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Skills for the future – now open to applications	1	SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE - NOW OPEN TO APPLICATIONS Skills for the Future is a £5 million targeted grants programme to support organisations across the UK to create new opportunities for work-based training in the heritage sector. It is hoped that the programme will make an important contribution to helping the heritage sector prepare for, and play a role in, the post-recession economy. Skills for the Future aims to fund projects, which provide paid work-based training placements to meet a skills gap in the heritage sector and which fully support trainees to learn practical skills. Grants will be given to
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organisations or partnerships to plan and deliver a new training programme for a specified number of trainees. Typically, these programmes will provide trainees with an individual plan and enable them to work alongside one or more experienced heritage professionals in the work place. The types of skills to be encouraged by this initiative include, for example: skills to plan, manage and deliver learning programmes for a variety of different audiences; community engagement skills, for example, the skills needed to work with under-represented audiences in heritage; volunteer management skills in heritage settings; interpretation skills, for example, to create engaging and accessible exhibitions; skills to manage the impacts climate change will have on heritage or to reduce the carbon footprint of heritage assets; skills to use digital technology in heritage conservation, learning or participation. Sector-specific skills will also be supported. Grants of between £100,000 and £1 million are available. Supported projects will normally last for up to four years, with some extending to five years, and will provide for training placements of between three and 18 months long. Applications are welcomed from single organisations and partnerships in the UK. Priority is given to not-for-profit organisations and partnerships. Partnerships might be drawn from organisations whose main purpose is to conserve or engage people with heritage; third sector organisations; Sector Skills Councils or local authorities; professional bodies; learning and training providers; private sector companies, for example, those specialising in conservation. The deadline for the receipt of applications is 19 March 2010. www.hlf.org.uk

AUSTIN AND HOPE PILKINGTON TRUST GRANTS MAKING PROGRAMME (UK)

The Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust awards grants to charitable organisations in the United Kingdom and overseas. The trustees welcome applications for projects within the following areas for the next three years. These categories are then repeated in a three-year rotation: 2010 Children, Youth, The Elderly, Medical. For this year only Medical Research projects dealing with the ageing population will be considered. The other priorities - Children, Youth and the Elderly - as well as other non-research based medical work are still welcome; 2011 Music and the Arts, Overseas (Deadline for applications 1st June & 1st Nov 2011); 2012 Community (Deadline for applications 1st June & 1st Nov 2012). Due to the overwhelming number of applications received, the trustees have decided to consider within the Community category applications ONLY from charities working with: Homeless; Addiction; Asylum and Refugees; Sexual and Domestic Abuse; Prisoners and ex-Offenders). If your charity's work falls within one of these categories and would like to be considered for a grant, please submit an application by 1st June or 1st November only in the appropriate year. Grants are usually between £1,000 and £10,000, with the majority being £5,000 or less. Exceptionally, grants of up to £20,000 are made, but these are usually for medical research projects. Previous grants awarded include a grant of £5,000 towards a resource centre providing advice and training for workers dealing with mental health in rural areas and £5,000 towards a project aimed at behavioural programme for persistent young offenders.

<http://www.austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk/> GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES £33 MILLION IN GRASSROOTS GRANTS

The Government has announced that over £33 million in grants have been given to over 13,000 charities and voluntary organisations in the first full year of the Government's Grassroots Grants scheme. The £130 million scheme, launched in September 2008, is aimed at helping small voluntary and community organisations provide much needed help in their communities and reach out to the most vulnerable people. Grants have been spent on a range of community activity from healthy food parcels for deprived communities to social activity for carers - helping communities to thrive and deal with the individual challenges that face each local community. The programme, which is

administered by local Community Development Foundations, will run until March 2011 is still open for applications. Small and local community groups with annual incomes below £30,000 can apply for the grants of between £250 and £5,000.

<http://www.cdf.org.uk/web/guest/grassroots-grants>

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION - FUNDING FOR LEAGUES

The Football Association's Funding for Leagues scheme aims to fund football leagues (outside the National League System) so they can purchase equipment that assists in the administration of that league. Grants range from a minimum of £250 up to a maximum of £1,200 for leagues with 150 teams or more. To qualify for grant aid, the league must fulfill the following criteria: Must be located in England; Must be FA or County FA affiliated; Must be outside the National League System; Must be below step five in the Women's Pyramid of Football; Must be a 11-a-side/youth/mini-soccer/small-sided (non-commercial) league; Must be non-profit making. The deadline for applications is 1 May 2010.

<http://www.thefa.com/GetIntoFootball/Funding/NewsAndFeatures/2007/LeagueFunding.aspx>

ESMEE FAIRBAIRN FOUNDATION - FOOD STRAND (UK)

The aim of the Food strand is a £3 million funding strand over three years (2008 - 2011) with the aim of promoting an understanding of the role of food in enhancing quality of life. It will prioritise the enjoyment and experience of food rather than its production and we seek to enable as many people in the UK as possible to access, prepare and eat nutritious, sustainable food. The Foundation are keen to support work which enhances quality of life, this will include the following: Improving access to appropriate, diverse and sustainable food in areas where availability is limited; Exploring or enhancing understanding of the impact of food on wider well-being; Demonstrating the positive role of food in a social context or how food can contribute to community cohesion; Developing leadership in food policy and/or enabling greater connection among currently diverse food-related interests; Scaling up

effective local or regional practice that deserves a wider platform; Strategic or exceptional work that supports the development of sustainable food systems. The Foundation is interested in work that influences policy and practice across a range of food-related areas. The Foundation expect to support a mix of practical projects that have wide significance, and some research and policy based work. Previously funded projects include; Local Food Links Ltd, which received a grant of £99,204 towards the scale-up of the Local Food Links hot school meals service in Dorset over two years and to explore the provision of a user-led catering service for older people. Applications can be submitted at any time. <http://www.esmeefairbairn.org.uk/funding/food.html>

ANGLIAN WATER ASSISTANCE FUND

The Anglian Water Assistance Fund (AWAF) has been set up by Anglian Water Services Ltd to support customers in financial hardship. The Objectives of the Assistance Fund are: to administer a grants programme aimed at reducing water and sewerage debt for customers experiencing poverty and hardship throughout the region; to make awards that will help people recover from the burden of debt and become financially more stable; to provide free voluntary Debt Advice to applicants; and to make a long-term position difference to applicants. There is no minimum or maximum grant amount stated. The Fund staffs prioritise helping applicants where there is evidence that a one-off award will make a difference and help the applicant towards being financially stable. Applicants must have their sole or main home within the Anglian Water or Hartlepool Water regions, and be charged for water and/or sewerage by Anglian Water or Hartlepool Water. The regions in which Anglian and Hartlepool Water operate are as follows: Grimsby, Lincoln, Grantham, Daventry, Northampton, Milton Keynes, Huntingdon, Cambridge, Peterborough, Norwich, Great Yarmouth, Lowestoft, Ipswich, Colchester, Basildon, and Hartlepool. Applications to the Fund can be made at any time. <http://www.anglianwater.co.uk/household/your-account/problems-paying/assistance/>

FUSERNA FOUNDATION (UK)

The Fuserna Foundation has announced that due to the high level of applications received from the UK, they are now fully committed for the year and cannot accept new applications, but will re-open for applications in 2010. The Fuserna Foundation revitalises and supports charities and charitable projects that are subject to financial constraints and have a combined lack of exposure and publicity in relation to their charitable cause. The Foundation is in the process of introducing R.E.A.D. (Read, Earn, Achieve, Donate), a fully sponsored non-profit reading programme to prisons and schools across the UK and US. The main objective of the program is to enable individuals to contribute to society through reading. The Foundation will usually issue grants between £5,000 and £15,000 in the UK and between \$7,500 and \$25,000 in the US. The trustees do have the scope to make larger grants, which will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Application can be submitted at any time. <http://www.fusernafoundation.org/home.asp>

SPORT ENGLAND ACTIVE WOMEN THEMED FUND LAUNCHED

Sport England's Active Women Themed Fund aims to get more women from disadvantaged communities, and more women who care for children, playing sport. Sport England is seeking bids for projects that directly address the challenges women have to overcome if they want to play more sport. These include the following: Time constraints; Childcare; Transport; Cost; Friends to go with; Self-confidence. Applications will not be awarded under £10,001 but there is no maximum limit. A total of £10 million of National Lottery funding is available for this theme. All bona fide and legitimate organisations with a written constitution (such as a Memorandum and Articles of Association) or statutory powers can apply for this funding. These include sports clubs, voluntary or community organisations, local authorities, education establishments (such as schools, colleges and universities) and national governing bodies of sport. The deadline for initial applications is 3 February 2010. <http://www.sportengland.org/>

4TH ROUND OF THE YOUTH SECTOR DEVELOPMENT FUND LAUNCHED

The Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) has invited voluntary and community organisations, charities, social enterprises and cooperatives, etc to bid for a share of up to £10m to raise the aspirations of young people from disadvantaged backgrounds. The fourth round of the Youth Sector Development Fund (YSDF) will focus on supporting the aims of the Government's Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG) Strategy published last month, by raising the aspirations of young people from disadvantaged backgrounds. DCSF are particularly interested in proposals that will develop mentoring provision and enable young people from families with low aspirations to experience the professions and higher education. Partnerships with schools and colleges are acceptable but they should focus on students with low aspirations rather than a whole-year or class approach. The grants available will normally range between £200,000 and £500,000. Organisations already receiving YSDF funding and support are not eligible to apply for this funding round. Around 25 third-sector organisations are expected to benefit from the fund. The closing date for applications is the 4th February 2010. <http://ysdf.ecotec.com/index.asp?plD=13>

THE WILL CHARITABLE TRUST (UK)

The Will Charitable Trust is currently seeking applications from registered or tax exempt charities in the UK for projects that support services for blind people; and people with learning disabilities. Grants awarded tend to fall within the range of £5,000 to £20,000. The total amount awarded varies from year to year according to available funds. As a guide, in the year 2006/07, 45 grants were awarded totalling £539,300. Previous projects supported have included a grant of £10,000 towards the costs of launching a new mobile service which aims to reach blind people in remote area; and a grant of £11,500 to help towards the cost of setting up a work Skills Enterprise Scheme to provide training and work skills to 8 people with learning disabilities with a view to enabling them get employment. The closing date for applications is the 31st January 2010. In addition, the Trust also makes grants for projects that provide services for people suffering from cancer, and their families; as well as projects that

conserve the countryside in Britain, including its flora and fauna. Applications for these should be submitted between June and the 31st August 2010. <http://www.willcharitabletrust.org.uk/grantspolicy.htm>

UNLTD ANNOUNCES LEVEL 2 FUNDING ROUND TO SUPPORT SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS (UK)

UnLtd, the national charity that supports social entrepreneurs, has announced that the spring 2010 UnLtd Millennium Awards (Level 2) competition is open for applications. UnLtd's Millennium Awards provide practical and financial support to social entrepreneurs in the UK to develop their ideas and projects. Level 2 Awards provides grants of up to £15,000 to support people whose ideas are already developed or pay for the living expenses of Award Winners to help them devote more time to their projects. In addition, UnLtd also provides grants of between £500 and £5,000 through its Level 1 Awards. The aims of Level 1 awards provide grants of between £500 and £5,000 to develop new ideas into real projects. UnLtd gives out 1,000 Level 1 Awards each year across the UK. Level 1 Awards are aimed at individuals or informal groups of people who have an idea and want help getting it off the ground. The money is to help with the running costs of the project. Applications for Level 1 Awards! can be submitted at any time. The deadline for submitting an initial Expression of Interest form for level 2 Awards is the 22nd March 2010. Scotland and Wales Level 2 Awards are on a different timetable, so please contact your regional office for more details. <http://www.unltd.org.uk/template.php?ID=1&PageName=whatareunltdawards>

VOLANT CHARITABLE TRUST (UK)

Registered charities whose purpose is to alleviate poverty and social deprivation with particular emphasis on children's and women's issues have the opportunity to apply for funding through the Volant Charitable Trust. The Trust, which was set up by the author J K Rowling, also supports research into the causes, treatment and possible cures of Multiple Sclerosis. However this funding stream is currently fully committed and is not considering further applications for funding in this area at the present time. In addition the Trustees will as and when appropriate, support disaster appeals. The Trust will support both capital and revenue funding. Applications for funding requests of £10,000 or less, for those projects based in Scotland only, are dealt with by the Trust's appointed agents, the Scottish Community Foundation. The next closing date for applications is the 29th January 2010.
<http://www.volanttrust.com/index.html>

FUNDING FOR CHRISTIAN CHARITIES PROMOTING SOCIAL INCLUSION

The Anchor Foundation provides grants of between £500 and £10,000 per year to Christian Charities that encourage social inclusion through ministries of healing and the arts. Funding can be awarded for up to three years. The Foundation will consider applications for either capital or revenue funding. Only in exceptional circumstances will grants be given for building work. Previously funded projects include the Karis Neighbour Scheme which received a grant of £700 for revenue costs at a drop in centre for women refugees in Birmingham; Discovery Camps which received a grant of £1500 to subsidise holidays for children arranged by churches in and around Dundee; and Scargill House which received a grant of £5,000 to facilitate cross cultural engagement and understanding amongst children using arts based residential courses in Yorkshire. Applications are considered at twice yearly trustees meetings in April and November and need to be received by 31st January and 31st July each.
<http://www.theanchorfoundation.org.uk/>

NEW GRANTS FOR BIOMASS PRODUCERS

Farmers, foresters and Local Authorities can apply for grants under a new funding round opened by the Department of Energy and Climate Change. The £1.5 million Bio-energy Infrastructure Scheme will support the biomass industry in England by helping those supplying biomass fuels for use in heat and electricity generation. All projects must be based in England and must supply the biomass to end-users in Great Britain. The scheme is open to businesses who are small or medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). For application forms, guidance and all information regarding the Scheme, please contact the Bio-energy Infrastructure Scheme Helpline at TUV-NEL by telephoning 01355 593800 or emailing help@beis.org.uk. The deadline for applications is the 26th February 2010.

<http://nds.coi.gov.uk/content/detail.aspx?NewsAreaId=2&ReleaseID=408846&SubjeclId=2>

SPORTSMATCH TO RE-OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

The Sport England Sportsmatch programme has announced that it is to resume its grant making activities in December 2009 for activities that will take place during the 2010/11 financial year. Through the scheme, Sportsmatch offers pound for pound matched funding to investments made by businesses, trusts and individuals into projects that encourage sports participation at grass roots level. From October 2009, Since it started in 1992, Sportsmatch has awarded over £48 million to almost 6,000 projects across the country, and has brought in over £58 million for these projects from the commercial sector. Previous grant recipients include; Devizes School in Wiltshire, which obtained a three-year sponsorship from a local construction firm, which amounted to £10,000 per year. The school matched this with a further £10,000 from Sportsmatch and were able to run an annual multi-sports coaching camp during the school summer holidays. The Children's Kayak Charitable Trust obtained £1,180 in sponsorship from a local watersports retailer. They matched this with a Sportsmatch award and ran a three-year project offering free kayak coaching to children from 12 local schools. Applications can be submitted at any time.

<http://www.sportengland.org/funding/sportsmatch.aspx>

THE SYLVIA WADDILOVE FOUNDATION

The Sylvia Waddilove Foundation provides grants to charities for: Educational; projects; Music composition and performances; Herbal medicine; Medical research; Disability; Farming related projects. Grants of up to £20,000 are available to registered charities with a turnover of less than £500,000. The Foundation favours supporting small charities that will carry out the project themselves (except in the case of medical research), who rely on volunteers and who can demonstrate a successful history of projects. The Trustees will usually meet to consider applications in January, April, July, and October. Applications need to be submitted before the last week in the month before the next meeting. For example, for an application to be considered at the January meeting, applicants will need to submit it before the last week of December.

<http://www.pwwsolicitors.co.uk/charitable-applications/charity-details/the-sylvia-waddilove-foundation-uk>

SITA TRUST - ENHANCING COMMUNITIES PROGRAMME (UK)

Under the Enhancing Communities Programme grants of up to £50,000 are available to not for profit organisations, community groups, parish councils, local authorities and charities for projects that make physical improvements to community facilities and historic buildings / structures. There are now 70 new qualifying SITA UK waste treatment sites included in the programme and new funding opportunities for communities in Avon, East Anglia, Kent, London, and Yorkshire. SITA will accept applications from projects, which are within 3 miles of qualifying SITA UK waste processing sites. The next closing date for applications is the 10th December 2009 and 2nd February 2010 for the small grants scheme and the 17th March 2010 for the large grants scheme.

<http://www.sitatrust.org.uk/community-funding>