



Email bulletin (8) – 05 February 2008

In this issue...

- **Lloyds TSB Foundation Launches New Fund**
- **Nominet Foundation (UK)**
- **Funding for Young People to Improve their Community (England)**
- **Lloyds TSB Foundation Launches New Fund (Scotland) (info from Grants online)**
- **B&Q You Can Do It Awards (UK)**
- **The Community Foundation for Northern Ireland**
- **Big Lottery Fund**
- **Baring's Joint International Development grants programme**

Don't forget news is added on a daily basis at

www.freefundingupdate.net

The Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland has launched a new initiative to support work with 14 to 19 year olds who struggle to make a successful transition to adulthood. Called "Inspiring Scotland" this new initiative brings together funding from a number of different sources: Trusts and Foundations, individuals, businesses, Scottish Government and charities. The mix of investment is balanced to make sure no one source of investment contributes the majority of the money. The aim of the new initiative is to provide grants of up to £10 million a year to charities over a 7-10 year period. There is a two stage application process. Organisations interested in applying to Inspiring Scotland for funding should in the first instance submit an outline application proposal. The closing date for submitting outline application proposals is the 28th March 2008. Organisations with applications deemed suitable will then be invited to submit a full proposal.

<http://www.inspiringscotland.org.uk/index.html>



Nominet Foundation (UK) (info from Grants online)

Nominet UK, the organisation responsible for managing and maintaining the register of .uk domain names has announced that it is to launch the Nominet Foundation. Nominet, which operates as a not for profit organisation has been generating a profit since 2003. As a not for profit organisation, its constitution forbids it from distributing surplus funds to members in the manner of a commercial company paying dividends. As a consequence, it will create the Nominet Foundation as a means of distributing its profits. The Nominet Foundation will be a charitable organisation that will fund education, research and development initiatives in the UK Internet industry. Areas that are likely to be of interest to the Foundation are online safety for children as well as community projects to increase internet access and use. The Foundation is also likely to fund projects that use the internet for training and education. The Foundation will aim to launch in the Summer 2008 with a first year fund of £5 million. Organisations will be invited to apply for funding later in 2008.

<http://www.nominet.org.uk/news/latest/?contentId=4709>

Funding for Young People to Improve their Community (England) (info from Grants online)

v, the independent charity set up to encourage young people to volunteer, has launched the third application round of the vashpoint scheme. Working in partnership with the HSBC bank, vashpoint is a £1 million initiative that will provide grants of up to £2,500 to young people to set up their own volunteering projects within their community. The type of activities that could be supported could include running activities for children, transforming a community space, supporting victims of bullying, running workshops for young people, setting up a local campaign, clearing up a beach, running music, art or sports events for disadvantaged people, or organising a festival to bring different cultures or communities together, etc. To help develop fresh and innovative project ideas, youth workers across the country will be using a brand new limited edition brainstorming kit called 'Outside the Box'. Outside the Box was piloted regionally with a number of youth groups and has proven to be an effective way to engage young people and help them identify potential volunteering project ideas. The next application deadline is the 25th April 2008.

<http://www.vinspired.com/vbuzz/campaigns/171/>

B&Q You Can Do It Awards (UK) (info from Grants online)

B&Q have announced that the 'You Can Do It' Awards is now open for applications. The awards aim to play a key part in helping local communities create inclusive and sustainable projects. Awards in 2007 included the refurbishment of local sporting facilities; social enterprise workshops and community facilities as well as equipment for improving community gardens. Under the scheme, community groups and charitable organisations can apply for awards ranging from £1,000 to £10,000 worth of B&Q products. The closing date for applications is the 28th March 2008. In addition, each local B&Q store also has a 'limited'



budget to provide grants of between £50 and £500 to community groups under its Better Neighbour Grant Scheme.

http://www.diy.com/diy/jsp/bq/templates/content_lookup.jsp?content=/aboutbandq/2004/social_responsibility/YCDI_Awards/main.jsp&menu=aboutbandq

The Community Foundation for Northern Ireland is offering small grants ranging from £500 to £1,000 for community arts projects,

<http://www.communityfoundationni.org/news/default.asp?ID=29&itemId=75>.

Big Lottery Fund (info from BOND)

The Big Lottery Fund is still looking for applications for its International Communities programme. All Stage 1 applications must be received by 30 April 2008 in order to be considered for funding. Up to £12 million has been allocated to help Tsunami long-term reconstruction. The programme is part of the Big Lottery Fund's aim to support work that tackles the causes of poverty and deprivation, and brings about a long-term difference to the lives of the most disadvantaged people across the globe.

www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

Baring's Joint International Development grants programme (info from BOND)

The Baring Foundation and John Ellerman Foundation Joint International Development grants programme 2008 is now open. The deadline for applications is 31 March 2008; new grants will be announced in October. The Joint International Development Grants Programme is aimed at improving the effectiveness of NGOs and community-based organisations in Sub-Saharan Africa to address problems arising from the long-term forced migration and displacement of people.

Application guidelines and notes:

www.baringfoundation.org.uk

Don't forget news is added on a daily basis at

www.freefundingupdate.net