

# Funding News

## March 2009

### **Forest Education Initiative Partnership Fund**

The Forest Education Initiative (FEI) aims to increase young people's understanding of the link between trees and the many everyday products they provide, and to enable young people to appreciate the environmental, social and economic importance of trees, woodlands, forests and wood products.

The work of the FEI is achieved by local groups, known as 'Cluster Groups', which are formed to informally bring together individuals and organisations who want to educate others about trees and wood, and those directly involved with woodland ownership and management and related timber industries. (Those interested in starting a Cluster Group can contact the FEI England co-ordinator for support and advice on how to set up and run a cluster.)

The Forest Education Initiative Partnership Fund is specifically to support the work of FEI Cluster Groups. The Fund can provide match funding for specific activities which enhance the overall objectives of FEI and help develop a greater understanding of trees, woodlands, forest management, forest products and wood as a sustainable resource among young people.

The maximum amount of Partnership Fund that can be claimed in a single application is £5,000 and the minimum is £200, however exceptional applications of more than £5,000 may be considered on an individual basis. Match funding is essential and preference will be given to Cluster Groups who secure private sector support. Eligible project costs cover a range of possibilities and can include the hire of people (i.e. supply teachers), advice, training hire or purchase of materials, machinery or services and paying for printing and publicity for projects.

There are three funding rounds each year with closing dates **1 February**, **1 June** and **1 October**. All applications should be agreed by a Cluster Group and discussed with the relevant regional co-ordinator.

Applications are to be made by the submission of an application form, which can be downloaded from the website alongside full guidance notes.

In addition, funding has been allocated to allow every constituted FEI Cluster Group to claim up to £200 in 2009. The grant can be claimed for a variety of items, at any time during the year and will be awarded subject to approval by the relevant local co-ordinator.

For further information visit:

[www.foresteducation.org/local\\_groups.php?page=4](http://www.foresteducation.org/local_groups.php?page=4)

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## Henry Smith Charity (UK)

The Henry Smith Charity was founded in 1628 and makes grants totalling over £20 million per annum for a wide range of purposes across the UK. The Charity is funded from investments and aims to relieve, and where possible release people, from need and suffering.

The Charity uses the following programme areas to classify their grants:

- Hospitals and Medical Care (services operated by the NHS will not normally be funded)
- Hospices and Palliative Care
- Medical Research
- Disability
- Elderly
- Young People
- Drugs and Alcohol
- Community Service
- Family Services
- Homeless

The Henry Smith Charity offers three types of funding:

### Special List

These grants are made on a one-off basis and relate to a specific project for which applicants have requested support. This could include purchase/refurbishment of a building, purchase of specialist equipment, other similar capital expenditure, or one year's running costs.

Grant applications must be for £10,000 or more for one year only.

### General List

These are annual grants made for more than one year, and up to three years. They are usually for a specific item in the applicant's budget such as a salary, or towards the costs of a particular project. Grants can also be used for core costs.

Grant applications must be for £10,000 or more per annum.

### Small Grants

Small Grants are one-off payments, although repeat applications can be considered, and must be used within six months of being awarded. They can be for one-off capital items such as equipment purchase and can also be towards one year's running costs.

Small grants of £10,000 or less are offered to organisations with an annual income of less than £150,000.

Examples of projects previously funded by the Charity include:

- First Stop Darlington, £64,000 towards the running costs, including salaries, of a drop-in service giving information and advice to homeless people
- Newcastle P.R.O.P.S., £88,300 three year grant towards the salary and on costs of a Team Leader for a project offering support to families of substance abusers
- Pendower Good Neighbour Project, £66,000 three year grant towards core costs
- St Cuthberts Care, £80,000 three year grant towards the running costs of the Alan Shearer Centre
- East Cleveland Youth Housing, £15,000 towards the salary of the Co-ordinator

Special and General List applications can be made at any time of the year and require a written application of no more

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than four A4 sides, to incorporate a short (half page) summary. In addition applications should include a detailed budget for the project and the applicant's most recent audited accounts.

Small Grant applications require the submission of an application form, which can be downloaded from the website, and can be submitted at any time during the year. The application should include a detailed budget for the project and the most recent annual report/audited accounts.

Applicants who are unsuccessful are required to wait a minimum of six months from the date of notification before reapplying. Only one grant can be supported in any 12 month period.

For further information visit:  
[www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk](http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk)

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## **v Match Fund**

v, the national volunteering charity for young people, has announced that its Match Fund programme is now open for applications.

The v Match Fund grants programme aims to inspire greater levels of investment in youth volunteering from private companies, charitable trusts and foundations and individuals.

The v Match Fund brings together private sector partners and charities to create innovative volunteering opportunities. It matches up to 100% of any new investment in youth

volunteering projects, to double the money and impact of the investment.

The overall aim of the v Match Fund is to create opportunities so inspiring that volunteering becomes a valued part of the lives of most 16–25 year olds. v aims to reach out to the most disadvantaged and disengaged young people, and wants to create real change in communities to tackle the big issues that the nation's youth are concerned about.

To date, v has pledged of £35m from the private sector – making a total of £72m that has and will be invested into diverse and high impact projects across England.

Potential applicants will have to design exciting new opportunities for 16-25 year old volunteers, which have clear demonstrable community benefits. There are six core themes for the v Match Fund which have been researched and designed to reflect young people's passions, as well as the aspirations of private sector businesses, trusts, foundations, the voluntary sector and communities.

The core themes to base applications on are:

### **Community Cohesion**

This theme is keen to fund projects which promote mutual understanding, celebrate diversity and enable young people to take a key role in leading change within their communities.

### **Environment**

This theme welcomes proposals which adopt creative approaches to addressing environmental issues and expects projects to work towards using sustainable resources and reducing their own carbon footprint.

### **Health**

This theme welcomes project proposals which adopt creative approaches to addressing key health issues, including those that affect 16-25 year olds, for

example, sexual health, substance misuse, physical and mental health issues.

### **Children and Young People**

This theme is committed to young volunteers supporting their peers and younger people to realise their potential and to develop skills to support their transition to adulthood. It will fund projects that identify the development needs of young people and that support young volunteers to act as role models, motivating and inspiring others to tackle issues affecting their lives and work towards their goals.

### **Poverty**

This theme is committed to building on the momentum created by domestic and international campaigns to address poverty, providing meaningful opportunities for young people to take action. It is keen to encourage young people to address the impact of poverty on people's lives and develop creative and sustainable solutions.

### **Human Rights**

This theme is committed to supporting organisations and individuals who campaign or take practical action to protect and promote human rights, and those undertaking an advocacy role or providing services to support vulnerable people.

The v Match Fund also prioritises funding for projects that recruit at least 50% of young people who are completely new to volunteering or have not volunteered in the last 12 months. Priority is also given to the following specific groups of young people:

- Offenders / ex-offenders
- Disabled
- Those in and leaving care
- Those from black, Asian and minority ethnic groups
- Those not in education, employment or training
- Refugees
- Lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans young people

- Lone parents
- Those living in rural areas

There is a two stage application process for the v Match Fund. Stage One requires the submission of an online Eligibility Questionnaire, those who are eligible will then be sent the guidance and Application Form for Stage Two applications.

The 2009 deadlines for the v Match Fund are:

**Friday 8 May** for projects starting August 2009

**Friday 17 July** for projects starting October 2009

**Friday 2 October** for projects starting January 2010

**Friday 11 December** for projects starting April 2010

There are limited funds available for each deadline and applicants are advised to submit applications at the earliest feasible deadline.

For further information visit:

[www.wearev.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=211](http://www.wearev.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=211)

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## **CLA Charitable Trust**

The CLA Charitable Trust was established by the Country Land and Business Association (CLA) in 1980, and has since awarded grants in excess of £1.25 million.

The Trust was founded to help disabled people in England and Wales and has three main objectives:

- To promote education about the countryside for young people from towns and cities and for disadvantaged people
- To provide facilities for people with a wide range of disabilities to enjoy the benefits of the countryside
- To support the advancement of education in agriculture, horticulture and conservation for disabled or disadvantaged people

The CLA Charitable Trust makes grants and awards that focus on smaller projects where the grant makes a real contribution to the success of that project. Grant applications should be for a specific project or item of capital equipment rather than on-going running costs.

The average grant given by the Trust is in the region of £2,500.

Examples of previously supported projects include:

- Funding to provide a viewing platform in the milking parlour at a working dairy farm owned by Farms for City Children
- Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust, funding to establish a Wildlife Watch project to teach inner city school children more about the wildlife of the surrounding country
- A new pony and its tack for a group of Riding for the Disabled
- Provision of a trail through a wetland site to allow wheelchair users full access to a nature reserve
- A new glasshouse which allows access for disabled students who are being trained in horticulture
- Poultry houses and runs for a farm which gives disabled students a qualification in animal husbandry

Applications to the CLA Charitable Trust must be made in writing and include:

- Background information on the project, its context within the local community, the people whose needs would hope to be met, the necessity for the facility / project
- Annual Report and Annual Financial Statement if applicable
- The timing of the project and its various phases
- Details of who will carry out the work
- Costings of the whole project as well as the phase that the Trust might support
- Details of other grants applied for and received and other fundraising
- Any other information the applicant feels will be helpful to give the Trustees as full a picture as possible of the project, including photographs, press reports, etc
- Whether the applicants have applied for or received a grant from the Trust before
- Whether the applicants are members of the CLA (this is for information only and does not influence the award of a grant)

For further information visit:

[www.cla.org.uk/About\\_the\\_CLA/Charitable\\_Trust\\_Introduction/](http://www.cla.org.uk/About_the_CLA/Charitable_Trust_Introduction/)

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## **B&Q One Planet Living Awards 2009 Open for Applications (UK & Ireland)**

B&Q have announced that their One Planet Living Awards for 2009 are open for applications.

The One Planet Living Awards support B&Q's progressive new partnership with sustainability experts BioRegional which aims to help reduce their ecological footprint and to help customers do the same.

One Planet Living is based on the premise that if we continue to live as we do in the UK we will need three planets to maintain our way of life, and as we only have one planet we have to lower our impact on the planet and our use of its natural resources.

The B&Q awards are open to organisations across the UK and Ireland which are working on projects that aim to enhance the local community or help a return to One Planet Living.

For 2009 B&Q are looking to support 40 projects through the One Planet Living Awards:

- 1 Award of £10,000
- 4 Awards of £5,000
- 35 Awards of £2,000

Community based projects interested in applying to the One Planet Living Awards must demonstrate that their project falls into one of the following categories:

- **Save energy:** projects which will help contribute to the health of the planet through the reduction of energy use or an active effort to limit their environmental footprint
- **Conserve nature:** projects which will support, protect and celebrate the natural habitats in local communities including community gardens, meadows, wetlands, chalk rivers and forests
- **Support local culture & heritage:** projects which will support, enhance and celebrate valuable aspects of local culture and heritage including its roots and traditions, local buildings, local

building techniques, local produce and local arts and crafts

- **Grow your own:** projects which will grow produce and involve the local community

Examples of projects that have previously received awards include:

- Wildlife Habitat Protection Trust
- Furniture Matters
- Dell Farm Outdoor Centre
- Trees for Life

Applications to the Awards can be made by downloading the application form from the website or calling the application hotline:

Tel: 0845 300 1001

The deadline for applications is **27 March 2009**.

For further information visit:

[www.diy.com/diy/jsp/bq/templates/content\\_lookup.jsp?content=/aboutbandq/2004/social\\_responsibility/Y\\_C\\_D\\_I\\_Awards/main.jsp&menu=aboutbandq](http://www.diy.com/diy/jsp/bq/templates/content_lookup.jsp?content=/aboutbandq/2004/social_responsibility/Y_C_D_I_Awards/main.jsp&menu=aboutbandq)

## **BT Community Connection Awards 2009 (UK)**

British Telecom has announced that it will be launching the Community Connections Awards 2009 on the 17th March 2009.

BT's Corporate Responsibility Unit has been running the Community Connections Awards since 2000, and has so far enabled over 5,000 groups to get online and benefited an estimated six million people directly and indirectly.

The Community Connections Scheme targets community and voluntary groups that could benefit from internet access and ICT but don't necessarily have the resources.

The Scheme offers community groups the opportunity to apply for an award's package, valued at £1,300, which consists of a multi-media internet-ready computer, a contribution towards one year's broadband internet access through BT Total Broadband, and a Community website.

The Awards also reflect the massive developments in technology and the scheme continually evolves with different programmes to provide community and voluntary groups with not only equipment, but also the skills needed to use ICT to its full potential.

Information on applying to the Awards will be made available on the website when they are launched later this month.

For further information visit:  
[www.btcommunityconnections.com/page.php?id=1](http://www.btcommunityconnections.com/page.php?id=1)

## **European Commission – Daphne III Programme 2007-13 (UK)**

The general objective of the Daphne III Programme is to contribute to the protection of children, young people and women against all forms of violence, and to attain a high level of health protection, well being and social cohesion.

The priority areas of this Call for Proposals are:

- Issues of sexual abuse and exploitation and trafficking in human beings
- Violence and abuse committed against women, young people and children, insofar as such violence or abuse is linked to harmful traditional practices
- Violence committed against particularly vulnerable categories of women, young people and

children e.g. infants and pre-school children, children in social care settings, elderly women and disabled persons

- Collection of data concerning children's rights and mapping of existing national legislation in this area, based on the Convention on the Rights of the Child
- Violence committed against women, young people and children within the context of family and school environment or in the context of sports and leisure activities

Funding under the Daphne III Programme is available to non-profit private organisations and public authorities and institutions, and projects must involve at least two eligible organisations from at least two different EU Member States.

The funding available towards a single project in any 12-month period cannot be less than €75,000 or greater than €300,000, and the financial contribution may not exceed 80 per cent of the total direct eligible costs of the project action.

Applications to the Daphne III Programme must be submitted through the on-line application tool PRIAMOS, which can be accessed through the website.

The deadline for the submission of applications is **22 April 2009**.

For further information visit:  
[http://ec.europa.eu/justice\\_home/funding/daphne3/funding\\_daphne3\\_en.htm#](http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/funding/daphne3/funding_daphne3_en.htm#)

## Centre for Social Justice Awards 2009 (UK)

The Centre for Social Justice Awards recognise and reward effective poverty fighting groups from across the UK.

Charities, small voluntary groups, or other projects tackling poverty in a local area and helping turn lives around are invited to apply to the Awards.

The Awards are looking for projects that are people focused, tackling causes as well as symptoms, practical, entrepreneurial, driven by conviction and motivated by compassion.

Most importantly, whether a small organisation on a shoestring or a larger organisation with robust funding streams, projects will be helping people out of poverty and/or reversing social breakdown.

Applicants are required to describe in 500 words or less how their organisation makes an exceptional contribution to tackling poverty and turning lives around.

Evidence of anecdotal and numerical results of how lives are being turned around is particularly welcome, and supporting evidence of up to 15 pages may be attached to applications. Example evidence can include press articles, evaluation reports or applications for funding, however documents sent cannot be returned.

The Centre for Social Justice Awards judging panel will comprise of senior figures from business, politics and the voluntary sector.

It is preferred that applications are submitted by email. The closing date for applications is **17 March 2009**.

For further information visit:

[www.centreforsocialjustice.org.uk/default.asp?pageRef=296](http://www.centreforsocialjustice.org.uk/default.asp?pageRef=296)

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