

Funding News

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Hilden Charitable Fund - Summer Playscheme programme (UK)

Source: Grants Online
Type of funder: Charity
Open to: VCS, RC

Application forms for the 2007 round of the Hilden Charitable Fund's Summer Playscheme programme are now available. The programme makes grants to help community groups run summer playschemes for the benefit of children from refugee and ethnic minority families.

Grants are generally given up to a maximum of £1,000, with priority given to groups in the Greater London area. Application forms for the programme are available to download from:

www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk/play.htm

Forms must be submitted by post as hard copies; emailed or electronic applications will not be accepted. The closing date for applications is **Wednesday 6 June 2007**.

The Fund also gives grants (generally up to £5,000) to charitable projects in the UK, with the following priority areas:

- Homelessness
- Minorities and race relations
- Penal affairs

Preference is given to charities with an income of less than £200,000 per year and grants are rarely given to well-funded national charities.

For application forms and more information and guidelines, contact the Fund:

The Hilden Charitable Fund
34 North End Road
London
W14 0SH

Tel: 020 7603 1525
Email: **hildencharity@hotmail.com**
Website: **www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk**

Co-operative Group - Community Dividend Fund (England and Wales)

Source: FINE research

Type of funder: Company

Open to: VCS

The Community Dividend Fund uses the "odd pence" donated from Co-operative Group Dividend cardholders to fund projects that benefit local communities. Since 1998, Co-op members have donated £6.4 million to the Fund.

Local community groups, self-help groups, voluntary groups and community charities (or local branches of national charities) are all eligible to apply for grants from the fund. Applicants do not need to be registered charities, but must have charitable purpose.

The funding is available to groups that work in the following areas:

- **Relieving poverty** - this includes any project that aims to improve conditions for those less fortunate, such as helping the residents of a particular housing estate or helping people who are suffering from any form of ill-health
- **Improving education** - this includes any project that aims to provide education in the community such as nurseries or youth centres
- **Other purposes benefiting the community** - including environmental projects, protecting heritage sites or promoting racial harmony

Projects must benefit the local community in an area served by a Co-operative Group business. Please note that not all Co-op stores are part of the Co-operative Group: to check whether your local store is part of the Group telephone 0800 0686 727.

Organisations can apply for **funding of between £100 and £5,000**, although in practice most awards given are between £100 and £500. Newly-formed groups (those that have been operating for less than three months) may only apply for a maximum of £500.

Application forms and full guidance notes are available to download from:

www.co-operative.co.uk/en/communityfund/

Applications are considered by your local Co-operative Group Area Committee. Organisations will receive acknowledgement of receipt of their applications after one week, and will receive written notification of the outcome of their application within four months.

Contact details for the Fund are:

Community Dividend
New Century House
Manchester
M60 4ES

Tel: 0800 0686 727

Minicom: 0800 0686 717

Email: **customer.relations@co-op.co.uk**

Website: **www.co-operative.co.uk/en/communityfund/**

Comic Relief - Red Nose Day programmes application deadlines (UK)

Source: Grants Online

Type of funder: Charity

Open to: VCS, RC

The next deadlines for applications to Comic Relief's Red Nose Day Main Grants programme are **Friday 8 June 2007** and **Friday 12 October 2007**.

The Main Grants programme focuses on supporting community-based projects in the following areas:

- **Young people** - projects involving young people with mental health problems, young people with alcohol problems and young people abused through prostitution and trafficking
- **Older people** - promoting older people's advocacy and campaigning
- **Mental health** - projects involving advocacy and campaigning
- **Refugees and asylum seekers** - projects to support vulnerable women and to build community links
- **Young people affected by domestic violence**

For work taking place in the UK grants are available for registered charities and voluntary organisations with charitable purposes. The deadlines apply to grants made under Comic Relief's Red Nose Day Main Grants programme, for **grants of £5,000 or over**.

The Red Nose Day programme also offers Small Grants of up to £5,000 in the following areas:

- **Older people** - small grants to tackle isolation and loneliness
- **Mental health** - small grants for user-led mental health groups
- **Disadvantaged communities**

Applications for Small Grants can be made at any time.

For full guidelines and application forms for all of Comic Relief's Grants Programmes go to: www.comicrelief.com/apply-for-a-grant/uk/

Applications should be sent by post to:

UK Grants Team
Comic Relief
5th Floor, 89 Albert Embankment
London SE1 7TP

Tel: 020 7820 5555

Fax: 020 7820 5500

Minicom: 020 7820 5579

Email: ukgrants@comicrelief.org.uk

Website: www.comicrelief.com

Lloyds TSB Foundation – new guidelines and 2007 funding priorities (England and Wales)

Source: Direct from funder

Type of funder: Charity

Open to: RC

The Lloyds TSB Foundation has launched a new set of guidelines for 2007 featuring significant changes to its core programmes.

Funding is available for charitable organisations through three main programmes:

- The Community Open Programme (formerly the Community Programme)
- The Community Priority Programme
- The Collaborative Programme

The Foundation's mission is to support and work in partnership with recognised charitable organisations which help disadvantaged people to play a fuller role in communities throughout England and Wales. To be eligible for funding from any of the programmes, organisations must be able to demonstrate that their work will benefit disadvantaged people.

The Foundation is particularly keen to support small community-based charities where small amounts of money can make a significant difference to local people's lives.

The Community Open Programme

Formerly the Community Programme, this programme has been relaunched to reflect the Foundation's core mission of supporting local charities that help disadvantaged people to play a fuller role in their communities.

At a national (England and Wales level) the Foundation will make grants to organisations with an income of £5m or less.

At a local and regional level the Foundation is now concentrating on supporting underfunded charities with an income of £1m or less. Funding is available for core and project funding and for one to three years.

The Community Priority Programme

To ensure that this funding responds directly to local community needs, after discussion with regional groups the Foundation's grant-making teams have selected focused funding priorities in each region.

At a local and regional level the Foundation aims to support underfunded charities with an income of £1 million or less who are working within these chosen priority areas to achieve maximum impact.

In the North East the funding priorities are:

- Social and geographical isolation
- Older people – including projects that help older people to live independently and intergenerational projects
- Excluded young people – especially those excluded from the mainstream through drug or alcohol problems

Lloyds TSB Foundation continued...

At an England and Wales level the Foundation is prioritising charities with an income of £5 million or less. The funding priorities at this national level are:

- Older people
- Learning disability
- Diverse minority communities
- Refugees and asylum seekers

Grants can be for one to three years. They will provide core and project funding, and can support both existing work and new initiatives.

The Collaborative Programme

This provides funding for charities working together to add value and create better outcomes for their beneficiary groups. Grants are given for up to three years. The Foundation is now focusing on three specific types of collaborative work:

- Co-ordinating services
- Working more effectively through cross-sector working
- Mergers

Charities applying for this funding are likely to fall within one of the following structures:

- Separate organisations maintaining their independence but working jointly on some activities or functions
- Organisations with resources or expertise offering assistance to other organisations, for example, a large national organisation working with a small local group
- A merger to form a new organisation working as one body on all activities

This programme is in its final year and will close in December 2007. There will be two funding rounds in 2007 under this programme – contact the Foundation for more details.

More details about all of these programmes, including full application guidelines and exclusions to the funding, are available on the Foundation's website. The Foundation also recommends that potential applicants contact them to obtain a printed copy of the Guidelines before proceeding with an application.

In addition, **applicants for any of the programmes are strongly advised to talk to the Foundation's relevant regional grants team before making an application.** The teams will be able to advise organisations on their eligibility and the appropriate amount and type of funding they should apply for.

Contact details for the North East office are:

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Manager
North East Regional Office
Lloyds TSB Foundation for England & Wales
Resource Suite Unit 3
Gear House
Saltmeadows Road
Gateshead
Tyne and Wear
NE8 3AH

Tel: 0191 478 7700

Fax: 0191 478 7697

Email: peter.ellis@lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk

Website: www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk

Source: Funding Information North East

Hilton in the Community Foundation (UK)

Source: FINE research

Type of funder: Charity

Open to: RCs, schools

Hilton in the Community Foundation supports charities working with young people (aged 25 or under). The Foundation particularly supports disadvantaged young people and those with special needs.

For charities working in the UK and Ireland the Foundation has two priority areas:

- **Young people and education** - funding to provide training or re-training, educational equipment, activity-based learning, sports equipment, transport and occasionally costs of project staff.
- **Young people and health** - relieving suffering and supporting young people while they are undergoing treatment and care. Funding can cover medical equipment, care facilities, activity-based holidays, awareness campaigns, hospices and occasionally costs of project staff.

Grants are awarded for medium to long-term projects (that is, over one year, up to a maximum of three years) or for one-off causes. Grants must be related to a specific project and will not be awarded for general donations or for day-to-day running costs.

There is no maximum size of grant; however, the Foundation generally does not make awards of over £50,000.

Application forms can be downloaded from the Foundation's website. Applicants must post a hard copy of their completed form and also email a copy to the Foundation. Applications can be submitted at any time and grants are generally awarded quarterly.

For more information or to submit an application contact:

Hilton in the Community Foundation
179-199 Holland Park Avenue
London
W11 4UL

Tel: 020 7605 7733

Fax: 020 7605 7736

Email: info@hilton-foundation.org.uk

Website: www.hilton-foundation.org.uk

Community Action for Energy - Travel Bursaries (UK)

Source: Direct from funder
Type of funder: Trust
Open to: VCS

Community Action for Energy (CAfE) is a programme from the Energy Saving Trust that is designed to promote and facilitate local community-based energy projects.

Community groups involved in sustainable energy projects can apply for travel bursaries of **up to £200** to fund the travel costs of visits to other groups and projects to share expertise and experiences.

To be eligible for the bursaries, groups must be a member of the CAfE network; groups can join this by completing an online application at:

www.saveyour20percent.org/cafe/members/join

Groups should contact the organisation or project they wish to visit themselves before applying for a bursary. Information about projects undertaken by CAfE members across the UK is available on the website, where there is a project database as well as a number of detailed case studies. Groups can also telephone the CAfE team to discuss their ideas.

Application forms for the bursaries are available from:

www.est.org.uk/cafe/funding/bursaries/

For more information contact:

CAfE Team
Centre for Sustainable Energy
CREATE Centre
Smeaton Road
Bristol
BS1 6XN

Tel: 08701 261 444
Fax: 0117 929 9114
Email: CAfE@cse.org.uk
Website: **www.est.org.uk/cafe/welcome/**

Conservation Foundation – It's Your Community Awards (UK)

Source: FINE research
Type of funder: Charity
Open to: VCS, individuals

The Conservation Foundation's "It's Your Community" scheme is a new award scheme sponsored by O2. The scheme aims to enable people to make a difference in their local environment.

Awards of up to £1,000 are available to local groups and individuals anywhere in the UK to carry out environmental projects.

The awards are open to:

Local community groups
Parish and village councils
Schools
Youth clubs
Heritage groups
Environmental and conservation groups
Individuals who can show that their project will benefit the local environment

The types of projects eligible for the awards include:

Turning derelict land into an amenity park or wildlife area
Tree planting
Creating a wildlife pond
Renovating neglected river and canal footpaths
Providing water butts
Recycling facilities in village halls

The funding can be used to hire or purchase tools, equipment and materials, and must be spent within three months of being awarded. Groups can submit multiple applications, providing they are for separate projects.

Application forms can be obtained by emailing:

libbysimon@conservationfoundation.co.uk

Forms are also available from O2 shops across the UK.
Applications are considered on the 20th of each month (except December and August).

Source: Funding Information North East

Child Protection in Places of Worship

Safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility. All organisations that work with children have a legal responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people under the age of 18 years.

South Tees Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) is committed to promoting the wellbeing of children and supports the creation of safe environments for worship within which they can thrive.

Good practice highlighted in national guidelines states that every place of worship should have a designated child protection officer who must undergo child protection training. South Tees Local Safeguarding Children Board is currently offering a free E Learning course on basic awareness of child abuse, as well as a range of other relevant training. For more information on training please ring Claire Seymour, Trainer/ Co-ordinator on 01642 771696.

Good practice can also be developed through all paid and volunteer staff being aware of their responsibilities for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Information on how to respond to child protection concerns can be found in "What to do if you are worried a child is being abused" 2006 and "Working Together" 2006.

Copies of this guidance can be found on the South Tees Local Safeguarding Children Board website :

www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk/childprotection
www.mgrid.org.uk/go/childprotection

Please make sure your organisation has information on child protection which can be downloaded from this site.

If you are worried about a child and wish to make a referral please contact one of the following:

Redcar and Cleveland Children's Services, Access Team 01642 771500

Emergency Duty team (outside office hours) 08702 402994

Middlesbrough Children, Learning and Families 01642 726004

NSPCC National Helpline 0808 800 5000 (24 Hours)

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