



SPORTING EQUALS FUNDING NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2008

Funding information to support sports and physical activity projects for ethnic minorities, refugees and migrant communities.

This newsletter has been put together by Sporting Equals, the only organisation working across the UK to promote opportunities for ethnic minorities in sport. It provides information on national and regional sources of funding relevant for organisations working with ethnic minorities in sport. It is divided into funding available across the UK (or sometimes England) as well as regional and locally targeted funding.

National

DOH Announce Additional Funding for Social Enterprises

The Department of Health (DOH) has announced a £27 million increase in funding available to help social enterprises deliver health and social care services. The Fund offers loans, grants and equity investments (or a mixture of these). The Social Enterprise Investment Fund supports the development of social enterprises in health and social care such as women's refuges, migraine clinics and exercise programmes for the elderly, which take account of and address the needs of a wide range of patients and services users, particularly the most vulnerable and excluded. The increased level of funding will provide start-up funding and longer-term investment to emerging and existing social enterprises in health and social care.

<http://www.gnn.gov.uk/environment/fullDetail.asp?ReleaseID=355787&NewsAreaID=2&NavigatedFromDepartment=False>

Community Cash Awards

The Royal Bank of Scotland Community Cash Awards will see £1 million of grants being distributed by youth charity "The Prince's Trust" to young people who want to run community projects in some of Britain's poorest areas. The Awards, worth £250 to £5,000, are available to disadvantaged 14 to 25-year-olds who want to transform their area and learn practical skills. Projects could range from improving local youth facilities to tackling teenage pregnancy or drug misuse. 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. Previous projects supported include; an amateur boxing project to give young people greater confidence. Applications can be made at any time.

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

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Funding for Young People to Improve their Community

v, the independent charity set up to encourage young people to volunteer, has launched the third application round of the vashpoint scheme. Working in partnership with the HSBC bank, vashpoint is a £1 million initiative that will provide grants of up to £2,500 to young people to set up their own volunteering projects within their community. The type of activities that could be supported could include running activities for children, transforming a community space, supporting victims of bullying, running workshops for young people, setting up a local campaign, clearing up a beach, running music, art or sports events for disadvantaged people, or organising a festival to bring different cultures or communities together, etc. To The next application deadline is the 25th April 2008.

<http://www.vinspired.com/vbuzz/campaigns/171/>

UnLtd Sport Relief Awards

UnLtd, the charity which supports social entrepreneurs provides grants of between £250 and £5,000 to young people to bring community cohesion and understanding through sport and being active. The Funding which is provided through the UnLtd Sport Relief Awards is open to 11-21 year olds, who are prepared to go the extra mile and use their passion for sport to bring respect and understanding to their communities by setting up their own projects. Examples of the types of projects that could be supported include engaging young people from different backgrounds by organising an indoor cricket mini-world cup; reducing violence in local areas by getting young people to channel their energies into football rather than fighting; or skateboarding competitions for kids that will reduce tensions in the local area. Applications can be submitted at any time

<http://www.unltd.org.uk/template.php?ID=110&PageName=sportrelief>

HBOS Foundation - Community Action Programme

Through its Community Action programme, the HBOS Foundation makes grants of up to £10,000 to support a diverse range of local activities. The programme which is available in those communities where the HBOS bank operates, is open to registered charities and has two key themes. Money advice and financial literacy and developing and improving local communities. Previous projects funded include a grant of £2,500 to Ravenscliffe Special School in Halifax to purchase an adapted tricycle providing pupils with the opportunity to engage in fun filled exercise sessions whilst providing much needed sensory stimulation and a grant of £2,100 to purchase sensory play equipment, arts and crafts materials and a number of musical instruments for a family support centre based in Perth for children, young people and adults with autistic spectrum disorder. Applications can be made at any time.

<http://www.hbosfoundation.org/index-community.html>

Nancy Ovens 2008 bursary awards

Sponsored by SkillsActive and awarded by the Nancy Ovens Trust, the bursary is aimed at paid or voluntary coaches and leaders in the active leisure and learning sector. It aims to help those working with young people in the sector to enhance their own skills and knowledge by taking part in studies, work experience or activities outside of their day-to-day job. The bursary, awarded annually, will be worth up to £2,000 and may be used by the selected individual(s) to undertake training or an alternative work experience within the UK or EU. The Nancy Ovens Trust and SkillsActive will appoint a mentor for the period of the bursary. Closing dates for application is April 6.

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Coaching Bursaries

The Learning and Skills Council (LSC) and Sport England have put funding into sports coaching qualifications around the country with projects being managed by SkillsActive. Aimed at both aspiring and existing coaches, it will help them gain qualifications at level 1, 2 and 3 by subsidising courses which are recognised by the UK Coaching Certificate (UKCC).

<http://www.skillsactive.com/resources/bursaries>

Awards for All

Awards for All can fund projects up to £10,000 that enable people to take part in art, sport, heritage and community activities, as well as projects that promote education, the environment and health. You can apply to "Awards for All" at any time. Once a complete application is received you will be notified of their decision within eight to twelve weeks. As well as the application form, which is very short, applicants must send them their constitution, latest set of annual accounts and original bank statements.

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

Football Foundation

The Football Foundation capital scheme funds the refurbishment or construction of changing rooms, grass and artificial pitches and clubhouses for community benefit across the country. The foundation has a fast-track system for schemes of under £20,000. Additional funding is available for maintenance equipment, specialist ground staff, coaching schemes or project coordinators. This funding is only available when linked to capital applications.

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

Nike Player Panel

The Nike Player Panel will offer an award for small community based sports projects, led by outstanding young people in each region, with an emphasis on rewarding volunteers. A panel of players will select the best projects for each region. This covers four regions (North West, North East, Midlands, South) and four Nike players to become Football Foundation Ambassadors and make up the Player Panel. The winning project in each area will receive an award of £10,000. Sports projects should be submitted by Under 25's who are volunteering in their local community. All projects will be using sport as a tool for social change within their local community. To apply, applicants must complete the application form from the website and include relevant Video / photographic evidence. All applications can be returned by email or by post to Dan Burrows, Nike - Football Foundation Partnership Manager, The Football Foundation, 30 Gloucester Place, London, W1U 8FF. Closing date for applications is 14th April 2008.

<http://www.dan.burrows@footballfoundation.org.uk>

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Football Development Grants from Kick it Out

A new Football Development grant is being made available by Kick It Out and the Football Foundation to help support football development within minority communities. The 'One Game, One Community' Development Grant is targeted at community groups and amateur clubs working with black and minority ethnic groups on football projects. The aim of the grant is to help support participation from BME communities in all areas of the game including playing, coaching and refereeing and to help grassroots clubs develop closer links within mainstream football. The grants offer a cash sum of up to £2K for development activities in 4 priority areas. Please note the deadline for applications is 5pm, **Monday 7th April 2008**. For further information please visit the website.

<http://www.kickitout.org/514.php>

Colson Fellowship Fund

Funding of between £100 and £1000 is available from the Colson Fellowship Fund. Priority will be given to applications from groups aimed at the "disadvantaged" and for individuals who are "socially disadvantaged". Applications should be made prior to April and October, as they will be assessed twice per year in May and November. Completed application forms should be sent to: Colson Applications, Sports Leaders UK, 23-25 Linford Forum, Rockingham Drive, Linford Wood, Milton Keynes. MK14 6LY. The closing date for applications is 31.10.2008.

<http://www.pro-activewestlondon.org/funding.asp?section=0001000100020004&page=2&itemID=2375>

Grants to use Sport to Tackle Disadvantage Communities (UK)

In the UK, money raised through Sport Relief 2006 is currently being distributed in two ways. The Community Foundation Network is distributing Sport Relief grants of up to £10,000 to projects that use sport to build the confidence and self esteem of people who are having major problems in their lives. Other projects will give people who would otherwise miss out, the chance to take part in sport.

<http://www.sportrelief.com/about>

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation Grants Programme

This foundation prefers capital projects but will consider revenue funding for charities with an annual income under £300,000. The Foundation currently distributes over £2m per year. The funding is available through the Small Grant Scheme, which provides grants of up to £10,000 and the Large Grant Scheme which offers grants of between £10,000 and £30,000. However, the Foundation makes it clear that the majority of grants awarded are below £5,000. The Trustees will consider applications from anywhere in the UK, especially those concerned with areas of deprivation. It is not necessary to be a registered charity in order to apply however applications will only be considered from not-for-profit organisations.

<http://www.trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/home.html>

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Sports & Arts Grants

The Foundation for Sports and the Arts (FSA) provides support for sports and arts related projects. Grants of up to £40,000 can be awarded to a wide range of projects. The Foundation aim is to enhance the quality of life for the communities to encourage and fund sports and arts at every level. The FSA consider promoting participation and enjoyment by everyone is more important than promoting sporting or artistic excellence or success. Funding is available for Capital and Revenue projects although capital projects are prioritized. Community groups and organisations can apply for grants, which are available for a wide variety of sports and arts purposes e.g. football maintenance, play areas, museums, arts projects, drama centres, etc.

<http://www.thefsa.net/>

London

Funding for Community Development and Education Projects

Deutsche Bank and Capital Community Foundation have announced a new small grants fund for 2008. Applications are welcomed from local groups for projects focusing on Education or Community Development in Lewisham, Westminster or Camden. The maximum level of funding available is £5,000, however, Deutsche Bank expect most grants to be below £3,000. Eligible applicants include community groups, voluntary organisations, charities, Community Interest Companies and Social Enterprises. Although there is no income threshold organisations with an income of less than £100,000 per year will be given priority. The closing date for applications is 5pm on the 2nd May 2008

<http://www.capitalcf.org.uk/news/index.php?id=46>

Sky Bigger Picture Fund

Grants of between £250 and £3,000 are available to charities and organisations that work with young people in Ealing, Hammersmith & Fulham, Brent, Lambeth, Hounslow, Wandsworth and City of Westminster. The Fund will focus on supporting small organisations that work with young people in the following categories; Building Arts; Healthier Environment; Inspiring Learning and / or 'Including Everyone'. The fund is open to small organisations with an annual turnover of less than £75,000. Organisations in other London boroughs will be considered if endorsed by an employee of Sky who volunteers with the project. The funding can be used for a wide variety of purposes, including, equipment, tutoring, building works and running costs

http://www.sky-makeadifference.com/sg_main.php

Run 10K to Help a London Child

The BUPA Great Capital Run is back for its 5th year and takes place in London's picturesque Hyde Park on Sunday, 20th July 2008 to raise money for Help a London Child. HALC provides financial support to grass-root projects working with London's less advantaged children and young people. To register, or for more information, see the Capital 95.8 website.

<http://www.capitalradio.co.uk/sectional.asp?id=12108>

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Cash boost for Young Volunteering

Pro-Active North London has secured £20,000 from Sport England to support Young Volunteering. Pro-Active North London has a target of increasing the number of young people in North London between the ages of 16-19 that take part volunteering within high quality community placements. The funding will be used to coordinate a series of events and initiatives in association with Middlesex University, School Sports Partnership and the Partnership Services Team to help signpost local opportunities for young people. For more information please contact Matt Eames, Pro-Active North London Partnership Manager, Email: m.eames@mdx.ac.uk .

<http://www.pro-activenorthlondon.org/>

Midlands

Derbyshire Sport Coach Bursary Fund

The aim of the Coach Bursary Fund is to encourage and support the personal and professional development of coaches working in Derbyshire through subsidising the costs of coach education. Priority will be given to coaches who are coaching in Derbyshire and / or are community sport coaches; coaching on a school-club link project; involved with Step into Sport or coaching within voluntary sector clubs. Coaches will be able to apply for a maximum of 50% of the total cost or £200, whichever is the lowest figure. Priority will be given to coaches who meet the criteria above and who are from under represented groups in coaching: women, black and ethnic minorities, disabled people and unemployed. Payment will usually be made after the course has been completed. Costs will be reimbursed upon the production of receipts. For further information and guidance on how to complete the application form, visit the website below.

<http://www.derbyshiresport.co.uk/coaches-volunteers/derbyshire-sport-coach-bursary-fund>

Northamptonshire Community Foundation Enterprise

This is a grant based programme to support Community Interest Companies based within Northamptonshire, offering grants of up to £5,000. Groups can apply under one of four funding programmes - Community and Family Life, Culture and Creativity, Healthy Living and the Environment and Sports and Recreation. Applications for £250 - £2000 will go to a monthly small Grants Panel and applications for more than £2000 will go to a Community Grants Committee that will meet four times a year. The main contact in the East Midlands is Rachel McGrath, Northamptonshire Community Foundation Suite, 14/15, Burlington House, 369 Wellingborough Road, Northampton NN1 4EU Tel 01604 230033 Fax 01604 639180 rachel.ncf@btconnect.com. For further information and details of how to apply, please contact the website below.

<http://www.ncf.uk.com>

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