Expansion East Kent is a £35m programme of financial support to businesses seeking to invest in East Kent to create jobs.

The programme aims to unlock private sector finance, stimulating over £300m in associated investment over the course of the next three years and creating a major boost for the East Kent economy.

Funding is available in the form of an interest free loan. To apply for investment support from Expansion East Kent you must be:

- A sole trader, partnership, limited company or a not for profit business.
- Be providing employment – either creating or safeguarding jobs in the East Kent area, (Canterbury, Dover, Shepway and Thanet districts).

You should only apply if your investment proposal can demonstrate:

- The need for financial support to go ahead.
- That your business viable, has good growth potential and be self-sustaining by the completion of the investment.
- That you are able to access other funding sources.

There are two main types of eligible investments which the scheme will fund:

- **Tangible assets** - This includes assets relating to land, buildings, plant, machinery and equipment. These assets can be purchased outright or by using lease finance or hire purchase.
- **Intangible assets** - This includes assets acquired from third parties by the transfer of technology or knowledge.

There is a two stage application process. Prospective applicants are advised to submit an on-line pre-application form.

www.kent.gov.uk/expansion
Big Lottery Fund: New Strategy 2012-15

This new document sets out Big Lottery Fund (Big) new strategic framework over the next three years.

There are no major change in terms of Big’s overall objectives nor does the programme provide details of any future funding programmes or allocations. However, the document does provide Big with a degree of “elbow room” to decide how to prioritise their funding over the coming years.

Key funding priorities will be: focusing on those most in need; building partnerships and facilitating collaboration; involving people and communities and building stronger organisations.

Big will be placing greater emphasis on supporting new areas of activity such as supporting the development of social investment; delivering outcomes with others and increasing engagement with the private sector.

http://tinyurl.com/cd3awdj

Big Lottery Fund: England Priorities

In addition to their UK Priorities (above) Big have also outlined details of their priorities in England to 2015. Among their plans are 3-4

“causes” programmes targeting specific themes. Two of the themes will be:

- Tackling entrenched social problems such as alcoholism, drug abuse and domestic violence.
- Projects for older people.

Details of the other programmes have yet to be announced. Each of these programmes could receive budgets of £100m-£150m allocated over a period a period of up to eight years. Big will target funding on specific geographical areas in England which it will identify as those with the greatest need (these areas will be determined over the coming months). Big are likely to seek partnership bids involving charities, community groups and local authorities. Funding will made available for pilot projects to develop ideas, if these pilots are successful, longer-term funding could be made available.

In addition, the Awards for All programme will see its budget increased from £56m in 2011-12 to £57m in 2012-13 and the Big Reaching Communities programme will see its budget increased from £148m in 2011-12 to £150m in 2012-13.

Women Make Music

This scheme offers financial support to women musicians working on new music in any genre

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KCC Funding Contacts

The following are contacts within Kent County Council who can offer funding advice.

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VCS = Voluntary Sector  S/E = Schools/Education  LA = Local Authorities  FG = Faith Groups
FE = Further Education  SEnt = Social Enterprises  IND = Individuals

EMI Instrument and Equipment Awards

Offers grants of up to £2,000 to help towards the purchase of musical instruments and/or equipment for individuals who are in full time education and Schools who require the equipment to fund music education. Funding is also available for courses and training opportunities for music teachers who work within schools. The deadline for bids is 12 September 2012.

http://www.emimusicsoundfoundation.com/

The Domestic Programme Fund

This £150,000 scheme is managed by the Government’s Forced Marriage Unit. Funding is available to registered charities for small projects in the UK to protect victims and end the abusive act of forced marriage. Partnerships with other bodies, including statutory agencies, are encouraged. The deadline for submissions is the 31 May 2012.

Email: fmu@fco.gov.uk

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| **Action with Communities in Rural Kent (ACRK)** Covers: Rural Kent | Tel: 01303 813790  
Email: info@ruralkent.org.uk  
Internet: www.ruralkent.org.uk |
| **Funding Buddies (project operated by ACRK)** | **North and West Kent:** Mob: 07825 589384  
**South and East Kent:** Mob: 07825 589241  
Email: fundingbuddies@ruralkent.org.uk  
Internet: www.fundingbuddiesinkent.org.uk |
| **CASE Kent** Covers: Ashford, Shepway, Dover and Thanet | **Ashford** – Tel: 01233 610171  
Email: Ashford@CASEKent.org.uk  
**Dover** – Tel: 01304 240090  
Email: Dover@CASEKent.org.uk  
**Thanet** – Tel: 01843 588780  
Email: thanet@casekent.org.uk  
Internet: www.CASEKent.org.uk |
| **Canterbury District Voluntary Action and Support** | Tel: 01227 772248  
Email: info@cadvas.org  
Internet: www.cadvas.org |
| **Voluntary Action Maidstone** | Tel: 01622 677337  
Email: volunteers@vam-online.org.uk  
Internet: www.vam-online.org.uk/ |
| **NW Kent CVS** Covers: Dartford, Gravesham, Swanley | Tel: 01474 354479  
Email: main@nwkcvs.org  
Internet: www.cvsnwk.org |
| **Swale CVS & Volunteer Centre** | **Sittingbourne** – Tel: 01795 473828  
**Faversham** – Tel: 01795 591015  
**Sheppey** – Tel: 01795 473828  
Email: office@swalecvs.co.uk  
Internet: www.swalecvs.org.uk/ |
| **Thanet Voluntary Sector Forum (TVCSF)** | Tel: 01843 609 686  
Email: info@tvcsf.org.uk  
Internet: www.tvcsf.org.uk/ |
| **Voluntary Action Within Kent** Covers: Tonbridge & Malling, Tunbridge Wells, Sevenoaks (not Swanley) | Tel: 01892 530330  
Email: info@vawk.org.uk  
Internet: www.vawk.org.uk |
| **KM Charity Team Support** Organises a range of activities to help the charitable sector with its fundraising and supports initiatives to promote health and wellbeing, particularly amongst primary school children | Tel: 0844 264 0291 (Lo-Call)  
Email: kmcharityteam@thekmgroup.co.uk  
Internet: www.kmcharityteam.co.uk |

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Watch4 – Funding Programmes due to be launched

This is a selective list of funding programmes scheduled to be launched in the coming months:

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<td>Aims to enable schools, further education colleges etc to evaluate, celebrate and strengthen a quality arts offer.</td>
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<td>Arts Council Strategic Grants Scheme</td>
<td>New programme focusing on ‘gaps’ in provision</td>
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<td>BIG Older People Programme</td>
<td>Funding targeted at the needs of older people is likely to be available 2012-13</td>
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<td>Credit Union Fund</td>
<td>A new fund to help develop credit unions</td>
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<td>Investment and Contract Readiness Fund</td>
<td>£10m scheme to help the VCS prepare for social finance and play a bigger role in public service delivery</td>
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<td>Paths for Communities</td>
<td>£1m scheme for local communities working with landowners to develop and enhance local public paths</td>
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<td>The Racing Foundation</td>
<td>Supporting people injured in the sport and advancements in horse-related veterinary science</td>
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<td>Sportsmatch</td>
<td>Makes awards to not-for-profit organisations that have secured sponsorship to deliver community sports projects</td>
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i.e. classical, jazz, experimental, urban, electronic and pop.

Funding is available for both individuals and organisations/groups; including solo performers, solo songwriters or composers, promoters or event producers, bands/ensembles/orchestras, local authorities and schools etc. The deadlines for this year are 17 May 2012 and 10 October 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/dyqwcgm

Arts Council: Creative Industry Finance

This new scheme will be offer business development support and access to finance for creative industry enterprises.

- **Business Support** – Practical advice and support for creative entrepreneurs wishing to develop and grow their business as a viable commercial enterprise.
- **Business development loans** – A limited number of loans ranging between £5,000-£25,000 will available for successful applicants, repayable over a maximum of three years.

The initiative will be open to wide range of individuals within the arts sector including artists, writers, performers, designers, producers, promoters, publishers or innovators, etc.

http://tinyurl.com/d7tdmyh

Cable & Wireless Worldwide Foundation

This funder offers grants to not-for-profit organisations in the UK for communication solutions and services to support people with special needs. The Foundation is looking to partner and build relationships with organisations that support, research, develop or

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implement the appropriate specialist communication requirements for those with special needs. There are three strands of support on offer:

- **Non Monetary Application** - Opportunities for organisations with ideas on how they engage and work with Cable & Wireless operations
- **Grants under £10,000** – To support communication solutions and services available to people with special needs with the aim of enhancing their lives by providing accessible means of communicating e.g. funding equipment, kit and other ‘one-off’ expenditure
- **Applications over £10,000** - This is an opportunity for organisations to work in other ways with Cable & Wireless.

The deadline for bids to all three strands is 25 June 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/chtjl8g

**Destination Local**

This £1m NESTA scheme seeks to develop 'hyperlocal' media in the UK.

Funding will be available to support up to 10 projects that develop and test prototype services and business models for the next-generation of hyperlocal media i.e. making the most of mobile technologies to deliver geographically-relevant local media. Projects can be either new ideas seeking seed funding to launch or existing models seeking to grow and develop.

Individual projects will be awarded seed funding of up to £50,000. Applicants are expected to be businesses providing services located in the UK, using mobile technology to deliver a geographically-relevant service and engaging and interacting with the local communities. The deadline for bids is 17 May 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/cohd897

**The Santander Foundation**

This funder can provide grants of up to £10,000 to disadvantaged people through two priorities:

- **Education and training** – Activities which provide skills and knowledge or confidence and self esteem
- **Financial capability** – Activities such as running a credit union, projects delivering financial advice and helping people to understand their benefit entitlement.

Applicants can be Registered charities, Friendly Societies, Industrial and Provident Societies registered under charitable not membership rules (credit unions can apply).

www.santanderfoundation.org.uk/

**The Society for the Assistance of Ladies in Reduced Circumstances**

Offers funding to organisations working for the benefit of women in financial need.

The focus for 2012 is supporting organisations that are working with women who are victims of domestic violence, or aim to increase the take-up of State benefits by women.

Applicants should be registered charities that have submitted at least one year’s audited or independently examined accounts to the Charity Commission, and have an annual turnover not exceeding £1m. The deadline for applications is 31 July 2012.

www.salrc.org.uk/

**Education & Schools**

**SEN support scholarship programme**

This new scheme provides funding of up to £2,000 to support staff to undertake degree-level and specialist training in helping children with special educational needs and/or disabilities.
Kent Successes: Supporting Change & Impact scheme

When reporting details of the Kent organisations who had been successful under the Big Lottery Fund Supporting Change & Impact scheme (196, p.9), we omitted the details of Family Matters. They will also receive a grant £58,359 from this scheme.

(SEND).

This new fund scheme is separate to the national scholarship fund for teachers which opens its second round this month.

The scholarship programme will fund 50% of the total course costs – up to a ceiling of £2,000 each. The scheme is open to support staff who hold A level or equivalent qualifications or hold higher level teaching assistant (HLTA) status. It will fund staff to take a wider range of degree-level equivalent qualifications and specialist diplomas in specific impairments such as dyslexia or autism. Applications will open on 30 April 2012 and close on 17 May 2012, with the first scholarships awarded later this year.

http://tinyurl.com/cnj3hgw

Tilley Awards - 2012

These Awards celebrate local initiatives which can demonstrate three things: The use of a problem-solving model; Partnership working; Measurable impact on crime reduction or community safety issues. The scheme is open to crime reduction, community safety agencies and Police Forces. Winners will receive cash prizes of between £500-£2,000. The deadline for entries is 27 June 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/6bomqle

Supporting You to Help Others

This grant scheme managed by MacMillan Cancer Support replaces their Helping You Help Others and Inclusion User Involvement scheme

The scheme offers grants of up to £3,000 to people affected by cancer in groups or individually; other groups, such as voluntary organisations, community interest companies, community groups, social enterprises; as well as health and social care staff, information and support staff in partnership with people affected by cancer.

The type of activities that can be supported include start up costs for a self-help and support group; development applications e.g. for groups to expand and extend their reach for both self help and support and user involvement; and combined applications for those that include self help and support and user involvement. The next deadline date for applications is the 30 June 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/yzvrywd

Environment

Arla Foods UK plc: Get Closer to Nature

This scheme offers grants of up to £1,500 which are available to individuals, local community groups and school, etc to enable children to get closer to nature. The type of activities include: transforming derelict areas into community spaces and vegetable patches within schools. The deadline for bids is the 4 June 2012.

www.kidsclosertonature.co.uk/

Catchment Restoration Fund for England

This scheme is available to community groups and charities to support them to clean up their local rivers by tackling pollution, restoring wildlife habitats and enabling fish to migrate.

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Comic Relief - UK Grant Programme

Please note that this will be the last round under the current Comic Relief UK Grant Programme. The new range of grant programmes are expected to be launched in spring 2013 with grant making resuming in summer 2013. Comic Relief can give grants for running costs and capital costs under the following programmes.

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<td>Seeks to promote the rights and support the recovery of people who have mental health problems, help inclusion and reduce the stigma and discrimination. Grants range between £25,000- £40,000 for 1-3 years.</td>
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<td>Sport for change</td>
<td>Seeks to support sport projects delivering positive change within the lives of individuals and communities by tackling identified social issues. Grants range between £10,000-£100,000.</td>
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<td>Older People's Programme 'Managing Money Better'</td>
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<td>Refugee and asylum seeking women</td>
<td>Provides support for refugee and asylum seeking women who have experienced rape, torture and other forms of violence in their home countries. Grants range between £25,000-£40,000 for 1-3 years.</td>
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<td>Young people and mental health (11-25 years)</td>
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Applications are accepted from the voluntary and community sector throughout the UK including, constituted voluntary and community groups, charities, social enterprises, co-operatives, faith organisations and community interest companies.

www.comicrelief.com

The fund will support work that aims to: restore Environment/Conservation more natural features in and around waters; reduce the impact of man-made structures on wildlife in waters; or reduce the impact of small, spread-out (diffuse) sources of pollution that arise from rural and urban land use. The lead applicant must be a charity or an organisation with charitable, benevolent or philanthropic purposes. The minimum grant is £50,000 there is no maximum level of funding. The next deadline to submit an initial expressions of interest is the 18 May 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/7zzrdk5

Air Quality Grant Programme

This Defra funded scheme supports eligible expenditure by local authorities on their air quality management duties under Part IV of the Environment Act 1995.

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For 2012-13 the grant scheme will continue its focus on supporting projects which tackle exceedences of the UK nitrogen dioxide objectives and EU limit values. Eligibility for grant will be limited to English Local Authorities in designated areas. The deadline for bids is the 22 June 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/c3wvk4x

All Our Stories

This new £1m scheme supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) is designed to help local communities to explore and learn about their past. The scheme will be run in tandem with a new BBC series The Great British Story – A People’s History, presented by Michael Wood which will be aired on BBC Two.

Funding is available for activities such as researching local historic landmarks, learning more about customs and traditions to delving into archives and finding out the origins of street and place names.

Grants can range from £3,000-£10,000. Applications will be accepted from a wide range of organisations including community groups, heritage organisations and charities. Applications need to be submitted by 31 July 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/ckyvdol

Wolfson Foundation: Special Needs Grants Programme

Offers grants for projects aimed at people with particular health needs or disabilities.

Funding can be used for new buildings, major refurbishment work, equipment or vehicles. Charities are encouraged not to apply more than once every five years. There is a two stage application process. Initially an outline of the project should be submitted.

http://tinyurl.com/c7podwl

Village SOS Active

The second round of funding for this Big Lottery Fund scheme has recently been announced.

The scheme offer grants up to £50,000 to community enterprises in rural villages or small rural towns with fewer than 3,000 people (a postcode checker is available to check the eligibility of your area).

A wide range of projects can be supported including village shops, community transport, training schemes, cafes and tea rooms, woodland projects, broadband initiatives or energy schemes.

Grants can range between £10,000-£50,000.
After a long wait Big Society Capital is now officially launched.

Please note the funder will not be distributing funding directly to projects. Instead funding will be made available to support social investment schemes managed by social investment finance intermediaries (SIFI).

SIFIs should provide, facilitate or structure financial investments for social sector organisations and/or provide investment-focused business support to social sector organisations.

The definition of what constitutes an SIFI organisation is quite wide ranging and appears to embrace: Fund Managers; Lenders; Social Impact Partnerships; Social Banks; CDFIs; Advisers and Infrastructure providers.

BSC will initially invest SIFIs focusing on the following sectors: Children and Families; Community regeneration; Disability; Education; Employment; Financial exclusion; Health and social care; Housing and shelter; Social Sector Infrastructure; Mental health; Young people and children. Investments from BSC can range between £500,000-£15m. They have established a formal procedure whereby financial intermediaries interested in obtaining funds from BSC can submit an expression of interest form.

Applicants can be voluntary and community groups or organisations, social enterprises and some parish, town and community councils. There are three deadlines over the next few months: 31 May 2012, 26 July 2012 and 12 September 2012. In theory bids submitted for the May deadline but which are unsuccessful could be resubmitted and considered in the later July or September rounds.

Computers for Rural People Scheme

This scheme is available to individuals clubs, businesses, schools and not for profit organisations, etc, in rural areas that need access to information and services. They can purchase a fully functioning ex-government computers for as little as £130. For organisations that need more than one computer; e.g. for a Drop-in centre, School etc. the prices are even lower.

http://tinyurl.com/c6fjwpj

Active Colleges Fund

The new £25m Sport England funding scheme is aimed at sports projects benefiting students in further education. This scheme has two strands.

- **Further Education Activation Fund (£8m)** – Grants of between £30,000-£150,000 for revenue projects that will increase regular sports participation of students in colleges. The opens in September 2012.
- **College Sports Makers (£17m)** – Provides funding to create 150 full time sports development professionals working in the further education sector. Their role will be to link colleges with community sport opportunities in order to widen the offer for students; raise participation in sport and reducing the drop out of young people from sport, especially at 16-18 years old. The strand is open to bids with the first deadline of 18 June 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/dy95nul

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Kent County Council wants to double the number of apprentices in Kent and has set aside £2m to support a new initiative to help local employers with grants of up to £2,000 to take on more young people as apprentices.

To be able to receive the grant, applicants must: be based in Kent; have less than 250 employees (applies to units/departments in public sector and does not apply to social enterprises); have not taken on an apprentice for the last 2 years (this criteria does not apply if the candidate is 9+ months unemployed). In most cases KCC funding can be combine with other national grants. This means that some applicants could receive as much as £4,275.

Tel: 0800 101 8224; Email: KEP@kent.gov.uk www.kent.gov.uk/appentice

McDonald’s KickStart Grants

This new scheme seeks to help support community football clubs to develop their players and the community.

Eligible clubs must be: Recognised by their national FA and have at least one team at or below junior (U18) level. Funding can be used to contribute towards: club facilities; grounds-keeping tools; training courses; pitch hire; mini-vans, washing machines or other areas of expenditure the club and team could significantly benefit from.

Individuals may apply on behalf of a club as long as they are over 18 and involved with the club at some level, such as a coach, volunteer or parent. Only one application can be made per club per project application period. A total budget of £75,000 is available for 2012. One-off grants of between £500 and £2500 are available (including VAT for a single project). The deadline for bids is 30 June 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/c2v6qts

Kellogg’s Swim Active Programme

This scheme offers grants to not for profit organisations to help the development of innovative projects for Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3 students that encourage any aquatic activity which enhances motivation, removes barriers and increases participation in swimming.

Projects must focus on targeting any of the following areas: Reach deprived communities; Non swimming individuals; Break down barriers to participation in aquatic activity; Increase participation in aquatic activity; Target socio-deprived communities; Compliments other ASA & Kellogg's sponsored programmes such as Big Splash. Projects must compliment an existing delivery of swimming, not replace it.

Applicants can be non profit making organisations such as swimming clubs, schools, pool operators, community organisations and social enterprises. The deadline for applications is 1 June 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/77jyjuy

The Racing Foundation

This new charitable trust funded from some of the proceeds from the sale of The Tote will support charitable causes in racing such as supporting people injured in the sport and advancements in horse-related veterinary science. Further details will be made available later this year.

http://tinyurl.com/c2v6qts

Ideas Fund Innovators

This scheme supports young creative people aged 16-25 to get their innovative ideas off the ground.

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Previously the scheme has funded a wide range of projects e.g. dance, film, music videos and photography collectives. Applications from any creative field will be considered. Grants of up to £1,000 are available. Projects must take place between July 2012 and March 2013. The closing date for bids is the 22 June 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/c7qhrmb

vInspired: Cashpoint grants

This scheme offers grants of up to £500 to give young people (aged 14-25) the opportunity to bring their ideas to improve their local community.

The funding is available to individual young people (or small groups) who have developed a project idea and will run the project themselves.

Projects must be run on a volunteer only basis. There are no closing dates for applications and grants will be awarded on a continuous basis until all available funding is allocated.

http://tinyurl.com/cetcqnz

Inter Faith Week Grants

This scheme offers grants between £300-£500 available for events organised by and for young people (aged 11-25) focussed around Inter Faith Week 18-27 November 2012.

Grants are awarded for proposals for inter-faith activities by children and young people from Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh and other faiths and those of no formal faith in understanding and co-operation.

Priority is given to projects which actively involve young people in planning, running, and evaluation of the project; promote positive action i.e. young people from different backgrounds coming together to address shared problems like improving green spaces; and are run by non-statutory organisations, such as youth clubs, scout/guide groups. The closing date for bids is the 1 September 2012.

www.ifyouthtrust.org.uk/
Awards for All: Kent Successes

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Sixteen Kent projects will receive grants totalling £117,459 from the Lottery funded Awards for All scheme. Successful applicants include Rubicon Cares who will use their grant of £8,600 to extend their counselling service for people who have been victims of crime.

Giving: New Government Initiatives

The Cabinet Office has announced details of two projects to encourage people to give time and money to local causes.

- **localgiving** - The government are to re-run a scheme previously launched in March to match fund every pound given to local charities via the donation site localgiving.com. £500,000 will be available, the scheme will be launched in September but it is likely to be allocated very quickly.

- **Challenge Prizes** – These will be used to promote two new ideas: people giving better support to older people in their area; mobilising people to reduce waste in their communities. This scheme will be operated by NESTA, who will work with shortlisted groups and select the winners.

http://tinyurl.com/7ycbzsp

Rural Community Broadband Fund

This scheme offers grants to communities to establish superfast broadband in hard-to-reach rural areas. Communities must be located in a rural location identified as being in the 10% hard to reach area covered by Kent and Medway’s Local Broadband Plan.

http://tinyurl.com/cn3hgeh

Applicants can be a wide a range of organisations including: social and community enterprises; CICs; community trusts; charities; private businesses (non-Internet Service Providers); and other formally constituted groups. The deadline for submissions is the 6 July 2012.

http://tinyurl.com/78tfvp5

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### KCC Grant & Loan Schemes:
These schemes below are either administered directly by KCC or administered on behalf of KCC by a third party. Please contact the named contacts listed for further information about eligibility and application processes.

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### Local Boards
- **Member Community Grants**
  - Contact your Community Engagement Team (details below)

### Sports
- **Small Capital Grant Scheme for Sport**
  - Grants for sports groups to improve facilities and widen participation.
  - [Details below]
- **Sportsaver (Kent Reliance) & Pfizer Sports Fund**
  - Both provide grants of £50-£500 to community sports projects (Pfizer fund East Kent only).
  - [Details below]

### Community / Village Halls
- **Village & Community Hall Grants**
  - Capital grants for improvements to new or existing facilities. Max. grant is the smaller of £50,000 or 25% of total cost.
  - [Details below]

### Social Enterprises (Loans)
- **Kent Big Society Fund**
  - Loans of between £10,000-£100,000 to support social enterprise organisations whose work benefits the local community.
  - [Details below]

### Young People
- **Hugh & Montague Leney Trust**
  - Awards for educational travel during a gap year for 16-19 year olds.
  - [Details below]
- **Kent Trust for Youth Sport**
  - Grants to young people to access sports £500 for individuals & £1,000 for groups.
  - [Details below]
- **Kent Youth Service Partnership Awards (3 programmes)**
  - Please note— funding for Partnership Awards (Umbrella and Direct Delivery) is committed for 2012 - Umbrella org. (upto £50k); direct delivery (upto £50k) & voluntary youth organisations new work projects (upto £2k)
  - [Details below]

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### Website:
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