MAX GRANT: None given

Link: <http://www.volanttrust.com/>

ANCHOR FOUNDATION

The aim of the Foundation is to support Christian charities concerned with social inclusion particularly through ministries of healing and the arts. It is normal practice not to give grants to the same project for more than three years.

DEADLINE: 31 July 2013

MAX GRANT: £10,000

Link: <http://theanchorfoundation.org.uk/>

CLIMATE CHALLENGE FUND (SCOTLAND)

This Fund is designed to enable communities to come forward with their own solutions to make a significant reduction in carbon emissions. Projects funded by the CCF should: Offer significant carbon emission reduction; Be community led; and Aim to improve the lives of future generations.

DEADLINE: 31 July 2013

MAX GRANT: £150,000

Link: <http://ccf.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/>

FAITHS IN SCOTLAND COMMUNITY ACTION FUND (FISCAF) – SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

This scheme works with local faith groups to build hope and fight against poverty by providing grants and support in Scotland's most fragile urban and rural communities. However funding is not available for the promotion of a particular faith; building/refurbishment projects; and ongoing running costs of established organisations and projects.

DEADLINE: 31 July 2013

MAX GRANT: £2,000

Link: <http://www.fiscaf.org/index.php?id=1>

THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE FOUNDATION – TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIPS

This scheme is an educational charitable trust which offers nurses the opportunity to broaden their professional development through travel to other countries, to observe trends and work in their own particular area of practice.

DEADLINE: 31 July 2013

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <http://www.florence-nightingale-foundation.org.uk/>

AGNES HUNTER TRUST

This scheme provides financial support for a variety of charities that: Help the blind and visually impaired; Are researching into the cause, cure or alleviation of cancer or arthritis, or supporting people with these conditions; Help disabled people, including those affected by physical disability or illness and those with mental health problems or learning disabilities; and Assist with the education and training of disadvantaged people or with youth development projects.

DEADLINE: 1 August 2013

MAX GRANT: None specified

Link: <http://www.agneshunter.org.uk/what-we-fund/>

THE MARC FITCH FUND

This scheme is intended to support individuals and organisations conducting and publishing research. Publication awards are made towards the cost of book production; research awards are intended to help with an author's own incidental research expenses. From time to time the Fund may consider applications for special projects where a piece of work does not fit easily into one of the above categories.

DEADLINE: 1 August 2013.

MAX GRANT: None specified

Link: <http://www.marcfitchfund.org.uk/>

THE ST NICHOLAS CARE FUND

This scheme exists to provide help in Christ's name to those most at need in society regardless of their race, colour or creed. The Fund is a Church agency, although the help which will be provided is not restricted to activities or interests carried out within the Church.

DEADLINE: 5th August 2013

MAX GRANT: None Specified

Link: <http://www.rcag.org.uk/index.html>

HILTON IN THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (HCF)

This scheme is committed to 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.

DEADLINE: 6 August 2013

MAX GRANT: £30,000

Link: <http://www.hilton-foundation.org.uk/>

THE ROWING FOUNDATION

This scheme aims to aid and support young people and the disabled of all ages through their participation in rowing. Grants are usually given to initiate projects when the applicant can demonstrate their ability to complete the project. Preference is given to encouraging participation in rowing by the young or disabled through the provision of equipment, such as boats, sculls, ergos, oars and essential safety equipment.

DEADLINE: 12 August 2013

MAX GRANT: £2,000

Link: <http://www.therowingfoundation.org.uk/index.php>

THE STANLEY SMITH (UK) HORTICULTURAL TRUST

This scheme was established in 1970 to further the advancement of horticulture. It specifically supports amenity horticulture and education for amenity horticulture.

DEADLINE: 15 August 2013

MAX GRANT: £10,000

Link: <http://grantsforhorticulturists.org.uk/smith.html>

THE LAW SOCIETY CHARITY

This scheme supports charitable work related to the law and the legal profession. It only supports projects that promote: Human rights; Access to justice; and Legal education. Grants are usually awarded on a one-off basis, but can occasionally be spread over two or three years.

DEADLINE: 16 August 2013

MAX GRANT: £15,000

Link: <http://www.lawsociety.org.uk/home.law>

THE LECHE TRUST

This scheme supports charitable bodies or educational organisations based in the UK and undertaking projects involving: International relations; Education; The arts; and Preservation of historical landscapes and the countryside.

DEADLINE: 20 August 2013

MAX GRANT: None specified

Link: <http://www.lechetrust.org/>

PEOPLE'S POSTCODE TRUST – SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

This scheme aims to make the UK a better place for both people and nature. The amount of funding requested from the Trust must be more than 10% of the overall project cost. All projects should provide assistance in one or more of the Trust's fields of operation.

DEADLINE: 23 August 2013

MAX GRANT: £2,000

Link: <http://www.postcodetrust.org.uk/>

WEIR CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme seeks to support individuals, groups and charities in Scotland who are struggling to secure funding for their activities from mainstream sources. The Trust reserves the right to award grants in full or in part depending on its assessment of the merits of the application

DEADLINE: 23 August 2013

MAX GRANT: None specified

Link: <http://www.weircharitabletrust.com/faq-page>

THE HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND (HLF) – GRANTS FOR PLACES OF WORSHIP

This scheme provides grants for urgent repairs that are needed to keep a place of worship structurally stable and watertight. The scheme aims to help congregations prepare appropriate and cost-effective long-term maintenance plans for their places of worship. Modest spending on regular maintenance reduces the need for costly repairs, protects the place of worship and saves money in the longer term. However, whilst the sponsors are prepared to help with the cost of a maintenance plan, actual maintenance costs do not qualify for grant aid under this scheme.

DEADLINE: 31 August 2013

MAX GRANT: None specified

Link: <http://www.hlf.org.uk/>

THE SYLVIA AITKEN CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme offers grants to support registered charities throughout the UK, although preference is given to those based in Scotland especially if they are local projects. Funding is intended for organisations which are involved in initiatives that benefit children, young people, students or researchers. In particular the grant aims to aid the development of medical research and higher or further education. Contact the Trust in writing or by telephone for further information.

DEADLINE: 31 August 2013

MAX GRANT: None specified

Link: *None specified*

WILL CHARITABLE TRUST

The Trust provides support within the following categories: care of and services for blind people; long-term care of people with learning disabilities; and care of and services for people suffering from cancer.

DEADLINE: 31 August 2013

MAX GRANT: £20,000

Link: <http://www.willcharitabletrust.org.uk>

Forthcoming Deadlines – Sept – Oct 2013

BAILY THOMAS CHARITABLE FUND

This scheme provides main grants and small grants programmes to aid the care and relief of those affected by learning disability. The Charity will fund projects concerning children and adults with the conditions generally referred to as severe learning difficulties or autism.

DEADLINE: 1 September 2013

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <http://www.bailythomas.org.uk/default.aspx>

BBC CHILDREN IN NEED – SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

This scheme distributes the funds raised each year as grants to organisations that work with disadvantaged children and young people, under the age of 18, living in the UK who are experiencing disadvantage through: Illness, distress, abuse or neglect, Any kind of disability, Behavioural or psychological difficulties; and/or Living in poverty or situations of deprivation.

DEADLINE: 1 September 2013

MAX GRANT: £10,000

Link: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b008dk4b/features/cin-grants-small-index>

THE KELLY FAMILY CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme seeks to encourage the development of strong and supportive family bonds through activities that help all elements of the family unit to grow together and support each other. The Trust will only consider applications from registered charities. Applicants must be based within the UK, although preference is given to those based in Scotland.

DEADLINE: 1 September 2013

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <http://www.kfct.org.uk/index.html>

THE HENRY MOORE FOUNDATION

The objective of the Foundation is to support all aspects of the arts in which Henry Moore himself was engaged: sculpture, drawing and print-making.

DEADLINE: 4 September 2013

MAX GRANT: Various

Link: <http://www.henry-moore.org/grants/applying-for-a-grant1/make-an-application>

THE NOMINET TRUST

This scheme focuses on supporting projects and organisations that use digital technology to improve the lives of the disadvantaged and vulnerable and to strengthen communities.

DEADLINE: 4 September 2013

MAX GRANT: None

Link: <http://www.nominettrust.org.uk/>

BIG LOTTERY – SUPPORT AND CONNECT

This scheme will support the following types of projects: welfare advice; financial skills training and services; action to address food poverty; provision of clothing and household goods; and action to address fuel poverty. Please note that activities funded under Support and Connect should be completed by 31 March 2015.

DEADLINE: 6 September 2013

MAX GRANT: £350,000

Link: <http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/scotland>

BBC CHILDREN IN NEED – MAIN GRANTS PROGRAMME

This scheme distributes the funds raised each year as grants to organisations that work with disadvantaged children and young people, under the age of 18, living in the UK who are experiencing disadvantage through: Illness, distress, abuse or neglect; Any kind of disability; Behavioural or psychological difficulties; and/or Living in poverty or situations of deprivation.

DEADLINE: 15 September 2013

MAX GRANT: £100,000

Link: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b008dk4b/features/cin-grants-main-index>

ULVERSCROFT FOUNDATION

This scheme aims to benefit the visually impaired (blind and partially sighted). It provides grants to organisations that work to relieve, assist and improve the treatment and education of those suffering from defective eyesight. It also funds medical research and the provision of facilities for the treatment or alleviation of visual impairment.

DEADLINE: 15 September 2013

MAX GRANT: None specified

Link: <http://foundation.ulverscroft.com/index.html>

RBS INSPIRING WOMEN IN ENTERPRISE

This scheme will support the delivery of innovative projects through non-profit organisations which inspire women to understand and explore enterprise as a future career option. Non-profit organisations based and operating in the UK with a track record of providing enterprise support to women may apply

DEADLINE: 16 September 2013

MAX GRANT: Various

Link: <http://www.inspiringenterprise.rbs.com/>

THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE FOUNDATION – LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS

The Foundation raises funds to provide scholarships for nurses and midwives to study at home and abroad, to promote innovation in practice, and to extend knowledge and skills to meet changing needs.

DEADLINE: 18 September 2013

MAX GRANT: £15,000

Link: <http://www.florence-nightingale-foundation.org.uk/>

THE IDLEWILD TRUST

The Trust makes grants for projects concerned with: the encouragement of the performing and fine arts and crafts; the advancement of education within the arts; and the preservation for the benefit of the public of lands, buildings and other objects of beauty or historic interest.

DEADLINE: 20 September 2013

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <http://www.idlewildtrust.org.uk/>

WINSTON CHURCHILL MEMORIAL TRUST – TRAVEL FELLOWSHIP

This scheme enables men and women from all walks of life to acquire knowledge and experience abroad. In the process, they gain a better understanding of the lives and different cultures of people overseas and, on their return, their effectiveness at work and their contribution to the community is enhanced greatly.

DEADLINE: 24 September 2013 (5pm)

MAX GRANT: None specified

Link: <http://www.wcmt.org.uk/>

THE ADAMSON TRUST

The scheme is intended to support organisations and registered charities that provide assistance with the cost of holidays or respite breaks for young people aged 17 and under who have a physical or mental disability. Funding is available for the costs associated with holidays and/or respite breaks

DEADLINE: 30 September 2013

MAX GRANT: None specified

Link: <http://www.mencap.org.uk/organisations/adamson-trust>

FISCAF

This scheme provides small and major grant support in Scotland's most fragile urban and rural communities. FISCAF aims to be a flexible funder, which responds to local need so that people and communities grow and change for the better. Funding is targeted at local faith groups for projects that tackle poverty in Scotland's most fragile urban and rural communities. A wide range of initiatives may be funded.

DEADLINE: 30 September 2013

MAX GRANT: Varies

Link: <http://www.fiscap.org/index.php?id=1>

THE MONEY SAVING EXPERT (MSE) CHARITY

This scheme aims to fight financial and consumer illiteracy and is dedicated to educating and informing adults and children about consumer and debt issues. The MSE Charity will consider full project cost recovery, but costs must only relate to the project itself and not the organisation's core funding. Applicants may be required to provide the remainder of any costs from alternative sources.

DEADLINE: 30 September 2013

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <https://www.msecharity.com/home.aspx>

TESCO CHARITY TRUST – ELDERLY PEOPLE AND ADULTS AND CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

This scheme provides practical benefits, such as equipment and resources for projects that directly benefit children, the elderly, and adults and children with disabilities, living in the local communities around Tesco stores. Further information is available from the Tesco website or by contacting them on 0845 612 3575.

DEADLINE: 30 September 2013

MAX GRANT: £4,000

Link: <http://www.tescopl.com/index.asp?pageid=121>

THOMAS WALL TRUST

This scheme provides grants for the assistance, support and encouragement of individuals and organisations in the fields of education and social service in its broadest sense.

DEADLINE: 30 September 2013

MAX GRANT: £1,000

Link: <http://www.thomaswalltrust.org.uk/default.aspx>

FIDELIO CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme aims to help individuals and groups of exceptional ability who would not be able to carry out an artistic project or activity without financial support, particularly those who are at an early stage in their careers. The Trust's funds are limited, and it may only be able to part-fund a project or activity. The Trust welcomes applications in support of the Arts, in particular the dramatic and operatic arts, music, speech and dance.

DEADLINE: 1 October 2013

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <http://www.fideliocharitabletrust.org.uk/>

GC GIBSON CHARITABLE TRUST

The scheme is intended to support organisations undertaking charitable projects, particularly in the following areas: Art, music and education; Health, hospices and medical research; Community and other social projects; and Religion. Match funding is not a specified requirement but priority is given to appeals where some funding has been achieved subject to matching funding.

DEADLINE: 1 October 2013

MAX GRANT: £10,000

Link: <http://www.gcgct.org/>

THE CANOE FOUNDATION

The principle functions of this Foundation are to raise money; inform and educate; and allocate funds, in line with the Charity's mission statement: 'positively changing lives through canoeing'. Examples of some of the projects which have received funding in the past can be viewed in the Case Studies section of the Canoe Foundation website.

DEADLINE: 1 October 2013

MAX GRANT: £2,000

Link: <http://www.canoe.foundation.org.uk/>

RBS INSPIRING WOMEN IN ENTERPRISE

This scheme aims to encourage more people in more communities to explore enterprise, build

their skills and start up in business. Inspiring Women in Enterprise is part of the RBS Inspiring Enterprise programme. Funding will support the delivery of innovative projects through non-profit organisations which inspire women to understand and explore enterprise as a future career option.

DEADLINE: 14 October 2013

MAX GRANT: Various

Link: <http://www.inspiringenterprise.rbs.com/>

HILTON IN THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (HCF)

This scheme is committed to 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.

DEADLINE: 15 October 2013

MAX GRANT: £30,000

Link: <http://www.hilton-foundation.org.uk/>

THE SCOTTISHPOWER ENERGY PEOPLE TRUST

This scheme's objective is to help combat fuel poverty. Assistance is available for organisations to fund projects or schemes that will help fuel poor or vulnerable groups of people, with priority given to projects that are aimed at helping families with young children and young people.

DEADLINE: 15 October 2013

MAX GRANT: £50,000

Link: <http://www.energypeopletrust.com/content/default.asp?page=home>

SPORTED – SCOTLAND

This scheme provides support to community sports organisations that work with young people in disadvantaged areas. It aims to provide business resources and financial assistance so that sports organisations can concentrate on improving the lives of disadvantaged young people through sport.

DEADLINE: 18 October 2013

MAX GRANT: Various

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

THE DICKON TRUST

This scheme is a local family charity based in the North East of England which supports organisations undertaking charitable projects, particularly those involving young people. Registered charities operating in the North East of England and Scotland are eligible to apply.

DEADLINE: 31 October 2013

MAX GRANT: Various

Link: <http://www.dickontrust.org.uk/>

MACROBERT TRUST

This scheme aims to provide public benefit through the conduct of charitable activity which both reflects the original wishes of Lady MacRobert as defined in The Trust Deed and the needs of modern day society. Support is provided under the following themes: Theme 1: Services and Sea, Theme 2: Education and Training, Theme 3: Children and Youth, Theme 4: Science, Engineering and Technology, Theme 5: Agriculture and Horticulture and Theme 6: Tarland and the Local Area. Current details of the Trust's charitable themes and sub-themes are available from the Trusts website.

DEADLINE: 31 October 2013

MAX GRANT: £25,000

Link: <http://www.themacroberttrust.org.uk>