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Organisation	Theme	Amount	Project Summaries
Kairos in Soho	Equalities	£60,000	<p>1. LGBT- Overall aim is development of infrastructure support in London for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) sector. Objectives are to: Establish and administer a London LGBT infrastructure-working group (and wider forum) of strategic funders and LGBT organisations; Map LGBT infrastructure services (including activity in non-LGBT VCS), across London; Carry out a feasibility study, based on the results of the mapping exercise, for a shared LGBT social action centre based on social enterprise principles</p>
Women's Resource Centre	Equalities	£17,875	<p>2. Equalities Hub - Feasibility study on the sharing of premises by several equalities (and possibly mainstream) infrastructure organisations to share back room services and pool resources and provide services to organisations working with more than one equality group.</p>
Women's Resource Centre	Equalities	£41,660	<p>3. Women's Resource Centre - Project aim is to enable WRC to become an accredited training centre to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the infrastructure of the WVCS. Will initially focus on 3 strands of training: Management and Leadership for women from the WVCS; Gender Impact Assessment; Procurement and Contracting.</p>

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London Civic Forum	Equalities	£44,500	<p>5. Faith Forum - Assess the feasibility of a pan London Faith Forum with the aim of creating a fully representative single point of contact for the GLA family and others; Foster an environment that encourages partnership, mutual respect and the sharing of best practice in community engagement between faiths at all levels; Create a framework for future development of the Faith Forum with the specialist infrastructure organisations; Plan for the future long term sustainability of the London Faith Forum.</p>
Race on the Agenda (ROTA)	Equalities	£70,622	<p>5. BME Infrastructure Sub-Regional Framework - aims to support BME Local Infrastructure Organisations (LIOs) through the development of a sub-regional BME network (in conjunction with existing networks) to enable them to engage effectively in ongoing development of ChangeUp framework; develop a mechanism to increase capacity of BME LIOs to influence local and sub-regional policy and link with other BME LIOs and networks across London.</p>
London Voluntary Service Council (LVSC)	Com/Devt/Vol/Cit/Gov	£32,150	<p>1. Community Development: The project aims to: a) Establish one London-wide and a number of local forums for community development workers in all sectors in order to: exchange good practice, support, share good practice, encourage learning and provide training. To link with the pan-London forum, this proposal will also support the development of local (borough) cross sector forums b) Carry out a community development training audit. This will develop an overall London picture of the provision of training and learning for community development. Good quality CDW training will produce CD workers who can deliver on the targets central government is setting around community involvement and participation, capacity building, community cohesion and strengthening the voluntary and community sectors.</p>

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Greater London Volunteering		£25,550	<p>2. Volunteering: Proposal is to carry out a mapping exercise and conduct a survey across London with 1500 BME organisations, to determine the reasons why they are not closely linked with local volunteer centres and are not accessing new skilled volunteers or free volunteer management training offered. Recommendations will be made based on findings.</p>
London Civic Forum		£19,923	<p>3. Citizenship: Project research to find out what kinds of learning is being accessed by individuals who set up community projects compared with what they actually need; look at the gaps and what could be adapted from models that the VCS excels at, such as self-help or advocacy; look at how this approach could be integrated into existing provision, perhaps through local and sub-regional ChangeUp plans; look at what individuals need to make effective contributions to developing Local Area Agreements, 2012 planning processes etc and core 'curriculum' ideas. Project will also test the viability of a LCF organisational engagement audits scheme for community organisations.</p>
LVSC and Charity Trustee Networks (£3,000)		£35,500 £3,000	<p>4. Governance: Project proposal is to: Produce a report that collates present governance support by generalist and specialist infrastructure organisations to voluntary and community sector organisations and trustees across London. It will identify good practice, barriers and gaps. This report will provide a platform for a strategy on governance support and its development across London- the focus will be to build more effective links between regional, sub regional, and local work on Governance; build links between London and the Governance Hub; run a pilot study to explore the effectiveness of targeted support in improving the governance of a range of 2nd tier voluntary and community sector organisations; and explore the feasibility of a London wide Chairs Network for 2nd tier/local infrastructure organisations in London.</p>

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London Funders	Funders	£25,455	Funders Website: Proposal to develop 'a single gateway' to funders. LF wishes to further develop its current website to: (1) Provide information to London Funders members (development is already underway for this) and 2) Act as a single gateway of information, on London funders for fund-seekers actively looking for the 'latest' funding opportunities.
London Advice Services Alliance (LASA)	ICT	£583,561	Have already been allocated regional ICT funding of £583,561
Homeless Link	Priority Service Areas (PSA)	£31,000	1. Homelessness: Proposal to develop and disseminate an 'Invest to Save' methodology for London's day centres to demonstrate the added value that they provide and improve their service by developing their sustainability. Activities will include: Development of tool by consultant; Development of training package; Delivery of training (5 X 2 day courses); Co-ordination and management (including organising training sessions)

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Age Concern	Priority Service Areas (PSA)	£30,000	2. Older People's Health & Social Care: Proposal is to distribute £30,000 equally between the 5 Change Up sub regional CVS partnerships. Each sub-region to run a programme with the purpose of developing the leadership capacity of the VCS to respond to the commissioning agenda as a provider of older peoples' health and social care services. Each CVS to run at least two workshops and a conference drawing together commissioners and providers of health and social at a sub-regional level, reflecting the profile and needs of older people. Workshops to incorporate themes to address impact on smaller and marginalised communities including BMER
London Action Trust	Priority Service Areas (PSA)	£29,000	3. Community Safety: To help capacity build small to medium size voluntary agencies through delivery of a training programme and production of a toolkit.
Family Welfare Association	Priority Service Areas (PSA)	£28,000	4. Parenting Support – The project aims to deliver a London wide training and learning programme for front line voluntary and community organisations that provide services to children and families on attracting and working with fathers. Hold a London wide conference on the issue of working with fathers with a particular focus on the needs of BME fathers; Publish a practice “tool kit” with advice on , and examples of , good practice; Media awareness campaign, linked to the conference, highlighting the importance of the role of fathers in promoting the emotional well-being and educational attainment of children .

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LVSC	Workforce Dev & Performance Improvement	£62,000	Proposal is to fund the post of a Regional Workforce Development Advisor and events to promote and support workforce development in the voluntary and community sector across London for one year. The WD-PI sub group endorses the post being based at the London Voluntary Service Council (LVSC). The key activities and milestones for this project are: Appointment of a regional workforce development advisor for London; Support to the sub-regional workforce development workers in London; Participation in the ChangeUp Workforce Development Hub; Development and dissemination of a London Workforce Development Strategy; Representation of the London VCS at workforce development and performance improvement initiatives (e.g. FRESA, LSC, SSCs, HE and FE); Development of funding for the work beyond the first year; Identification and promotion of the careers paths in the VCS. - £72,452 for one year
Social Enterprise London	Social Enterprise/ Private Sector and VCS Finance Group	£25,000	Project aim is to create a new network of voluntary sector and community organisations with a homelessness focus who are interested in supporting their work through enterprising activity, and offer that network support in the form of information, training, peer learning, business advice and evaluation. The purpose of this activity is to enable organisations that are interested in the social enterprise model to become more sustainable and better informed.
ALM London	Archives Museums and Libraries	£10,250	Work to increase links between London's voluntary libraries and museums and their local infrastructure organisations.

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LVSC	Local Area Agreements	£50,000	Establish a worker at LVSC to provide advice and support to the VCS on LAAs; provide small grants for local projects/events around LAAs.
London Councils	Procurement and Commissioning	£100,000	Project aims to establish a programme of capacity building for VCOs that want to develop their organisation's trading potential to deliver local public services; develop a pilot programme in 4/5 boroughs; identify barriers encountered by Local Authorities when contracting with VCS.
London Civic Forum	London 2012: Getting to the Starting Blocks	£40,000	Work to identify impact of the Olympics on the VCS and its infrastructure, across London but especially within the 'Olympic' boroughs
Thames Gateway London Partnership	Thames Gateway	£30,000	Proposal is to produce a strategy for the development of the Third Sector in the London Thames Gateway area and an action plan for implementation which will enhance its capacity to contribute to economic development, social inclusion, equality, health and sustainability. £150,000
The Ethical Property Foundation	Premises	£22,000	Development and piloting of a property advice programme for VCS organisations.
ROTA	Race Equality Councils	£20,000	Work to map current Race Equality Councils in London, their role, their infrastructure and their engagement with other statutory and VCS organisations in their borough. Work is first stage in assessing feasibility of pan-London network for London's RECs.
LASA	Advice	£25,350	Mapping to identify infrastructure needs of the Advice sector in London and make recommendations on how to build capacity for frontline advice organisations.
Olmec	Social Enterprise	£15,000	Olmec aims to coordinate and deliver a structured programme that will encourage and support the development of new and existing BME social enterprises. The programme will add to existing services by reaching out to groups whose situations makes it difficult for them to access services available to mainstream organisations.

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