

The Kathleen Mary Denham Fund



2008 / 2009

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Introduction

This report outlines how the generous endowment from The Kathleen Mary Denham fund has been used to positively impact on the organisations, communities and people that have been supported during the 2008-2009 year.

As well as a summary of all the allocations made, there are reports about some of the organisations that were supported and how they used the grant including, where possible, evaluations of the impact and relevant pictures.

The Fund supports a wide variety of projects for young people and children and people with special needs or disability. The fund also supports projects with long lasting and wide-ranging benefits, those that contribute to community cohesion, and/or are projects from new groups with new ideas.

All those associated with The Community Foundation for Calderdale want to place on record their gratitude for the support given over the year.

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Grants 2008-09

∞	Voluntary Action Calderdale	£18,579.66
∞	The Calderdale Community Coaching Trust	£5,000.00
∞	Hebden Bridge Arts Festival	£3,261.00
∞	St. Anne's Church	£800.00
∞	Action Halifax	£900.00
∞	Elland Cricket, Athletic and Bowling Club (Cricket Section)	£750.00
∞	Nashayman Housing Association	£4,061.00
∞	Bailiff Bridge Bowling Club	£874.00
∞	"Speak for th'sen" Calderdale & Huddersfield NHS Head & Neck Support Group	£2,300.00
∞	Sowood Playgroup	£1,500.00
∞	All Saints Church, Elland	£5,000.00
∞	Next Step Trust	£20,000.00

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Grants 2008-09 (cont)

∞	New Beginnings Christian Centre	£1,871.00
∞	Dodnaze Community Centre	£5,000.00
∞	St John's Church, Warley	£2,860.00
∞	Design Dimension Educational Trust	£5,000.00
∞	Magistrates in the Community	£100.00
∞	Roomfield Baptist Church	£13.00
∞	Mayfield Trust	£2,500.00
∞	Depression Alliance, Shibden	£560.00
∞	Women's Centre Calderdale & Kirklees	£4,771.00
∞	Halifax and Aachen Society	£890.00

Total grants allocated

£86,590.66

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How the grants have been used...1

∞ Next Step Trust ∞
www.thenextsteptrust.org.uk

The Next Step Trust provides support for young people over 19 with complex needs and disabilities. The specialist centre includes a community café, a specialised ICT Suite and a sensory room. This provides the “next step” for a group of people who on leaving Ravenscliffe High School, Calderdale’s only Secondary Special School, previously fell into the gap in provision identified in a Corporate Assessment report by Calderdale MBC in 2005. The Charity was established in 2006 and raised over £200,000 towards the capital costs and rental charges of the project. The extremely committed people involved at Next Step continue to raise funds. The grant from this fund was agreed in 2007 and is being paid in installments to help cover the cost of managing the centre.



Rugby Player, Charlie Hodgson opens the sensory room

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How the grants have been used...2

∞ Voluntary Action – Calderdale (VAC) ∞ www.cvac.org.uk

VAC provides infrastructure support to the voluntary and community sector in Calderdale including: funding advice, organisational development, training, volunteer recruitment service and support on a range of good practice issues. The grant is to employ a supported volunteer development worker to establish a volunteer mentor scheme to work exclusively with clients with additional support needs.

Often local agencies do not have the skills or resources to take on volunteers with additional support needs. This leaves many socially excluded and isolated individuals inactive and disengaged and this is a waste of significant talent and resources.

∞ Nashayman – part of Home ∞ www.nashayman.org.uk

Established in 1992, Nashayman, part of the Home group, exists to provide affordable housing to their customers – tenants, leaseholders and other residents. They aim to secure sustainable neighborhoods for all their customers and provide support to individuals. The project being funded was to train and support 15 to 20 young people to act as peer motivators to encourage other young people in the Park Ward of Halifax to attend the Calderdale Council supported, “Summer University”. This provides free educational and vocational taster courses during the summer break and is aimed at young people aged 11 to 19. Nashayman believe that without this support the take up in Park Ward would be limited.

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How the grants have been used...3

∞ Speak for th'sen

Calderdale & Huddersfield NHS Head and Neck Support Group ∞

This group was formed in 2003 and provides support to, and social activities for, patients and carers who have had head and neck surgery which has left them either unable to speak or with impaired speech.

The grant was to help members attend regional gatherings of other laryngectomees to socialise, compare progress with rehabilitation and encourage and support the formation of similar groups in other areas.

∞ St John the Evangelist Church, Warley ∞

The request for support came from the Parochial Church Council and was to help with the second phase of their Church Hall Refurbishment project. This included updating the Fire Alarm system, double glazed windows in the main hall and kitchen, extending the porch including improving access for prams and wheelchairs, re-roofing two storage rooms and installing safety windows to two internal doors. The grant was especially linked to the double glazing aspect. The existing windows were ill-fitting and not energy efficient and had become rusty and unsafe.



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How the grants have been used...4

∞ WomenCentre Calderdale & Kirklees ∞ www.womencentre.org.uk

WomenCentre provides a wide variety of support and services to all women in Calderdale. This grant was to part fund a project aimed at improving the literacy and numeracy skills of mothers and to raise their understanding of the methods used in schools to teach children up to foundation stage. This was intended to increase their confidence and self-esteem and encourage them to learn together with their children and improve the family relationship as a result.

∞ Design Dimension Educational Trust ∞ www.designdimension.org www.focusonfood.org www.thecookingschool.co.uk

The project was to place 20 parents/carers in a state-of-the-art Cooking School, based at Dean Clough, Halifax for a 1.5 day course. Learning about nutrition is an important part of food education and a key to understanding the causes of obesity; vital for parents/carers and children. Encouraging them to teach children to cook will increase confidence on both sides and learning how to make nutritious, and often quick meals, on a budget will provide broader choices. A letter from Anita Cormac, Executive Director of Focus on Food thanked the fund for the support for the project which was aimed at people from highly disadvantaged backgrounds.

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How the grants have been used...5

∞ **Dodnaze Community Association** ∞
www.dodnaze.org

The Association provides premises and facilities on an isolated rural estate in Hebden Bridge. Activities include, Drop in Sessions for over 50s, Carer/Toddler Groups, Children's French Classes, Aerobics, Wing Chun, Boxercise and a Toddlers Music Group. A disused, former shop was turned into a Community Centre – the “Dodpod”.

The project was to support the cost of maintaining and adding to the variety of sporting/physical activities provided – some of which are aimed at people who, for various reasons, don't usually take part in exercise activities.

The Project Worker, Jean Delahoy sent a thank you letter in which she commented that obtaining grants for ongoing costs is much harder than for set-up costs and that the grant will make a real difference.



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How the grants have been used...6

∞ Mayfield Trust ∞
www.mayfield-trust.org.uk

The Trust was formed in 1952 with the purpose of improving the quality of life for children, young people and adults with learning/physical disabilities. The funding was to support a Summer Scheme project for children and young people with mild to profound physical/learning disabilities. The scheme was based on leisure, social, educational and fun-filled activities whilst promoting social independent and communication skills within a safe and friendly environment. Additionally this would provide respite to parents/carers to spend precious time with other siblings.



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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Endowment Fund £					
Year Ending	30/06/2009	30/06/2008	30/06/2007	30/06/2006	30/06/2005
Donation 24/07/02 £500,000					
Additions to Endowment				1,216,155	1,000,000
Endowment at Cost	2,716,155	2,716,155	2,716,155	2,716,155	1,500,000
Market Value of Investment	2,495,523	2,763,802	3,045,033	2,814,256	1,549,791
Net Income & Grant Making £					
Year Ending	30/06/2009	30/06/2008	30/06/2007	30/06/2006	30/06/2005
Net Interest on Investment	70,830	96,783	74,850	19,268	13,791
Interest from Legacy				176,300	
Grants Paid	86,590	192,884	107,089	18,055	10,680
Transfer to Individual Fund			10,000		
Transfer to POTY		20,000			
Fund balance carried forward	82,906	91,804	150,263	192,503	14,991

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When you consider making a gift to charity, you have the right to expect that:

- All communication surrounding it will be honest, truthful and will comply with the law.
- Your right to privacy will be respected and you will not be subjected to any form of pressure
- Your gift will be applied to the purpose for which it was originally agreed.
- It will be used in a way that preserves the dignity of the beneficiary
- Fundraisers and the organisers they represent should consider themselves accountable to you for their actions and will be transparent in their dealings with you.
- Fundraisers will comply with the law relating to fundraising and the use of personal data.
- Fundraisers will observe the highest professional standards at all time.

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