

GANNETT FOUNDATION – GRANT APPLICATION FORM 2014

The Gannett Foundation is the charitable arm of Gannett Co, Inc., owner of Newsquest Media Group, which publishes regional and local newspapers, websites and magazines across the UK. The Gannett Foundation provides funding to support local projects and organisations in areas where Newsquest operates. The funds are managed by the Quartet Community Foundation. In the last 10 years alone, the Gannett Foundation has made grants in the UK alone totalling more than £4 million.

We value projects that bring lasting benefits to the communities and neighbourhoods served by our newspapers and online audience. That includes schemes for neighbourhood improvement and local problem-solving, economic development, youth development, education and cultural creativity, help for the disadvantaged or disabled and environmental conservation.

We particularly invite clearly reasoned applications relating to specific items of equipment or materials. Our record shows that could mean anything from a box of toys for disadvantaged children to sophisticated medical equipment for cancer research. Most of our applications are for relatively modest sums, but we actively encourage imaginative and ambitious projects on a bigger scale. And we are also able to join with other contributors to support elements of larger projects. While preference will be given to ideas which create a durable legacy for the community, we will consider single events or projects of limited duration that otherwise meet our criteria.

Restrictions:

- Applicants must be registered charities
- Applicants must not have received a grant from us within the last two years
- We will NOT fund:
 - salaries, professional fees or day-to-day running or maintenance costs
 - general appeals as opposed to specific projects
 - projects that do not bring benefits to local communities
 - political or religious objectives
 - state or privately run schools (other than special needs) or hospitals (other than hospices)

We will favour projects that demonstrate good planning, oversight and financial responsibility. You must supply copies of your most recent accounts (where required by the Charities Commission) or other appropriate financial information, together with any supporting materials and details of your organisation's managing committee. The actual use of all grants will be monitored by the relevant local newspaper Editor, to whom successful applicants must report within 12 months of the grant.

The following are just some examples of the grants we made in 2013 all over the UK:

- £1,180 for two motorised recliner chairs for the elderly in Lancashire
- £1,000 for medical equipment for first aiders in Essex
- £10,000 for a youth shelter in Cornwall
- £5,720 for syringe pumps for a hospice in Worcestershire
- £3,000 for a horse for disabled children in Hampshire
- £5,550 for a community garden in Cheshire
- £10,000 for a holiday caravan for disadvantaged children in Scotland
- £2,200 for dinghies for sea cadets in Cumbria
- £9,940 for lightweight wheelchairs in Wales
- £2,000 for washing machines in a hostel for the homeless in Wiltshire
- £9,713 for equipment for beekeepers in Yorkshire
- £9,519 for a community greenhouse in London

This application form must not be altered in any way. We will not accept applications that are not made using this form.

Applications must be sent initially to the Editor of your local Newsquest publication. Please complete this questionnaire and return it electronically to the email address given in the newspaper, on the website and repeated at the end of this questionnaire, together with scanned electronic copies of supporting documents. Alternatively, type or print clearly and put the form and documents in the post to the relevant newspaper address, which is also repeated at the end of this questionnaire.

If you need more space to answer our questions, please attach a detailed proposal on no more than two pages.

Please note that completed application forms and any attachments (including DVDs, CDs, etc) are non-returnable

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Name of your organisation:			
Address of organisation:	Contact address (if different):		
Daytime telephone number:	Name of contact person and position within the organisation:		
E-mail address: Fax number:			
What is your registered charity number:			
When did your organisation start? Does your organisation work with children? If yes do you have a child protection policy? Please attach a copy of that policy			
If your organisation has received a grant from the Gannett Foundation before, please state when the grant was received, the amount given and what it was used for.			

	What are the main activities of your organisation:		
ease explain what you need funding for, e.g. a particular project or a piece of equipment.			

Please explain how the local community will benefit:		
What is the project's time period?		
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How much are you applying for from the Gannett Foundation?		
f this is not the full cost, what other funding do you have for this project, including any funds from your own resources, and when do you expect all the funding to be in place?		
If different from the details above, please tell us the name of the organisation that should appear on the		
cheque:		

Declaration:

Signature of person submitting the form:		
Date:		
Signature of the Chairman of the Management Committee (or another member of the management committee if the Chairman is completing the form). Please remember, your application must include your most recent set of accounts.		
	Date:	
Checklist, please make sure you have:		
Answered <u>every</u> question		
Signed the form (two signatures)		
Enclosed your most recent accounts or financial information		
Enclosed a list of names and addresses of the members of your Management Committee		

Please scan completed forms and e-mail to:

<u>claire.simpson@telegraphandargus.co.uk</u> with the subject 'Gannett Foundation Grants 2014'