



CVS News and Events

New CVS Website!

We are excited to announce that the CVS now has a new website! Please do have a look and feedback any comments or suggestions: www.wlcvs.org

Health Network Event

The next Health Network Event is being held on **Tuesday 22 September 2015** at Banks Leisure Centre. This event will focus on how we all play a role in improving our health across our local community and will include an overview of the CCG's achievements, business plans and the current priorities. There will also be a live Q&A session with a NHS panel with representatives from the CCG and other local health organisations. Please submit any questions in advance by emailing: myview@westlancashireccg.nhs.uk

Book your place now by **completing the booking form** and emailing it to – kirstie@wlcvs.org or telephone 01695 733737 to book a place. Please note spaces for information stands are now full.

See website to read more: www.wlcvs.org/

Community-i Macmillan Coffee Morning

Community-i up are hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning on **Friday 25 September 2015** at Certacs House. For more information please contact Nicci Sutton – nicci@wlcvs.org

Local News and Events

Aughton Village Hall Macmillan "BIG" Coffee Morning

Last year the team at Aughton Village Hall raised £650 for Macmillan at the "BIG" Coffee Morning. This year they are holding the event a little earlier, with approval from Macmillan, to tie in with their annual talent show, Aughton's Got Talent. It will be during the morning on **Saturday 19 September 2015**. Lovely cakes, scones, biscuits, coffee, a visit by the Mayor of West Lancashire and other local dignitaries, perhaps even a special guest or two.

The grand final of Aughton's Got Talent is at 7.30 on **19 September 2015**. All enquiries to David Gallagher on 01695 421158.

Call for Exhibitors at Peerfest 2015

Lancashire Mind and Lancashire Care Foundation Trust are thrilled to be hosting Peerfest 2015, a national celebration of Peer Support. This year the event aims to celebrate what makes Peer Support unique. To do this they want to showcase the variety of peer support across the country at the Guild Hall in Preston on the **10 December 2015** from 10-4pm to celebrate, network and learn from each other.

They are inviting people to apply to showcase peer support in a number of ways:

- Host a stall: be part of a bustling marketplace to promote your peer support work
- Interactive activities: provide an open activity throughout the day to get people involved e.g. jewellery making, photo-booth
- Workshop: Deliver a time limited interactive session e.g. creative writing (Maximum duration 1 hour)
- Presentations: Share your learning or ideas around about peer support held (Maximum duration half hour)

To apply visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/peerfest2015> or complete the exhibitor form and return by email to peerfest@mind.org.uk by **30 September 2015**. If oversubscribed, places will be decided by the Peerfest steering group based on the following:

- Lived experience involvement
- Celebration of peer support
- Diversity of activities on the day

All applicants will be informed of the decision by 9 October. [Click here](#) for more.

Swap jobs with someone in government for a day

Submit your application now for the chance to experience life in one of these government departments:

Cabinet Office
Department for Communities and Local Government
Department for Education
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
Department for Work and Pensions
Home Office
National Audit Office

Click the link: [Full details, FAQs and apply for A Day in the Life](#)

Applications close **30 September 2015**.

Independent Community Advocacy Network North's AGM

ICANN's AGM will take place on **Tuesday 8 October 2015**. Following on from the official AGM business Angela Broadbridge from OPAAL will be showcasing the Department of Health's (Innovation, Excellence and Services Delivery) funded film and talking about the toolkit OPAAL are developing to support this work which compliments the Sanofi funded Cancer Patients Train the Trainer Project.

For more information please contact: Pat Tootle, Administrator (Thurs & Fri only) on 01772 717461 / admin@i-cann.org.uk Website: www.i-cann.org.uk Facebook: www.facebook.com/ICANNLancs

Health News

Healthier Living Support Groups

Healthier Living is a free & confidential service providing support for those living with and affected by HIV in Lancashire. Healthier Living does this through: promoting a healthier Lifestyle, supporting the physical and emotional effects of HIV, challenging the impact of isolation and discrimination, allowing people to enjoy the present and plan for the future. We do this via one to one appointments with a project worker and/or counsellor and through our support groups. Please contact 01772 253840 for further information.

Preston – Thursday 17 September 2015 at 6pm.

Walking Group (Lancashire Explorers) – Tuesday 22 September 2015.

This month the Lancashire Explorers are going for a walk through some of the illuminations in Blackpool. Please contact the Preston office on 01772 253840 for more information and to book a place.

Knit and Natter group – Wednesday 30 September 2015 from 11am – 1pm. The group have been making a blanket which is going to hang in the reception area of the Preston office. The blanket will be on display at the Harris Library until 23/09/2015. The aim of displaying the blanket is to provide a visual aid to generate discussion regarding HIV and to promote the Healthier Living service. The group are also going out for the day to Skipton's Yarndale festival of creativity on 26/09/2015 to book a place please phone the office on 01772 253840.

PRESTON PRIDE – Saturday 26 September 2015. The Healthier Living team will be available to provide information regarding how HIV is transmitted, how transmission of HIV can be prevented, Living with HIV and dispelling the myths associated with HIV.

You are welcome to attend any of the support groups regardless of which area of Lancashire you are living in.

For any further information regarding the support groups or to book an appointment with one of the project workers, please contact the office on 01772 253840 or Yvonne on 07534915932 or Jane on 07535716880.

Resources

Charity Commission Newsletter

See website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/charity-commission-news-issue-51>

Charity Commission sets out plans for the annual return 2016

See website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/charity-commission-sets-out-plans-for-the-annual-return-2016>

BeyondMe

Could a team of professionals donating their time, money and skills for a year tackle a critical need for your charity?

BeyondMe, a movement bringing professionals, businesses and charities together to make a meaningful impact on the world, is accepting applications from charities with a minimum of two members of staff and social enterprises to join its portfolio.

To check if you fit BeyondMe's application criteria, visit their funder profile on Beehive. The application deadline is **16 October 2015**. See website: <https://beyondme.org/>

Voluntary Sector News

Pension Schemes for your paid staff

In October 2012, a new statutory obligation was placed on all employers to have a qualifying pension scheme, and to auto-enrol eligible workers. This duty is being progressively rolled out, and now small employers with less than 30 workers will have to start enrolling their workers from around April 2016.

This is NOT OPTIONAL - all employers will have to offer something. Both employer and worker will have to make compulsory financial contributions into the scheme.

How to get ready for automatic enrolment

This new blog from NCVO Trusted Supplier Lucas Fettes explains what automatic enrolment means for your organisation. It covers what you need to do and how much it is likely to

cost your organisation to ensure you're compliant with legislation.

Start up Loans Newsletter

[Click here](#) to read Start up Loans Newsletter from Community Finance

Lloyds Bank Foundation report finds that obtaining funding is the biggest challenge for most small and medium sized charities

The report is based on a survey of 800 charities that are working in social welfare which explored the challenges they face and what would help overcome them. The main challenge for 81% of the respondents is securing funding for their organisation, while 63% think it will get harder to secure funding over the next two years.

The report "Expert Yet Undervalued and On The Front Line: The Views and Voices of Small and Medium Sized Charities" can be downloaded from the Foundation's website:
www.lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk/publications/news/2015/08/26/fightingforsurvival/

Volunteering Opportunities

Volunteer Community Car Driver

This is an opportunity to serve your community by driving your car to take elderly or disabled people to the shops, health venues or to see friends. Your mileage costs will be fully reimbursed and additional insurance cover provided.

Volunteer Family Support Worker

Home-Start is looking to recruit volunteers, particularly parents and grandparents, who have a few hours each week to spare and who would like to offer support to families. This can be offered either in families own homes or through a Family Group.

Volunteer Dog Walker

To help with day to day care of pets, fostering when owners are hospitalised or long term care for bereaved pets and dog walking for elderly ill owners.

Volunteer Receptionist

To work alongside staff, providing general reception duties. This role is first point of contact for service users and visitors to the charity. DBS disclosure not required two references from people unrelated required.

Volunteer Café Worker

Twinkle House has an exciting opportunity available for volunteers to work in our Cafe. Preparing light refreshments, collecting payments for Cafe sales, collecting crockery/cutlery, cleaning duties and social interactions with customers.

Volunteer Retail Assistant

Sizing clothes, steaming, putting stock onto shop floor. Rotating stock. Keep all working areas clean and tidy, wash and price bric-a-brac.
Serving and working the till.

Volunteer Ambassador

The Ambassador's role is wide ranging. Ambassadors may help distribute newsletters, staff a stand at an event or put up posters in a library. Others may deliver a presentation on Healthwatch Lancashire or attend a patient experience event.

Volunteer Mystery Shopper

Mystery shoppers are members of the public who agree to test services to see what works and what doesn't. This could include visiting or ringing a service to ask specific questions or trialling draft forms or leaflets.

Charity Shop Assistant

About the opportunity:

Sizing cloths, steaming, putting stock onto shop floor. Rotating stock. Keep all working areas clean and tidy, wash and price bric-a-brac.

Serving and working the till.

Opportunities available seven days a week.

They are looking for:

Cleanliness and tidiness. No experience is necessary as full training will be given.

Ability to get on with members of the public and of friendly disposition

All volunteers need to be able to do mental arithmetic.

These are just a few of the many volunteering opportunities on offer at WL CVS. If you would like more information or would like to take on any of the above volunteering roles, please speak to Janice Howard on 01695 733737

Consultations

LCC Consultation on the County Council's Corporate Strategy

Please see attached letter from the Leader of the county council seeking your opinion on the council's draft corporate strategy.

See website for consultation:

<https://lccsecure.lancashire.gov.uk/corporate/questionnaires/runQuestionnaire.asp?qid=656059>

Community engagement: improving health and wellbeing and reducing health inequalities

This draft guideline covers approaches to community engagement to help communities improve their health and wellbeing and reduce health inequalities. The closing date for comments is **24 September 2015**.

See website: <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/gid-phg79/resources/community-engagement-update-draft-full-guideline2>

See response form: <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/gid-phg79/resources/community-engagement-update-comments-form-guideline2>

A new strategy for sport: consultation

The government is developing a [new strategy for sport](#). This consultation invites you to share your views on such things as physical education, children and young people and a variety of other themes. Deadline is **3 October 2015**.

Training News

West Lancs CVS Training Programme

The new 2015-16 CVS Training Programme is out now. Please [click here](#) to read it.

CVS Training – Emergency First Aid for Appointed Persons

Places are still available on this course running on **Tuesday 6 October 2015** from 9:30am - 4:30pm at Evermoor Hub (formerly Digmoor Community Centre). The main subject areas covered in depth include:

What is an appointed person?

Treating an unconscious casualty

Causes of unconsciousness

Sprains, strains and dislocations

Fractures, burns and bleeds

Contents of the first aid box and recording of incidents

Cost: £30. For more information or to book a place, please contact Kirstie Dwan or Helen Jones on 01695 733737, or email enquiries@wlcv.org . You can download booking forms online — www.wlcv.org

West Lancashire College Training Courses

West Lancashire College offers high quality training packages recognised and externally accredited by national awarding bodies which include:

Paediatric First Aid / Moving & Handling / Nebosh General Certificate / Fire Marshal / Infection Control / Safe Handling of Medicines / Dementia Awareness / Management Level 3 / Management Level 5 / Team Leading Level 2 / Customer Services Level 2 / Customer Services Level 3 / Foundation Degrees.

Can be delivered on employer's premises if more than 10 people per course.

To find out more please contact: Vicky Heyes - Commercial Assistant on 01695 52490 / shortcourses@westlancs.ac.uk

Free Trustee Training Workshops

Hempsons are offering **free trustee training workshops** in London, Manchester, Newcastle and Harrogate for charity trustees seeking to understand their charity's governance and their role. See website: <http://www.hempsons.co.uk/event/hempsons-trustee-training-workshop-2015/>

Supporting Survivors with the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse

The nearest course is running in Preston on **Monday 19 October 2015**. [Click here](#) to read more.

Partnership Opportunity

Join the Worker Educational Association (WEA) Lancashire Disadvantaged Groups Building Better Opportunities (BBO)

Stage one applications for Tranche 2 of Lancashire's Building Better Opportunities funding for Disadvantaged Groups are due this autumn.

Building Better Opportunities is for partnerships to apply for, with a single lead organisation as the accountable body. WEA intends to develop and lead a local partnership bid and they are keen to continue their engagement with potential delivery partners, particularly those from the Voluntary and Community sector.

Find out more at one of the sessions detailed below:

- **Tuesday 22 September 2015** at 10am to 12pm - Brunswick Room, Central Library, Queen Street, Blackpool, FY1 1PX. Click [here](#) to attend.
- **Friday 2 October 2015** at 1pm to 3pm - Burnley, Pendle & Rossendale CVS, Rachel Kay Shuttleworth Building, ELVSC 62-64 Yorkshire Street, Burnley, BB11 3BT. Click [here](#) to attend.

These sessions will provide a step towards building a strong local partnership. If you cannot attend, you can still be involved in the development process.

If you would like to register your interest to join the partnership already, please complete the form by clicking [here](#).

For more information contact Paul Amann, Regional Business Development Manager Workers' Educational Association on 07827 252349, WEA_HO@e-shot-mailer2.co.uk

Funding News

OneFamily Foundation Community Awards

Max. Value: £ 25,000. **Deadline: 29 September 2015.** National funding competition for community projects in the UK that are nominated by OneFamily customers. See website: <https://foundation.onefamily.com/community-awards>

Magdalen Hospital Trust

Max. Value: £ 2,000. **Deadline: 30 September 2015.** Grants for registered charities working with people experiencing social deprivation. See website: www.magdalentrust.org.uk

Spirit of 2012 - Leading Voices

Max. Value: £ 1,000,000. Funding is available for an innovative project in England that inspires and enables young people (aged 11-25 years) to participate in and develop their creative cultural expression through the verbal arts. **Deadline: 30 September 2015.** See website: www.spiritof2012trust.org.uk/leading-voices

David Wilson Homes North West - Our Space, Your Place Grants

Max. Value: £ 1,000. Deadline: **30 September 2015.** Grants are available to local community groups, charities, and schools in the North West for projects that will genuinely enhance or improve services, facilities or the environment within their local area. See website: www.ourspaceyourplace.co.uk

Royal British Legion External Grants

Max. Value: £ 50,000. Deadline: **30 September 2015**. Grants are available for charities and community organisations to carry out projects that benefit ex-Armed Service personnel and their families. See website: www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-support/finances/grants-and-loans

Creative Local Growth Fund

Max. Value: £ 500,000. Deadline: **16 October 2015**. Grants are available to arts/cultural organisations and Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) in England to support the cultural sector in contributing to local economic growth. See website: www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/apply-funding/apply-for-funding/creative-local-growth-fund/

Aurora Prize for Awakening Humanity

Max. Value: £ 650,000. **Deadline: 1 October 2015**. A new annual international humanitarian financial award for a person or a group of people anywhere in the world who put themselves at risk to enable others to survive. See website: <https://100lives.com/en/prize>

Erach & Roshan Sadri Foundation

Charities and organisations have the opportunity to apply for grants of between £2,000 and £100,000 through the Erach & Roshan Sadri Foundation. Applications from individuals may also be considered. The Foundation seeks to support educational and welfare projects, projects that relieve poverty by alleviating homelessness and assisting members of the Zoroastrian religious faith.

The next deadline for applications is **1 October 2015**. Please see website: <http://www.ersf.org.uk/>

Barcapel Foundation

Max. Value: £ 100,000. **Deadline: 2 October 2015**. Financial assistance is available to registered charities in Great Britain, with a preference for Scotland, who are seeking funding for projects and activities which promote one or more of the Foundation's following three priority areas: health, heritage and youth. See website: www.barcapelfoundation.org/

Prince's Countryside Fund

Deadline: **8 October 2015**. Organisations and charities that are helping to protect and

sustain Britain's farming and rural communities will be able to apply for funding of up to £50,000. To be considered for funding projects need to contribute to one of three countryside issues, these are:

- Thriving Rural Communities
- Rural Livelihoods
- Farmers of the Future.

Funding is available for both capital and revenue costs. Please see website: <http://www.princescountrysidefund.org.uk/about/how-it-works>

Arts Council England Small Capital Grants

Max. Value: £ 500,000. **Deadline: 8 October 2015.** Capital funding designed to benefit arts initiatives taking place in England, helping to make projects more sustainable and resilient. The scheme forms part of a range of measures to help create a more sustainable, resilient and innovative arts sector.

Please see website: <http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/apply-funding/funding-programmes/capital/small-capital-grants/>

Dirtworks Environmental Scheme

Max. Value: £ 20,000. **Deadline: 9 October 2015.** Grants are available to community and voluntary groups conducting environmental projects which involve young people aged 16-25 years in Lancashire. Please see website: www.lancsevfund.org.uk

Lancashire Environmental Fund

Max. Value: £ 30,000. **Deadline: 9 October 2015.** Grants are available to voluntary organisations for a variety of community and environmental initiatives within Lancashire. Projects must: provide public amenities, conserve a natural habitat/species, or restore historic, architecturally interesting or religious buildings. Please see website: www.lancsevfund.org.uk

Seafarers UK

Deadline: 9 October 2015. Funding to support projects in the UK and Commonwealth that support seafarers, ex-seafarers, their spouses or dependants, or maritime youth organisations. Please see website: www.seafarers-uk.org/

People's Trust for Endangered Species - UK Mammals Grant

Max. Value: £ 25,000. **Deadline: 13 October 2015.** Financial support is available for work

that relates to the conservation of mammals in the British Isles and Eire.
Please see website: <http://ptes.org/grants/>

John Laing Charitable Trust Fund

Managed by the Community Foundation for Lancashire. Makes grants under the sectors it operates which cover the following areas:

- Homelessness
- Disadvantaged young people (aged 4 – 18)
- Education
- Community regeneration which should include charities benefitting the aged

The maximum grant available is £1000. Open to voluntary or community groups in Lancashire with a constitution or set of rules in the group's name, which includes CICs and social enterprises. The closing date is **28 October 2015**. Please see website: www.lancsfoundation.org.uk

2016 Whitley Awards Now Open for Applications

The application period for the 2016 Whitley Awards is now open until **31 October 2015**. The awards recognise the leadership qualities of individuals working with effective teams with strong nature conservation experience who are excellent ambassadors for the work that they do. Successful applicants will be team leaders who are supported by a strong team and/or local NGO/organisation that includes people who are local to the country or region where the project is taking place. While the team leader does not need to hold professional scientific qualifications, the project must aim to address issues on a biological level and demonstrate that activities will be informed based on scientific data.

The inclusion of appropriate scientists or expertise on the team will also be expected if this is relevant to the project. Priority will be given to projects taking place in countries that are not defined as a High Income Economy by the World Bank. The winner will receive up to £35,000 project funding for one year. Please see website: <http://whitleyawards.org/apply-for-conservation-funding/how-to-apply/>

Edgar E Lawley Foundation Grants Available

Grants in the region of £1,500 are available through the Edgar E Lawley Foundation for smaller charities and not-for-profit organisations. The funding is available for projects relating to:

- Medicines for elderly persons;
- Education projects for the arts, commerce and industry.

Applications are accepted from charities across the UK but the focus of the Foundation tends to be on supporting those in the West Midlands area. The current annual grants programme amounts to approximately £200,000. The deadline for applications is **31**

October 2015.

Please see website: <http://www.edgarelawleyfoundation.org.uk/about-us/>

Nationwide Foundation Announces Empty Properties Fund

Funding will be available to not-for-profit organisations bringing empty properties back into use to create homes for people in housing need. Organisations can apply for grants and / or social investments of £100,000 to £175,000. Applications will be until **1 November 2015**.

Please see website: <http://www.nationwidefoundation.org.uk/emptyhomes.asp>

Do It Awards for Social Impact Projects

Provide support and funding packages for individuals to run projects that have a positive social impact and have the scope to become financially sustainable.

The third round of the application process is now open and anyone aged 16 or above living in the UK can apply for projects that:

- Have a real social impact
- Fulfil a clear need and demand
- Have clear outputs and goals
- Provide a learning experience or opportunity.

Applicants, who's Expression of Interest passes the initial assessment will be sent further application documents to complete along with a detailed breakdown of the application process.

The deadline for submitting an expression of interest is **6 November 2015**.

Please see website: <https://unltd.org.uk/doit/>

The Law Society Charity Grants

Deadline is **6 November 2015**. The Charity provides grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 to voluntary sector organisations for projects that:

- Promote human rights
- Provide access to justice and legal education.

Priority is particularly given to projects that promote the needs of excluded, under-represented or disadvantaged groups and minorities.

Please see website: <http://www.lawsociety.org.uk/about-us/law-society-charity/apply/>

Sport England's Protecting Playing Fields Programme

PPF supports projects that help communities maximise the sporting benefits of playing field land. In the previous funding rounds, grants of between £10,000 and £65,000 were available

to provide new playing fields, bring into use disused playing fields or improve existing playing fields in order to establish and/or host a community club-schools link.

Applications can be submitted by organisations such as voluntary or community organisations, local authorities, sports clubs, playing field associations, charities and schools. All local authority and school based projects will require a Community Use Agreement with Sport England.

The closing date for applications is **9 November 2015**. Please see website:
<http://www.sportengland.org/funding/our-different-funds/protecting-playing-fields/>

Grants for Places of Worship

The Heritage Lottery Fund has grants of £10,000-£250,000 available for Grade I and Grade II listed places of worship in England to fund urgent structural repairs and help to make them better places for everyone to visit. As part of the repair project, HLF can also fund improvements to facilities and work that helps more people get involved with these buildings.

Applications go through a two-round process so applicants can apply at an early project stage and get an idea of whether you're likely to receive a grant.

The next deadline is **17 November 2015**. Please see website:
<http://www.hlf.org.uk/looking-funding/our-grant-programmes/grants-places-worship-england>

Wellcome Trust - Arts Awards

The Arts Awards support projects that engage the public with biomedical science through the arts including:

- Dance
- Drama
- Performance arts
- Visual arts
- Music
- Film; etc.

Applications are invited for projects of up to £40,000 through their small grants programme, and for projects above £40,000 through their large grant programme. The aim of the awards is to support arts projects that reach new audiences which may not traditionally be interested in science and provide new ways of thinking about the social, cultural and ethical issues around contemporary science. The next deadline for small projects is **27 November 2015**. The deadline for large projects has now passed.

Please see website: <http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Public-engagement/Funding-schemes/arts-awards/index.htm>

BBC Children in Need – Small Grants Programme

Not for profit organisations such as such schools; registered charities; voluntary organisations; churches; and community interest groups; etc. can apply for grants of up to £10,000 through the BBC Children in Need Small Grants programme.

The grants are available for projects that:

- Help children and young people experiencing illness, distress, abuse or neglect
- Any kind of disability
- Behavioural or psychological difficulties
- And / or living in situations of deprivation.

The deadline is **1 December 2015**.

See website:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/4fjVTzz5QmQx5rx0S4NVg0Q/small-grants>

Funding for Research and Projects that Address Learning Disabilities

Baily Thomas Charitable Fund is currently accepting applications. The Trust funds research and projects around severe learning difficulties and autism. They consider projects concerning children or adults.

The types 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
- 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 next deadline for research funding is **1 February 2016**. The deadline for project funding in excess of £10,000 is **1 December 2015**. Application for project funding for £10,000 or less can be submitted at any time. Please see website: <http://www.bailythomas.org.uk/>

Heritage Lottery Fund - Funding to Regenerate Public Parks and Gardens

Deadline is **29 February 2016**. Provides grants of between £100,000 and £5 million to Local Authorities as well as not for profit organisations that own public parks and gardens to regenerate public parks of national, regional or local heritage value. To be eligible applicants will need to show that:

- The community values the park as part of their heritage

- The park meets local social, economic and environmental needs
- The park management actively involves local people.

Please see website: <http://www.hlf.org.uk/looking-funding/our-grant-programmes/parks-people>

West Lancashire Young People's Service Small Grants scheme is now open for applications for 2015 / 2016

Funding of up to £2500 is available for registered voluntary sector organisations to purchase equipment and/or run activities. All groups wishing to apply need to register with the Young People's Service whether you have done so in the past or not. You can do this at:

<http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/youthzone/about/information-for-professionals.aspx>.

Registration and the forms should be simple to complete, but Danni Coughlan is available to meet with prospective applicants to talk through the process and provide assistance with the completion of the forms if required. Once organisations are registered they are also have access to hire Young People's Service minibus transport, access to MIDAS training, regular updates about our service, opportunities to meet locally with similar organisations and maintain up to date knowledge on what's happening in your area, access for young people to the Borough and Lancashire Youth Councils and support with the delivery of Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

For more details or support with the process contact Danni Coughlan on 01695 587429 or 07736 010141.

Funding for Projects Benefitting Physically and Mentally Disabled and Disadvantaged Adults

The next round of funding from the Greenhall Community Fund will re-open for applications on 1 November 2015. This round will fund projects benefitting physically and mentally disabled and disadvantaged people over the age of 25. Only the first 100 applications received will be forwarded to the trustee board for consideration and they will meet in May 2016 to allocate the funds. The grants of £1,000 to £10,000 are only available to trusts, associations, institutions or organisations registered as charities in England. Preference will be given to applications for specific projects rather than to supplement funds used for general purposes. Applications are accepted from all areas of England however some preference will be given to charities operating in Yorkshire. Please see website: <http://greenhallfoundation.org/>

Santander Community Plus Fund

UK registered charities can apply for a grant of up to £5,000. The funding must be for a specific project that helps disadvantaged people. This could be for a piece of equipment or to pay for the costs of a part time sessional worker.

To apply, just visit any Santander branch and complete a nomination form. The completed form should be dropped into the box provided in your local branch. There are no closing dates and entries will be regularly considered by a panel of staff drawn from across the region. Successful charities will be notified within 2 months of submitting their nomination. Please see website: <http://www.santanderfoundation.org.uk/community-plus.aspx>

Nesta Impact Investments

Looking to invest in social ventures with innovative products or services that are addressing some of the UK's most pressing challenges. In particular, Nesta are seeking innovations that have:

- A positive impact on the health and wellbeing of an ageing population
- The educational attainment and employability of children and young people
- The social and environmental sustainability of communities.

Nesta providing investments of between £150,000 and £1m in early-stage ventures based in, and supplying their products and services in the UK.

Please see website: <http://www.nestainvestments.org.uk/>

Tap Water Awards

Grants of between £300 and £3,000 are available to voluntary or community organisations, schools, parish or town councils for projects that significantly reduce their reliance on single-use plastics and the amount of plastic waste.

The funding aims to support projects that develop new solutions to replace pre-existing systems that rely on plastic, that promote the use of tap water, or other related themes. Projects can have a community, local or national impact.

The Tap water Awards will accept applications for projects working solely with children with special needs where it may not be appropriate to involve the wider community.

Organisations wishing to apply are strongly advised to contact info@tapwater.org before applying. Applications can be made at any time. Please see website: <http://www.tapwater.org/grants>

Table Tennis England - Club Facility Funding

Max. Value: £ 100,000. Funding is available for table tennis club facilities in England to increase sustainable participation. Please see website: <http://tabletennisengland.co.uk/news/facility-grant-schemes/>

The Dan Maskell Tennis Trust

Max. Value: £ 1,500. Grants are available to help disabled people in the UK to play tennis through the purchase of wheelchairs, tennis equipment and grants for coaching.
Please see website: www.danmaskelltennistrust.org.uk

UK Aid Match Funding

Max. Value: £ 5,000,000. Match funding for not-for-profit organisations based in the UK that are carrying out work in developing countries to reduce poverty.

Please see website: <https://www.gov.uk/international-development-funding/uk-aid-match>

Funding to Support Family Based Projects

The Kelly Family Charitable Trust is open to applications from registered charities for projects that support and encourage the family to work as a cohesive unit in tackling problems that face one or more of its members.

The overall objective is to reinforce the potential benefit and support that family members as a unit can give to each other. The fund also welcomes applications from sports and health-related charities whose activities comply with the above criteria. Grants are of between £1,000 and £5,000, but higher grants may be considered. See website: <http://www.kfct.org.uk/>

Lush Charity Pot Funding

Cosmetics company Lush supports small, grass-roots charities around the world in **environmental, animal protection and human rights** fields. Grants range from several hundred pounds to £10,000, with a particular interest in projects that will result in long-term change. See website: <https://www.lush.co.uk/article/charity-pot-funding-guidelines>

Get started with legacy fundraising

During his **First Friday Fundraising Clinic** last month, Bill King said that, "Legacy fundraising is the **single-most important form of fundraising** – everyone should have a legacy campaign." It's a sensitive subject that many small charities feel nervous about taking on, but NCVO have created a helpful guide to legacy fundraising to help you get started. See website: <http://knowhownonprofit.org/funding/fundraising/individual-giving/legacy>

From Small Charities Coalition:

Frequently Asked Fundraising Questions

The Institute of Fundraising answers your Fundraising FAQs [here](#).

Job Opportunities

Red Rose Recovery East Locality Worker Central Lancashire – Accrington Based

Red Rose Recovery is a recovery infrastructure organisation providing infrastructure support to the substance misuse community across Lancashire.

We are seeking an East Locality Worker, The Locality Worker will support the engagement into the recovery community the development and recruitment of volunteers via a variety of referrals, whilst supporting service users with projects, service user groups and forums in their locality.

For further details [see attached](#) Job Description and Person Specification.

Hours: 37 hrs per week Salary: £20,253 per Annum Interview Date – 13 October 2015

Closing Date For Expressions of Interest: **30 September 2015 No later than 12 noon**

Location – Community Engagement Centre, 2 Ribbleton Lane, HMP Preston, Preston, PR1 5AB

Please forward your expressions of interest, detailing evidence of your skills for the post on one side of A4, Please highlight for the attention of Meloney Hafeji and email it to admin@redroserecovery.org.uk by **30 September 2015** before 12 noon. For an informal discussion please contact Red Rose Recovery on 01772 884745.

Age Concern Lancashire has a number of posts available

Promoting Independence Officer – Strand 3

1 x 21.5 hour post

Salary £15,500.00 per annum, pro rata. Closing date: **Monday 5 October 2015**. [Click here](#) to read more

Dementia Community Links Support Workers

2 x 18 hour posts

Salary £15,500.00 per annum, pro rata. Closing date: **28 September 2015**. [Click here](#) to read more

Older Peoples Services Administration Assistant

1 x 25 hour post

Salary £14,000.00 per annum, pro rata. Closing date: **Wednesday 7 October 2015**. [Click here](#) to read more

Day Support Assistants at Charnley Fold

2 x 20 hour posts

£14,750 per annum, pro rata

Day Support Assistant with Driver responsibility at Withy Trees

1 x 22.5 hour post

£15,500 per annum, pro rata. Closing date: **Monday 5 October 2015.** [Click here](#) to read more.

Lancashire Mind Trustee Opportunity

Up to five Trustees with Specific Skills Sought

Salary: voluntary position, travel expenses reimbursed. Hours: minimum commitment of six hours every two months

Lancashire Mind are more than a mental health charity. We're a passionate movement leading the mental wellbeing revolution in Lancashire. Our vision is Mental Wellbeing for All and we want Lancashire to be the Beacon County for Mental Wellbeing. This is because a person with high mental wellbeing is more likely to be happier, healthier, more resilient and is less likely to develop a mental health condition.

Led by the revolutionary new strategy, Blueprint for Lancashire, we have been developing our governance structure and forging a strong, forward thinking and skills based Board of Trustees. Following a skills audit of present Trustees, we urgently seek applicants with extensive experience of one of the following skills:

- An understanding of how the corporate sector operates and how it can potentially interlink with Lancashire Mind
- Knowledge and experience of leading on marketing and communications work
- Strategic understanding and senior level experience of fundraising and/or development of new income streams

At this stage applicants who do not demonstrate one of the above skills will not be shortlisted.

For a full description of the role please contact admin@lancashiremind.org.uk.

Those wishing to apply are encouraged to informally discuss their application with the Chief Executive Officer, Stewart Lucas on 01257 231660.

Application is by CV and covering letter (no more than two sheets of A4) by **Monday 5 October at midday.**

Interviews are currently scheduled for **Tuesday 20 October.**
