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2006–2009

Wales and UK Programmes

Introduction

The Big Lottery Fund will give out more than £120 million in Wales between 2006-2009. We have developed specific programmes for Wales. This booklet gives information on programmes already open and those that are due to open shortly.

We have developed the programmes following two public consultations. The main themes identified are outlined in this booklet, although there may be some small changes so please keep an eye on our website for the latest information.

Our programme framework in Wales

All our programmes are part of our mission to improve communities and the lives of people most in need. Our programmes have three key themes:

- supporting community learning and creating opportunity
- promoting community safety and cohesion
- promoting well-being.

These themes are supported by three outcomes that we hope our funding will achieve:

- people of all ages equipped with the skills and learning to meet the challenges of a modern society
- people working together for stronger communities, social justice and better rural and urban environments
- healthier and more physically active people and communities.

Demand-led and Strategic programmes

Our programmes divide into two broad areas: demand-led and strategic. Demand-led programmes will encourage organisations and groups to bring their own ideas and solutions to us for funding.

The strategic programmes will focus more on the type of outcomes we want our funding to achieve, although we will still encourage local solutions to local needs.

Programmes in Wales 2006-2009

*denotes UK-wide programmes

People and Places

Budget
£66 million

Launch date
Currently open for applications

People and Places aims to bring people together to make their communities stronger and to improve their rural and urban environments. This programme supports people working together to make their communities better places to live. It supports local and regional projects and projects that work throughout Wales.

People and Places can fund projects that achieve one or more of the following programme outcomes:

- revitalised communities
- improved community relations
- enhanced local environments and community amenities.

This programme is open to the community, voluntary and public sector. Money is available for capital and revenue projects and can be used for the development of communities or communities of interest.

There are three levels of grants:

£5001 - £250,000
£250,001 - £500,000
£500,001 - £1 million

Closing Date
No closing date set

Healthy Families initiative

Budget
£20 million

Healthy Families is an initiative that promotes healthy and active lifestyles among children and families and make links between children's play, nutrition and physical activity.

Healthy Families is made up of two programmes:

Child's Play

Budget
£13 million

Launch Date
Currently open for applications

The Child's Play programme is aimed at children between 0-12 years old living in Wales, particularly children aged 8-12. It is a strategic programme that aims to make a significant impact on children's play in Wales. This is why the Child's Play programme supports the development of the infrastructure needed to deliver play as well as providing grants for projects that provide play opportunities.

Up to £250,000 is available for infrastructure projects and £250,000 – £1 million is available for play projects.

Closing Date
Round 1 (infrastructure and play projects): 4 May 2007

Round 2 (play projects): 6 March 2009

Way of Life

Budget
£7 million

Launch Date
22 January 2007

This is a strategic programme that promotes healthy and active lifestyles among children and families by creating a joined up approach to children's play, healthy eating and physical activity. The main beneficiaries will be children under 12 years old living in Wales. Other family members can also benefit as a result of their involvement with the programme.

Closing date
27 June 2007

Mental Health

Budget
£15 million

Launch date
February 2007

This is a strategic programme that will:

- promote the rehabilitation and independence of people with serious mental health problems
- support people at greatest risk of serious mental health problems or suicide.

This programme will be aimed primarily at people aged between 16-65 who:

- have a serious existing mental health problem
- are at greatest risk of developing serious mental health problems
- are at greatest risk of suicide.

Closing date
No closing date set

Make it Happen

Budget
£1 million

Launch date
Currently open for applications

This programme focuses on young people between 10 and 19 years old and its aims are to help them enjoy life and achieve their potential, develop skills and contribute to their communities and to choose positive attitudes which discourage anti-social behaviour.

Grants of between £500 and £5,000 to help young people take a lead role in developing the sort of projects they want to do. We can fund projects, activities and equipment that young people have decided will make a difference to them and their lives.

Closing date
No closing date set

Awards for All Wales

Budget
£2.25 million annually

Launch date
Currently open for applications.

This programme can award grants of between £500 and £5,000 in a simple and straightforward way to help fund a specific project or activity.

We want to fund projects which involve people in their local community, bringing them together in a range of heritage, charitable, health, educational, environmental and other community activities.

Grants must be spent within 12 months.

Closing date
No closing date set

International Grants Programme*

Budget
Up to £60 million

Launch date
International Communities, including Tsunami, March 2006.

International Strategic by July 2006.

International Small Grants by July 2006.

To fund effective projects that tackle the causes of poverty and deprivation and bring about a long-term difference to the lives of the most disadvantaged people in the world. The annual budget will be split 50/50 between International Communities and Strategic programmes.

Tsunami*
Up to £12 million

Long-term reconstruction initiatives in areas affected by the Asian Tsunami in 2004.

People's Millions*

Budget
Up to £66.5 million

Launch date
Relaunch in Spring 2007

The People's Millions programme will fund projects that improve the lives of local communities through transforming the local environment by:

- making the local environment cleaner, safer and greener
- improving the local natural environment
- improving the design, appearance and accessibility of local amenities.

The above awards will be made following a public vote.

Research*

Budget
Up to £25 million

Launch date
By July 2006

The aim of this programme will be to influence local and national policy and practice by funding the production and dissemination of evidence based knowledge.

It will support research on issues identified by the voluntary and community sector (VCS); increase VCS capacity to do research into areas that are of interest to them; help the VCS to use and disseminate research; involve beneficiaries and users; help develop better services for beneficiaries; and promote partnerships between the VCS and the research community.

Support will be available, to the voluntary sector from February 2007, to help them make the first step into the world of research and to lead an application.

Supporting the voluntary sector

60 to 70 per cent of our money over this period will go to voluntary and community organisations. We are currently in discussion with a number of external partners to decide how we monitor and report against this undertaking.

Olympics

Bringing the Olympics to the UK is a tremendous achievement, which we fully support. A range of our programmes across the UK will support community-based projects which will be linked to the London Olympics. We will want to work jointly with other UK Lottery distributors, the Olympic Delivery Authority and others to explore how our new programmes can contribute to the regeneration, community engagement and cultural activities which the Olympic project will promote. The implications of the new game on existing good causes have already been factored into calculations of future income and funding available for programmes. Our financial planning for new programmes has been based on a forecast reduction of £68 million in our Lottery resources, between now and 2009, as a result of the new game. So our new programme announcements are not affected by the good news that London will host the 2012 Olympic Games.

Further information

The information in this booklet is the latest we have available at the moment, but we will update this as more decisions are made, for instance on the focus of new programmes and how they will be delivered. We expect the priorities of some programmes to change slightly over the coming months. The names of programmes not yet launched may also change. Visit our website: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk Email enquiries.wales@biglotteryfund.org.uk or ring us on 01686 611700 for further information.