

## National Lottery – Funding Sources

### The Big Lottery Fund

#### Awards for All

The Awards for All programme aims to help improve local communities and the lives of people most in need. The programme will fund projects that meet one or more of the following outcomes:

- People have better chances in life - with better access to training and development to improve their life skills.
- Stronger communities - with more active citizens working together to tackle their problems.
- Improved rural and urban environments - which communities are better able to access and enjoy.
- Healthier and more active people and communities.

**Grant Amount:** Between £300 and £10,000.

**Deadline:** Rolling programme

**Website:** [www.awardsforall.org.uk/england/](http://www.awardsforall.org.uk/england/)

**Telephone:** 0845 410 20 30

#### Community Spaces Programme

The Community Spaces programme is run by Groundwork UK. It will fund community groups who want to improve local green spaces such as play areas, community gardens, parks, wildlife areas and village greens, kick-about areas and pathway improvements.

**Grant Amount:** £10,000 - £25,000

**Deadline:** Rolling programme until Jan 2011

**Website:** [www.community-spaces.org.uk](http://www.community-spaces.org.uk)

**Telephone:** 0845 3 671 671

#### Community Sustainable Energy Programme

The programme will help community-based organisations reduce their environmental impact through the installation of energy saving measures and microgeneration technologies (producing heat or electricity on a small-scale from a low carbon source). The scheme will also fund development studies that help community organisations to find out if a microgeneration and energy efficiency project will work for them.

**Grant Amount:**

- **Capital grants** – projects can apply for up to £50,000 or 50% of the project cost (whichever is lower).
- **Project Development Grants** – maximum grant available is £5,000 or 75% of the study cost (whichever is lower).

**Deadline:** Rolling programme up to 29 October 2010

**Website:** [www.communitysustainable.org.uk/](http://www.communitysustainable.org.uk/)

**Telephone:** 0845 3 671 671

## Ecominds

The Ecominds programme, run by Mind, is available to a range of groups who want to encourage people with experience of mental distress to get involved in environmental projects, such as improving open spaces and wildlife habitats, designing public art and recycling

**Grant Amount:** Up to £20,000

**Deadline:** 30 April 2010

**Website:** [www.ecominds.org.uk](http://www.ecominds.org.uk)

**Telephone:** 0845 3 671 671

## Heroes Return 2

WW2 veterans from the UK can apply for travel and accommodation costs to visit the places where they saw active service. They can also receive funding to take part in an official commemoration in the UK.

### Eligibility

Veterans who fought with or alongside British forces in World War 2 and who are resident in the UK. War widows and widowers of veterans are also eligible for funding, and carers and spouses can receive funding to travel with veterans.

**Grant Amount:** £150 - £5,500

**Deadline:** Rolling programme to 31 Jan 2011

**Website:** [www2.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog\\_heroes\\_return](http://www2.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_heroes_return)

**Telephone:** 0845 0000 121

## Reaching Communities

The Reaching Communities programme funds projects that help people and communities who are most in need, and can really make a difference. Projects can be new or existing activities, or be the core work of your organisation.

We want to fund projects that respond to needs identified by communities, and those that fund projects that help those most in need including those people or groups who are hard to reach.

We want to encourage the following changes to communities as a result of our funding:

- people having better chances in life, including being able to get better access to training and development to improve their life skills
- strong communities, with more active citizens, working together to tackle their problems
- improved rural and urban environments, which communities are better able to access and enjoy
- healthier and more active people and communities.

**Grant Amount:** £10,000 - £500,000

**Deadline:** Rolling programme

**Website:** [www2.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog\\_reaching\\_communities](http://www2.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_reaching_communities)

**Telephone:** 0845 410 20 30

## Arts Council – West Midlands

The Arts Council provides grants for individuals, arts organisations and other people who use the arts in their work. They are for activities carried out over a set period and which:

- engage people in England in arts activities; or
- help artists and arts organisations in England carry out their work.

Activities might include: Projects and events; Commissions and productions; Research and development; Activities for people to take part in; Audience development; Buying equipment, instruments and vehicles.

**Grant Amount:** **Deadline:** Rolling programme from 1 March 2010

**For individuals:** £1,000 up to a total of £30,000, for activities lasting up to three years.

**For organisations:** £1,000 up to a total of £100,000, for activities lasting up to three years.

**Website:** [www.artscouncil.org.uk](http://www.artscouncil.org.uk)

**Telephone:** 0845 300 6200

## Heritage Lottery Fund

### Your Heritage

The Your Heritage programme offers grants for projects that relate to the local, regional or national heritage of the UK. We welcome applications that help people to learn about, look after and celebrate heritage in a fun and enjoyable way.

### Programme priorities

We have three aims which relate to learning, conservation and participation. To receive a grant the project must:

- Help people to learn about their own and other people's heritage.

Your project must also do either or both of the following:

- Conserve the UK's diverse heritage for present and future generations to experience and enjoy
- Help more people, and a wider range of people, to take an active part in and make decisions about heritage.

**Grant Amount:** £3,000 - £50,000

**Deadline:** Rolling programme

**Website:** [www.hlf.org.uk/HowToApply/programmes/Pages/youngroots.aspx](http://www.hlf.org.uk/HowToApply/programmes/Pages/youngroots.aspx)

**Telephone:** 0121 616 6870

## Young Roots

Young Roots is a grant programme designed to engage young people aged 13-25 with their heritage. Young Roots projects stem directly from the interest and ideas of young people, who are supported by youth and heritage organisations to develop skills, build confidence, and connect with their local communities.

### Programme priorities

To receive a Young Roots grant, your project must relate to the varied heritage of the UK and:

- provide new opportunities for a wider range of young people aged 13 to 25 to learn about their own and others' heritage;
- allow young people to lead and take part in creative and engaging activities;
- develop partnerships between youth organisations and heritage organisations; and
- create opportunities to celebrate young people's achievements in the project and share their learning with the wider community.

Your project must also create new opportunities for young people to either:

- volunteer in heritage; or
- gain skills in identifying, recording, interpreting or caring for heritage.

**Grant Amount:** £3,000 - £25,000

**Deadline:** Rolling programme

**Website:** [www.hlf.org.uk/HowToApply/programmes/Pages/youngroots.aspx](http://www.hlf.org.uk/HowToApply/programmes/Pages/youngroots.aspx)

## Repair Grants for Places of Worship

The Repair Grants for Places of Worship scheme is run in partnership with English Heritage, who administers the scheme on behalf of both organisations.

### Programme priorities

The scheme is for urgent repairs to the fabric of the building only and is open to all listed places of worship which are in regular use as public places of worship.

**Deadline:** Applications are dealt with in two competitive batches per financial year and are accepted from 1 April up to the closing date of each batch. The closing dates for applications are as follows:

- Places of worship listed grade 1, 11\*, 11, A, B or C – 30 June
- Places of worship listed grade 11 – 30 September

**Grant Amount :** £10,000 to £250,000

**Telephone:** 0870 333 1181

**Website:** [www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.1122](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.1122)

### Small Grants Programme

The Sport England Small Grants Programme will support local community sport projects which seek to increase participation, sustain participation or develop opportunities for people to excel at their chosen sport. For example, it could help a sports club expand its age range by helping it to buy extra team kit or pay additional coaching fees. Or it may help youth clubs work together with local sports clubs to get more young people playing sport. It is open to any not-for-profit club or association, statutory body or educational establishment.

**Grant Amount:** £300 - £10,000 (total project cost cannot exceed £50,000)

**Deadline:** Rolling programme

**Telephone:** 0845 8508 508

**Website:** [http://www.sportengland.org/funding/small\\_grants.aspx](http://www.sportengland.org/funding/small_grants.aspx)