

THE NORTON FOUNDATION

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MEDIA RELEASE

How would your organisation use **A QUARTER OF A MILLION POUNDS GRANT?** TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE

The Warwickshire and West Midlands-based Norton Foundation is seeking proposals from local organisations in Birmingham, Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire, who are planning capital projects to help young people under the age of 25 years. Successful organisations will be given up to £250,000 contribution for their prospective project.

In an effort to improve the personal development of young people, through creating opportunities within the region; bids must be primarily focussed on training, education, personal development or rehabilitation.

The announcement comes at a time where there is a lack of provision for young people due to cuts in services by statutory bodies and reduction in grants to voluntary organisations.

Graham Suggett, Chairman of the Foundation comments:

"This is the seventh such capital grant we have made, and we have high hopes that the 2020 grant, of up to, £250,000, will achieve the same high level of permanent provision for young people as the previous six have."

A previously successful applicant wrote:

"Without the support of the Norton Foundation, we would never have reached the place we are in our journey today. The Capital Grant programme showed, not only us but many other funders and supporters that our vision to create our own children and youth centre was achievable. The Norton Foundation valued our work and commitment to our community and without them we'd still be in a small rented building, struggling with an unsuitable and significant lack of space. We are forever indebted to the trust for their support and belief in our work. Thank you."

There are no application forms. Submissions, limited to one side of A4 paper, should include; an overview of the organisation, details of the proposed project and its benefits, an estimation of the total cost, and how the name of The Norton Foundation will be commemorated.

Bids must be received before 14th February 2020 by post to *The Correspondent, The Norton Foundation, The Paddock, Bwlch-Y-Gwynt Road, Llysfaen, Colwyn Bay, LL29 8DQ*

From these bids a short list will be selected and invited to submit detailed proposals and out of these a selection will be made of organisations to present in person to the Norton Foundation Trustees.

For further details, see the Norton Foundation website www.nortonfoundation.org.