

# Wales Council for Voluntary Action

Supporting charities, volunteers and communities

## 7. Finding and getting money

### 7.4.12 Funding for youth oriented projects



Many organisations wish to fund projects specifically aimed at young people. A number of funders including the Welsh Government now have programmes addressing youth-oriented issues.

The following list is not exhaustive but illustrative of the type of funding available for youth-oriented programmes.

#### **Big Lottery Fund**

Big Lottery Fund has wide ranging grants programmes that aim to make real improvements to communities and the lives of people most in need. They want to support projects that develop people's skills, promote community involvement and encourage healthier lifestyles.

#### **Awards for All Wales**

Awards for All Wales funds projects that involve people in their local community, bringing them together and enabling them to take part in community activities and projects that promote education, the environment and health in the local community.

Grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available.

Application packs and guidance for Awards for All Wales are available from the website [www.awardsforall.org.uk](http://www.awardsforall.org.uk) or alternatively you can call 0845 600 20 40 for a hard copy.

There are no deadlines of closing dates for Awards for All Wales.

#### **People and Places**

People and Places aims to bring people together to make their communities stronger and to improve their rural and urban environments. This programme will support people working together to make their communities better places to live. It will support local and regional projects and projects that work throughout Wales.

People and Places can fund projects that achieve one or more of the following programme outcomes:

- revitalised communities

- improved community relations
- enhanced local environments, community services and buildings.

This programme is open to the community, voluntary and public sector. Money will be available for capital and revenue projects and can be used for the development of communities or communities of interest in Wales.

Further information about People and Places along with application packs and information about other programmes is available from the website

[www.biglotteryfund.org.uk](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk)

**Contact:**

Big Lottery Fund, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Ladywell House, Newtown, Powys SY16 1JB.

Tel: 01686 611 700

Fax: 01686 621 534

[enquiries.wales@biglotteryfund.org.uk](mailto:enquiries.wales@biglotteryfund.org.uk)

[www.biglotteryfund.org.uk](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk)

## **Heritage Lottery Fund**

### **Young roots**

This programme offers those organisations that work with young people aged 13-20 (or 13-25 for young people with special needs) between £5,000 - £25,000 for projects that help this age group find out about their heritage, develop skills, build confidence and promote community involvement.

Young roots projects stem directly from young people's interest and ideas, harnessing their creativity and energy and helping them work with others in their local community. Projects need to be related to the local and culturally varied heritage of the UK. Grants range between £5,000 and £25,000 and projects should last for up to 18 months.

**Contact:**

Heritage Lottery Fund Wales, Suite 5a, Hodge House, Guildhall Place, Cardiff CF10 1DY

Tel: 029 2034 3413

Fax: 029 2034 3427

[www.hlf.org.uk](http://www.hlf.org.uk)

## **Awards for food action locally (Wales)**

The awards for food action locally are sponsored by the Food Standards Agency Wales. The awards aim to recognise individual or team contributions to local nutrition initiatives in Wales that have made a positive impact on the diet or eating habits of residents in the communities within which they operate.

Projects which target disadvantaged and vulnerable communities, low-income or ethnic minority groups are particularly encouraged. Winners receive £2,000 for investment into their healthy eating initiative, runners up £1,000. Details of the 2007 awards will be reported when the information becomes available.

**Contact:**

Food Standards Agency Wales,  
11th Floor Southgate House, Wood Street, Cardiff, CF10 1EW  
Tel: 029 2067 8912  
[nutritionstrategywales@foodstandards.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:nutritionstrategywales@foodstandards.gsi.gov.uk)  
[www.food.gov.uk](http://www.food.gov.uk)

## **Sport Relief**

Grants of up to £5,000 to support activities that help improve the quality of life for children and young people in the UK and across the world where poverty and disadvantage create social injustice and hardship.

**Contact:**

Sport Relief, 5th Floor,  
89 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7TP  
Tel: 020 7820 5555  
[info@sportrelief.com](mailto:info@sportrelief.com)  
[www.sportrelief.com](http://www.sportrelief.com)  
[www.comicrelief.com](http://www.comicrelief.com)

## **Sportsmatch Cymru**

The Sportsmatch scheme encourages a business to sponsor a grassroots sport and offers to double the pot of money available from the business sponsor on a pound for pound matching basis.

Consequently, the business sponsor experiences commercial benefits and the organising body benefits by securing double the income for its project. Awards are typically for between £5,000 and £15,000.

**Contact:**

Sport Wales  
Sophia Gardens, Cardiff CF11 9SW  
Tel: 0845 045 0904  
Fax: 0845 846 0014  
[info@sportwales.org.uk](mailto:info@sportwales.org.uk)  
[www.sportwales.org.uk](http://www.sportwales.org.uk)

## **Community Chest**

A National Lottery funded grant scheme aimed at developing sport at grass roots level, particularly for young people, women and girls and disadvantaged groups. Decision-making for grants below £1,000 is carried out at a local level.

Committees have been established in each of the 22 Welsh local authorities, made up of local people with knowledge of sport in the area.

### **Contact:**

Sport Wales, Sophia Gardens, Cardiff CF11 9SW

Tel: 0845 045 0904

Fax: 0845 846 0014

[info@sportwales.org.uk](mailto:info@sportwales.org.uk)

[www.sportwales.org.uk](http://www.sportwales.org.uk)

## **Health Challenge Wales voluntary sector grant scheme**

The grant scheme exists to strengthen health promotion work in Wales. Grants are offered to national voluntary organisations, which can contribute to health promotion and complement national developments in health promotion in Wales.

Funding rounds invite applications that respond to Health Challenge Wales by:

- Helping to influence the conditions necessary for people to lead healthy lives and to improve their health.
- Helping individuals and groups to do what they can to improve their own health and that of their families.
- Helping to communicate the 'better health' message more effectively.
- Improving the ability of national voluntary and community organisations to engage with the Welsh Government and key partners to develop health promotion policy and practice. This may involve working either individually or collectively with, for example, the Wales Centre for Health, the National Public Health Service and local Health, Social Care and Well-Being partnerships to achieve improved health outcomes in Wales.

The key health themes of Health Challenge Wales are:

- Smoking.
- Obesity.
- Accidents and injuries.
- Alcohol and other substance misuse.
- Infections (sexually transmitted; healthcare acquired; vaccine preventable; dental decay).
- Mental health and well-being.

**Contact:**

Natalie Avery

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[cmo.webmaster@wales.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:cmo.webmaster@wales.gsi.gov.uk)

**Millennium Volunteers**

Millennium Volunteers is a UK wide programme for young people who are interested or involved in volunteering. The purpose of the programme is to promote and recognise a sustained commitment by young people aged 16-24 to voluntary activity which makes a clear impact on the community.

In Wales the programme is managed by the MV Advisory Panel, a partnership between WCVA and the Council for Wales Voluntary Youth Service. Applications can be made for sums £50 to £7,000 to cover volunteers' costs. There is no restriction on the number of applications that can be made. Applications from youth-led projects can be approved very quickly through a fast track system. The advisory panel meets four times per year.

**Contact:**

WCVA Helpdesk

Tel: 0800 2888 329

[help@wcva.org.uk](mailto:help@wcva.org.uk)

[www.wvca.org.uk](http://www.wvca.org.uk)

**Grants to national voluntary youth organisations**

The scheme exists to assist national voluntary youth organisations working in Wales to increase the extent and quality of programmes of informal and social learning for young people in the age range 11 to 25 years, with particular emphasis on 13 to 19 year olds.

To provide financial assistance towards central costs and projects undertaken by a single organisation or a combination of organisations and agencies. Any national organisation, which can show that it provides good youth work (as defined by the Youth Work Curriculum Statement for Wales) is eligible to apply. The scheme is not open to local voluntary youth groups or organisations or constituent groups of national voluntary youth organisations.

Detailed notes for guidance and application forms are available from the **Youth Policy Division**.

**Contact:**

Alison Tranter, Youth Policy Division, Welsh Government, Cathays Park,  
Cardiff CF10 3NQ

Tel: 029 2082 1552

Fax: 029 2082 5823

[alison.tranter@wales.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:alison.tranter@wales.gsi.gov.uk)

## Alec Dickson Trust

Awards funding to people aged under 30 who are able to demonstrate that through volunteering or community action, they can enhance the lives of others, particularly those most marginalised by society, (e.g. those with drug dependency).

The trust will fund:

- Volunteering projects based in the UK.
- Grants up to £250.

The trust particularly welcomes applications from innovative projects in the spirit of Alec Dickson - projects which young people themselves have devised and which are unlikely to be funded by other charitable trusts.

### Contact:

The Alec Dickson Trust, 172-176 Kings Cross Road, London WC1X 9NJ

[thealecdicksontrust@talk21.com](mailto:thealecdicksontrust@talk21.com)

[www.alecdicksontrust.org.uk](http://www.alecdicksontrust.org.uk)

## Comic Relief

Comic Relief was set up in 1984 to help disadvantaged people in the UK and Africa. Funds are raised through activities such as Red Nose Day. Grants are made in the UK to support voluntary organisations to tackle poverty and promote social justice.

Comic Relief aims to reach the poorest and most disadvantaged people, to help them find solutions to their problems, to give a voice to people facing discrimination, to increase public awareness, and to support work which influences national, regional and local policies.

Programmes and priorities:

- Young people and mental health.
- Young people and alcohol.
- Young people abused through prostitution.
- Older people.
- Mental health.
- Refugees & asylum seekers.
- Domestic violence and disadvantaged communities.

**Contact:** UK Grants Team,

89 Albert Embankment, London E1 7TP

Tel: 020 7820 5555

Fax: 020 7820 5500

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[ukgrants@comicrelief.org.uk](mailto:ukgrants@comicrelief.org.uk) [www.comicrelief.com](http://www.comicrelief.com)

## **LankellyChase Foundation**

Over the next four years the foundation will concentrate on the following programmes:

- Arts.
- Heritage.
- Breaking the cycle (of abusive relationships).
- Developing communities.
- Free and quiet Minds.
- Offenders and society.

### **Breaking the cycle (of abusive relationships)**

Through this programme the foundation works to support projects which seek to break the cycle of abuse through work with families, children and or young people.

The elements that concentrate on youth are:

#### **Children (5 – 13 years)**

Projects which help children living with domestic violence or those which promote the safety of children, including:

- Children's work in refuges.
- Independent programmes for children who have experience of living with domestic violence.
- Work which promotes child protection.

#### **Young People (13 – 25 years)**

Projects which provide opportunities for young people marginalised by behavioural problems and or personal issues and who are living in deprived circumstances, including:

- Programmes of activities to enhance educational achievement, life skills or employment opportunities.
- Preventative work with homeless young people in areas of rural deprivation.

The foundation will only work with registered charities and those involving the proper use and support of volunteers. Preference will be given for community-based initiatives.

Core costs will be considered for those organisations with an income of less than £150,000. BME applications are encouraged which meet cultural needs and promote integration.

Significant exclusions include capital expenditure, supplementary education, mediation or bereavement counselling and projects working exclusively with substance misuse and drug rehabilitation and education.

## **Children's summer playschemes**

In addition, the foundation provides small grants (£200 - £500) for the above for children aged 5 - 13 years.

Preference is given to small local playschemes lasting 4 - 6 weeks and groups planning special activities for youngsters who are disadvantaged or who have a disability. This includes summer activities for children in refuges.

### **Contact:**

LankellyChase Foundation, 2 The Court, High Street, Harwell, Didcot, Oxfordshire, OX11 0EY

Tel: 01235 820 044

[admin@lankellychase.org.uk](mailto:admin@lankellychase.org.uk)

[www.lankellychase.org.uk](http://www.lankellychase.org.uk)

## **The Ragdoll Foundation**

Funded through its 15 per cent share in the parent company, the foundation awards projects that promote the development of children through imaginative thinking and that show a true understanding of how to listen to children and allow their voices to be heard.

The next submission deadline is 28 August 2007.

The foundation awards grants to organisations which involve children in their early years. Large scale grants are considered, but the majority range from £500 upward.

There is no standard application, all that is asked in the first instance is an inspirational paragraph explaining the project or idea (see website for more info).

### **Contact:**

Ragdoll Foundation, Timothy's Bridge Road, Stratford upon Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 9NQ

Tel: 01789 404 100.

[karenn@ragdollfoundation.org.uk](mailto:karenn@ragdollfoundation.org.uk)

[www.ragdollfoundation.org.uk](http://www.ragdollfoundation.org.uk)

## **The Archbishop of Wales Fund for Children**

The fund, administered by the Church in Wales, supports children in need and their families and local communities through the work of local organisations.

The Archbishop of Wales fund for Children was established in 2001 in the wake of the Children's Society decision to withdraw from all activity in Wales.

## Aims and objectives

The purpose of the fund is to support children in need and their families and local communities, through the work of organisations in this order of priority:

- Those in the Dioceses of the Church in Wales.
- Those associated with other Christian bodies which are members of Cytun (Churches together in Wales).
- Other organisations working with children in Wales.

### **Contact:**

Archbishop of Wales Fund for Children, The Church in Wales, 39 Cathedral Road, Cardiff CF11 9XF

Tel: 029 2034 8254

[awfc@churchinwales.org.uk](mailto:awfc@churchinwales.org.uk)

[www.churchinwales.org.uk/awffc](http://www.churchinwales.org.uk/awffc)

## **The Baily Thomas Charitable Fund**

This registered charity was established primarily to aid the research into learning disability and the care and relief of those affected by learning disabilities.

Over £1 million is given in grants of £250 and above. Applications will only be considered from voluntary organisations that are registered charities, are associated with a registered charity or from schools or Parent Teacher Associations. Applications should be submitted by 1 May or 1 October.

### **Contact:**

c/o TMF Management UK Limited, 410 Capability Green, Luton LU1 3AE

Tel: 01582 439225

[info@bailythomas.org.uk](mailto:info@bailythomas.org.uk)

## **BBC Children in Need Appeal (Wales)**

BBC Children in Need Appeal aims to make a positive difference to the lives of disadvantaged children in the UK.

Priorities - the Appeal helps children aged 18 and under in the United Kingdom whose disadvantages include:

- Mental, physical or sensory disabilities.
- Behavioural or psychological problems.
- Living in poverty or situations of deprivation, illness, distress, abuse or neglect.

**Contact:** National Co-ordinator,  
Broadcasting House, Llandaff, Cardiff CF5 2YQ  
Tel: 029 2032 2383  
Fax: 029 2032 2337  
[marc.phillips@bbc.co.uk](mailto:marc.phillips@bbc.co.uk)  
[www.bbc.co.uk/cin](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cin)

## **Equitable Charitable Trust**

This trust supports education projects that benefit disabled or otherwise disadvantaged children.

Registered charities, non-LEA maintained schools and non-LEA voluntary maintained schools can apply for one-off projects costs with the amount depending on the project.

The advancement in the education of children or young adults aged under 25, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds or with disabilities.

Applications can be submitted at any time in writing, and a visit to the applicant may be required before a decision is made.

**Contact:**  
124 Chancery Lane, Clifford Inn,  
London EC4A 1BU  
Tel: 020 7320 6292  
Fax: 020 7320 3842

## **Four Acre Trust**

Grants are provided for work falling within 3 main areas: respite care and holidays, vocational guidance and relief of health disability.

Organisations can apply for both core and project costs and occasionally capital costs. Organisations can apply for up to £300,000 but the majority of grants offered are between £3,000 - £5,000.

Organisations must be registered charities to apply. The Trust meets 6 times a year and application forms and guidelines are available to download from their website.

**Contact:**  
Four Acre Trust, P.O. Box 48, Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire,  
GL12 7WZ  
Tel: 01453 844129  
[info@fouracretrust.org.uk](mailto:info@fouracretrust.org.uk)  
[www.fouracretrust.org.uk](http://www.fouracretrust.org.uk)

## The Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust grant scheme

Funding is available to voluntary, not-for-profit and charitable organisations. The grant scheme focuses on four key areas:

- Sport.
- Environment.
- Arts.
- Community.

Although all organisations will be considered on their merit, priority will be given to organisations that provide for people who are disadvantaged by age, gender, disability, ethnicity or social and economic circumstance.

Maximum grant: Local organisations £2,000; regional organisations £10,000; national organisations £20,000.

### **Contact:**

The Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust, The Coal Exchange,  
Mount Stuart Square, Cardiff CF10 5ED

Tel: 029 2049 4963

Fax: 029 2049 4964

[mcst@fusionuk.org.uk](mailto:mcst@fusionuk.org.uk)

[www.millenniumstadium.com](http://www.millenniumstadium.com)

## The Yapp Charitable Trust

The Trust makes grants to small charities throughout the UK for a variety of work. The trustees currently receive a very limited number of applications from Wales and they would like to reach more small charities in Wales.

The Trust funds categories such as work with: elderly people; children and young people; people with disabilities or mental health problems; people trying to overcome problems such as addiction, abuse, relationship problems, a history of offending; and lifelong learning.

Applicants must have charitable status, have been constituted and operating for at least three years, and a normal turnover of less than £60,000 per year. No grants are given for capital expenditure. Priority for ongoing grants is given to applicants from very small charities.

### **Contact:**

The Yapp Charitable Trust 47A Paris Road, Scholes, Holmfirth, HD9 1SY

Tel: 01484 683 403

[info@yappcharitabletrust.org.uk](mailto:info@yappcharitabletrust.org.uk)

[www.yappcharitabletrust.org.uk](http://www.yappcharitabletrust.org.uk)

## **Percy Bilton Charity**

Funding is available to registered charities working to assist disadvantaged and or underprivileged young people, people with disabilities and older people.

Grants will only be made for capital costs; either one-off payments of £2,000 or over or smaller donations of up to £500.

Applications can be submitted at any time on the Trusts application form and will be considered on a quarterly basis.

### **Contact:**

The Percy Bilton Charity, Bilton House, 7 Culmington Road, Ealing, London, W13 9NB

Tel: 020 8579 2829

Fax: 020 8579 3650

[www.percybiltoncharity.org.uk](http://www.percybiltoncharity.org.uk)

## **Variety Club Children's Charity**

Funding is available for capital costs, and specifically for the provision of specialist equipment costs to schools, hospitals, children's home and young people's charities throughout the UK. Projects must support sick, disabled or disadvantaged children up to 19 years.

Applications can be made at any time in writing; there is no special application form. Any non-profit making group working with children is eligible to apply.

### **Contact:**

Variety Club House, 93 Bayham Street, London NW1 0AG

Tel: 020 7428 8100

Fax: 020 7428 8123

[info@varietyclub.org.uk](mailto:info@varietyclub.org.uk)

[www.varietyclub.org.uk](http://www.varietyclub.org.uk)

## **Cerebra**

Grants from Cerebra aim to help children who have disabilities because of a brain-related condition or injury.

Children must be 16 or under to access the grant and funding is available to cover a range of activities, equipment and resources that will improve the quality of life of the child.

A grant application pack is available from their website and applications can be submitted at any time.

**Contact:**

Cerebra, Principality Buildings, 13 Guildhall Square, Carmarthen  
SA31 1PR

Tel: 01267 244 200

Fax: 01267 244 201

[www.cerebra.org.uk](http://www.cerebra.org.uk)

## Here to Help Awards

Save the Children and British Gas manage the here to help awards - up to £1,000 for projects by young people that help make their communities healthier, more engaging, safer places to be. The scheme website has full details of the here to help awards and there is an online application process or the option to download a hard copy of the application form. Also available are a limited number of awards of up to £3,000, highlighting the key issue of poverty. To apply for this you will need to include more detail in your application and submit a full project plan. All enquiries about the here to help awards can be e-mailed to:

**Contact:**

[helpyourselves@savethechildren.org.uk](mailto:helpyourselves@savethechildren.org.uk)

[www.helpyourselves.org.uk](http://www.helpyourselves.org.uk)

## The Diana Award

This award celebrates the innate qualities – courage, commitment, compassion and selfless service to others – of young people aged 12 to 18, demonstrated through their contribution to; and impact on; their schools, communities and society. The Diana Award and Diana Anti-bullying Award both offer huge potential for the young people that receive it.

Young ambassadors to the award are trained in skills that enable them to maximise their development as well as acting as spokespeople for the award.

**Contact:** Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Award for Young People, Floor 2,  
Downstream Building,

1 London Bridge, London SE1 9BG,

Tel: 0845 337 2987

[www.diana-award.org.uk](http://www.diana-award.org.uk)

## The Frank Buttle Trust

Funding is available to support young people to gain academic, trade, professional or vocational qualifications.

Young people must have severe social, emotional or health problems or have had such problems in the past meaning their education has been seriously undermined.

Funding is usually confined to supporting living costs such as rent, food, clothing, transport, books and materials or equipment needed to complete the course.

**Contact:**

The Frank Buttle Trust, PO Box 7, Rhayader, LD6 5WB

Tel: 01597 870 060

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