

## C&H HSCF Newsletter Wellbeing & Prevention Newsletter 8th March

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## Local Notices

[If you like what we do please nominate HSCF for a CEN Award via survey monkey](#)

CEN are running awards for community networks, please nominate us if you get benefit from being a member. anyone can nominate any network via survey monkey here. It should only take two minutes

There are four categories

Influence and Impact: Engaging local communities  
Dedication & Determination  
Supporting volunteers

The Closing date is Monday 8th March 5pm

[find out about personalisation and the councils targets, what happened at the last Forum](#)

In mid January Pratima Solanki, Assistant Director of Strategy, Performance & Improvement came to speak to over 15 groups working in Health & Social Care in City & Hackney.

Pratima's main message was the VCS needs to prepare as it is happening fast and these are the areas we need to prepare in:

Pricing your products - Consortias and mergers  
Creating centres of excellence and not duplicating  
Identifying Gaps  
Prevention & Wellbeing  
Information & Advocacy  
Brokerage support  
User led support

Preparing & positioning yourself for the new social care market & organisational change .Click here for the full minutes of the meeting -

[Parenting workshops for refugees & asylums seekers](#)

from the REfugee Therapy Centre - click here for details

## Local News

### OPSIG helps tackle how we get information to older people & looks at Hackney s plans re volunteers

At the end of February the Older Peoples Special Interest Group met with Vernon Joynson (head of Policy LBH) to look at how we can ensure older people can access information, advice & advocacy in the new system. Vernon was clear that we will be working with the same or less resources, yet we need to ensure people will be able to find services and advocacy.

Hackney will be putting in place 74 information points & will have super information points in Shoreditch, Homerton & Stamford Hill libraries but we need to reach isolated older people.

In a wide ranging discussion OPSig rejected texts and internet as ways of reaching older people but suggested TV's, community radio & training workman & others who go into peoples homes in identifying needs or giving information.

Vernon will be developing a draft strategy for advice, information & advocacy for adult social care by April 2010

Lola Akindoyin presented the draft strategy on volunteering and the main discussion was how we can measure the impact volunteering has on individuals and organisations.

to add comments on either of these go to our online forum [here](#)

Full minutes will be out soon

### Homerton to elect Governor representing the City

Homerton University Hospital has long been important to City residents, providing much needed general

services to the local population alongside specialist care in obstetrics, neonatal care, obesity surgery and many other areas.

As a NHS Foundation Trust, the hospital has freedom to plan its services around the needs of local people and

relies on a body of "members" to inform how this should happen.

There are nearly 6,000 members of Homerton

Foundation Trust: people who live in the area, use hospital services, work for the NHS, or have an interest in the Homerton Trust.

Membership is free to all and offers the opportunity to stay informed, help shape services, and vote in Trust elections. As a member, there is no other commitment than to receive information from the Trust.

The Board is now recruiting a new Governor to act as a link between the Board of Directors and members

from the City constituency. This is a vital role, representing the views of City residents, helping the hospital plan for the future and ensuring local people have their say. To vote for the new Governor, you will need to register as a member of Homerton Foundation Trust. Why not find out more by visiting the website:

[Hackney MPs have not signed support for volunteering pledge on 5th March](#)  
[click here for lists of MPs & prospective parliamentary candidates who have](#)

## Homerton Hospital to treat Olympic athletes

04 March 2010 By Jasmine Coleman

Hackney's Homerton University Hospital will be treating the world's best athletes when the Olympic Games come to London in 2012.

The Homerton, the closest hospital to the Olympic Park, has been confirmed as the main medical centre for Olympic athletes.

A purpose-built polyclinic will also go up on the Olympic Park, whilst Newham University Hospital in Plaistow and The Royal London Hospital in Whitechapel will treat spectators and other visitors during the Games.

A spokesman for the Homerton in Homerton Row said: "We are looking after athletes' issues.

"There is going to be a lot more going on in the next few months in terms of planning, with a focus on diagnostics and accident and emergency."

"We are now moving forward on it."

The hospital, which is two miles from the Olympic Park, has just installed new wireless x-ray equipment, which will be used to image athletes.

Its spokesman said a clinician from the hospital, Dr Laurence Gant, had been to Beijing during the 2008 Olympics on a fact finding mission, and was now working closely with London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games (LOCOG) to plan healthcare

facilities for London's Olympics.

But he reassured Hackney residents that the Homerton's Olympic responsibilities would not harm their healthcare services.

"On the 27 of July 2012, we are going to be able to hear the roar of the crowd from the hospital. But for us, it is going to be another normal working day," he said.

"We are determined that whatever happens, Homerton Hospital is going to work normally throughout the period.

"It is going to be an exciting time for the whole of Hackney but the key to this is business as usual."

He said the hospital would profit from the long term legacy of the Games.

It secured a £4.8 million donation from Olympic sponsor, GE for hi-tech scanners for its maternity ward.

A spokeswoman for LOCOG confirmed that the Homerton would treat Olympic athletes. Source Hackney Gazette

## Local Events

### Refugee Therapy Centre International Womens Day Celebration

Dear all,

Please click here to download an invitation to the Refugee Therapy Centre's International Women's Day celebration on 11th March, 1-3pm.

With best wishes,

Miriam

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### Hackney Womens Forum - community conversations- on Domestic Violence

HACKNEY WOMEN'S FORUM:  
Community Conversations

Thursday, March 11th March  
10.00 am to 12.30 pm;  
at Hackney Carers Centre,  
5 Tyssen Street, E8 2LZ

Purpose of the community conversations

1. To gain a better understanding of the experiences of women from diverse cultural and religious communities with domestic abuse or violence.
2. To ensure as far as possible the information you provide helps shape plans for reducing violence against women in Hackney,

We are consulting as many women as possible to gain your views about:

• Community perceptions of domestic abuse and other forms of violence against

women

&#9633; Suggestions on strategies to reduce domestic abuse/violence

&#9633; What kinds of services would make a difference?

One in four women will experience violence at some time in their lifetime. In London 1,024 women a day suffer some form of violence.

Free lunch and refreshments

Afternoon workshops (aromatherapy, Tai Chi)

1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

To join the community conversations contact Marika either by phone 07950 220214 or email [hackneywomenforum@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hackneywomenforum@yahoo.co.uk)

Please contact Marika if you have support needs, such as childcare, travel costs

## Wider News

### £26m worth of grants paid back to the Big Lottery Fund

Latest jobs  
Major Donor Manager £35,000-£35,000  
Digital Unite Communications Manager £37,000 - £40,000  
Director of Fundraising and Communications £50,000-£60,000  
Trusts Fundraiser £26,000 to £30,000  
Director - People and Culture rec. £80,000 plus benefits  
Senior Caseworker (Welfare Rights) £32,000 per annum  
Senior Corporate Partnerships Officer up to £30,000  
Trusts Fundraiser to £30,500  
Fundraising Director to 60K  
Remembrance Fund Manager (1 year contract) to 26K  
Search more jobs  
Employers now hiring  
By Paul Jump, Third Sector, 2 March 2010  
Unspent money returned by charities and good causes over last six years

Third sector organisations have returned more than £26m in unspent grants to the Big Lottery Fund over the past six years.

The figures, revealed after a request by a charity beneficiary under the Freedom of Information Act, show that more than 7,000 organisations returned a total of £26.2m between 2004/05 and 2009/10.

The average was £3,600, but one organisation returned £1.8m in 2004/05. Others have returned up to £200,000 each, according to a BLF spokeswoman. Except for 2004/05, when £6.6m was handed back, the amount returned each year varied from £3.2m to £4.4m.

During the same period, the BLF awarded total grants each year of between £294m and £778m. In 2009/10, just over 1 per cent of the total amount awarded has so far been returned.

Kevin Curley, chief executive of local umbrella body Navca, said local charities could have very good reasons not to go ahead with projects that had received BLF funding. "Needs and opportunities change," he said. "It is much better to return the money for another charity to use than to go ahead with an unnecessary project."

Ben Wittenberg, director of policy and research at the Directory of Social Change, said the "instability and insecurity" of project-funded work often made it difficult to complete projects, because money often arrived late and staff sometimes left before the end of their contracts if they found other employment.

He said organisations should ask funders whether they could keep any underspend. "Most funders are at least willing to listen and are happy to avoid any unnecessary administration around the return of funds if they can," he said.

"It's best if you can have that dialogue when you first start forecasting an underspend rather than at the end of the grant period."

The BLF spokeswoman said it normally granted such requests if they were in "the general spirit of the original grant". She said returned funds were allocated to future projects.

### Charity times awards

The Charity Times Awards 2010: the deadline for entries is 28 May

The Charity Times Awards acknowledge and encourage best practice in the management of charities and not-for-profit organisations.

The awards are free to enter and open to any UK-based registered charity, or international charity with registered UK offices. This year it is again possible to vote to determine the winner in our category Best Charity to work for.

In addition, this year sees the introduction of a new group of categories recognising those professional companies providing outstanding services to the charity sector.

Click on the categories below to make your nomination.

#### Charity Categories

##### Charity of the Year

Awarded to the organisation that the judges believe has consistently delivered outstanding service to its beneficiaries, promoted and raised its cause, been clear in its goals and strategy, and demonstrated excellence all round, especially within the last year.

##### Outstanding

**Individual Achievement**  
 Awarded to a person who has demonstrated dedication, professionalism and integrity throughout their career, and who has produced an identifiably profound effect on the sector through their work and/or management.

##### Best New Charity

Awarded to an organisation that has made a demonstrable impact since its foundation, achieved both awareness of itself and its cause, and set the foundations of excellent management and accountability in place. Open to any charity registered since 1/1/2009.

##### Charity Principal of the

**Year**  
 Awarded to an executive head of an organisation who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and management skills in the running of a charity.

##### Finance Team of the Year

Awarded to a financial team or finance director whose actions have clearly aided a charity in its work or position. The team will also be judged on the clarity of internal communication of financial information to facilitate decision-making, and external communication in terms of reports and accounts, especially evidence shown over the last 12 months.

##### Fundraising Team of the Year

Awarded to a fundraising team on the basis of innovation and results that achieve, or exceed, the aims of a campaign or campaigns during 2009/10.

##### Campaigning

**Team of the Year**  
 Awarded to a campaigning team on the basis of innovation and results that achieve, or exceed, the aims of a campaign or campaigns during 2009/10.

##### Trustee

**Board of the Year**  
 Awarded to a trustee board which

demonstrates exceptionally sound decision making, and has provided ongoing support which allows the charity to most effectively achieve its objectives, within the last year.

**Human Resources Team of the Year**  
 Awarded to an HR team which undertakes best practice in HR strategy, demonstrating that the strategy has been designed with the wider goals of the organisation in mind, and that there is clear evidence of leadership by the HR team/director that has had a successful impact on performance (whether in terms of growth, service, recruitment and retention or meeting specific objectives).

**PR**

**Team of the Year** This award shows excellence in charity PR, either in-house at a charity or an agency undertaking a PR campaign on behalf of a charity. Benefits of the campaign have to be proven, especially a campaign within the last 12 months

**Social Enterprise**

**of the Year** Awarded to a Social Enterprise that the judges believe has consistently delivered outstanding service to its beneficiaries, promoted and raised its cause, been clear in its goals, strategy and vision and demonstrated excellence all round, especially within the last year.

**Best Use of Technology** Awarded to an organisation which demonstrates innovative and effective use of IT in any area of its operations within the last 12 months. Entries can include the use of mobile technology, back-office systems, and other forms of technology.

**Best Use of the Web** Awarded to an organisation which demonstrates innovative and effective use of the web within the last 12 months. This will take account of Web 2.0 technologies, accessibility issues, usability, and how well the web site furthers the organisation's goals.

**Corporate National Partnership of the Year**  
 This award recognises a partnership between a charitable organisation and a corporate entity on a national level which is demonstrably beneficial to both organisations, and which has had quantifiably beneficial results over the last year.

**Corporate Community Local**

**Involvement** This award recognises the active involvement of a commercial company directly with a charitable project in its locality, or through its partnership with a local charitable organisation, that has had a quantifiably positive effect on the local community over the last year.

**Corporate**

**Social Responsibility Project of the Year**  
 This award recognises the active involvement of a commercial company directly with a socially responsible project

which has had a clear connection and benefit on a charity or the charitable sector over the last year.

Best Charity To Work For

Awarded to the charity that has instilled a sense of loyalty and purpose in its employees while also providing them with excellent working conditions. This category is voted on by individuals, but is only open to charities with 20 employees or more.

Professional Services  
 Categories These awards recognise both excellence in the professional services offered to the sector and the additional sector work in which the individual companies engage.

Banking Services  
 Investment

Management  
 ICT

Services  
 Accountancy

Services  
 Insurance

Services

## GuideStar UK website will still be free, says new owner the Directory of Social Change

By John Plummer, Third Sector Online, 3 March 2010

Transfer deal with GuideStar International covered by confidentiality clause  
 The Directory of Social Change pledged yesterday to keep the GuideStar UK website free to users after announcing it had taken control of the site from GuideStar International. The DSC, which provides information and training, mainly for small charities, also acquired GuideStar Data Services, the commercial arm of the organisation.

The terms of the deal are covered by a confidentiality clause, but it is understood no money changed hands.

GuideStar UK holds data on all UK charities in a more searchable form than the Charity Commission database. GuideStar Data Services also gathers details of non-charitable third sector organisations and has information on 350,000 organisations in all.

Although GuideStar Data Services has some high value contracts, the organisation has struggled financially and required subsidy by GuideStar International, according to Debra Allcock Tyler, chief executive of the DSC.

She said the transfer had the potential to improve public understanding of what charities are and do.

GuideStar UK, which attracts 700,000 unique users a year, would continue to be a free site, she said, and the DSC would use it to collate data that would help funders "make more informed grantmaking decisions".

Caroline Neligan, director of partnerships and development at GuideStar International, which has established similar ventures in other countries, said GuideStar Data Services had done a good job of selling data to institutions in a difficult financial climate.

She said giving the site to the DSC was in line with GuideStar International's

strategy of setting up sites and then transferring ownership of them to the not-for-profit sector.

Buzz Schmidt, chief executive of GuideStar International, said he was confident the DSC would "wholeheartedly advance GuideStar's mission to promote greater public understanding of the work of charities".

Three GuideStar employees will transfer to the DSC, which will also recruit two IT staff to develop the site.

Richard Williams, director of enterprise at sector umbrella body the National Council of Voluntary Organisations, said: "The information provided by GuideStar's website is essential to help people understand the scope and impact of our sector, and we find the extra data we purchase a valuable resource for our own research projects. We look forward to the Directory of Social Change continuing this work and driving further improvements."

## Call for tighter regulation of helplines

Submitted by voluntarynews on 5 March 2010 in Care, Health, WelfareRights, support groupsSector networksFrontline SocietyLegal and Regulatory

The recent headlines around the National Bullying Helpline has led to the Helplines Association (<http://www.helplines.org.uk>) to call for tighter regulation, as reported by Civil Society Media,

<http://www.civilsociety.co.uk/governance/news/content/6149/>.

The Association already accredits its own Quality Standard, <http://helplines.community.officelive.com/quality.aspx>, which could be used as a kitemark to indicate helplines that adhere to high standards.

Third Sector news item at <http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/news/987059/> has some interesting comments, including the costs of accreditation for small helplines.

## Voluntary sector staff feeling the recession

Voluntary sector staff feeling the recession 04/03/10

By Andrew Holt

More than 90% of voluntary sector staff feel their well-being is being undermined due to the financial crisis facing charities.

The survey results by Unite, the largest union in the country with 60,000 members in the Not for Profit sector, were announced as its members were due to lobby Parliament on Tuesday, 9 March about the sector's future.

The survey shows that the way contracts are awarded in the voluntary sector – short term with the emphasis on cost-cutting – is having a detrimental effect on the sector’s 750,000 employees and the services they deliver to clients and service users.

The issues raised will be addressed by the Minister for the Third Sector, Angela Smith MP at the lobby in the House of Commons.

The survey asked: Do you believe the way funding is currently structured for your service is having a positive or negative impact on:

• The service received by your clients / service users? 15% were positive and 85% were negative.

• You and your colleagues’ well-being (e.g. physical and mental health, dignity at work, health and safety, and development in the workplace) in your workplace? 8.2% were positive and 91.8% were negative.

Members reported low staff morale, high levels of stress and anxiety, frustration at the short-term nature of contracts, and experienced colleagues leaving as a result of the pressure as well as reduced and stretched services for vulnerable clients.

Rachael Maskell, Unite’s national officer, Not for Profit sector, said: "The shocking results of our survey show a sector hit by a short-term ‘revolving doors’ contract culture which is having a serious adverse affect on employees’ health and well-being.

"We are at a crossroads and Unite wants to work with government and voluntary sector managements to plan for five-to-ten years ahead to bring stability for staff and services. We must end this ‘think only for tomorrow’ culture."

More details can be found on [www.unitetheunion.org/fundinglobby](http://www.unitetheunion.org/fundinglobby)  
Charity Times

## Funding Opportunities and Tenders

### £1k to £5k for youth led media projects - orgs with turnover less than £150k per annum can apply

Mediabox has various schemes to support young people aged 13-19 to develop and produce creative media projects for film, television, radio, online and multi media platforms.

Mediabox have announced some changes to the Mini Mediabox scheme.

Mini Mediabox offers grants of £1,000 - £5,000 for youth-led media projects.

Organisations now must have an annual turnover of under £150,000, which now allows Umbrella groups, schools and colleges to apply. Schools and colleges must be able to prove that disadvantaged young people will benefit from new opportunities. Statutory organisations do not have to have a turnover of less than £150,000.

Applicants now do not need to have a track record of running media-related projects, but they do need to show how they have experience of working with disadvantaged young people.

For more information on the Mini Mediabox scheme click [here](#).

Source SYFAB

### infrastructure orgs, £500 bursary to improve governance & share learning

Cracking the Code Bursary Scheme

Posted: 04 Mar 2010 01:15 AM PST

Cracking the Code is a small bursary scheme from the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO) which offers infrastructure organisations up to £500 to improve their governance based on all, or any, of the principles set out in the guide Good Governance: A code for the Voluntary and Community Sector.

In return they ask that you write a case study and develop a method to share your knowledge and experiences with others in your local area.

The next deadline is 31 March 2010.

Visit the NCVO website [here](#) for more information.

### Up to £15k for innovative solutions to enc safe, educational , inclusive web

UnLtd and the Nominet Trust have Better Net Level 2 Awards

Up to £15,000 available for individuals who have innovative and entrepreneurial solutions to improve and encourage the development of a safe, educational and inclusive Internet.

The Award is flexible and can be used for living expenses and project costs. Support is also available through a Development Manager, who will design a support package tailored to your needs.

Closing date: 22 March 2010

Please contact: visit <http://unltd.org.uk/betternetawards/level2.html> or call 0207 566 1100.  
Better Net Awards of up to £5,000 are also available to individuals and informal groups.  
Please contact: visit <http://unltd.org.uk/betternetawards/index.html> or call 0207 566 1100.

### up to £30k to provide opps for children to make music

#### The Youth Music Open Programme

Funds organisations to improve access to high quality music making for children and young people. They have grants of £5,000 to £30,000 available. The priorities are musical projects which progress skills and development in the following areas:

- Early Years (children aged 0-5)
- Children and young people in challenging circumstances
- Encouragement of children and young people with talent and potential.

Closing date: 10 May 2010, 10 September 2010, 10 December 2010, 10 March 2011

Please contact: Call 020 7902 1060 or visit

[http://www.youthmusic.org.uk/looking\\_for\\_music\\_funding/Open\\_programme.html](http://www.youthmusic.org.uk/looking_for_music_funding/Open_programme.html)

source

### up to £5k to inc numbers for disabled people to volunteer

The Access to Volunteering Fund Pilot aims to increase the number of disabled people in volunteer positions by breaking down the barriers they currently face when wanting to volunteer.

Disabled people are 9% less likely to volunteer than the rest of the population. A lack of special equipment, inappropriate premises, the extra cost of travel and the need for support workers to provide assistance often mean disabled people are prevented from volunteering.

Backed by the Office of the Third Sector, the £2million Access to Volunteering Fund will give small grants to organisations to support disabled people in realising their desire to volunteer.

The pilot will operate initially in three test areas - Greater London, West Midlands and the North West.

The Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) is managing the grant process.

Fill in your details to register to apply for a grant and also to receive updates from Access to Volunteering.

Register

The next deadline for applications is the 19th April 2010.

As part of the pilot we are running a series of events to help organisations understand the many ways they can support disabled volunteers. The events are free, dates and locations are:

Birmingham: 22nd March 2010, 10.00 - 11.30am  
Liverpool: 22nd March 2010, 3.30 - 5.00pm  
London: 23rd March 2010, 10.00 - 11.30am  
If you wish to attend complete the booking form and email it to: [events@accesstovolunteering.org](mailto:events@accesstovolunteering.org).

Please reserve your space as soon as possible as places are limited.

### up to £10k for parent participation - parents of disabled children

#### Phase 3 of the Aiming High for Disabled Children: Parent Participation Grant

The grant is part of the Government's Aiming High for Disabled Children programme and comes from the Department for Children, Schools and Families. £5 million has been allocated from 2008 - 2011 to support the development of the involvement of parent carers in the planning and strategic development of services for disabled children. Grants and support to develop parent participation activities are available in each local authority area in England.

A Phase 3 grant of £10,000 can now be applied for, with one grant available in each local authority area. The grants are to build on the activity carried out in each area under Phase 2. In the main, it is likely that applicants for Phase 3 will be the organisation which led the Phase 2 application. The preferred recipients for the grant are any existing forum, parent support groups interested in developing a participation role, parent partnership services or voluntary organisations which facilitate parent carer involvement. It is important that organisations are working together with other relevant parents' groups in their area.

Closing date: 30 April 2010

Please contact: Call 0121 683 2068 or visit  
<http://www.togetherfdc.org/Topics/PPFundingandGrants.aspx>

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### Ecominds closes 30th April

Ecominds is a grant programme which helps people with experience of mental distress get involved in local environmental projects that improve mental and physical health. Projects can have art as an element but not be exclusively an arts project. Some examples of art include sculptures, mosaics, and living art.

Closing date: 30 April 2010, noon

Please contact: Call 08453 671 671 or visit [www.mind.org.uk/ecominds](http://www.mind.org.uk/ecominds)  
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## are you proud of your workforce development? apply for the Skills for Care Accolade

Social care organisations, individual employers and staff throughout England are invited to submit nominations for a range of categories that celebrate the very best in workforce development.

Nominations are welcome for fourteen categories

Categories 1 - 11 are applicable to the adult social care workforce only

Best employer of under 250 staff  
Best employer of over 250 staff  
Best individual employer who employs their own staff  
Best provider of learning and development  
Most effective recruitment initiative  
Best partnership with people who use services and /or carers  
Best partnership supporting the transformation to personalisation  
Most innovative workforce development practice in a specialist service  
Most effective employer investment in Apprenticeships  
Most effective employer support for continuing professional development of social workers  
Most effective employer support for Newly Qualified Social Worker (NQSW)

Category 12 is applicable to the adults, children and young people's workforce

12. Best quality provision of social work practice placements

Categories 13-14 are applicable to the children and young people's workforce

13. Most effective practice in workforce development across partner agencies
14. Safeguarding children - keeping children safe in social care

Categories 13 and 14 are sponsored by Children's Workforce Development Council (CWDC)

You must first decide which category best fits your nomination. You do this by examining carefully the categories available. Each category is defined by criteria, which encompass elements of the Skills for Care national workforce development strategy and the General Social Care Council Code of Practice (GSCC).

It is also important to note who can nominate and who can be nominated for each category. Once you have made the decision to nominate you need to complete the Nomination forms. If you are nominating for two or more categories a separate nomination form must be completed for each entry.

Nomination forms are available to download and complete from the nomination forms section

Please take time before completing the nomination form to read the rules of entry.

Nomination forms should be clearly completed and can either be filled in using the online application form, electronically or by hand.

If you require this information in an alternative format please contact



accolades@skillsforcare.org.uk or call 0113 241 1295.

Please download and read the booklet below before completing your nomination  
Nomination information booklet (pdf)

skills for care website

### up to £5k for refugee led community cohesion projects

RISE, the Refugee Initiative for Social Entrepreneurs from UnLtd

Supports refugees to set up projects that will encourage community cohesion and make their communities happier, healthier and safer places. Awards of between £500 and £5000, plus project management support and training, is available to help individuals or small groups of refugees turn their ideas into a reality.

To be eligible you must be a refugee with proof of status, living in England, over the age of 16 and applying as an individual or as part of an informal group.

Closing date: 21 March 2010

Please contact: Call 0207 566 1100 or visit

<http://unltd.org.uk/template.php?ID=55&PageName=rise:refugeeawardsscheme>

### Project / Business development grants up to £20k from Community Builders Fund

Communitybuilders Fund -

The Communitybuilders Fund offers loans, grants and business support. There are three different elements to the fund which are meant to meet the needs of organisations at different stages in their journey to sustainability. They are Development, Feasibility and Investment.

The Feasibility element of the Fund is for organisations that have ideas and need assistance with project development. The aim is to develop organisations to such a level that they can qualify for investment. This part of the fund can provide business development grants of £10,000 to £20,000 for project development. There will also be a handful of grants of up to £75,000 for larger projects.

The Investment element of the Fund is for organisations that are ready to grow and expand their role within the community and are on the way towards financial self-reliance through the generation of unrestricted and/or earned income. Loans are a fundamental part of this element and bringing organisations to the point where they are ready to take on a loan is the ultimate aim of the Fund.



[www.socialinvestmentbusiness.org/feasabilitygrants6](http://www.socialinvestmentbusiness.org/feasabilitygrants6)

Source

### small grants for musical entertainment for older people - support small groups

Concertina Charitable Trust

area: England and Wales

Concertina makes grants to charitable bodies which provide musical entertainment and related activities for the elderly. This not only brightens up their lives, but also provides a therapeutic benefit to their health and wellbeing.

Concertina is keen to support smaller organisations which might otherwise find it difficult to gain funding. Since its inception in 2004, it has made grants to a wide range of charitable organisations nationwide in England and Wales. These include funds to many care homes for the elderly to provide musical entertainment for their residents.

[www.concertinamusic.org.uk](http://www.concertinamusic.org.uk)

Source

### funding for integration of refugees from UK border agency

Funding from the UK Border Agency

The Home Office's UK Border Agency has announced that the call for proposals for the European Refugee Fund is now open. The fund is aimed mainly at organisations setting up projects to help integrate refugees, or people who have been granted humanitarian protection or discretionary leave. Around £800,000 is available.

The deadline for applications is 25 March 2010.

The Border Agency is also calling for proposals to the European Return Fund. A minimum fund of £500,000 is available to co-fund projects that are setting up or improving counselling, information and specific assistance to third country nationals on return measures. The deadline for applications to this fund is also 25 March 2010.

For more information on these funds, see the Border Agency website.

Source SYFAB

### £40k to support youth group to distribute small grants -to indivs & small grps of young people

Mediabox is inviting applications to Big Mediabox Contract. This is a large grant of £40,000 that will support organisations to manage and deliver a regional bursary project for disadvantaged young people aged 13-19. Organisations will distribute small grants of £500-£1000 to individual or small groups of young people. It is designed for lead organisations whose main business is to work with and support disadvantaged young people. Deadline: 31st March 2010.  
source Syfab

### up to £300k to prevent & combat violence against children, YP, women EU partnership req

The Daphne III programme Prevent and combat violence against children, young people and women and to protect victims and groups at risk is currently accepting applications for action grants.

Projects require a minimum partnership of 2 organisations from different EU member states and must have a duration of 12 or 24 months.

Grants of €75,000 - €300,000 are available for 12-month projects and €150,000 - €600,000 available for 24-month projects, which may constitute a maximum of 80% of overall eligible project cost.

The deadline for applications is 30 April 2010, 12:00 CET.

All applications must be made through the PRIAMOS online system. You need to register to use PRIAMOS well in advance. All application documents can only be accessed through PRIAMOS.

For more information visit the Europa website here.

Source SYFAB

### tender - marketing support for the create festival over 5 olympic boroughs

Marketing Support for the 2010 CREATE Festival (26.5KB)

Supporting Documents:

CREATE Marketing Brief (101KB)

RFQ - Marketing Support (51KB)

### Tender: Public Art Support Programme

UK-LONDON: FIVE HOST BOROUGH PUBLIC ART SUPPORT PROGRAMME:  
PHASE 2

Entry Date: 04/03/2010

Reference: S2G100304123914/01

Type of document: Contract notice

Country: United Kingdom

## Competitive Contract Notice

1. Title: UK-London: FIVE HOST BOROUGH PUBLIC ART SUPPORT PROGRAMME: PHASE 2

2. Awarding Authority: London Borough of Hackney, Postal Address: Town Hall, Mare Street, Hackney, Town: London, Telephone: 07954 493 119, E-mail: [anna@annadoyleprojects.com](mailto:anna@annadoyleprojects.com), Contact Point(s): Host Boroughs Unit, For the attention of: Anna Doyle, Postal Code: E8 1EA, Country: UNITED KINGDOM, Fax: , General address of the contracting authority (URL): [www.hackney.gov.uk](http://www.hackney.gov.uk), Address of the Buyer Profile (URL):

3. Contract type: Services

4. Description: The five London boroughs of Greenwich, Hackney, Newham, Tower Hamlets and Waltham Forest are strongly committed to achieving a lasting legacy from the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics Games. They have set up a Host Boroughs Unit to help facilitate this vision.

The Culture team within the Host Boroughs Unit is seeking to build on the successful Five Host Borough Public Art Support Programme (Phase 1 conducted by Art in the Open), by commissioning a Phase 2 Work Programme to support the activity that is being carried out by Design for London within East/South East London in terms of Public Realm, as well as the opportunities provided by the Multi-Area Agreement Public Realm theme group.

This next phase will support the remit for the Host Boroughs to improve the physical environment and create a vision for people and places. The proposed project approach will underline that through commissioning and supporting high quality art and cultural interventions in the public realm, this helps meet the Host Boroughs aims of improving the physical environment, connecting people and places, engaging local artists as part of the legacy benefits of the Olympics.

5. CPV code: 72224000: Project management consultancy services.

6. NUTS code: UKI12.

7. Main site or location of works, main place of delivery or main place of performance: Inner London - East.

8. Reference attributed by awarding authority: HPS/N&R0051

9. Estimated Value of Requirement: Category K: 10K to 25K  
Currency: GBP

10. Deadline for expression of interest: 11/03/2010

Time: 12:00

11. Address to which they must be sent: London Borough of Hackney, Postal Address: Email submissions only, Town: , Telephone: 07954 493 119, E-mail: [anna@annadoyleprojects.com](mailto:anna@annadoyleprojects.com), Contact Point(s): Host Boroughs Unit, For the attention of: Anna Doyle, Postal Code: , Country: , Fax: , General address of the contracting authority (URL): , Address of the Buyer Profile (URL):

12. Other information: Proposals should be submitted by email to Anna Doyle, Culture Project Manager no later than Midday, 11th March at [anna@annadoyleprojects.com](mailto:anna@annadoyleprojects.com).

The specification and Request for Quotation Form can be downloaded from the London Borough of Hackney's website at the following link: <http://www.hackney.gov.uk/f-tenders-828.htm>

13. Submitted date: 04/03/2010





## Jobs and Volunteering

### Programmes Manager

1 year initially with possibility of being extended  
Tower Hamlets Summer University is about to rebrand as FUTUREVERSITY so we can strengthen our reputation at a local, regional and national level.  
We are recruiting for a full time Programmes Manager to be responsible for managing programmes and partnerships in Tower Hamlets.

The Programmes Manager is responsible for:

Overseeing the delivery of the summer and year round programmes including managing a team of dedicated delivery staff  
Providing strategic vision and development for the Programmes Team and their projects  
Managing the programmes budgets and effective monitoring of all programmes  
Ensuring FUTUREVERSITY: Tower Hamlets programmes comply with the FUTUREVERSITY model  
Download application pack

Salary:£30,658

Location:Tower Hamlets

Closing Date:22 March 2010

## Courses and Training

### Human Rights Act as a practical tool for advocating womens rights - for womens orgs in Hackney

The Hackney Women's Forum plans to use its learning bursary of £500 on human rights training for women's organisations in Hackney. Please find attached details about this training which will be delivered by the British Institute for Human Rights. Given that we are working in the field of equalities it would be useful to know how to use the Human Rights Act as a practical tool for advocating for women's rights. This training is scheduled for Thursday, 18th March (this was originally the date set for the next Forum meeting). It will run from 10.00 am to 4 pm. We do need to receive confirmation that you will be attending the course because numbers are limited by room space. It will be held at the Hackney Carers Centre. There is a lift if you require one. We will be providing lunch and refreshments. Again please let us know if you are interested in attending this course. It is open to either yourself, or management committee or volunteer working in your organisation. Kind regards, Marika 07950 220214

## Children and Young People

### Fundraising training day 9 March - can attend half day - FR ideas am ; FR online pm

<p align="center">**\*\*HCVS Fundraising training day &ndash; 9 March**

Next Tuesday, 9 March, we are running two workshops to help you fundraise. We still have places left &ndash; so book yours today!

Fundraising Ideas - 10am - 1pm

Venue: HCVS, 84 Springfield House, 5 Tyssen Street London E8 2LY

Please contact: HCVS on 020 7923 1962 or visit

<http://www.hcvs.org.uk/en/pages/consultancy/fundraisingideas.aspx>

Fundraising Online - 2 - 4.30pm

Venue: ELATT, 260 - 264 Kingsland Road, London, E8 4DG

Please contact: HCVS on 020 7923 1962 or visit

<http://www.hcvs.org.uk/en/pages/consultancy/fundraisingonline.aspx>

## Consultations and Surveys

### changes to acute care consultation

A major consultation on changes to acute health services in North East London is underway and time is running out to have your say! Health for North East London has put proposals together to change the way hospitals provide services such as Accident and Emergency, maternity care and planned surgery.

The deadline to respond to these plans is 22 March.

The Health for North East London proposals are based on Lord Darzi's vision for healthcare, as well as results from an earlier Healthcare for London review.

The changes aim to ensure people receive the best specialist care available and can also access appropriate services closer to their homes. Suggestions include:

Concentrating specialist services (such as complex vascular surgery and surgery on children) at the Royal London Hospital and Queen's Hospital.

Developing urgent care centres and polyclinics to provide a wider range of services, whilst transferring Accident and Emergency away from King George's Hospital.

Have your say on these important changes!

For more information, please contact Health for North East London using the following details:

Website: [www.health4nel.nhs.uk](http://www.health4nel.nhs.uk)

Telephone: 020 7092 5495

Email: [healthfornel@thpct.nhs.uk](mailto:healthfornel@thpct.nhs.uk)

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