

Funding Opportunities & Support

South West England



Community Foundations

Community Foundations are a national network of Grant Making Trusts that support small local projects and charities. There are over fifty of them throughout the country. Each one operates independently, making grants at different times and each has different priorities. Most have a grants advisor who is best person to ask for to find out what might be available for you. Do not hesitate to get in touch with them as they are there to fund small grassroots local projects.

The Community Foundation for Dorset, Bournemouth and Poole

01202 292255

www.localgiving5dorset.org.uk

Although this Community Foundation shares the same values as the other foundations in the network, most of the grants they give are for groups working with young people. It is still worth approaching them if you have a community project as they do have other funds.

The Community Foundation for Wiltshire and Swindon

01380 729284

www.wscf.org.uk

Grants are offered from £50 to £10,000 and are awarded for up to three years. Contact the Grants Team to check your eligibility and to have an informal chat. Their Small Grants Fund offers one-off grants of £50 - £500 made to groups with less than £10,000 income per year. The Local Network Fund focuses on work with young people with grants from £250 to £7000 available.

The Cornwall Community Foundation

01566 779333

www.cornwallfoundation.com

There are two good grants to apply for through the Cornwall Community Foundation- The High Sheriff's Fund and the BBC Radio Cornwall Appeal Fund. Both offer grants between £250 and £1,000.

Devon Community Foundation

01884 235887

www.devoncf.com

The Devon Community Foundation is committed to any project that focuses on community. There are many varied grants available. The first thing to do is contact the foundation on the number above and they will discuss your project with you and advice which grant would be the best to apply for.

The Gloucestershire Community Foundation

01452 656 385/6

www.gloucestershirecommunityfoundation.co.uk

There are three grants available, the most appropriate and accessible are the 'Foundation Grants'. You can apply for 'Strategic Grants' between £500 and £4000. Applications are accepted at three points during the year. A 'Small Grant' fund is available for up to £750 and is intended to meet more immediate costs and is accepted all year round.

The Quartet Community Foundation

0117 989770 or 01761 411083

www.gbf.org.uk

The Quartet Community Foundation offer wide range of grants, the average of which is £2000. They welcome applications from new or established groups. They are based in four different parts of the South West- Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset, City of Bristol and South Gloucestershire.

Other Small Local Grant Makers

Community Enterprise Grant

01749 648999

The Community Enterprise Grant is aimed at job creation initiatives, especially groups that demonstrate community support. The size of the award is up to £2,500 and before applying you should discuss your project with the Economic Regeneration office at Mendip District Council on 01749 648999.

Enterprise 4 Inclusion

01993 810730

www.enterprise4inclusion.org.uk

Enterprise for Inclusion provides support to groups which benefit socially excluded people in England's rural communities including the South West. They offer grants £2000 to £12,000 and support in the form of professional advice. You can download the application form through their website. You will then be contacted to discuss it further. They have funded a range of projects that is seen to benefit local communities in rural England.

Rural Resistance

01392 214 747

www.southwestrda.org.uk

This a larger fund aimed at sustaining the economy in rural areas, and improving access to work, education, training and retraining opportunities. Organisations in the region can apply for up to 50% of their project costs. The scheme is run by the Regional Development Agency- RDA.

Somerset Community Chest

01458 833901

Community groups in Somerset can apply for up to £750 from the Community Chest. The fund is supported by a range of charities and organisations so call any of the numbers below for more info: Cathy Pegler on 01458 833901, Christine Langford on 01458 257419 or Wendy Broome 01643 702786.

South West Foundation

0117 968 0111

www.southwestfoundation.org.uk

With the overall aim of alleviating poverty and hardship in rural areas there are 3 grants your community project could apply for as long as you based out of the larger cities in the South West such as Bristol, Plymouth and Exeter. The small grant fund offers up to £1,000, the Solid Foundations grant offers between £50 and £10,000 and the Network Development Fund offers between £200 and £1,000. Each fund has a different application form - these can be requested by calling the number above.

St Monica Trustwww.stmonicastrust.org.uk

St. Monica Trust has grants of up to £10,000 for work around disability or long-term physical health problems, in Bristol. They have annual awards, check website for deadlines.

The Summerfield Charitable Trust

01242 676774

www.summerfield.org.uk

The trust offers small grants for community projects in Gloucestershire, especially working with disadvantaged people. The trust accept applications for small grants four times a year. Check out the website to see when the next deadline is, and to seek advice on the general application procedure.

CVS - Council for Voluntary Service

Council for Voluntary Services are organisations whose job it is to support voluntary and community action in their borough. Each CVS varies in the services it makes available, but most offer access to training, funding advice, basic facilities such as computers and photocopiers and general support for people trying to set up projects in their community. They all have different names – but Groundswell strongly recommends that you get in touch.

Black Development Agency Ltd

5 Russell Town Avenue , Redfield, BS5 9LT

0117 939 6645

admin@blackdeva.org.uk

www.blackdeva.org.uk

Bournemouth CVS

Boscombe Link 3-5 Palmerston Road, Bournemouth, BH1 4HN

01202 466130

contactus@bournemouthcvs.org.uk

Bristol CVS (VOSCUR)

The CREATE Centre Smeaton Road, Bristol, BS1 6XN

0117 909 9949

info@voscur.org

www.voscur.org

CVS South Gloucestershire

Wesley Studios Kingswood Foundation, Bristol, BS15 8DB

01454 865205

info@cvs-sg.org.uk

Cheltenham CAVA

The Neighbourhood Resource Centre 340 High Street, Cheltenham, GL50 3JF

01242 227737

cheltenhamccvs@btconnect.com

www.cava.org.uk

Community First (Wiltshire)

Wyndhams St Joseph's Place, Devizes, SN10 1DD

01380 722475

reception@communityfirst.org.uk

www.communityfirst.org.uk

Cornwall VSF

7/8 Highshore House New Bridge Street, Truro, TR1 2AA

www.cornwallvsf.org.uk

Cotswold CVS

Cirencester Centre 23 Sheep Street, Cirencester, GL7 1QW

01285 658802

jane@sc-vs.com

www.sc-vs.com

Dorset CA

Community House The Barracks Bridport Road, Dorchester, DT1 1YG

01305 250921

admin@dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk

www.dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk

East Cornwall CVS

2a Fore Street Mount Folly, Bodmin, PL31 2HQ

01208 75799

admin@cptsw.plus.com

www.community-projects-trust.org.uk

Exeter CVS

Wat Tyler House King William Street, Exeter, EX4 6PD

01392 202055

cvs@exetercvs.org.uk

www.exetercvs.org.uk

CVS - Council for Voluntary Service (continued)**Gloucester Centre for VS**

75-81 Eastgate Street , Gloucester, GL1 1PN

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www.gloucestercvs.org.uk

Involve (VA in Mid Devon)

28 Gold Street , Tiverton, EX16 6PY

01884 255734

office@involve-middevon.org.uk

www.involve-middevon.org.uk

North Devon VAF

c/o CAB Belle Meadow Court Albert Lane, Barnstaple, EX32 8RJ

01271 321413

ndvaf@eurobell.co.uk

Penwith CDT

Parade Street , Penzance, TR18 4BU

01736 330045

admin@pcdt.org.uk

Plymouth GVS

Ernest English House Buckwell Street, Plymouth, PL1 2DA

01752 201766

guild@plymouthguild.org.uk

www.plymouthguild.org.uk

Poole CVS

Poole Advice Centre 54 Lagland Street, Poole, BH15 1QG

01202 682046

director@poolecvs.co.uk

South West Forum

Unit 6 Cranmere Court Lustleigh Close, Exeter, EX2 8PW

01392 823758

office@southwestforum.org.uk

www.southwestforum.org.uk

Swindon VA

1 John Street , Swindon, SN1 1RT

01793 538398

info@vas-swindon.org

Teignbridge CVS

Maltings Resource Centre Teign Road, Newton Abbot, TQ12 4AA

01626 203050

chiefexec@teigncvs.org.uk

www.teigncvs.org.uk

Torbay VS

11 Castle Road , Torquay, TQ1 3BB

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