



delivering ICT resources for the voluntary sector

**Sources of Funding for Voluntary and
Community Sector Organisations in England
for ICT projects and initiatives**

**APPENDIX C
Community Foundations –
list of and examples of ICT related awards**

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Community foundations are charitable trusts that support local community causes.

To find out whether there is a Community Foundation covering your area, look at the website of the Community Foundation Network (www.communityfoundations.org.uk).

Some Community foundations do fund ICT initiatives. Grants range from £300 - £170,000 – but generally they are in the early thousands.

Here some examples of some previously awarded ICT projects/initiatives.

Birmingham Foundation

(source: Review 2004-05 from www.bhamfoundation.co.uk/whatwedofs.html May 2006)

2004/05

- Happy Days & Little Friends Playgroup - £6,200 - To provide 4 desk top computers including software and storage which will encourage an early development of ICT skills for the children. (LNF Black Country)
- Mavitob Day Nursery - £4,600 - To set up an ICT corner and a book and toy library - this will increase the children's awareness of using a computer and vocabulary. (LNF Birmingham)
- Westmill Croft Neighbourhood Watch - £340 - To provide 2 way radios for use by the Neighbourhood Watch scheme. (Kings Norton 3 Estates Fund)
- WPH Counselling & Educational Services - £6,250 - To purchase a laptop and projector; enabling us to promote our services. (LNF Black Country)

The Buckinghamshire Foundation

(source www.thebucksfoundation.org.uk/deadlines.htm viewed May 2006)

Small grants (amounts not given)

- Bucks Search and Rescue, purchase of computer equipment for volunteer training and publicity
- Thames Valley and Chiltern Air Ambulance, towards a new digital projector

Community Foundation for Merseyside

(source: www.cfmerseyside.org.uk/grantsguide_latestgrantawards.html May 2006)

Previous ICT related awards (no date indicated):

- 273 Wallasey ATC - £1,500 (Community Learning Chest Fund) for computer network and software.
- Blackpool Tenants Federation - £288 (Community Chest Fund) for a printer and consumables.
- CBED Wirral Wide Development Trust - £172,975 (Fairshare Fund) to sustain an existing post and create an additional one. Enabling the ICT facilities to be available for longer hours.
- Halton Pre-school Playgroup - £1,889 (Local Network Fund) as a contribution towards, screens, a laptop, scanner and printer.
- Knowsley Community Dance - £3,028 (Community Chest Fund) for laptop/case, projector, projector screen, camcorder, portable pa system.

- Merseyside Caribbean Council - £1,000 (Alliance & Leicester Fund) to purchase PC's.
- Performance Studios - £4,998 (Community Chest Fund) to purchase computer equipment.
- Scaitcliffe Community Centre - £6,400 (Local Network Fund) to purchase 8 desktop computers, networked wirelessley; a laser printer and some cartridges.

Cumbria Community Foundation Awards in 2005/06

(source: www.cumbriafoundation.org/News%20-%20Grants%20awarded%202005-06.htm viewed May 2006)

Grants awarded 2005/06:

- Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group Ltd (FWAG) Update of computer equipment. £2,000.00 Allerdale (Allerdale Community Chest)
- Home Appliances (Flimby) Ltd Computer recycling project. £3,750.00 Allerdale (Allerdale Invest)
- Silloth Community Development Centre Advisory Forum (CDC) Replace ageing IT equipment and operating system software. £5,862.00 Allerdale (Strengthening Rural Communities)

Devon Community Foundation

(source: www.cosmic.org.uk/devoncf/grantlist.htm viewed May 2006)

Example awards in 2005/06:

- Torbay Scout Fellowship - £4,000 - for IT equipment and First Aid training (Local Network Fund)
- Exeter Foyer Residents Association - £6,875 - for a Personal Training programme and graphics and multi media equipment (Local Network Fund)
- Friends & Residents of Sutton Trust (FROST) - £3,200 - to employ an IT tutor (Plymouth Neighbourhood Renewal Community Chest)
- East End Development Trust - £3,456 for computer equipment (Plymouth Neighbourhood Renewal Community Chest)
- Honiton & District Ring & Ride - £342 - for a new computer (Rural Fund)

Essex Community Foundation

(source: Annual Report 2005 from www.essexcommunityfoundation.org.uk May 2005)

Awards in 2005

- Women's Aid – Chelmsford - £2,000 To provide computers for the Homework Room used by young people at the Refuge. (Bartella Charitable Fund); £600 To purchase a new computer for use by young people in the Homework Room at the Refuge. (Margaretting Fund)
- RP Fighting Blindness - Rayleigh - £1,400 To help purchase a laptop computer for use by members of the group. (Bartella Charitable Fund)

Hertfordshire Community Foundation

(source: www.eastspace.net/herts/DisplayArticle.asp?ID=4727 May 2006 - 2005 Annual Review downloaded from website)

Examples from 2005 Annual Review

- Apton Centre, Bishops Stortford - £700 - to buy a computer, desk and chair
- Remap North Herts - £500 - towards a laptop computer and digital projector to help raise their profile

- Viewpoint - £4,625 - to set up a user maintained website
- Neomari Beadcraft - £4,885 - to provide women with training in creative beadwork, running a small business and IT training

Oxfordshire Community Foundation

(source: from Annual Review 2003-05)

- John Watson's Kids Club received £4,894 to purchase 2 touch screen computers, adjustable trolleys and accessories, which will make an immense difference to many members of the club who suffer from a wide range of physical disabilities.

Quartet Community Foundation (covers Bristol, NorthSomerset, SouthGloucestershire, Bath And North East Somerset)

(source Annual Review 2005 downloaded from www.quartetcf.org.uk May 2006)

- Bath & District Friends of Home Farm Trust £570 For a computer and printer to be used by residents with learning disabilities
- Bath Mind £4,605 For laptop computers to deliver training to people with mental health problems
- Touchstone £1,843 For computers to be used by people with mental health problems
- Volunteer Centre North Somerset £2,999 For a range of computer equipment
- Baggator £7,000 Towards the cost of an IT project with young people in the inner city
- Mede Community Centre £3,575 For an interactive whiteboard for their training centre
- Trinity Care Service £650 For IT equipment for older users to access internet services
- For All Healthy Living Centre £5,000 For community IT equipment in this new centre

St. Katharine & Shadwell Trust (covers London Borough of Tower Hamlets)

(source: www.skst.org/grants.htm May 2006)

2004/05 from Neighbourhood Renewal Community Chest:

- The Academy of Sports - £1,100 for IT equipment
- Arts for All - £2,240 for IT equipment and training
- Bethnal Green United Football Club - £1,928 towards IT equipment, administration and training
- British Street TRA - £1,550 for a computer and printer
- Dream Team - £1,820 towards the purchase of IT equipment, broadband connection and telephone
- East London Chinese Community Centre - £2,330 for IT equipment
- Globe Community Project - £2,466 for IT equipment, office furniture and insurance
- London Somali Action Forum - £3,874 for IT equipment and training management committee and volunteer training
- Mela Promotions - £4,523 for a SAGE accounting system
- Poplar Somali Community Association - £3,234 towards office rent, IT equipment and publicity
- Somali Children Play Association - £4,441 for office equipment and basic IT training.
- St Peter's Supplementary School - £1,600 towards IT equipment for administration purposes
- Stepney FC - £4,000 for management committee training and IT equipment