

# The Earls Colne And Halstead Educational Charity

## A Guide to Grants

### Can we help you?

Whether you belong to an organisation or are pursuing individual interests of your own, you may be eligible for help towards achieving your goal.

The charity is keen to encourage applications, to provide support for suitable projects and to grant aid individuals meeting the charity's criteria.

### Organisations

Here are some real examples of the kind of support we offer:

- ✓ Funding for the purchase of archery equipment, football equipment and table tennis equipment for local groups
- ✓ Funding towards local trips and start-up equipment for voluntary groups
- ✓ Contributing towards establishing a Sensory Room for children with special needs in a Primary School
- ✓ Assisting Guides and Scouts to attend international Jamborees in Japan, Uganda, Mexico and India
- ✓ Funding towards equipment for playgroups

If you would like to apply for grant aid, please apply by using a Project Grant Form for Organisations.

Your application form should:

- (1) explain your project in detail
- (2) let us know how we can help
- (3) reach us at least three weeks before our next meeting.

### Individuals

Our charity is able to offer:

- ✓ Grant aid towards books and equipment for recognised Higher Education courses for Post 18 students but excluding one-year Foundation courses
- ✓ Help for young people already performing above the average within the arts or in sport
- ✓ A small grant to those undertaking the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

Grants from our Charity have provided:

- ✓ Support for musicians participating in The National Youth Choir and The National Youth Brass Band
- ✓ Equipment for a yachtsman and a triathlete competing at national and international level
- ✓ Assistance for young people undertaking voluntary projects in Sri Lanka, Peru, Swaziland and the Czech Republic

To apply for a grant, simply download or request an application form.

Once completed, your form must be returned to us at least three weeks before our next Trustees' meeting.

### Background & History

The Earls Colne & Halstead Educational Charity was formed in 1975, following the closure of the Earls Colne and Halstead Grammar Schools.

The Charity is an Educational Trust. It holds and administers funds from endowments previously connected with: the Earls Colne Grammar School, the Hunt Endowment Fund, the Reuben Hunt Scholarship, the Halstead Educational Foundation and the George Courtauld Gift.

Over the years, the Charity has made grants to numerous individuals, schools and local organisations from the income that it receives from its investments. In recent years, it has made grants totalling almost £50,000 per annum.

The Charity is directed by a Board of Trustees. There are fourteen Trustees, who are appointed by various authorities and organisations operating within the Charity's area of benefit.

### Who can we help?

The Charity assists young people up to the age of 25 who are engaged in any type of educational activity.

To qualify for help, applicants must have attended school or have lived for at least one year within the Charity's area of benefit (catchment area).

Currently, the Charity also gives grant aid to all schools within its area of benefit and to local voluntary organisations offering opportunities to young people.



### Applications

The Board of Trustees normally meets in February, July, and November to consider applications.

### Find out more:

More information about the charity can be found on our website ([www.echec.org.uk](http://www.echec.org.uk)), where application forms are also available for downloading. The charity may also be contacted by email at: [earlscolnehalstead.edcharity@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:earlscolnehalstead.edcharity@yahoo.co.uk)

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