

News

LLOYDS TSB FOUNDATION FOR SCOTLAND

The foundation has announced that it has rebranded itself as the Corra Foundation, and published its new strategy.

According to a spokeswoman from the organisation, the Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland has rebranded as the Corra Foundation because its existing relationship with Lloyds TSB is set to conclude in February 2019.

The foundation was one of four regional foundations supported by the Lloyds Banking Group and received 1% of pre-tax profits. In 2010 Lloyds Banking Group served notice on the agreement and the charity is due to receive its final payment in February 2018.

The spokeswoman said that it received shares from Lloyds in July of this year, which the foundation has since been able to sell, giving it a "reasonably sizeable pot of funds to invest in charities and communities." However, she said that part of the foundation's new strategy mean it would be exploring, "a range of approaches to support change, not all of which will follow a traditional funding model."

The name Corra "comes from Scots mythology and relates to ideas of knowledge and change." Their new logo, which you can see on their website, has been designed to have a "subtly Scottish feel" and represent something that the foundation feels, connects with their roots in the banking sector.

As part of the rebranding announcement, the foundation has also published what it's called "the next iteration of its strategy" called Change for Good.

Fiona Duncan, chief executive of the Corra Foundation, said the organisation's new strategy would help it to reach more community organisations with its grant programme in the future.

"We are delighted to share the next iteration of our strategy, along with a name and brand that connect with our roots, whilst providing our foundations for the future.

"Between now and 2019 Change for Good will see us build on our aspirations to be the best grant maker we can be, get alongside communities – including those we don't historically reach – and use our 30 years plus grant making experience to support others. Within all of this we will seek to go further, be bolder and above all to make partnership an underpinning principle of our approach.

"We are hugely excited as we look forward to working with the many others who share the Corra Foundation's passion for tackling some of the biggest challenges so that people are able to create positive change and enjoy fulfilling lives."

Chair of the Corra Foundation, Trevor Civval, said, "As the Corra Foundation we will strive to be a progressive voice and be willing to innovate to help us achieve our mission which remains focused on making a difference to people and communities, by encouraging positive change, opportunities, fairness and growth of aspirations, which improve quality of life."

Link: https://www.corra.scot/about-us/

Programme Updates

BIG LOTTERY UPDATES

Early Action System Change Fund

Some webinars were held recently to explore the different themes of Early Action System Change. The first two have their recordings available and the third one is expected to be online quite soon.

To access the webinars click on the link below, please enter your name, email address and organisation name and then the recording will be available:

- 1. Women and criminal justice
- 2. Healthy diet and active lifestyles
- 3. Children, young people and families https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8122649131869961218).

Link: https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/easc

National Lottery Awards for All Scotland

The 'old' version of the Awards for All Scotland application is no longer being accepted. The new application form can be downloaded from their website.

Link: https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/scotland

Resources/Information/Publications

Resources

BT – COMMUNITY WEB KIT

This scheme is open to small charitable voluntary and community groups in the UK that provide a clear benefit to the local community. A simple-to-build website may be constructed from simple onscreen instructions on the Internet.

As part of the BT Community Web Kit applicants will receive the following:

- Free website hosting
- Free website addresses
- The choice of eight templates with five or 15 colour themes depending on the template selected
- One free format template
- Enough space for unlimited pages and up to 500 pictures
- Templates and colour options for all content
- An easy-to-use Page Editor or an HTML Editor for technically minded applicants
- Free technical support

To qualify, organisations must be based in the United Kingdom and provide a clear benefit to the local community. They should be registered charities, non-profit-making groups or volunteer-led organisations. Users are advised to contact the sponsor for details of any specific criteria that may apply.

Applications may be made at any time.

Link: http://www.btck.co.uk/Default.aspx

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 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.

SCVO - FUNDING SCOTLAND

Signposting funding opportunities for charities, community groups and social enterprises across Scotland

This free online search engine can be used to find funding for charities, community groups, social enterprises and voluntary organisations. Funding Scotland lists small and large grants that support big capital projects, communities and projects in Scotland. Users can search by geographical area, main activities and main beneficiaries.

Funding opportunities for individuals or businesses are not listed. The most recently updated funds appear on the search page. This website is owned and maintained by the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations, the umbrella body for Scotland's third sector. You can contact them on 0800 169 0022 or email them at fundingscotland@scvo.org.uk

Link: http://www.fundingscotland.com

IDENTIFYING OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING

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

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

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

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://www.facebook.com/SocEntAcademy?sk=wall

Link: https://mobile.twitter.com/signup

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/

Information

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



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 in 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 433 930 or email warren.mcintyre@ resourceefficientscotland.com

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

WAYS TO PAY

The Payments Council has confirmed 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

Publications

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-fororganisers-of-voluntary-events

New Funding Opportunities

Arts, Culture & Heritage

ALAN EVANS MEMORIAL TRUST

The scheme aims to fund projects for the permanent preservation of areas of natural beauty or historic interest, including projects involving animal or plant life.

The amount of funding each year fluctuates depending on the Trust's income. For the last two years, the range was between about £121,000 and £234,000.

Funding is at the discretion of the Trustees. Grants tend to be in the range of £1,000 to £5,000 with a few larger grants made to exceptional projects.

Further information, guidance and application forms are available by writing to the trust at: Alan Evans Memorial Trust, Royds Withy King LLP, 34 Regent Circus, Swindon, SNI 1PY, Tel: 01793 847 777 or email them at aevans@withyking.co.uk

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: None

FINNIS SCOTT FOUNDATION

This scheme provides grants for UK registered charities working in the areas of horticulture and plant sciences, as well as art and art history.

The Finnis Scott Foundation was established under the Will of Lady Scott (Valerie Finnis) in 2006. Lady Scott held a lifelong interest in charity, horticulture, arts and culture. The purposes of the Foundation reflect this.

Although the trustees may make grants for any charitable purpose, their current policy is to focus their grant-making in the areas of:

- Horticulture and plant sciences
- Fine art
- Art history

The trustees will only usually consider grants of between £500 and £10,000. Larger grants may be considered in exceptional circumstances at the Trustees' discretion.

The foundation makes grants to both UK charities and individuals. However preference is given to making grants to smaller charities where the grant would have a significant impact. In the case of private individuals, the trustees usually require a grant to be made through a sponsoring university or registered charity.

Applications should be received at least three weeks before the date of a meeting. Meeting dates are available at the foundation website.

Application forms are available to download from the Foundation's website. The following documents must also be submitted:

- The organisation's governing document
- If available, any business plan, project plan or similar document setting out the purpose of the grant
- The organisation's most recent accounts and annual report
- The organisation's current budget and any separate project budget
- Any further documents that are requested

If a grant is made, this will be by cheque and in accordance with a written agreement which the applicant will be required to accept and sign in order to receive the grant.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 15 December 2017.

Link: http://www.finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk/

Children & Young People

BUTTLE UK

This scheme provides funding for the purchase of essential items to meet the needs of children in the UK who living in severe poverty, suffering deprivation as a result and who are facing additional social issue.

Buttle UK are working in partnership with Children in Need to deliver their Emergency Essentials Programme. This programme provides items for the most basic needs of vulnerable children and young people who may be experiencing abuse, neglect, disability or poverty.

Buttle UK was established to ensure that children and young people in desperate need are given a brighter future. This is achieved through a range of grant programmes that are designed to provide vulnerable individual children and families the support they need to overcome immediate crisis, or ensure the best possible opportunity for a successful education.

Grants of up to £300 are available with no requirement for match funding.

Support is restricted to the following:

- Children aged 18 years or under living with parents or carers
- Young people aged 20 years and under who are living independently who are estranged or orphaned

Consideration will be given to those who are living in severe poverty, suffering deprivation as a result and who are facing additional social issues such as domestic abuse, drug and alcohol misuse, estrangement, illness, distress, abuse, neglect, behavioural or mental health issues. Priority will be given to applications from children and young people who are facing exceptionally difficult circumstances or who are facing a crisis situation.

All applications must be made through an organisation that is supporting the family or young person and is capable of assessing their needs, and that can also administer the grant.

Applications can be accepted from a wide-variety of organisations including statutory or charitable organisations providing a health care, social care or advice service, Probation and Youth Offending, Tenancy support, Education services including Primary and Secondary schools, NHS and Primary Care Trusts, Sure Start and Children's Centres and Flying Start and Communities First.

Funding is available for critical household items as follows:

- Gas or electric cookers
- Essential household items, furniture and kitchen equipment
- Clothing in exceptional or emergency situations
- Baby equipment
- Fridges and freezers
- Washing machines
- · Children's beds and bedding

Normally only one item can be considered per application which should preferably be made online at the trust's website. Applications can also be made using the trust's electronic application form, which is available to download or request via email.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: http://www.buttleuk.org/index.php

CASH FOR KIDS – GLASGOW AND THE WEST OF SCOTLAND

This scheme provides grants for voluntary and community groups for projects that benefit children and young people who are under 16 years of age living in the Radio Clyde transmission area.

The Radio Clyde Cash for Kids Community Grants scheme is available to local voluntary and community groups for projects that

benefit children and young people under the age of 16 years who live in Glasgow and the West of Scotland.

The following types of grants are available.

- Community grants are used to fund community based and child centred projects that build on the strengths of the local community.
- Group (Christmas) grants are normally given to projects or groups looking to provide a better Christmas for a group of children.
- Family, or individual, grants are small grants given to help a single child. These are often used to purchase a Christmas present. There is a similar grant scheme during the summer period to relieve the challenges faced by many children over the school holidays.
- Special grants are used year-round to fund projects which benefit children and adhere to the Cash for Kids funding criteria.

Applicants are asked to note that the deadline for Cash for Kids Christmas Grant applications has passed.

Applications are open any time for Special and Community Grants.

Link: http://www.cashforkids.uk.com/grants/

CHILDREN'S HEALTH FUND

This scheme is inviting organisations that want to provide good food as part of holiday learning, play and activity programmes to apply for grants of between £1,000 and £5,000.

Applications will be considered from registered charities, CIOs, schools, hospitals, housing associations, community groups, local authorities, churches and youth groups.

To be eligible, clubs must:

- Provide meals that align with the food and drink requirements (i.e. School Food Standards England 2015) and other term time regulations (e.g. food hygiene, food labelling).
- Include enrichment activities such as sports, art and crafts, growing etc.
- Provide holiday food provision for a minimum of three days a week over four weeks.
- Implement relevant policies (e.g. health and safety, safeguarding, pastoral).
- Demonstrate a local partnership is in place which includes a representative from the Local Authority and/or health board.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on Friday 6 October 2017.

Link: http://www.childrenshealthfund.org.uk/grants/

HENRY SMITH CHARITY

This scheme aims to provide grants for schools, youth groups, not-for-profit organisations and charities to provide access to recreational trips or holidays up to and including 31 December 2017 for groups of children who experience disadvantage or who have disabilities.

The Henry Smith Charity is a grant making organisation which was established in 1628. The Charity's capital endowment now consists of a substantial portfolio of stock market investments, commercial property and agricultural property from which income for grants is derived.

The Charity aims to provide children aged 13 years or younger who are disadvantaged, disabled or from areas of high deprivation with a recreational holiday or outing they would not otherwise have the opportunity to experience.

Grants of between £500 and £2,500 are available which are normally limited to a maximum of two-thirds of the total cost of the trip.

Successful organisations are expected to send a short report on the trip within three months of it having taken place.

Organisations that have already received three years' funding will not be considered for a further application until two years after the last grant was awarded.

Applications can be made for grants towards a single trip, which could be residential or a day trip, in the UK for children aged 13 and under who are from areas of high deprivation, are experiencing disadvantage, or those who have a disability. The Charity is particularly interested in funding trips for children located in the bottom 20% of the National Indices of Deprivation.

Applications can be considered for holidays or outings that have the objective of providing children with a break they would not otherwise have the opportunity to experience. Holidays or outings can be to countryside or city locations, but must be outside the children's immediate locality. Funding is available for day-trips as well as longer residential trips.

All applications should be received at least six weeks before the date of the trip to allow for administrative processing and decision making. An application form and a set of guidelines can be found on the Charity's website. The application form should be completed and submitted online.

All applications (except those from schools) must be accompanied by a copy of the organisation's most recent audited or independently inspected accounts, and a detailed budget and fundraising strategy for the trip or holiday which explains where the balance of funds will be/have been raised.

Please note that decisions will be made on a first come, first served basis.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 17 November 2017.

Link: http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/holiday-grants-for-children. html

Community Development

AVIVA COMMUNITY FUND OPENS FOR UK ENTRIES

This scheme offers grant funding to voluntary and community organisations for projects that will make a real difference to local communities.

Applications will be accepted from not-for-profit organisations or groups working for the good of their community, which have been in existence for at least six months and have an income of £1 million or less.

To be eligible, projects must make a positive difference to people's lives and address at least one of the following categories, which are new for 2017:

- Health and wellbeing
- Skills for life
- Inclusivity
- Community support

The Community Fund operates like a competition, and all projects will be put forward to a public vote. Applicants are, therefore, encouraged to widely promote their projects and gather as much support from their local community as possible.

Projects can be entered under four levels of funding:

- Up to £1,000
- Up to £5,000
- Up to £10,000
- Up to £25,000

Groups have an increased chance of winning if an insurance broker or financial adviser submits their entry and supports them, as there is an additional set of awards especially for projects submitted by brokers and financial advisers.

The public will be able to vote for their favourite projects from 24 October to 21 November 2017.

The deadline for entries is 12 noon on Tuesday 10 October 2017.

Link: https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/user/aboutthecompetition

ALEC DICKSON TRUST

This scheme supports individuals and groups of young people who are able to demonstrate that through volunteering or community service they can enhance the lives of others, particularly those most marginalised by society.

Alec Dickson, along with his wife Mora, founded CSV (Community Service Volunteers) in 1962, mobilising the talents and energy of young people. CSV provided Alec with the opportunity to put

many of his innovative ideas about community service into practice. He passionately believed that anyone could make a positive contribution to the world around them.

Alec pioneered the involvement of young volunteers with backgrounds in offending, drug misuse and homelessness, built up a programme of community service work in schools, and campaigned vigorously for a nationwide community service.

It was with this spirit of adventure and belief in young people that the Alec Dickson Trust was established after Alec's death in 1994.

Grants of up to £500 are available to small groups of young people who are under 30 years of age. Projects should adhere to the following:

- Be run by a young volunteer, or team of young volunteers, the majority of who are less than 30 years old.
- Take place in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.
- Have a clear benefit to others in the wider community.
- Encourage volunteering. The more volunteers involved the better.

Applications which are available to download from the trust's website will be considered four times a year with preference given to innovative projects.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: http://www.alecdicksontrust.org.uk/

Education

COMMUNITY HEALTH AND FOOD (SCOTLAND) – CAPACITY BUILDING FUND

This scheme aims to ensure that everyone in Scotland has the opportunity, ability and confidence to access a healthy and acceptable diet for themselves, their families and their communities.

The Capacity Building Fund is intended to support groups and agencies running food and health activities to build the knowledge, skills and expertise they need to help them deliver their activities better.

Grants of up to £500 are available, but must be spent by 31 March 2018.

Applicants should be one of the following:

- Part of a community group, voluntary organisation or social enterprise.
- Part of a group or organisation working with people in a lowincome community. Community can mean working with a group with a common interest (such as people with a mental wellbeing issue, or people affected by homelessness) or people living or working in the same geographic area.

 Already involved in running a food and health activity, such as a community café, cookery classes, healthy eating sessions, a fruit and vegetable stall, or a food delivery scheme.

Applications are welcomed from two or more organisations that wish to run a joint capacity-building activity.

Examples of eligible activities include:

- Making sure staff and volunteers working with community members understand current nutrition messages and are confident about delivering these:
 - Part funding a member of staff to obtain a Royal Society for Public Health nutrition qualification.
 - Meeting some or all of the costs of running a REHIS Elementary Food and Health course for volunteers or staff.
 - Meeting the costs of a group registering as a centre to deliver the REHIS Elementary Food and Health course.
- Helping staff and volunteers to develop knowledge, skills and expertise to deliver formal or informal learning opportunities to the people they work with:
 - Assisting a member of staff to obtain a 'training the trainers' qualification, or learn more about training skills.
- Embedding expertise and skills around recruiting, retaining or managing volunteers.
- Ensuring food and health activities are meeting community needs:
 - Supporting staff, volunteers and managers to build their expertise around community consultation.
- Supporting groups to take part in training so that they can deliver their services better:
 - Running customer care training for staff and volunteers working on a fruit and vegetable stall or in a community café.
 - Providing workshops for volunteers in a community cafe around providing healthier menu choices.
 - Running a Scottish Grocers Federation Healthy Living Programme training session for fruit and vegetable stall staff and volunteers.
- Making food and health activities as inclusive as possible:
 - Training for a staff team on the implications of the Equality Act.
 - A learning session for board members on increasing the reach of their food and health activities.
 - Carrying out a health inequalities impact assessment.
- Demonstrating the impact of food and health activities:
 - Supporting staff to learn about self-evaluation.

- Managing resources better:
 - Supporting a management committee to take part in finance training.
 - Part-funding a manager to take part in leadership training.
 - Part-funding a member of staff to take part in a course about using social media.
- Planning for the future:
 - Taking part in social enterprise training, or running a session on business planning for board members.

Applications will be considered for the following:

- All or part of the cost of a member of staff, volunteer, or management committee/board member taking part in a capacity building activity (for example, a training or learning opportunity).
- All or part of the cost of delivering an in-house capacity building activity for staff, volunteers or management committee/board members.

The capacity building activity can be formal or informal. Applications are welcomed to cover the costs of taking part in a wide range of activities, including:

- Certified/accredited training courses.
- Other training courses.
- Attending a conference, workshop, learning event, or study visit.

Eligible costs include:

- Course fees.
- Conference, workshop or learning event fees.
- Costs associated with taking part in a capacity building activity, such as:
 - Travel costs.
 - Childcare costs for volunteers.
 - Staff attending a course or event outside normal working hours.
 - Essential staff cover costs.

An online application form can be found on the Community Food and Health website. However applications may close early if all funding is allocated before the deadline date. A paper application is available upon request.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 8 December 2018.

Link: https://www.communityfoodandhealth.org.uk/funding/cfhs-funding-opportunities/

Physical Or Learning Disability

JOHN WATSON'S TRUST

This scheme awards grants for educational purposes to children and young people under the age of 21 who have a physical or learning disability, or who are socially disadvantaged. Grants are available to individuals or organisations working with eligible children and young people. Although the trust operates primarily in Edinburgh and the Lothians, grants may be awarded Scotland wide depending on each individual case.

Grants range from a minimum of £30, up to a maximum of £2,000. Applicants may be required to provide the remainder of any costs from alternative sources.

The Trust cannot accept requests for day school or university fees however; grants are occasionally made for funding school expenses such as equipment, outings and tuition. School boarding fees may be covered however; this is usually in exceptional cases where personal circumstances make boarding a necessary option.

The trust will not support capital or recurrent running costs, staff salaries or fundraising requests.

The governing body is not authorised to incur expenditure which would, in the absence of the trust, be incurred from public funds. Nor can the amount of the grants paid to individuals be such as to cause any reduction in scholarship, bursary, or other allowance paid out of public funds.

Support is provided towards a variety of projects/activities for the benefit of children and young people, including the following:

- The provision of private tutors.
- Expenses for those in education, such as books, uniforms or laptops.
- Travel costs for any purpose of an educational nature.
- The participation in a university or college course for which they have registered or are about to register.
- School trips of an educational, social, cultural or recreational nature which will contribute to the young person's advancement in life.
- a) Grants to established organisations and ad hoc groups

Assistance may be given towards any aspect of the work of established charitable organisations or ad hoc groups, which will contribute to the education and advancement in life of children and young persons who have a physical or learning disability, or who are socially disadvantaged.

The trustees are interested in new projects put forward by organisations, if it can be shown that these projects will produce new, developed, or additional services which will be of direct assistance to a number of disabled or socially disadvantaged children or young persons.

b) Grants for research

Assistance may be given to bodies or persons to undertake relevant research for the educational benefit of children and young persons who have a physical or learning disability, or who are socially disadvantaged.

Grants will be awarded for not more than one year in the first instance, but may be extended for further periods as the governing body may see fit.

c) Grants for school trips

Schools may apply for help towards individuals or classes attending an educational outing or residential trip.

d) Grants for boarding education

Each year, the Trust awards a few grants to assist towards the cost of providing boarding education for children ordinarily resident in Scotland, who are orphans, children of one-parent families, or who are subject to some other special family difficulty, which is not purely financial, and whose circumstances are such that the governing body consider it would be in their best interest to have such education

Further information and guidance including application forms are available to complete online or to download from the Trust's website.

The final 2017 deadline for receipt of applications is Friday 3 November.

Link: http://www.wssociety.co.uk/charities/jwt/

Employee Training & Development

THE FLEXIBLE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND (FWDF)

This scheme is part of a wider offer of training and support that aims to provide a clear and distinctive response to the introduction of the UK Apprenticeship Levy. A scheme that will bring together the college sector with industry in order to provide support for in-work training in Scotland.

The purpose of the fund is to provide employers with flexible workforce development training opportunities to support inclusive economic growth through up-skilling or reskilling of employees. The fund will address the issue of skills gaps and will consider the

potential training needs of older workers in cases where a full apprenticeship may not be appropriate.

The Scottish Government will provide £10 million to the Scottish Funding Council (SFC) for the FWDF to be made available through regional colleges and Scotland's Rural College. Scotland's employers can apply for part of this Fund to partner with colleges to deliver in-work skills training. The one-year pilot fund will focus on the up-skilling and re-skilling of existing employees of any age, with individual organisations able to apply for up to £10,000.

This initiative will support the delivery of SFC's strategic outcome of greater innovation in the economy. It also supports the Scottish Government's strategic priority of high quality learning in a learning system which is connected for the learner, including learning which prepares people for the world of work and successful long-term careers, prioritising provision that meets known skills gaps in the economy.

Funded activity must take place no earlier than 11 September 2017 until no later than the end of June 2018.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 15 December 2017.

Link: http://www.sfc.ac.uk/communications/Announcements/2017/ SFCAN132017.aspx

Loan Funding

ASDA COMMUNITY CAPITAL LOAN FUNDING

This scheme provides flexible loans for early stage social enterprises operating in Scotland that are looking to access social investment for the first time.

ASDA's Community Capital Loan funding scheme is administered by Social Investment Scotland. Social Investment Scotland provides loans for charitable organisations such as social enterprises with the intention of generating significant social impact.

Loans are available from £10,000 up to £50,000 on a flexible basis. Around 10-20 organisations per year will be selected to receive a loan. The following terms apply:

- Fixed rate of 5%
- No interest charged or accrued in the first year
- No repayments in the first year. (Interest and capital repayments start from the second year)
- No security required
- No arrangement fees
- No penalty for partial or full early repayment
- Repayable over a maximum of six years

Information regarding match funding has not been stipulated. Prospective candidates should contact Social Investment Scotland for more information.

Candidates will be assessed and prioritised according to the following criteria:

- New enterprises that have been running for less than two years.
- Enterprises that are practicing social investment for the very first time.
- Enterprises that wish to take a step change in the delivery of significant social impact.

Applicants should be able to show how taking on this loan investment will enable them to become more financially sustainable after the investment has been paid back.

Application forms are not available for this scheme. Instead, prospective candidates should contact Social Enterprise Scotland directly in order to establish the next steps. This can be done through telephone at 0131 558 7706 or through sending an email to CommunityCapital@socialinvestmentscotland.com

There are no published deadlines.

Link: http://www.socialinvestmentscotland.com/looking-for-investment/our-funds/asda-community-capital/

CHARITY BANK LIMITED

This scheme provides affordable loan finance and advice to enable charities, social enterprises and organisations with charitable goals across the UK to grow. It often lends where banks or building societies either will not make a loan at all, or will only do so on unaffordable terms.

Loans ranging from £50,000 to £3.25 million are available with interest rate and charges on borrowing depending on the size, type and length of a loan required.

The Charity Bank will lend to charities, social enterprises and organisations where their activities are compatible with its values and social purpose.

Full criteria details are available via the banks website but applicants should contact the provider direct to discuss any exclusion that may apply.

Applications may be made at any time.

Link: https://charitybank.org/

Men

COMIC RELIEF

This scheme seeks to support vulnerable and disadvantaged young men with mental health problems – Thriving not just surviving: young men and mental health. They are seeking proposals to deliver specialised mental health provision which puts the needs of young men at the heart of their work. They are especially interested in funding organisations that test out different approaches to engagement and support to establish what works. They encourage applicants to co-design activities with young men to ensure their needs, interests and priorities are met as well as challenging the barriers they face in accessing mental health provision.

They expect to make approximately 20 grants of around £100,000-£150.000 across the UK.

Evidence suggests that activity-based interventions have proven successful in engaging with young men, creating a space for them to firstly ask for help and then develop trust. Peer support and group activities have also been shown to be key factors in young men feeling more confident, comfortable and empowered to engage. They encourage all of our applicants to consider testing out different approaches to see what works.

They will prioritise applications which:

- Have consulted and plan to co-design activities with young men to ensure their needs and interests are met effectively.
- Are working with young men from Black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) communities or those with co-occurring learning disabilities and mental health problems.
- Use activity based interventions as a tool of engagement and/or that are psychologically informed. We expect to fund applications using the arts and sports as well as social and cultural activities.
- Promote and recognise the power of peer support and positive role models and incorporate these into their interventions.
- Ensure activities are carried out in non-stigmatising locations.

Further information, guidance and applications on how to apply are available to download from their website.

Applications received will be shortlisted between 19 October and 8 November with assessments taking place between 12 December 2017 and 22 January 2018.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 13 October 2017.

Link: http://www.comicrelief.com/apply-for-grants/open-grants-initiatives/thriving-not-just-surviving-young-men-and-mental-health

Older People

ROBERT MCALPINE FOUNDATION

This scheme offers grants to registered charities to support projects that benefit older people.

Grants are made between the values of £2,500 and £10,000 with no requirement for match funding.

Eligible organisations must meet the following requirements:

- Be a registered charity
- Have an annual income of less than £1 million
- Operate in Great Britain

The Robert McAlpine Foundation does not have a website therefore applications must be made in writing which the trustees will consider annually in November.

Further information and guidance can be obtained by contacting the foundation directly at foundation@srm.com

There are no published deadlines

Link: None

Women

FEMINIST REVIEW TRUST

This scheme makes grants are available for projects in the UK and internationally that transform the lives of women. The trust particularly welcomes applications from non-OECD countries in the following areas:

- Lesbian and transgender rights.
- Violence against women and girls.
- Disabled women and girls.

Grants of up to £15,000 are available however the trustees rarely give out awards of this amount. The trust receives a very large number of applications; far more than it can fund. The current success rate for applications is about 5%. Therefore applicants should bear in mind that they may only be offered partial funding.

Successful applicants will be required to display the trust's logo on all material associated with the project and provide a Final Report.

Funding is for projects that relate to the trust's objectives, which are:

- To advance the education of the public in the subject of gender.
- To promote equality of opportunity between women and men in any part of the world.

- To alleviate poverty and hardship by promoting and advancing good health and education among women in any part of the world.
- To undertake other charitable purposes.

Further information on what the trust will not fund and application forms are available to download from the trust's website and should be returned by email to administrator@feminist-review-trust.com

The deadlines for receipt of applications are 31 January 2018, 30 April 2018 and 30 September 2018.

Link: http://www.feminist-review-trust.com/

Awards

AWARDS INTELLIGENCE BEST BUSINESS AWARDS

This scheme is open to all businesses from the private, public and third sectors with winners receiving a range of PR benefits.

The awards are marketed and administered by Awards Intelligence, the UKs leading provider of business awards support services. The Best Business Awards aim to highlight and reward excellence in business across the private and public sectors.

Award winners will receive a range of PR benefits such as feedback from the judging panel and a complimentary 30 minute telephone consultation with a public relations expert with the aim of providing help and guidance on maximising awareness of the applicant's success.

All awards winners can request feedback from the judges on why they won to use for press releases and marketing material at no extra cost.

Although there are no specific exclusions cited within the awards scheme, applicants are advised to contact the awards administrator.

The entry fee for the Best Business Awards is £195 plus VAT (£234) per category that the applicant enters into or £150 plus VAT (£180) per category when the applicant enters three or more categories. There are several categories for each sector including:

- Best innovation
- Best marketing
- Best new business
- Best employer
- Best Corporate Social Responsibility

The awards are held each quarter. Applicants can apply via the website where they will need to select a category, draft a written entry of up to 1,000 words explaining why they should win and email the entry to the administrator. Applicants can pay the entry fee by cheque or BACS payment once they have submitted their application.

The deadlines for receipt of entries for each round are the last working day of January, April, July and October.

Link: http://www.bestbusinessawards.co.uk/

Trusts

GARFIELD WESTON FOUNDATION

This scheme has launched a new website with the aim of making the process of applying for funding as straightforward as possible. One-off grants are available to charitable organisations in the UK, working at grassroots level, for a wide-range of projects in the areas of welfare, youth, community, arts, faith, environment, education, health and museums and heritage where need is the greatest.

The Garfield Weston Foundation was established in 1958 by Willard Garfield Weston, a Canadian businessman who arrived in the UK with his family in 1932. He was the creator of Associated British Foods and the foundation was endowed with the donation of family owned company shares.

The foundation donates around £60 million per year with around 1,500 charities from across the UK receiving funding. The foundation offers two levels of funding:

- Regular Grants of between £1,000 and £99,999.
- Major Grants of £100,000 and above.

Typically grants are made for a single year; however, the trustees may consider making a grant spread over a number of years at their discretion if they feel this would be appropriate. Applicants are asked to note that match funding is required and should be secured before applying.

The foundation will consider the following:

- The financial viability of the organisation.
- The degree of need for the project requiring funding.
- The amount spent on administration and fundraising as compared to the charitable activities.
- The ability to raise sufficient funding to meet the appeal target.
- Whether the organisation has appropriate priorities and plans in place to manage its activities.

It is highly unlikely that the foundation will consider making a grant to organisations that cannot demonstrate significant progress with fundraising.

The foundation does not consider any funding request made within 12 months of the outcome of a previous application, whether or not a grant was received.

The funding is for organisations working in the areas of welfare, youth, community, arts, faith, environment, education, health and museums and heritage.

The foundation 'strongly recommends' groups apply for whatever are their greatest priority and area of need. This could be in one of three areas: capital, revenue ('core costs') or project work.

- Capital costs funding for tangible things, such as a building project, repairs, equipment etc. A grant is unlikely to be more than around 10% of the total Capital project cost.
- Revenue/Core Costs funding for the general costs of what the organisation does – its activity. As a general rule, this funding is unlikely to be more than approximately 10–20% of the organisation's total annual income.
- Project Costs funding for a very specific project or activity and would include all the costs involved in delivering the project, including staff costs and a reasonable percentage of overheads if relevant. The Foundation recommends that the applicant has around half of its funding identified before applying.

Projects should fall within at least one of the following categories:

- Arts Both revenue and capital grants for a wide range of organisations (from small community theatre groups to national arts galleries) that engage with a variety of audiences and that can demonstrate their impact and quality.
- Community A large volume of grants are made every year to community projects, many of which rely on the time and goodwill of volunteers. The majority of projects tend to be relatively small compared to other categories due to their local grass-roots nature, and correspondingly the grants made tend to be smaller in comparison. Typical projects supported include revenue grants for volunteering schemes and capital grants for the restoration of village halls and community centres and for facilities to support community life.
- Education Grants to support education, from small local projects such as reading schemes and after school clubs, to major institutions such as universities.
- Environment Grants to support a range of environment projects ranging from organisations that raise public awareness of, and find solutions to, specific issues such as sustainable fishing, in addition to charities that undertake active conservation work.
- Faith Grants to support simple but practical projects that
 enable religious buildings to be used for an inclusive range of
 charitable purposes by their local communities. Capital grants
 include funds towards the instillation of basic amenities such
 as lavatories and kitchen facilities and for restoration works to
 historic church buildings.

- Health Grants range from specialist care homes and hospices, charities specialising in the treatment and support for specific illnesses, to translational research focusing on medical breakthroughs that will benefit generations now and in the future.
- Museums and Heritage Grants to support organisations that conserve and interpret the nation's heritage for future generations, ensuring it is accessible and available to all.
- Welfare Grants for charities that work with a variety of causes and groups including the elderly, homeless, disability and special needs and those in the criminal justice system. Grants made reflect a charity's size and the nature of the work or project being undertaken.
- Youth Grants for charities that consistently demonstrate the
 commitment of volunteers and professionals across the country
 to support and inspire young people to achieve their potential.
 This includes small local groups, such as girl guides and youth
 clubs to larger national youth development charities.

The guidelines and an online application form can be found on the foundation's website. Groups should read the guidelines before starting the application process.

Applications for a Regular Grant are reviewed on an ongoing basis. However major grants for application of £100,000 cannot be made via the Foundation's website. Rather, applicants should send a one page summary to Grace da Rocha via gdarocha@garfieldweston. org outlining what they are raising funds for, the total cost and fundraising target.

Applications for regular grants may be submitted at any time.

Link: https://garfieldweston.org/

Imminent Deadlines – October 2017

ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME - YOUTH (2014-2020)

This scheme supports activities in education, training, youth and sport across all sectors including Higher Education, Further Education, adult education, schools and youth activities. The aim is to boost skills and employability as well as to modernise education, training and youth work across Europe.

DEADLINE: 4 October 2017 **MAX GRANT**: Discretionary

Link: https://www.erasmusplus.org.uk/youth-funding

BARCAPEL FOUNDATION

This scheme provides grants to registered charities in Scotland for projects and activities which promote the foundation's priority areas of health, heritage and youth.

DEADLINE: 6 October 2017 **MAX GRANT**: £100,000

Link: http://www.barcapelfoundation.org/

NATIONAL EVENTS PROGRAMME (SCOTLAND)

This scheme provides support towards cultural and sporting events, designed to showcase specific towns and regions across Scotland, outside of the key metropolitan areas of Glasgow and Edinburgh.

DEADLINE: 6 October 2017 **MAX GRANT**: £25,000

Link: http://www.eventscotland.org/funding/national-events-programme/

COLMCILLE GRANT SCHEME

This scheme provides grants for organisations to promote interaction between the language communities of Irish and Scottish Gaeilge and to strengthen Irish and Scottish Gaeilc through this interaction.

DEADLINE: 6 October 2017 MAX GRANT: £10,000

Link: http://www.colmcille.net/

ELEPHANT TRUST

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

DEADLINE: 6 October 2017
MAX GRANT: £10.000

Link: http://www.elephanttrust.org.uk/

COMIC RELIEF

This scheme seeks to support vulnerable and disadvantaged young men with mental health problems – Thriving not just surviving: young men and mental health.

DEADLINE: 13 October 2017 MAX GRANT: £150,000

Link: http://www.comicrelief.com/apply-for-grants/open-grants-initiatives/thriving-not-just-surviving-young-men-and-mental-health

MUSEUMS GALLERIES SCOTLAND MUSEUM DEVELOPMENT FUND

This scheme provides financial assistance for projects which will both support the strategic development of Scotland's museums and contribute to the delivery of the aims of the National Strategy.

DEADLINE: 13 October 2017 **MAX GRANT**: £40,000

Link: https://www.museumsgalleriesscotland.org.uk/funding/museum-development-fund/

NFU MUTUAL CHARITABLE TRUST

This scheme provides grants to large charitable groups and organisations in the UK for projects that further the objectives of the NFU Mutual Charitable Trust, particularly those that educate young people in rural areas and relieve poverty in rural areas.

DEADLINE: 27 October 2017 **MAX GRANT**: Discretionary

Link: https://www.nfumutual.co.uk/about-us/our-charitable-trust/

VIRIDOR CREDITS

This scheme provides grants for environmental and community-based projects that are within 10 miles of Waste Recycling Group landfill sites in Scotland and are for the benefit of the general public.

DEADLINE: 31 October 2017 **MAX GRANT**: £50,000

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

Forthcoming Deadlines – November – December 2017

MUSIC FOR ALL

This scheme provides grants to UK based community groups that aim to bring musical projects to their local communities.

DEADLINE: 1 November 2017

MAX GRANT: £2,500

Link: http://www.musicforall.org.uk/apply-for-funding/

WESSEX YOUTH TRUST

This scheme provides funding for projects that provide opportunities to help support and advance children and young people up to the age of 21 years in the UK.

DEADLINE: 1 November 2017 **MAX GRANT**: None given

Link: http://www.wessexyouthtrust.org.uk/

ROWING FOUNDATION

This scheme provides grants to support rowing in Britain with preference shown to encouraging participation in rowing by the young or disabled through the provision of equipment.

DEADLINE: 6 November 2017

MAX GRANT: £3,000

Link: http://www.therowingfoundation.org.uk/index.php

CREATIVE SCOTLAND YOUTH MUSIC INITIATIVE

This scheme provides financial assistance to individual musicians, music facilitators, music groups and youth organisations in Scotland for professional development and training activities that will extend and improve music making activities for children and young people.

DEADLINE: 13 November 2017

MAX GRANT: Various

Link: http://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/targeted-funding/

HENRY SMITH CHARITY – HOLIDAY GRANTS FOR CHILDREN

This scheme provides grants for schools, youth groups, not-for-profit organisations and charities to provide access to recreational trips or holidays for groups of children who experience disadvantage or who have disabilities.

DEADLINE: 17 November 2017

MAX GRANT: £2,500

Link: http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/holiday-grants-for-children.

html

VISITSCOTLAND GROWTH FUND

This scheme is a marketing fund available for well-researched, new collaborative marketing projects. Applications are invited from groups of tourism businesses in Scotland operating at a local, regional or national level who will assist the tourism industry in working towards the national Tourism 2020 strategy.

DEADLINE: 22 November 2017

MAX GRANT: £40,000

Link: http://www.visitscotland.org/business_support/marketing_opportunities/growth_fund.aspx

WASTE RECYCLING ENVIRONMENTAL (WREN) – FCC SCOTTISH ACTION FUND

This scheme provides grants for environmental and community-based projects that are within 10 miles of Waste Recycling Group landfill sites in Scotland and are for the benefit of the general public.

DEADLINE: 22 November 2017

MAX GRANT: £50.000

Link: http://www.wren.org.uk/apply/fcc-scottish-action-fund

BELL'S NAUTICAL TRUST

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

DEADLINE: 30 November 2017 **MAX GRANT**: Discretionary

Link: http://www.bellsnauticaltrust.com/

BAILY THOMAS CHARITABLE FUND

This scheme provides grants to voluntary organisations and charities in the UK for research into learning disability or to assist with the care and relief of those affected by learning disability in the UK.

DEADLINE: 1 December 2017

MAX GRANT: None given

Link: http://www.bailythomas.org.uk/



This scheme provides funding to help strengthen regional museums and galleries in the UK by helping organisations to enhance and sustain curatorial development to attract a broader public.

DEADLINE: 1 December 2017 **MAX GRANT**: None given

Link: http://ellerman.org.uk/how-to-apply/regional-museums-and-galleries-fund

BBC CHILDREN IN NEED - SMALL 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, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

DEADLINE: 1 December 2017 **MAX GRANT**: £30,000

Link: http://www.bbc.co.uk/corporate2/childreninneed

COMMUNITY FOOD AND HEALTH (SCOTLAND) – CAPACITY BUILDING FUND

This scheme provides grants to support groups and agencies in Scotland that are running food and health activities to build knowledge, skills and expertise.

DEADLINE: 8 December 2017

MAX GRANT: £500

Link: https://www.communityfoodandhealth.org.uk/funding/cfhs-funding-opportunities/

HENRY MOORE FOUNDATION

This scheme supports a wide range of projects and activities in the UK involving visual arts, particularly sculpture. Among areas covered are student bursaries, fellowships for artists and grants to art institutions, galleries and museums. Typical projects include exhibitions, publications, commissions, conferences, workshops and lecture series.

DEADLINE: 8 December 2017
MAX GRANT: £20.000

Link: https://www.henry-moore.org/grants/grants-programme

FLEXIBLE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND

This scheme brings the college sector with industry in order to provide support for in-work training in Scotland.

DEADLINE: 15 December 2017

MAX GRANT: £10,000

Link: http://www.sfc.ac.uk/communications/Announcements/2017/ SFCAN132017.aspx

IRONMONGER'S COMPANY

This scheme provides grant support for projects in the UK that provide opportunities for disadvantaged children and young people under the age of 25 years to fulfil their potential.

DEADLINE: 15 December 2017

MAX GRANT: £10,000

Link: http://www.ironmongers.org/charity organisations.htm

HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT SCOTLAND – HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT REPAIR GRANT SCHEME

This scheme provides funding for owners of historic buildings or ancient monuments to help with the cost of repairs to buildings of special interest in Scotland.

DEADLINE: 31 December 2017

MAX GRANT: None

Link: https://www.historicenvironment.scot/

STAFFORD TRUST

This scheme provides grants to support registered charities in the UK, with a preference towards charitable organisations operating in Scotland.

DEADLINE: 31 December 2017

MAX GRANT: £5,000

Link: http://www.staffordtrust.org.uk/

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