



# NEWS

JANUARY 2012

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

### One for the Diary!

29th February 2012  
9-4.30pm

VAC Funding Fair  
Elsie Whiteley Centre,  
Hopwood Lane,  
Halifax

So another year has passed by in the blink of an eye here at VAC and we start the new year with a number of changes to our team.

In December, we unfortunately said goodbye to **Bee Jasko** who was the **Outreach Volunteer Development Worker**. **Adrian Bell** has now taken over the position. If you wish to contact Adrian, please email [Adrian.bell@cvac.org.uk](mailto:Adrian.bell@cvac.org.uk)



The Supported Volunteer Development (CHOICE) Worker, **Audrey Smith**, is currently on Sabbatical. **Kelly Crosby** will be running the CHOICE Project during that time. If you wish to contact Kelly, please email [choice@cvac.org.uk](mailto:choice@cvac.org.uk)

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The submission  
deadline for articles to be  
included in the February  
Newsletter is  
*Monday 23rd January*

We also decided that with the New Year we would bring you a new Newsletter that will now be monthly to ensure that you receive regular information on our training, upcoming events and current news from the sector!

Please email  
[emma.worsley@cvac.org.uk](mailto:emma.worsley@cvac.org.uk)

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From everyone here at VAC, we wish you a happy, prosperous 2012!



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**A message from Kelly Crosby, the  
Supported Volunteer Development  
(CHOICE) Worker**



**Choice is a project that aims to help who would like to volunteer but who may need extra support in doing so. It involves encouraging and supporting volunteers to take full advantage of the volunteering opportunities available, treating everyone fairly and helping to remove barriers – making volunteering accessible to all.**

**My main responsibilities include: ongoing support, supervision, recruitment and placement of a range of volunteers with additional support needs, the recruitment procedure for the next cohort of Volunteer Support Assistants and offering training/awareness for other volunteer involving organisations along with trying to open up and register new opportunities/organisations for volunteer placements.**

**Over the upcoming months we are interested in taking in application forms for the Volunteer Support Assistant role – the training for this starts in April/May when Audrey is back.**

One for the Diary!

Every Monday  
9-12pm

Voluntary Action Calderdale host a radio show  
on Phoenix FM.

If you would like to be a guest, please email

[emma.worsley@cvac.org.uk](mailto:emma.worsley@cvac.org.uk)

**NEWS FROM**



**We are updating our Database!**

***New, convenient online form available.***

**Voluntary Action Calderdale is currently updating their VCConnect Database and would like your help.**

**The Database allows you to highlight the services that your organisation provides and helps Voluntary Action Calderdale to evidence the priceless work and services provided by the Voluntary sector across Calderdale. Also, the VCConnect Database creators are updating the system to include an online directory that will allow you to edit and update your own organisation's details once initial registered. V.A.C. have recently developed an online form for Database registration which can be accessed via the following link: [www.jotform.com/form/12292442436](http://www.jotform.com/form/12292442436)**

**If you would prefer to receive a hardcopy of our database form, please call 01422 431095. There is also an option to receive a copy via email.**

# The Calder Hub

**The Calder Hub [www.thecalderhub.co.uk](http://www.thecalderhub.co.uk) is an online interactive tool which allows Voluntary and Community groups to receive up to date information about current grants and tenders in the area as and when they are they are posted.**

**A guide to registering on the hub is available. If you require one please ring 01422 431095.**



## UPDATE ON VOLUNTARY ACTION CALDERDALE'S TRAINING PROGRAMME

VAC's Annual training programme for 2012 is now available and has been sent out to our registered groups.

If you did not receive a copy can you please contact VAC on 01422 348777 or email Tom Clarke, Training Administrator on [training@cvac.org.uk](mailto:training@cvac.org.uk) to request a copy.

The training covers a variety of areas from funding to safe guarding. If you are interested in any of the courses, please book early to ensure you get a place on the course.

Funding Status	Under 5K Annual Turnover	Over 5K – Under 20K	Over 20K	Outside Calderdale	Statutory Groups
Half Day	£10	£20	£30	£50	£60
Full Day	£10	£25	£40	£80	£100

### Booking & Contact Information:

To book, please fill in a [booking form](#) and return to the Training Administrator with your full payment to Voluntary Action Calderdale, The Resource Centre, Hall St, Halifax, HX1 5AY.

# TRAINING AT



## Safeguarding Children

**ON: 24<sup>th</sup> January 2012**

**TIME: 10.00am-1.00pm**

**AT: VAC, Hall Street, Halifax, HX1 5AY, 01422 348777**

**TRAINER: Tracy McWhire- Voluntary Action Calderdale**

**“All those who come into contact with children and families in their everyday work, including practitioners who do not have a specific role in relation to safeguarding children, have a duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children!”**

**Introduction to Safeguarding will include:**

**Background to current policies and legislation – why we have training?**

**Responsibilities of individuals and organisations who work with children**

**Signs & symptoms of abuse**

**What to do if you're worried a child is being abused**

**Who to contact if you are concerned**

## Our training is funded and supported by:





## **Crisis? What Crisis?**

**ON: 30<sup>th</sup> January 2012**

**TIME: 9.45am-4.00pm**

**AT: VAC, Hall Street, Halifax, HX1 5AY, 01422 348777**

**TRAINER: Sally Deith – F4F, Helen Galvin - WYCAS**

### **Why are we talking about this now?**

**A combination of the economic climate and changed political priorities means that many of the funding streams accessed by voluntary and community groups in the past are either operating on reduced budgets or ending completely, some at very short notice. Groups need to plan for difficult times in order to protect their service users, volunteers and staff from the worst effects of this.**

**The day will have presentations, interactive workshops and resources available and lunch will be provided on the day.**

**This is a day not to be missed and it is essential that you book a place as quickly as you can.**

## **Booking & Contact Information:**

**To book, please fill in a [booking form](#) and return to the Training Administrator with your full payment to Voluntary Action Calderdale, The Resource Centre, Hall St, Halifax, HX1 5AY.**

**For further information please contact us on 01422 348777 or email:[training@cvac.org.uk](mailto:training@cvac.org.uk)**

**Training sessions are chargeable; please contact VAC to establish the cost that is relevant to your organisation!**

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# TRAINING AT



## Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults

**ON: 31<sup>st</sup> January 2012**

**TIME: 10.00am-1.00pm**

**AT: VAC, Hall Street, Halifax, HX1 5AY, 01422 842645**

**TRAINER: Tracy McWhire- Voluntary Action Calderdale**

**Safeguarding adults is all about recognising and preventing abuse.**

**Safeguarding adults can help protect anyone from abuse who is over the age of eighteen and needs or receives care or support services. This can include older people, adults with disabilities, learning disabilities, or mental health needs and their carers.**

**Participants will gain knowledge of:**

- Why we should Safeguard**
- What is Abuse**
- Types of Abuse**
- What to do if you suspect abuse**
- Reporting and recording abuse**

## UPCOMING IN FEBRUARY...

### How to Make a Successful Funding Application

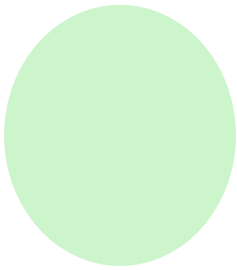
**ON: 8<sup>th</sup> February 2011**

**TIME: 10:00am – 1:00pm**

**AT: VAC, The Resource Centre, Hall Street, Halifax, HX1 5AY, 01422 38777**

**TRAINER: Sally Deith- Fit4Funding**

**fit 4 Funding**  
The Charities Information Bureau



**The British Red Cross** are looking for a **Fundraising Administrator** to help market their events and build up their database of sponsors and supporters. You will also be required to call companies and help promote events. Good communication skills are required.

**WomenCentre** are looking for volunteers in the following roles:

A female **Drop-In Support Volunteer** to support the **Evolve** service with their drop-in sessions on **Thursday mornings** .

A female **Language Support Volunteer** who has **knowledge of Eastern European languages** to support caseworkers with **interpretation with their clients** .

**The 'Choice' project** are now ready to recruit a new group of volunteers.

You may have clients that wish to take up volunteering opportunities, but need additional support or you may be an organisation that has a diverse range of volunteers but cannot always offer the additional support needed. If you do, please get in touch with us.

07929291249 (mobile)

01422 438727 (direct dial)

Email: [choice@cvac.org.uk](mailto:choice@cvac.org.uk)

**The Volunteer Voice** is released every month and keeps you up to date on the latest **Volunteering Opportunities in Calderdale**.

To subscribe, please email [adrian.bell@cvac.org.uk](mailto:adrian.bell@cvac.org.uk)

# FUNDING



## Spoted.

**Spoted. is a national charity that provides support to community sport organisations that work with young people in disadvantaged areas. They do this by providing business resources and financial assistance, so that these organisations can concentrate on doing what they do best - improving the lives of disadvantaged young people through sport.**

**This is made possible thanks to their network of volunteers, mentors and experts, who provide their services to members of spoted. for free. If you run a community sport organisation, find out how you can become a member on the website below.**

**In addition to helping individual organisations, they also try to provide a voice for the sector as a whole. They have embarked on a 2-year research programme to look at the financial benefits of sport for development.**

**Once you've been accepted as a Member of spoted. you can discuss funding options with your Regional Manager. They offer Members two types of grants, as well as help to get you external funding:**

- **A small grant of up to £2,000. This one-off grant is available to all Members, with applications being reviewed every 3 months. The Regional Manager will provide you with an application form and guide you through the process.**
- **A large grant. Most of the grants that they award are for between £2,000 and £10,000. They do occasionally award larger amounts, but this will involve a longer process, which the Regional Manager will explain to you if relevant.**
- **External funding. They also work with Members to help find external funding opportunities in your area. Their team of Regional Managers, Mentors and Experts will also help you with the application process. They have good relationships with local funders and can act as a referee for your bid or in some cases help fast track your application.**

**Spoted. will consider funding salaries, running costs/overheads and programme delivery costs. They will also consider supporting projects for more than one year, but funding will always be offered as part of a wider support package to ensure the ongoing development of your project or organisation. They want to make sure that their funding is well used and isn't just a short-term solution. Generally they will not help fund large capital expenses such as building facilities.**

**For further details and to sign up as a member please visit:-**

**[www.spoted.org.uk/join-us](http://www.spoted.org.uk/join-us)**



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## Queen's Diamond Jubilee Fund - Calderdale

Community Foundation for Calderdale is pleased to launch the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Fund. The Diamond Jubilee is a magnificent anniversary and a once in a lifetime event – only one other British monarch has ever celebrated a Diamond Jubilee (Queen Victoria back in 1897).

The Fund will provide grants to groups organising events in Calderdale to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012. There are two levels of grants:

- Grants of £100 - £900 are available for street parties and local events taking place throughout the Diamond Jubilee year.
- A one-off grant of up to £5,000 is available for a large Diamond Jubilee event targeting the whole of Calderdale.
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If you have any queries you can email us at [grants@cffc.co.uk](mailto:grants@cffc.co.uk) or ring 01422 438738.

- Applications should be submitted online from the website below
- Awards will be made from February 2012 onwards.

Before submitting an application for funding please make sure that that you meet the guidelines detailed on the website. For more detailed information and to apply please visit:

<http://www.cffc.co.uk/pages.php?p=168&t=0>

# FUNDING



## J Paul Getty Jr Trust

The Trust's main aim has always been to fund well managed projects which help to relieve poverty, support disadvantaged people, and effect long-term change where help is not readily available from the public or private purse. The Trust also provides funding for the arts, and towards the conservation of the natural and built environment.

Main grants can be between £10,000 and £250,000 over a period of 1 to 3 years. Multi-year grants will often be paid as a single instalment. On average it takes approximately 6 months to award a main grant, so please allow plenty of time when making your application.

Small grants of up to £5,000 are also available for smaller charities. Applications are made in exactly the same way as for their main grants programme. However, if you are successful, your grant may be awarded in as little as 3 to 6 months.

They are currently inviting applications from registered charities in the following areas:

- **Reducing Reoffending**: projects aiming to improve the lot of people in prison and smooth the transition for those leaving prison, maximising their chances of successful resettlement
- **Improving Prospects**: projects providing meaningful occupation for young people aged 14-19 to improve their employability and diminish the risk of social exclusion; work to improve the treatment of refugees and asylum seekers
- **Repairing Communities**: projects led from within the community with the aim of integrating different social and ethnic groups in pursuit of worthwhile goals
- **Repairing Lives**: projects making a lasting impact on the lives of people with substance misuse problems; projects helping people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness
- **Preserving Heritage**: conserving or restoring buildings and landscapes which are of national value and accessible to the public; saving from export art and manuscripts of national importance; developing conservation skills, especially among disadvantaged groups
- **Sustaining the Arts**: nurturing and developing artistic endeavour of the highest quality

For more information, detailed eligibility criteria and how to apply please visit:-

[www.jpgettytrust.org.uk](http://www.jpgettytrust.org.uk)

## Calderdale Council - Small grants scheme

In 2007 the new Small Grants scheme was introduced and replaced the old Community Grants and Cultural Grants schemes that the Council used to run. This new Small Grants scheme has around £73,000 to give away each year, more than either of the old grant schemes.

The new Small Grant scheme will give out one off grants of up to £3,000 for voluntary and community sector projects that help achieve the Council's ambition of making Calderdale a clean, safe, attractive and thriving area for people to live in, work in and visit. Priority will be given to groups with an average recent income of less than £10,000 per year, and to projects that help to build stronger local communities.

Grants will be awarded through four separate rounds throughout the year; *the next deadline for receipt of applications is 1st February 2012*

In order to be eligible, you must demonstrate that your organisation:

- Is a voluntary, community or faith group
- Is properly constituted
- Has a bank account
- Is open and accessible to the community you serve
- Has a planned approach to safeguarding issues, if you are working with children, young people and vulnerable adults. You must then show that the way you want to spend the grant is eligible too.

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Eligible expenditure is:

- For the benefit of people who live in, work in or visit Calderdale
- Able to be spent within 12 months of the date of the award.

If you have any questions about the Community Services Small Grant scheme in general, please contact Email: [grants@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:grants@calderdale.gov.uk)

Tel: 01422 393272

Safer and Stronger Communities, 3rd Floor, Northgate House, Halifax HX1 1UN

Full details and application form are available from Website:

[www.calderdale.gov.uk/community/grants/voluntarygroups/smallgrants/index.html](http://www.calderdale.gov.uk/community/grants/voluntarygroups/smallgrants/index.html)



## Lloyds TSB Foundation for England & Wales - Community Programme

**The Lloyds TSB Foundation funds local, regional and national charities working to tackle disadvantage across England and Wales. Their focus is on supporting small and medium underfunded charities that can make a significant difference to the lives of disadvantaged people by helping them to play a fuller role in the community.**

**Their Community programme focuses on funding core work that helps disadvantaged people to play a fuller role in the community. They are particularly interested in work that achieves this through:**

- **improved social and community involvement**
- **improved life choices and chances**
- **helping people to be heard.**

**To be eligible:**

- **you must be an underfunded charity (12 months of reserves or less)**
- **if you work locally or in a region you must have an income of £1 million or less**
- **if you work nationally you must have an income of £5 million or less your work must enable disadvantaged people to play a fuller role in the community in one (or more) of the following ways – through:**
  - **improved social and community involvement**
  - **improved life choices and chances**
  - **helping people to be heard**
  - **you will need to be clear on the specific changes and benefits that your work will provide for your users/beneficiaries to help them to play a fuller role in the community**

**They fund charities to continue and develop existing community-based work, or to develop the organisation or its services. They can support charities in a range of ways – examples include funding to:**

- **maintain and or improve their capacity and or effectiveness**
- **encourage learning and best practice enable the continued provision of services**
- **support the expansion of services**
- **help improve the quality of services**
- **lobby or campaign at a local, regional or national level.**

**They make grants of one to three years that are appropriate to the size and needs of each charity.**

**To find your local contact use the links on Website:**

**[www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk/ContactUs/Pages/ContactUs.aspx](http://www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk/ContactUs/Pages/ContactUs.aspx)**

**The Full Application procedure and access to their Funding Criteria is on Website:**

**[www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk/HowtoApply/Pages/HowToApply.aspx](http://www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk/HowtoApply/Pages/HowToApply.aspx)**

# January 2012 Events

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23	24 Safeguarding Children 10 - 1pm	25 Holocaust Memorial Day 6 - 7pm	26	27	28	29
30 Crisis? What Crisis? 9.45 - 4pm	31 Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults 10 - 1pm					

## Schedule of Events

- Tuesday 24th - Safeguarding Children 10am - 1pm VAC, Hall St 01422 348777 [training@cvac.org.uk](mailto:training@cvac.org.uk)
- Wednesday 25th - Holocaust Memorial Day 6pm - 7pm Kings Centre, HX1 2TS 01422 355436
- Monday 30th - Crisis? What Crisis? 9.45am - 4pm VAC, Hall St 01422 348777 [training@cvac.org.uk](mailto:training@cvac.org.uk)
- Tuesday 31st - Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults 10am - 1pm VAC, Hall St 01422 348777 [training@cvac.org.uk](mailto:training@cvac.org.uk)