

Wales Council for Voluntary Action

Supporting charities, volunteers and communities

7. Finding and getting money

7.4.16 Funding sources for climate change projects



The following list gives details of possible sources of funding for third sector organisations that are involved with climate change projects.

The entries in this listing are intended as a general guide - you should always contact the appropriate trust or organisation for more detailed information. This list is not exhaustive.

Ashden Awards for Sustainable Energy

The awards recognise outstanding renewable energy projects in the UK and the developing world. They aim to promote the widespread use of local, sustainable energy because of the environmental, social and economic benefits which it can provide. Awards vary between £10,000 and £40,000 and there are three UK awards: Business, Local Authority and Charity.

Contact:

The Ashden Awards for Sustainable Energy
Allington House, 150 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 5AE

Tel: 020 7410 0330

www.ashdenawards.org

Community Scale Renewable Energy Generation Programme (CSREG)

The funding is available to help community organisations in Wales invest in new technology to generate clean, renewable energy, promoting sustainable business growth and new business opportunities, based on community scale renewable energy installations. Funding can also be used to undertake feasibility studies of possible renewable projects. Grants of up to £30,000 per project are available.

Contact:

Energy Saving Trust,
CSREG Programme,
1 Caspian Point, Caspian Way, Cardiff Bay, CF10 4DQ

Tel: 020 2047 5982

steve.arnold@est.org.uk

www.energysavingtrust.org.uk

Cylch Investment Programme (CIP)

This aims to provide financial and other support, including grants and loans, to full Cylch members to enable them to improve their financial sustainability. It provides assistance to deliver waste minimisation, re-use, recycling and composting activities and training/consultancy. Limited grants of up to £10,000 are available.

Contact:

Wales Community Recycling Network

Tel: 029 2064 9750

mail@cylch.org.uk

www.cylch.org

E.ON Sustainable Energy Fund

This provides funding to support community energy projects which either as result in the production of energy from a sustainable source or which reduce the amount of energy used by a community organisation. Funding must be used for the purchase and implementation of capital equipment, physical measure and associated direct costs only. Grants of up to £20,000 are available, for up to 90% of project costs.

Contact:

Community Relations

E.ON UK, Newstead Court, Little Oak Drive, Sherwood Park

Annesley, Notts, NG15 0DR

source@eon-uk.com

www.eon-uk.com

Eaga Partnership Charitable Trust

A grant to fund initiatives concerned with the relief of fuel poverty and the preservation and protection of health by the promotion of the efficient use of energy. There is no minimum or maximum grant. Projects covered include development of good practice; data collection and analysis; policy related research; detailed field studies and monitoring.

Contact:

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Trust Manager, eaga Charitable Trust

23 Macadam Gardens, Penrith, CA11 9HS

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eagact@aol.com

www.eagacharitabletrust.org

Ecological Footprint Grant

Grants available to help reduce Wales' ecological footprint and promote sustainable development through environmentally conscious techniques that inform policies and programmes. Grants will be awarded up to a maximum of 75% of the total costs of the project, up to a maximum of £5,000. Applicants will be expected to secure at least 25% of the total costs of their project from their own resources or from elsewhere.

Contact:

WWF Cymru Secretariat

Tel: 02920 454970

cymru@wwf.org.uk

www.footprintwales.org

Energy Efficiency Loans

Carbon Trust energy efficiency business loans are intended to stimulate the uptake of energy efficiency by UK small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) Funding is available to help with the cost of buying equipment that delivers a reduction in carbon emissions. Companies must have been trading for at least 12 months. Loans of between £3,000 and £100,000 are now available.

Carbon Trust also provides information, advice, practical help as well as financial support to stimulate energy efficiency improvements. Phone 0800 085 2005.

Contact:

The Carbon Trust, 6th Floor, 5 New Street Square, London, EC4A 3BF

Tel: 0800 085 2005

customercentre@carbontrust.co.uk

www.carbontrust.co.uk

Environment Wales

Environment Wales is a partnership of organisations in the voluntary or third sector funded by the Welsh Government. It contributes to sustainable development by providing support and funding to volunteer-centred environmental projects. The core partners that make up the initiative are BTCV, Eco Centre Wales, Keep Wales Tidy, The National Trust, Wildlife Trusts Wales, Cylch, WCVA, Groundwork Wales and Cynnal Cymu-Sustain Wales.

Contact:

Environment Wales

Baltic House, Mount Stuart Square, Cardiff CF10 5FH

Tel: 029 2043 1727

info@environment-wales.org

www.environment-wales.org

Green Energy Trust

The Trust supports the development of new renewable energy sources in the UK that will help to reduce reliance on fossil fuels and combat climate change. Projects are supported that advance renewable energy, ie result in the production of renewable electricity or heat, and support communities through education and public engagement. The Trust can provide up to 50% of the project costs, up to a maximum of £25,000, although most projects receive £10,000

Contact:

The Secretary,
ScottishPower Green Energy Trust, Business & Community Relations,
3rd Floor Main Building, Cathcart Business Park, Spean Street, Glasgow, G44 4BE
Tel: 0141 568 3492
greenenergytrust@scottishpower.com
www.scottishpowergreentrust.co.uk

Jephcott Charitable Trust

The Trust awards grants to registered charities and constituted UK organisations. Grants are available to help organisations get up and running, or to make a significant step forward for projects that will make a difference in one of four main priorities: Natural Environment; Education; Health and Population Control. Grants are available between £2,000 and £10,000. Trustees meet April & October to consider applications.

Contact:

The Administrator
The Jephcott Charitable Trust, Cotley, Streatham Rise, Exeter EX4 4PE
www.jephcottcharitabletrust.org.uk

The Naturesave Trust

The Trust supports environmental and conservationist groups in the UK. Grants are available to fund projects that deal with specific environmental and or conservationist problems, and that encourage the greater commercial adoption of sustainable development. Start up 'seed corn' grants are available for community renewable energy projects.

Contact:

The Naturesave Trust,
58 Fore Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5RU
mail@naturesave.co.uk
www.naturesave.co.uk

Oak Foundation

The Foundation addresses issues of global, social and environmental concern particularly those that have a major impact on the lives of the disadvantaged, through various programmes and areas of priority such as Climate Change. Financial commitment from a range of different sources is a specified requirement.

Contact:

Oak Philanthropy (UK) Limited

4th Floor, 22 Upper Brook Street, London, W1K 7PZ

ihrp@oakfnd.org

www.oakfnd.org

Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts

The Trust supports a wide range of interests including environmental projects, however unsolicited applications are very rarely successful but may be encouraged by maintaining a high profile.

Contact:

The Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts

Allington House, 1st Floor, 150 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 5AE

Tel: 0207 410 0330

www.sfct.org.uk

Scottish Power Energy People Trust

Support for third sector organisations and groups throughout Great Britain for projects to help fuel poor or vulnerable groups of people.

Contact:

The ScottishPower Energy People Trust

ScottishPower, Cathcart Business Park, 144 Spean Street, Glasgow, G44 4BE

Tel: 0141 568 3492

enquiries@energypeopletrust.co.uk

www.energypeopletrust.com

Sustainable Development Fund (Wales)

Funds to develop and test new ways of achieving a more sustainable way of living in National Park Authority Areas and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) in Wales. The fund is open to third sector, public or private organisations in the three National Parks and five AONBs in Wales.

Contact:

Lindsey Powles

Environment, Conservation & Management, Welsh Government

Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NQ

Tel: 029 2082 3169

<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/environmentcountryside/consmanagement/susdevfund/?lang=en>

Sustainable Funding Cymru

The website provides practical advice and guidance to organisations that want to develop an entrepreneurial outlook to funding in order to achieve long-term financial sustainability. It offers guidance on the various funding sources available to the third sector in Wales and the approaches and skills required to identify, access and manage these sources. It also provides details of relevant training courses, case studies of organisations already working towards sustainability, sources of further help and the opportunity to sign up to Funding news, the free monthly electronic newsletter.

Contacts:

Tel: 0800 2888 329

sfc@wcvva.org.uk

Environment Wales: Supporting Sustainable Living Grants Scheme

The Supporting Sustainable Living grant scheme aims to bring about long-term changes in behaviour and lifestyle that will help reduce Wales' greenhouse gas emissions and help organisations and communities adapt to the impacts of climate change. It is delivered by Environment Wales and funded by the Welsh Government Climate Change and Water division.

It is open to organisations from all sectors and can offer grants of up to £35,000.

Grants can fund project design, delivery and evaluation. This includes project materials and equipment, translation, printing, training, consultants and specialist advice, venue hire, volunteer expenses etc. It can also pay for staff time provided that this is not already paid for by another funding arrangement.

The main grant stream has 3 stages. Applicants can enter at any stage depending on their circumstances.

Stage 1: Project Development Grants:

To help applicants to explore areas where they could act to tackle climate change and to identify the methods, tools and budget that they will need to achieve the biggest impact.

Stage 2: Implementation Grants:

To help applicants to trial projects that are aimed at changing specific behaviours or lifestyle choices that will tackle the causes and consequences of climate change.

Stage 3: Replication Grants:

For applicants that have already successfully trialled one behaviour change project to roll it out to other areas or on a larger scale.

Training and Fact-finding:

To attend training courses, bring in external trainers or consultants, or undertake relevant fact-finding visits.

More information is available at

http://www.environment-wales.org/grants/supporting_sustainable_living/785

The Waterloo Foundation

The Foundation awards grants to organisations in the UK for projects that help globally particularly in the areas of climate related issues and disparity of wealth.

Contact:

The Waterloo Foundation

46-48 Cardiff Road, Llandaff, Cardiff, CF5 2DT

Tel: 02920 838980

info@waterloofoundation.org.uk

www.waterloofoundation.org.uk

Wood Energy Business Scheme

Grants for Welsh SME businesses and community groups installing wood fuelled heating systems; plus support for setting up clean wood fuel supply businesses in Wales.

The Wood Energy Business Scheme (WEBS) is a £17 million pound capital grant scheme. It draws down its funding from European ERDF funds via the Welsh European Funding Office (WEFO), and will run until 2013. The funding is made up of £7.9 million pounds of ERDF funding; the remainder will be from various match funding sources.

This is a pan Wales project, although different levels of support apply in the [Convergence and Competitiveness areas of Wales](#)

Its prime aim is to provide capital grant support to micro-businesses, SMEs and social enterprises to further develop the sustainable and renewable wood heat market across Wales.

Three types of project are eligible for grant support:

- Wood fuel heating systems
- Small scale electricity generation using wood - Combined Heat and Power (CHP)
- Wood fuel supply businesses - Enabling high quality equipment and fuel supply chains to be developed.

Contact:

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Further information

Please see Information Sheet

7.4.10 Funding sources for environmental projects

for more general environmental information.

Disclaimer

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