Funding Application Guidelines

Overview

Heb Ffin is a charitable trust intending to provide a sustainable model for Christian philanthropy aimed largely at Wales and Africa. Heb Ffin aims to be an intermediary between the donor and schemes carrying out the front line evangelical and/or aid work. Heb Ffin aims to add value to the financial donation by providing transparency, ensuring probity and also by assisting aid schemes through advice and expertise as well as funding. It is anticipated that Heb Ffin may make investments by means of interest free loans of assets or finance as well as grants.

Objects

1. The Advancement of the Christian religion – particularly, but not exclusively:
   - Initiatives involving evangelistic activities that spread the gospel message in Wales, with a focus on the South Wales Valleys and rural districts,
   - The promotion of high quality theological, ministerial and lay training for Welsh ministers and for African students committed to returning to their home countries.

2. The Relief of Poverty in the UK – particular emphasis will be placed on Welsh projects in which the Christian faith is being manifested through practical action to help those in need in the following categories:
   - Homeless,
   - Drug dependency,
   - Ex-offenders,
   - Trafficked or sexually exploited people.
3. The Relief of Poverty in Africa - particularly Christian initiatives involving:
   ▪ Projects to improve health or address health issues,
   ▪ Education of children and professional education,
   ▪ Support for micro-businesses to encourage self-sustaining communities.

4. Trustees who meet approximately quarterly to review and decide on applications for funding
   Nick Davis
   Ruth Davis
   Nigel Harris

Applications for funding

1. General guidelines
   1. Applications are invited for funding for projects which meet Heb Ffin’s objects;
   2. Evidence of longer term sustainability is an important consideration;
   3. Funds are limited so unfortunately it is likely that the majority of funding applications will not be successful;
   4. Applications from individuals and small charities are likely to be favoured above those from large organisations which have access to other funding sources;
   5. Applications for loans are likely to be favoured over those for grants.

2. Applying for funding
   1. There is no formal application form; applications are invited by letter or email but must specifically address each of the points detailed below.
   2. The proposal, on 3 to 4 sides of A4 paper should include the following information:
      o Details of the organisation and contact details
      o Clear overview of the aims and objectives of the project
      o Details of the project including
• Contact details including (if applicable) website addresses and charitable registration
• Key elements and activities
• Anticipated timing
• Overall budget and an indication as to how this is to be met
• Proportion of the funding received that will be used for administration of the project (must be less than 10%)
• Indication of how any funding received from Heb Ffin will be specifically used
• Analysis of how the benefits secured by the project will be sustained
• Details of how the project will be monitored and evaluated and what feedback Heb Ffin will receive

3. Exclusions
   In general, Heb Ffin will not support organisations or projects falling into the following areas:
   1. General appeals or circulars
   2. Campaigning or lobbying activity
   3. Political donations
   4. Animal welfare
   5. Grant-making organisations
   6. Uniformed groups such as Scouts and Guides
   7. Disaster relief funds

4. Frequently asked questions
   1. Are there specific deadlines for applications? - No, applications will be considered at the next quarterly trustees meeting.
   2. Will applications be acknowledged? - No, a written response will be provided after the trustees have considered the application.
   3. What size of grants / loans does Heb Ffin provide? - It is anticipated that the majority of funding will be between £1,000 and £5,000.
   4. Does the application have to come from a UK-based organisation? - Not necessarily, although if from outside the UK more verification of the application may be necessary.