

Welcome to **January's** e-bulletin for the latest news on sources of funding for groups in Wiltshire.

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## Recent Updates to our Funders Database

### HEALTHY HEART UK

To support innovative projects designed to promote heart health and to prevent or reduce the risks of heart disease in specific groups or communities. Deadline is 28 February.

For more information see: [http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder\\_details.php?id=1143](http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder_details.php?id=1143)

### NATIONAL HERITAGE MEMORIAL FUND

Providing grants (and sometimes loans) to enable organisations based in the UK to buy items of outstanding interest and importance to the national heritage. These must either be at risk or have memorial character.

For more information see: [http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder\\_details.php?id=1255](http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder_details.php?id=1255)

### QUEEN MARY'S ROEHAMPTON TRUST

Provide services to war disabled ex-Service men and women and their dependants.

For more information see: [http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder\\_details.php?id=2146](http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder_details.php?id=2146)

### WILTSHIRE POLICE FUND

To help local groups address crime and anti-social behaviour, and improve personal and community security. Deadline is 17 February.

For more information see: [http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder\\_details.php?id=2157](http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder_details.php?id=2157)

### TREE COUNCIL - THE BIG TREE PLANT

To support community groups to plant trees in towns, cities and residential areas throughout England.

For more information see: [http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder\\_details.php?id=2014](http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder_details.php?id=2014)

### COMMUNITY SUSTAINABLE ENERGY PROGRAMME (CSEP)

For community-based organisations for the installation of micro-generation technologies, such as solar panels or biomass boilers and energy efficiency measures including loft and cavity wall insulation.

For more information see: [http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder\\_details.php?id=2153](http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder_details.php?id=2153)

### GALANTHUS TRUST

Areas of interest are: Medical and healthcare needs; Projects in developing countries; Environmental and wildlife concerns; Grants may be given for the creation of new footpaths, particularly those facilitating access for disabled people; Conservation and preservation projects

For more information see: [http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder\\_details.php?id=1246](http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder_details.php?id=1246)

## THE ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE FUND

Financial assistance is available for buildings that are listed, scheduled or in a conservation area and of acknowledged historic merit. Projects must involve a change either in the ownership of a property or in its use. For more information see: [http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder\\_details.php?id=1285](http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk/funder_details.php?id=1285)

**Comprehensive information on these and many other funders is held on our database at [www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk](http://www.cibsouthandwest.org.uk)** If you need advice on which funders to apply to or assistance with writing a successful application see the section below “How CIB can help you and your project”.

## Training and Events

### A CIB Funding Advisor is coming to a town near you

CIB Funding Advisors will be visiting towns all over Wiltshire in the coming months to meet groups who need help with funding. During February, one of our Advisor’s will be visiting Amesbury, Calne, Marlborough, Salisbury and Trowbridge. To book your appointment to discuss any aspects of funding your project, please call **01380 729279** or email [enquiries@cibwilts.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@cibwilts.org.uk).

### Free Training and Support for Volunteers or Clients

As part of the Step Up project, Learning Curve are offering free unit based training and assessment in a selection of core business skills to groups of people who are unemployed and planning to return to work in areas such as Administration, Customer Service and IT Skills. For more information please email Sara Iles at [sara@learningcurve.org.uk](mailto:sara@learningcurve.org.uk) or call 01225 792500

### Wiltshire Voluntary Sector Forum—Book now for Feb 2012!

Don’t miss out on hearing the latest issues that affect your group in Wiltshire - directly from the Director of Public Health and Public Protection; the Head of Performance, Health and Workforce and Representatives from Wiltshire Commissioning Group. Public Health and the Health and Social Care Bill will all be discussed. There will also be a facilitated ‘Speed Networking Session’ to maximise your contact with other local VCS groups. Date: 22 February 2012, 9.45am-12.30pm at Neeld Hall, Chippenham. Book at: [www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/2RaGa7mbQf](http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/2RaGa7mbQf)

## News

### Step Up—For funding support, help managing volunteers and training for non-profit organisations.

Step Up Wiltshire provides free advice and resources to non-profit organisations in and around the Wiltshire area. Specialising in funding, volunteer management and training, our service is supported by three of the county’s experts from The Learning Curve, Swindon Volunteer Centre and Charities Information Bureau. To book an appointment, or browse our online resources visit: Step Up Wiltshire. [www.stepupwiltshire.org.uk](http://www.stepupwiltshire.org.uk)

### Significant increase in funding requests to the Big Lottery

The total value of Big Lottery applications almost trebled from 2009/10 to 2010/11. The Big Lottery Fund said that a large proportion of the rise in applications was due to requests for funding from the Reaching Communities Programme. The Big Lottery Fund also said that in the same period of time, the value of grants awarded fell from £406million to £357million.

### Donations held up well in 2011

A survey carried out by Third Sector magazine and nfpsynergy, showed that donated income to charities remained strong in 2011 despite rising unemployment and shrinking household income. Forty nine percent of those interviewed said their charity’s income had stayed the same or risen, while forty eight percent said it had fallen.

The survey confirms a significant drop in statutory income for the sector with 30 percent saying income had fallen from central government and 33 percent said income from local government had fallen. Donated income had held up, showing that the public are still generous. Forty percent of respondents said they were delivering more services than two years ago, suggesting a typical charity is doing more while seeing their income drop.

Have your say at the [Big Lottery Discussion paper](#)

The paper, put together by the Big Lottery is intended to stimulate debate and thinking, giving an opportunity for voluntary and other organisations to influence the Big Lottery's approach and inform future investment. This paper is for voluntary sector and social enterprise managers working in frontline or infrastructure support and development organisations. Have your say via the online survey on their website. Deadline is **15<sup>th</sup> March 2012**.

Tips for a successful capital project

Within the Reaching Communities Grant Programme, the Big Lottery have produced, "Tips for a Successful Capital Project." This is a publication that you may find useful to refer to whatever funder you are applying to, helping you plan and coordinate your capital project. The link to the publication is:

[http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/tips\\_for\\_successful\\_capital\\_projects.pdf](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/tips_for_successful_capital_projects.pdf)

### How CIB can help you and your project

Our funding advisors, Jane, Julie and Kirsty are here to help. They are qualified to provide you with FREE advice and guidance on all aspects of funding such as fundraising strategies, how to write successful applications, advice on trust funding, corporate funding, statutory funding, and charity registration, constitutions and regulation. So far this year we have helped Wiltshire groups raise over £698,330 for their projects.

Our advisors regularly visit Chippenham, Trowbridge, Pewsey, Devizes, Warminster and Salisbury and can meet at these or other locations to discuss your project. Call us on 01380 729279 or email: [enquiries@cibwilts.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@cibwilts.org.uk) to arrange a meeting.

Jane meets regularly with Swindon groups. To book a meeting with her at Voluntary Action Swindon (VAS), please call VAS direct on 01793 538398 or email: [info@vas-swindon.org](mailto:info@vas-swindon.org)

We work in conjunction with Grow - Wiltshire's voluntary sector support service (<http://developecs.ning.com>) and as part of Step Up, with The Learning Curve and with the Swindon Volunteer Centre to provide funding advice, volunteer management and training advice.

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### Feedback

Please keep in touch with us about your funding experiences, successes or moans. The ebulletin is to keep you informed with funding news so please contact us on [bulletin@cibwilts.org.uk](mailto:bulletin@cibwilts.org.uk) if you would like to include information in the next issue that may help other groups.



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