

PARTNER SEARCH

Funding Call or Programme	GENERAL CALL FOR PARTNERS - HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE (UK)
	Hertfordshire County Council is the government body for Hertfordshire. Hertfordshire is a county in the United Kingdom, located to the north of Greater London. The county has a population of 1.2 million, diverse industries and several large towns. We have areas of prosperity, but also many areas of deprivation. One of Hertfordshire County Council's main jobs is to tackle the problems caused by deprivation.
	Services for Young People is a very important part of Hertfordshire County Council. Our aim is to support young people to move successfully into adult working life. We deliver many innovative projects to tackle the issues faced by young people. These projects are based on 'early intervention' - tackling problems early on. Hertfordshire has one of the lowest levels in the UK of young people not in education, training or work. Our innovative projects and highly skilled staff have helped us achieve this and many other positive outcomes for young people.
	We would be interested in sharing our expertise, learning from others, and developing new projects for young people.
	We are committed to making partnerships across Europe and want to hear from anyone with interest in working with us as soon as possible. Hertfordshire Services for Young People is an excellent partner to work with. We have a track record of highly successful, innovative projects through partnerships. We have the resources and expertise to make partnerships benefitting everyone involved.
	Please see our websites for general information on Hertfordshire County Council and our Services for Young People: <u>www.hertsdirect.org</u> <u>http://www.youthconnexions-hertfordshire.org</u>
	Please see below for our contact details.
Aims, Objectives, and	We are interested in leading projects. We are also interested in being a partner in projects led by others.

expected results	We are interested in building solid partnerships for the long-term.
	We are especially interested in developing projects on these themes:
	• Supporting links between young people and employers. Giving young people the information, skills and contacts to move into training or work. We are especially interested in supporting those who are not in training or work.
	• Using new ways to support young people's personal and social development to reach their full potential. This could include music, outdoor activities, volunteering, training or other approaches. We are especially interested in supporting vulnerable young people, those from areas of deprivation, and those who are not in training or work.
	• Supporting young people with learning disabilities, to improve their independent living and job skills.
	• Improving the mental health and wellbeing of young people. Preventing young people developing mental health issues such as anxiety and depression. Improving the ability of young people to cope with life challenges or change.
	• Improving support, routes into training and employment and general wellbeing for young people in care (young people not looked after by their own family), or moving into independence after being in care.
	• Improving support and outcomes for young people who are refugees or asylum seekers, especially unaccompanied young people.
	• Improving outcomes for young people who have been involved in anti-social behaviour or crime, supporting them to develop skills, and move into training or employment. Also, to enable the views of this group to be heard, allowing them to shape the support they receive.
	 Improving physical health. Supporting young people to avoid pregnancy, or to have better outcomes following pregnancy. Offering information and support to tackle drug abuse, alcohol misuse, and smoking.

	• Improving support, routes into training and employment, and general wellbeing for young people who are receiving long-term medical treatment for conditions such as diabetes or renal problems.
	 Improving outcomes for young people in families facing serious and multiple problems - including youth crime, child abuse, children disengaged from education, mental health issues, alcohol and drug abuse, and risk of becoming homeless.
	• Domestic abuse and young people. Tackling issues around young people as perpetrators and victims. Stopping perpetrators, especially where young people witness or are victims of domestic abuse. Improving awareness of domestic abuse and how to stop it, through engagement with young people, teachers and other professionals.
	• Youth engagement. Enabling young people to put across their views to professionals and shape the services they receive. Enabling young people to take part in the democratic process.
	 Young people and society. Enabling young people to connect with and contribute to their communities by involvement in volunteering and social action.
	Contact us if you would like to discuss developing a partnership on any of these issues. Also contact us if you have ideas on any issues not covered, but relating to young people. We are especially interested in projects which try to tackle problems early on, before they become more serious.
Which kind of partners are sought	 Local or regional government departments working with young people. Other organisations, businesses or charities working with young people. Education or training providers, including school or college consortia.
Deadline for receiving responses	We would like responses by 31/3/14.
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