



Changing Spaces (England) Programme

Our Changing Spaces programme will invest around £200 million in environmental projects in England, including schemes to improve green spaces, grow local food and help community groups to reduce the amount of energy they use. We are working with five organizations that have the skills and experience to run an effective environmental programme on our behalf. Each organisation is running an England wide, open grants programme. If you have a project that you think fits under one of the programmes, please visit the relevant organisation's website (the addresses are in this leaflet), or call the Changing Spaces Advice Line on 0845 3 671 671 (textphone 0845 6 02 16 59).

Voluntary and community sector organisations can apply to all of these programmes, but other types of organisation can apply to only some of them. Please check your organisation is eligible before you apply.

For further information/to download and information leaflet on this grants scheme please look at the Big Lottery Fund's website:

www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_changing_spaces_leaflet.pdf

bre Community Sustainable Energy Programme

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Community Sustainable Energy Programme (run by Building Research Establishment)

This programme will pay for communitybased organisations to install renewable energy sources (such as wind turbines and solar panels) and energy saving measures (such as roof and cavity wall insulation). Development grants of up to £5,000 and capital grants of up to £50,000 are available.

For more information visit www.communitysustainable.org.uk





Community Spaces programme (run by Groundwork UK)

This programme is for community groups who want to improve local green spaces such as play areas, community gardens, parks, wildlife areas and village greens. Grants range from £10,000 to £49,999. A small number of larger grants of up to £450,000 are also available. For more information visit www.community-spaces.org.uk

Ecominds programme (run by Mind)

This programme is for a range of groups who want to encourage people with experience of mental distress to get involved in environmental projects, such as improving open spaces and wildlife habitats, designing public art and recycling. Small grants of up to £20,000 and larger grants of up to £250,000 are available. For more information visit www.ecominds.org.uk





Access to Nature programme (run by Natural England)

This programme is for a range of organisations who want to encourage people from all backgrounds to learn more about and enjoy the natural environment. It funds projects in urban, rural and coastal communities and aims to reach people who currently have little or no contact with nature. Grants range from £50,000 to £500,000. A small number of larger grants will be available to projects that have a national significance. For more information visit www.naturalengland.org.uk/accessstonature



Access to Nature - Guidance Note 2

Education, learning and volunteering

Please read this guidance note in association with Access to Nature General Guidance Notes which can be found on:

www.naturalengland.org.uk/accessstonature

One of the outcomes of Access to Nature is to provide more opportunities for learning about the natural environment and to gain new skills. The associated target we aim to reach is that 125,000 people will benefit from improved information and have increased opportunities to participate in



and learn about the natural environment. The imaginative use of environmental education delivered either through formal or informal ways can stimulate a life long interest in the natural environment. Volunteering too, in all its variety, can bring about social as well as environmental benefits. The list below outlines just some of the wealth of opportunities that can be included in an application to Access to Nature. The list is not definitive and all proposals can be discussed with a regional or national adviser. Potential activities that can be funded:

- Volunteering and volunteer leadership programmes to engage local communities with the natural environment. This could take the form of volunteers undertaking environmental works such as the creation of other holts and species surveys, leading guided walks or undertaking other training related to these activities e.g. Health and Safety or First Aid.

- Support of life long learning programmes and the development of apprenticeship schemes such as traditional countryside skills, volunteer rangers and field skills such as species identification.

- Conservation and site management activities by beneficiaries to develop community and social skills.

- The development of environmental education programmes to add value to out-of-school learning linked to natural places.

- Support of natural play and experimental learning programmes aimed at engaging children and young people with the natural environment.

- Outreach work where there is potential to 'build bridges' between communities (e.g. schools, housing estates, youth clubs etc) and the natural environment.

How much can I apply for?

We will award grants of between £50,000 and £500,000 to support projects that deliver one or more of the scheme's main outcomes. In addition we will make a small number of larger grants of over £500,000 for projects which have a national significance or impact.

Ineligible activities that cannot be funded under Access to Nature:

Activities based within school grounds (e.g school nature areas etc) or projects involving physical works to school grounds. Outdoor learning that does not connect people to the natural environment, e.g. some formal sports. For further information on this fund please email enquiries.westmidlands@naturalengland.org.uk. You will receive a reply within 10 working days.

For general Natural England enquiries, please call 0845 600 3078 (local rate) or see [Enquiry Service](#)



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J Paul Getty Jr Charitable Trust

Conservation - Conservation in the broadest sense, with an emphasis on ensuring that fine buildings, landscapes and collections remain or become available to the general public or scholars. Training in conservation skills. Not general building repair work.

Environment - Mainly gardens, historic landscape and wilderness.

How to apply - Applications can be made to the Director at any time. There are 'no closing dates', and all letters of appeal should receive an initial response within 6 weeks. Please write a letter of no more than two sides long detailing:

the purpose and nature of the project, intended beneficiaries, budget, existing sources of finance, other funding applications, including those to statutory sources and the Lottery, whether you have previously applied to us, successfully or otherwise.

Please do not send videos, DVDs, CDs, tapes or bulky reports. They are unlikely to be reviewed and cannot be returned.

Annual accounts will be requested if your application is going to be taken further.

How to contact the Trust

Please send applications to:

Elizabeth Rantzen

Director

J. Paul Getty Jr. Charitable Trust

1 Park Square West

London

NW1 4LJ

Tel: (020) 7486 1859





SITA TRUST - Nature Funding

Enriching Nature Programme

Enriching Nature is the name of SITA Trust's funding programme for wildlife projects. We can support projects within ten miles of landfill sites (owned by any company) in England. Not for profit organisations, charities, and Local Authorities can apply.

The Enriching Nature programme was devised in partnership with Regional Biodiversity Fora across England and will provide £13.5M funding over a three year period.

What types of project will SITA Trust Support?

We provide funding to support species and habitats that have been identified as a priority by the Biodiversity Action Planning process. SITA Trust can fund physical improvements at specified sites, as well as monitoring and research at specific sites.

Which parts of the country can receive funding?

The majority of England is within ten miles of a landfill site, so there are very few restrictions on where we can fund.

How much can I apply for?



We have created two funding bands:

Small Fund: projects up to £25,000 - projects of this value should ideally meet national and regional priorities for species and habitats, but local priorities will also be considered.

Large Fund: projects up to £175,000 - projects of this value must meet national priorities for species and habitats.

Before you apply, you need to find out how much money is available in your region. Do this by clicking on Regional Availability in this section.

Also, please note:

Our guidance notes provide more information about the types of projects we can support and what we are unable to support. It is also worth keeping in mind that projects must be directly concerned with physical, on-site work or research / monitoring at specified site(s).

What should I do next?

Read our guidance notes thoroughly

Speak to the Trust if you are unsure about anything

If you have any questions or would like anything explaining in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Email: sita.trust@sita.co.uk





SITA TRUST - GREENPRINTS< ENGLAND

Aged 16-25? Want to make your mark on the environment?

GreenPrints is an England-wide volunteering programme offering opportunities for you to simply turn up and take part in one or two-day conservation **Events**.

Or, for those that fancy a slightly bigger challenge, GreenPrints offers the opportunity for you to design and deliver your own **Flagship** project over a longer period of time and have a budget of up to £10,000 to do it.

One or two day conservation projects

- **Simply turn up and take part**
- **Get a taste for improving your local environment**

Want to make a difference but not sure how? GreenPrints Events are one or two day conservation projects focusing on improving the environment for people and wildlife.

Events are taking place all over England and range from planting trees on a city farm to building other holts on a nature reserve.

No prior experience is required. We'll provide the tools and materials so all you have to do is sign up, turn up and start making your mark on the environment



- **Your own project lasting up to 12 months**
- **Improve a space that means something to you**
- **Get up to £10,000 and a Mentor for support**

GreenPrints Flagships have been developed to help you turn your ideas into reality.

It's simple, you come up with an idea to improve a local green space for people and wildlife. If we think it's a good idea we'll provide a Mentor to support you and up to £10,000 to make it happen.

Flagship projects should focus on improving an outdoor space which is open to the public. That could be a park, playing field, river, beach or cycle path.

The space isn't too important – it's how you improve it that matters.

The GreenPrints programme is managed by SITA Trust

If you have any questions or would like anything explaining in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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STEEL CHARITABLE TRUST

Grant Making Policy

The Steel Charitable Trust is a grant-making trust supporting general charitable purposes. It is the policy of the Trustees to make grants to a wide range of charitable bodies, including those mentioned in the Deed of Settlement.

Grants are made to registered charities in the UK within the following funding priority areas:

- Health & Medical Research
- Social Services
- Environment and Culture

30% of all grants are made to organisations in the Luton and Bedfordshire areas.

Please note that the Trust does not fund individuals or expeditions.

Grants are made at regular intervals during the year and the total level of grants is approximately £1,000,000 per annum. Grants are generally made as single payments between £1,000 and £25,000.

The Trust receives more applications than it has funds to support. In many cases it may not be possible to make grants for projects within the funding priorities.

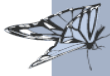
All applicants must complete the online application form. There is no deadline for applications and all will be acknowledged. Trustees meet regularly during the year and applications are usually processed within five months. All successful applicants will be notified by email and will be required to provide written confirmation of the details of the project or work for which they are seeking a grant.

To comply with the Data Protection Act 1998, applicants are required to consent to the use of personal data supplied by them in the processing and review of their application. This includes transfer to and use by such individuals and organisations as the Trust deems appropriate. The Trust requires the assurance of the applicant that personal data about any other individual is supplied to the Trust with his/her consent. At the point of submitting an online application, applicants are asked to confirm this consent and assurance.

Please contact the Trust via email to the following address:

Email: administrator@steelcharitabletrust.org.uk





VOLVO ECO ADVENTURE

AWARDS FOR YOUNG ENVIRONMENTALISTS

Volvo Eco Adventure - Awards for Young Environmentalists

The Volvo Eco Adventure is an award scheme for young environmentalists. The scheme provides grants of £500 to young people aged 10-16 who are involved in local environmental activities.

Groups of young people can apply for one of ten annual awards of £500 to help fund an environmental project in their school, youth group, Wildlife Watch group or local community.

Projects can focus on one of the following areas: Biodiversity, Energy, Transport, Water conservation, Waste and recycling

The best project in each category will be granted an award of £500 and five additional awards of £500 are available for projects which address any environmental issue.

Groups of young people aged between 10 and 16 years old. Your group can be made up of people from: School, Youth group, Environmental Group, Community Group, Scouts, Guides Each group needs to have an adult supervisor. Your project may address any of the following topics: Biodiversity, Energy, Transport, Water, Waste and Recycling

The UK judging panel will consider all entries according to the following criteria: 1. Project Research – Does your entry demonstrate a good understanding of the issues you are addressing? Have you explained what you have done to research the issue? 2. Project Planning – Does your entry outline your project plans to show how your project can be practically achieved by the young people? 3. Communications – How well has the group communicated their aims with others? Has the group presented their project plans to different groups of people? 4. Team work – Have the young people worked together to plan and implement the project?



For further information please contact:

Amanda James, Fast Track, 21 Dartmouth Street, London, N16 0AS, (0)207 593 5278 - www.volvocars.co.uk/ecoadventure



What areas do we support?

Our primary interests are in the UK's cultural life, education, the natural environment and enabling people who are disadvantaged to participate more fully in society.

We welcome your suggestions about how we can help your organisation. We are particularly interested in hearing about how the work you are proposing:

- Addresses a significant gap in provision
- Develops or strengthens good practice
- Challenges convention or takes a risk in order to address a difficult issue
- Tests out new ideas or practices
- Takes an enterprising approach to achieving your aims
- Sets out to influence policy or change behaviour more widely

What type of funding do we offer?

At Esmée Fairbairn we are happy to consider requests to fund core costs or project costs. These may include running costs such as staff salaries and overheads but generally not equipment costs.

New and emerging organisations may apply and we are willing to help finance the early stages of developing a convincing new idea in order to test



its feasibility and give it the best possible chance of success.

We occasionally fund research where we consider it is likely to have a practical impact.

If you ask for our assistance, you should tell us how much you need. The average Esmée Fairbairn grant is worth about £50,000, but we are happy to consider requests for less or more money.



You can apply if:

you are a not-for-profit group or you are a parish or town council, school or health body

you have a bank account that requires at least two unrelated people to sign each cheque or withdrawal

you have a governing body with at least three unrelated members

you can use the grant within one year.

We cannot award grants to profit-making companies, statutory bodies not mentioned above or individuals.

How much can you apply for?

Between £300 and £10,000 to fund a specific project or activity. Organisations can receive up to a maximum of £10,000 from Awards for All in any two year period. Groups can only make one application at a time. Awards for All will fund a wide range of projects and activities.

If you have a general enquiry or want an application form, please contact us on one of the following.

Telephone: **0845 600 20 40**

Textphone: 0845 755 66 56

Email: general.enquiries@awardsforall.org.uk





E.ON SOURCE

At E.ON we are committed to investing in the communities where we live and work and the E.ON SOURCE Fund has been developed as part of that commitment.

We recognise the importance of developing sustainable energy solutions and also the role that community organisations can play in leading by example and influencing communities on the benefits and importance of using energy wisely.

In addition to the information and advice on this website, the SOURCE Fund therefore offers grants of up to £30,000 to community groups and not for profit organisations who wish to consider and implement sustainable energy projects in their buildings - from energy efficiency through to micro-generation.

Who can apply?

Local community groups and not for profit organisations located in England, Scotland and Wales. Joint proposals (e.g. with local authorities) will be considered, although the community organisation must lead the application.

We can support applications from religious or political organisations if the technology or measures are to be installed in a community building that is available for the whole community to use regardless of religious or political beliefs. Benefits to the whole community must be clearly demonstrated.

Project Eligibility

1. Projects must result in the creation of renewable energy and/or a reduction in the amount of energy used
2. Projects must have a positive impact on the local community



3. Projects must have a measurable positive impact on the environment - most likely to be demonstrated through carbon savings
4. Funding must be used for the purchase and implementation of capital equipment, physical measures and associated costs only
5. Funding will not be granted solely for promotions, education or general awareness raising however this may be considered where it forms part of a wider project which meets points 1 and 4 and relates to the technology or measures that will be installed
6. Funding cannot be granted solely for feasibility studies
7. Project proposals must show that they can be completed within reasonable timescales and costs, and all projects must complete within 12 months of the grant being awarded
8. E.ON must be the sole corporate sponsors of the project however applications from projects supported by joint funding from matching public sector funding are accepted
9. Projects must involve and/or have consent from the local community, and where relevant their local authority in their planning and application
10. Projects must be sustainable beyond support from the Fund. Please provide evidence of this within your application.
11. The maximum grant we will award is 90% of the total cost of the measures applied for.
12. You can not apply for funding if work has already begun on your project.
13. Funding can only be sought for non-residential facilities.

How to apply

To apply for funding download and complete the application form.



To find out more about the fund and to understand if your organisation could be eligible to apply for a grant Please contact tony.jenkin-jones@eon-uk.com



The Naturesave Trust

Registered charity no: 1048505

The Naturesave Trust is funded directly from the premiums of Naturesave Policies Ltd household, travel and personal accident policies.

The scope of projects funded is broad. We seek to financially assist those projects that deal with the root of a specific environmental and/or conservationist problem and those that encourage the greater commercial adoption of sustainable development.

As a new business entrepreneur who is keen to set up a company/organisation, which seeks to promote greater awareness of sustainable development, you may be eligible for a business grant to assist your start up. Alternatively you may be an existing company and or charity which is seeking match funding or funding for a specific project. In either case have a look at the projects that we have funded below and if you feel your activities would be of interest to The Naturesave Trust, please fully complete, sign and date an [application form](#) and return it to us for consideration. There are no deadlines for applications, which are dealt with on a 'rolling' basis, and the funding available for projects ranges from £100 to £10,000, with the average grant being around £2,000.

For further information on this grant fund please contact

Naturesave Policies Ltd - Ensuring our future!

58 Fore Street, Totnes TQ9 5RU

Phone: 01803 864 390 Fax: 01803 864 441

Email: mail@naturesave.co.uk



MARMOT CHARITABLE TRUST

This is to make grants for general charitable purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

Charity category Additional information provided by charity

- Environment/Conservation/Heritage

More info is available from www.guidestar.org.uk

C/O THE SECRETARY
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The Drinking Fountain Association welcomes applications for grants to help fund projects to provide clean drinking water. We provide grants for the supply of School Drinking Water Fountains, the Restoration of Existing Drinking Water Fountains and for various Overseas Projects.

To receive a grant your project will need to meet the Association's Objectives which are:-

- The promotion of the provision of drinking water for people and animals in the United Kingdom and Overseas
- The preservation of the Association's archive materials, artefacts, drinking fountains, cattle troughs and other installations

The main criteria for considering a grant to a non-UK project are that they would provide drinking water for people and animals, and the charity requesting the grant is registered in the UK.

In addition, in considering an application for a grant trustees also require the following information:

- A copy of the most recent audited accounts
- How has the cost of the project been ascertained, e.g. qualified surveyor etc.,
- How many people/animals is it estimated would use the fountain/trough in a day
- Will the charity supervise the project, if not who would
- Where is it anticipated the remainder of the funds to complete the project will come from.

For more information on this funder please visit the website www.drinkingfountains.org





ERNEST COOK TRUST

WHAT SORT OF PROJECTS ARE SUPPORTED?

The Trust's grants policy is influenced by Ernest Cook's two great passions, namely art and country estates. Grants, which must always be for clearly educational purposes, aim principally to focus upon the needs of children and young people. It is appreciated that sometimes a contribution will be required towards the salary of an education officer, but the ECT always expects to be a part funder and does not usually commit funds for more than one year; successful applicants are normally asked to wait two years before applying for further help. A few research grants are awarded if the work links in to the above interests.

Grants range from £100 to £4,000 in the small grants category, of which modest amounts for educational resources for small groups form a large part. The Trustees notice that the small grants programme always seems to bring great benefits. At the two main meetings grants are mostly in the range £5,000 - £15,000, with only a few larger awards for projects closely connected with the Trust's land holdings and educational interests. One award of £50,000 is made annually; application for this is by invitation only.

ARE THERE ANY RESTRICTIONS?

- Grants are not made to individuals nor to Agricultural Colleges.
- Applicants must represent either registered charities or not-for-profit organisations.
- Grants are not awarded retrospectively.
- Building work or refurbishment work is not funded.
- Youth work, social support, therapy, or medical treatment, are outside the scope of the trust.
- Projects related to sports, outward bound type activities or recreation are not considered.
- Overseas projects are not supported.
- Support for Wildlife Trusts and for Farming & Wildlife Advisory Groups is normally restricted to those which are based in counties in which the ECT owns land.



- Grants are usually awarded on an annual basis.
- Applications in support of bids for special status are only considered where the school is on or abutting ECT land holdings.

HOW CAN I APPLY?

There is no application form. Applicants are asked to send a covering letter addressed to the Grants Administrator as well as describing their educational project clearly on no more than two sheets of A4, specifying how any grant will be spent. A simple budget for that project should be included, noting any other funding applications. The latest annual report and accounts for the organisation should also be included. Please do not send further supporting material or e mail applications.

If necessary, please contact the Grants Office to discuss a potential application.

A list of grants awarded by the ECT is carried in the Annual Review; it is available to view on the website or, by request, as hard copy.

All enquiries to: The Grants Administrator, The Ernest Cook Trust, Fairford, Gloucestershire, GL7 4JH - Telephone: 01285 712492, Fax: 01285 713417 E Mail: grants@ernestcooktrust.org.uk / www.ernestcooktrust.org.uk



E-on – Central Networks – Safer Environment Fund(West Midlands)

Building a better and safer environment for your community

Central Networks is committed to working with the communities it serves and building better and safer environments across central England. To help to do this, we have a fund to support community projects that will have a positive and lasting impact on their local environment. The fund is open to all community groups who want to build safer and better environments.

Who can apply

The fund is open to all local community groups and not for profit organisations with their own bank account located in the Central Networks distribution region, see below map for exact boundaries. Joint proposals (e.g. with local authorities) will be considered, although the community organisation or group must lead the applications.

Criteria for eligible projects

The fund will support projects that will have a lasting and positive affect on the community's environment. From improving safety in a children's playground to building a nature reserve on some old waste ground, Central Networks will consider a wide range of applications. Applications are invited for funding up to a maximum of £2,500 and grants may be awarded for the full amount of the project or for part of the project.

As a guide, here are some examples of projects that would be considered:

- Refurbishment of community play areas
- Building nature conservation areas that will benefit the community
- Creating sensory gardens in community spaces
- Replacing and installing fences around community public places
- Laying or replacing safe flooring on children's playgrounds
- For further information please visit the website at www.eon-uk.com/distribution/saferenvironmentfund.aspx or telephone 024 7642 4000



**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON FUNDING AND/OR DEVELOPING YOUR PROJECT
IDEA PLEASE CONTACT:**

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FUNDING INFORMATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS



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