



Prince's Trust

Community Cash Awards

Cash awards up to £5,000 for young people to design and set up projects on a voluntary basis that will benefit their local community.

How does it work?

Past awards have included funding for start up youth cafes, asylum seekers improving perceptions in the community through photographic exhibitions, community radio stations, organic gardens kept for and by young people with mental health problems, DVD's to raise awareness of crack dealing.

Eligible projects must:

- ™ be run and managed by young people
- ™ deal with a local community need, with clear benefit to that community
- ™ benefit the young people running the project
- ™ be new or developing initiatives

The following are not eligible:

- ™ Formal groups or organisations
- ™ Expeditions or overseas travel
- ™ Fundraising activities for charity
- ™ Trips and outings, unless they have educational or training value

How does it help?

Who is eligible?

Participants can receive:

- ™ A Prince's Trust staff member or volunteer to support them in setting goals, making decisions and evaluating their project.
- ™ Access to specialist advice for their project

Key facts

UK residents aged 14 – 25 who:

- ™ Are part of The Trust's four target groups
- ™ Have a project idea that benefits a local community in the UK

Over 9,000 young people have received a Community Cash Award to date.

Recent evaluations of the programme found that:

- ™ 75% of award recipients are now in employment, education or training.
- ™ 87% of award recipients have developed new skills through running their community project.
- ™ 95% of award recipients felt they had achieved their goals