



Funding Opportunities

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Bulletin on a selection of current funding opportunities

In the European and External Funding Unit, we monitor various funding programmes and track the bidding **opportunities** opening. These opportunities range from “calls for proposals” from the European Commission to **bidding rounds** for Lottery funds. We select and present in this bulletin some of those opportunities most relevant to Powys, under various category headings.

If you are interested in any of the opportunities published here, we will be pleased to provide more **information**. We can also provide advice on preparing the **application** and help to identify potential project **partners**, if required.

If you would like further details, please contact the European and External Funding Unit at Powys County Council: funding@powys.gov.uk - 01597 826766 - intranet page 4249.

Please note, local authorities are eligible to apply for all of the schemes in this bulletin except for those marked with an asterisk (*), which may be of interest to the wider community.

ART, CULTURE & HERITAGE

*** FOYLE FOUNDATION**

The Foundation aims to benefit charitable causes in the **Arts** or **learning**.

There are two grant schemes available:

The Main grant scheme supports art projects which include: encourage **new art work**, supporting young and emerging talents and making art more accessible by developing **new audiences, festivals** and arts educational projects. In learning it supports projects which involve: **libraries**, museums and archives. The grants available range from £10,000 to £50,000.

The Small grants scheme supports a wide range of activities at grass root and local community level in any field across a wide range of activities. The grant ranges from £1,000 and £10,000.

UK registered charities are eligible to apply.

Deadline:

Application can be submitted at any time.

Further information:

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

EMI – INSTRUMENT AND EQUIPMENT AWARD

The scheme aims to support the access to **music for students**, schools and teachers by supporting the purchase of musical instruments/ equipment and training for musical teachers to fund courses/training.

Eligible cost may include:

- Courses and training for school music teachers
- School musical education (not including curriculum teaching)
- **Musical and equipment purchase**

The grants available are up to £2,000.

Eligible applicants include **schools** and individuals in full time education.

Deadline:

5th February 2014.

Further Information:

<http://www.emimusicfoundation.com/index.php/site/awards/>

SPORT

SPORT WALES – DEVELOPMENT GRANT

The aim of the Development Grant is to **kick-start new project** or to improve the standard and building capacity of current activities.

Eligible activities include:

- **Purchase of new/additional equipment**
- Flood lighting for training purchases
- Capital projects for building work for new facilities
- Purchase of land or right to develop activity areas
- Pitch drainage projects
- Initial venue hire or instructor fees

Grants are available between £1,501 and £25,000, under exceptional circumstances funding is available over £25,000.

Eligible include **local authority**, sport club or Association, and community groups.

Deadline:

Application should be submitted six to eight weeks before the project is due to start.

Further Information:

<http://www.sportwales.org.uk/funding-support/our-grants/development-grant.aspx>

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

* PRINCE'S TRUST – DEVELOPMENT AWARD GRANT

The Prince's Trust helps young people to **overcome any barrier** they have and to allow for them to get their lives back on track. They provide this through **practical support**, which includes training, mentoring as well as financial assistance.

The scheme offers 14-25 years old opportunities to develop their confidence, learning new skills, get into work and starting their own business.

The Trust targets the unemployed, underemployed, those who have a low level of basic skills and those parenting alone.

Grants are available up to £500. They will also receive support from a Prince's Trust volunteer who will help set goals, making decisions and find other programmes of support.

There are two eligible groups:

Young people aged **16-25** who are unemployed, lacking money for support for jobs and support in education or training.

Young people aged **14-25** who are in education, training or volunteering and need support to get employment or continue in education and training.

Deadline:

Application can be submitted at any time.

Further Information:

http://www.princes-trust.org.uk/need_help/grants.aspx

FIELD STUDIES COUNCIL – KIDS FUND GRANT

The Kids Fund is part of the Field Studies Council which is a registered charity which aims to “Bring Environmental Understanding to All”.

The Kids Fund aims are to bring environmental understanding to disadvantaged young people by attending a course at an FSC centre, and to allow those who may otherwise be excluded.

Funding available is up to 80% of the cost of the course with a maximum of £3,000 being eligible.

Eligible activities include attending a FSC course by a group, accommodation, equipment and waterproof hire cost.

Eligible organisations include school groups and voluntary youth groups which are run by volunteers but are managed by a voluntary organisation or registered charity.

Deadline:

Applications can be submitted at any time.

Further Information:

<http://www.field-studies-council.org/supporting-you/applying-to-fsc-kids-fund.aspx>

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

* PEOPLE’S POSTCODE TRUST

The Trust aims to make the UK a better place for both people and nature.

Projects must provide assistance to one or more of the following:

- To prevent poverty
- To promote, maintain, improve and advance health
- To advance citizenship or community development
- To advance public participation in sport
- To promote, improve and advance human rights, conflict or reconciliation
- To promote and advance environment protection or improvement

The grants available are up to £5,000 in Wales.

Examples of eligible funding include: **purchase of sports kit or uniform**, new equipment and creation of community gardens.

Eligible organisations include; registered charities, not-for-profit organisations and **constituted voluntary and community groups**.

Deadline:

8th November 2013.

Further Information:

<http://www.postcodetrust.org.uk/small-grants.aspx>

MILLENNIUM STADIUM CHARITABLE TRUST

The Trust's aim is to improve the quality of life of people who live and work in Wales.

A particular focus is on the **promotion of education, history, language and culture**.

There are four categories they focus on:

- **Sport** – includes projects for buying equipment and coaching costs
- **The arts** – includes project which expand and improve arts provisions
- **The environment** – includes project which improves the quality of Wales' environment
- **The community** – includes projects which look to tackle social, personal, economic barrier within their community

The Trust also is keen to help young people learn about their country through **exchanges programmes** under the four categories.

Grants available are up to £2,500 for local organisations for their local community or town.

Eligible organisations include not-for-profit organisations, charitable organisations and **voluntary groups working with Local Authority**.

Deadline:
1st November 2013.

Further Information:
http://www.millenniumstadiumtrust.org.uk/?page_id=9

* COMIC RELIEF – UK GRANT PROGRAMME

Comic Relief is committed to bringing about a just world free from poverty.

Applications should meet at least one of the organisations' themes:

Better futures- which should help improve vulnerable young people's lives, with a focus on 11-24 years old to help them develop their social and emotional capabilities including confidence and problem solving.

Healthier finances- which should help people feel more comfortable and confident in managing their money by developing money management skills and ways to maximise their income.

Safer lives- which should help to reduce violence, abuse and explorations by empowering people to avoid harmful situation and provide specialist support.

Fairer society- which should help people overcome inequalities by supporting marginality groups of people to have a voice in decisions that affect their lives or groups which tackling the root causes of injustice and work together to create a fairer society.

Grants are available over £10,000 and will fund up to 100% of the cost of the proposal, but applicants are encouraged to have other funding sources.

Eligible organisations include registered charities and **not-for-profit organisations**.

Deadline:
Applications can be submitted at any time.

Further Information:
<http://2013.comicrelief.com/apply-for-a-grant>

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