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Funding News

Welcome to Walsall Voluntary Action's Funding News Bulletin – it will be dropping into your inbox every fortnight. If you are aware of anyone who may not be on our email list please forward this on to them.

Walsall Voluntary Action will be holding fortnightly **Funding and Development Surgeries** to assist groups identify possible sources of funding and offering advice and support completing funding applications.

Each group will be allocated a 45 minute slot to look at issues and queries and agree a plan of action.

Dates for the next Funding and Development Surgeries are:

- **Wed 21 September 2011**
- **Wed 5 October 2011**
- **Wed 19 October 2011**

To book an appointment please contact Amina on 01922 619840 or email reception@walsallva.org.uk

Places are limited so book early!

Walsall Trustee Network will be holding its next meeting on **Wednesday 28 September 2011, at 6.00 pm—8.00 pm, at the County Hotel, Birmingham Road.**

The topic for this meeting will be '**Preparing Your Bid/Action Planning**' which will be delivered by a consultant fundraiser. There will also be the usual networking opportunities and fantastic buffet!

The meetings are open to any Trustee/Management Committee member of a Walsall based group as well as anyone who is interested in finding out more about becoming a Trustee.

For more information and to book your place, please call Elaine on 01922 619840 or email elainek@walsallva.org.uk

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Big Lottery Fund will soon be launching the following fund:

“Do you have a **desire to challenge preconceptions and myths about ageing** and older people?

Do you recognise and seek to celebrate that **older people are assets**, contributing in many diverse ways to their families, neighbourhoods, and local communities, **with a wealth of skills, knowledge and experience** that can and does benefit others?

Rather than passive recipients of services, do you see **older people as active participants with voices that need to be heard**, playing an **important role in reaching solutions**, including volunteering, supporting other older people, or self-support?

We will be soon be seeking inspiring and exciting ideas which:

- Deliver either a completely new service, grow, or replicate to a new area, a service that has been proven to be successful;
- support and strengthen older people through difficult changes in their lives (recognising that transitional phases are times when anyone can become particularly vulnerable but that older people often face specific challenges);
- help older people to prepare for future transitions, building resilience and capacity to cope with difficult life events;
- see volunteering as an opportunity utilise the skills and experience of active older people to support the less active ageing population;
- and embrace partnership working with other agencies and organisations, and particularly with local communities to address the current and future needs of older people.”

Walsall Voluntary Action will be facilitating a meeting of all interested partners as soon as the fund is officially launched to look at the possibility of putting forward a partnership bid from Walsall. Please contact Lesley Shorthouse; 01922 619840 lesleys@walsallva.org.uk ; to register your interest.

Biffaward

Small Grants Scheme

Often groups only need a small amount of money to make a difference to a local facility, be it a community building, nature reserve, cultural facility or outdoor space. The Small Grants Scheme offers quicker access to lower levels of funding to make these projects happen.

Over the past three years Biffaward has supported nearly 300 projects under the Small Grants Scheme. A continuous high number of applications are received, resulting in strong competition when awarding funding.

You can apply for between £250 and £5,000. Your project must not cost more than £10,000 in total.

<http://www.biffaward.org/about/soverview>

Main Grants

Under this scheme, grants are awarded to projects that provide or improve community spaces, cultural facilities and places for outdoor recreation. It may be a building that needs improvement in order to increase the range of services on offer to the local community. Or maybe an open space such as a park, play area or woodland that needs transforming to benefit local people of all ages.

Biffaward want to make sure that everyone has access to high quality local community facilities.

You can apply for between £5,000 and £50,000.

<http://www.biffaward.org/about/coverview>

Please note that organisations must be not for profit

Veolia Environmental Trust

Funds projects that fall into the following categories and are within a certain radius of one of their operations.

Remediation of land

Projects awarded under this category must be for the purpose of 'the remediation or restoration of land which can not now be used because of a ceased activity that used to take place there'. For example, removing

contaminated soil from an area so that the land can be used for community or recreational development.

Reduction of pollution

Projects awarded under this category must be for operations intended to enable 'the reduction, prevention or mitigation of effects of pollution that has resulted, or may result, from an activity which has been ceased';

Public amenities

Projects awarded under this category must be for 'the provision, maintenance or improvement of a public park or other general public amenity'. These projects need to be located within 10 miles of a licensed landfill as well as meeting the Trust's five mile criterion.

Restoration of buildings of historic interest

Projects awarded under this category must be for 'the repair, maintenance or restoration of a building of architectural importance'. It needs to be within 10 miles of a licensed landfill site.

For more detailed information and to see if your project would be eligible:

<http://www.veoliatrust.org/apply/>

Arts Projects Programme – The Baring Foundation

The Arts Programme seeks to fund arts organisations in the United Kingdom that are currently working with older people that can demonstrate the impact their work is making on the quality of life and artistic practice of individuals or communities, and that need help with their core costs to help them to sustain or develop this work.

The Programme aims to support arts organisations which are developing the wider community's understanding and enjoyment of the contributions that older people make to society and the cultural life of the United Kingdom, as well as striving for a wider understanding of the diverse creative and cultural needs of older people.

In 2012 the Foundation will aim to support around 15 arts organisations undertaking projects which enable older people to take part in high quality arts practice. The total fund will be £300,000 in 2012 and the maximum single grant will be £30,000.

To be eligible, applicants must:

Be constituted, not-for-profit arts organisations or community interest companies.

Have an annual income of over £100,000.
Have already undertaken high quality projects involving older people.

Deadline: 30 September 2011

Tel: 020 7767 1348

E-mail: baring.foundation@uk.ing.com

Website:

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

BT Community Connections Awards

BT Community Connections is an award scheme which offers community groups the chance to get online and help people discover the wonders of the internet.

The award will be 12 months' free connection to BT Business Total Broadband Advance, which includes features described in the standard products and services terms. Award winners will be required to accept the standard terms and conditions for the service.

Applications are welcomed from any community group or charitable organisation working to benefit the community. Eligible areas of interest include:

- Animals.
- Older people.
- Environment.
- Family issues.
- Multi-cultural awareness.
- Wildlife.
- Youth groups.

Applications are welcomed from religious groups that want to carry out work in the community but groups that promote religion will not be considered. Priority will be given to applications from community groups that operate in areas of deprivation and that have not previously won an award. However, previous award winners are eligible to apply and will be considered, providing they meet the application criteria.

Applications must be made online:

Deadline: 15 September 2011.

Link to guidelines:

<http://www.btcommunityconnections.com/page.php?id=64>

LankellyChase Foundation

The Foundation targets its funds to achieve something which otherwise would not happen, or to sustain something which otherwise might fail.

Scheme Title: The Arts

The Foundation recognises and values the contribution made by the arts to the mental and physical health of the nation.

The Trustees are focusing on the following two specific areas:

- Unlocking creativity - arts and severe mental ill-health.
- Young people and the arts.

Grants are generally in the region of £10,000 - £15,000 a year for up to three years. In exceptional cases, the Foundation will consider larger grants.

Application may be made at any time.

Scheme Title: Breaking Cycles of Abuse

The Trustees are focusing on the following four specific areas:

- Domestic abuse.
- Rape and sexual violence.
- Young people.
- Child protection.

Grants are available for one to three years and are generally up to a maximum of £45,000 in total, although a limited number of larger grants may be considered. Capital items will only be considered if they are necessary for the work being funded, but not for building costs or for disabled access.

Application may be made at any time.

Scheme Title: Custody and Community

The programme reflects the Foundation's assessment of the areas where it is considered there is serious unmet need, where there are gaps or systemic weaknesses in statutory provision, and where the opportunity is ripe for policy change.

Applications should fall within one of the following categories:

- Women offenders.
- Short-term or remand prisoners with multiple complex needs (including young offenders).
- Immigration detainees.

Grants are generally in the region of £10,000 - £15,000 a year for up to three years. In exceptional cases, the Foundation will consider larger grants.

Application may be made at any time.

Scheme Title: Free and Quiet Minds

The Trustees are focusing on the following key areas:

- Secure psychiatric care.
- Black minority ethnic groups.
- Asylum seekers - achieving a fair and just asylum system.

Grants are generally in the region of £10,000 - £15,000 a year for up to three years. In exceptional cases, the Foundation will consider larger grants,.

Application may be made at any time.

Tel: (01235) 820044

Fax: (01235) 432720

E-mail: enquiries@lankellychase.org.uk

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

Lennox and Wyfold Foundation Grant

The Foundation supports a wide range of charitable causes. In the past, these have included medical research, welfare of the young and old, the arts, animal welfare, and for overseas benefit.

Grants are awarded under the following categories:

- Education/training.
- Medical/health/sickness.
- Disability.
- Relief of poverty.
- Overseas/famine relief.
- Religious activities.
- Arts/culture.
- Sports/recreation.

The Foundation supports registered charities in England and Wales.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

The Foundation only accepts written applications. Applications should be posted to the Foundation's registered office:

Mr G Fincham
Secretary
15 Suffolk Street
London
SW1Y 4HG
Tel: 020 7036 5685

Porticus UK

Requests are considered for core or project costs. These may include staff salaries and overheads; however, buildings or equipment are not generally funded. Grants are also awarded for developing policy, advocacy and research.

Grants of between £10,000 and £25,000 are generally awarded, although smaller grants of less than £10,000 are occasionally funded, as are larger projects.

Grants are available for activities that fall under the following categories:

Strengthening family relationships

The support offered aims to strengthen those family relationships that are most vulnerable and strained.

Applications should focus on the following:

- Building networks and connections that tackle family isolation.
- Encouraging family cohesion through drop-in centres and intensive family support, particularly among families who have been under considerable stress from issues of violence and abuse.
- Tackling isolation of the elderly, especially through intergenerational work.

Enriching education

Funding is aimed at educational projects which deal with the disadvantaged and vulnerable, with a particular interest in Catholic schools and education based on Catholic social teaching.

Applications should focus on the following:

- Pastoral care in education focused on projects which deal with character building, conflict resolution and values.
- Educational opportunities for groups who have missed out on traditional learning, especially prisoners and ex-offenders.
- The professional development of teachers.

Transformation through faith

Support for projects which nourish and develop faith in a complex world.

Applications should focus on the following:

- The development of Church and lay leadership capacities.
- Projects which encourage ecumenical collaboration.
- Organisations and projects which focus on inclusion.
- The promotion of exploration and discussion around difficult issues, both within the Christian family and in dialogue with other Faiths.

Ethics in Practice

Support for work guided by Catholic Social principles and directed at the development of the values and virtues of professionals and leaders. Since ethics cannot be considered in isolation, preference is given to interdisciplinary and applied approaches.

Applications should focus on the following:

- Developing courses, case studies and training.
- Facilitating constructive public or private debates.
- Research projects on the ethical problems encountered in specific professions.
- Business ethics and medical ethics.
- Initiatives that enhance understandings of Catholic social teaching.

Applicants are only accepted from registered charities and registered Community Interest Companies in England, Wales and Scotland.

Although the Trust's values are based in the Catholic faith, applications are welcomed from all organisations, whether or not they have a faith basis. Particular emphasis is placed on organisations which have a proven model and wish to expand.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Application forms are available to download from the Trust's website.

Tel: 020 7024 3503

Fax: 020 7024 3501

E-mail: porticusUK@porticus.com

Website: <http://www.porticusuk.com/index.php>

Prince's Trust - Community Cash Awards

The Prince's Trust helps young people to overcome barriers and get their lives back on track. Through practical support, including training, mentoring and financial assistance, it helps 14-30 year-olds to realise their potential and transform their lives.

The Fund aims to help young people to start up their own project that will benefit their community.

Grants of up to £3,000 are available and the average amount given is £1,500. Support is also available to help with project planning, budget research, goal setting and learning about the community.

Eligible projects are those that:

- Benefit local community need in the UK.
- Benefit the young people running the project.
- Are new activities.

Funding is available to young people aged 14 to 25 years in the UK.

Applicants must show that the project is involving or being set-up by young people who are:

- aged 14-16, and achieving or at risk of achieving less than 5 GCSEs grades A* - C; or
- aged 16-25 and not in education, training or work (or working less than 16 hours a week).

Applications are particularly favoured from young people who are in or leaving care, or who have been in trouble with the law.

The Trust will help successful applicants to carry out a review session halfway through the project and an evaluation at the end of the project.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Tel: 0800 842 842

E-mail: info@princes-trust.org.uk

Website: <http://www.princes-trust.org.uk/default.aspx>

Tesco Charity Trust - Community Award Scheme

The Tesco Charity Trust Community Award Scheme supports local community projects whose core work supports the welfare of children, elderly people and people with disabilities, which are based in areas where Tesco has stores.

Grants range from between £500 and £4,000. The Trust also gives one-off donations ranging between £4,000 and £25,000.

This funding is targeted towards practical equipment and resources which leave a lasting legacy in the local communities where Tesco operate locally, nationally and internationally.

Applications are considered in two rounds according to the type of project proposed:

- Organisations supporting children's welfare and children's educational projects, including special needs schools.
- Organisations supporting elderly people and people with disabilities.

Grants are given to non-profit making bodies such as Community Groups, charities or Local Authority Departments which will not profit from a successful application. Organisations must be based within the United Kingdom in areas where Tesco has stores.

Only one application per year may be submitted by an organisation.
The closing dates for writing to the Trust will depend on the round which is applied for:

- Children's welfare and education (including special needs schools) - 31 January and 30 June each year.
- Elderly and disabilities - 31 March and 30 September each year.

Link to guidelines: <http://cr2010.tescopl.com/communities/tesco-charity-trust.aspx>

Tesco Charity Trust
PO Box 980
Canterbury
CT1 9DX
Tel: 0845 612 3575
Website: <http://www.tescopl.com>

For applications over £4,000, applicants should contact:

Michelina Filocco
Secretary
Tesco Charity Trust
Tesco House
Delamare Road
Cheshunt
Herts
EN8 9SL
E-mail: michelina.filocco@uk.tesco.com

Woodward Charitable Trust

The Trust aims to support small-scale, locally-based charitable initiatives in the UK.

The Trust offers the following types of funding:

- Small grants of between £100 and £5,000 (around 80 grants are made per year).
- Large grants of over £5,000 (around five grants are made per year).
- Children's summer playscheme grants of between £500 and £1,000 (about 30 grants are made per year).

Funding is primarily for one-off projects, but the Trustees are willing to consider funding running costs, including core cost and salaries.

Applications must be in support of the following activities within the Trust's current funding priorities:

- Children and young people who are isolated, at risk of exclusion or involved in anti-social behaviour.
- Minority groups including refugees, gypsies and travellers. Projects that promote integration and community cohesion will be favoured.
- Prisoners and ex-offenders. Projects that help the rehabilitation and resettlement of prisoners and/or ex-offenders are supported as well as requests to help prisoners families.
- Disability projects which can include rehabilitation and training for people who are either physically disabled or learning disabled, as well as help to improve employment prospects.
- Homelessness, especially affecting young people and women, and covering facilities such as women's refuges.
- Arts outreach work by local groups for the benefit of disadvantaged people.
- Environmental projects, especially with a strong educational element.

Applications for summer playschemes should be for children between the ages of five and 16 from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Applications are accepted from UK registered charities with an annual turnover of less than £300,000.

Applications for summer playscheme grants will only be accepted from UK registered charities with an annual turnover of less than £100,000.

Trustees are interested in helping smaller organisations that offer direct services and those that encourage cross community participation.

Applications for large grants will be rejected unless applications are discussed with the Trust's administrator prior to submission.

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