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<b>1</b>	<p><b>O2 Think Big</b></p> <p>O2's <b>Think Big</b> wants to find young people with great ideas and help them get going by giving them the training and funding to make their ideas work.</p> <p>What you get once you're in the programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £300 cash for your project, plus training and support</li> </ul> <p>If you get invited to take your project further, you could get:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to £2500 cash for your project (given in stages), Free O2 broadband for a year, a laptop for your project group plus support from O2 mentors</li> </ul> <p>You need to be aged between 13 and 25 to apply for and run a project, but people of any age can get involved by becoming fans or members of the project. <b>You will need to complete a £300 project before you can apply for a £2500 project.</b></p> <p>To be eligible for funding from Think Big, your project must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Involve people aged between 13 to 25 in the UK</li> <li>• Help a community or address a social problem</li> <li>• Take place within the next 3 months</li> </ul> <p>Apply online via the <a href="#">Think Big website</a></p>
<b>2</b>	<p><b>The Hedley Foundation</b></p> <p>The Hedley Foundation is a charitable foundation which has supporting young people as one of its aims. The funder's main objective is Young people - their education, recreation, support, training, health</p>

	<p>and welfare. Grants are offered for specific projects only, mostly one-off, but cannot include core revenue, salary or transport funding.</p> <p>The main objective of the Trustees' grant-making is to assist and encourage development and change and most grants are for under £5,000. Funding is only available for registered Charities.</p> <p><b>Applications must be made via <a href="#">The Hedley Foundation website</a></b></p>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Faiths in Action</b></p> <p>Grants of up to £6,000 are available for faith, inter faith, voluntary and community sector groups and organisations working at a local level.</p> <p>The funding could be used to start an inter faith youth group, organise a street festival, or run an arts workshop to explore the different faiths in your community.</p> <p><b>Faiths in Action</b> is a £4 million grant programme, distributed over two years in two rounds of funding. In the first round, 216 organisations were offered grants of up to £12,000, totalling over £2.43 million. Applications are considered on a continuous basis until the total value of the fund has been awarded to successful groups.</p> <p>The maximum size of a grant in the final round is £6,000.</p> <p><b>Further details are available on the <a href="#">Faiths in Action website</a></b></p>
<b>4</b>	<p><b>Reaching Communities: England</b></p> <p><b>Reaching Communities</b> funds projects that help people and communities who are most in need, and can really make a difference. Projects can be new or existing activities, or be the core work of your organisation.</p> <p>The funder wants to encourage the following changes to communities as a result of their funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• people having better chances in life, including being able to get better access to training and development to improve their life skills</li> <li>• strong communities, with more active citizens, working together to tackle their problems</li> <li>• improved rural and urban environments, that communities are better able to access and enjoy</li> <li>• healthier and more active people and communities</li> </ul> <p>The Big Lottery Fund will make grants of between £10,000 and £500,000, and they will fund projects for up to 5 years.</p> <p><b>For further details, download the <a href="#">Reaching Communities Q &amp; A</a> or visit the <a href="#">Reaching Communities website</a></b></p>
<b>5</b>	<p><b>The People's Millions</b></p> <p>The People's Millions is your chance to win up to £50,000 to improve your area. Come up with a new and original idea that will make life better for people where you live, and you could be on ITV this November, competing for viewers' votes.</p> <p>The People's Millions are looking for new projects that aim to improve local facilities or help people get more out of their area.</p> <p>You can apply for between £20,000 and £50,000 (including VAT). The amount you ask for must be at least half the total cost of your project.</p> <p>Previous winners in the London area include:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A project that converted a vehicle into a mobile recording studio / training facility to take to schools, community groups &amp; youth clubs</li> <li>• A project to convert a rundown play area and communal garden on a housing estate in a deprived area of Camden</li> </ul> <p>Entries must be submitted at the <a href="#">People's Million's website</a> with applications closing at noon on 14th May 2010.</p> <p>The total prize fund is £3.8 million, with project ideas receiving up to £50,000 from the Big Lottery Fund, who expect to make five awards in each ITV region.</p>
	<b>Policy</b>
<b>6</b>	<p><b>New duty for Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) to Reduce Reoffending - guidance</b></p> <p>From 1 April 2010 CSPs will have a new duty to formulate and implement a strategy to reduce reoffending by adults and young offenders and probation will become the sixth statutory partner of CSPs. It is envisaged that the changes will enhance the key role CSPs can play in bringing together and co-ordinating the actions of housing providers, health services, local authorities and other key players, all of which have a vital role in cutting crime and reducing reoffending.</p> <p>The Home Office and the Ministry of Justice have published guidance on the new duty entitled 'Reducing reoffending, cutting crime, changing lives'. The document includes a range of case studies which illustrate what some local partnerships are already doing to tackle reoffending.</p> <p>Download the <a href="#">guidance on the new duty for Community Safety Partnerships</a>  Download the <a href="#">executive summary</a></p>
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Scheme launched to reduce reoffending in short term prisoners</b></p> <p>An innovative scheme aimed at reducing reoffending rates for short term prisoners was launched on 18 March by Justice Secretary Jack Straw.</p> <p>The six-year Social Impact Bond (SIB) pilot scheme run by <a href="#">Social Finance</a> will begin in the summer and see around 3,000 short term prisoners from Peterborough prison, serving less than 12 months, receiving intensive interventions both in prison and in the community.</p> <p>Funding from investors outside government will be initially used to pay for the services, which will be delivered by Third Sector providers with a proven track record of working with offenders. If reoffending is not reduced by at least 7.5% the investors will receive no recompense.</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p>
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Consultation: Reform of Coroner System</b></p> <p>The Ministry of Justice is seeking views on nine key policy areas, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the specific types of deaths which should be reported to coroners;</li> <li>• post-mortem examinations; and</li> <li>• the new appeals and complaints systems.</li> </ul> <p>To download the consultation document and questions visit the <a href="#">MoJ website</a></p> <p><b>Deadline for responses: 1 July 2010</b></p>
	<b>News and resources</b>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Greater London Domestic Violence Project</b></p> <p>In April 2010, the Greater London Domestic Violence Project will become AVA (Against Violence &amp; Abuse), a national second-tier service working to end all forms of violence against women and girls.</p> <p><a href="#">More info</a></p>

<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>Publication - Prison Break: Tackling recidivism, reducing costs</b></p> <p>A new research report by the think tank Social Market Foundation (SMF), argues that a radical new approach, with much less public money, is needed to tackle reoffending. In ‘Prison Break’ the SMF accountability model proposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Splitting short- and long-term prison populations to enable more accountable rehabilitation of persistent offenders on short-term sentences.</li> <li>• Contracting out end-to-end offender management for all sub-12-month offenders to regional providers paid by results to reduce recidivism.</li> </ul> <p>You can download the report in full from the <a href="#">SMF website</a></p>
<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>Police criticised for mishandling complaints about anti-social behaviour</b></p> <p>The way the police in England and Wales deal with complaints of anti-social behaviour has been strongly criticised by the chief inspector of constabulary.</p> <p>Denis O'Connor said the failure to properly record and tackle incidents undermined confidence in the police, and called for urgent improvements. His comments came as the inspectorate published "report cards" on the performance of 43 forces.</p> <p>Read the <a href="#">BBC article in full</a></p>
<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>New report - Punishing Costs: How locking up children is making Britain less safe</b></p> <p>Britain imprisons more under-aged children than almost all other Western European countries. Currently many children who are not a threat to public safety are put behind bars.</p> <p>A new report by the New Economics Foundation - <b>Punishing Costs: How locking up children is making Britain less safe</b> presents new results on the full cost to society of the use of prisons.</p> <p>This report outlines a policy to change the pattern of public spending for a safer and more inclusive society.</p> <p>Download the report in full from the <a href="#">New Economic Foundation website</a>.</p>
<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>New report - the Female Voice in Violence</b></p> <p>A new report by Race on the Agenda (ROTA), argues that fresh thinking is needed to support women and girls involved in serious youth violence.</p> <p>The <b>Female Voice in Violence</b> report draws on face-to-face research with 352 friends, relatives, victims or perpetrators of gangs and gang violence. Ranging in age from 13-52, the experiences of these women and girls highlight lessons for policy makers and those working to prevent serious youth violence.</p> <p>The research highlighted concerns about the lack of appropriate services available to those females caught up in gangs, the use of sexual violence by gang members, and the impact of serious violence on their sexual and mental health.</p> <p>Key findings include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very little support is targeted at women and girls involved in gangs, with any female-specific services usually the initiative of individuals rather than planning or policy.</li> <li>• Girls involved with gang members often live outside of known gang-affected areas, and may hold firearms, drugs or money for their boyfriends.</li> <li>• Rape, sexual violence and exploitation are significant weapons used against women and girls associated with, or involved in, gangs.</li> <li>• Convicted female gang members are often held with boys outside of mainstream schools, severely limiting their ability to deal with their offending behaviour and reduce their victimisation.</li> <li>• Little intelligence exists to quantify the numbers of women and girls affected by gang violence.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The report assesses the role and effectiveness of statutory and voluntary sector services, especially women's groups and those working with black and minority ethnic communities, in helping those involved with gangs.</li> </ul> <p>It highlights ways of supporting women and girls to exit the lifestyle and culture of serious violence - whether as sisters, mothers or girlfriends of gang members, or gang members themselves. The role of local, regional and national policy in supporting this agenda is also examined.</p> <p><b>Hard copies of the report may be purchased directly from ROTA.</b>  <b>Cost: £25 each.</b></p> <p><b>Please contact Liz Carr for more info: <a href="mailto:liz@rota.org.uk">liz@rota.org.uk</a></b></p> <p><b>Race on the Agenda: <a href="http://www.rota.org.uk">www.rota.org.uk</a></b></p>
<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>Borough by Borough report on LGBT issues</b></p> <p>Kairos in Soho have completed the 'Borough by Borough' report, a summary of Lesbian, Gay, bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) equalities policies and information about LGBT initiatives found on the websites of the thirty-three local authorities in London during the months of May and June 2009. It covers the following key areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the context within which LGBT equalities policies have been developed by local authorities since 2000;</li> <li>the key LGBT equalities initiatives introduced by London local authorities;</li> <li>a borough by borough breakdown of the information about LGBT equalities policies, and the services and information on the websites geared towards LGBT people;</li> <li>LGBT voluntary and community organisations (VCOs) contribution to policy development locally, regionally and nationally.</li> </ul> <p>The findings indicate that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>if websites are any indication of the extent of commitment, then <b>LGBT equalities issues remain on the margins of most equalities agendas;</b></li> <li>a number of local authorities have made little or no <b>provision for LGBT people</b> and only a small number provide accessible information about any specific LGBT related policy and initiatives;</li> <li>existing practice tends to focus on specific issues and activities such as homophobic hate crime, LGBT History Month, LGBT staff forums, and carrying out LGBT needs assessments of some kind. However they are not indicative of <b>comprehensive equalities policies and actions</b> which integrate LGBT perspectives into all aspects of local authority services; and</li> <li>the lack of information about LGBT issues found on many websites means that LGBT people are <b>likely to experience difficulties</b> in accessing information about local services.</li> </ul> <p>Websites represent the public face of local authorities: by marginalising LGBT interests and needs the impression is created that LGBT people are not important. The invisibility of LGBT people is perpetuated even where specific services exist to meet their needs.</p> <p><a href="#">Kairos in Soho</a></p>
<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>Kindle guide to Commissioning and the community sector</b></p> <p>This new publication has been written specifically for community organisations to help them understand commissioning and seize the opportunities that this process affords. These include the opportunity to use their local knowledge to shape services.</p> <p><b>Kindle</b> is a partnership of national charities supporting the community sector, children and youth services. They are working with the <a href="#">Commissioning Support Programme (CSP)</a> to produce guidance for local authorities and their Children's Trust partners to help them appreciate the contribution voluntary and community organisations can make and how they can get involved in local commissioning.</p> <p><b>Download <a href="#">Commissioning and the Community Sector</a></b></p> <p>Community sector organisations can also use the online discussion forums to share their experiences of being commissioned or ask advice from other organisations across the country.</p>

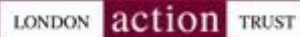
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