NCC 2015 Innovation Fund Grant Aid – Youth Projects

Members Briefing

At the meeting in March 2015 the Grant Aid Committee agreed a grant aid funding package in 2015/16 totaling £1.75m to support projects in the Voluntary & Community Sector (VCS).

Within this budget a sum of £50,000 was set aside to support new and innovative proposals to be considered for funding.

The priority for the innovation fund in 2015/16 is **Youth Projects**.

Applications are invited for funding between £2,000 & £10,000. Groups can download an application form and guidance by following the link below.

http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/partnerships/voluntary-sector/grantaid2015-18/

Application Process

Organisations can apply by completing an application form which they can download from the County Council Website - they will be able to apply between 19 June 2015 and 31 August 2015

Specifically this fund has been designed to;

- Facilitate new and innovative ways of working
- Support projects requiring one-off investment Kick Start funding

What type of Projects will be supported by the innovation fund in 2015/16?

- Projects which encourage and provide support for young people aged 10-19 (up to 25 years in respect of young people with disabilities).
- Projects that involve young people in the design, delivery and management of the project
- Projects that empower young people within their communities
- Projects that build capability in voluntary and community organisations, helping them contribute to services & outcomes delivered by the council
- Projects that look to develop council delivery models, improving efficiency and quality of services for the community

Examples include:

- Youth Centre's/Clubs
- Mobile and street based youth work
- New/Innovative approaches to youth work
- Targeted youth support for vulnerable young people who may be at future risk of further problems such as ill health, unemployment, substance misuse, youth offending, teenage pregnancy and homelessness.

Further Information

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