

Latest Funding Opportunities – December 2009

Sport England's themed round – Active Women

To be eligible for funding under this theme, applications must demonstrate that projects will address the specific barriers to participation in sport faced by either:

- Women in disadvantaged communities (the 20% most deprived lower super output areas in the country)
- Women caring for children under 16.

For example this may be by offering childcare solutions, being affordable, taking place at an appropriate time and in a suitable location and ensuring that participants feel comfortable in their environment.

Projects need to demonstrate how they will increase the number of women playing sport from either one or both of these groups. There should be a clear plan for how sporting participation will be sustained and the projects will be replicable.

Deadline: 5pm on **3 February 2010** (stage one)

Who can apply: All bona fide and legitimate organisations with a written constitution or statutory powers can apply for this funding. This includes sports clubs, voluntary or community organisations, local authorities, education establishments and national governing bodies of sport.

Private sector organisations are also eligible to receive funding, provided they can demonstrate that the project is for the public good or a charitable purpose and that neither the company nor its shareholders will receive any financial gain.

Further information: http://www.sportengland.org/funding/active_women.aspx

Cash for Clubs

Cash 4 Clubs is a sports funding scheme which gives clubs a unique chance to apply for grants to improve facilities, purchase new equipment, gain coaching qualifications, and generally invest in the sustainability of their club.

There are three tiers of grants at £250, £500 and £1,000 which are awarded on a discretionary basis.

Deadline: Applications are accepted from clubs on an ongoing basis and will be processed during the next panel meeting. These are held at approximately quarterly intervals throughout the year. The next panel meeting is in February 2010.

Who can apply: Any sports club can apply as long as they are registered with their sports National Governing Body or local authority.

Further information: <http://cash-4-clubs.com/>

Comic Relief – Sport for Change

Sport for Change funds organisations that are using sport to address a social issue or community concern such as substance use, crime related problems, integration, exclusion of older people, community cohesion, gangs or knife crime, mental health, and young people at risk. The maximum grant size in this programme is £100,000 in total.

Organisations need to show how their work will help deliver one or more of the following outcomes:

- increased sense of inclusion and well-being by marginalised and disadvantaged people
- greater community involvement

- an increased understanding of how sport can help bring about positive changes in the lives of individuals and communities
- greater knowledge across the community and sports sectors about effective work which uses sport as a tool for social change.

Deadline: next cycle **11 January 2010**, following cycle - **21 May 2010**.

Who can apply: community groups and organisations using sport as part of a broader programme of work to bring about change at an individual and /or community level. The fund covers all age ranges, from a broad range of communities. Applications from consortia of agencies are allowed as long as there is a lead community-based organisation.

Further information: http://www.comicrelief.com/apply_for_a_grant/uk/sport

Grassroots Grant Scheme for Kent and Medway

The scheme promotes causes and encourages projects which focus on building a sense of community and improving quality of life. Grants of up to £5000 are available. Examples of what can be funded include:

- equipment, for example sports equipment
- local events or workshops
- volunteer expenses and training
- staff costs
- rent costs and overheads
- costs to expand an existing project
- activities supporting a community activity.

Deadline: Applications are accepted at any time. Contact the Kent Community Foundation to check the next panel dates.

Who can apply: Volunteer led community groups which have been active for at least one year and whose income does not exceed £30,000 per annum

Further information: email admin@kentcf.org.uk or call 01303 814500

Kent Youth Service Partnership Awards 2010

The funding will be allocated according to the following categories:

1. The delivery of volunteering programmes by young people in their communities.
2. The delivery of generic, open access youth work projects.
3. The delivery of new youth work projects which allow for the development of work or address gaps in youth work provision. For example, providing nationally accredited youth work activities.

Projects should target Supporting Independence Programme (SIP) wards, Friday evening and weekend activities, young people unlikely to achieve 5 A star to C GCSEs or young people who are under represented, to enable equality, access and inclusion for all young people.

The amount of funding that can be applied for under category 1 and 2 is limited to £49,999 per annum and can be allocated for a period of up to 3 years, being reviewed annually. For category 3 it is limited to £2000 on a one-off basis

Deadline: 5pm Wednesday **6th January 2010**

Who can apply: Voluntary youth organisations, for example sports clubs

Further information: An application pack can be obtained from andrea.murphy@kent.gov.uk