Essex Funding Team

Investigating funding avenues

Community Archives Heritage Group
Conference
16th April 2013



Overview

- Examples of funders including:
 - Big Society / Community Initiatives
 Fund
 - Essex Community Foundation
- Investigating funding avenues and developing bids
- A brief word on GrantNet
- Other support available

Example 1 – Essex Big Society / Community Initiatives Fund

- Has now become the <u>Community Initiatives Fund</u>
- https://www.essex.gov.uk/Health-Social-Care/Community-services/Pages/Community-Initiatives-Fund.aspx
 - 1. create, procure or develop new community assets
- 2. enhance existing community assets
- 3. enhance or develop initiatives that strengthen a community

Community Initiatives Fund

- **CIF** (subject to a maximum application of £15,000 for any one project)
- Deadline 30-08-2013
- <u>CIF Response</u> (subject to a maximum application of £10,000 for any one project).
- Deadline 31-01-2014
- Contact details:
- tel 01245 437887
- email <u>CIF@essex.gov.uk</u>.

Example 2 – Essex Community Foundation

- http://www.essexcommunityfoundation.org.uk/
- 01245 356018
 - 1. General Grants Round
- 2. Comic Relief
- 3. Thriving Third Sector Fund
- 4. High Sheriff's Award
- 5. Marion Ruth Coutauld Educational Fund

Example 3 – Lottery (various strands)

http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/funding

Investigating funding avenues

- Project idea
- Partnership and mix of partners
- Appetite to bid?
- Capacity to deliver
- Seek / identify suitable funding streams
- Consider alignment & fit.

Developing bids - considerations

How will you identify it?

Research / Media / Organisation

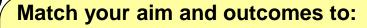
How will you evidence it?

Consultation / Statistics / Partnership & Focus groups

Aim

How will you address the need?

Outcomes



- Programmes objectives / outcome
- Organisational goals / targets
- Local, regional and national strategic fit

What are the overall results of the project?

Specific

Measurable

Achievable

Realistic

Time bound

Outcomes:

 Hard – Facts and figures, finite measurable outcomes for a service.

Eg: Unemployed people from the estate will access the course

• Soft – Subjective and therefore more difficult to measure and record. They focus on the experience and emotions.

Eg: Service users confidence will be increased



GRANTnet - Introduction

GRANTnet is a straightforward FREE-to-use service that can help you to identify suitable funding.

The resource searches across EU and UK sources including Government departments, local authorities, charitable trusts and corporate sponsors.

It is presented in the format of an online, step-by-step questionnaire that provides the enquirer with information on over 4,000 grants and other incentives.

<u>ECC GRANTnet portal</u> (link near the bottom of the page http://www.essex.gov.uk/Activities/Arts%20Services/Pages/Arts-Funding.aspx). You will be required to sign up using an email address and you will then to get access to up-to-date funding information using this online database



Home FAQs Links Help

Recent news items

Artemis Joint Undertaking - 2011 Call for Proposals Launched

NIHR School for Public Health Research (NIHR SPHR) Competition Launched

LIFE+ 2011 Call for Proposals Launched

Looking to Secure EU Funding? Join Us on Our Introductory Training Course

The Pitch 2011 - Now Open to Applications

Looking to Improve Your Funding Skills and Chances of Application Success? Welcome, Phil Ingram (If this is not you, please log out)

My Account S

Start new search

Log Out

Welcome to the GRANTnet search

There are two ways in which to search on GRANTnet. Click on **Business** if you are a small to medium-sized enterprise or **Community** if you are a charity, school, voluntary organisation, social enterprise etc.

Business

GRANTnet Business Search. Use this search if you are a small to medium-sized profitmaking company.



Community

GRANTnet Community
Search. Use this search if you are a charity, school, voluntary organisation, social enterprise etc.



Useful Documents

Features



Ten Steps to Writing a Constitution



Writing a Successful
Business Plan



A Beginner's Guide to Regeneration Terms



A Beginner's Guide to Successfully Securing Grant Funding



Beat the Budget
Blues - How to Write
a Winning Financial
Plan!



Writing a
Fundraising Strategy

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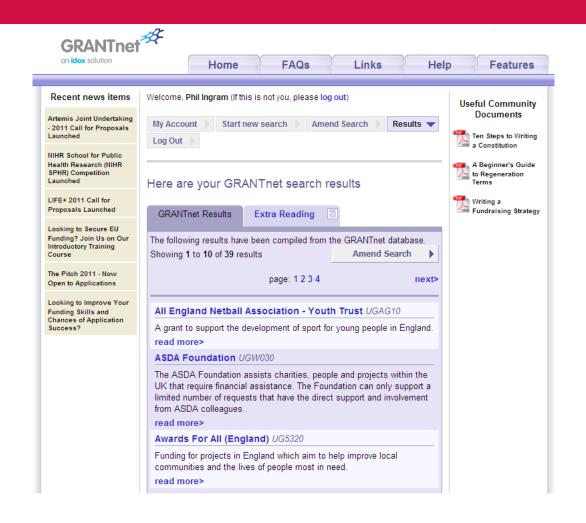
Three Step Search Process

- **Step 1:** About your organisation
 What does your organisation do?
- Step 2: What project do you require help with?
- **Step 3:** How much (approximately) do you need to spend on the project?

What type of assistance are you looking for?

E.g. Funding, Awards or Advice & Information

The Search Results Page



On the Results page, a brief synopsis of each scheme is provided.

You can read about individual schemes in more detail by clicking 'read more'. Clicking 'next' navigates you through the total number of pages containing your results.

Councils for Voluntary Services (CVSs)

There are some additional resources that you may find useful: Voluntary Sector Funding page on the ECC website

You may also be able to get support from your local CVS organisation that helps voluntary and community groups in the area:

Chelmsford CVS

CVS Tendring

Maldon CVS

Castle Point AVSSAVS

Southend

Thurrock CVS

Brentwood CVS

Braintree CVS

Uttlesford CVS

Basildon, Billericay and Wickford CVS

Colchester CVS

Harlow CVS

Epping Forest CVS

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