

BBC Children in Need - Main Grants Programme

The next deadline for applications is 16 January 2018 (midnight).

Grants for not-for-profit organisations that are working with disadvantaged children and young people who are 18 years old and younger living in the UK.

Fund Information

Funding body:BBC Children in Need

Maximum value:£ 120,000

Application deadline:16/01/2018

Background

Children in Need is an annual charity appeal organised by the BBC. Every year the BBC dedicates one evening of programming to showcase events aimed at raising money for charities working with young people in the UK.

Objectives of Fund

The Trust distributes the funds raised each year as grants to organisations that work with disadvantaged children and young people, under the age of 18, living in the UK.

Value Notes

Grants of over £10,000 are available to support projects for up to three years.

There is no upper limit for Main Grants but very few grants over £120,000 (or £40,000 per year) are made and most grants are for much less.

Who Can Apply

Not-for-profit organisations that work with disadvantaged children and young people of 18 years and under who live in the UK, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands are eligible to apply.

Organisations that already hold a grant from Children in Need can apply for further funding providing the current grant is coming to an end within the next 12 months. Applicants will need to be able to provide convincing evidence of the differences the grant has made to the lives of the disadvantaged children and young people the organisation has worked with.

Location

United Kingdom

Restrictions

Funding is not available for the following:

- Work which statutory bodies (such as schools or local authorities) have a duty to fund.
- Local government or NHS bodies.
- Building project applications of more than £20,000.

- Projects which promote religion.
- Trips or projects abroad.
- Medical treatment or research.
- Pregnancy testing or advice, information or counselling on pregnancy choices.
- Awareness-raising work, except where it is targeted at those children or young people most at risk.
- Bursaries, sponsored places, fees or equivalent.
- Individuals.
- To be passed on to other organisations, for example, PTAs applying on behalf of schools.
- General appeals or endowment funds.
- Budget shortfalls or debt repayments.
- Projects where the grant expenditure is due to start before the grant award date (retrospective funding).
- Organisations which have applied in the last 12 months.
- Projects unable to start within 12 months of the grant award date.
- Unspecified expenditure.
- Organisational overheads or running costs which the organisation would incur whether the project was running or not. Consideration will be given to funding support costs incurred as a direct result of running the project.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding is available to organisations that are supporting children and young people of 18 years and under who are experiencing disadvantage through:

- Illness, distress, abuse or neglect.
- Any kind of disability.
- Behavioural or psychological difficulties.
- Living in poverty or situations of deprivation.

Organisations must be working to combat this disadvantage and to make a real difference to children and young people's lives.

How To Apply

The next application deadline is 16 January 2018 (midnight).

Applications will be accepted at any time; however there are a number of closing dates for applications throughout the year.

Applicants must refer to the A-Z Guidance document before making an application.

There is a two-stage application process. Groups that are successful at the initial stage will be invited to complete a full application form.

The online application system is available on the BBC Children in Need website.

Useful documents & links

Useful Links

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/3XW7FvN20PD3xr2c1T62Xly/main-grants>

Addresses and contacts

For further information on how to obtain this grant locally, please contact the following:

- Enquiries**

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