

Action *with* Communities in Rural Kent

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Help Available with

- **Community Halls** Advisor can provide specialist advice
- **Village Plans** In depth help can be given in their preparation
- **Rural Housing** Professional advice available for local schemes
- **Rural Transport** Help to address the lack of public transport
- **Rural Retail** Assisting rural retailers in meeting current challenges

Village of the Year Competition

- **Funding Buddies**
- **KentCAN FINC** Funding Information Networking Celebration





Welcome to
Funding Buddies

Two Areas of Support

Help with accessing Funding

Help with the Bid-Writing process

HELPING GROUPS TO BECOME MORE EFFECTIVE

- Knowledge of funding that is available
- How to Access this Funding
- What Help and Assistance is available
- Increasing confidence in writing Bids



Accessing Funding Information

Websites

- www.fundingbuddiesinkent.org.uk
- www.open4community.info/kent
- www.biglotteryfund.org.uk
- www.kent.gov.uk



Accessing Funding Help

- Approach Funders Direct
- Speak to Umbrella Organisations
eg. Thanet Voluntary and Community Sector Forum, Rural Kent, External Funding Depts. of the Local and County Councils
- Internet Funding Information Sites
- Funding Newsletters and Magazines
- Funding Buddies Project



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Funding churches and charities in Kent



Garfield Weston
FOUNDATION

FUNDING BUDDIES

Network of Funding Advisors has been recruited to visit groups and assist them to develop new and existing projects.

Advisors will investigate relevant/suitable funders using their existing skills and funding tools.

Suitable grants will be identified and advisors will then assist with the completion of the bid and at the same time pass on their specialist knowledge. This will enable groups to apply effectively for funding in the future.

In Conclusion

[Sign up for Newsletters](#)

[View Funding Websites](#)

[Speak to Thanet and Community Sector Forum](#)

[Contact Funding Officer at KCC](#)

[Contact your Local Council](#)

[Give Rural Kent a Call](#)

KentCAN

- F - Funding
- I - Information
- N - Networking
- C - Celebration



Kent CAN

Kent Community Alliance Network

Planned Support

- Mini Funding Fairs
- Training Days
- Find Your Funder Days
- Funding Buddy Support

The Big Event

- **2010**
- Major Funding Fair – East Kent
- Major Funding Fair - West Kent



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South East
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South East Region

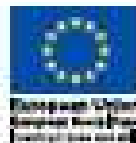
ESF Community Grants



Developing the
skills of local
people

Supporting people
into employment

The South East Region
Community Grants programme
is funded by the Learning &
Skills Council in Europe in
addition to ESF funding
by Surrey Community Action



Partner:



About ESF Community Grants

South East Region ESF Community Grants are part of the European Social Fund (ESF) programme, distributing £2,285,000 in small grants during 2008 - 2010.

Grants of up to £12,000 are available to third sector organisations in the South East who support the most disadvantaged individuals to access further learning opportunities or progress to employment. People benefiting from these grants will be overcoming barriers to access services and will not be in paid work or be economically inactive.

Priority will be given to groups who work with:

- ✓ Lone parents
- ✓ Women
- ✓ People with health/disability issues
- ✓ Older people (50 years plus)
- ✓ People from ethnic minorities and diverse communities

A limited number of discretionary grants will be made to small voluntary and community organisations during 2009 to help them develop their skills and capacity.

Who Can Apply

Charity or 'not for profit' and voluntary and community organisations based and providing services in Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Hampshire, Kent, Oxfordshire, Surrey and Sussex.

How to Apply

You will need to complete an application form telling us about your project. To obtain a form return the tear-off slip or contact your local Community Grants Manager as shown on the back of this leaflet.

Grants will be distributed in December 2008 and the spring and autumn of 2009 and 2010.

Examples of what we CAN fund include:

- ✓ Staff and trainer costs
- ✓ Transport costs
- ✓ Venue hire
- ✓ Single items of equipment under £1,000 where these are essential to the project. (Projects primarily for equipment may not be eligible.)

Payments to beneficiaries for child care etc. are also available.

Types of Projects We Can Fund

We are looking to fund projects that engage participants in activities that will encourage further learning and/or lead to employment. Project activities could include:

- ✓ Initial help for people who need support with basic skills or for whom English is a second language
- ✓ Training in new skills or skills development
- ✓ Providing advice and coaching/mentoring
- ✓ Helping people with confidence building and personal development through training courses, coaching/mentoring or peer group support
- ✓ Assisting people with job searches, including CV and interview support
- ✓ Providing basic work experience including voluntary work or arranging such placements
- ✓ Helping people with first contact engagement activities, e.g. to provide support to individuals to help them overcome barriers to learning and/or employment.

Who can Apply

- Charities
- Not for Profit Groups
- Voluntary or Community Groups

Types of Projects it can Fund

- Basic Skills where English is Second Language
- Skills Development
- Confidence Building
- Providing Taster Work Experience including Voluntary Work
- Provision of Advice and Coaching/mentoring

What can be Funded

- Staff and Trainer Costs
- Transport Costs
- Venue Hire
- Single Capital Items of Equipment cost less than £1,000
- Child Care Costs

Amount of Grant Available

- £12,000
- Next Closing Date
First week of April
- Help available in
completing application

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Two Grants available:

- **New Parish Plan grants**
- **Small Project grants**

New Parish Plan grants

- This grant is targeted at **rural communities undertaking a parish plan for the first time.**
- **Who Can Apply?**
 - Parish Plan grants are **only** available for charities and other properly constituted organisations (including Parish Councils) working within the districts of **Ashford, Canterbury, Dover, Shepway, Swale and Thanet.**
- **This Grant will not Fund**
 - Retrospective claims
 - Salaries
- **Scale of Grants**
 - The maximum grant is **£1400 or 50%** of the total cost of your project, whichever is the lower.
 - For a list of parishes in your area that have completed a plan email Victoria.Lawson@ruralkent.org.uk

Small projects grants

- This grant is targeted at new or existing Community Groups (but not parish councils) with projects that make a difference to rural life.
- **Who Can Apply**
 - Small project grants are only available for charities and other properly constituted organisations working within the districts of **Ashford, Canterbury, Dover, Shepway, Swale and Thanet.**
- **Scale of Grants**
 - The maximum grant is **£15000 or 75%** of the total cost of your project, whichever is the lower.
- **Eligible projects**
 - All projects should be sustainable – continuing beyond the spending of the grant;
 - The project might be a new and innovative idea;
 - the adaptation or extension of an existing facility
 - Or any other activity that creates a wider range of opportunity for rural people.
- **Exclusions**
 - Retrospective claims
 - Salaries
 - General running costs of an organisation
 - Many more detailed in the guidance notes

Applications and guidance

- Application forms and detailed guidance notes can be downloaded from our website

<http://www.ruralkent.org.uk/ourwork/grants-funding.htm>

If you are considering an application we encourage you to contact us and discuss your ideas before submitting the application.

For Parish Plans contact Victoria.Lawson@ruralkent.org.uk

Or Kathy.Bugden@ruralkent.org.uk

For Small Projects grants contact trevor.skelton@ruralkent.org.uk