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# **Bringing you the latest funding news**

**Look inside for details of funding opportunities  
for your youth work.**

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## Funding News

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### Short Film Completions Fund 2008/09 (UK)

The UK Film Council's Short Film Completion Fund provides finance and support for short films that show outstanding potential but lack the funds to finish.

A fund of £70,000 has been made available to support projects across the Fund's two calls in 2008/09. The fund is part of the New Cinema Fund's programme to enable directors and producers to push their creative boundaries, develop new talent and to invest in short films that illustrate unique ideas and an innovative approach.

There will be two invitations for applications during 2008/09, and up to 14 films may be offered funding. The first selection of projects will receive approximately £35,000 distributed across around seven films, although this may vary depending on the quality of the applications.

Applications will be assessed on the creative merits of the short film. There is likely to be a high demand for completion funding and the assessment will also take into account the following criteria: quality of the film, quality and ability of the team and impact on the team.

They are looking to invest in filmmakers who have the ability to take their filmmaking to the next level. This investment should consolidate the skills of the team throughout the post-production period and bring a level of professionalism to the project. Applicants will also be assessed on whether they can deliver the project to the highest quality within the budget and timescale.

The two calls for applications will be as follows:

- Monday 10 November 2008 – Closing date for 1st call for applications
- June 2009 – 1st call selected films to be delivered and premiered
- March 2009 – Closing date for 2nd call for applications
- November 2009 – 2nd call selected films to be delivered and premiered.

<http://www.ukfilmcouncil.org.uk/completion>

## **£300 Million to Provide Internet Home Access (England)**

Children from jobless and low income families will receive a free computer and free broadband access under major plans to close the digital divide amongst young people.

The £300m investment will help make England one of the first countries in the world to ensure every single young person can use a computer and the internet at home for their education.

The initial 'Home Access' package includes:

- broadband for all young people between 7 - and 19-years-old whose families are eligible;
- a free laptop or other computer with relevant software and hardware bought with a 'Home Access' voucher; and
- support covering important areas such as internet safety, effective use of technology for learning and a technical support helpline.

The programme will begin in November 2008 with targeted funding available for all local authorities to provide home access for groups such as looked after children and others for whom the authority has special responsibility. The wider programme will be piloted in early 2009 in two local authority areas, with expansion to the rest of England starting in autumn 2009. Families in receipt of income support or unemployment benefits will be able to apply for a 'Home Access' Grant which they can use to purchase a package from accredited suppliers. The programme aims to work towards universal home access by 2011.

[http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/pns/DisplayPN.cgi?pn\\_id=2008\\_0208](http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/pns/DisplayPN.cgi?pn_id=2008_0208)

## **Funding for Arts Organisations Working with Refugees (UK)**

The Arts programme 2009 is now open. The deadline for submitting applications is 12 December 2008. New grantees will be announced in June 2009.

The Baring Foundations has announced that it is seeking applications under its Arts Programme 2009. The programme provides grants for up to three years to Arts organisations in the UK working with refugees and asylum seekers, in particular those working with newly arrived refugees; asylum seekers; migrants or their host communities.

The programme does not cover one off project costs, rather it provides grants to organisations to cover core costs such as salaries, staff training, publicity, and day to day office costs, etc to help them sustain and develop their work. The programme is open to constituted, not for profit arts organisations in the UK already working with refugees, asylum seekers, migrants or their host communities and with an annual turnover of at least £50,000. Previous grants awarded through the programme have included Street Level Photoworks, Glasgow, which received a grant of £42,000 to support a range of arts activities to support the integration of refugees and host communities as well as Cultural Co-operation which received a grant of £75,000 to support its work with exiled artists. The next deadline for applications is 12th December 2008.

<http://www.baringfoundation.org.uk/program.htm>

## **BBC Children in Need (UK)**

The BBC has announced that the next funding round of the BBC Children in Need is now open for applications. BBC Children in Need provides grants for up to three years to properly constituted not for profit organisations working with disadvantaged young people aged 18 or under . Funding is available to organisations, (including schools) that work with young people who are suffering from illness, distress, abuse or neglect, are disabled, have behavioural or psychological difficulties and / or are living in poverty or situations of deprivation. Last year the programme made grants of over £37 million to over 1,300 organisations working with children and young people across the UK. Projects supported include an allotment in Plymouth for children with mobility problems, a digital memory pot project for terminally ill children and their siblings who are coming to terms with death and bereavement, and a community newspaper for disaffected young people in Wales. The next closing date will be the 15th January 2009, with grant decisions and notifications in late April 2009.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/charity/grants.shtml>

## **The Baily Thomas Charitable Fund (UK and Republic of Ireland)**

The Baily Thomas Charitable Fund is a registered charity which was established primarily to aid the research into learning disability and to aid the care and relief of those affected by learning disability by making grants to voluntary organisations working in this field. Applications will only be considered from voluntary organisations which are registered charities or are associated with a registered charity. Application for funding is normally considered for capital and revenue costs and for both specific projects and for general running/core costs. Grants are awarded for amounts from £250 and depend on a number of factors including the purpose, the total funding requirement and the potential sources of other funds including, in some cases, matching funding.

Meetings of the Trustees are usually held in June and early December each year and applications should therefore be submitted no later than 1 May or 1 October for consideration at the next relevant meeting. Late applications will not be considered.

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

## **The Links Foundation (England, Scotland and Wales)**

The Links Foundation was launched in 2003 as a charitable trust to distribute funds to communities that needed help. A unique organisation that delivers services to tackle social exclusion and poverty by helping disadvantaged individuals and communities. Providing help and support to people who face significant challenges and barriers such as single parents, older workers, people with disabilities and former offenders. Helping the most vulnerable in society to improve their skills and help them move into jobs with a future, creates a greater sense of social inclusion. This leads to better health, education, reduced crime and brighter futures.

The Board meets every four months and the closing date for applications is four weeks before each Board meeting.

<http://www.linksfoundation.org/Default.aspx>

## Refugee Integration Awards Scheme (England)

Funded by the European Refugee Fund Phase III and with the support of the UK Border Agency, UnLtd – the Foundation for Social Entrepreneurs has re-launched RISE: Refugee Initiative for Social Entrepreneurs, under the name RISE Accelerator - which aims to unleash and encourage the potential of refugees as social entrepreneurs. The RISE programme has already funded 75 refugees, benefiting over 2000 people around England. The success of the project has allowed UnLtd to extend the RISE programme for another two years. UnLtd will support refugees to set up projects that will make their communities happier, healthier, safer and more just places, as well as support refugees to achieve their full economic and social potential. UnLtd will be giving awards of between £500 and £5000 to help individuals and small groups of refugees from all over England to turn their ideas into reality. In addition, UnLtd will provide dedicated support including training opportunities, entrepreneurial learning, mentoring and access to resources to help individuals develop their skills and their projects. The scheme will fund and support 64 refugees over two years and will benefit over 200 people throughout England.

Applications can be made at anytime.

<http://unltd.org.uk/template.php?ID=55&PageName=rise:refugeeawardsscheme>

## CHANGEit Awards Nominations (UK)

CHANGEit is designed to recognise, support and reward young people who want to, or have already spoken up and taken constructive action about something they want to be improved, changed or created in their community. CHANGEit are dedicated to continuously encouraging, inspiring and rewarding young campaigners from across the UK.

There are three nomination categories. The Performance awards are for young people who have taken action on issues they care about and launched campaigns to create positive change. The Innovation awards are for young people who want to make positive change happen, but need help with the funding and/or the know how to get started. The photo contest is open to young people between 11 and 18 who have captured images of campaigning in action that has been started or helped by young people.

All nominations will receive a certificate of recognition. Winners in the Performance category will receive a prize of £750 and finalists will receive £250. Winners in the Innovation category will receive £750 for their campaign, plus a mentor to help make their idea into a reality and finalists will receive £250. Winners in the photo contest will win £250 and will have their photograph displayed at the CHANGEit art exhibit in central London. All finalists and winners will be featured on the CHANGEit website.

The closing date for nominations is 12 January 2009

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

## **Right Here – applications for potential pilot sites**

Right Here, a new initiative launched by the Mental Health Foundation and Paul Hamlyn Foundation, aims to radically change the way the mental health of young people is promoted and protected across the UK.. Right Here seeks to introduce a fresh approach which concentrates on prevention rather than cure, and the promotion of good mental health for all young people. Right Here is currently seeking applications from potential pilot sites, which are expected to be up and running in spring 2009. The initiative will select up to four sites to work with 16-25 year olds in the places and spaces they go, such as youth and leisure centres, schools and colleges and online forums.

Applicants will be expected to show a commitment to promoting mental health to all young people, including excluded groups, and developing new ways of cross-sector working to protect and improve young people's mental health. Applications from generic young people's organisations are especially welcome, with partnership work between the statutory and voluntary sector being a key feature.

Work by the Mental Health Foundation and others has shown that young people are much more likely to engage with non-specialist organisations that provide mental health support alongside that for other areas of life, such as housing, debt and sexual health. It's this kind of approach that Right Here will support through the pilot sites, with the aim of producing a model of working that can be rolled out nationally.

Applications from potential pilot sites should be made online at <http://www.right-here.org.uk/> or by calling 020 7803 1181 for an application pack. For more details please contact Simon Loveland on 020 7803 1130 or email [sloveland@mhf.org.uk](mailto:sloveland@mhf.org.uk)

## **Round 3 of the DCSF Parenting Fund has just opened.**

There will be over £16 million over two years (£8 million each year) for parenting support work where parents, families and children face significant challenges. Grants are over 2 years, with no fixed upper limit.

The three key features are as follows. Promoting social inclusion and improving access to services and support for less well-served communities will remain a cornerstone of the fund. Detail of the work that will be funded is on Page 7 of this Guidance (Link 1 above) and are consistent with the Children's Plan. As in Parenting Fund Round 2, the grant will be focused on 23 localities. Funded projects are expected to deliver learning and outcomes that can be picked up nationally. Also, organisations would be able to apply to work in and across a number of localities, as was the case with Rounds 1 and 2. Completed applications must be submitted by noon on Friday December 12th 2008. Assessment, decisions and award making will take place between December 2008 and January 2009.

[http://www.familyandparenting.org/Filestore//Documents/ParentingFund/Publications/PF\\_R3\\_Guidance](http://www.familyandparenting.org/Filestore//Documents/ParentingFund/Publications/PF_R3_Guidance)

# Deadline Alerts

## Architectural Heritage Fund (UK)

The Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF), which is a registered charity that promotes the conservation and regeneration of historic buildings in the UK. Funding is available to voluntary organisations building preservation trusts to regenerate historic buildings to create community and education facilities, workspace and homes. To be eligible to apply for funding through the AHF, organisations need to be a registered charity and the building(s) must be listed, scheduled as an ancient monument or in a Conservation Area (if in a Conservation Area, it must be of acknowledged historic or architectural importance). The project must also involve a change of ownership and/or a change of use. Previously funded projects include turning a run down historic buildings into community theatres, resource centres, community learning centres, workspaces, places to live and community meeting places, etc. Further case studies on previously supported projects can be accessed [here](#). The closing date for applications is the 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2008.

<http://www.ahfund.org.uk/index.html>

## GreenPrints (UK)

A partnership of five of the country's leading not-for-profit organisations have come together to provide support and funding to help young people improve green spaces in our communities. SITA Trust, v the youth volunteering charity, BTCV, The Wildlife Trusts and the BBC's Breathing Places campaign, have joined forces to develop a two-year programme called GreenPrints which will offer funding of up to £10,000, as well as support and practical expertise from the partners, to enable 16–25 year olds to make a real difference to the communities in which they live. The funding is open to not for profit organisations for projects designed and delivered by groups of volunteers aged 16 to 25. SITA Trust and v have each pledged £1 million to fund the programme, making it one of the largest single investments made by either organisation to any funding programme. The overall programme will be managed using the expertise and experience of SITA Trust and BTCV. One of the most unusual elements of this programme is the individual, dedicated mentor-support that will be provided by the BTCV and The Wildlife Trusts to assist with the practical delivery of every single project that is supported. If you are aged between 16 and 25 and want to put something back into your community visit the GreenPrints pages at [www.sitatrust.org.uk](http://www.sitatrust.org.uk) to find out more. Applications can be made at any time.

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

## Mustard Seed Fund (England)

The Mustard Seed Programme has been designed to enable groups to turn their ideas into action. The Church Urban Fund want to hear what groups are saying and not create barriers to applications, so the Mustard Seed Programme application process has been made as simple as possible. Any church or faith-based group can apply but they are particularly keen to hear from groups that have new ideas they really want to test and try out. Mustard Seed Grants can pay for specific activities but not for on-going revenue expenditure, deficit funding, or retrospective spending. The 'Mustard Seed' programme makes grants up to £5,000 Grants. The programme operates on a rolling basis and applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.cuf.org.uk/page18531718.aspx>

## **Alcohol Education and Research Council – Small Grants Programme (UK)**

The Alcohol Education and Research Council fund small projects up to a maximum of £5,000. Small grants could fund small research projects, pilot research studies or demonstration projects with a strong evaluation component. They could also fund projects that increase the capacity of individuals and organisations to deal with alcohol issues. The following criteria are used to judge all applications for small grants including those that are designed to develop people:

- Will the project make a difference to the alcohol evidence base or to the capacity of individuals or organisations?
- Are the aims well defined and achievable?
- Is there a sound evaluation component to check whether aims have been achieved?

The Council will give preference to projects that will have a demonstrable impact. Small grants will be rapidly processed throughout the year with no deadline.

<http://www.aerc.org.uk/grants.htm>

## **Community Cash Awards (UK)**

Community Cash Awards are grants of up to £5,000 to help young people set up a project that will benefit their community. Anyone who is aged 14-16 and is in school, but struggling or aged 16-25, unemployed or working less than 16 hours a week can apply. Focus is on helping young people who need it most. Projects must:

- be run and managed by people between the ages of 14 and 25
- clearly benefit the local community
- benefit the people running the project; and
- be a new or developing project.

Grants are awarded as follows:-

- Funding of up to £1,000 is available for 14-16 year olds
- Funding of up to £5,000 is available for those aged 16-25

<http://www.princes-trust.org.uk/Main%20Site%20v2/14-30%20and%20need%20help/grants%20for%20community%20projects.asp>

## **One Planet Living Grant Scheme (UK)**

Through the OPL Grant scheme, schools, community groups and charitable organisations can apply to their local B&Q store for funding to support a local community project. Projects must support at least one of the following themes, Environment/Energy Saving, Natural Habitats/Wildlife or Local Culture/Heritage

The scheme provides £50 to £500 (at retail cost) of B&Q materials, for example, pond liners, plants, peat-free compost for projects such as a pond/wildlife garden or paints labelled low or minimal VOC for redecoration projects.

It is important that the project is sustainable. For example, the materials and methods used should not cause environmental damage in the short or long-term. The final result should have long-lasting

benefit to the community. OPL Grants do not cover maintenance, so the project should be designed for easy care.

To apply for a grant, applicants will need to contact the environmental champion or store manager at their local B&Q store to discuss project details. A letter, on headed paper, from the organisation is required. This should include details of the organisation and project, materials required, duration of the project and any involvement from the organisation and its aims and benefits. Photographs or plans of the project are optional. Once an application form has been completed by the store, and supporting material supplied by the project organiser, it will be sent to the store's regional office who will approve or decline the grant application within a two-week period.

[http://www.diy.com/diy/jsp/bq/templates/content\\_lookup.jsp?content=/aboutbandq/social\\_responsibility\\_2007/better\\_neighbourhood.jsp&menu=aboutbandq](http://www.diy.com/diy/jsp/bq/templates/content_lookup.jsp?content=/aboutbandq/social_responsibility_2007/better_neighbourhood.jsp&menu=aboutbandq)

## **Funding Through Local YouthBanks (UK)**

YouthBank is an innovative UK-wide grant making initiative run by young people for young people. Local Youth Banks provide small grants to young people for activities of benefit to the community and that also benefit the young people taking part. YouthBank is unique in that it is young people themselves who make decisions about how local YouthBanks are managed and run and, through a Board of young people, also direct the UK-wide programme. Grant making criteria and processes are decided by each individual YouthBank. The majority of local YouthBanks receive support through the Youth Opportunities Fund (YOF). This is a Government initiative to support youth led activities within local areas.

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

## **Switched on Communities (UK)**

The Switched on Communities programme recognises that local organisations deliver fantastic grass roots programmes around technology and training. Since the DSG international Foundation was set up in 1996, thousands of charities and community groups have been supported. Eligible local charities and stores can apply for grants of up to £500 (normally in vouchers) to support projects. The main focus is on Regeneration and Education & Social Inclusion.

The programme also aims to provide information technology to disadvantaged groups; support training initiatives to help bridge the digital divide and support local projects that promote the inclusion of young people into mainstream education and society. Examples could include a primary school in a deprived area that needs a new cooker to provide healthy food for this students... an project teaching elderly people IT skills... or a youth centre who wish to run courses in multimedia. Applications can be made at any time.

In addition, Charities and community groups may also wish to join Community Fonebak, a joint initiative between DSGi and Shields Environmental which offers community groups in the UK and Ireland the opportunity to turn old mobile phones into cash or DSGi vouchers. Community Fonebak is open to most organisations in the UK and Ireland, including registered charities, schools, scout troupes and sports clubs. For each phone that can be resold you will receive £4 cash or a £5 gift voucher than can be spent in our UK stores. Phones collected are recycled or re-marketed to developing countries. If you would like more information visit <http://www.communityfonebak.com/>

<http://www.dsgiplc.com/layout.aspx?CatID=%7B4e16ae43-8a69-4b29-80e5-97d20f2b90d8%7D&ID=%7Bf3998148-e330-4573-ad32-91951106dcd%7D>

## **Tools for Schools (UK)**

Tools for Schools is a not-for-profit business founded on a single mission: to give every school child in the UK access to a personal computer wherever and whenever they need one. In addition to supplying computers for schools they also supply them for educational home use, other educational projects and establishments e.g. further education and community colleges.

A full computer system can be supplied to educational organisations from just £95.

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

## **Its Your Community Initiative (UK)**

Awards of up to £1,000 are available to local groups and individuals for anything that can be shown to benefit their community.

The awards are independently judged and administered by The Conservation Foundation on behalf of O2. The Conservation Foundation is a charity that has been judging community projects for 26 years. The type of projects supported in the past included environmental projects such as turning derelict land into an amenity park or wildlife area, tree planting, creating a wildlife pond, renovating neglected river and canal footpaths, providing water butts and recycling facilities in village halls, etc. The commitment of a further £1million by O2 means that the initiative will now be able to support up to 60 projects per month. Applications can be made at any time and are judged on the 20th of every month. Applications can be made at any time.

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

## **Nationwide Foundation Seeks Applications under its Small Grants Programme (UK)**

Grants are currently available for registered charities under the Small Grants Programme, which offers one off donations of up to £5,000 to registered charities with an income under £500,000.

The Small Grants Programme is part of Nationwide Foundation's Supporting Families programme and has the following aims:

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

For details of how to apply please visit the website.

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

***Unless stated otherwise the above information is obtained directly from the funder's website***

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