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**16<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

### **Modernisation Fund – Open to expression of interest**

From April 2009, Futurebuilders will invite loan applications from larger third sector organisations with a primary focus on mergers and activities related to the financial and capacity issues associated with these. The loans will be between £30,000 and £500,000.

Capacitybuilders will launch its part of the programme in early summer 2009, offering smaller grants to third sector organisations to assist them with the purchase of business support to help explore the benefits of collaboration, merger and restructuring. Funding will be targeted at organisations working in areas at most risk of being affected by the economic downturn and which specialise in providing services of particular importance to communities during a recession, including family support, debt advice, counselling, and tackling homelessness.

*The fund is not open for applications yet*, but organisations are invited to register their interest by phone or email and someone will contact you when the fund opens.

Email: [modfund@futurebuilders-england.org.uk](mailto:modfund@futurebuilders-england.org.uk)

Tel: 0191 269 2277

Web: <http://www.futurebuilders-england.org.uk/>

### **Launch of the Tackling Race Inequalities Fund**

Eligible third sector organisations that are working to tackle race inequalities are invited to apply for this new fund. It is expected that between £200,000 and £450,000 (spread over two years) will be made available to successful organisations.

Organisations will be considered if they are pursuing particular goals. Some of these include:

- Promoting equality of opportunity for people from Black, Asian and minority ethnic groups
- Working with particularly disadvantaged people within Black, Asian and minority ethnic groups, including women, young people and disabled people
- Working with local bodies promoting race equality to help them work more effectively, including supporting the victims of racially motivated crime

**The deadline for applications is 27<sup>th</sup> May 2009.**

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An application form and details of the fund are available from the website address below.

For help and advice about the Tackling Race Inequalities Fund please contact:

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Email: [matthew.west@communities.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:matthew.west@communities.gsi.gov.uk) or

Selvin Brown, tel: 020 7944 8374

Email: [Selvin.brown@communities.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:Selvin.brown@communities.gsi.gov.uk)

Web: <http://www.communities.gov.uk>

### **Football Foundation Community Large Grants – imminent deadline**

This grant aims to create opportunities and build communities by funding projects that use football and sport as a force for social change. Projects that address social exclusion and inequalities in education and health are funded.

Up to £150,000 is available over one to three years and the Foundation will not exceed 90% of the project costs. Applicants must identify the partnership funding that would contribute to the project.

The following groups are eligible to apply:

- Un-incorporated not-for-profit organisations
- Football clubs
- Multi-sports clubs
- Registered charitable organisations
- Companies limited by guarantee
- Educational establishments
- Local authorities
- Industrial and provident societies

**Applications to stage one must be submitted by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2009.**

**Successful applicants will be invited to apply to stage two by 19<sup>th</sup> June 2009.**

You can apply on line and view all guidance notes at the web address below.

Email: [enquiries@footballfoundation.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@footballfoundation.org.uk)

Web: <http://www.footballfoundation.org.uk>

Tel: 0845 345 4555 ext 4285

### **Sport England Small Grants Programme – recently launched**

This programme has been set up to support local community sport projects which seek to increase participation, sustain participation or develop opportunities for people to excel in their chosen sport.

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Awards are for between £300 and £10,000 and the total project cost should not exceed £50,000.

Any not-for-profit club or association, educational establishment or statutory body are invited to apply. Individuals or organisations established to make a profit will not be considered.

Examples of projects which could be funded are:

- Help youth clubs to work together with local sports clubs to encourage more young people to play sport
- Help for sports clubs wishing to expand their age range by enabling them to buy team kit or pay for extra coaching fees

**Applications can be made at any time.**

Full information on the fund and application details can be found on the website below.

Tel: 0845 8508 508

E-mail: [info@sportengland.org](mailto:info@sportengland.org)

Website: <http://funding.sportengland.org>

### **Comma Fund open for Applications**

National rural community development charity Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE), and members of the Rural Community Action Network (RCAN) have announced the launch of this year's COMMA fund to support projects in communities affected by quarrying.

Communities can apply through their local RCAN member for grants of between £3,000 and £20,000 (limited fund) to support community projects and amenities. ACRE and RCAN are delivering the grants on behalf of DEFRA, funded by the aggregates levy on quarries.

The Fund is open to parish councils, registered charities and community organisations with a formal constitution. Almost any community activity can be supported.

The following five conditions apply for a project to be eligible:

- The community where the project is based is/has been affected by aggregates extraction or transportation of aggregates.
- The proposed project is within 10 kilometres of an aggregates extraction site, either current or disused.
- The proposed project must benefit the whole community or a section of the community, not an individual.
- The applicant must be a community organisation, a charity or a parish council.
- All project works funded by COMMA grants this year must be capable of completion by the end of March 2010.

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Applications must be made to Warwickshire Rural Community Council (RCAN member). There is a link to their website on the ACRE website, where you will also find an application form and full details on the fund.

**Completed applications must be received by the relevant Rural Community Council on or before 5<sup>th</sup> June 2009.**

Tel: (01285) 653477

Email: [comma@acre.org.uk](mailto:comma@acre.org.uk)

Website: [http://www.acre.org.uk/sustainabledevelopment\\_comma.html](http://www.acre.org.uk/sustainabledevelopment_comma.html)

### **Big Lottery Fund – People’s Millions 2009 competition**

The 2009 People’s Millions competition will give communities the opportunity to win local public support and share in £3.5 million of Lottery funding.

Grants of up to £50,000 will be provided for projects that transform local environments and offer opportunities or facilities for people to take part and enjoy their local area. This will include initiatives focusing on buildings, amenities, public and green spaces and natural habitats.

Voluntary and community groups, social enterprises, local authorities, schools and health organisations are invited to apply.

Competitions will take place in each of the 15 ITV regions later in the year, when the public will be able to cast their vote for the projects they want to win - with a total of 69 winning projects this year. There will also be a further 15 bonus awards will be made for the runners-up who score the highest in each region.

**The deadline for receipt of entries is 15 May 2009.**

Full details can be found on the Big Lottery website, below

Hotline: 0845 010 1112

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

Web: <http://www.peoplesmillions.org.uk>

### **WREN – Waste Recycling Environmental – changes to grant programme**

WREN has announced a number of changes to its grant programme following unprecedented levels of demand for funding during 2008. The changes include the following:

- WREN funding policy has been updated with changes that prevent WREN from accepting any further applications for a number of project types/activities, including community cafes; community art and/or sculpture; litter bins, dog bins and lamp-posts; scout halls and other uniformed HQs where there is no evidence of wider community use; and theatres and/or cinemas.
- WREN will only accept applications from within 10 miles of active WRG landfill sites.

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- WREN has also introduced revised application forms for the Main WREN Grant Scheme and the Small Grant Scheme.

It has been decided that all Category E applications received prior to 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2009 will not be considered until the last WREN Board meeting of the year. On this basis, a decision will not be available before 18 December 2009.

Changes have also been made to the 2009 deadlines for Round 3 and Round 4.

**The new deadlines are 24<sup>th</sup> June 2009 and 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2009.**

The final deadline for 2009 remains unchanged and is 20<sup>th</sup> November 2009.

Tel: 01953 717165

Email: [wren@wren.org.uk](mailto:wren@wren.org.uk)

Web: <http://www.wren.org.uk/>

### Clare Duffield Foundation – Performing Arts Programme

The Foundation supports registered charities, schools, voluntary organisations and professional and amateur arts organisations in the UK with projects that provide young people (aged 0-18 years) with the opportunity to experience performing arts education.

Grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 are available for performing arts-related educational projects. The Awards fund the project costs of work that covers every aspect of the performing arts, including opera, dance, music, musical theatre, the spoken word and theatre. The funding is available for new projects rather than for extensions or repetitions of existing ones. Total project costs should not exceed £30,000.

**The deadline for the final Round (Round 10) is 16<sup>th</sup> September 2009.**

Tel: 0207 351 6061

E-mail: [info@cloreduffield.org.uk](mailto:info@cloreduffield.org.uk)

Web: <http://www.cloreduffield.org.uk/>

### Hilden Charitable Fund – summer playscheme fund

Application materials are now available for the 2009 Summer Playschemes initiative.

A small annual budget is available to help community groups in the UK run summer playschemes for the benefit of children from refugee and ethnic minority families. Grants of approximately £1,000 are available for playschemes and can be used to cover costs related to the running of a playscheme.

**The deadline for applications in 2009 is 8<sup>th</sup> May. All applications must be sent by post, as a hard copy and will not be accepted electronically.**

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Web: <http://www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk>

Tel: 0207 603 1525

E-mail: [hildencharity@hotmail.com](mailto:hildencharity@hotmail.com)

### **Lankelly Chase Foundation – small grants programme**

The Foundation is now accepting applications under its 2009 Children's Playscheme Small Grants Programme.

Each year the Trustees of the Foundation set aside funds to support summer activities for children and young people between the ages of 5 and 17 years. Around 120 grants of up to £500 are available in 2009 to charities or local groups wishing to run a children's summer playscheme, supporting specific activities for children and young people living in refuges and young carers in Great Britain.

**The deadline for applications is 18<sup>th</sup> May 2009.**

Tel: 01235 820044

Email: [enquiries@lankellychase.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@lankellychase.org.uk)

Web: <http://www.lankellychase.org.uk/>

### **Awards for All – new programme launched**

A BIG new-look Awards for All programme has been launched as the BIG Lottery Fund launches its own new version of the popular small grants scheme in England.

BIG's *Awards for All* programme is the Fund's biggest-ever commitment to a small grant scheme supporting community projects, offering a more easily accessible programme with even quicker decision times.

A total of £45 million is available in England offering Big Lottery Fund grants of between £300 and £10,000 to grassroots groups in the community and voluntary sector, health bodies, schools and statutory bodies.

The programme aims to make a difference to communities and the lives of those most in need and will focus on social and environmental projects that benefit local communities.

The new easy-to-use application form can be downloaded, filled in and emailed directly to the Big Lottery Fund as well as being available in hard copy. Previous Awards for All application materials will no longer be accepted.

Application forms are available from the website:

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

or call the helpline on: 0845 4 10 20 30.

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## Speight of the Art – The Mark Speight Foundation

The SP8 of the Art Foundation has been established in order to

- seek out future artistic skills and talent in children aged between 4 and 18, in all its various forms including portraiture, landscape, fashion design, architecture, graphic design, sculpture and modern art.
- promote and encourage the involvement of all young people in art (as defined above) as a means of self expression; contributing to personal and community development.

Projects being initiated include: producing resource art packs for use at after school clubs, setting up and running art workshops for children of all ages; encouraging children's art skills by promoting and exhibiting children's art work in public areas; working with art galleries to develop their 'child friendliness', among others.

Website: <http://www.speightoftheart.org>

HQ office tel: 01782 612333

Email [sp8.foundation@spectredev.co.uk](mailto:sp8.foundation@spectredev.co.uk)

*"The father of the late children's television presenter Mark Speight spoke today of his ambition to create the biggest artistic children's charity in Britain in memory of his "beautiful" son as he marked the first anniversary of his death.*

*Oliver Speight said there had been an outpouring of love and grief from both children and adults following his 42-year-old son's suicide by hanging at Paddington railway station in west London in April last year."*

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