

Funder's Workshop Day

This drop in and out event will be a great opportunity to discuss your funding proposals with a range of funders and to pick up tips, ideas and good practice in :

- Developing your project funding proposals
- Making more successful funding applications
- Measuring the impact of your project.

Funders attending include:

- Heritage Lottery Fund
- WREN
- Cambridgeshire Community Foundation (CCF)

Advice available from:

- Living Sport
- Hunts Forum
- Small Charity week

As well as booking a one to one session with funders or advisors you can:

- Undertake a supported funding search using the **Grantfinder search** online search engine with Hunts Forum staff
- Attend a **workshop** on developing your organisation's funding strategy
- Arrange a **free advice session** by Skype with an expert advisor from third sector and business leaders
- Take part in a **Q & A session** with a panel of funders about what they think makes a successful application

A Free buffet lunch will available for those taking part in the Q & A

Funder's Workshop Day—Programme

09:45	Open for coffee and first arrivals
10:00	Appointments start and first Grantfinder introduction and supported search for potential funding trusts
10:45	Workshop (45 minutes) Developing Your Organisations Funding Strategy
12:15	Q & A Session with Funders
13:00	Lunch
13:30	Appointments restart and second Grantfinder introduction & supported search for potential funding trusts
15:00	Workshop (45 minutes) Developing Your Organisations Funding Strategy
16:00	Finish

Workshop - Developing your organisation's funding strategy.

This short 45 minute workshop will help attendees review how their organisations are funded and look at how they might diversify the types of funding they gain as gifts, from trusts or earn. It is an introduction to the subject and will provide a range of tools and resources that will help attendees follow up the issues with their organisation.

During the workshop, attendees will:

- Review funding trends in the voluntary sector
- Think about how current funding sources can be extended or new ones developed
- Consider what preparations needs to be Undertaken to make an effective funding search
- Look at tools to help organisations become funding ready

Grantfinder

GRANTfinder can assist community and voluntary organisations in identifying potential funding sources available for specific projects. The 90 minute sessions include a short introduction to making a search and then a chance to undertake your own.

Small Charity Week 2014 (16 - 21 June) <http://smallcharityweek.com/big-advice-day>

Small Charities week is providing free initiatives, competitions and support over six days for charities including free expert advice from third sector and business leaders on the topics they need help with the most. If you think this might help you but you don't have Skype we can arrange for you to use it here at the Mapple Centre.

Q & A

An opportunity to put questions to a panel of funders about making applications and how to approach trust funding. This will give examples of good practice and be full of useful tips and ideas. The session is followed by a free lunch for those who attended giving a good opportunity to network.

Funder's Workshop Day—Funders & Advisors

Funder - Rachel Fuller from Heritage Lottery Fund:

Heritage Lottery Fund funds a broad range of activities that help people of all ages explore their heritage together. These can range from small scale events, exhibitions and workshops to larger projects that include training, volunteering, conservation and restoration. They have a range of new programmes with grants starting at £3000. HLF can fund all sorts of things, including exploring history, collection of items, archives and other materials, community archaeology, historical buildings and structures and the First World War.

<http://www.hlf.org.uk/>



Funder - Emily Bradfield from Cambridgeshire Community Foundation:

Cambridgeshire Community Foundation manages a range of charitable trusts and funds on behalf of individuals and organisations. Funds available for Huntingdonshire Groups include: Comic Relief Local Communities Programme, Ridgeons Community Fund & Police and Crime Commissioner Youth Fund.

<http://www.cambscf.org.uk/Apply.html>



Funder - Sarah Gosling from WREN:

Sadly WREN can no longer attend this event. Still let us know if you would like to see them we are arranging another event with them.

WREN are a Grant Funder, who distribute capital funding to community organisations, for improvements to public areas and facilities, such as play areas, village halls, community halls, recreation grounds, nature reserves, pocket parks etc.



<http://www.wren.org.uk/>

Advisor - Simon Fairhall from Living Sport



Living Sport promotes participation in sport and physical activity. They support organisations and the workforce to deliver sport more effectively.

<http://www.livingsport.co.uk/>

Advisors - Julie Farrow- CEO Hunts Forum
Alan Turner. Development Worker
Sharon Gunn. Funding Alerts



We provide information, guidance, and support to help voluntary & community groups set up, develop & grow including fundraising, in organisational and trustee health checks, aiding develop from setting up a group and the legal requirements, identify strengths, weakness and dealing with a changing and challenging environment.

<http://www.huntsforum.org.uk>

If you would like to make an appointment with any of the above funders/advisors, attend a workshop or participate in a Grantfinder search, please email:

Nicola@huntsforum.org.uk

Please note that appointments are given on a first come first served basis, and priority will be given to HF members.

Funder's Workshop Day—Future Events

Essential skills and knowledge for

Making a Good Funding Application

Tuesday 3rd June 2014

9.30 — 13.00

Who is it for?

This half day event has been specifically designed to provide the essentials in making a funding application for small and medium sized voluntary community groups

What will it cover?

This course will identify good practice and help develop the skills and knowledge focusing on:

- Understanding what the funders want to see in an application
- identifying the key features of successful funding applications by using case studies and group work
- Evidencing the need for your project and developing measurable & achievable outcomes
- How to Monitoring and evaluating success of your project

What to expect

Our workshops will be a mixture of presentations, group exercises/activities and discussion with people able to ask questions, share examples and experiences.

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