Dear Members

Welcome to this week’s bids, grants and funds brought to you in conjunction with SLIC International Training. This week we have details of SFA ESF Supply chain opportunities, for this round and the next two rounds of funding, plus all the latest information in this issue of 34 pages.

Please don’t hesitate to contact us if we can be of any assistance.

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Supply Chain opportunities

The College of North West London – deadline 31 January 2016
https://in-tendhost.co.uk/fe/aspx/Tenders/Current

Maximus (London, Thames Valley; South East; Yorkshire and the Humber) – No closing date
https://www.maximusuk.co.uk/employment-programmes/partners/partnership-opportunities

TCHC – No closing date
http://www.tchc.net/partners/current-opportunities

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/ixion/aspx/Home

HCUK – 5 February 2016
https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hull-college/aspx/Tenders/Current

Interserve – deadline 5 February 2016

Remploy
http://www.remploy.co.uk/info/20084/current_opportunities/396/future_employment_programmes

Pera - deadline 26 May 2019
https://in-tendhost.co.uk/peratraining/aspx/Home

Working Links – No closing date
http://www.workinglinks.co.uk/partnerships/current_opportunities/esf_opportunities_england.asp

Wise Group (midlands/north east) – No closing date
http://www.thewisegroup.co.uk/content/default.asp?page=s22_6

The Grimsby Institute of Further and Higher Education – deadline: 26 January 2016
https://in-tendhost.co.uk/fe/aspx/Tenders/Current
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Seetec – No closing date
http://www.seetec.co.uk/partnership-opportunities/opportunities-available/european-social-fund-2014-2020/

General
Peterborough regional college – deadline: 31 July 2016
https://in-tendhost.co.uk/fe/aspx/Tenders/Current

New College Stamford – deadline 31 January 2016
https://in-tendhost.co.uk/fe/aspx/Tenders/Current

North Nottinghamshire College – Deadline: 31 July 2016
https://in-tendhost.co.uk/fe/aspx/Tenders/Current

Barnsley College – Deadline: 15 September 2020
https://in-tendhost.co.uk/fe/aspx/Tenders/Current

European Social Fund (ESF) 2014 – 2020
Call for Expressions of Interest (EOI)
ESF DWP Opt in Opportunities – multiple areas
Interserve Learning and Employment, part of Interserve PLC a FTSE 250 company employing 80,000 people, is fast becoming a leading provider in welfare to work and skills delivery on behalf of UK Government. Together with Interserve Justice we deliver and manage four Work Programme contracts on behalf of DWP, are contracted by the Ministry of Justice to deliver probation services in five areas of the UK (through Purple Futures) and deliver over £20m of SFA provision including Traineeships and Apprenticeships.

Last year we launched an advanced expression of interest in anticipation of ESF opportunities emerging. You may have seen and returned submissions to ESG or Interserve. We are now looking to expand this EOI to engage organisations who are specifically interested in partnering with us to deliver DWP Opt In provision.

Background
The DWP is looking to procure organisations to deliver voluntary provision to reduce the number of people who are inactive or not in employment in participating in LEP areas. It will focus on a package of support to help unemployed and economically inactive people move in to work and achieve sustained employment.

Interserve Learning and Employment is seeking Expressions of Interest in advance of the tender submission for partners who can deliver an End to End offer as well as Call Off and Specialist Partners who can offer expertise in engaging with and delivering services to this target group of individuals.

Interserve Learning and Employment are currently looking for organisations interested in delivering in the following areas:
- Leeds and Bradford
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- Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield
- Leicester and Leicestershire
- Stoke and Staffordshire
- Derby, Derbyshire, Nottingham and Nottinghamshire
- Liverpool City Region
- Cheshire and Warrington
- Sheffield City Region
- Coventry & Warwickshire
- North East


Deadline: 17:00 5th February 2016.

**Call for Partners: European Social Fund 2014-2020**

**Shaw Trust**

Shaw Trust is interested in submitting bids commissioned by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) and part funded by the European Social Fund (ESF) 2014-2020 programme. These opportunities, which will be published soon, will focus on regional needs and local priorities which have been identified by a range of stakeholders including the Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) in each region.

Shaw Trust wish to grow our diverse network of delivery partners who can also add value to our existing supply chain. We are currently developing delivery models and invite new partners to express an interest in working with us. We are keen to engage with experienced local partners who have the capacity to provide innovative and effective solutions that address employability, skills/training development, health conditions (physical, mental), and enterprise opportunities to help support the hardest to reach tackle the barriers they face with their progression towards social inclusion employment and independence.

As one of the leading not for profit providers of welfare to work, Shaw Trust understands the importance of working with a diverse network of suppliers from the Private, Public and Voluntary sector to ensure the best possible outcomes for our customers. We are fully committed to working with local organisations who can deliver a high quality and responsive service to customers, local employers, stakeholders and communities.

Shaw Trust is interested in submitting tenders as a Prime Contractor for the South East LEP (Essex, Kent and East Sussex) and the Stoke and Staffordshire LEP, both opportunities are expected to be published imminently.
Shaw Trust will consider all other DWP/ESF LEP opportunities across the UK. It is expected that DWP will publish opportunities in a phased approach over the coming months. As soon as these opportunities are published, we anticipate requiring additional information to reflect the specification requirements, localised needs and address the priorities for each LEP area. Please check www.shaw-trust.org.uk/partnerships periodically for updates and further information on these and other opportunities.

Organisations interested in supporting the South East LEP and Stoke and Staffordshire LEP, please complete the Standard Expression of Interest by 5pm on Monday 1st February 2016.

Standard EoI link
https://www.research.net/r/ShawTrustStandardEOI

**Partnership Opportunity with: Hull College Group (HCUK Training)**

Register your interest to partner with HCUK Training on future ESF Employment and Skills programmes

HCUK Training is the Work Based Learning and Skills division of the Hull College Group, responsible for the delivery of Apprenticeships, Traineeships, Employability and alternative funding contracts including ESF and DWP.

HCUK approach working with sub-contractors as a truly two way partnership. You will have access to the expertise from all our departments, including quality and compliance. You will also be invited to regular partner days and training workshops, which ensure your organisation is kept up to date with industry and funding changes.

When HCUK are seeking new partners, we look to those, who share the same values and goals as HCUK Training. We expect our partners to have clear objectives to provide a quality learner focused experience. If your organisation genuinely wants to make a difference to people’s lives, then we would like to hear from you.

If you are interested contact esif@hcktraining.co.uk or take a look at http://www.hcktraining.co.uk/about-us/work-with-us/

Deadline for applications: Friday 5th February, 12 Noon

**PGCE Masters Credits Programme Delivery**

**Essex County Council**

Essex Teacher Training is seeking to commission a HE partner to deliver and quality assure a Post Graduate programme to include a PGCE during the ITT training year, possibly with 30 additional Level 7 credits and a clear progression route during the NQT and RQT years, with the option to complete a full Masters in Education. Essex Education Service (EES) Training would particularly welcome...
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proposals that include partnership working including accreditation / joint delivery of CPD modules and integration into our existing development plans.

EES for Schools / Essex Teacher Training will be responsible for the following:
— Training to support the award of QTS;
— Organisation of trainees into cohorts;
— Scheduling the programme and booking of training venues in various locations across the county;
— Quality Assurance of SCITT and School direct partners with respect to the award of QTS;
— Promoting NQT and RQT development opportunities through our CPD portal.

Prospective bidders would be strongly advised to consider the scalability of the programme, should the buy in from trainees be particularly high, and the viability of small numbers. The consideration of a combined primary and secondary training programme / route and blended learning solutions may be worthwhile.

Essex Teacher Training requires an arrangement that will enable trainees to achieve a minimum of 60 credits at Level 7 and / or a PGCE for each academic year from September 2016, with the opportunity to complete a full Masters Degree during the early stage of their teaching career. Precise details will depend on individual University recommendations but it is our expectation that they would include a focus on pedagogy, action research and preparation for further study along with an RPL element.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 510 000 GBP

1. Send an email with your organisation name in the subject title field to email2workspace-
   prod+ECC+WS679545881+e5v1@ansmtp.ariba.com asking to be invited to this event and providing
   your contact name and Supplier ID/User ANID from your Ariba registration details.
2. If you have more than 1 registered user who you want invited to the event, provide the name(s) of
   each registered user in your request as it may not be possible to include additional users at a later
   stage.

If you are not registered in Ariba at all, go
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register then follow steps 1 and 2 above. (Please note: 35 % completion (i.e. mandatory fields only:
organisation/user details, commodity, sales territory) is the minimum required for your Ariba cloud
registration, you do not need to reach 100 % completion).

Outreach Support Service London

The London Borough of Havering

The London Borough of Havering is seeking a service provider to deliver a generic outreach support
service to a range of vulnerable people to develop and maintain independence skills and strategies
that build upon their own coping mechanisms and increase their personal resilience. The overall aim
being to provide brief interventions and / or short term targeted support to prevent people from
requiring reliance on statutory care and support services.

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The Provision of Services to Young People Receiving Support Through the Inspire Operation

Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council

Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council is the lead beneficiary for the Inspire Operation across South West Wales and the Valleys and as such, has establish a collaborative Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) to enable joint beneficiaries to engage with suitably experienced and qualified service providers, with a proven track record of working with young people aged 11-24 and are able to offer a range of outcomes and accreditations that will assist the learners in their future personal and social development, reduce their vulnerability and who can demonstrate progression and improvement in their attendance at school or college, behaviour and attainment.

NB: Providers who are assessed as a 'fail' at the suitability/selection stage will not be admitted to the DPS however, they will receive detailed feedback on their submission and will be encouraged to review content and re-submit their application at any point during the validity of the DPS.

https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk

Deadline: 29/03/2019

Highways England Learning and Development Framework

Highways England (as the contracting authority) is looking to procure a Learning and Development Training Framework which will consist of the following six lots:

Lot 1 — Leadership and Management Development.
Lot 2 — Core Learning and Development (Managed Service/Single Supplier).
Lot 3 — Professional Capability (Apprenticeship and Graduate Programmes).
Lot 4 — Specialist and Technical Capability Development.
Lot 5 — Traffic Officer Capability Development.
Lot 6 — Roads Academy (Single Supplier).

Highways England will be hosting a Supplier Engagement Event in Birmingham (UK) on 16.2.2016. To express an interest and to register your place at this event, please contact Hannah Cole using the following email address:

HELDtrainingframework@highwaysengland.co.uk

A summary of the high-level requirements and a pre-engagement questionnaire will be made available to suppliers who express an interest via email. Interested parties must register their interest by 9.2.2016
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Please note that due to venue restrictions no more than two delegates per supplier shall be admitted.

This opportunity has also been published as a Pipeline Notice in Contracts Finder: https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/f9eeb6b9-9c12-4814-b2ad-d55a8ba3a0dc

**HIV Client Support Services**

*Liverpool City Council*

A non-clinical, social support service for people living with HIV/AIDS, their families and carers:

- Out Reach Support attendance at both the Royal Liverpool Hospital
- Counselling
- Peer Groups and Support Groups
- Information and advice on HIV related treatment and support through a variety of media
- Non Clinical, evidence-based Therapies, i.e. mindfulness, meditation and tension-releasing exercises?
- Training/education for Schools and Colleges
- Homeless Prevention & Housing Support

Estimated value £522,513.00

https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=30216e79-8cbf-e511-810c-000c29c9ba21

Deadline: 11/02/2016

**HR Policy Briefings and Skills Sessions**

*The London Borough of Sutton*

QUOTATION OPPORTUNITY The London Borough of Sutton (Sutton Council) is seeking expressions of interest from suitably qualified organisations for the provision of HR Policy Briefings and Skills Sessions for the London Borough of Sutton. The contract will be for a period of 12 months commencing on 18th February 2016 The Council is tendering this quotation through the London Tenders e-tendering portal, our preferred method of advertising and managing contract opportunities.

Sutton Council currently contracts with a diverse group of voluntary, statutory and private sector providers and encourages a range of organisations, regardless of size, to apply for this provision. The Council shall not be bound to accept the lowest cost or any quotation. The award of contract shall be based on the most economically advantageous quotation submitted.
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https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=a52102aa-57c0-e511-810c-000c29c9ba21

Deadline for submission of a completed Quotation Questionnaire is 11th February 2016 12 noon.

The provision of Role Players for HSE Legal Assessment Training Courses 2016 - 2017

DWP

HSE is inviting tenders from individuals or organisations with the expertise to provide the provision of role players for the Regulators NEBOSH diploma assessment exercises which will help to provide an accurate and fair assessment of new inspector competence in interview and statement taking and will enable HSE to meet the NEBOSH accreditation requirements.

https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/notice/07270E8D-42BD-4C85-BA73-A9A7BDC45780

Deadline: 05/02/2016

Provision of a Cycle Training Scheme to the Various Primary Schools in the borough of Bury

Bury Council

Bids are invited from suitably qualified organisations for the provision of a combined Levels 1 and 2 National Standard Cycle Training Scheme to the various primary schools throughout the borough. The scheme should be delivered to ideally but not exclusively Year 6 Pupils.

www.the-chest.org.uk

Deadline: 09/02/2016

Sensory Impaired Support Service - Bidders day

Leeds City Council

A bidders day for the impending Sensory Impaired Support Services procurement has been arranged for 3rd March at the John Charles Centre for Sport. Please download the attached information flier for further information. Please register your interest in attending by email.

https://www.yortender.co.uk/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&opp_id=OPP-HIS-A6EM-2EB6VP&contract_id=CONTRACT-A63C-74Q8ZP&org_id=ORG-YORE-8YRJHQ&from=

Deadline: 03/03/2016

Playing to Your Strengths Coaching Programme

NHS Education for Scotland

Playing to your strengths is a brief development programme for executive level leaders within the NHS and across health and social Care. The original programme was designed as a national programme offering up to 60 places a year to executive level leaders within NHS Scotland. 12 such
national programmes have been delivered since the programme’s inception in 2011. We are looking to contract up to 10 exceptional executive coaches to work, individually or as part of a team to deliver the Playing to your Strengths programme over a 2 year period April 2016-March 2018.

Programmes will be delivered between April 2016-Mar. 2018. NES anticipate that there will be a total of 100 days delivery per annum which includes design and development meetings. Please note that this contract is non-commitment and NES give no guarantee on the number of days called off. Commitment of work will be via a purchase order raised by NES.

Note: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information, please visit the Public Contracts Scotland web site at:http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=428558

Deadline: 7.3.2016

Leadership Coaching Tender

NHS Education for Scotland

NHS Education for Scotland (NES) is inviting the submission of proposals to be the design and delivery partner (s) for all or part of Leadership for Integration.

Leadership for Integration is a new package of leadership learning support being designed specifically for primary and social care leaders working in localities or health and social care partnerships to reshape, develop and deliver integrated models of care. Leadership for Integration is particularly aimed at GPs, clinical leads or middle and senior managers and statutory, third or independent social care organisations.

We are looking to contract experienced leadership consultants with coaching credentials to be external design and delivery partner (s) and to work in partnership with the project team. Deliver facilitated action learning or coaching in localities across Scotland and design and deliver workshops which will be delivered either in local, regional or central locations in Scotland.

Lot 1: You as a Collaborative Leader:
2 cohorts will be delivered in 2016/17 and the final cohort in 2017/18. The 1st cohort will begin in September 2016.
Lot 2: Collaborative Leadership in Practice:
3 programmes during 2016/17 and a further 2 programmes during 2017/18.

Lot 1 — estimated 192 days over 24 months;
Lot 2 — estimated 175 days over 24 months.

April 2016 to March 2017 to deliver 3 cohorts of approximately 20 teams (pair/trio/cluster) — estimated number of consultancy days is 105.
April 2017 to March 2018 to deliver 2 cohorts of approximately 20 teams (pairs/trio/cluster) — estimated number of consultancy days is 70.
Bids Number 4 for 2016

Note: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information, please visit the Public Contracts Scotland web site at: http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=428533

Deadline: 7.3.2016

Victim Engagement Service
Sheffield City Council
The Service Provider shall deliver a Victim Engagement Service and support to victims of youth crime perpetrated by children and young people engaged by the Sheffield, Rotherham, Barnsley and Doncaster’s Youth Justice Services (YJS).

https://www.yortender.co.uk/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&opp_id=OPP-HIS-A6EL-BMGHN2&contract_id=CONTRACT-A45C-84ZICE&org_id=ORG-YORE-8YRL3Y&from=

Deadline: 22/02/2016

Reparation and Unpaid Work Service
Sheffield City Council
Service Provider shall deliver a Reparation and Unpaid Work Service to the Youth Justice Services in Sheffield, Rotherham, Barnsley and Doncaster. The aim of helping young people to understand the consequences of offending.

https://www.yortender.co.uk/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&opp_id=OPP-HIS-A6EM-X5BZRY&contract_id=CONTRACT-A45C-9FYMBT&org_id=ORG-YORE-8YRL3Y&from=

Deadline: 22/02/2016

Custodial Attitudinal Change Programmes Sub Contract Training Services
Further Education Colleges
The Manchester College and its Operating Division Novus are inviting you to Tender to be included on a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) relating to the provision of Sub Contract Training Provision for Custodial Attitudinal Change Programmes. The DPS will be used to provide The Manchester College and its Operating Division Novus with a list of Sub Contract Training Providers in a range of categories (as per table B identified within the Indicative Tender) from which the service providers will be invited to quote for individual packages of learning and development to meet needs as and when funds become available.

For this first phase, The Manchester College and its Operating Division Novus is seeking to procure provision for a Pilot Programme designed to motivate and engage with hard to reach offenders in a custodial setting and encourage them to engage more effectively with the prison regime.

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Bids Number 4 for 2016

Phase 1 Indicative Tenders are required to be uploaded as part of a Pilot for evaluation between 22nd January 2016 and 4 pm on 23rd February 2016. After this deadline interested providers may apply and upload an Indicative Tender and Pre-Qualification Questionnaire at any time throughout the duration of the Dynamic Purchasing System for evaluation regarding joining the DPS and if successful, consideration for future opportunities should they be made available.

The Manchester College and its Operating Division Novus have identified that consistent training requirements need to exist across all establishments. The Manchester College and its Operating Division Novus especially are looking to appoint providers who can deliver Training and ensure that:

• The highest standards of quality are maintained.
• Training provided across the Prison Establishments is of a consistent quality.
• Training sessions are tailored to the local requirements of respected Prison Establishments and address our unique issues and requirements.
• Value for money is achieved through optimal numbers of Learners attending sessions.
• Providers will maximise available funding resources to enable least cost/no cost provision to Novus

https://inctendhost.co.uk/fe/aspx/

Deadline: 23/02/2016

Leicestershire Building Better Opportunities

Voluntary Action Leicester
Voluntary Action Leicestershire (VAL) is leading a stage 2 partnership bid to deliver Big Lottery Fund/ESF Building Better Opportunities ‘Social Inclusion for Under 25 year olds’ in the Leicester and Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership area. An opportunity has arisen for an organisation to join the project as a delivery partner.

The successful bidder will join the VAL partnership to work with The Prince’s Trust and other partners to deliver 9 Enhanced Team programmes across Leicester and Leicestershire over a 3 years period commencing from 2016.

The deadline for return of completed tenders is 9 am on Thursday 3.3.2016.

This role is dependent on the success of VAL’s overall stage 2 bid, with delivery due to commence in June 2016.

Note: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the myTenders Web Site at http://www.myTenders.org/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=169133

http://www.valonline.org.uk/building-better-opportunities-procurement-opportunity

Estimated value excluding VAT: 225 000 GBP

Deadline: 3.3.2016
**Commissioning of support and therapies for children and young people Market Event 23rd February 2016**

**Gloucestershire County Council**

The council is in the process of reviewing the current level of spot purchasing of certain types of support for children and young people to improve efficiency, provide better use of resources, allow providers to confidently develop and future proof their services, and provide assurance that serv...Immersion Centre), 4-6 Commercial Road, Gloucester, GL1 2EA. Tea and coffee will be available from 10.30.

[https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=6a91ad03-fbc0-e511-810c-000c29c9ba21](https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=6a91ad03-fbc0-e511-810c-000c29c9ba21)

Please register your interest on ProContract, or email penny.jones@gloucestershire.gov.uk, by 3:00 pm on Thursday 18th February 2016.

**Funding to Tackle Fuel Poverty (UK)**

The Scottish Power Energy People Trust has announced that its grants programme is open for applications.

The Trust provides grants to registered charities for projects that address fuel poverty. Registered charities can apply for grants of up to £50,000 for projects that:

- Provide energy efficiency advice
- Improve home energy efficiency through draught proofing, insulating and or other practical measures
- Carry out benefits advice to households missing out on financial help that they are entitled to through welfare benefits and tax credits and provide assistance to reduce or cancel debts for household electricity or gas supply.

Applications are particularly welcome from charities who work with children, young people and families.

Previous projects supported include:

Telford & The Wrekin CAB which received a grant of £49,887 to employ a part time energy efficiency/income maximisation adviser. The adviser would provide one-to-one advice and support for individuals and families referred by any of the agencies within the network.
The deadline for applications is the 17th May 2016.

http://www.energypeopletrust.com/content/default.asp?page=s4

**War Memorials Grant Scheme (UK)**

The War Memorials Trust are providing grants for the repair and conservation of free-standing war memorials in England. These grants are intended to help those who are responsible for the upkeep of war memorials. The grants support the care and preservation of war memorials to a high standard, and to prevent the decay of this important part of our built heritage. Grants will normally be for up to a maximum of 75% of eligible costs, with a maximum grant of £30,000.

The next closing date for applications is the 31st March 2016.

http://www.warmemorials.org/grants/

**Funding to Promote Swimming (UK)**

The Swimathon Foundation Community Grants Scheme offers funding of between £300 and £2,500 to groups who provide and promote swimming in their local community.

The Foundation is passionate about encouraging people to get involved with swimming, which it hopes to encourage even further with its Community Grants. To be eligible for a Swimathon grant organisations need to be supported by pools that are participating in Swimathon. Some of examples of groups that Swimathon Foundation Community grants will support, but are not limited to:

- Community groups
- Swimming clubs
- Senior groups
- Youth groups
- Sports clubs
- Disability charities
- Scout groups
- Healthy living groups; etc.

Examples of projects supported in the past include:

Banishing Aqua Fears Yes You Can! who were awarded £1,734 to make swimming more accessible to residents on the Isles of Islay and Jura and Braintree Mencap Swimmers based in Essex, were awarded £2,500 to ensure people with learning disabilities have the opportunity to participate in...
activities in the local area. Applicants must be a representative of, or have the support of, a pool participating in Swimathon 2016.

The closing date for applications is the 4th March 2016.

http://www.swimathonfoundation.org/apply/

Society for Microbiology – Science Education and Outreach Grants (UK)

The Society for Microbiology provides grants to promote microbiology or to support developments likely to lead to an improvement in the teaching of any aspect of microbiology.

Full, Full Concessionary or Postgraduate Student Members of the Society living in the UK or Republic of Ireland can apply for grants up to £1,000 for educational outreach activities. A variety of educational outreach activities to promote public engagement with microbiology will be considered for support. These might include:

- Talks
- Workshops
- Demonstrations
- Posters
- Leaflets
- Broadcasts
- Activities at science
- Festivals and audio-visual or computer-based packages
- Activities that take place as part of a National Science Engineering Week event at the applicant’s place of work.

The deadline for applications is 1st April 2016.

http://www.microbiologysociety.org/grants-prizes/education-outreach-funds.cfm/education-and-outreach-grants

Wolfson Foundation – Disability and Special Needs Grants Programme (UK)

The Wolfson Foundation has announced that the next closing date for stage 1 applications to its Disability and Special Needs Grants Programme is the 1st July 2016.
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Through the programme, the Wolfson Foundation, makes grants of between £15,000 - £100,000 to charities working with people with disabilities and/or the elderly. The Foundation’s funding in this area is focussed on three themes. These are:

- Palliative Care and Hospices
- Older People
- Transitions and Independence.

Grants are awarded towards:

- New buildings, refurbishments and equipment, with the aim of increased access to services for new and existing users
- Improved quality and range of services
- Improved financial stability of the organisation.

Special schools and special colleges are eligible to apply under this funding programme. The Foundation has awarded over £35 million to more than 200 different organisations over the last ten years.

http://www.wolfson.org.uk/funding/health-and-disability/

Wolfson Foundation Secondary Education Programme (UK)

The Wolfson Foundation’s has announced that the next stage 1 application deadline for funding through its Secondary Education Programme is the 10th June 2016.

Through its Secondary Education Programme high-achieving state-funded and independent schools and sixth form colleges can apply to the Foundation for funding for capital or equipment projects relating to the teaching of science and technology, languages, music, the arts or libraries. Grants do not normally exceed £50,000 for schools or £100,000 for sixth form colleges. Projects should focus on students taking A-Level or GCSE examinations.

Examples of schools that have received funding through the Foundation include:

Greenhead College, a high-achieving Sixth Form College in Huddersfield, which received a grant of £100,000 in 2012 which enabled them to refurbish three chemistry laboratories and two technicians rooms.

Jordanhill School in Glasgow, which received a £40,000 grant towards the creation of new science laboratories. Jordanhill School also received a grant of £25,000 in 1998 towards the purchase of IT equipment.
Bids Number 4 for 2016

The Wolfson Foundation has a two stage application process. Stage 1 applications should be submitted via their online application form. If approved, schools will invite you to submit a stage 2 application

http://www.wolfson.org.uk/funding/education/secondary-education/

Funding to Support Joint Projects Between UK and French Schools (UK)

UK schools that wish to organise reciprocal visits to their existing partner schools in France can apply for funding of up to £5,000 through the Lefèvre Trust.

The Trust must involve pupils aged 11 - 19 that work with their partner school on joint curriculum based projects. The programme aims to give more young people the knowledge, skills and understanding to work not only bilaterally but in a global context - and contribute responsibly to society - locally and globally. The British Council will accept grant applications from schools, sixth form colleges and comparable institutions providing full-time general, vocational, technical or special needs education. Both private and government institutions are eligible to apply.

The closing date for applications is the 16th May 2016.

https://schoolsonline.britishcouncil.org/apply-for-funding/lefevre

Funding for Town Twinning Projects (UK)

The European Commission has announced a new call for proposals under its Town Twinning initiative.

Part of its Citizens for Europe programme Town Twinning is supporting projects that bringing together citizens from twinned towns to promote civic participation in the EU policy making process and develop opportunities for societal engagement and volunteering at EU level. The maximum grant available for a project is €25 000 and the maximum project duration is usually 21 days. The funding is available to towns /municipalities or their twinning committees or other non-profit organisations representing local authorities. A project must involve municipalities from at least 2 eligible countries, of which at least one is an EU Member State.

The closing date for applications is 1st March 2016.

Call for Proposals - The Networks of Towns (UK)

The European Commission has launched a new call for proposals under Networks of Towns initiative.

This is part of the European Commission’s new Citizens for Europe Programme. Through the Networks of Towns initiative grants are available for towns with existing town twinning links to come together in thematic networks that address issues of common concern. This Programme provides financial support for conferences and workshops that address specific themes, involving towns from four eligible countries of which one must be an EU country. These events should be the starting point for future joint initiatives between the twinned towns. The maximum grant to be awarded is €150,000. Applications are accepted from municipalities and twinning committees, local and regional governments and associations representing local authorities.

The closing date for applications will be the 1st March 2016.


EU Funding for International Co-Production Audiovisual Projects (UK)

The EU has issued a call for proposals for international co-production projects that increase the capacity of audiovisual operators to develop European audiovisual works with a potential to circulate in the Union and beyond; and to facilitate European and international co-production, including with television broadcasters.

Specifically, the funding will support:

- Production of feature films, animations and documentaries of at least 60 minutes intended primarily for cinema release
- The implementation of a distribution strategy for the better circulation of the supported works.

The film should be distributed in at least 3 territories out of which at least one is participating in the MEDIA Sub-programme. The maximum grant available is €400,000 for 80% of the total project costs.

The deadline for applications is midday on 25th February 2016.

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/creative-europe/funding/international-coproduction-funds-2016_en
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Sky Academy Scholarships Open for Applications (UK / Ireland)

Emerging Irish and UK artists aged 18 to 30 are eligible to apply for a €40,000/£30,000 Sky Academy Arts Scholarship.

There are five scholarships available, four to be awarded to young artists in the UK and one in Ireland. Artists working in the following categories are eligible:

- Music
- Dance
- Visual Art
- Theatre and Comedy
- Film production
- Creative Producing.

The purpose of the scholarships are to give young people the time, space and money they need to develop their creative practice and unlock their potential. As well as the scholarship, recipients will receive mentoring from senior Sky staff and professionals from the arts industry. The artists will also receive a short film about their project and practice.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 10th March 2016.


Postcode Community Trust Grants Programme (Scotland, Wales, East & West Midlands)

The Postcode Community Trust has re-opened its Community Grants Programme.

Through the Community Grants Programme the Trust supports projects of up to one year in length that advance community development. During this funding round, organisations in Scotland, Wales, East & West Midlands are eligible to apply. Through its Community grants programme, the Trust offers grants of between £500 and £20,000 (£10,000 in Wales) to small organisations and community groups for projects lasting up to 1 year.

Previous projects supported include:

The Greenbank Sports Academy which received a grant of over £17,000 for a project that focuses on empowerment and personal motivation through sport, encourages disabled children to celebrate and embrace their abilities and achievements.
Adel Pre-School which received a £20,000 grant to construct an outdoor play area. With specific focus on sensory elements, this resource will assist in the learning and development of children and families.

The closing date for applications will be the 28th January 2016.

http://www.postcodecommunitytrust.org.uk/community-grants.htm

163 Grassroots Facilities Upgraded with £14m Worth Of Investment From The Premier League & The FA Facilities Fund (England & Wales)

The Football Foundation has awarded grants worth £14 million from the Premier League & The FA Facilities Fund (PL/FA:FF) towards 163 grassroots facility projects worth £57m between June and December 2015.

Funding from the PL/FA:FF goes towards building new or refurbishing existing floodlit third generation (3G) football turf pitches (FTPs) and changing pavilions across the country. The Fund also provides smaller grants for vital improvements, such as replacing unsafe goalposts and purchasing pitch maintenance equipment.

One example of the 163 projects is a £500,000 grant to Beech Hill Primary School in Halifax, which will enable the school to construct a new floodlit 3G Football Pitch. It is predicted that the new facility will increase the number of teams at clubs using the site from 52 to 64. This PL/FA:FF investment will also enable FA Level One and Level Two courses, Goalkeeping Coaching and Junior Football Leader Awards to be held at the site.

The PL/FA:FF welcomes applications for grants of between £10,000 and £500,000 from football clubs, professional clubs' community trusts, multi-sport clubs, local authorities, all educational establishments, registered charitable organisations, and not for profit companies.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

http://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/funding-schemes/premier-league-the-fa-facilities-fund/

Deadline Extended for Charity Flood Funding (North England & North Wales)

Charities have been given extra time to apply for funds raised for flood-hit communities, which is to be matched by the government.

The deadline has been extended to 5 February 2016 and the government has pledged £2 million in charity match funding. Applications for areas affected by Storm Desmond and Storm Eva can be
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made by any registered charities that are currently running a fundraising appeal for flood relief to benefit affected areas.


Teacher Training Scholarships (England)

The Institute of Physics (IOP) has announced that the next deadline for applications to its Teacher Training Scholarships for 2016-17 is the 8th February 2016.

The IOP, in partnership with the Department for Education offers teacher training scholarships, worth £30,000 for people in England who would like to train to teach physics or physics with maths. Scholarships also include a package of benefits such as Institute membership and early career mentoring. 150 scholarships are available each year. To apply applicants will need to have:

A physics or related degree (such as engineering or mathematics) with a proven or predicted grade of at least 2.1

Or hold a relevant PhD or master's degree or recognised equivalent

Or have completed a Subject Knowledge Enhancement course in physics. If an applicant has a 2.2 degree the IOP will consider the application if he/she can demonstrate significant physics-related experience and knowledge. Please refer to the UKCISA website for full details; and meet the bursary eligibility criteria as set out in the National College for Teaching and Leadership’s bursary guidance

http://www.iop.org/education/teach/itts/page_52632.html

Creative England and Microsoft Funding for Game Developers (England)

Creative England has, for the third year running, partnered with Microsoft to develop Greenshoots, a programme of financial and business support intended to stimulate the commercial development and growth of the games industry in the English regions, outside of Greater London.

Through the programme investments of £25,000 - £50,000 are available to games companies that demonstrate high growth potential. In addition to the financial support, successful applicants will also receive support, mentorship and expertise from Microsoft and industry partners. To be eligible for funding, applicants need to be based in England; outside of the Greater London area). Investments will be made on a commercial basis under a revenue share scheme. All investments require a minimum £1 for £1 match. Upon commercial release, Creative England will receive a 50% share of all Gross Revenue generated by the game developed using Greenshoots funding.
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Applications close 9am on 8th February 2016.

http://www.creativeengland.co.uk/games/greenshoots

Arts Council England Ambition for Excellence Fund (England)

The Arts Council England has announced that six organisations will receive a total of almost £3million in the second round of its Excellence programme.

The Fund which is worth a total of £35.2 wants to stimulate and support ambition, talent and excellence across the arts sector in England, especially outside London. It aims to:

- Contribute to the development of strong cultural places
- Grow and develop talent and leadership in the regions and across art forms
- Give an international dimension to excellent work
- Create the highest quality new work including for outdoor and festival contexts.

It is particularly keen to support the creation of work for major national moments that build on the legacy of the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad.

Projects funded in the second round include:

The Young Vic which will receive £250,000 towards their Directors Programme. The programme, which is the only one of its kind in the UK provides young and emerging directors with professional support, networks, skills, research & development and work opportunities.

The Programme is especially focussed on widening the range of backgrounds of those who will be the future leaders of theatre in England and it promotes and encourages greater collaboration between England’s producing theatres.

Applications for grants of £100,000 to £750,000 are open to national portfolio organisations, museums (applying for arts projects) and organisations primarily focused on creating, producing, distributing and presenting the arts; and will be accepted on a rolling basis up until 27 October 2017.

http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/apply-funding/apply-for-funding/ambition-excellence/

The Big Venture Challenge 2016 Opens for Applications (England)

The Big Venture Challenge, a national competition seeking to find the 20 most ambitious social entrepreneurs in England, has announced that it is open for applications. Big Venture Challenge is an
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intensive a 11-month programme that is designed to help you raise external investment (debt or equity) grow the business and scale its impact.

Big Venture Challenge is looking for people:

- With big ideas to transform disadvantaged communities across England
- Who have what it takes to build credible ventures
- Have the ambition to be scaled up fast.

As well as providing support, the programme provides access to external investors plus the potential for a match grant from Big Venture Challenge of £20,000. Big Venture Challenge runs themed and regional cohorts every year in order to build deeper, more relevant strategic support networks around each cohort. In 2016 the Challenge will have one themed cohort; Education, Training and Skills. UnLtd will be accepting applications from all over the UK with at least 40% of the ventures coming from outside of London.

The deadline for applications will be at 9am on the 7th of March 2016.

https://unltd.org.uk/2016/01/06/applications-big-venture-challenge-2016-cohort-now-open/

The Bodfach Trust (Wales)

Charities operating in Mid Wales and the Welsh Borders can apply for grants of up to £500 to the Bodfach Trust. The Trust makes grants to charities involved in five areas. These are:

- Affordable housing
- Care for the elderly
- Helping young people
- Preservation of old buildings
- Supporting green spaces and public parks.

The trustees are particularly keen to support smaller organisations.

Recent organisations supported include:

- Play Montgomeryshire to take young people, many of whom have additional needs, aged 10-19 years on trips.
- The Action For Elders Trust to help with transportation costs to cover community transport and taxis to help alleviate social isolation and mobility of the elderly.

The closing date for applications is the 30th September 2016.
BIG Launches Create your Space Funding Programme (Wales)

The Big Lottery Fund (BIG) Wales has launched a new £8.8 million funding programme which enables communities to improve their local natural environment.

The Create your Space programme will support projects that will conserve, create or improve outdoor spaces within a specific community. Grants of £500,000 - £2 million will be available to formally constituted third sector bodies working in partnership with their communities and local organisations. BIG will accept applications from organisations based anywhere in Wales but the project must benefit communities in the following, existing local authority areas: Caerphilly; Conwy; Flintshire; Isle of Anglesey; Monmouthshire; Newport; Rhondda Cynon Taff; Vale of Glamorgan; and Wrexham. Applications can be made for funding for up to seven years and BIG can fund up to 100 per cent of the costs of the project including staff, training, volunteer expenses, equipment, premises costs, evaluation and overheads.

The closing date for applications is the 31st March 2016.

https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/global-content/programmes/wales/create-your-space

Foundation Scotland Launch Flood Recovery Appeal (Scotland)

Foundation Scotland has launched a Flood Recovery Appeal to provide urgent funding for individuals and families affected by the unprecedented weather of the past few weeks.

In addition, support will also be available for community organisations working hard to provide essential services in many areas across Scotland. The Fund has launched with £50,000 already committed from SSE and other individual Foundation clients. Foundation Scotland hopes to raise over £1M with the support of their clients, funders, businesses and the general public. The Foundation will distribute funds to individuals with immediate needs such as shelter, food and clothing. Priority will be given to the vulnerable including the elderly, people on low incomes, families with young children and those with additional support needs. The Fund will also support local relief efforts such as support, information and care services and community organisations affected by the floods.

This is a rolling programme and applications can be submitted at any time.

https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/flood-recovery-fund-community-groups/
ScotRail Cultural and Arts Fund (Scotland)

ScotRail has announced that it is inviting groups across Scotland projects to apply to its new Cultural and Arts Fund.

Charities, individuals or community groups such as Brownies, Scouts, PTAs, Friends of Groups and playgroups with an income no more than £100,000 per year can apply for grants of up to £5,000 to support arts, community recreation, and sports activities. Scotrail will make £10,000 available every quarter and the type of projects that can be supported include:

- Play areas for children
- The Promotion of performing arts, visual arts, literature, community arts, and cultural traditions, sports events
- Sport outreach programmes; etc.

The next closing date for applications is the 31st March 2016.

https://www.scotrail.co.uk/about-scotrail/scotrail-community/cultural-and-arts-fund

Football Foundation Expands Emergency Football Relief Fund to Include More Regions (North West & Yorkshire)

The Football Foundation has expanded its Emergency Football Relief Fund in response to the recent storms affecting the North of England.

The Fund will now include the regions covered by the Manchester County FA, Liverpool County FA, Cheshire County FA and the North Riding County FA. Up to £750,000 has been made available through the Emergency Fund to rebuild and repair grassroots football pitches and facilities that have suffered storm damage and flooding, to enable football to continue across the affected regions as quickly as possible. The funding is available for grassroots football, and clubs across all levels of The FA National League System (Step 1 to Step 7) that require assistance to make facilities safe and fit for purpose following damage by the recent storms, to allow football to continue. Organisations should contact their County FA for more information about how to access this emergency relief funding.


Dorset Leader Programmes (South West)

The Northern and Southern Dorset Leader programmes are open for applications.
Leader is a European funding programme designed to support the development of the rural economy by providing grants to small businesses and communities. The programme will run from 2015-2020 with £1.577 million available for the Northern Dorset LEADER and £1.617 million available for the Southern Dorset LEADER area. Small businesses, community groups and social enterprises can apply for grants for projects that support rural economic development. To be eligible for funding, projects must support one or more of 6 LEADER priorities:

- Increase farm productivity
- Support micro and small business and farm diversification
- Support rural tourism
- Improve rural services
- Support cultural and heritage activity
- Increase forestry productivity.

Locally projects will need to show how they will contribute to the local economy. The maximum grant rate is usually capped at 40% of the eligible project costs. Not for profit and tourism projects may qualify for a higher intervention rate. Average grants will typically be within the range of £5,000 and £40,000.

https://dorsetleader.org.uk/

**Torridge and North Devon LEADER Programme (Devon)**

The next closing date for outline applications to the Torridge and North Devon LEADER programme is the 18th February 2016.

This covers all of Torridge and North Devon, but excludes Barnstaple, Bickington and Roundswell. Leader is a European funding programme designed to support the development of the rural economy by providing grants to small businesses and communities. The programme will run from 2015-2020 with £2.3 million available for projects in the Torridge and North Devon Action Zone area that are relevant to the main Leader priorities:

- Increased farm productivity
- Micro and SME development
- Farm diversification
- Rural tourism
- Provision of rural services
- Cultural and heritage activity
- Increased forestry productivity.

Local priorities are to improve business efficiency and growth; revitalise the rural visitor economy; and realise the potential of local environment, heritage and community assets. Eligible organisations...
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can apply for grants from £2,500 to £35,000 that will cover up to 40% of a project's eligible costs. Some projects may qualify for a higher intervention rate.

http://www.leader5.co.uk/

**Active Communities Funding (Devon)**

People's Health Trust has just launched the Active Communities in Devon and Torbay funding programme to help local people and groups to create fairer places to grow, live, work and thrive.

The priority is to invest in projects that support people living in the most disadvantaged neighbourhoods of Devon and Torbay. Not-for-profit groups with an income of less than £350,000 a year, or an average of £350,000 over two years, can apply for grants of £5,000 to £50,000 for projects lasting up to two years.

The deadline for applications is 3rd February 2016.


**Comic Relief Local Communities Funding (Devon)**

The Devon Community Foundation has announced that the Comic Relief Local Communities programme is open for applications.

Comic Relief is working with UK Community Foundations to provide grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 to support projects that empower local people, enabling them to create lasting change in their communities. Projects should be run by people directly affected by the issues they are dealing with and priority will be given to small, locally based groups or organisations in areas of disadvantage that have a clear understanding of the needs of their community. Community Groups, Resident Associations, Community Centres, Social Enterprises/Community Interest Companies and Credit Unions can apply for funding to: Improve people's life skills, education, employability and enterprise; maximise people's ability to strengthen community cohesion and build social capacity; and advance people's physical and mental health, wellbeing and safety. A Local Communities grant must be at least 30% of the total cost of the project.

The deadline for submitting Expression of Interest is midday on 28th January 2016.

http://devoncf.com/apply/apply-for-a-grant/comic-relief-local-communities/#sthash.4BNp9lwE.dpuf
Funding for Low Carbon Projects (London)

Applications are being invited in the London Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) to promote energy efficiency and the move to renewable energy supplies, as well as for research and development into, and adoption of, lower carbon technologies by Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs).

There is £3 million funding available and the minimum businesses can apply for is £500,000. Projects can last up to three years. The first stage is to complete an outline application. Applicants successful at this stage will be invited to make a full application. Applications must demonstrate local need and benefits; and 50% match funding must be in place.

The deadline for outline applications is the 19th February 2016.


Funding to Increase SME Competitiveness (London)

Business support organisations and agencies in the London Local Enterprise Partnership area can apply for funding for help with projects that increase the competitiveness of Small and Medium Sized Businesses (SMEs).

Specifically, projects should:

- Promote entrepreneurship by facilitating the economic exploitation of new ideas and fostering the creation of new firms, including through business incubators
- Support the creation and extension of advanced capacities for products, services and development
- Support the capacity of SMEs to grow in regional, national and international markets and to engage in innovation processes.

There is £6 million funding available and the minimum businesses can apply for is £500,000. Applicants successful at this stage will be invited to make a full application. Applications must demonstrate local need and benefits; and 50% match funding must be in place.

The deadline for outline applications is the 19th February 2016.

Pink Ribbon Foundation Grants 2016 (UK)

The Pink Ribbon Foundation has announced it is now accepting applications for its 2016 funding round and that the closing date will be the 27th May 2016.

The Foundation is a grant making trust that provides financial support to UK charities which relieve the needs of people who are suffering from, or who have been affected by breast cancer or who work to advance the understanding of breast cancer, its early detection and treatment. Any charity working in the field of breast cancer can apply for a grant. Applications from general cancer charities must demonstrate that the grants requested will be applied to benefit those affected by breast cancer. Where applications relate to general services, details must be given of how many (and what proportion) of the total number benefiting from the charity's work are affected by breast cancer.

http://www.pinkribbonfoundation.org.uk/grants/

WADA Scientific Research Programme (UK / Worldwide)

The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) has announced that its 2016 Scientific Research Grant Programme is open for applications.

The purpose of WADA's Scientific Research Grant Programme is to encourage research to enable the development of more efficient strategies that prevent or stop doping among athletes. For 2016, WADA gives high priority to projects addressing:

- The detection of peptide hormones
- Improved window or limits of detection for prohibited substances/methods (e.g. detection of new long-term metabolites, improved methodologies of detection, etc)
- Detection/Identification of novel doping trend
- The Athlete's Biological Passport (e.g. new biomarkers and target analytes of the ABP, improvement of current models, etc).

The programme is open for applications from organisations such as universities, colleges, small businesses, and for-profit and not-for-profit organisations.

The closing date for applications is the 15th February 2016.

Sainsbury’s Local Food Partner Programme (UK)

Sainsbury’s is expanding its Local Food Partner Programme and is accepting applications from local charities to join the network. Local food partner charities can collect dry and tinned food donated by customers and/or fresh food donated by Sainsbury’s to distribute in the community.

Applicants must be a registered charity, have appropriate Food Hygiene certification and be able to collect donated food regularly from you partner store. A Food Partner must:

- Be able to collect food from their local store regularly
- Put in place effective procedures for the receipt, storage and security of food provided by Sainsbury’s
- Ensure all staff involved in handling food are knowledgeable of food hygiene requirements
- Comply with legally acceptable standards of hygiene in handling, storage, preparation and serving of meals and in accordance with manufacturers’ instructions where available.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

http://www.ccworks.co.uk/sainsburys.html

Grants to Prevent Racism and Other forms of Intolerance (UK)

The EU has issued a call for proposals for projects that prevent racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance.

This call for proposals for action grants is based on the 2015 annual work programme of the Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme. It aims to co-fund transnational projects, which are in line with the specific objective of the programme, to prevent and combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance. There is €5.4million of funding available and the priorities for it are:

- Developing best practices to prevent and combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance
- Training and capacity building for strengthening criminal responses to hate crime and hate speech
- Empowering and supporting victims of hate crime and hate speech.

The minimum grant you can apply for is €300,000 but there is no maximum. In order to be eligible to apply, the applicant must be a public entity or a non-profit organisation. The project must be transnational and must be submitted by a partnership of eligible organisations. For the purpose of
this call, the proposal must be submitted by organisations from at least five different eligible countries.

The deadline for submitting proposals is 18th February 2016.


**Holiday Grants for Children (UK)**

The Henry Smith’s Charity has announced that schools and youth groups can apply between now and the 18th March 2016 to the Holiday Grant for Children Programme for activities taking place between the 1st February - 30th April 2016.

Schools, youth groups and not for profit organisations can apply for grants towards holidays or outings within the UK for children aged 13 and under who are from deprived areas or have a disability. Applications can be considered for holidays or outings that have the objective of providing children with a break they would not otherwise have the opportunity to experience. The maximum grant is usually £2,500 for any one trip. Grants are normally limited to a maximum of two-thirds of the total cost of a trip as the charity would expect some local partnership funding to be in place.

Recently funded projects include:

Berridge Junior School which received £1,000 towards a day trip to the seaside for 160 school children from a disadvantaged area of Nottingham.

Thrybergh Primary School received £2,500 Goose Green Primary towards a residential trip to an activity centre in Lancashire for a group of disadvantaged children from South Yorkshire.

Nursery School which received £3,000 towards a trip to Hayling Island for 48 pupils from a primary school of inner London.

http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/holiday-grants-for-children.html

**CashBack for Communities – Small Grants Scheme (Scotland)**

The next closing date for applications to the CashBack for Communities small grants scheme is the 1st March 2016.

Cashback for Communities is a Scottish Government initiative that uses funds recovered from criminal activity to support positive activities for young people. Through the scheme Volunteer lead youth groups in Scotland can apply for funding of up to £2,000 to enhance their programmes for
young people and get their projects off the ground. The scheme can provide up to £1,000 to support the start-up costs of new projects or groups or up to £2,000 to support projects run by existing local groups.

CashBack got Communities is a partnership of six national, volunteer-led youth organisations. These are:

- The Scout Association
- Girlguiding Scotland
- Boys Brigade
- Girls' Brigade in Scotland
- Clubs for Young People (Scotland)
- Youth Scotland. To eligible the applicant needs to be a member of one of the six partnership organisations listed above.

http://www.cashbacksmallgrants.org/

**Sport Wales Development Grants (Wales)**

Sports clubs and associations, community and voluntary groups looking to start a new team, develop new training facilities or purchase much needed equipment to take a project to the next level can apply for a grant of £1,501 - £25,000. The grants can also be used to provide coach education; buy floodlighting for training purposes; purchase land or rights in land to develop activity areas; and as start-up grants to support new enterprises. Applicant organisations must have a bank account in the organisation’s name to apply to the fund and the project must not yet have started.

Applications can be submitted at any time but applicants are encouraged to discuss their ideas with their regional office before applying.

http://sport.wales/funding--support/our-grants/development-grant.aspx

**Business Support for High Growth Start Ups (Northern Ireland)**

High growth start-ups that could achieve significant sales in markets outside Northern Ireland within three years and will create employment can receive a range of business advice and financial support through the Invest Northern Ireland Propel Programme.

The programme is aimed at high calibre entrepreneurs who have the passion and energy to succeed on an international stage. Applicants could receive: up to £20,000 financial support; a series of 12
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high quality training workshops; individual mentoring support from experienced international entrepreneurs; help with drafting an investor ready business plan; shared work space; and support to make overseas market visits.

Applications care accepted on a rolling basis and can be submitted at any time.

http://www.investni.com/start-a-business/support-for-high-growth-start-ups.html

Children Centres Services Tender

Wiltshire Council

Please note a light touch procedure is being followed. Wiltshire Council invites expressions of interest from suitably experienced and qualified service providers capable of providing high quality Children's Centre services for Wiltshire's families and children throughout Wiltshire (excluding Swindon).

This is a Light Touch Regime procurement and the procedure being used is described in the Invitation to Tender (ITT) pack. The Council is not following one of the standard procedures. Variant tenders will not be accepted. Tenders must be submitted in English.

The successful bidders will be those submitting the Most Economically Advantageous Tenders (MEAT) for each cluster area as detailed in the ITT pack. Only bidders who pass the selection criteria will be eligible to be awarded a contract and that may be checked at any stage during the evaluation process i.e. we may evaluate the service proposals at the same time.

Successful bidder(s) will provide Children's Centre Services within specified cluster areas within Wiltshire as set out below:

North cluster
Children’s Centre buildings
Cricklade; Royal Wootton Bassett; Chippenham (The Rise), Chippenham ( Spring Rise); Calne

South cluster
Children's Centre buildings
Salisbury City; Salisbury ( Little Folly); Bulford; Tisbury & Mere

East cluster
Children’s Centre buildings
Tidworth ( Windmill Hill); Pewsey; Devizes South

West cluster
Children's Centre buildings
Trowbridge Studley Green
Trowbridge Longfield
Westbury ( White Horse)
Melksham ( Canberra)

The values of each Cluster contract over the full period if the option to extend is exercised are:
North 6 458 153 GBP
South 6 857 849 GBP
East 4 489 369 GBP
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West 6 589 629 GBP

The service provider shall be required to work as part of a cohesive early help offer for Wiltshire in ensuring:
— Open access services for all families with young children through use of dedicated children’s centre buildings, a range of accessible community buildings and increased partnership working with Community Child Health professionals including Midwives and Health Visitors.
— Focused and targeted delivery of services within areas of identified need including 1-1 outreach and provision of services/groups in places within the community that are most accessible for vulnerable families with young children.

Designated children's centre buildings will act as hubs for delivery of children's centre services. However, within each cluster, some children's centre services will be delivered from other buildings in local communities.

The service provider in each cluster will work with all other providers in the area to avoid any duplication and ensure a consistent Wiltshire wide service is delivered, whilst continuing to respond to local need.

There will be a single point of access and information for families in each cluster. Bidders are able to apply for individual cluster areas: North; South, East, West.

The contract will be for a period of 5 year period with services commencing on 1.7.2016. The requirement includes an option to extend for up to two years with any contract(s) expiring no later than 30.6.2023.

Tender for Healthy Lifestyle Hub

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council is inviting expressions of interest from a single (or single consortium) Provider for our Healthy Lifestyle Hub.

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council are implementing a comprehensive programme of tailored lifestyle interventions and services for people living in Southend aged 16 years or over.

The purpose of the Programme is to improve the health and well-being of the resident population in Southend and it will be delivered by a number of providers across a range of service areas, including:

- Smoking Cessation and Tobacco Harm Reduction.
- Weight management.
- Physical Activity Interventions.
- Health trainers (including workplace interventions).
- Alcohol recovery.
- Diabetes prevention.
- Falls prevention / Postural stability.
- Social prescribing / Mental health support / Emotional Health and Wellbeing.
- Generic self-management.
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- Other programmes as required/commissioned by the Authority.

https://procurement.southend.gov.uk/southend/portal.nsf/index.htm

Deadline: 17/02/2016

Health Education England: Clinical Academic Careers

Health Education East Midlands (HEEM)

Health Education East Midlands (HEEM) and Health Education West Midlands (HEWM) are the Local Education and Training Board across both counties. Formally established on 1.4.2013 as a subcommittee of Health Education England, HEEM and HEWM aim to ensure the security of workforce supply and to continuously improve the quality of education, training and development in the East and West Midlands. The main aim is to enable the health and care workforce to respond effectively to the needs of patients, carers and families.

HEEM and HEWM are looking to engage with an education provider or education providers to deliver a programme of education to Nurses, Mid-wives, Allied Health Professionals (AHPs), Health Visitors, Pharmacists, Wider Dental Team Members, Operating Department Practitioners and Clinical Psychologists to enable them to embark on a form of research activity. This will be in conjunction with their current role. The education provider will supply education and training in research to contribute to the wider Clinical Academic Careers pathway.

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/leicspart

Deadline: 04/03/2016