

Youth Funding 2012/13

1. Group/Club name and contact details

Royal Wootton Bassett & District Sea Cadets

2. What is the Initiative?

To provide a week's voyage for 12 cadets aboard the TS Jack Petchey

3. Where is the initiative taking place?

The voyage will take place along the coastline of the UK, beginning in Newcastle and ending in Hull

4. When will the initiative take place?

Cadets will depart RWB on 27 July 2013 to travel to Newcastle and return on 3 August 2013 which is the second week of the scholastic summer break

5. What are the Community benefits/evidence of need/links to Community Plan/Community Issue?

The provision of funding eliminates the pressure on parents to support this initiative thus ensuring the voyage is open to all regardless of their financial standing creating an equal chance for all to participate.

6. What is the desired outcome of this initiative?

The provision of this opportunity will give the young people a chance to experience life at sea where their involvement is essential in ensuring the success of the voyage. They will learn the importance of teamwork and reliability in a working environment thus providing essential skills to take forward to the work place.

7. Who will Project Manage this initiative?

The committee and command team of the unit will manage the project until the date of departure at which point two volunteers will accompany the cadets for their voyage to ensure that all learning objectives are met while offshore.

8. Costs/quotes/ match funding?

The full cost of the voyage is £250 per cadet which is a total of £3000.
The Farringdon Trust has provided a contribution of £50 per cadet, a total bursary of £600.
Thus leaving a balance of £2400 required

9. Additional information

The TS Jack Petchey is a 24m long offshore power vessel and voyages are open to all young people within the unit who are aged 12 to 18. They have a permanent, fully trained crew of 4 which is supplemented by the volunteers and cadets to allow them to successfully sail the vessel during the week.

The cadets will learn a variety of skills during the voyage and will have to complete tasks as part of the ship's crew to ensure that the voyage is a success. These will include deck work, navigation at sea, bridge watch keeping, cooking and some basic engineering.

The training also covers the training basics as laid down by the RYA (Royal Yachting Association) and by completing more voyages and some classroom based training courses the cadets could, if they so wished, obtain their RYA Competent Crew or even Dayskipper qualification which they can take on into adulthood and thus allow them to charter a boat for holidays or even progress up to a potential opportunity for a career at sea.

The voyage needs to be paid in full 6 weeks prior to departure, this would be no later than 15 June 2013 however the voyages are open to all cadets across the country and an early decision will enable the unit to secure the booking for cadets from RWB unit only.