



## Oxfordshire youth schemes .... your community's chance to bid for funding

Voluntary and community organisations are being invited to bid for portions of Oxfordshire County Council's new £1m two-year grant fund: Youth Opportunity Fund.

Feedback from Oxfordshire residents points to strong support for improving community-run youth services. This new fund is available to help existing projects expand and new ones get started. Grants of up to £70,000 are available.

By offering start-up funding in previous years, the council has already helped many community-run groups provide support for young children and families. Now we aim to do the same for youth services.

Community-run youth schemes complement the work of the county council's children's services department, which targets resources at young people at risk of abuse and neglect.

People in neighbourhoods, towns and villages know best what is good for their community and where they would like to see improvements.

Now they have the chance to start or grow existing schemes designed to give young people their own space to pursue interests in a safe environment.

For further information on how to submit a bid to the Youth Opportunity Fund:

Website: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/youthopportunity

Contact: youth.opportunities@oxfordshire.gov.uk

