FOYLE FOUNDATION SCHOOLS LIBRARY PROGRAMME (UK)
State funded secondary and primary schools as well as dedicated schools catering for those with Special Educational Needs (SEN) that do not have or want to improve their libraries can apply for funding through the Foyle Foundation Schools Library Programme. This programme recognises that there is no statutory requirement for schools to have a library and that many school libraries are in a desperate situation through underfunding and underdevelopment. Encouraging children to read widely from an early age will provide a major boost to improving literacy levels, which is a current key educational objective of the Foundation. Priority will be given to primary schools and to funding library books. The Foundation will also consider contributions towards e-readers, library software, necessary IT equipment and specialist seating/desks. Preference will be given to schools which can clearly demonstrate that their library can be maintained and renewed in the future. The average grant made under this programme is between £3,000 and £10,000. Past projects funded by the Foundation includes Milton School, Mexborough which received £20,000 towards improving and extending the learning facilities; and South Avenue Junior School, Sittingbourne which received £10,000 towards equipping the newly built school library. Applications can be submitted at any time. For more information on how to apply, click on the link below. http://www.foylefoundation.org.uk/how-to-apply/state-schools.php

PIONEER GRANTS AVAILABLE FROM THE ELTON JOHN AIDS FOUNDATION
The Elton John Aids Foundation is calling for applications to its Pioneer Grant Scheme. The grants can be used to support a specific initiative focusing on an individual key population at higher risk of contracting AIDS - such as men who have sex with men (MSM), sex workers and injecting drug users. Projects can be supported for several years and the is no lower or upper limit to the amount of funding that can be requested. To be eligible for funding projects must have a focus on service delivery; be catalytic in nature, scalable in design and innovative; and projects must be able to track changes such as access to condoms, HIV testing and treatment of programme beneficiaries. The pioneer grants are available for projects in the UK as well as a range of other countries. For a full list of eligible countries please click on the link below. The deadline for submitting applications is 6pm (GMT) on the 6th June 2015. To apply for the grants click on the link below. http://london.ejaf.org/grant-listings/

WOMEN MAKE MUSIC GRANT SCHEME
The next applications deadline for the Performing Right Society’s (PRS) Women Make Music grant scheme is 6pm on the 28th September 2015. Through the grant scheme, financial support of up to £5000 is available to women musicians to create new music in any genre. This can range from classical, jazz and experimental, to urban, electronica and pop. Through the scheme support is available to individuals and organizations / groups including solo performers; solo songwriters or composers; promoters or event producers;
bands/ensembles/orchestras; as well as non music organisations such as local authorities and museums; etc. The next deadline for applications is Monday 28 September 2015, at 6pm (for projects happening in 2016). For more information on how to apply, click on the link below. http://www.prsformusicfoundation.com/Funding/Women-Make-Music

FUNDING TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE VOLUNTEER

The Alec Dickson Trust provides grants of up to £500 to help young people of up to 30 or small groups of young people run a volunteering or community service project in their local area. The fund seeks to support projects that enhance the lives of others, particularly those most marginalised by society such as the homeless; those with drug dependency problems; people with disabilities. The Trustees particularly like to fund projects that involve lots of volunteers, and/or encourage these young people to stay engaged as volunteers in the long term. Trustees will meet twice a year to consider applications. For further information on how to apply contact alecdicksontrust@gmail.com or visit the link below. http://www.alecdicksontrust.org.uk/

FUNDING FOR SUPPORTS FOR DISADVANTAGED YOUNG PEOPLE

The Fund supports projects working with disadvantaged young people (aged 5 to 30 years) to ensure that they are given every possible chance to meet their full potential and to participate fully in society. The Fund also aims to help young people at risk of criminal involvement to stay out of trouble and assist in the rehabilitation of offenders, particularly young offenders both in prison and after release. Grants are usually no more than £15,000 per annum, and to make sure grants of this size have an impact, the Worshipful Company of Weavers is interested in helping smaller organisations which offer direct services. Applicants must be registered charities or in the process of applying for registration. To be eligible for funding, local organisations such as those working in a village, estate or small town should normally have an income of less than £100,000. Those working across the UK should normally have an income of not more than £250,000. For more information on eligibility the please click in the link below. http://www.weavers.org.uk/charitable-grants/grant-application-guidelines

SUPPORT FOR BREAKFAST CLUBS

Kellogg’s, Forever Manchester and Northumbria University have joined together to provide free online training to help you run a successful breakfast club. The training includes information on the benefits of breakfast clubs, healthy eating and child nutrition, effective planning and handy hints on funding and marketing. Breakfast Clubs can apply for this training up until 31st May 2015. Breakfast clubs who have successfully completed the training will be eligible to be assessed for further support from Kellogg’s, in the form of a sustainability grant to the value of £400. To be eligible your breakfast club must be already set up in a school or community organisation in England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland. Priority will be given to schools that have 35% and above of children eligible for free school meals and community based breakfast clubs that can evidence how their children are disadvantaged. To access the application form, please click on the link below. http://applications.communityfoundations.org.uk/Entry.aspx?DeliveryAgentID=111&FundName=Kelloggs&FormName=Large

FUNDING FOR THE RESTORATION OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS (UK)

Funding is available to restore historic buildings through the Heritage Lottery Fund’s Heritage Enterprise grants programme. The programme provides grants to support not-for-profit organisations in partnership with the private sector for the restoration of unused historic building and sites. The programme addresses market failure, where historic buildings have failed to attract enough investment because the cost of their repair has not been commercially viable for private developers. Under the programme two level of grants are available, grants of between £100,000 and under £2 million and grants of between £2 million and £5 million. For grant requests of over £100,000 and under £2 million decisions are made every three months. For grant requests of between £2 million and up to £5 million the next closing date for applications is the 18th June 2015. For more information please click on the link below. http://www.hlf.org.uk/looking-funding/our-grant-programmes/heritage-enterprise

GRANTS TO HELP NEW, INNOVATIVE VISUAL ARTS PROJECT

The next deadline for funding applications to the Elephant Trust is the 15th June 2015. The Trust offers grants to artists and for new, innovative visual arts projects based in the UK. The Trust’s aim is to make it possible for artists and those presenting their work to undertake and complete projects when confronted by lack of funds.
The Trust supports projects that develop and improve the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the fine arts. Priority is given to artists and small organisations and galleries who should submit well argued, imaginative proposals for making or producing new work or exhibitions. Arts Festivals are not supported. The Trust normally awards grants of up to £2,000, but larger grants may be considered. For more information, click on the link below.
http://elephanttrust.org.uk/docs/intro.html

YOUNG ENVIRONMENTALISTS OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

The Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM) Young Environmentalist of the Year Award is now open for entries.

The award recognises an outstanding contribution to environmental understanding made by a young environmental professional. Entrants must be under 30 and nominated by a branch, group or employer and shortlisted nominees will then be invited to give a presentation on their chosen topic to the judging panel in London. The winner will receive a trophy (a silver quaich cup), a framed certificate, and publication of an article in The Environment Magazine and a cash prize of £1000. The closing date for nominations is 1st July 2015. For more information, click on the link below.

HILDEN CHARITABLE FUND

Within the UK, the Hilden Charitable Fund makes grants to projects that address disadvantage, notably by supporting community based initiatives for disadvantaged young people 16 – 25, penal affairs. The average grant awarded is £5,000 and preference is given to supporting small community organisations with an income of less than £500,000 per year. The Trust will consider funding project as well as core running costs of organisations. For more information, click on the link below.
http://www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk/

FUNDING FOR RESEARCH AND PROJECTS THAT ADDRESS LEARNING DIFFICULTIES

The Baily Thomas Charitable Fund is a registered charity which was established to provide both research and project funding in the area of learning disability and to aid the care and relief of those affected by learning disability. The Trust consider under learning disability the conditions generally referred to as severe learning difficulties, together with autism. In this area, they consider projects concerning children or adults. The type of...
activities currently funded include: capital works for residential, nursing and respite care, and schools; employment schemes including woodwork, crafts, printing and horticulture; play schemes and play therapy schemes; day and social activities centres including building costs and running costs; support for families, including respite schemes; independent living schemes; support in the community schemes; and Snoezelen rooms. Applications will only be considered from voluntary organisations which are registered charities or are associated with a registered charity. Schools and Parent Teacher Associations and Industrial & Provident Societies can also apply. Funding in the past has ranged in value from £250 to £150,000. The deadline for research funding is the 1st July 2015. The deadline for project funding in excess of £10,000 is the 1st August 2015. Application for project funding for £10,000 or less can be submitted at any time.

For more information click on the link below. [http://www.bailythomas.org.uk/applications/applicationguidelines](http://www.bailythomas.org.uk/applications/applicationguidelines)

**SPORTS WHEELCHAIR PROGRAMME**

The Lords Taverners have reopened their Sports Wheelchair Programme. The programme provides multi-sports wheelchairs to individuals under the age of 25 and clubs with a junior section. The Lords Taverners require a self-help contribution of £350 per chair, clubs are able to apply for up to five chairs. Applications will be accepted from schools/organisations/clubs that cater for young people under the age of 25 who have a physical/sensory/learning disability. The Lords Taverners are unable to support schools that cater for socially disadvantaged children or mainstream schools for children with behavioural problems. There is no closing date but the Lords Taverners advise applicants to submit forms as quickly as possible. For more information, please click on the link below: [http://www.lordstaverners.org/sports-wheelchairs](http://www.lordstaverners.org/sports-wheelchairs)

**WINGATE FOUNDATION – JEWISH LIFE AND LEARNING GRANT**

The Wingate Foundation has announced that it’s Jewish Life and Learning Grants Programme is open for applications.

Through this grants programme, the Foundation aims to encourage Jewish cultural, academic and educational life in a manner that enhances the Jewish contribution to the life of the wider community. In particular, applications are invited from academic institutions specialising in Jewish subjects and from bodies promoting Jewish culture, including museums, libraries and literary publications. Applications are also welcomed from organisations able to demonstrate a record in inter-faith dialogue, in the promotion of reconciliation between Jews in Israel and their Arab neighbours and the encouragement of liberal values in both communities.

The next deadline for applications is the 18th June 2015. For more information, please click on the link below. [http://www.wingatefoundation.org.uk/sc_jewish_life_and_learning.php](http://www.wingatefoundation.org.uk/sc_jewish_life_and_learning.php)

**THE WHEELS FOR GOOD COMMUNITY FUND**

Easi-Drive, the accident management company provides grants to support worthy causes related to the motor industry, wheels or transport. To be eligible to apply the applicant must be a registered charity. Projects supported in the past include Sale United Powerchair Football Club which received a grant of £1,000 to help pay for sports hall hire, transport and equipment; and PARC Essex, an out of school facility based in Great Notley Country Park near Braintree, which received a grant of £1,000 towards the running costs of their mini bus. Applications can be submitted at any time. For more information, click on the link below. [http://www.wheelsforgood.com/](http://www.wheelsforgood.com/)

**GIRLS INTO STEM COMPETITION**

To combat the shortage of people and in particular girls entering the engineering professions, the National Grid has launched the Girls into Stem programme.

The competition is making grants of £1,000 available for VEX robotics kits for ALL GIRL teams. To be eligible to receive one of these grants schools need:

- To agree to assemble an all female team with a minimum of 5 members
- The teacher/mentor attending one of the planned training sessions during July where they will collect the kit
- To enter at least one competition each year and a commitment to compete for two years
- Complete an Engineering Notebook as a log/diary of the process
- Enter the research/presentation task and complete pre- and post-evaluations. There will be 40 grants in total, 20 for the VEX IQ Challenge and 20 for the VEX Robotics Competition. All submissions must be made by Midnight on Tuesday 30th June 2015. For more information click on the link below. [http://www.girlsintostem.co.uk/#girlsintostem](http://www.girlsintostem.co.uk/#girlsintostem)

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