

## Youth Funding 2012/13

### 1. Group/Club name and contact details

Gold Duke of Edinburgh, Royal Wootton Bassett Academy

### 2. What is the Initiative?

The money that will be raised will go towards the expedition, and it will be benefiting disadvantaged students allowing them to complete their Gold award.

### 3. Where is the initiative taking place?

Brecon Beacons, Wales

### 4. When will the initiative take place?

March 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> and July 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>.

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

Although there are no direct benefits to the community except for the disadvantaged students being able to complete their award, as part of Gold DofE every student has to volunteer for a year which is currently the case for each individual. Volunteering varies from in school mentoring, to dog walking for kennels to helping in Charity shops.

### 6. What is the desired outcome of this initiative?

The desired outcome is students being able to complete the Gold DofE which looks great on CV's and personal statements. It could mean the difference between being accepted or not for university for some students.

### 7. Who will Project Manage this initiative?

DofE Leader

### 8. Costs/quotes/ match funding?

The overall amount that the group has to raise is £6500; we are currently fundraising by small events (e.g. car wash, holding stalls, bake sale etc. as well as future plans such as bag packing.) But to reach the goal we need a bigger injection of funds and a grant would be the best way, even if it is not a very big amount we would appreciate any sum as it will get us closer to the full amount we need to raise. The amount that we would ask for is £275-£300, that would be the full sum to fund one student. (This money would obviously be divided between all 20 students it would not go to one individual.)

## **9. Additional information**

I would like to stress again that although the grant isn't directly going to help the wider community it will help the 20 students who are undertaking the Gold Award, and who help the community through volunteering within it. Not only that but each student will also be helping out at an event for 5 days 4 nights as part of their residential trip (this could include a youth club trip, local festival, helping at an activities holiday etc.) all for free. So although the grant isn't directly helping the community it is helping the students who are voluntarily helping out already.