

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

BIG LOTTERY – CONSULTATION – “YOUR VOICE OUR VISION”

How can Big Lottery Fund best help communities and people in need?

Your views will help them consider their role as a funder and help shape their vision and plans from 2015-2021.

Until July 2014, they are inviting people to add their voice to a UK wide conversation around key areas of Big Lottery Fund's work.

Most importantly it will help them deliver the things they say they passionately believe in:

1. Vibrant communities

How can they grow social capital and help communities to make the most of their strengths and talents?

2. Addressing disadvantage

What can they do to support people living in poverty to achieve a better quality of life? How do they address increasing demand for help in difficult times?

3. Working together

Tell them how they can best work with others to make a difference. How can they share their information, learning and resources for the benefit of others?

4. Stronger sector

How can they best support the development of a stronger voluntary, community and social enterprise sector?

Tell them what you think?

Online: <http://www.yourvoiceourvision.org.uk>

Twitter: @bigllyourvoice #yourvoice

Email: yourvoice@biglotteryfund.org.uk

In writing:

Freepost RRCZ-ZJKL-BYTE

Your Voice Our Vision

Big Lottery Fund

1 Plough Place

London EC4A 1DE

The consultation is open until July 2014.

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

Programme Updates

THE BERNARD SUNLEY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

This scheme is no longer accepting grants from charities in Scotland as trustees have decided to focus their grant giving in England and Wales due to numbers of applications being received.

Link: <http://www.bernardsunley.org/eligibility.html>

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

Link: <https://www.tt-exchange.org/>

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>

RESOURCE EFFICIENT SCOTLAND

This scheme is a Scottish Government funded programme delivered by Zero Waste Scotland. It works to engage Scottish business, the public sector including local authorities and housing associations and third sector organisations on the benefits of using resources more efficiently and to help them implement resource efficiency actions within their organisation.

There are three main elements to the programme:

1. Advice and support service:

(Tel: 0808 808 2268) this service provides free advice, support, training and access to funding to help organisations implement resource efficiency measures.

2. Sector Programmes:

These programmes provide a strategic sector focused approach with activities tailored around specific resource-use 'hotspots'

3. Innovation:

This area of work involves the development of new resource efficient products and technologies, business models, working practices and de-centralised renewable energy infrastructure – providing solutions for the sector support and advice services.

Support for local authorities is provided through one of the sector programmes.

For more information contact Warren McIntyre, Programme Area Manager – Public Sector Resource Efficient Scotland, 01786 433930 or email warren.mcintyre@resourceefficientscotland.com

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

EVENT ORGANISERS' GUIDE

The Can-Do guide is an interactive guide to organising community events. Published by the Cabinet Office the guide aims to dispel a raft of inaccurate myths leading, it is hoped, to a surge in community events over the coming year.

Link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/can-do-guide-for-organisers-of-voluntary-events>

PEER-TO-PEER MENTORING SCHEME/INSPIRING STUDY VISIT SCHEME

The Plunkett Foundation have secured funds from the Prince's Countryside Fund to deliver a Peer-to-Peer mentoring scheme and an Inspiring Study Visit scheme for Scotland.

This programme gives groups the opportunity to learn from another established shop group. A substantial amount of time is spent discussing the details of community enterprise. In addition a Plunkett mentor or adviser assists the visit and a tour of the shop is generally given and travel expenses are paid.

To find out more contact the Frontline Team on 01993 810730 or email Hannah.barrett@plunkett.co.uk

WAYS TO PAY

The Payments Council announced before Christmas that banks have delivered on the promise to extend the ways charities can authorise their payments if they are reliant on more than one signatory. Nominated signatories will be able to authorise payments using either online banking or, in some cases phone banking facilities, with a range of Payments Council members.

Cheques will still be continued to be used and banks have committed to carrying on using and accepting cheques for as long as needed.

Further details can be found from your bank or the Payment Council website.

Link: http://www.paymentscouncil.org.uk/media_centre/press_releases/-/page/2788/

New Funding Opportunities

Arts, Culture & Heritage

CREATIVE SCOTLAND FILM AND TELEVISION FUNDING PROGRAMME – FLEXIBLE MULTI-PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

This scheme aims to provide funding for projects from emerging and established screen talent capable of creating distinctive and engaging work that promotes Scotland's creativity to the world.

The Flexible Multi-Project Development route will provide funding for the development of a number of film and television projects from a company or a consortium.

Flexible Multi-Project Development funding provided is likely to be in the range of £50,000 to £100,000 covering up to 90% of the total budget.

The development funding invested in a project will be recouped from that project's production budget when it is successfully financed/commissioned.

Applicants must have a limited company with a substantive base in Scotland and be able to meet the application criteria

The deadline for receipt of applications is 5pm on Monday 14 July 2014.

Link: <http://www.creativescotland.com/fundingf>

D'OYLY CARTE CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme supports causes in the United Kingdom connected with the arts, medical welfare and the environment. In particular, bursaries for arts education establishments, promotion of access, education and excellence in the arts, hospice care, autism, the deafblind, respite care and care for carers, preservation of the countryside and heritage conservation.

Grants generally range from £500 to £5,000 and further information and advice is available by contacting the trust, either in writing at D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust, 1 Savoy Hill, London, WC2R 0BP or by telephone on 0207 420 2600.

Applications may be submitted at any time and are considered in March, July and November each year.

Link: None given

JERWOOD CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

This scheme seeks to fund the arts across the UK, with a particular focus on supporting emerging talent and excellence.

Large grants of more than £10,000 and small grants of under £10,000 for one-off projects are available.

Where the Foundation is able, and it is appropriate, it may wish to be the sole funder of a project. However partnership funding and co-commissioned projects with other funders are also considered.

Further information and advice is available by contacting the trust, wither in writing at The Jerwood Charitable Foundation, 171 Union Street, Bankside, London, SE1 OLN, telephone on 020 7261 0279 or email infor@jerwood.org.

There are no published deadlines.

Link: <http://www.jerwoodcharitablefoundation.org/page/1/Home>

Business & Enterprise Development

SCOTTISH RECYCLING FUND

This scheme distributes funding to businesses for waste sorting and recycling projects.

The Scottish Recycling Fund is operated by Zero Waste Scotland, in partnership with Scottish Enterprise, to develop key sorting, repair and reprocessing capacity for eligible waste materials, and additional remanufacturing capacity in Scotland.

Financial support is available in the form of loans, on commercial terms, between the value of £50,000 and £1.9 million, over a maximum 5 year term.

Zero Waste Scotland manages the pipeline of potential applicants, and Scottish Enterprise makes decisions on funding and manages the loans.

There are no published deadlines.

Link: <http://www.scottish-enterprise.com/services/attract-investment/scottish-recycling-fund/overview>

Carers

CREATIVE BREAKS

This scheme, administered by Shared Care Scotland on behalf of the Scottish Government, is now open to third sector organisations to apply for either 1 or 2 years of grant of up to £50,000 per year. The aim of the programme is to improve the range, choice and availability of short breaks that benefit carers and those they care for.

In particular they particularly want to fund projects that put carers at the heart of planning, test out new models of provision and reach carers who may not be well connected to services.

They want to learn from the projects that they fund to share their commitment to learning, improving and innovating; and to encourage the exchange of knowledge and expertise between funded organisations.

Organisations can apply for grant either to develop short break services or for funding to establish their own small grant scheme for carers so that carers can then fund the short break that's right for them.

Application forms and all accompanying documents can be found on the Shared Care Scotland Website

The deadline for applications is noon on Friday 16th May 2014.

Link: <http://www.sharedcarescotland.org.uk/short-breaks-fund/Creative+Breaks+Programme.html>

Children/Youths/Young People

CASH FOR KIDS COMMUNITY GRANTS

This scheme specifically seeks to support the most vulnerable children in our communities who are the innocent victims of the growing epidemic of Child Poverty.

It makes grants available for projects that benefit who are 16 years or younger, on the date of grant application, and living in the local authority areas listed in Section 3 of their registration of interest which is available on their website.

A note of interest can be submitted at any time.

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

Community Development

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

This scheme has a pot of £65,000 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 28th April 2014

Monday 28th July 2014

Monday 27th October 2014

Monday 26th January 2015

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

COMIC RELIEF LOCAL COMMUNITIES FUND

This scheme aims to support community projects in Scotland that empower local people and enable them to create lasting change in their communities. Local community groups, resident associations, community centres, social enterprises, community interest companies and credit unions may apply for grants.

Grant recipients can use the money to increase local services, build skills of local people, increase community cohesion, or respond to local economic needs. The types of activities that will be funded include:

- Furniture projects
- Projects providing access to benefits advice
- Projects combating fuel poverty
- Community consultation exercises
- Community employment projects
- Food co-ops
- Running costs; including salaries, core costs and project costs
- Committee and volunteer/staff training

Community sport activities Projects should be run by the people who are directly affected by the issues they are dealing with. Priority will be given to small, locally-based groups or organisations in areas of disadvantage that have a clear understanding of the needs of their community.

Groups do not need to be registered charities to apply for grants ranging between £1,000 and £10,000, but must be established on a

not-for-profit basis with a written signed constitution or governing document, have an annual income of less than £250,000.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 5pm on Tuesday 20 May 2014.

Link: <http://wwwFOUNDATIONSscotland.org.uk/programmes/comic-relief.aspx>

THE HUGH FRASER FOUNDATION

This scheme provides grants to non-profit organisations for charitable work in the UK, with a preference for Scotland. The Trustees favour smaller, more focused causes rather than large highly-publicised appeals.

The Trustees make grants in many different sectors, including medical research, hospitals, education, organisations working with the young and aged, the disabled and the under-privileged, and arts organisations. So long as the object is charitable, the Trustees will consider any application from a registered charity.

Applications should be made in writing and addressed to Heather Thompson, The Hugh Fraser Foundation, Turcan Connell, Princess Exchange, 1 Earl Grey Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9EE.

Further information and advice can be obtained by contacting Heather Thompson on 0131 228 8111 or email her at ht@turcanconnell.com

The deadlines for receipt of applications is generally one month before the trustees meeting dates which are held in January, May and September of each year.

Link: *None given*

Education, Employment & Training

AMBITION AWARDS – ENGINEERING AND IT SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

This scheme provides financial assistance to undergraduates and postgraduates as follows:

1. Undergraduate Scholarships

- a) Starting university- scholarships of up to £3,000 per annum are available.
- b) Commencing the second, third or final year at university in October – scholarship worth £1,000.

For undergraduate scholarships an IET award may be held in addition to a student loan/EP SRC grant, or similar, and company bursaries. Candidates who are receiving industrial sponsorship should indicate this in their application, stating the value of the bursary.

2. Postgraduate Scholarships

- a) Leslie H Paddle scholarship – one award of £10,000, tenable for one year, for postgraduate research which will further the art, science or practice of electronic or radio engineering.
- b) Robinson research scholarship – one award of £1,250, tenable for a period not exceeding two years, to enable exceptional engineering graduates to pursue original work leading to a postgraduate or postdoctoral qualification.
- c) IET postgraduate scholarship – one award of £1,250, tenable for one year, for advanced study or research in electrical, electronic science, manufacturing or power engineering.
- d) Hudswell international research scholarship – one award of £5,000, tenable for one year, to members undertaking advanced research in the field of electrical, electronic, manufacturing or information engineering in any country outside of their home country.

All postgraduate scholarship winners receive a year's free membership of IET as part of their award.

Match funding is not a specified requirement and although there are no specific exclusions cited within the guidelines, those wishing to apply are advised to liaise with the funding provider in the first instance to discuss eligibility.

Further information and guidance is available by contacting them by telephone on 01438 767679 or by emailing them at awards@theiet.org. Application forms are available online at the IET's website and must be submitted by e-mail along with reference(s) and supporting documents. Shortly after the closing date, finalists will be selected to attend an interview.

The annual deadline(s) for receipt of applications are as follows:

- **Postgraduate scholarships – (Closed to new applications in 2014)**
- **Undergraduate scholarships is 26 June 2014.**

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

Energy/Environment

EDF GREEN ENERGY

This scheme makes funding available to help with costs of renewable energy technology to produce green energy from the sun, wind, water, wood and other renewable sources.

Grants of up to 50% of total project costs to a maximum of £30,000 (excluding VAT) are available.

However please note that match funding of at least 50% is required and non-monetary figures, such as volunteer labour or other 'in-kind' support cannot be used as match funding.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- be a non-profit organisation. This includes registered charities, local community buildings, schools, universities, museums, and churches;
- be located in England, Scotland or Wales; and
- have a bank account in the organisation's name with at least two unrelated signatories

Please note that applicants must complete an application form which can be found on the EDF Energy website. The form should be returned by email.

The next deadline for receipt of applications is the end of August 2014.

Link: <http://www.edfenergy.com/products-services/for-your-home/our-services/green-energy-fund.shtml#>

Disabilities

COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUND

This scheme provides financial assistance for not for profit organisations across Great Britain to make a positive difference to the lives of the disabled individuals and families affected by Remploy factory closures.

Disabled people's user-led organisations, voluntary and community sector organisations, charities, social enterprises, Community Interest Companies, non-profit organisations and employee or member owned organisations, from areas affected by the Remploy factory closures across England, Scotland and Wales, can apply for one-off or short-term payments.

Further information and advice can be obtained by contacting the Enquiries Office for Disability Issues, Caxton House, 6-12 Tothill Street, London, SW1H 9NA or e-mail odi.communications@dwp.gsi.gov.uk

Applications are accepted at any time

Link: <http://odi.dwp.gov.uk/index.php>

Environment/Energy

VIRIDOR CREDITS SCOTLAND

This scheme distributes grants on behalf of the landfill operator Viridor Waste Management.

The partnership approach taken by Viridor Credits spans the public, private and community sectors. This enables funds to be disbursed to meet existing local priorities, as well as national initiatives to reduce long-term unemployment and promote social inclusion, within the scope of the prescribed purposes of the Landfill Tax legislation.

Capital funding is available for projects which address one or more of the following areas:

- Community – Provision or maintenance of public amenities.
- Conservation – Promotion of biological diversity through the provision, conservation, restoration or enhancement of a natural habitat; or the maintenance or recovery of a species or its habitat on land or water.
- Heritage – Maintenance, restoration or renovation of structures of historical or architectural importance or those used for religious worship, provided they offer public access.
- There is no upper or lower limit to funding. Projects are judged on their merits by local steering groups and funds are awarded accordingly.
- Historically, Viridor Credits has awarded funds of between £100 and £1 million.
- Applicants will have to secure 10% funding from a contributing independent third party

Applicants should contact the funding provider directly to discuss any additional criteria that may apply to the scheme.

Further information, application forms and guidelines can be found on the Viridor Credits website.

The next deadline for receipt of applications to this programme is 30 July 2014.

Link: <http://www.viridor-credits.co.uk/apply-for-funding/>

Faith Organisations

JOSEPH RANK TRUST

This scheme makes funding available to support organisations which work to either advance the Christian faith or carry out other charitable purposes.

Unsolicited applications must demonstrate a Christian approach to the practical, educational and spiritual needs of people. There are no minimum or maximum levels of grant available; however the resources available for unsolicited appeals are very limited

Full details of grant applications made to other external funders and details of the amount committed from the applicant's own resources must be provided

Further information and guidance is available by contacting the trust directly on the telephone number and email address provided or by visiting their website via the link below.

However applicants are advised to read the guidance notes before applying and should submit applications, in writing and in hard copy format, to:

Dr John Higgs, Secretary
The Joseph Rank Trust
Worth Corner, Turners Hill Road
Pound Hill, Crawley
RH10 7SL

Tel: (01293) 873947

Fax: (01293) 873947

E-mail: secretary@ranktrust.org

The trustees are due to meet again in July and October 2014.

Link: <http://www.ranktrust.org/index.htm>

LAING FAMILY TRUSTS

This schemes trust's support a diverse range of charitable purposes in the UK. They provide financial support for work that advances the Christian faith and its values, and the relief of poverty in the broadest sense.

However the Trusts will rarely fund a project in full. Grants awarded may be for specific items within the budget or a general contribution towards the overall eligible capital and/or project costs.

Further information and guidance, including how to apply to each individual trust, is available online from the trusts website via the link below.

The deadlines for receipt of applications are dependent on the trust and programme being applied to.

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

Miscellaneous

JOHN LAING CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme supports charitable organisations in the UK working within the fields of homelessness, disadvantaged and exploited young people, education and community regeneration.

The Trust does not accept uninvited applications; however organisations can register their interest for future consideration for a grant by the Trust.

Further information and guidance is available from the Laing website.

There are no published deadlines.

Link: http://www.laing.com/top/corporate_responsibility/john_laing_charitable_trust.html

LANKELLYCHASE FOUNDATION

This scheme is focused exclusively on bringing about change that will transform the quality of life of people who face severe and multiple disadvantage in the UK.

By severe and multiple disadvantage the Foundation particularly means people who are experiencing a combination of severe social harms such as homelessness, substance misuse, mental illness, extreme poverty, and violence and abuse.

Funding can be provided for any sort of work, it does not have to be service delivery and can include things like campaigning, journalism, film making or research

Further information and guidance is available online from the foundations website.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

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

MACROBERT TRUST

This scheme, open to UK registered charities, has a preference for organisations based in Scotland.

Applications can be made for grants, which generally range between £5,000 and £25,000, for specific project costs and, where appropriate, core/revenue costs. However projects should address the themes and sub-themes as set out by The MacRobert Trust.

Grants are only given in response to applications made through the correct channels, so please read this section of the website in detail if you are considering making an application for a monetary award.

- Themes and Sub-themes – these are the categories that they consider for monetary awards.
- Guidelines – please read these guidelines carefully to ensure your application has the best chance of success.

- Exclusions – check that your application does not fall into a category that they would not consider for monetary awards.

The next deadline for receipt of applications, to be considered at the trustees meeting in November, is 31st May 2014.

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

RUSSELL TRUST

This scheme make grants available for a wide range of charitable purposes in the UK, including those serving children and education, and local charities, but the trust has a preference for Scotland.

Grants of up to £10,000 are available but typically range between £250 and £2,000. However one to three larger grants of up to £20,000 may be awarded annually.

Further information, advice and application forms can be obtained by emailing David Erdall at russell.trust@thomasrussell.com. Alternatively you can write to the trust c/o Tullis Russell, Markinch, Fife, KY7 6PB or telephone on 01592 753311.

There are no published deadlines.

Link: *None given*

Sport, Tourism & Leisure

2014 COMMUNITIES

This scheme offers grants of between £300 and £2,000 to encourage more people to take part in physical activity.

Local sports clubs, voluntary and community organisations, community councils and schools are eligible to apply for support to fund projects that will achieve on or more of the following outcomes:

- More people take part in physical activity
- More people volunteer in physical activity
- More people and communities are brought together through taking part or volunteering in physical activity.

Examples of projects include coaching costs, taster sessions and open days, equipment purchase, school-club links and outreach work, sports kit and venue hire.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: <http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/global-content/programmes/scotland/2014-communities>

Awards

EUROPEAN BUSINESS AWARDS

This scheme aims to recognise the achievement of companies that have successfully developed and implemented winning growth strategies, exceptional ethical credentials, outstanding customer focus and forward-thinking innovations.

Winners can benefit from the recognition and success that the competition brings, generating high levels of exposure and acclaim and extensive networking, interaction and learning opportunities with some of Europe's most successful businesses, political leaders, academics and media.

Awards are made in the following categories:

- The Employer of the Year Award
- The Award for Customer Focus
- The Award for Environment and Corporate Sustainability
- The Import/Export Award

The Chairman's Selection

- The Infosys Business of the Year Award with Turnover of €0-25m
- The Infosys Business of the Year Award with Turnover of €26-150m
- The Infosys Business of the Year Award with Turnover of €150m or higher
- The UKTI Award for Innovation

The awards are targeted at:

- Multi-national, medium-sized or fast-growing small businesses.
- High-achieving businesses that have gained outstanding results in the past year.
- Businesses with core values that align with the Award categories.
- Forward thinking companies that are seeking to benchmark themselves against the best businesses in Europe.

Further information and guidance is available to download from their website via the link below. However please note that whilst there are no specific exclusions cited within the guidelines for this scheme, those wishing to apply are advised to liaise with the sponsor in the first instance to discuss eligibility.

The closing date for the 2014/15 round is 29 July 2014

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

NATIONAL BUSINESS AWARDS UK

This scheme is supported by and partners including Sky News and the Daily Telegraph. The aim of the awards is to recognise businesses that are setting new standards in business performance, best practice, corporate ethics and innovation.

The 2014 award categories are as follows:

1. The Daily Telegraph Award for a Decade of Excellence in Business
2. The Duke of York New Entrepreneur of the Year
3. The BlackBerry Business Enabler of the Year
4. The Smith & Williamson Entrepreneur of the Year
5. The International Growth Business of the Year
6. The QBE FTSE 100 Business of the Year
7. The Digital Business of the Year
8. The New Business of the Year
9. The Customer Focus Award
10. The ICAEW Sustainable Business Award
11. The Social Enterprise of the Year
12. The Corporate Citizenship Award
13. The Innovation Award
14. The Inflexion Growth Business of the Year
15. The Croner Employer of the Year
16. The Santander Small to Medium-Sized Business of the Year
17. The Leader of the Year

Full criteria for each category can be accessed from the National Business Awards website.

However entrants receive a benchmarking report which will assess the strength of the entry against others in the same category.

In addition finalists and winners of the National Business Awards receive extensive national and trade media coverage.

The deadline for receipt of submissions is 23 May 2014.

Link: <http://www.nationalbusinessawards.co.uk/Content/National-Business-Awards-2014-Categories/4/>

Trusts

THE ARCHER TRUST

This scheme is a Christian charitable grant-making trust which supports small UK charities. To meet their criteria, you should provide aid or support to a defined group of 'needy and deserving people, for example those with physical or mental disabilities or the disadvantaged.

The Trust prefers to make grants, ranging between £250 and £3,000, to support organisations working in areas of high unemployment and deprivation and favour charities which make good use of volunteers.

They will support projects both in the UK and overseas (overseas projects via UK charities only).

Applications should be posted to The Secretary, The Archer Trust, Bourne House, Wadesmill, Ware, Herts SG12 0TT.

There are no published deadlines however trustees meet twice a year, normally in March and September.

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

GARFIELD WESTON FOUNDATION

This scheme makes one-off grants available to charitable organisations in the UK for a wide range of projects in the Arts, Community, Education, Welfare, Medical, Youth, Religion, and Environment.

The foundation is inclined to resist funding an individual salary but most other costs, including contributions to running costs, are eligible.

There is no strict limit on the size of the grant given as every application is considered on its own merits

In general, the trust looks for organisations to have raised the majority of funding through local or statutory sources before an application is made.

Further information, guidance and how to apply is available from the foundations website.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

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

Imminent Deadlines – April-May 2014

BANK OF SCOTLAND FOUNDATION – MEDIUM GRANTS PROGRAMME

This scheme intends to provide support to charities registered in Scotland for developing and improving local communities and financial literacy and financial inclusion. Funding is available for projects that address the following areas: Developing and improving local communities and financial literacy and financial inclusion.

DEADLINE: 14 April 2014

MAX GRANT: £25,000

Link: <http://bankofscotlandfoundation.org/medium-grants-programme>

BANK OF SCOTLAND FOUNDATION – SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

This scheme intends to provide support to charities registered in Scotland for developing and improving local communities and financial literacy and financial inclusion. To be eligible, projects must take place in Scotland and address the theme of developing and improving local communities.

DEADLINE: 14 April 2014

MAX GRANT: £10,000

Link: <http://bankofscotlandfoundation.org/small-grants-programme-0>

PRS FOR MUSIC FOUNDATION – FUNDING FOR ORGANISATIONS AND GROUPS

This scheme aims to help support, sustain and promote the growth of the new music infrastructure in the UK. The scheme allows new music organisations to present a programme of activity.

DEADLINE: 28 April 2014

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <http://www.prsformusicfoundation.com/Funding/Open-Funding/>

FAITHS IN SCOTLAND COMMUNITY ACTION FUND (FISCAF)

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.

DEADLINE: 30 April 2014

MAX GRANT: Various

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

GOLSONCOTT FOUNDATION

This scheme seeks to promote, maintain, improve and advance the education of the public in the arts generally and, in particular, the fine arts and music

DEADLINE: 30 April 2014

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <http://www.golsoncott.org.uk/guidelines.html>

INNOVATION VOUCHER SCHEME (SCOTLAND)

This scheme, administered by Interface, aims to build relationships between SMEs (small to medium-sized enterprises) and HEIs (Higher Education Institutes) in Scotland.

DEADLINE: 30 April 2014

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <http://www.interface-online.org.uk/how-we-can-help/funding/innovation-vouchers>

THE CAUSEWAY YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

This scheme has been developed as a means of helping to strengthen and improve relationships between young people on the islands of Britain and Ireland. It has been designed to contribute to the development of strategies aimed at diminishing misunderstandings.

DEADLINE: 1 May 2014

MAX GRANT: Various

Link: <http://www.causewayyouth.org/index.html>

THE WESSEX TRUST

This scheme supports projects and initiatives which provide opportunities to help, support and advance young people. Grants are generally paid in one instalment. All grant applicants are encouraged to seek funding from a wide range of sources and will be required to provide details of funds already raised in support of the applicant's appeal.

DEADLINE: 1 May 2014

MAX GRANT: Various

Link: <http://www.wessexyouthtrust.org.uk/grant-applications.php>

THE ST NICHOLAS CARE FUND

This scheme is managed by a Church agency, although the help which will be provided is not restricted to activities or interests carried out within the Church. Groups are asked to cost their projects effectively as grants are given on a one-off basis. The Trust will not normally consider more than one application from a group for the lifetime of that group. Preference is given to projects where match funding is available.

DEADLINE: 6 May 2014

MAX GRANT: None given

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

HILTON IN THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (HCF)

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DEADLINE: 7 May 2014

MAX GRANT: £30,000

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

LLOYDS TSB FOUNDATION FOR SCOTLAND – HENRY DUNCAN AWARDS 2014

This scheme supports grassroots charities with an income of less than £500,000 that deliver programmes or services focused on improving the quality of life for people who are disadvantaged – those who have fewer opportunities than average, which in turn significantly affects their life chances.

DEADLINE: 14 May 2014

MAX GRANT: £20,000

Link: <http://www.ltsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk/index.asp?tm=11>

PEOPLE'S POSTCODE TRUST – SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

This scheme aims to make the UK a better place for both people and nature. Eligible applicants are small organisations, registered charities and community groups based in Scotland, England or Wales. It acts within the following six fields of operation: Poverty Prevention; Advancement of Health; Community Development; Public Sports; Human Rights; and Environmental Protection.

DEADLINE: 20 May 2013

MAX GRANT: £10,000

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

A B CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme aims to support charities that defend human rights, such as freedom from torture and arbitrary imprisonment, and promote respect for individuals whatever their circumstances. Applications are particularly welcomed from charities working to support: Refugees and asylum seekers; Prisoners; Older people; and People with mental health problems.

DEADLINE: 23 May 2014

MAX GRANT: £7,500

Link: <http://abcharitabletrust.org.uk/index.htm>

THE PINK RIBBON FOUNDATION

This scheme's mission is to fund projects and provide financial support to UK charities which relieve the needs of people who are suffering from, or who have been affected by breast cancer or who work to advance the understanding of breast cancer, its early detection and treatment.

DEADLINE: 30 May 2014

MAX GRANT: £5,000

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

HISTORIC BUILDING REPAIR GRANTS SCHEME

This scheme covers grants for the repair and conservation of historic buildings assessed as being of outstanding architectural or historic interest. Rates of grant are assessed on an individual basis, but are not normally less than 25% of eligible costs.

DEADLINE: 31 May 2014

MAX GRANT: £500,000

Link: <http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/>

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 charity will consider full project cost recovery, but costs must only relate to the project itself and not the organisation's core funding.

DEADLINE: 31 May 2014

MAX GRANT: £5,000

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

Forthcoming Deadlines – June-July 2014

AUSTIN & HOPE PILKINGTON TRUST

This scheme aims to support organisations undertaking projects in a variety of fields and works on a three-year rotation system, with different fields of interests being funded each year. In 2014 the trusts priorities are Music and the Arts, Elderly.

DEADLINE: 1 June 2014

MAX GRANT: £3,000

Link: <http://www.austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk/>

THE WOODWARD CHARITABLE TRUST – SMALL & MAIN GRANTS

This scheme, one of the Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts, aims to support small-scale, locally-based charitable initiatives in the UK an annual turnover of less than £300,000. Funding is primarily for one-off projects, but the Trustees are willing to consider funding running costs, including core cost and salaries.

DEADLINE: 1 June 2014

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <http://www.woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk/guidelines.html>

ULVERSCROFT FOUNDATION

The Foundation 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 June 2014

MAX GRANT: None specified

Link: <http://foundation.ulverscroft.com/guidelinescolour.htm>

SCOTLAND – ENTERPRISE READY FUND – CATEGORY 1 & 2 APPLICANTS

The Fund aims to help maintain, develop and grow Scotland's enterprising third sector.

DEADLINE: 16 June 2014

MAX GRANT: £250,000

Link: <http://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/the-enterprise-ready-fund.aspx>

VOLANT CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme provides benefit for such purposes, objects or institutions regarded as charitable in law without any geographic restriction. The Trustees are prepared to support a charity by way of regular annual payments, but only in exceptional circumstances would grants exceed three years

DEADLINE: 27 June 2014

MAX GRANT: None specified

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

ADAMSON TRUST

This scheme supports 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.

DEADLINE: 30 June 2014

MAX GRANT: None specified

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

CELTIC CHARITY

This scheme seeks to support activities that tackle the following: Poverty, Vulnerability and Inequality. Within these key areas, there are many associated issues including, but not limited to: Health and wellbeing; Education; Homelessness; Social inclusion and Employability.

DEADLINE: 30 June 2014

MAX GRANT: £3,000

Link: <http://www.celticfc.net/charity/about>

THE BAILY THOMAS CHARITABLE FUND

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

DEADLINE: 1 July 2014

MAX GRANT: Various

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

LEGACY 2014 ACTIVE PLACES FUND – ROUND FOUR

This scheme seeks to support the Scottish Government's legacy ambitions for the 2014 Glasgow Commonwealth Games to encourage more people to be active and take part in sport by providing funding for community projects which create or improve places where people can go to get active.

DEADLINE: 1 July 2014

MAX GRANT: £100,000

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

THE WOLFSON FOUNDATION

This scheme supports establishments in the UK that are registered charities or have charitable status, these include: Schools, Universities, Hospices and disability charities, Museums, and Historic and religious buildings.

DEADLINE: 1 July 2014

MAX GRANT: Various

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

BANK OF SCOTLAND FOUNDATION – MEDIUM GRANTS PROGRAMME

This scheme intends to provide support to charities registered in Scotland for developing and improving local communities and financial literacy and financial inclusion. Funding is available for projects that address the following areas: Developing and improving local communities and financial literacy and financial inclusion.

DEADLINE: 14 July 2014

MAX GRANT: £25,000

Link: <http://bankofscotlandfoundation.org/medium-grants-programme>

BANK OF SCOTLAND FOUNDATION – SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

This scheme intends to provide support to charities registered in Scotland for developing and improving local communities and financial literacy and financial inclusion. To be eligible, projects must take place in Scotland and address the theme of developing and improving local communities.

DEADLINE: 14 July 2014

MAX GRANT: £10,000

Link: <http://bankofscotlandfoundation.org/small-grants-programme-0>

CREATIVE SCOTLAND FILM AND TELEVISION FUNDING PROGRAMME – FLEXIBLE MULTI-PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

This scheme aims to provide funding for projects from emerging and established screen talent capable of creating distinctive and engaging work that promotes Scotland's creativity to the world.

DEADLINE: 14 July 2014

MAX GRANT: £100,000

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

LLOYDS TSB FOUNDATION FOR SCOTLAND – HENRY DUNCAN AWARDS 2014

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DEADLINE: 21 July 2014

MAX GRANT: £20,000

Link: <http://www.ltsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk/index.asp?tm=11>

CLIMATE CHALLENGE FUND – PANEL 19 FULL APPLICATIONS

This scheme is designed to enable communities to come forward with their own solutions to make a significant reduction in carbon emissions. Community groups across Scotland are eligible to apply for projects that offer significant carbon emission reduction, be community led and aim to improve the lives of future generations.

DEADLINE: 25 July 2014

MAX GRANT: Various

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

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DEADLINE: 29 July 2014

MAX GRANT: £30,000

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

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE FOUNDATION

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: 30 July 2014

MAX GRANT: Various

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

VIRIDOR CREDITS SCOTLAND

This scheme distributes grants on behalf of the landfill operator Viridor Waste Management. Capital funding is available for projects which address one or more of the following areas: Provision or maintenance of public amenities, Conservation and Heritage. Please note applicants will have to secure 10% funding from a contributing independent third party

DEADLINE: 30 July 2014

MAX GRANT: £1,000,000

Link: <http://www.viridor-credits.co.uk/>

THE ANCHOR FOUNDATION

This scheme aims to support Christian charities concerned with social inclusion particularly through ministries of healing and the arts. Applications for capital or revenue funding will be considered. However grants for building work will only be considered in exceptional circumstances.

DEADLINE: 31 July 2014

MAX GRANT: £10,000

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

GOLSONCOTT FOUNDATION

This scheme seeks to promote, maintain, improve and advance the education of the public in the arts generally and, in particular, the fine arts and music

DEADLINE: 31 July 2014

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: <http://www.golsoncott.org.uk/guidelines.html>

FAITHS IN SCOTLAND COMMUNITY ACTION FUND (FISCAF)

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.

DEADLINE: 31 July 2014

MAX GRANT: Various

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

HISTORIC SCOTLAND ANCIENT MONUMENT GRANTS

This scheme provides financial assistance to help preserve and maintain monuments, and in some cases to present them to the public. Grants can be offered to owners of monuments, land managers or to other bodies acting with the owner's written approval.

DEADLINE: 31 July 2014

MAX GRANT: £50,000

Link: <http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/heritage/grants/grants-ancient-monument.htm>