



Funding Digest



LCCN, in partnership with London Civic Forum, hold the Olympic Bid Engagement Event for Chinese community delegates on 2 March at the London 2012 offices in Canary Wharf.

www.chinese-network.net

March 2005 Issue **18**

> London Chinese Community Network

1st Floor, Boardman House,
64 Broadway,
Stratford,
London E15 1NG
Tel : 020 8432 0684
Fax : 020 8432 0685

> Steering Committee

Bishop R. O. Chinese Centre, Camden Chinese Community Centre, Chinese Community Centre, Chinese Information and Advice Centre, Chinese National Healthy Living Centre, Haringey Chinese Community Centre, Great Wall Housing Association, Islington Chinese Association, Lambeth Chinese Community Association, The Chinese in Britain Forum

> **LCCN** engaging with all stakeholders to unlock and deliver the potential growth and prosperity of the Chinese community in London.

與我們倫敦的夥伴

攜手建立 合作網絡

Building a network among our stakeholders in London

We help Chinese community organisations forge partnerships in London, but we also do much more



Funded by Race Equality Unit of Home Office

Contents

- 1** “Skills for Life: Make it Your Business” Training
- 3** “Advising Voluntary and Community Groups on Funding Issues”
- 5** Vacancies
- 6** Funding Update
- 10** Grant Making Bodies Websites
- 11** Small Grants Funders Contacts
- 12** Other Resources

“Skills for Life: Make it Your Business” ● for the Chinese Community

Date: Wednesday, 30 March 2005
Venue: Ming-Ai (London) Institute
Time: 10:00 – 14:00 (lunch provided)

What is Skills for Life?

“The ability to read, write and speak English and use mathematics at a level necessary to function and progress at work and in society in general.”

From Basic Skills Agency

What’s the purpose of “Skills for Life: Make it Your Business” for the Chinese Community?

It is a tailored-made training session for the Chinese community; it shows how “Skills for Life” affects the community (employers, voluntary organisations) and what we can do about it.

The employer toolkit publication “Skills for Life: Make it your business” aims to raise awareness within the workplace and the business benefits of addressing Skills for Life. It provides information on the practical steps organisations can take and the support available. (Ref: http://www.dfes.gov.uk/readwriteplus/employer_toolkit)

Who should attend the training?

This training is intended for people involved in staff development and training, including public and private employers of all sizes (commercial or voluntary), as well as anyone offering advice to and support for employers around Skills for Life.

What can you get after the training?

- a toolkit
- a video
- information, funding opportunities

Location

The training takes place at Ming-Ai (London) Institute, 1 Cline Road, London N11 2LX. We are on Piccadilly Line, Bounds Green station (5 minutes walk from the station). Parking space is available.

Registration

This training course is FREE, places are limited, and please return the registration form by email or fax to the Institute, telephone registration is not acceptable.

Email: enquiry@ming-ai.org.uk
Fax: 020 83614207

Registration Form

Skills for Life: Make it Your Business for the Chinese Community

1. Contact Details:

Name	
Job Title	
Organisation	
Email Address	
Postal Address	
Phone Number	

2. Do you have any special requirements for the training session, such as large print documents or wheelchair access to the venue?

No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, specifically:	<input type="text"/>
-----------	--------------------------	---------------------------	----------------------

3. Which of the following best describes you / your organisation? (Please tick)

Employer with experience in Skills for Life*	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employer with no experience in Skills for Life*	<input type="checkbox"/>
Training / Information Provider	<input type="checkbox"/>
Voluntary organisation / community groups	<input type="checkbox"/>
Others (describe)	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. *If an employer, please give an indication of your organisation's staff size:

Full Time	<input type="text"/>	Part Time	<input type="text"/>
------------------	----------------------	------------------	----------------------

5. Which sector are you / your organisation in? (Please tick)

Government	<input type="checkbox"/>	Financial Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tourism / Hospitality	<input type="checkbox"/>
Education / Training	<input type="checkbox"/>	Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Technology / Media	<input type="checkbox"/>
Manufacturing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Services (e.g. Health)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Services	<input type="checkbox"/>
Professional services	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (describe)	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

Please return this completed registration form to enquiry@ming-ai.org.uk or
by fax to 020 83614207 by 21 March 2005.

“Advising Voluntary and Community Groups on Funding Issues”

The Charities Information Bureau

Do you work with voluntary and community groups?

Are you a specialist funding advisor?

Or

Does part of your role involve giving funding advice and information to groups?

Would you like to develop your skills further?

Then let us invite you to our
“Advising Voluntary and Community Groups on Funding Issues” course!

Dates of training: 20, 21 April and 17, 18 May 2005

Time: 9.30am — 4.00pm

Venue: The Charities Information Bureau, Wakefield

Cost: £200 per person.

The course will cover:

- The role of the funding advisor
- Good practice in giving funding advice
- Diagnosing groups’ needs
- Clarifying complex funding criteria
- Giving feedback on draft applications, and
- Voluntary sector funding trends

This practical and informal 4 days accredited course leads to three credits at level 2 or 3 through the Open College Network.

To book a place, please turn overleaf...

Booking Form

Please feel free to photocopy extra copies of this booking form.

Name:
Organisation:
Address:
Tel no:
E-mail:

I would like to book a place on the following courses:

Course title: Funding Advisors

Date: 20, 21 April & 17, 18 May 05

I enclose a cheque for £

Please tick here if you need to be invoiced

Please make all cheques payable to: The Charities Information Bureau

All venues used by the Charities Information Bureau are wheelchair accessible. If you have other access requirements e.g. large print, sign language interpreters, dietary needs please indicate below:

The CIB are committed to serving the needs of all communities. One of the ways we monitor who our work benefits, is through recording information about who uses our services. Please can you complete the section below. Many thanks!

Which areas does your group work in?

What does your group do?

Does your group have more than one paid worker? YES NO

Is your management committee made up of: mainly disabled people
mainly people from black and ethnic
minority communities
mainly women

How did you find out about this course?

Do you wish to be informed of future CIB events and services? YES NO

All this information is handled according to our data protection policy (terms & conditions to be sent)

Please return to: Bev Poppleton, The Charities Information Bureau, 93
Lawfield Lane, Wakefield, WF2 8SU Fax: 01924 239431

E-mail: funding@the-cib.demon.co.uk

Vacancies ●

> Information & Advice Support Worker – Chinese Mental Health Association

Scale: £9 per hour for 14 hours per week for 8 months (possibility for project extension, subject to funding availability)

Chinese Mental Health Association (CMHA) is a charity specialising in mental health work for the Chinese community in the United Kingdom. CMHA is looking for a mature and independent freelance support worker to join them.

Main duties: Provide high quality information, advice and interpreting service to help Chinese service users access relevant mental health services.

Essential requirements for the post:

- Knowledge and 2 years experience in social welfare benefits
- Knowledge of mental health issues and voluntary services
- Good IT and presentation skills
- Ability to work independently and perform well under pressure
- Excellent written and spoken English, one Chinese dialect preferable

Closing date: 29.03.2005 (only short-listed applicants will be informed)

Interview date: 31.03.2005 (Thurs)

For an application pack please e-mail: info@cmha.org.uk or send a SAC to: Susana Lo at Chinese Mental Health Association 2/F Zenith House, 155 Curtain Street, London EC2A 3QY

Funding Update

> Futurebuilders

The Home Office-backed investment fund for the voluntary and community sector (VCS), is to relaunch its website on 5 April 2005 with updated information on the application process and criteria for the next round of funding. The first 15 investment offers were confirmed on 22 February 2005. They includes seven full investment packages and eight development grants – accounting for £4.2m out of the total £125m Futurebuilders fund.

The first investment offers range in size from a £1.3m investment package to a £9,750 development grant. Groups benefiting from Futurebuilders support are spread across England. The largest recipient of funding to date is the Who Cares? Trust, a national charity working to improve the lives of thousand of children and young people living in Care. The £1.3m investment will pay for the expansion of CareZone – a range of secure online services for children and young people living in foster care and children's homes.

The second 'application window' will be open between the beginning of June and the end of September 2005. (Source from Voluntary Sector March 05 Relaunch Issue)

For all general enquiries please Email: info@futurebuilders-england.org.uk or Tel: 0191 261 5200. Their telephone hotline is open on weekdays between 10:00am and 4:00pm (10:00 am to 12 noon only on Thursdays).

> The Diana, princess of Wales Memorial Fund

In a joint statement issued, The Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund and the Franklin Mint Company and its owners have announced that they have reach a settle of the lawsuit launched by the Mint against the fund in November 2002. This means that The Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund can immediately begin to resume its grant making. The fund will be preparing to run an open grants round for both UK and International work in 2005. It will launch a full consultation with the voluntary sector early in 2005 to inform future grants policy 2006.

> Charities and VAT

There has been a High Court ruling about payments of VAT by charities for 'non business activities'. It was found that a creche should not pay VAT on their building project. It is worth looking into this to see how this decision might affect your charity.

Fuller details are in an article on the Third sector Website:

http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/charity_news/full_news.cfm?ID=13710

> Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales Report into Impact of Collaborative Funding 'MAKING A DIFFERENCE TOGETHER'

The Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales has launched its findings on the impact of its Collaborative Programme which aims to 'enhance co-ordination, co-operation and collaboration between voluntary organisations and also between voluntary sector and public sector bodies in certain instances'. Since 2000, the Foundation has made 181 grants totalling £8.6 million towards the Collaborative Programme. The research which ran between March and June 2004 and covered 18 grant recipients (10% of grants by number and 21% by value) aimed to inform the Foundation's future grant-making policy and practice in the area of collaborative funding, and contributing to wider learning within the voluntary sector.

To add objectivity and research expertise the Foundation involved an external consultant, Colin Rochester, Director of the Centre for Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Management at Roehampton University. The report 'Making a Difference Together' was launched at a seminar on Wednesday 9th March attended by a wide-ranging audience from the voluntary and community sector. In the report, the Foundation identifies three main models of collaboration: collaboration between equals; collaboration between a lead agency and its partners; and collaboration between organisations with resources and those that

need them. Analysing organisations' experiences of receiving a collaborative grant and managing the project, the Foundation found that building the necessary process to enable collaboration to work was in some cases as demanding as the actual project work.

Key lessons identified on what makes a successful collaborative project are:

There needs to be shared understanding of why a collaborative arrangement is decided upon to achieve a certain goal; The institutional 'hub' of the collaboration needs to be well defined, with regular scheduled meetings and systematic recording of decisions and action points; There need to be clearly identified roles and responsibilities articulated for the steering group (in whatever form) and for individual members; It can be helpful for the partnership to be 'embedded' in participating organisations whether through Trustee involvement or the wider staff team; Successful collaborations are characterised by skilled leadership and management.

The time commitment given by members of Lloyds TSB Foundation staff was highly valued, and made a significant contribution to successful and effective collaborations

The Foundation will continue its commitment to collaborative funding through the new Thematic Programmes that it is developing during 2005 for implementation in 2006. For a copy of the report see www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk

> Healthy Heart Grants

Community Organisations and Community Researchers (working with community groups) can apply for grants of between £1,000 to £10,000 (one off, or for first year). Part funding is acceptable.

The projects must meet the following criteria; Lifestyle interventions aimed at reducing heart disease - physical activity, healthy eating and smoking cessation programmes that will help to prevent or reduce the risk factors of heart disease. They prefer applications from people who are willing to work together with others in communities where Coronary Heart Disease is a major problem. Applications that support people to take up and maintain healthier lifestyles are more likely to succeed than those that simply intend to provide services.

Grants not supported: Salaries (initial grants); Capital grants; Purely educational /awareness programmes; Medical Research (separate grants available) and Study day grants. For an application form, please Email: lifestyle@heartresearch.org.uk The initial grant is for £1,000 to £10,000. Organisations that already work with others in the public, private and/or voluntary sectors or in communities with high levels of heart disease will be at an advantage. Applications must demonstrate a link to heart health to be successful.

There is no closing date although grants are awarded twice a year in May and November. For an application form, Email: lifestyle@heartresearch.org.uk or call Heart Research UK on 0113 234 7474 Heart Research UK, Suite 12D, Joseph's Well, Leeds LS3 1AB Tel: 0113 234 7474 Website: www.heartresearch.org.uk

> Reminder Big Lottery Fund programmes closing

The Big Lottery Fund is entering an exciting transition period as they begin to develop new programmes. They want those programmes to build on the achievements of programmes previously delivered by the Community Fund and New Opportunities Fund and to help them realise their aim to tackle social disadvantage and involve individuals and communities in bringing about positive social change. As you know, the Big Lottery Fund has been carrying out a wide consultation to identify the funding priorities of their customers and stakeholders. Responding to your views in the consultation, they will make changes in the way they do business, including developing new approaches to funding and introducing a new portfolio of programmes. Here is important information about the transition between current and new programmes in 2005.

They also need to begin now to make the changes which will make way for the new programmes. Since they have a strong commitment to customer care, they want to give you as much notice as possible of these changes. The New Opportunities Fund's programmes, which are all-time limited, will be phased out in accordance with the timetables set out in the relevant programme guidance. Over the next ten months they will also be winding down their Voluntary and Community Funding Programmes (the Medium and Large Programmes in England, and the UK-wide Strategic Programme, including international and research, previously run by the Community Fund). They will be awarding and announcing grants under these programmes up until November 2005. They will, therefore, continue to accept applications to these programmes until 31 May 2005.

However, they will be phasing out their application forms before that. You will be able to download application forms from their website until 31 March 2005. After that date you will still be able to request a form from their Big Advice Line Tel: 00454 10 20 30) and they will continue to send these out until 31 May 2005. Their Grants officers will continue to carry out assessments and the last grants under this programme will be announced in November 2005.

The only exception to this is applications for building work or refurbishment that will cost more than £30,000. Because are more complicated to assess, all grant applications for building work or property refurbishment must be in by 31 March 2005. They expect high numbers of applications before these deadlines and strong competition for funds. Applicants may therefore want to wait for the opening of their new programmes. They will aim to provide more detailed information about the overall portfolio of new programmes in early summer 2005.

To find out more, please visit their Website: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk or ring their Big Advice Line Tel: 0845 4 10 20 30 For organisations hoping to apply for funding in Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland, they will provide additional information on timing shortly.

> The Co-operative Charitable Foundation

Supporting individuals and communities across our trading area Foundation Grant Types

1. COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAMME - Supporting community groups to find co-operative solutions to community challenges. This programme is aimed at community groups who want to make a difference in their own communities. The community can be geographically based - such as a village, town or housing estate - or could be a community of people brought together to address a specific issue which affects them. We are aiming to provide assistance to groups who have a self-help approach or that can show a close involvement with their beneficiaries.
2. THE OPPORTUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAMME - Supporting individuals to fulfil their potential. This programme aims to fund grants for individuals, of all ages, who are experiencing difficulties and disadvantages that prohibit them from reaching their full potential or from contributing to their local community.
3. LIFELONG LEARNING PROGRAMME - Supports employees, active members, and members to develop new skills. This programme is established to offer support to employees, active members and members of United Co-operatives and other co-operators who wish to undertake vocational or non-vocational training courses, in particular co-operative or mutual studies.

Each programme has guidelines that will tell you about the grant-making criteria and the types of work or projects that could be funded. From the guidelines it is important that you carefully consider the funding criteria listed under the following headings: The Foundation's Priorities; Make Sure your Application is Eligible and Relevant; Exclusions.

The remaining closing dates for completed applications are: Summer 2005 - 1st week of May 2005 for Trustee meeting 6 July 2005; Autumn 2005 - 1st week of August 2005; Trustee meeting 19 October 2005; Winter 2005 - 1st week of November 2005 for Trustee meeting January 2006. If you need any assistance or further information please contact The Co-operative Charitable Foundation office on 01706 202032. THE CO-OPERATIVE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, United Co-operatives, Sandbrook Park, Sandbrook Way, Rochdale OL11 1RY Guidelines and application forms can be downloaded from Website: www.united.coop under Co-op Foundation.

> Funding for Social research from Joseph Rowntree Foundation

Governance, People and Places This call is from our Governance and Public Services committee. The aim of the Governance and Public Services research programme is: 'to explore key issues of local governance including the most effective ways for citizens and communities, especially those in disadvantaged areas, to engage in the processes of governance for the planning and delivery of key services' Awards will be confirmed in June 2005 and proposers should be available to begin work in Autumn 2005. Studies must be completed and final reports submitted within 24 months of the start date. Up to £60,000 is available for work under this heading. Full details and guidelines are available on Website:

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/redirect.asp?url=calls/governance-people-places> It is essential that you read the How to apply for funding section of our website before submitting your proposal. The deadline for receipt of hard copy and email documentation is 2pm on Wednesday, 4 May 2005.

Governance, good practice and service structures. This call is from our Governance and Public Services committee. The aim of the Governance and Public Services research programme is: 'to explore key issues of local governance including the most effective ways for citizens and communities, especially those in disadvantaged areas, to engage in the processes of governance for the planning and delivery of key services'. The Joseph Rowntree Foundation is seeking to commission research which will examine a range of governance structures at the local level (i.e. within the bounds of a single local authority area). The focus is on good practice in governance and the extent to which this is transferable across service boundaries and governance structures. Awards will be confirmed in June 2005 and proposers should be available to begin work in Autumn 2005. Studies must be completed and final reports submitted within 24 months of the start date.

Up to £75,000 is available for work under this heading. Full details and guidelines are available from Website: <http://www.jrf.org.uk/redirect.asp?url=calls/governance-good-practice-service-structures>. It is essential that you read the How to apply for funding section of their website before submitting your proposal. The deadline for receipt of hard copy and email documentation is 2pm on Wednesday, 4 May 2005. If you wish to discuss any of the details of the proposed work, Maggie Jones, Principal Manager responsible for the Governance Research Programme, can be contacted Tel: 01904 615946 Email: maggie.jones@jrf.org.uk She will not be available after 19 April 2005. Administrative queries: please contact Maggie Jones' secretary, Ellen Mooney Tel: 01904 615946 Email: ellen.mooney@jrf.org.uk



Grant Making Bodies Websites

The HB Allen Charitable Trust <http://www.peter.shone.btinternet.co.uk/hbact1.htm>
The Architectural Heritage Fund <http://www.ahfund.org.uk>
The Baring Foundation <http://www.baringfoundation.org.uk>
The BBC Children in need Appeal <http://www.bbc.co.uk/cin>
The Bridge House Estates Trust Fund <http://www.bridgehousegrants.org.uk>
The William A Cadbury Charitable Trust <http://www.wa-cadbury.org.uk>
The Campden Charities <http://www.campdencharities.org.uk>
The Charities Aid Foundation <http://www.cafonline.org/>
Charity Know How <http://www.charityknowhow.org>
The Church Urban Fund <http://www.cuf.org.uk>
City Parochial Foundation, Trust for London <http://www.cityparochial.org.uk>
Comic Relief <http://www.comicrelief.org.uk>
The Community Foundation <http://www.communityfoundation.org.uk>
The Community Foundation in Wales <http://www.cfiw.org.uk>
Community Foundation Network <http://www.communityfoundations.org.uk>
Community Fund <http://www.community-fund.org.uk>
The Roald Dahl Foundation <http://www.roalddahl.org>
The Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund <http://www.theworkcontinues.org>
The John Ellerman Foundation <http://www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/jef.html>
The Esmee Fairbairn Charitable Trust <http://www.efct.org.uk>
The Gatsby Charitable Foundation <http://www.gatsby.org.uk>
The Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation <http://www.gbsf.org.uk>
Greater Bristol Foundation <http://www.gbf.org.uk>
Hact (The Housing Associations Charitable Trust) <http://www.hact.org.uk>
The Paul Hamlyn Foundation <http://www.phf.org.uk>
Peter Harrison Foundation <http://www.peterharrisonfoundation.org>
Help a London Child <http://www.capitalfm.com>
Help the Aged <http://www.helptheaged.org.uk>
Hospital Saving Association Charitable Trust <http://www.hsa.co.uk>
Isle of Dogs Community Foundation <http://www.idcf.org>
The Jerwood Charitable Foundation <http://www.jerwood.org.uk>
The Elton John AIDS Foundation <http://www.eltonjohn.com>
The King's Fund <http://www.kingsfund.org.uk>
Landfill Tax Credit Scheme and ENTRUST <http://www.entrust.org.uk>
The Allen Lane Foundation <http://www.allenlane.demon.co.uk>
The Leverhulme Trust <http://www.leverhulme.org.uk>
Lloyds TSB Foundations <http://www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk>
The Lord's Taverners <http://www.lordstaverners.org>
The Mental Health Foundation <http://www.mentalhealth.org.uk>
The Mercers' Company Charities <http://www.mercers.co.uk>
The Metropolitan Hospital-Sunday Fund <http://www.mhsf.org.uk>
The Henry Moore Foundation <http://www.henry-moore-fdn.co.uk/hmf>
The National Art Collections Fund <http://www.art-fund.org>
The Northern Ireland Voluntary Trust <http://www.nivt.org>
The Northern Rock Foundation <http://www.nr-foundation.org.uk>
The Nuffield Foundation <http://www.nuffieldfoundation.org>
The Nuffield Trust <http://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk>
The Peabody Community Fund <http://www.peabody.org.uk>
Jack Petchey Foundation <http://www.jackpetcheyfoundation.org.uk>
PPP Healthcare Medical Trust <http://www.ppptrust.org.uk>
The Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust <http://www.jrct.org.uk>
The Joseph Rowntree Foundation <http://www.jrf.org.uk>

The Rufford Foundation <http://www.rufford.org>
 The Francis C Scott Charitable Trust <http://www.fcscct.org.uk>
 SHINE (Support and Help In Education) <http://www.shinetrust.org.uk>
 South Yorkshire Community Foundation <http://www.sycf.org>
 The Sir Halley Stewart Trust <http://www.sirhalleystewart.org>
 The Sutton Trust <http://www.suttontrust.com>
 The Sir Jules Thorn Charitable Trust <http://www.julesthorntrust.org.uk>
 The Tudor Trust <http://www.tudortrust.org.uk>
 The Variety Club of Great Britain <http://www.varietyclub.org.uk>
 The Wellcome Trust <http://www.wellcome.ac.uk>
 Westminster Foundation for Democracy <http://www.wfd.org>

Small Grants Funders Contacts

Funders	Address	Telephone	Website
Fast Forward Grants Greater London Enterprises	28 Park St, London SE1 9EQ	020 7940 1515	www.gle.co.uk
Trust for London (small grants from City Parochial Fund)	6 Middle St, London EC1A	020 7606 6145	www.cityparochial.org.uk
BBC Children in Need	PO Box 76, London W3 6FS	020 8576 7788	www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/
EC1 New deal for Communities	173B Old Street, London EC1V 9NJ	020 7608 3412	www.ec1newdeal.com
King's Fund Grants department	11-13 Cavendish Sq, London W1G 0AN	020 7307 2495	www.kingsfund.org.uk
Help a London Child	Capital Radio Group, 30 Leicester Sq, London WC2H 7LA	020 7766 6563	<a href="http://www.capitalradiofm.com/hel
palondonchild/">www.capitalradiofm.com/hel palondonchild/
Islington neighbourhood Renewal Community Chest and Community Learning Chest	Cripplegate Foundation, 76 Central St, London EC1V 8AG	020 7549 8181	
Awards for All		0845 600 2040	www.awardsforall.org.uk
BT Community Connections			www.btcommunityconnectio ns.com

Other Resources

> Funding Formula

Funding Formula has been written by Jane Standing, Chief Executive of Kairos in Soho, to ease your way through the fund-raising process. It is a holistic approach to resource development for voluntary and community organisations. As it is stated in the introduction of this resource "sitting still" and "thinking creatively" are two vital ingredients for funding development and fundraising. Funding Formula uses the word fundraising to cover everything that is involved in securing a stable financial future, from strategic planning, to developing a new project, and to writing an application. Copies could be obtained for £10 by contacting London Voluntary Services Council publication team on publication@lvsc.org.uk

> Government Funding Website

The www.governmentfunding.org.uk website is being developed with a bulletin board and directory of users to be added shortly. The biggest development is that you are now able to apply online from the website for the government grants that you identify from using the search facility on the website for suitable funding.

> Free Guide for Trustees

Leading charity law firm Bates, Wells & Braithwaite have published a free guide to trustee's duties and responsibilities. The passport-sized booklet, Duties of Charity Trustees is available from Philippa Hart at BWB, Email: p.hart@bateswells.co.uk or download from Website: <http://www.bateswells.co.uk> clicking on publications within the Charity and Social Enterprise Department. For more information on the duties of Trustees don't forget DSC's The Charity Trustees Handbook and Effective Boards. For prices and full details these books please go to Website: http://www.dsc.org.uk/acatalog/Finance_Law.html

> Funding Crisis Helpline

Has your local authority slashed your funding? Don't know what to do? If you are a minority ethnic organisation the National Funding Crisis Helpline can provide information, guidance and support. Freephone 0800 652 1676 Email: crisis@emf-cemvo.co.uk

> GrantsNet

A new online information source for grant support schemes, has announced the introduction of a new service to give quicker and more direct access to grant schemes available in the UK. GrantsNet offers easy access to information about the many grant schemes available to businesses and charities in the UK. Their exceptionally user-friendly search facility allows organisations to easily search for grant schemes by geographic area, by project type or by keyword. GrantsNet does not screen visitors, there is no membership required to access information. For more information please visit www.grantsnet.co.uk.

> CASweb-gateway to community advice online

CASweb is a free web service providing free website space and tools for advice organisations and a new interactive space for advice organisations and local authorities to meet online to share ideas, experiences and best practice. All advice organisations working with clients from: Camden, Islington, Kensington and Chelsea, Westminster and the Corporation of London can have a free website www.casweb.org

> Charities Evaluation Service – new website

Charities Evaluation Services, or CES, is the UK's leading provider of training and consultancy to the voluntary sector on quality and evaluation systems. CES aim to increase the effectiveness of the voluntary sector by providing training, consultancy, advice and information. The website includes information, advice, publications and links about quality and evaluation systems.



Charities Evaluation Services, 4 Coldbath Square, London EC1R 5HL. Tel: 020 7713 5722, Email: enquiries@ces-vol.org.uk
Website: www.ces-vol.org.uk

> Online fundraising service tops £1 million

Over £1 million has been donated to charities online through CAF's Tailored Efundraising service. Launched in August 2002, Efundraising enables charities of all sizes to accept secure, tax-effective credit/debit card and Direct Debit donations from their own website, without the need for a specialised trading and banking service.

Currently used by over 350 non-profit organisations, individual donations through the service have ranged from £5 to £10,000 and have been made from 100 countries including Australia, Belgium, the US, Canada and Japan.

Efundraising links a charity's website to secure donation pages which can be tailored to fit in with the look and feel of its own site. Working alongside World Pay, the leading e-commerce solutions company, CAF (Charities Aid Foundation) undertakes all the administration on behalf of the charity, from designing the donation pages, to processing gifts and reclaiming tax from the Inland Revenue. On average 76% of donations through Efundraising are made via Gift Aid compared to a sector average of 28%.

As well as UK sterling, charities can appeal for gifts in US dollars or Euros with further currencies added to their donation pages on request.

Charities are able to view statements of donations online, while CAF provides donor records and hard copy reports to further support their fundraising activities. In addition, charities are able to view donations being made through their websites in real time and a unique online tracking facility enables them to identify from which sites or emails their donations have originated. For more information about Efundraising call 01732 520 316 or visit www.efundraising.org

> www.thanq.org

Working in the voluntary sector can be a rewarding career path with many opportunities to make a difference, whether this is as a paid or unpaid employee. In gratitude for the work that you do, business across the UK are saying 'thanQ' by giving significant discounts on goods and services. Now all staff and volunteers can benefit from savings at over 30 top retail brands - completely free. Website: www.thanq.org

> FunderFinder - DSC

While this Funding Digest contains new and time deadline funding opportunities, don't forget that for ongoing funding from trusts and foundations there are: FunderFinder (E-mail: info@funderfinder.org.uk) GIN software which assists groups to identify suitable charitable trusts they can apply to, and the two CDs by Directory of Social Change which also help - Grant Making Trusts CD Rom and the CD ROM Company Giving Guide. The CD Rom database is also available to subscribers at website: www.trustfunding.org.uk

If you don't want to receive such information in future, please notify our staff team via email info@chinese-network.net and we will delete your e-mail address from our mailing list accordingly.

Regards.
LCCN

London Chinese Community Network (LCCN) is the regional network of Chinese voluntary and community organisations (CVCOs) funded by Race Equality Unit of Home Office. LCCN aims to advocate on behalf of CVCOs in London as well as enhance representation of its members in the wider network, to facilitate consultation on issues of concern and to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisational development of its members. LCCN is hosted by The Chinese in Britain Forum.