



Funding for Sport



Overview of funding sources

- Sport England funding
- sportessex Funding
- Other Funders



“It’s an investment not a gift”
(Jennie Price – SE Chief Exec)

Projects need to appeal to Sport England if they are going to be supported. Applicants need to tell them what the project does, but also most importantly what it can do for sport and Sport England.



Small Grants Programme

- Opened in April 2009
- It's an online application process:
 - **Eligible organisations:** Sports Clubs, Voluntary & Community Organisations, Local Authorities and Education establishments
- Revenue and small capital expenditure e.g. purchase of sports equipment; getting more coaches qualified or running coaching activities
- Supports recognised sports with a clear sporting outcome
- Minimum award £300 with a maximum of £10,000
- Up to £10k can be applied for in any 12 month period
- Community level activities



Small Grants Programme

- Project specific costs
- Up to 12 months in duration
- Simple monitoring requirements

- Assessment Process
 - Organisation fit for purpose
 - Project delivery and budget
 - Evidence of project need



Recent grants...

Wivenhoe Youth Football Club - £5,699

New Portable Goals and Flood Lights

Dunmow Cricket Club - £2,386

Provision Of Cricket Mats To The Local Community

William De Ferrers School – £9,948

More Young People Playing Badminton

Billericay Cricket Club – £3,800

Portable Sightscreens

Colchester Borough Council – £6,814

Sporting Community Festival Linked To Tour Series

Brentwood Trampoline Club – £10,000

New High Performance Trampolines



What won't it fund?

- More than £10,000 to same organisation in 12 month period
- The general running costs of an organisation e.g. rent, gas, electricity and water bills, and maintenance costs (including maintenance of equipment)
- Projects that do not support Sport England's strategic outcomes
- Sponsorship
- Projects for sports that are not recognised by Sport England
- Repeat or regular events and existing activities (except the extra costs of involving new participants)
- Items which only benefit an individual e.g. bursaries or kit and equipment that is not shared. It will fund team kits and shared equipment



What won't it fund?

- Salaries, except for coaching costs or fixed term positions needed to meet a specific project requirement. Funding of coaches must be clearly additional to usual club expenditure
- Activities that the state has a legal obligation to provide
- Endowments, loans or interest payments
- Used road vehicles
- Projects involving building or refurbishing property (including temporary buildings), or land improvement (e.g. drainage)
- Projects that take place or start before the date of the offer letter
- Costs incurred or expenditure committed (including deposits) before the date of the offer letter
- Contingency costs.



Inspired Facilities

- £50million to be invested between 2011 – 2013
- There are 5 funding rounds
- Applications from community and voluntary sector projects can be funded between £20,000 and £50,000
- Grants to local authority and other statutory bodies eg schools will range between £20,000 and £150,000
- Partnership funding is not required for community and voluntary sector projects but £ for £ funding is required for statutory organisations



Inspired Facilities

- 'Argos Style' catalogue used by the applicant to cost up the project – includes planning, building regulations, labour etc
- 4 main categories
 - Building Modernisation
 - Outdoor Multi Use Games Areas
 - Modular Changing
 - Floodlights
- Sport England arrange everything if you are funded so you don't have to worry about it
- Other things can be applied for but you will need to find your own prices and have your budget put together by a qualified surveyor
- Sports equipment can be applied for additionally



Inspired Facilities - Criteria

- Need – Tell them clearly what the need is for the project. Can you survey people to see if they would use your club if you had new facilities?
- Community Involvement – Who else's support can you get? Letters from club members? Your local council? Local petition?
- Impact – How will your project keep people attending or bring in new participants?
- Sustainability – How will you continue to deliver sport?



Inspired Facilities

- Priority is given to
 - Organisations which haven't received over £10,000 from Sport England
 - Projects which are the only public sports facility in the local community
 - Projects which offer local opportunities to people who do not currently play sport

**There will be two rounds of funding in 2012
closing dates 2nd April and 17th September**



She Has Energy

- Setting up new projects for women to take part in sport in deprived areas
- 70 projects across Essex
- Basildon, Chelmsford, Colchester, Epping Forest, Harlow, Southend, Tendring, Thurrock
- Must be based with community groups
- £1,000 per project



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- £950,000 of Lottery funding for Essex over four years (2011-2015)
 - Participants must be aged 14 – 25
 - Six week, one hour per week, course of introductory activities
 - £30 per participant for the six week course
 - Participants can be charged a fee to cover part of the expense



- Maximum of £30 per hour, per coach
- Maximum 20% of the whole grant amount can be spent on equipment for the activities
- Providers are responsible for raising and delivering the course, recruiting the participants and completing the necessary monitoring and evaluation data
- All providers will be required to provide details of policies and procedures to safeguard children and vulnerable adults, where this is relevant to the project



Get Back Into



- Funding available
- Aged 16+
- 8-10 week duration
- An easy introduction for beginners, friendly and fun
- Must be used to get people to join your club!



Reaching Communities



(check [Big Lottery website](#) for upcoming changes to this funding stream)

- Buildings – funding of between £100,000 and £500,000 for large capital projects
- Reaching Communities looks to fund –
 - People having better chances in life, including being able to get better access to training and development to improve their life skills
 - Strong communities, with more active citizens, working together to tackle their problems
 - Improved rural and urban environments, which communities are better able to access and enjoy
 - Healthier and more active people and communities



Awards for All

- Funding available between £300 and £10,000 every 12 months
- Same project aims as Reaching Communities
- Community groups, not for profit groups, Parish or Town Councils, Health bodies and schools can apply
- Similar restrictions to Sport England Small Grants, but this is for the sake of the community not with sport itself being the main aim



Other Funders...

- BBC Children in Need Grants
- Free Access for National Sportspeople (FANS)
- The Lord's Taverners
- The Rowing Foundation
- Healthy Hearts Grants
- The Swimming Trust Teacher Coach Education Grant Fund
- The Dickie Bird Foundation
- Sport:exl
- Protecting Playing Fields






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