

The Henry Smith Charity

Holidays for disadvantaged and/or disabled children

Criteria

Applications can be made for grants towards holidays or outings within the UK for children aged 13 and under who are from areas of high deprivation*, are experiencing disadvantage, or those who have a disability.

Applications can be considered for holidays or outings that have the objective of providing children with a break they would not otherwise have the opportunity to experience. Holidays or outings can be to countryside or city locations, but must be outside the children's immediate locality.

Schools, youth groups, not for profit organisations and charities are all eligible to apply.

The maximum grant available is £3,000 for any one trip. Grants are normally limited to a maximum of two-thirds of the total cost of a trip as we would expect some local partnership funding to be in place.

Organisations may apply for funding year on year for a maximum of three years, subject to receipt of satisfactory progress reports. We cannot, however, guarantee that each application will be supported. Each case is judged on its own merits and demand for grants usually exceeds the budget available.

If a satisfactory progress report is not submitted at the end of a grant, further requests for funding will not be considered.

* by "areas of high deprivation" we mean those that fall within the bottom third of the National Indices of Deprivation.

How to apply

You should apply in writing in letter format (maximum of four A4 sides) providing the following information and enclosing your latest accounts:

- State clearly what your organisation does, who you are, and who your organisation helps;
- Full contact details including a telephone number and email address for the main contact;
- Details of when and where the trip is to take place, what its aims are, and what you hope the children will gain from the experience;
- The number of children who will be attending and their ages (children aged 14 and over can attend, but cannot be funded);
- A budget breakdown.

Your application should be posted to us with your latest audited or independently inspected accounts (NB: schools are not required to send accounts) to:

Applications – Holiday Grants
The Henry Smith Charity
6th Floor
65 Leadenhall Street
London EC3A 2AD

It usually takes between six and eight weeks for decisions to be made on applications.

Final Reports

If you are awarded a grant, you will be expected to send us a report on the trip within three months of it having taken place.

Your report will need to include:

- Confirmation that the grant has been spent on the purpose for which it was given – i.e. the trip that you told us about in your original application. If not, please explain.
- Information about how the trip went, how many children benefited, what they gained or learned from the trip, and any practical results it has produced. Include details of any useful lessons learned that could be of use to others.
- Confirm whether or not the trip was delivered within budget. If it was not, for example if you have over/under spent, please explain the reasons for this.

For further information please contact Jo Halpin on 0207 264 4983

These guidelines are available in large print or by email on request. Please tell us which font size you would like to receive them in, and whether you would like them posted or emailed to you.

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