



Welcome to the update from Essex Community Foundation

Essex sports stars back appeal for funding

ECF is appealing for people to make donations to the Essex & Southend Sports Charitable Fund which gives grants to budding Essex athletes.

The Fund was launched in 2013 by businessman and entrepreneur Peter Butler and his lifelong friend, Joe Sims, who are Trustees of EASST (Essex & Southend Sports Charitable Trust).



Supporting the appeal are World Silver Medallist and Olympic Finalist, Brinn Bevan, from Basildon and 12 year-old ice-skating champion, Jasmine Cressey from Chelmsford. Both have received grants from the Fund.

For more information on how to contribute to the fund, please email jo@essexcf.org.uk or call 01245 355947. To read more click [here](#).

Phone-In Funding Surgery - Castle Point and Rochford

Voluntary or community organisations working in Castle Point and Rochford are invited to call us on 15 November, between 10am and 12 noon to talk about their work and funding needs.

Fran, Jill and Diana will be on hand to discuss your funding requirements and explain ECF's application process.

If you would like to participate, please call us on 01245 356018.

To find out more click [here](#).



How generous are the British?

The UK is still the most generous country in Europe, but has slipped from sixth to eighth in the world, according to the latest CAF World Giving Index.

The study revealed that 69% of British people surveyed said they had donated money in 2016: down from 75% last year. In addition, 61% had helped a stranger compared to 63% last year, and only 33% had volunteered.



To read more click [here](#).

Turning Criminal's Assets into Community Cash

Money from the sale of property and items seized by Essex Police from criminals, is being recycled into grants for voluntary and community safety organisations in the county.

The incentive at the heart of the scheme offers individuals and companies the chance to make donations which will be match funded by 50 per cent from the money channelled through ECF by Essex Police.



To discuss the Essex Police Proceeds of Crime Match Funding Scheme, please contact Jo Murphy on 01245 355947. To read more click [here](#).

Do you help people with mental health problems find work?

Voluntary and community organisations helping people who are recovering from mental health problems to find work are being invited to apply to the Coombewood Amenity Fund.

For more information, click [here](#). For any support with your application, call the grants team on 01245 356018.



Kay Jenkins Trust

ECF has recently taken over the management of the Kay Jenkins Trust.

The trust commemorates two 19th century rectors of St Mary's in Great Leighs: Reverend Clarke Jenkins and Reverend William Kay. It was established as a result of the almshouses being sold and proceeds were amalgamated with the legacies of Elizabeth and Ann Jenkins (nieces of Reverend Jenkins).



ECF will work with a panel of local residents to support community projects and individuals living within the Parishes of Great and Little Leighs.

To discuss the transfer of an existing trust to ECF's management or to find out more about how ECF can work with existing trustees of trusts, click [here](#).

Apply now for the Essex Millennium Fund and Chairman's Fund

The **Essex Millennium Fund** supports organisations working within four themes - carers, community support, enhancing the environment and young people.

The **Essex County Council Chairman's Fund** supports projects which are enriching the lives of young people by increasing their awareness and participation in activities which explore culture and heritage.

Applications will be accepted until 3 February. To apply click [here](#).



Funds inviting applications

ECF is always seeking applications from local voluntary and community organisations which are looking for funding to continue or support their work.

Organisations can apply at any time, but some of our funds have specific criteria and deadlines so please regularly check our website for [funds which are inviting applications](#).



More Information

If you would like more information about any of the stories featured in this E-Update or about Essex Community Foundation, please contact Jo Murphy on 01245 355947 or e-mail jo@essexcf.org.uk.

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