



Active Woods 08 Diversity activity grant

Purpose of the grant

The aim of this grant is to stimulate local activity focussed at encouraging a wider audience (specifically people from a Black and Minority Ethnic (BME)* background or people with disabilities) to benefit from activities and events organised in local woodland for their general health and well-being. This could include activities working through key target community groups or wider work to promote the wood to individuals from these groups.

Who can apply:

Any not-for-profit body running an activity/event in woodlands (not just the public forest estate (FC land)) for a range of multi-cultural and/or disabled groups/individuals that will benefit their health and well-being that will be promoted under Active Woods during 2007/2008.

For example:

- Woodland Initiatives
- User groups
- Community Groups
- Friends Groups
- Forest Districts
- Forestry Commission Regions
- Community Forests

Amount of grant available.

Total amount available for 07/08 is £14,000

Grants of £500 max per project/initiative (further applications may be considered if funding available towards the end of the grant period)

First come, first served basis

Application process starts end of January 2008

Grants available until mid-March 2008

Types of eligible activities (*should be in addition to existing or planned activity*)

- Translation services (languages/braille/signing for the deaf)
- Provision of accessible information (interpretation)
- Transport costs
- Publicity and promotion material (posters, leaflets, newsletters)
- Specialist services (dancing groups, story tellers)

- Catering for specific groups
- Development and production of specialist resource material (ie. education material for specific groups)
- Community facilitation

Other needs will be considered

Ineligible:

Staff costs where they are already fully funded

VAT is not included within the cost of the grant except where the organisation cannot recover the cost ie. charitable status

Application process

1. Fill in Form A (attached)
2. Send completed form by e-mail to Nigel Hobday – nigel.hobday@forestry.gsi.gov.uk
3. Applications will be considered by Forestry Commission National Office on the Friday of each week following the launch of grant
4. E-mail acknowledgement will be given as to whether the application has been successful within a week of assessment
5. Arrangements will be put in place to transfer via journal or pay via BACS, the grant

Conditions of grant

Successful applicants will ensure that the Active Woods logo is prominently placed on all promotional material and that any press releases include reference to the Active Woods programme (specific text can be provided if required).

Post event/activity - all successful applicants will be required to provide a brief report on the event/activity, including photographs, promotional material, etc where available.

***Definition of 'BME'**

When referred to as the 'BME sector', it must be remembered that this title has a broad application. "Ethnicity" covers not only the colour of someone's skin, but also their national, cultural and religious background.

"Black and minority ethnic individuals and their families" are to be interpreted as including: People whose ethnic origin is African Caribbean, Asian, African, Chinese, Japanese, Middle Eastern, North African or Romany, and the indigenous peoples of the South Pacific Islands, the American continents, Australia and New Zealand, and Refugees or Asylum seekers from the above regions or of the above ethnic origins. White parents or guardians of children of any such ethnic origin, and mixed race children.

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*Please send completed form, electronically to Nigel Hobday:
nigel.hobday@forestry.gsi.gov.uk*

FORM A

PART ONE: PROJECT OUTLINE

Title for project/initiative/activity:

Location:

Description of activity:

Please state specifically what you will be using the funding for (see suggestions in types of eligible activities); what you wish to achieve; your objectives for the activity

Action:

How do you plan to achieve your objectives?

Outputs/Outcomes:

What do you hope to deliver (targets) and how will you monitor success? (number of participants, comments, surveys, repeat visits)

Timescale: *Duration of the project*

Partnerships: *Details of any other partners involved in the project*

PART TWO: FINANCE

Project value: *Amount of grant sought (maximum £500)*

Matchfunding

Please insert any sources of match funding (cash) and amount (if applicable)

In-kind contributions:

Please insert total amount of in-kind contributions and details.

PART THREE: YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

Name:

Office address:

Contact telephone number & email:

***Please send completed form, electronically to Nigel Hobday:
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