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Young People's Fund 2
Local Grants Programme

What would you do if you had money to spend on a local project to improve the lives of young people all over England? If you're between 10 and 25 years old, the Young People's Fund 2 can make your answer count.

The Big Lottery Fund has set up the Young People's Fund 2 programme to give you the chance to develop the projects that you think are most important, to get involved in running them and to tell other people what works and what does not.

This leaflet tells you about different ways of getting a share of up to £38 million that we will be spending in England over the next two years.

All the projects we spend the money on will have to involve young people from start to finish.

The project you want to do must help you and other young people:

- be more mentally and physically healthy
- stay safe from harm
- enjoy life and get things done
- make a positive difference to the people around you
- be better off by having enough money to be independent, by improving your skills, reducing your debts, or getting a job.

Young people will be involved all the way through the programme and will sit on the panel that decides which projects will get the money.

We know that many young people face difficulties and challenges when it comes to getting involved, but this will not stop them getting money from the Young People's Fund 2.

In fact we are particularly looking for young people who have not been involved before, but think they have something to offer.

So how can you get hold of the money?

You will need to find a youth group or an organisation to work with. You may already belong to such an organisation.

If you would like to talk to someone about the Young People's Fund 2, please call 0845 4 10 20 30 or minicom 0845 6 02 16 59 or see our website: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/ypf2local

How much can we get?
You can apply for between
£10,000 and £500,000. We will
mainly give money to run
activities and services but
we can give up to £50,000 to
develop land and buildings.



Getting support before you apply

Many projects that have applied to the Young People's Fund before were unsuccessful because they did not fully involve young people from start to finish.

To help organisations improve young people's involvement we have asked Participation Works to give advice to community groups.

If you need this kind of help you should call 0845 603 6725 or visit www.participationworks.org.uk

Who can apply for money?

Voluntary and community organisations like charities and social businesses can apply to the Young People's Fund 2 Local Grants programme.

Once you are working with one of these groups you can involve other bodies to make the project happen. This can include the local council, a business or a community group.



When should I start?

The Young People's Fund 2 Local Grants programme will open on 19 May 2008.

You will need to fill in an outline proposal first. This will help us decide whether your project is something we might fund. You need to do that by 16 October 2008.

If your project meets the aim of the Young People's Fund 2 we will send you an application form; if it does not, we will tell you why not.

If we send you an application you will have to complete it and return it to us by 2 February 2009. You will not have to fill in a long form if we cannot give you a grant. You can only make one application for your organisation.

You can find out everything you need to know about the Young People's Fund 2 from:

www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/ypf2local



Burnley Youth Theatre

With this money young people established a theatre company, which is owned and run by young people for young people. The “Running the Show” project is now planning to stage an end of project festival that will involve young people from across the North West region.

The original idea came from a consultation that was planned and led by a group of young people. Taking on board the views of nearly 200 young people across Burnley this group then planned and managed every aspect of the project themselves.

The management group continue to consult other young people regularly, and leads on the financial management, marketing and recruitment of the project. Paid staff from Burnley Youth Theatre have been on hand to offer support throughout.



Other sources of money

The Young People's Fund 2 is not the only place to look for money if you have an idea you are keen to try out. The other Lottery bodies also have programmes that you might be able to apply to.

If you would like to find out more about Lottery funding visit www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk or phone the funding hotline on 0845 275 0000 or textphone 0845 275 0022.

We've developed a guide to other funding to assist you in your search for funding. It does not list every funder in England but it is a good place to start. This guide also identifies sources of funding for individuals. Download this at: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/ypf2local

The *myplace* programme offers grants to develop buildings and facilities used by young people. These capital grants are administered by BIG on behalf of the Department for Children, School and Families. See www.biglotteryfund.org.uk for more details.

If your project is about volunteering you may also want to check out v, the charity for young volunteers in England: www.wearev.com



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Our equality principles, mission and values

We are committed to bringing real improvements to communities and the lives of people most in need. To find out more about our equality principles, mission and values, visit our website.

We care about the environment

The Big Lottery Fund seeks to minimise its negative environmental impact and only uses proper sustainable resources.

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