

# 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](mailto:externalfunding2@south-ayrshire.gov.uk). You can also conduct your own external funding search at: [www.open4community.info/southayrshire/Default.aspx](http://www.open4community.info/southayrshire/Default.aspx)

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## News

### ROBERT BURNS HUMANITARIAN AWARD

The award recognises the efforts of groups or individuals who have put humanitarian concerns above all others and who often go unrecognised. Winners of the award have saved, improved or enriched the lives of others or society as a whole, through personal self sacrifice, selfless service or 'hands on' charitable work.

Nominees (either an individual or a group) can be from anywhere in the world, of any gender, age or creed, and must have shown an outstanding commitment to improving the lives of others.

However they must have demonstrated one or more of the following, either through a particular achievement, or through a series of efforts during the lifetime of the nominated individual or group:

- A courageous deed involving personal self-sacrifice/going beyond the call of duty in the name of humanity and/or charity.
- A commitment to serving others demonstrated by an act or acts of selfless service.
- A generosity of spirit and a dedication resulting in the betterment of people in need (defined as needing shelter, food, clothing, education and meaningful employment).

- A commendable direct 'hands-on' participation in a charitable act directly benefiting an individual, or groups of individuals, or community.
- Through outstanding involvement and dedication, have made a significant contribution of volunteer leadership or service that has improved or enriched the lives of others and the welfare of humanity and society as a whole.
- An act of kindness done without expectation of reward that has resulted in recognition by members of a community/family/institution.

**The deadline for receipt of nominations to the 2015 awards is 4pm on 7 November 2014.**

**Link:** <http://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/burnsaward/>

# Programme Updates

## **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](mailto:marion.young@south-ayrshire.gov.uk)

**Deadline for applications: Monday 27th October 2014  
Monday 26th January 2015**

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

## **BIG LOTTERY**

Please note the following updates from BIG in relation to their programmes and/or application forms:

### **1. 2014 Communities**

This scheme is now closed and no longer accepts applications.

### **2. Awards for All**

#### **Outcomes**

Please note that Q18 on the application form only require one box to be selected.

#### **'Three year rule' and priorities**

Some applicants are under the impression they cannot apply if they've received Awards for All funding in the last three years. While these groups will be a lower priority, they are still eligible to reapply.

Other applicants have thought they cannot apply unless they come under one or all of the priorities. Again, they can definitely still apply but of course not coming under one means they will be a lower priority.

#### **Investing in Ideas**

There has been quite a notable increase in applications to Investing in Ideas. It means groups can still apply but they should be made aware the fund has become much more competitive.

#### **Life Transitions**

There's currently double the amount of applications to Life Transitions than the budget can support, which means that BIG will probably be even stringent at stage one.

*BIG has also clarified that the Scottish Land Fund is available Scotland-wide with the criteria focussed on rural communities with a population of less than 10,000.*

## **SCOTTISH SPORT RELIEF HOME AND AWAY PROGRAMME**

This scheme, a joint initiative between the Scottish Government and Sport Relief, will make grants up to the value of £50,000 available under Phase II of the Scottish Sport Relief Home and Away Programme.

Using the inspiration of the 2014 Commonwealth Games, this programme seeks to create a lasting and positive legacy in Scotland by funding projects which use the power and inspiration of sport to reach, engage and support young people (11-24) who have limited opportunities and face significant challenges.

**The deadline for receipt of applications is 31 October 2014.**

**Link:** <http://www.comicrelief.com/scottish-sport-relief-home-away-programme>

## **TRIANGLE TRUST 1949 FUND**

This scheme offers funding for specialist community and voluntary organisations working with carers or the rehabilitation of offenders or ex-offenders within the UK.

The Triangle Trust recognises in the current economic climate, building a solid foundation for long-term sustainability for your organisation can be of higher importance than starting a new project. They therefore offer Development Grants to provide funds towards your organisation's core costs.

The trust would like to see applicants use these grants to develop sustainable income sources, so that when your grant comes to an end your organisation's income will not be reduced.

Grants are available for up to £40,000 or 50% of the organisation's current income, whichever is lowest, per year for three years.

**The deadline for receipt of application is 6 November 2014.**

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

# Resources/Information/Publications

## BIG DIRECTORY OF SOCIAL INVESTMENT

Social investment is a term used to describe many different forms of finance – like loans, bonds and equity – all of which involve some kind of financial return to the investor, as well as helping to achieve social impact.

The Big Lottery Fund achieves its mission of bringing improvements to communities and people most in need primarily through making grants. But they recognise that there are circumstances when social investment can be the right path to growth and sustainability for third sector organisations.

This directory aims to provide a single source of information that third sectors organisations in Scotland can use to find out what sorts of social investment finance are available to support their social enterprise activities and aspirations.

**Link:** [http://www.youthlinkscotland.org/webs/245/documents/Big\\_Directory\\_FinalJul14.pdf](http://www.youthlinkscotland.org/webs/245/documents/Big_Directory_FinalJul14.pdf)

## COMMUNITY SHARES SCOTLAND

Crowdfunding offers both commercial and non-commercial ventures the opportunity to raise a sum of money by offering shares to people who put forward small amounts of money. Community Shares Scotland connects not-for-profit groups and investors looking to provide money for social good. People buying shares in the projects promoted through the site will recoup their investment through improvements to their community rather than profit. Social businesses can offer interest to be paid on the shares if the profit from trading is sufficient.

Community Shares Scotland hopes it can provide organisations such as community groups looking to save a local shop or start a local food scheme with access to funds. The programme is scheduled to run for three years and its partners include the Plunkett Foundation, Co-ops UK and Rocket Science. It is funded by the Big Lottery Fund and Carnegie UK Trust through an award of £800,000.

A series of Community Shares Scotland road shows will take place across Scotland providing local groups with more information about how to get involved. Although dates have not been released yet, information will be available from their website when they are.

**Link:** <http://www.communitysharesscotland.org.uk>

## 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>

## IDENTIFYING OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING

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

1. [www.guidestar.org.uk](http://www.guidestar.org.uk)
2. [www.fundingcentral.org.uk](http://www.fundingcentral.org.uk)
3. [www.acf.org.uk/seekingfunding/index.aspx?id=70](http://www.acf.org.uk/seekingfunding/index.aspx?id=70)
4. [www.charitycommission.gov.uk/SHOWCHARITY/RegisterOfCharities/RegisterHomePage.aspx](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/SHOWCHARITY/RegisterOfCharities/RegisterHomePage.aspx)
5. [www.family-action.org.uk/section.aspx?id=1037](http://www.family-action.org.uk/section.aspx?id=1037)  
(Educational Grants Advisory Service: for post-16 students studying at specific colleges or universities)

## 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>

### **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](mailto:Hannah.barrett@plunkett.co.uk)

### **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/>

### **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](mailto:warren.mcintyre@resourceefficientscotland.com)**

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

### **SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES – NATIONAL SUPPORT PACKAGE**

The Scottish Community Development Centre (SCDC) is now into the second stage of their Supporting Communities programme which is an expanded package of support for community organisations across Scotland. The support package will run until March 2015 and aims to increase the capacity of community groups and organisations to effect change and contribute to the regeneration of their communities.

If you would like to find out more about the support package being offered by SCDC, or if you are aware of groups that may benefit, please contact Alex MacDonald on 0141 248 1924 or email [alex@scdc.org.uk](mailto:alex@scdc.org.uk).

**Link:** [http://www.scdc.org.uk/what/supporting-communities/for more details](http://www.scdc.org.uk/what/supporting-communities/for-more-details)

### **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 obtained from your bank or the Payment Council website.**

**Link:** <http://www.paymentscouncil.org.uk>

## WEB RESOURCES

### 1. Sources of Guidance and Advice

#### **Cranfield Trust**

**Link:** <http://www.cranfieldtrust.org>

#### **Pilotlight**

**Link:** <http://pilotlight.org.uk>

### 2. Networking/Advocacy Support

#### **Social Enterprise Scotland**

**Link:** <http://www.socialenterprisescotland.org.uk/>

**Link:** <https://www.facebook.com/socialenterprisescotland>

**Link:** <https://mobile.twitter.com/signup>

#### **SENSCOT**

**Link:** <http://www.senscot.net>

**Link:** <http://www.facebook.com/ThematicSEns>

**Link:** <https://twitter.com/senscot>

**Link:** <http://www.senscot.net/networks1st/notices.php>

#### **Social Firms Scotland**

**Link:** <http://www.socialfirms.org.uk/home/home.asp>

#### **SENSL**

**Link:** <http://www.sensl.org.uk/>

#### **Community Recycling Network**

**Link:** <http://www.crns.org.uk/>

#### **Linkedin**

**Link:** <https://uk.linkedin.com>

### 3. Capacity Building

#### **FirstPort**

**Link:** <http://www.firstport.org.uk/>

**Link:** <https://www.facebook.com/FirstportScotland>

**Link:** <https://mobile.twitter.com/Firstport>

**Link:** <http://www.youtube.com/user/Firstport1>

#### **CEIS**

**Link:** <http://ceis.org.uk/>

#### **Development Trust Association**

**Link:** <http://www.dtascot.org.uk/>

**Link:** <http://www.dtascot.org.uk/content/learning/events/e-bulletin>

#### **Just Enterprise**

**Link:** <http://justenterprise.org/>

#### **UNLtd**

**Link:** <http://unltd.org.uk/path/>

### 4. Training

#### **Social Enterprise Academy**

**Link:** <http://www.theacademy-ssea.org/>

**Link:** <https://mobile.twitter.com/signup>

**Link:** <https://www.facebook.com/SocEntAcademy?sk=wall>

### 5. Tendering Opportunities

#### **Supplier Development Programme**

**Link:** <http://www.sdpscotland.co.uk>

#### **Public Contracts Scotland**

**Link:** <http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/>

### 6. Industry Trends

#### **The Guardian**

**Link:** <http://www.theguardian.com/social-enterprise-network>

**Link:** <https://twitter.com/GuardianSocEnt>

#### **Glasgow Social Enterprise Network**

**Link:** <http://www.gsen.org.uk/>

#### **Third Force News**

**Link:** <http://thirdforcenews.org.uk/>

# New Funding Opportunities

## Arts, Culture & Heritage

### **NURTURING TALENT – TIME TO SHINE FUND FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN SCOTLAND**

This scheme makes funding available to support Scottish young people aged 14-20 to develop their talent in a range of creative areas, including Drama, Dance, Music, Film, Visual Arts, Literature and Digital Arts.

The Creative Scotland Nurturing Talent – Time to Shine Fund, administered by young Scot on behalf of Creative Scotland, has been launched in order to support young people aged 14-20 who require financial assistance in developing their talent within the creative industry.

Funding will be awarded to those young people who demonstrate enthusiasm, ambition and talent in their chosen field and who would benefit from financial assistance in order to develop this further.

A total funding pot of £40,000 is available, to be split equally between 2014-15 and 2015-16. Individual applicants can apply for grants up to £200 while groups of two more people can apply for up to £750.

Applications are welcomed from individuals or groups with funding specifically targeted at those who may not be able to develop their talent further due to the barriers of:

- Affordability – inability to afford costs related to arts activity.
- Geography – issues with accessing opportunity due to their location.
- Disability – issues with taking part due to cost or unsuitable infrastructure or support.

Grants can be awarded to help support talent development through:

- Artistic development – eg auditioning, training, participating in workshops, work shadowing or mentoring.
- Promotion and showcasing – eg staging an exhibition, recording a demo, marketing a performance or publishing written work.
- Peer-to-peer delivery – eg hosting a workshop or setting up a local group.

**The first deadline for applications is 7 December 2014.**

**Link:** <http://www.youngscot.org/Campaigns/3224-nurturing-talent-time-to-shine-fund>

## Children/Youth/Young People

### **SHELL LIVEWIRE SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS**

This scheme is designed to help young people who have a business idea that will help make society a smarter, cleaner, better place to live, work, and play. Shell LiveWIRE wants to support young entrepreneurs with innovative business ideas that are helping to solve the future challenges society will face.

Each month Shell will be awarding £3,000 to innovative business ideas helping to address some of these challenges. There will be a monthly prize of £3,000 awarded to young entrepreneurs with innovative business ideas to help address some of the world's biggest challenges.

Match funding is not a stipulated requirement of this programme.

The competition is open to new UK business owners aged 16-30 who have an idea that addresses the world's future transport, food, energy, or natural resource challenges, or make our urban environments cleaner, healthier and more sustainable places to work and live in. Applicants must have been trading for less than 12 months, or be three months (maximum) away from starting to trade.

**The deadline for entries is midnight on the last day of each month with the next one being 31 October 2014.**

**Link:** <http://www.shell-livewire.org/awards/awards-start/?competitionID=1411985740.255>

### **VENTURE TRUST**

This scheme provides practical help and support for young people in Britain aged 16-30 years in the form of residential courses that give them a chance to make changes in their lives, try new experiences, learn new skills and meet new people.

The Venture Trust (VT) is a registered charity founded in 1982 and provides personal development programmes, delivered via outreach work, residential courses and community mobile vehicles, for young adults and adults at risk, young offenders referred by statutory agencies and disadvantaged young people referred by other support agencies. The courses consist of development through wilderness activities and journeys.

Details of the Trust's current programmes are as follows:

### 1. Inspiring Young Futures

This programme encourages participants to think about what they would like to achieve, and helps them work towards their goals.

### 2. Living Wild – Chance for Change

This programme supports young people on probation and Community Payback Orders throughout Scotland who want to make positive changes in their lives.

### 3. Next Steps

This programme is for women whose chaotic and disadvantaged backgrounds have led to their involvement in offending.

### 4. Transitions to Independent Living

This is a personal development programme designed to help people experiencing homelessness to unlock and make the most of their talents – developing confidence and employability, increasing their ability to access local services and establishing sustainable lifestyles. It is regularly proven to better equip participants with the skills and attributes needed to access employment, education or training, as well as offering a catalytic shift in attitude and perspective that helps participants plan their move into independent accommodation.

Applications are accepted on behalf of individuals aged 16-30 years who have a social worker or key worker who can refer them to the Trust.

**Application for a course place may be submitted at any time.**

**Link:** <http://www.venturetrust.org.uk/programmes/>

### YOUNG SCOT ACTION FUND

This scheme provides financial assistance to support groups of young people in Scotland aged 11 to 26 years to help themselves, others and the wider community by turning bright ideas into action.

The Young Scot Action Fund is sponsored by Young Scot Enterprise. Young Scot Enterprise offers incentives, information and opportunities to people aged 11 to 26 to help them make informed choices, play a part in their community, and make the most of their free time and learning. To meet the organisation's objectives, the Young Scot Action Fund aims to help young people to help themselves, others and the wider community by turning bright ideas into action.

The fund distributes small grants up to £200 for individuals, and up to £750 for groups of young Scots aged 11-26 years. Applicants may be expected to obtain funding from other sources if the project costs exceed the amount of funding given by the programme.

The Fund is open to groups of young people aged between 11 and 26 years that fulfil the following criteria:

- At least two thirds of the applicant group must be aged between 11 and 26.
- Applicants must reside in Scotland and be a member of Young Scot.

**Applications may be submitted at any time and are considered six times a year.**

**Link:** <http://www.youngscot.org/info/162-young-scot-action-fund/>

## Community Development

### 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.

No maximum or minimum grant levels are specified and applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis.

Please note that as a result of the amalgamation of the Hugh Fraser Foundation and the Emily Fraser Trust in 2007, the Trustees will, in exceptional circumstances, also consider applications from individuals and the dependants of individuals who were, or are, engaged in the drapery and allied trades, and the printing, publishing, books and stationery, newspaper and allied trades.

However the foundations policy is to pay special regard to applications from Scotland, particularly from parts of Scotland where the local economy and/or circumstances make fundraising for charitable purposes difficult. Therefore:

1. Applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis. So long as the object is charitable, the Trustees will consider any application from a registered charity.
2. Grants tend to be made for small and focused charitable appeals, rather than large, highly-publicised national appeals.

Please note that no grants will be made to organisations that are not registered charities or non-profit-making organisations and grants are unlikely to be made to large, highly-publicised national 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.
- Arts organisations.

Further information and guidance is available by contacting Heather Thompson by email at: [ht@turcanconnell.com](mailto:ht@turcanconnell.com), telephone on 0131 228 8111 or in writing to:

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The Hugh Fraser Foundation  
Turcan Connell  
Princess Exchange  
1 Earl Grey Street  
Edinburgh  
EH3 9EE

Please note that meetings are held three times a year (January, May and September) and the closing date for receipt of applications is generally one month before the meeting date.

**Applications may be submitted at any time.**

**Link:** None given.

### SCOTMID COMMUNITY GRANTS

This scheme helps deserving causes across Scotland. In the last four years, they have supported hundreds of projects which have touched the lives of people living in the communities they serve.

Applications are welcomed from local community, self-help or voluntary groups and charities (including local branches of national charities) or individuals acting for the benefit of the local community, whose primary focus falls easily into one of the following categories:

- Children/Education
- Health
- Fairtrade
- Homelessness/Poverty
- Arts and Culture
- Environment
- Elderly
- Active Lifestyles

The group or project must be based in or benefit a community served by one of their stores and within the geographic boundaries of one of Scotmid's Regional Committees.

**There are no published deadlines.**

**Link:** <http://www.scotmid.coop/community-and-charity/supporting-local-communities/>

### SHARED CARE SCOTLAND BETTER BREAKS FUND

This scheme, provided by the Scottish Government and administered by Shared Care Scotland, awards grants of up to £50,000 (although the average grant will be around £19,000) to develop responsive and creative short break opportunities for disabled children and young people, and their families.

Applications are invited from:

- Voluntary organisations working within Scotland.
- Partnership applications with statutory authorities (local authorities and health partners).
- Charitable organisations.
- Organisations new to the fund as well as organisations that have previously applied to the fund.

Applications to improve short break opportunities for disabled children and young people with additional multiple support needs are particularly welcomed.

Application workshops will be held across Scotland to provide information and guidance about how to make a strong application. Workshop dates are as follows:

- 20 October – Angus
- 22 October – Dumfries and Galloway
- 23 October – Glasgow
- 28 October – Perth
- 31 October – Fife

Workshop places can be booked via the Shared Care Scotland website.

Groups unable to attend a workshop may contact the Short Breaks Fund Manager by phone on the following dates:

- 4 November (afternoon).
- 7 November (afternoon).
- 11 November (afternoon).

**The deadline for applications is 12 noon on 28 November 2014 (12 noon).**

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

## Financial Inclusion

### HMRC 2015/16 GRANT FUNDING

This scheme will make funding available for the UK's voluntary and community sector to provide advice and support to HMRC customers who need extra help understanding and complying with their obligations and claiming their entitlements.

The maximum grant for:

- Category One is £350,000.
- Category Two is £200,000.

Registered charities, voluntary and community organisations, social enterprises, mutual and co-operatives based in the UK can apply.

Applicants must be able to satisfy ALL of the following criteria in order to be eligible to apply for grant funding from HMRC:

- They must be able to provide an extensive national reach, which means that they must provide advice and support that covers a significant extent of either one or more of the nations of the UK (England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales). Although HMRC are looking for national reach, HMRC encourages partnerships and consortia between local organisations to achieve this.
- They will need to be able to identify customers who have HMRC-related issues and be competent to help them with one or more HMRC services, for example:
  - Tax (PAYE and Self Assessment)
  - Working Tax Credits
  - Child Tax Credits
  - Child Benefit
- They must have sound and comprehensive financial systems and processes that enable them to track the amount of funding spent throughout the year, and demonstrate that they have allocated the funding to the specific activity detailed in their bid.
- They must have in place an infrastructure for monitoring and evaluating that is capable of reporting agreed outcomes; i.e. the impact on their clients and that their outcomes represent value for money.

The terms for funding awards are set out in a grant agreement which will be sent to successful applicants at the end of the selection process.

Further information can be obtained from Hazel Kilpatrick on 03000 553779 or email: [mailbox.stakeholder@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:mailbox.stakeholder@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk)

**The deadline for receipt of applications is 31 October 2014.**

**Link:** <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hmrc-grant-funding-2015-to-2016-application-guidance>

## Health & Social Welfare

### HENRY SMITH CHARITY – MAIN GRANTS

This scheme provides financial assistance for projects involved with health and social welfare in the UK, including the Isle of Man and Channel Islands. The charity was founded in 1628 with the objectives of relieving people from need and suffering.

The Main Grants Programme is for grants of £10,000 per year or over. There are two types of Main Grant:

- Capital Grants – One off grants for purchase or refurbishment of a building or purchase of specialist equipment.
- Revenue Grants – Grants of up to three years for core costs (including salaries and overheads), or the running costs of a specific project (including staffing costs).

Grants are made for work with groups or communities under the following headings:

- Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME).
- Carers.
- Community service.
- Disability.
- Domestic and sexual violence.
- Drugs and alcohol/substance misuse.
- Ex-service men and women.
- Family services.
- Healthcare.
- Homelessness.
- Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender.
- Mental health.
- Older people.
- Prisoners and ex-offenders.
- Prostitution and trafficking.
- Refugees and asylum seekers.
- Young people.

Applicants should state what funds have already been raised for the project and name any other sources of funding applied for.

**Applications may be submitted at any time.**

**Link:** <http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/grant-programmes.html>

## Education

### POSTGRADUATES FOR INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PROGRAMME

This scheme, provided by UK Trade & Investment (UKTI), aims to enable companies to employ the expertise of foreign language speaking students based at UK universities or Higher Education Institutions (HEI).

Hiring a student can help a company to address the language and cultural barriers associated with market entry and development. This could include assistance with:

- website development;
- research on new markets and strategy development;
- market visit support;
- development of international contacts;
- customer/supplier liaison and customer service;
- cultural issues;
- marketing; and
- lead follow-up.

UKTI support is free. Companies are expected to meet the full cost of payment to students for work they carry out.

**Applicants should contact the provider direct for further information on any deadlines that may apply.**

**Link:** <https://www.gov.uk/postgraduates-for-international-business>

## Environment

### RHS IN SCOTLAND COMMUNITY FUND

This scheme makes grants available to constituted gardening groups in Scotland for grassroots community gardening projects that benefit local communities. Priority will be given to projects that demonstrate one or more of the following:

- Opportunities for people to learn new skills in gardening.
- Development of volunteering opportunities within the local community.
- Involve people from a wide range of different ages and backgrounds.
- Long lasting benefits to the local community.

The grant may be used for capital costs, such as site-based improvement work and the purchase of equipment, or for set up costs to establish a new group.

The following levels of grant funding are available:

- Start-up grants of between £100 and £300 for groups that require funding to get their project off the ground.
- Main grants of between £1,000 and £3,000.

The overall cost of the project should not exceed £10,000.

**The deadline for applications is 5 pm on 8 December 2014.**

**Link:** <https://www.rhs.org.uk/communities/get-involved/bringing-the-rhs-to-you/scotland-community-fund-2014>

## Miscellaneous

### WF SOUTHALL TRUST

This scheme intends to support charitable organisations undertaking charitable projects. Although a substantial proportion of the Trust's income is given to Quaker work in recognition of the Quaker origins of the Trust.

Please note the trust prefers to support small charities with grants normally ranging between £1,000 and £3,000.

Funding is available for capital and revenue costs associated with work that has been given charitable status.

Support will be given to the following:

- Work of Society of Friends.
- Peace and reconciliation.
- Alcohol, drug abuse and penal affairs.
- Environmental action and sustainability.
- Community action.
- Overseas development.

The Trustees are interested in helping prime imaginative new grassroots initiatives, particularly where these might encourage wider support.

Priority will be given to innovative projects in the areas of Quaker Witness, practical peacemaking, conflict resolution and environmental issues.

**Applications may be submitted at any time.**

**Link:** <http://wfsouthalltrust.org.uk/how-to-apply-for-a-grant/>

### **THE WYSELIOT CHARITABLE TRUST**

This scheme is open to Charitable organisations in the UK in support of projects with general charitable purposes. In particular:

- The prevention or relief of poverty.
- The advancement of education.
- The advancement of health or the saving of lives.
- The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science.
- The advancement of human rights, conflict resolution or reconciliation, or the promotion of religious or racial harmony or equality and diversity.
- The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

No minimum or maximum levels of funding are specified, although previous grants have been for between £2,000 and £5,000.

Applications, should be made in writing, and send directly to Jonathan Rose, The Wyseliot Charitable Trust, 17 Chelsea Square, London, SW3 6LF

**Applications may be submitted at any time.**

**Link:** *None given*

# Awards

## NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2015 FUTURE 50 COMPETITION

This scheme is searching for 'the most ambitious, the most disruptive and most thrilling start-ups in the UK'. The initiative will provide businesses with valuable publicity and the chance to join the Real Business community.

Winners will benefit from coverage across the Real Business media network and the chance to join the Real Business community to meet and mingle with business stars and like-minded entrepreneurs at regular events.

The winners of the 2015 competition will be presented at a ceremony at LSO St Luke's on 4 March 2015 and profiled in a special edition of Real Business.

The winners of the Future 50 Competition will also receive the following package:

- Coverage across the Real Business media network.
- The prestige of being recognised by one of the UK's most respected publications for entrepreneurs as one of the brightest prospects in business.
- A high profile in the business press. The Future 50 is read by business journalists in broadsheet newspapers, trade magazines and broadcast media. They use it to identify firms worth profiling – magnifying the PR advantage of being included in the Future 50.
- The chance to join the Real Business community to meet and mingle with business stars and like-minded entrepreneurs at regular events.

Entry is open to firms across all sectors in the UK and companies eligible to enter the competition must:

- be four years old or younger;
- show steady turnover growth;
- show steady employment growth;
- be innovative and disruptive.

**The nomination deadline for the 2015 Future 50 is 28 November 2014.**

**Link:** <https://caspiamedia.wufoo.com/forms/everline-future-50-nomination-form-2015/>

## SAFER COMMUNITIES AWARDS 2015

This scheme is open to all public, private and voluntary sector organisations. Applications are invited from organisations in Scotland for projects and/or initiatives which support the realisation of the SCSN vision.

The categories are:

- Early Intervention and Education.
- Innovative Media Campaign
- Strengthening Community Engagement and Resilience
- Wider Participation

**The closing date for receipt of applications is Thursday 23 October 2014.**

**Link:** <http://www.safercommunitiesscotland.org/>

## Trusts

### BALCOMBE CHARITY TRUST

This scheme provides grants for UK charitable organisations, or charitable organisations that are exempt from registration, for costs associated with eligible projects.

For further information on eligibility and how to obtain this grant locally, please contact Mr Jonathan Prevezer by email at [jonathan.prevezer@citroenwells.co.uk](mailto:jonathan.prevezer@citroenwells.co.uk) or contact him at:

Mr Jonathan Prevezer  
Balcombe Charitable Trust  
c/o Citroen Wells  
Devonshire House  
1 Devonshire Street  
London, W1W 5DR

Tel: 020 7304 2000  
Fax: 020 7304 2020

**There are no published deadlines.**

**Link:** *None Given*

### THE MICKEL FUND

This scheme, founded by Douglas W Mickel in the 1970s, has the purpose of improving the lives of others through charitable donations in and around Scotland, and where possible on a global scale.

The following types of funding are available:

1. Major Donations – grants of between £5,000 and £10,000 are available on a one-off basis for one large-scale local project at a time.
2. Annual Donations – £100 to £2,000 is available per year, with the view of being updated and reassessed annually.

The Fund may also offer a free engineering service at an early stage of building projects. Applicants for a Major Donation must be a charity or organisation in Scotland, or considered a homeless charity.

The Annual Donation is available to national charities UK wide, however priority is given to supporting Scottish based projects. Due to the high volume of applications received, the Fund is only able to make donations to one charity per category annually. The Annual Donation can be donated to both long-term supported charities and/or newly assessed charities.

Charities that deal with any of the following will be considered for funding:

- Age concern.
- Animal welfare.
- Cancer research.
- Children and youth support.
- Education and outreach.
- Hospices.
- Housing and homelessness.
- Injuries.
- Medical assistance.
- Music and culture.
- Medical research.
- Veterans.
- World Wide Appeal based projects.

Preference is given to supporting local activities, although worldwide appeal based projects will be considered.

The Fund is willing to take risks and support new ideas; however, it will also fund ongoing work, which can show it makes a difference. Donations can take the form of core funding including salaries and general running costs, project grants or capital grants for building or equipment.

**Applications may be submitted at any time.**

**Link:** <http://www.mickelfund.org.uk/Home/Funding.aspx>

### TRUSTHOUSE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

This scheme distributes grants to charitable and not-for-profit organisations in the UK for projects that address issues of health and disability; community support; and arts education and heritage.

The Foundation offers the following levels of support:

- Fast Track: grants of £5,000 and under for capital and/or running costs.
- Small Grant: grants of between £5,001 and £9,999 for capital and/or running costs.

- Large Grant: grants of between £10,000 and £30,000 for capital costs.

Capital projects are only eligible where the total cost is £1 million or less.

Please note that applicants should have secured at least 50% of the total cost of the project/funding required before making an application to the Foundation.

**Applications may be submitted at any time.**

**Link:** <http://www.trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/grants/>

# Imminent Deadlines

## October – November 2014

### CONNECTING CLASSROOMS

This global programme creates partnerships between clusters of schools in the UK and clusters of schools in other countries to create an international dimension to young people's learning and improve their knowledge and understanding of other cultures.

**DEADLINE:** 31 October 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £1,500

**Link:** <http://schoolsonline.britishcouncil.org/programmes-and-funding/linking-programmes-worldwide/connecting-classrooms>

### FORBES CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

This scheme aims to provide benefits for adults with learning disabilities with preference given to small and medium sized organisations.

**DEADLINE:** 31 October 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £5,000

**Link:** <http://www.theforbescharitablefoundation.org/apply-for-a-grant/>

### MACROBERT TRUST

Grants are available for UK registered charities with preference for organisations based in Scotland. Projects should address the themes and sub-themes as set out by The MacRobert Trust.

**DEADLINE:** 31 October 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £25,000

**Link:** <http://www.themacroberttrust.org.uk/grant-making/monetary-awards/guidelines/>

### AUSTIN AND HOPE PILKINGTON TRUST

This scheme makes grants available to UK registered charities for a range of projects. The project area changes each year.

**DEADLINE:** 1 November 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £10,000

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

### SCHOOL GRANTS SCHEME

The small grants scheme provides UK schools with funding for small-scale projects or events linked to the teaching or promotion of physics and, in particular, particle physics, astronomy and space science.

**DEADLINE:** 1 November 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £500

**Link:** [http://www.iop.org/about/grants/school/page\\_38824.html](http://www.iop.org/about/grants/school/page_38824.html)

### WESSEX YOUTH TRUST

Funding is available for projects that provide opportunities to help support and advance children and young people in the UK.

**DEADLINE:** 1 November 2014

**MAX GRANT:** None specified

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

### THEATRES PROTECTION FUND – SMALL GRANTS SCHEME

This scheme makes small capital grants available to theatres in the UK that are run by charities and not-for-profit groups that can clearly demonstrate the value capital improvements to their theatres would make to their work with local communities.

**DEADLINE:** 5 November 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £5,000

**Link:** <http://www.theatretrust.org.uk/grants>

### EQUITABLE CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme provides grant funding for educational projects that benefit children and young people under the age of 25 who are disabled or from disadvantaged backgrounds in the UK and in developing countries.

**DEADLINE:** 24 November 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £30,000

**Link:** <http://www.equitablecharitabletrust.org.uk/Home/tabid/294/language/en-US/Default.aspx>

### **WRITERS' PROJECTS FUNDING FOR PLAYWRIGHTS IN SCOTLAND**

This scheme makes funding available to professional playwrights in Scotland to help them develop their projects.

**DEADLINE:** 28 November 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £3,250

**Link:** <http://www.playwrightsstudio.co.uk/resources/writers-projects.aspx#.U6v-85RdXYg>

### **BELL'S NAUTICAL TRUST**

This scheme provides grants for voluntary and community organisations to benefit maritime education in Scotland.

**DEADLINE:** 30 November 2014

**MAX GRANT:** None specified

**Link:** <http://www.bellsnauticaltrust.com/>

### **COMMUNITY BROADBAND SCOTLAND – START UP FUND**

This scheme makes funding available to assist Scottish communities with the costs involved in establishing local community-led projects to access superfast broadband services.

**DEADLINE:** 30 November 2014

**MAX GRANT:** Dependent on programme

**Link:** <http://www.hie.co.uk/>

### **HISTORIC SCOTLAND MAINTENANCE PLAN GRANTS**

This scheme provides assistance to owners or occupiers of historic buildings in Scotland for the creation of a maintenance plan.

**DEADLINE:** 30 November 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £6,000

**Link:** <http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/heritage/grants/maintenance-plan-grants.htm>

### **WOLFSON FOUNDATION**

This scheme aims to support excellence in the UK, generally through the funding of capital infrastructure in the fields of science and technology, arts and humanities, education, and health and disability

**DEADLINE:** 30 November 2014

**MAX GRANT:** None specified

**Link:** <http://www.wolfson.org.uk/grant-applicants/>

# Forthcoming Deadlines

## December 2014 – January 2015

### CASHBACK FOR COMMUNITIES SMALL GRANTS SCHEME

This scheme aims to support to 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.

**DEADLINE:** 1 December 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £2,000

**Link:** <http://www.cashbacksmallgrants.org/help-applying/apply-for-a-grant/>

### SCOTRAIL FOUNDATION

This scheme provides funding from ScotRail as part of their commitment to their social and corporate responsibilities and is managed by Foundation Scotland on ScotRail's behalf. It aims to support and develop a wide range of projects which bring communities together.

**DEADLINE:** 1 December 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £5,000

**Link:** <http://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/scotrail.aspx>

### FAITHS IN SCOTLAND COMMUNITY ACTION FUND (FISCAF)

This scheme works with local faith groups in Scotland to build hope and fight against poverty by providing grants and support in Scotland's most fragile urban and rural communities.

**DEADLINE:** 31 December 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £15,000

**Link:** <http://www.fiscaf.org/index.php?id=3>

### GERALD MICKLEM CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme holds a capital fund which is applied for such exclusively charitable purposes as the Trustees determine in their discretion.

**DEADLINE:** 31 December 2014

**MAX GRANT:** None specified

**Link:** <http://www.geraldwicklemct.org.uk/2.html>

### IRONMONGERS' COMPANY

This scheme supports projects that provide opportunities for disadvantaged children and young people, under the age of 25, to fulfil their potential. Support is available to registered charities in the UK with projects which develop learning, motivation and skills.

**DEADLINE:** 31 December 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £10,000

**Link:** [http://www.ironmongers.org/charity\\_organisations.htm](http://www.ironmongers.org/charity_organisations.htm)

### STAFFORD TRUST

This scheme makes grant support available to registered charities in the UK, with a preference towards charitable organisations operating in Scotland. The Trust has an Application for Funding form which must be completed.

**DEADLINE:** 31 December 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £5,000

**Link:** <http://www.staffordtrust.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

### ZERO WASTE SCOTLAND RETRIEVE FUNDING

This scheme aims to lead to an increase in the use of recycled material in Scottish manufactured products and hence stimulate further investment in reprocessing activity within Scottish manufacturing companies. Manufacturing companies in Scotland may apply to this fund.

**DEADLINE:** 31 December 2014

**MAX GRANT:** £30,000

**Link:** <http://www.zerowastescotland.org.uk>

### WOODLAND TRUST TREE PLANTING PACKS

This scheme makes planting packs are available to community groups, schools and youth groups to help them to plant more trees, hedges and copses in their local shared spaces.

**DEADLINE:** 7 January 2015

**MAX GRANT:** Not applicable

**Link:** <http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/in-your-community/>

### **ELEPHANT TRUST**

This scheme awards grants to artists, small organisations and galleries within the United Kingdom to make it possible for artists and those presenting their work to undertake and complete projects when frustrated by lack of funds.

**DEADLINE:** 12 January 2015

**MAX GRANT:** £5,000

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

### **BBC CHILDREN IN NEED – MAIN GRANTS PROGRAMME**

This scheme distributes grants to not-for-profit organisations that are working with disadvantaged children and young people who are 18 years old and younger living in the UK.

**DEADLINE:** 15 January 2015

**MAX GRANT:** £100,000

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

### **ERASMUS PLUS PROGRAMME – SPORT (2014-2020)**

This scheme aims to support European partnerships on grassroots sport in order to tackle cross-border threats to the integrity of sport, promote and support good governance in sport and to promote voluntary activities in sport, together with social inclusion, equal opportunities and awareness of the importance of health-enhancing physical activity, through increased participation in, and equal access to sport for all

**DEADLINE:** 22 January 2015

**MAX GRANT:** €500,000

**Link:** [general.enquiries@britishcouncil.org](mailto:general.enquiries@britishcouncil.org)

### **ANCHOR FOUNDATION**

This scheme is open to UK-registered Christian charities for projects that encourage social inclusion through ministries of healing and the arts.

**DEADLINE:** 31 January 2015

**MAX GRANT:** £10,000

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

### **HISTORIC BUILDING REPAIR GRANTS SCHEME**

This scheme is focussed on the repair and conservation of historic buildings in Scotland assessed as being of outstanding architectural or historic interest. Grants are awarded primarily for urgent repairs that need to be done within two years to prevent loss or damage to important historic fabric.

**DEADLINE:** 31 January 2015

**MAX GRANT:** £500,000

**Link:** <http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/heritage/grants/building-repair-grants.htm>