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1 North West Fundraising Advice Clinics 25 June 2013

North West Community Network and NICVA have come together again to deliver the next series of Fundraising Advice clinics - **25 June 2013** - to provide charities / not-for-profit organisations with advice on grant applications.

Do you need to:

- Find out why your funding applications fail or;
- Get help completing an application form or;
- Find funders who match your project?

Demand is customarily high for these sessions so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Sessions (45 mins) are available as follows and will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

Two sessions are available in each time slot:

At Peace & Reconciliation Offices:	At North-West Community Network:
• 2.00 – <i>Fully Booked</i>	• 5.45 – <i>Fully Booked</i>
• 2.45 – <i>Fully Booked</i>	• 6.30 – One slot left
• 3.30 – One slot left	• 7.15 – One slot left
• 4.15 – Two slots left	

Venues: Afternoon sessions will be held at Peace and Reconciliation Group – Bishop Street and evening sessions will be held at NWCN Offices, The Diamond.

To book one of these sessions contact North-West Community Network: neola@nwcnc.org / 028 7127 9090

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2 Clever Committees ~ Training for Committee Members

Tuesday 11th June: Submitting Successful Funding Applications

Venue: St Columb's Park House

Time: 6.30pm-8.30pm (Registration and tea/coffee from 6.15pm)

Cost: **FREE.**

This is a great opportunity for your committee members or staff to revise or update their skills around their roles and responsibilities. They will gain expertise in completing application forms and sourcing funding opportunities. Participants will also be taken on a step by step revision of the financial documents required for committees.

To register or for further information please contact Nuala or Gabrielle Email: nuala@nwcnc.org or email:

3 Youth Justice Agency small grants open

The Youth Justice Agency an executive agency of the Department of Justice has opened their small grants scheme for 2013/14

The Agency works with children aged 10-18 years who have been involved in offending behaviour. They deliver a range of services including restorative practices, individual programmes and parenting support through our local offices and in custody. All of their interventions aim to prevent further offending and support the reintegration of children back into the community.

They are inviting applications from voluntary and community organisations who would benefit from a small grant, up to a maximum of £1,500.

Organisations must demonstrate a contribution to:-

- Diverting children from offending
- Supporting the reintegration of children who have offended
- Strengthening communities

Application forms are available from:

Yvette Craig, Finance Department, YJA Headquarters, Waring Street, Belfast, BT1 2DY

Tel 028 9031 6400 or can be downloaded by clicking on the link below:

www.youthjusticeagency.gov.uk/news/233/

Applications must satisfy criteria set out on the application form and must be returned by 12.00 noon on **14th June 2013**.

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4 £107,000 Coca-Cola Thank You Fund opens for 2013

Coca-Cola Ireland has launched the 2013 Coca-Cola Thank You Fund. The Fund, now in its third year, is once again making £107,000/€125,000 available to eligible non-profit organisations on the island of Ireland to develop new and innovative projects or initiatives that encourage communities to lead more balanced, healthy and active lives.

Entries are open until Friday 19 July 2013 and applications can be submitted on www.coca-cola.ie/thankyou.

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5 Peace building and equality seminar

If you are interested in equality and/or peace building, then please hold **Tuesday 2nd July** in your diary for a free seminar in Letterkenny exploring the links between peace building and equality.

We are delighted to have Niall Crowley as the keynote speaker. Niall was chief executive officer of the Equality Authority in Ireland, from its establishment in 1999 until 2008. Prior to this he worked in the community and voluntary sector with the Travellers' rights organisation Pavee Point.

He is the author of *An Ambition for Equality*, which was published by Irish Academic Press in 2006 and he now works as an independent equality and diversity expert.

The seminar will also be addressed by Hilary McCollum, Project Manager of Donegal CWC's Collective Action for Positive Peace project. Prior to moving to Donegal, Hilary worked on issues of equality and human rights within local and central government in Britain for more than 20 years, with a particular focus on violence against women and girls and identity based violence.

To book a place, please email hilarymccollum@cwci.ie

This project is supported by the European Union's PEACE III Programme managed for the Special EU Programmes Body by the Community Relations Council/Pobal consortium

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6 NW Peace III Community Leadership Programme

The delivery partners WEA and IISC would like to invite you to the CLP Conference:
GATEWAYS TO LEADERSHIP ~ An exploration of gatekeeping and good leadership practice.

'Gate-keeping' and 'Gate-keepers', how many times do we talk about this in the Community & Voluntary Sector? It used to be synonymous with access to individuals and communities, a crucial role and function in any divided society. In recent times the function has been linked to blocking and controlling of access. How fair is this? What is the function of a modern gate-keeper these days and how do we ensure succession? Is it time to refresh and redefine?

The organisers are hoping for a lively and productive discussion on this. Input from three engaging and experienced individuals, Bernadette McAliskey (STEP), Conol McFeely (Creggan Enterprises) and Peter Sheridan (Cooperation Ireland), will kick off the day and provide stimulus for further conversation.
Diane Greer (WEA)

The event will be held in the Waterfoot Hotel, L/Derry on **Thursday 13th June** 10am to 3.30 pm

To book a place please contact Maurice Mullen on 7136 9947 or maurice.mullen@wea-ni.com with the following details -

Name, organisation, contact address, phone number and email and any access issues or dietary requirements that we should note.

Full details of the event will be sent to delegates the week before the conference.

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7 Decade of Commemorations 1912-1922 ~ Hedge School Series June 2013

Thursday 6th June, 7-9 pm:

Suffrage Movement: Dr Patrick Fitzgerald

Partition, Migration & Memory: Northern Ireland in the 1920's: Dr Cathy Higgins, Dr Johanne Devlin- Trew

Strabane Library, 1 Railway Road, Strabane, BT82 8EF

Monday 10th June, 7-9 pm

Partition, Migration & Memory: Northern Ireland in the 1920's

Derry Central Library, 35 Foyle Street, Derry/Londonderry, BT48 6AL

Dr Johanne Devlin-Trew, Mr Richard Doherty & Maureen Hetherington

This series of Hedge Schools will provide an opportunity for lively discussions with historians and well-known personalities. If you are a local history society, or someone with a keen interest in British and Irish history then these events are for you.

This project is being delivered by Holywell Consultancy in conjunction with Libraries NI and the Mellon Centre for Migration Studies.

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8 NW social enterprise in running for major European digital award

An innovative Northern Ireland social enterprise is set to be in the limelight at one of Europe's premier business events next week as a finalist in the prestigious DigiBIC Awards which will be presented at the three-day EBN Congress. Founded in 2006 with the support of the Northern Ireland Business and Innovation Centre (NORIBIC), [Social Impact Tracker](#) has increased its user-base by 600% since 2010 and has continued to expand its sales in export markets.

Dr Bernard Toal, NORIBIC Chief Executive, says that he is delighted Social Impact Tracker will feature in the awards when the congress is taking place in its home town. *"EBN Congress 2013 will hear from and involve some of the world's leading innovators and entrepreneurs, so it is a fantastic platform for Social Impact Tracker to be recognised for its innovation and growth. We wish them the very best of luck and look forward to the awards on Friday,"* he adds. Peter MacCafferty of Social Impact Tracker says: *"We're thrilled to be shortlisted from so many companies across Europe for the awards and to be highlighted at EBN Congress which is such a huge, high profile event. We've come a long way in the last three years, and we see being a finalist in these awards as fantastic recognition."*

Social Impact Tracker allows frontline organisations, such as charities, voluntary and community groups, NGOs and social enterprises, to collect a range of qualitative and quantitative data for multiple funders (*including the European Social Fund*) to measure and report on its outputs, social impact/value, or used as a tool for social return on investment.

The DigiBIC Awards, which will be presented on the final day of EBN Congress (Friday 31 May) in Derry-Londonderry's Millennium Forum, reward businesses and research institutes from across Europe who have worked together to successfully deploy digital technologies in the Creative Industries. *"Our collaboration with the University of Ulster introduced us to a new technological framework that vastly improved the sustainability, performance, accessibility and reliability of Social Impact Tracker. The new customised platform enables organisations to self-impact and see the difference they are making on people's lives. We can now offer the product to hundreds of users through a network of UK distributor partners. You could say this process was a good example of both digital and social innovation, we harnessed the University technical expertise and blended this with our understanding of the organisation's social need."*

Headlined by Apple co-founder, Steve Wozniak, EBN Congress will feature an unparalleled line-up of 50 top class speakers from throughout Europe and as far away as China and Australia. The event is being made possible by sponsorship from organisations including principal sponsors Invest NI, Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure (DCAL) and Ilex.

The Derry-Londonderry-based firm is in the running for the top prize alongside companies from Luxembourg and Italy.

More information about DigiBIC Awards: http://www.digibic.eu/newsarticle.asp?level=0z87&parent_id=87&renleewtsapf=49

More information about EBN Congress: www.noribic.com/ebncongress

More info about Social Impact Tracker: <http://www.socialimpacttracker.org/>

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9 CAUSEWAY British-Irish Youth Exchange Programme

Contact Making Seminar

An opportunity to meet with youth workers and youth leaders interested in developing youth exchange and networking projects through the Causeway - British Irish Youth Exchange programme. Participants will be particularly interested in developing projects exploring the theme of **Working with Young People facing Urban or Rural Challenges**.

The Contact Making seminar takes place from **2.00pm on Friday 21 June** until **2.00pm on Sunday 23 June 2013** at **The Grand Hotel, Malahide, Dublin**.

Further Info & Application Form attached.

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10 Latest Jobs

Please see attached for job opportunities with the **British Red Cross** and with **Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum**.

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11 Men's Health Week in Letterkenny

Please see attached programme of events for Men's Health Week in Letterkenny to include: **Trauma &**

Addictions Workshop; Visit to "Life's Toolbox" Men's Shed Project; Information Stands & Holistic Therapies and Bill & Ben plus much more.

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12 Social Farming- What's the potential?

Social Farming promotes mental, social and physical well-being through engagement in farming activities. It can help to connect farmers with their local community, whilst helping to improve the quality of life of people in need. Get involved!

Find out more about what Social Farming / Care Farming is, and the potential for developing Social Farming as a Social Enterprise.

- Understand the Social / Care Farming Concept
- Learn about European, Irish and Northern Irish experiences
- Learn about services that can be provided
- Find out about sources of support

Date: **Thursday 6 June 2013**

Venue: **The Ballinderry Inn (Formerly Gil Good Lodge), Moira Rd, Lisburn, BT28 2HQ**

Followed by an optional Study Visit to Rathlane Farm (currently developing a Social Enterprise Care Farm). Transport provided.

Time: Seminar 10.00am – 1.30pm

Study Visit 1.30pm – 3.30pm

Free Event – Lunch / Refreshments Provided

To book your place:

Email: events@socialenterpriseni.org / Tel: 028 9267 3223 / www.socialenterpriseni.org

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13 Have You or Anyone You Know Been Bereaved by Suicide?

Do you want to be part of a group that **CAN** make your voice heard by relevant agencies?

The Voices of Persons Bereaved by Suicide are Crucial to Increasing Understanding. This is Your Chance to Make a Change – Have Your Say!

20th June, 10.45am – 1.00pm followed by a light lunch

Belfast Central Missions Centre, Grosvenor Road, 5 Glengall Street, Belfast, BT12 5AD

RSVP to Eimear on familiesvoicesforum@gmail.com

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14 Deaf Awareness and Basic Sign Language (BSL) Workshop

This 1 day workshop will give participants the opportunity to develop their understanding of deafness, the impact of deafness on children and the issues faced by deaf children. It will give tips on working with deaf children and will include an introduction to BSL.

Wednesday 5th June 2013. It starts at 9.30am and finishes at 4.30pm in Clooney Hall, Derry and lunch is provided.

To register: call 02890 401290 or for further information visit http://www.ci-ni.org.uk/events_specific.aspx?dataid=567353

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15 Understanding Domestic Abuse

Foyle Womens Aid are hosting an information session for families/friends of loved ones who are or have experienced domestic abuse on **Friday 21st June** from 10am until 1pm in Pathways at 24 Pump St, Derry.

Light refreshments will be provided.

If you would like to attend please call Jacqueline/Bridie on 71416800 to book your place.

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16 Date for your Diary – Sat 8th June, Waterside Theatre - Free concert: 5.30 pm to 6.30pm

Singing For All – Unison in Harmony Project

Two brand new community choirs will raise their voices in the city led by the inspirational Valerie Whitworth, an experienced Natural Voice method tutor who has a track record of delivering unique and inspiring singing projects.

The two choirs will become one for a special performance at the Waterside Theatre as part of the UK City of Culture celebrations. Come along and have fun singing songs from around the world. Experience the sheer joy and freedom of community singing in harmony - all for free! *If you can speak you can sing!*

The project has been funded by Music Promise, UK City of Culture 2013

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17 A Celebration of Colmcille ~ Launch of one book project

In Central Library, Foyle Street on **Wednesday 5th June at 7pm** ~ All are welcome.

For further details contact see attached flyer or call 02871272320.

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18 Alzheimer's Society 2013 Foyle Memory Walk

The 2013 Foyle Memory Walk will take place on **Sunday 15th September** beginning in Ebrington Square.

Registration from 12:00 on the day. Walk begins at 2:00pm.

Online registration is now open, visit http://www.memorywalk.org.uk/site/custom_scripts/memorywalk.php?memorywalkID=278 for more details.

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19 New Maiden City Walking Group

Group: Maiden City Walking Group
Meeting Point: Peace Bridge, City Hotel end
Date: Every Wednesday
Time: 12.00pm, leaving at 12.10pm

For more info please contact Patricia on 07834 706279.

If anyone would like to be a guide we encourage you to come along to guide blind and partially sighted walkers.

All welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!

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20 Vale Centre Craft + Gift Fair Sunday 9th June 2-5pm

Our next Craft and Gift Fair is Sunday 9th June, just in time for Fathers Day the following week, and ideal for gifts for teachers etc, there will be a massive selection of beautiful unique gifts on display. It is sure to be another great day, so why not come along, Mickey Mouse will be there to meet and greet the kids, music will be provided by Drive 105 DJ Raymond O'Hara. Refreshments will be available on the day. Come along and see some of the amazing crafts by talented local people.

Below is the list of traders who will be exhibiting @ The Fair:

Alpha Glass; Annead Crafts; Avon; Balloonita; Belle Boards; Clay Pot Creations; Cosmetic Claire; Crafty Cats Fabric Painting; Crafty Crafts; Crochet Craft and More; Crystal Aura Jewellery; Cupboard Treats; Cupcake Treats; D' Fashion Jewellery; Delhi Jewels; Fiona Mee Design; Finishing Touches Too; Glitz it up; Granny Knits Granny Pat Knits; Handmade with Love by Donna; Hazelwood Cottage Crafts; I Want Candy; Inishowen Aloe Vera; Jen's Little Handbag Shop; JPK Candles; Katie Do Little; Karabodde Crafts; Laura's Darling Aromas Leona Devine Artist; Mary Crowley Artist; Mc2 Crafts; Natasha Duddy Glass Designs; Off the Hook; Piece Makers; PMG Woodturning; Pretty Hearts and Arts; Pretty Posie; Rainbow Tie Dye; Rainbows End; Simmering Salts; Stampin up Demos; Stitched Sewing Service; Tara of Tyrone Crochet; The Pinkhouse Company; Tilly's; Trees with Treats; Trish's Fashion Jewellery; Unique for You; Urney Creations; Used to Be; Velveteen; Willow Studios & Woolpip

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Use single-line spacing

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Include reliable contact information: named contact, organisation, telephone number, email address &, where appropriate, web address

Please check that all details are correct when submitting as we will presume they are.

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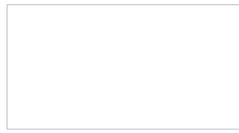
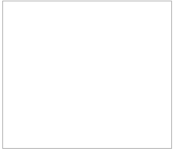
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