

WHAT FUNDS

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Resilient Communities Fund

The fund is open to constituted community groups, not-for-profit organisations and registered charities working in the Southern Electric Power Distribution area in central southern England.

The fund supports projects that:

- Protect the welfare of vulnerable customers during a significant power outage or emergency weather event e.g the purchase of cold-weather kits or facilities to support elderly and other vulnerable groups
- Enhance community facilities and services that may be used or instigated in the event of a significant power outage or emergency weather event e.g the upgrade of the village hall to allow for greater support during major incidents
- Improve communication during an emergency situation, to keep communities informed or aid contact between local groups and response services e.g satellite radio technology for communication between local first responder groups

£1,000,000 will be distributed over two years from January 2015. Grants between £500 and £20,000 are available. The funding round opens twice a year. Priority will be given to groups in the areas severely affected by the storms in 2013 and 2014.

The deadlines for applications this year are 17th April and 25th September.

Full details can be found at:

<https://www.ssepd.co.uk/ApplynowCSEngland/>

Santander Launches Social Enterprise Development Awards 2015

Banking group Santander has launched its annual Social Enterprise Development Awards (SEDA) for social enterprises and enterprising charities across the UK.

Running since 2011, the annual Development Awards are targeted at established social ventures that have ambitions to develop their organisation but need a financial boost to help them realise their potential. Winners are selected on the strength of their business plan for growth.

There are two categories:

- SEDA Growth Award offers awards of £5,000 or £10,000 to fund a capital item or growth project. This is open to UK registered charities and constituted community groups with an annual turnover of between £50,000 and £250,000 that are looking to grow and develop their organisation to improve their community. These awards are administered and managed by five Community Foundations.
- SEDA Catalyst Award offers awards of £5,000 or £10,000 to fund a capital item or a project to grow the business. This is open to CICs, Limited Companies with asset lock and Co-operatives with an annual turnover of between £25,000 and £100,000 that are looking to grow their business regionally or nationally. These awards are administered and managed by UnLtd.

The deadline for applications is 10 April 2015.

Full details can be found on the Santander Website:

<http://www.santanderseda.co.uk/home>



DCLG Launches Women's Empowerment Fund

The Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) has launched a new one-off £250,000 fund to support women and give them the confidence to speak out against abuse and child sexual exploitation within their communities.

The Government has created this fund to help overcome some of the barriers reported in the recent Jay and Casey inquiries into the child sexual abuse in Rotherham, which found that there is a reluctance to discuss the subject and challenge abusive behaviour. The new funding is one of a number of measures being announced by the Government as part of a national action plan to prevent further child sexual exploitation, better support victims, and hold those responsible to account.

Voluntary and community groups, including faith groups, who work with women can apply for grants of between £2,000 and £20,000 to support local community engagement projects for the financial year 2015 to 2016. It is anticipated that between 10 and 20 grants will be awarded.

Groups must demonstrate they can work with women who find it difficult to get their voices heard.

As usual with Government funding programmes the application window is small. It opened on 3rd March and will close on 31st!

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fund-to-empower-women-to-tackle-abuse>

Ambition Giving

Grants of up to £2000 are available across the UK from Ambition Giving, a new scheme that celebrates the 90th anniversary of the eponymous youth charity. Grants will support groups or individuals to help deliver activities to young people aged under 24 in their community.

The national youth charity, Ambition, is 90 years old, and to celebrate it has set up Ambition Giving, which will provide grants of up to £2000 to groups or individuals to help deliver activities to young people (aged under 24) within their community.

Ambition Giving will fund a wide variety of projects and is open to applications from young people, youth clubs, charities, community groups, resident associations and voluntary organisations.

http://www.ambitionuk.org/site/media/AmbitionGiving_Application_Form_2015.pdf

BIG Potential – Additional £10m

BIG Lottery is providing an additional £10m for BIG Potential to expand support and grants to VCSEs looking to raise social investment, increasing the total available to £20m.

The expansion will see a new “**Advanced route**” added to the programme, granting up to £150,000 to support organisations at a more advanced stage in their social investment journey, looking to raise larger investments of over £500,000 as well as win contracts over £1m. The new advanced route of Big Potential will be available to those that are clear about how social investment could work for them and can describe a potential deal or interest from investors and need help to close that deal.

The original £10m fund will continue, offering in-depth support and grants to VCSEs looking to raise smaller amounts of repayable investment of up to £500,000 that are at an earlier stage in their social investment journey with a realistic investment proposition that can fund their growth and development but yet to determine what type of investment or deal will be appropriate. This existing support will now be delivered through the breakthrough route of the programme which includes preliminary and investment plan grants up to £75,000.

Grants and support under Big Potential’s Advanced route will be available from summer 2015. Interested VCSEs can register their interest now to receive an e-mail update as soon as information about the launch dates becomes available. The breakthrough route is already open and VCSE organisations can apply via the Big Potential website.

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

People's Postcode Lottery - Small Grants

People’s Postcode Lottery grants up to £20,000 to charities, community and voluntary groups and community interest companies for projects in the South of England (including Dorset) to deliver projects that positively impact on their local community.

Further information and application forms will be available from 1st April 2015.

The deadline for applications is 30th April 2015.

Tel: 0131 555 7287 E-mail: info@postcodetrust.org.uk

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

Sport England - Community Sport Activation Fund

Grants of between £50,000 and £250,000 are available to a variety of organisations to support grassroots sports activity at a local level in England. The Fund was designed in response to demand and aims to unlock potential and re-sources. In particular, it aims to:

- Increase once a week participation in sport by those aged 14 and above
- Encourage and support local partners to work together to develop new approaches to delivery
- Invest in projects that will deliver sustainable participation increases
- Support communities across England to help ensure sport becomes a regular part of the majority of people's lives

Sport England will invest in what works best in different areas, based on local evidence.

The deadline for applications is 20th April 2015 (Round 4).

Tel: 08458 508 508 E-mail: funding@sportengland.org

<http://www.sportengland.org/funding/our-different-funds/community-sport-activation-fund/>

PRS for Music Foundation - Individual Grants

PRS grants up to £5,000 to support the creation and performance of outstanding new music in any genre and to develop artists to their full potential.

Funding is available for the following:

- Songwriters and composers who want to create new work for live performance and recording
- Performers who would like to commission music to be played live or recorded
- Recording
- Individuals promoting outstanding new music events
- Touring

The next deadline for this fund is 27th April 2015.

E-mail: info@prsformusicfoundation.com

<http://www.prsformusicfoundation.com/Funding/Open-Funding/Funding-for-Individuals>

New Grant Making Trusts

Eleva Foundation Ltd
Mrs Kirsty Bendahan
29 Routh Road
London
SW18 3SP

E-mail: ir@elevacapital.com.

Website: www.elevacapital.com.

Charity number: 1160524.

Objects: To relieve the needs of children worldwide who are living in poverty, do not have access to education, or have experienced a manmade or natural disaster or other humanitarian crises by the provision of grants to charities and/or other organisations working to relieve such needs.

Area of coverage: Undefined.

Trustees: Mrs Kirsty Bendahan; Mrs Andrea Morrall.

Jeremy Alexander Settlement
Mr Anikdos Oundjian
Redlands Barn
Redlands Lane
West Wittering
Chichester
West Sussex
PO20 8QE

E-mail: janeoundjian@gmail.com.

Charity number: 1160510.

Objects: The relief of those in need, by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Area of coverage: Undefined.

Trustees: Mr Anikdos Oundjian; Mrs Carol Jane Oundjian.