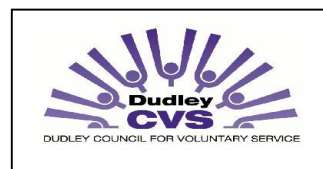


Small Groups in Dudley - Information Sheet



Funding for activities with disabled people/people with special needs

Key Funders

Grassroots Grants

Managed by Birmingham Community Foundation, grants are aimed at small groups with turnover/income less than £20000 per year. To be eligible for a grant, your work must benefit your local community and meet one of these objectives:

- Encourage community responsibility
- Develop community capacity
- Be unable to access other forms of funding
- Do not duplicate other work being done within the area

Funding is available for purchasing equipment and expanding existing activities, including staff/event costs. Groups can apply for between £250 and £5000 on an application available from Birmingham Community Foundation, Nechells Baths, Nechells Park Road, Birmingham, B7 5PD. Tel: 0121 3225560. Email: team@bhamfoundation.co.uk. Website: www.bhamfoundation.co.uk.

Directorate of Adult, Community and Housing

Grants are available in between £300 - £1500 that provides support to vulnerable members of the community, promotes people's independence, social inclusion, supports carers and addresses the broader aspects of health improvement. For more information contact Doreen Hughes on 01384 816162 or Marilyn Hudson on 01384 815145.

Beacon Centre for the Blind

The Trust gives one off grants for the benefit of people who are registered blind or partially sighted and live in the Boroughs of Dudley, Sandwell and Wolverhampton. For more information contact The Beacon Centre for the Blind, Wolverhampton Road East, Wolverhampton, WV4 6AZ. Telephone: 01902 880111. Email: enquires@beacon4blind.co.uk. Website: www.beacon4blind.co.uk.

Coventry Building Society Charitable Foundation

Applications are welcome from registered charities that work with vulnerable groups including people with physical disabilities, people with learning difficulties or those who are mentally ill. For more information contact The Coventry Building Society Charitable Foundation, Oakfiled House, PO Box 600, Binley Business Park, Coventry, CV3 2YR. Telephone: 024 7660 5042. Website: www.coventrybuildingsociety.co.uk.

The Edgar E Lawley Foundation

This foundation supports charitable bodies that provide activities for disabled people, older people and children. Applications must be received during April. For more information contact the Edgar E Lawley Foundation, Lower Wakefield, 116 Foley Road, Claygate, Surrey, KT10 0NA. Telephone: 01372 805760. Email: frankjackson1945@yahoo.com.

The Rowlands Trust

This trust supports charitable bodies that provide activities for disabled people, the elderly, music, the arts and the environment. For more information contact the Rowlands Trust, c/o Mills and Reeve, 78-84 Colmore Row, Birmingham, B3 2AB. Telephone: 0121 456 8341.

Awards for All

The Big Lottery administers a grants programme 'Awards for All' where voluntary organisations and community groups can access grants up to £10,000. Projects must either: extend access and participation, increase skill and creativity or improve the quality of life. Application forms can be obtained from Awards for All, 8th Floor, Edmund House, 12-22 Newhall Street, Birmingham, B3 3NL. Telephone: 0121 200 3500. Website: www.awardsforall.org.uk.

Youth Opportunities Fund and Youth Capital Fund

An opportunity for young people, aged between 13 -19 years (25 if they have learning difficulties), to access funding to spend on projects that young people want. Young people themselves apply for the funding. Advice is available at this website: www.dudley.gov.uk/education-and-learning/youth-service/youth-opportunities-fund. For further information about these funding programmes contact Jody Pritchard, Dudley Youth Service on 01384 815172. Email: jody.pritchard@dudley.gov.uk.

The Variety Club Children's Charity

This charity raises money and then provides Sunshine Coaches, mobility aids and general grants to help children (under the age of 19) with mental, physical or sensory disabilities, behavioral or psychological disturbances, those suffering through distress, abuse or neglect. For more information contact the Variety Club Children's Charity, Variety Club House, 93 Bayham Street, London, NW1 0AG. Telephone: 020 7428 8100. Website: www.varietyclub.org.uk.

Eveson Charitable Trust

Support for charitable organisations that assist people with disabilities, mental health problems, children in need, older people, homeless people, hospitals, hospices and medical research. Call 01452 501352 for an application form.

Stanley Smith General Charitable Trust

This Trust fund projects that aid people who are physically disabled. To apply for funding send an application letter to Mercer and Hole Trustees, 72 London Road, St Albans, Hertfordshire, AL1 1NS. Telephone: 01727 869141.

David and Frederick Barclay Foundation

This foundation funds projects assisting the sick, people with disabilities and the disadvantaged. For more information, telephone 020 7915 0915.

D D McPhail Charitable Settlement

This Settlement funds a variety of projects relating to disability issues. To apply send an application letter to D D McPhail Charitable Settlement, PO Box 285, Pinner, Middlesex, HA5 3FB.

The Bruce Wake Charity

This charity funds projects relating the provision of leisure activities for the disabled. For more information telephone 01572 822183 or visit: www.brucewaketrust.co.uk.

Sydney Black Charitable Trust

This Trust funds projects that involve people who are disabled. For more information, telephone 020 8946 1132.

R H Southem Trust

This Trust funds projects that involve people who are disabled. For more information, telephone 0117 942 5834.

Sfgroup Charitable Trust for Disabled People

This Trust funds projects that involve people who are disabled. For more information telephone 07711 985 758 or visit: www.sfcharity.co.uk.

This information sheet outlines some of the main funders in the areas of activities for disabled people/people with special needs. Information about other possible funders can be accessed through FunderFinder and Grantfinder at Dudley CVS. If you are a small group (income up to £15000) and would like support in identifying other funders please contact Becky Pickin, Small Groups Development Officer on 01384 267431. Email: smallgroups@dudleycvs.org.uk.