



Promoting ethnic diversity across sport and physical activity

## **SPORTING EQUALS FUNDING NEWSLETTER**

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### **Funding information to support sports and physical activity projects for black and minority ethnic communities**

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This newsletter has been put together by Sporting Equals, the only organisation working across the UK to promote opportunities for ethnic minorities in sport and physical activity. It provides information on national and regional sources of funding relevant for organisations working with ethnic minorities in sport. It is divided into funding available across the UK (or sometimes England) as well as regional and locally targeted funding.

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# National

## Sport England Funding Update

All 5 of the new Sport England funding streams are now open. Applicants should check the information on the website carefully before applying to ensure selection of the most appropriate fund. Projects must meet at least one of Sport England's 3 core objectives - Grow, Sustain and Excel.

### 1) Small Grants Programme – No deadline

This fund offers between £300 and £10,000 for a variety of club development initiatives including equipment, coaching and facility hire for a festival or special event but not building projects or renovations.

### 2) Sportsmatch – No deadline

Sportsmatch is an ongoing fund to help sports clubs attract external sponsorship and double any investments made. Sportsmatch can match between £1000 and £100,000 that a club can generate from a single external source or donations from up to 5 individuals. The funding available is primarily for running costs (maximum grant £100,000) although capital awards of up to £25,000 can be made through the scheme. This can include non personal sports equipment such as outdoor basketball nets; kwik cricket surfaces; boats; sports; wheelchairs, etc. The scheme is open to community based sports projects, in particular those that benefit young people, disability groups, black and minority ethnic groups and/or women and girls.

### 3) Sustainable Facilities – Application deadline: 30 June 2009

The Sustainable Facilities fund is aimed at a small number of large scale, high-impact projects that will be able to generate their own revenue and keep the new or improved facilities at a very high standard for years to come. The funding can include contributions to the costs of a new build, modernisation and refurbishment.

### 4) Rural Communities Themed Round – Application deadline: 30 June 2009

Sport England has £10 Million to distribute this year to projects based in Rural Communities. This fund will support projects that increase opportunities for people living in rural areas to take part in sport. The minimum grant available is £10,000, but in order to maximise the positive effect on sport in rural areas, Sport England is explicitly encouraging high value, high impact projects. A significant proportion of the successful bids are expected to be projects requiring funding of more than £500,000.

### 5) Innovation Fund – Application deadline: 10 August 2009

Like the above two funds, the Innovation fund is a competitive fund. Sport England anticipates making a small number of awards between £10,000 and £500,000 to between 10 and 20 projects. The fund will invest in new ideas and solutions which will reach a whole new audience, providing sporting opportunities to a wider range of people including those new to sport.

<http://funding.sportengland.org/default.aspx>

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## Secret Millionaire

The Channel 4 TV show has teamed up with the Big Lottery Fund's Awards for All programme to launch the Secret Millionaire Fund. Grants ranging from £300 to £10,000 are up for grabs for local community groups, schools, parish councils and health bodies to show their charitable side and carry out much-needed projects in their area. Similar to the popular programme, where successful businessmen and women go "undercover" in search of worthy good causes in their local area, the fund is open to applications (or nominations) from organisations that work to improve the lives of disadvantaged people.

The fund is particularly keen to support initiatives that:

- Give people a better chance in life by improving their skills and increasing their access to training.
- Promote stronger communities with active citizens who work together to solve local issues.
- Improve rural and urban environments.
- Promote healthier lifestyles.

**Application deadline:** 21 December 2009

<http://secretmillionaire.channel4.com/>

## Healthy Heart Grants

Heart Research UK support innovative projects designed to promote heart health and to prevent or reduce the risks of heart disease in specific groups or communities. Healthy Heart Grants of up to £10,000 are available to community groups, voluntary organisations and researchers who are spreading the healthy heart message. Government or local authority funded institutions are not supported, however, community and voluntary groups aided by public money may apply.

Previously funded projects include:

- On your bike: The Foresight Project in Grimsby which encourages visually impaired people to take regular exercise using tandem bicycles
- Brave-hearts: The Ross-shire Bravehearts project in Inverness educates adults with learning difficulties about heart health so they can take part in physical activities.
- Wildcats: Superleague team, Wakefield Wildcats, use star rugby players to educate children about heart health.

**Application deadline:** July and August for grants awarded in November or January and February for May awards. Applications received at any other time of year will be returned. Apply online - download application form from website below.

[http://www.heartresearch.org.uk/healthy\\_heart\\_grants.htm](http://www.heartresearch.org.uk/healthy_heart_grants.htm)

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## European Commission calls for Sport Proposals

The European Commission has issued a call for proposals to implement the 2009 Preparatory Action in the field of sport. A total of €4 million is available to support transnational projects put forward by public bodies or civil society organisations in order to identify and test suitable networks and good practices in the field of sport in the following areas: promoting health-enhancing physical activity; promoting education and training in sport; promoting European fundamental values by encouraging sport for persons with disabilities; promoting gender equality in sport.

EU grants will be provided to a maximum of 80% of the total costs. The matched funding can be partly made up of contributions in kind. Projects must start between 1st December 2009 and 31st March 2010 and end no later than 31st March 2011.

**Application deadline:** 31 August 2009

[http://ec.europa.eu/sport/preparatory\\_actions/doc745\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/sport/preparatory_actions/doc745_en.htm)

## Match Funding Scheme for Volunteering

V, the national charity that inspires volunteering amongst young people, has re-opened its match funding programme. Through this programme v provides grants to charities matching up to 100% of any new private sector investment for youth volunteering projects in England. The aim of the fund is to inspire greater levels of investment in youth volunteering from private companies, charitable trusts and foundations and individuals. Following consultation with young people, v has developed a set of core themes for the Match Fund. v has a total grant amount of up to £15m available to match against up to £15m of private sector funding which equates to an investment of £30m in the voluntary sector for youth volunteering. The programme themes include health and well being; supporting children and young people; and community cohesion.

**Application deadline:** 17 July 2009

<http://www.vinspired.com/v/funding/match-funding/overview>

## Hilton in The Community Foundation

Organisations that work with young people have the opportunity to apply for grants of up to £50,000 per year through the Hilton Foundation. During 2006, the Foundation made grants totalling over £1.3m to numerous organisations including registered charities and schools for activities and projects that meet one of the Foundation's three chosen areas of focus: Young People – Education; Young People – Health; and Disaster Relief and International Fund.

**Application deadline:** 4 August 2009

<http://www.hilton-foundation.org.uk/home.htm>

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## Regional

### London

#### Grassroots Grants Camden

This fund is for small community organisations in the borough, administered by Capital Community Foundation. Grants of up to £5,000, are available for community and voluntary groups that have a yearly income of less than £30,000; (this can be taken as an average income over the last 3 years, or life of the group to date) and have been active for at least 12 months before the date of their application.

The aims of Grassroots Grants are to strengthen communities; bring people from different backgrounds together; respond to local need; and strengthen organisational capacity and ability.

**Application deadline:** None. Capital Community Foundation will aim to notify applicants of the decision within 6 weeks.

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

#### Thames Community Foundation Grassroots Grants

Grassroots Grants is a three-year programme that is provided by the Office of the Third Sector and administered locally in the London Boroughs of Hammersmith and Fulham, Hounslow, Kingston, Merton, Richmond, Sutton and Wandsworth by the Thames Community Foundation. The programme's aim is to increase immediate grant funding and capacity building support to small voluntary and community groups and organisations, enabling them to continue or expand their work, including advocacy, community voice and service provision. Applicants may receive up to £5,000 during the three-year period of the grant.

Projects or activities should fit one of the following Grassroots Grants' key themes: Personal and Economic Development; Community Development; Community; Capacity Building; Youth (children and young people from the ages of 0 to 19 years old); and Health and Well-being. Application can be made for grants under £900 or for grants from £901 to £5,000.

There are two different sets of guidelines and application forms, and applicants should make sure that they have applied using the relevant form. Application forms and guidelines may be downloaded from the Thames Community Foundation website. Decisions are normally made within 15 working days of the closing date.

**Application deadlines:** 30 June 2009 and 14 August 2009

<http://www.thamescommunityfoundation.org.uk/funds.htm>

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## North East

### Cumbria Educational Foundation Grants

Grants of up to £1000 are available to projects that support young people under 25 who live, or whose parents live, in the former county of Cumberland (Copeland, Allerdale, Carlisle and northern Eden). The purpose of the grant is to widen access to sport and the arts. Types of projects funded include: skiing trip for disadvantaged group, members of county and national teams, introducing young people to sports, and disability sports.

**Application deadlines:** 5 June 2009, 14 August 2009, 2 October 2009, 20 November 2009, 15 January 2010.

[http://www.cumbriafoundation.org/applying\\_for\\_a\\_grant/cumberland\\_educational\\_foundation.htm](http://www.cumbriafoundation.org/applying_for_a_grant/cumberland_educational_foundation.htm)

## North West

### Cash For Kids - Greater Manchester, Macclesfield and Warrington

Financial assistance is available to charities based in the Key 103 / Magic 1152 broadcast area for projects that benefit underprivileged and disadvantaged children. Key 103 and Magic 1152 provide the Cash for Kids scheme to support local voluntary and community groups and registered charities to run projects that benefit disadvantaged and disabled children who are under the age of 18 years living in the Greater Manchester, Warrington or Macclesfield area. Grants average £2,500. Examples of projects that can be funded include sports, arts and recreational activities. "Cash for Kids" was formerly known as "Manchester Kids".

**Application deadline:** 30 September 2009

**<http://www.key103.co.uk/sectional.asp?id=24139>**

## East

### Lincolnshire Funding for Community Projects

The Funding for Community Projects is provided and administered by Lincolnshire County Council. Funding is intended to help with the revenue costs (salaries, rent, fees, etc.) associated with delivering a specific project in the areas of arts, community, heritage, sports and community radio. Projects must increase or enrich the quality of life within Lincolnshire. Organisations may be awarded up to 50% of the total project costs to a maximum grant of £20,000.

Applicants must be able to demonstrate how their project fulfils some or all of Lincolnshire County Council's Aims which include promoting healthy lifestyles (people being actively involved in their own and others health, becoming healthier and enjoying good health for longer) and helping communities flourish (help people to get on and respect each other, **Disclaimer** – this information has been checked as far as possible at the time of printing. However no responsibility is taken for errors or omissions. Additionally, the criteria, priorities, amounts available and application processes change regularly so please research each individual trust prior to submitting an application form.

feel safe, influence, contribute toward and take part in their communities, create opportunities for sport, social recreational and cultural activities, care for the environment.)

**Application deadlines:** 15 September 2009 and 15 January 2010

<http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/section.asp?catid=14951&docid=35965>

## South East

### Large Discretionary Leisure Grants -Chichester

The Large Discretionary Leisure Grant scheme is provided and administered by Chichester District Council. Funding is intended to assist clubs and organisations in Chichester District to provide facilities and equipment which will increase participation or the quality of participation in sport and the arts. This scheme provides funding for projects such as new buildings, extensions, improvements, purchase of land/equipment, and where appropriate major renovations. The maximum grant size is usually in the range of £20,000 to £25,000.

**Application deadline:** 21 August for consideration on 5 October 2009; 27 November for consideration on 18 January 2010; and 12 February for consideration on 30 March 2010.

<http://www.chichester.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=5417>

## South West

### Leisure Development Fund - Sports Projects and Events

The Leisure Development Fund is provided by West Dorset District Council and is intended to support local voluntary organisation, parish and town council and other not for profit groups provide and develop a wide range of outdoor and indoor sports opportunities that will benefit people from West Dorset. Grants are available for projects costing £1,000 or more with awards normally based upon 20 per cent of the estimated cost, up to a maximum of £5,000.

Projects that are eligible include those that provide a sport recognised as such by Sport England or new/replacement facilities; events that raise the profile of sport in West Dorset. The scheme aims to meet the strategic objectives that are outlined in the 'Sporting Challenge', WDDC's sports strategy for 2000-2010 which is available from the council.

**Application deadline:** 1 August and 1 December 2009

<http://www.dorsetforyou.com/index.jsp?articleid=387537>

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