

Funding Central

Keeping you up to date with the latest funding opportunities

Monthly Update Bulletin

June 2012

Welcome to the June 2012 edition of **Funding Central**, the monthly funding bulletin designed to take the hard work out of finding the funding you need for your project. Each issue of this bulletin will provide you with summaries of all the funding streams that the Central Funding Unit have handpicked over the previous month as meeting Peterborough City Council's priorities. Peterborough City Council is eligible to apply for funding streams with **green** titles whereas funding streams with **grey** titles have been chosen with our partners in mind.

To find out more about the funding streams in Funding Central simply contact the Central Funding Unit. They can provide more information, help you to understand the application criteria and assist you through the application process. Also feel free to contact the team if you can't find the funding you need in this bulletin.

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Arts, Culture and Heritage

EMI—INSTRUMENT AND EQUIPMENT AWARDS

The EMI Music Sound Foundation provides grants to help towards the purchase of musical instruments and/or equipment for individuals who are in full time education **and schools** who require the equipment to fund music education. The Foundation also funds courses and training opportunities for music teachers who work within schools.

Grants of no more than £2,000 are available.

The deadline for applications to this fund is **Wednesday 12 September 2012**.

HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND — ALL OUR STORIES GRANTS SCHEME

A £1m grant programme that will fund between £3,000-£10,000 to support projects that want to explore their local heritage. Examples of activities that will be funded are:

- Visits to places like historic buildings, landscapes, parks, burial grounds, museums, archaeological sites or industrial heritage sites like railways
- Using collections like archives, libraries and museums including collections held by people in the community
- Talking to people who know about heritage or holding workshops, talks and sessions exploring people's memories
- Recording things like people's memories or local wildlife

The deadline for applications is **31 July 2012**.

DG ENTERPRISE AND INDUSTRY—GRANT PROGRAMME

A new call for proposals—'Facilitating Transnational Low Season Exchanges in Europe through the Development of Social Tourism' - has been published by DG Enterprise and Industry. The call is aimed at supporting tourism related public authorities in the future transnational exchanges of the CALYPSO target groups. CALYPSO seeks to facilitate transnational exchanges in the tourist low season for specific disadvantaged target groups (seniors, youths, people with disabilities, families with low incomes). A total budget of EUR450,000 is available in this call.

The deadline for applications is **11 July 2012**.

THEATRE PROTECTION FUND SMALL GRANTS SCHEME

Funding of up to £5,000 for theatres run by charities and not-for-profit groups in order to carry out capital improvements to enhance their work within the local community. This could include urgent building repairs, environmental improvements, works to enhance physical accessibility, etc.

There are **no deadlines** and applications may be submitted **at any time**.

HERITAGE GRANTS

Funding for projects relating to the national, regional or local heritage of the UK. To be eligible for funding, projects must:

- Help people to learn about their own and other people's heritage
- Conserve the UK's diverse heritage for present and future generations to experience and enjoy
- Help more people and a wider range of people to take an active part in and make decisions about heritage

Funding is available for projects falling into the following funding requirement categories

- Over £100,000 and under £2million
- Over £2million and under £5million
- Over £5million

Deadlines for applying for funding **vary according to the value being requested.**

THE PRESEVATION OF INDUSTRIAL AND SCIENTIFIC MATERIALS

Funding of between £500-£12,000 toward the costs of acquisition and conservation of items or collections which are important in the development of science, technology, industry and related fields. Funding is available to all accredited museums as well as other charitable or public bodies engaged in the preservation of eligible material.

Applications may be submitted **at any time.**

ARTS COUNCIL—STRATEGIC TOURING PROGRAMME

This programme is designed to encourage collaboration between organisations so that more people across England experience and are inspired by the arts. Funding of over £10,000 per project is available to organisations, individuals and partnerships which can consist of promoters, producers, artists, agencies, companies, marketing or audience development specialists, local authorities or any other kind of organisation or individual.

There will be 5 more funding rounds and the next closing date is **29th June 2012.**



Business Development

SANTANDER BREAKTHROUGH PROGRAMME

Small and medium sized high-growth businesses in the UK that have a turnover of between £500,000 and £10m are eligible to apply for growth capital loan support from a total loan pot of £200m. Support is also available in the form of a range of activities including university courses, research and development and trade missions. Loans are to be used to fund capital projects that will aid growth and development of growth businesses. Applications may be submitted **at any time.**

EAST OF ENGLAND BUSINESS ANGEL CO-INVESTMENT LOAN SCHEME

Provision of a debt facility to high growth companies with 249 employees or fewer, an annual turnover of less than £500,000 and based in the East of England. Loans of between £50,000 and £125,000 are available for new and existing SME's in the region that demonstrate potential for long term growth.

Applications can be made **at any time**.

NOTION CAPITAL FUND

Emerging high growth internet based cloud computing and Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) companies as well as other business models that use the internet in their service offering are eligible to apply for investments within the range of £250,000 and £5m under the Enterprise Capital Fund portfolio. Funds are to be used to enable investee businesses to undertake capital projects in order for them to expand and grow their operations.

Applications may be submitted **at any time**.

ULTRAFAST BROADBAND (CURRENTLY UNDER PCC REVIEW)

The Government has announced a second funding round to help roll out superfast broadband within the UK. 27 cities (of which Peterborough is included) can bid for a share of a £50m pot to help roll out ultrafast broadband.

Final requirements for the second bidding round are **yet to be announced**.

FARMING AND FORESTRY IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

Farming, forestry and horticultural businesses can apply for grants of between £2,500 and £25,000 in order to support them to become more profitable and resilient while reducing the impact of farming on the environment.

Applications must be submitted by **17th July 2012**.

BUSINESS GROWTH FUND

This government sponsored equity investment programme will invest between £2m and £10m in return for an equity stake of between 10% and 50% in the business and a seat on the board. The main focus of the scheme will be areas of the economy that have significant long-term potential for growth—this will include high tech manufacturing, software and electronics, leisure and tourism, renewable energy and clean tech etc. Businesses must have a minimum turnover of £5m.

Applications can be submitted **at any time**.

CALL FOR EUROPEAN MULTISTAKEHOLDER PLATFORMS ON CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

DG Enterprise and Industry has published this call to encourage more European enterprises to take a strategic approach to corporate social responsibility in cooperation with relevant stakeholders. Private and public companies, business organisations/networks, trade unions, NGOs, **public authorities**, and academic/training institutions are eligible to apply for a grant to enable them to build up, support and coordinate a multi-stakeholder CSR platform in a relevant business sector. A total of EUR600,000 is available and four proposals are expected to be supported.

The deadline for submissions is 14 September 2012.

FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY SHOPS / VILLAGE SOS—SEE PAGES 5 & 6



Community Development

PORTAS PILOTS

A second round of the DCLG administered Portas Pilots scheme has been announced. Twelve projects will be supported with up to £100,000 to test the proposals set out in the Portas Review which set out proposals for rejuvenating high streets.

Applications are welcome from local partnerships and consortiums in England. Eligible partnerships must identify an accountable body (local authority) to receive the grant if they are not themselves a local authority.

The deadline for applications in this round is **30 June 2012**.

FUNDING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO IMPROVE THEIR COMMUNITY

Grants of up to £500 to give young people aged 14-25 the opportunity to bring their ideas to improve their local community to life. Funding is available to individuals or small groups who have a project idea and will run the project themselves.

Applications may be submitted **at any time**.

INTERFAITH WEEK GRANTS

Grants of between £300 and £500 from the Interfaith Youth Trust for events organised by and for young people focused around Inter Faith Week 18-27 November 2012.

The closing date for applications is 01st September 2012.

BIG SOCIETY CAPITAL

A new financial institution set up by the UK government to finance charities and community groups has been launched.

Big Society Capital will have £600m and the fund will back social enterprises that prove they can repay an investment through the income they generate. It will seek to connect social organisations to financial markets and to revolutionise the funding alternatives available to them. It will provide new investment capital specifically focused on improving lives and supporting communities around the country.

FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY SHOPS

Funding available to support start up funding for new community owned shops in rural areas of England or to save an existing shop by transfer to community ownership. Funding will be available over the next 3 years and will provide up to £40,000 per shop which will be a mix of grant and loan funding as well as advice from the Village Retail Services Association. Eligible applicants will include community based organisations located in rural communities of not less than 300 residents. Match funding from community contributions is a requirement.

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY FUND

Community projects run by parish churches, deaneries, dioceses and other bodies connected to or working in partnership with the Church of England can apply for funding for projects that significantly expand the Church's engagement with neighbourhood renewal; seek innovative ways of developing established community projects so that they grow existing or evolve into new communities of Christian Faith, and replicate models of successful community engagement across the wider church. Grants range from £10,000 to £20,000 except for replication projects which will fund in excess of £20,000.

The deadline for applications is **30th June 2012**.

INNOVATION IN GIVING FUND

The second round of the £10m Innovation in Giving Fund has been announced. This fund aims to support innovations that have the potential to deliver a significant uplift in the giving and exchange of time, assets, skills, resources and money to achieve social goals and public benefit. Areas of interest under this round include (not an exhaustive list):

- Harnessing the potential of collaborative and networked technologies
- Platforms and mechanisms that promote reciprocity
- Making use of idling capacity
- Increasing the number of people that make donations to charity and stimulating new audiences
- Improving the targeting of pro bono support from commercial organisations

Successful first stage grants will be awarded to the value of up to £50,000 alongside a package of non-financial support. Recipients of first stage grants will have the opportunity to receive further funding from Autumn 2012 onwards.

Ideas and proposals can be submitted from **all sources and sectors**—communities, charities large and small, social entrepreneurs, faith groups, businesses, academia, public services or other organisations.

Applications, in the form of a video pitch of no more than 3 minutes and a short online form capturing basic information about the organisation and project idea, must be submitted by **22 June 2012**.

VILLAGE SOS

Funding of between £10,000 and £50,000 for projects in rural villages or small rural towns with fewer than 3000 people. Eligible organisations include voluntary and community groups or organisations as well as parish, town or community councils provided local residents have clearly shaped the project. Communities that have already received funding from Village SOS are not eligible.

Examples of projects funded previously include 'The Barford and Wrampingham Community Shop, South Norfolk' which received £29,980 to set up and run a community shop which will be based in leased premises of a newly re-opened village pub.

Applications should be submitted by **12 September 2012**.



Crime and Community Safety

TILLEY AWARDS

The Tilley Awards recognise local initiatives run by any crime reduction or community safety agency that demonstrate the following features:

- The use of a problem solving model
- Partnership working
- Measurable impact on crime reduction or community safety issues

Winners will receive cash prizes of between £500 and £2,000, trophies, certificates, tickets to the national conference and a short film of their project.

Entries must be submitted by **27 June 2012**.



Education and Employment

GREGGS FOUNDATION BREAKFAST CLUB GRANTS

Funding to support breakfast clubs in UK schools. To qualify, schools must demonstrate that at least 40% of their pupils qualify for free school meals and that the school serves a disadvantaged community. The grants can also be used for games and sports equipment to help children play together.

Applications can be made **at any time** but there is currently a waiting list.

FUNDING FOR IT PROJECTS SUPPORTING DISADVANTAGED GROUPS

Funding from the Nominet Trust for IT related projects that can make a positive difference to disadvantaged and vulnerable groups. The aim of the trust is to fund innovative Internet projects that make a positive difference to the lives of disadvantaged and vulnerable people primarily in terms of education, safety and inclusion. There is no minimum grant application and applications for over £100,000 will require an interview.

The deadline for completing initial eligibility application forms is **01 August 2012**. Second stage applications should be submitted by **5th September 2012**.

YOUTH IN ACTION—YOUTH WORKERS MOBILITY 2012 CALL

The purpose of this call is to support youth workers' mobility and exchanges so that they can acquire new skills and competences and in particular to:

- Give youth workers the opportunity to experience working in a different country
- Gain a better understanding of the European dimension of youth work
- Improve youth workers' professional, intercultural and language competences
- Promote the exchange of experiences and approaches to youth work and non-formal education in Europe
- Contribute to developing stronger and better quality partnerships between youth organisations across Europe
- Strengthen the quality and role of youth work in Europe

Proposals can be submitted by non-profit organisations such as NGOs, organisations active in the field of youth at European level and regional or local public bodies. Projects must involve at least two partners from different participating countries, at least one of which must be an EU member state.

The total budget for this call is EUR1m and the maximum available grant is EUR25,000

Proposals must be submitted by **03 September 2012**.

DG ENTERPRISE AND INDUSTRY—GRANT PROGRAMME

DG Enterprise and Industry has issued a new call for proposals—'Pilot project for the development of sector skills alliances (SSAs).'

SSAs are a new category of transnational partnerships foreseen in the new programme for education, training, youth and sport proposed by the European Commission, 'Erasmus for All.' SSAs will promote cooperation between education and learning providers, sector specific expertise including social partners, sectoral federations, Chambers etc and public or private bodies involved in education and training systems.

The purpose of this call is to provide direct support for testing Sector Skills Alliances so that lessons can be learnt for future implementation.

The maximum budget available for co-financing projects to the rate of 75% of eligible costs is EUR2m with grants of up to EUR400,000 per application.

The deadline for applications is **16 August 2012**.



Energy

ENERGY ENTREPRENEURS FUND

A £200M programme designed to support companies operating in the green energy sector to help them with proposals for low carbon ideas of the future. Financial assistance will be available to environmentally focused start up companies (SMEs) to help them to develop and demonstrate new low carbon technologies, services and business models. Companies can apply for up to £1m to be

ENERGY ENTREPRENEURS FUND (cont)

to leverage additional private investment. Funding should primarily be used towards developing energy efficiency solutions for buildings including advanced lighting, heat pumps and ventilation technologies as well as clean-tech ideas around power generation.

Full details of the application process and deadlines will be announced by **Summer 2012**.

PURE ONE DESTINATION CARBON FUND

Low interest loans of up to £50,000 available to cover the upfront cost of installing the following renewable energy technologies:

- Solar PV
- Wind turbines
- Hydro
- Solar hot water

Expressions of interest may be submitted **at any time** and will be reviewed on a quarterly basis.

LOW CARBON NETWORKS FUND

The Low Carbon Networks Fund is investing in energy distributor sponsored energy saving initiatives. It has previously supported electric vehicles and heat pumps, smart metering projects and micro-generation.

The Second Tier Funding round, which is currently open to applications, is allocating up to £64 million, applied for on a competitive basis, to fund a small number of flagship projects of larger scope and value. There is no set minimum or maximum value for projects under this round.

Eligible expenditure includes the costs directly related to the distribution of electricity through the licensee's distribution system, including the purchase of ancillary services that facilitate the distribution of electricity, equipment and payments to remunerate distribution system users for actions undertaken as part of the project.

Application is open to the following:

- Electricity distribution network operators
- Independent distribution network operators
- Distributed generators
- Electricity suppliers
- Other interested parties (e.g. local authorities, technology suppliers)

The deadline for applications is **17 August 2012**.



Environment

THE NORTH FACE—EXPLORE FUND

Grants for not-for-profit organisations for projects that encourage youth outdoor participation and reconnect children with nature, to inspire and enable the next generation of explorers and conservationists.

Financial support of up to EUR2,500 is available and applications should be submitted by **02 July 2012**.

PATHS FOR COMMUNITIES

Funding open to applications from partnerships between local community organisations and land-owners/managers in England. This scheme has been established to develop and enhance the network of Public Rights of Way in order to deliver benefits to rural areas. The aim of the scheme is to:

- encourage and enable local communities to work with landowners to develop and enhance local public paths in ways that deliver wider benefit and;
- offer a network with more appeal to visitors and tourists contributing to the rural economy through better support for local services such as shops, pubs, hotels, bed and breakfasts, equestrian and cycle businesses.

Awards will range from £5000 up to a maximum of £150,000 and will normally be limited to 75% of actual costs but will occasionally fund 100% of actual costs.

The type of schemes that will be funded include:

- Surfacing
- Pedestrian and mobility access gates
- Bridle and horse access gates
- Kissing gates / field gates
- Horse stiles
- Timber signposts and waymarkers
- Leaflets
- Development of action plans for more complex schemes

Applications will be accepted at **any time**.

AIR QUALITY GRANTS PROGRAMME

Funding for capital expenditure by Local Authorities on their air quality management duties under part IV of the Environment Act 1995. The programme for 2012/13 is focused on projects which tackle exceedences of the UK nitrogen dioxide objectives and EU limit values.

A guide price for allocations to projects is between £10,000 and £60,000 but applications for amounts outside this range will also be considered.

The closing date for applications is **22 June 2012**.

£10m FOR INNOVATIVE ENERGY EFFICIENT TECHNOLOGIES FOR BUILDINGS

Funding to demonstrate the use of innovative technologies and processes to make non domestic buildings such as schools, shops, offices and hotels greener. Building owners or occupiers working with technology suppliers can apply for grants to introduce innovative energy efficient technologies that can achieve significant energy savings and reductions in CO2 emissions.

Funding is awarded in two phases—£20,000 in the design phase and £100,000-£1m in the delivery phase. Applications must be submitted by **21 November 2012**.

SUSTAINABILITY LEADERS AWARDS

These awards provide a platform for the promotion of the most innovative and effective environmental solutions. Companies and public bodies that have gone beyond the call of duty to improve their green credentials may enter the awards.

The 2012 deadline for applications is **15 June 2012**.



Health and Social Welfare

COMIC RELIEF UK GRANT PROGRAMME

Comic Relief can give grants for running costs and capital costs under the following programmes:

- **Mental Health:** to promote the rights and support the recovery of people who have mental health problems, to help them feel more included in society and to reduce the stigma and discrimination faced by people with mental health problems.
- **Refugee and asylum seeking women:** to provide support for refugee and asylum seeking women who have experienced rape, torture and other forms of violence in their home countries.
- **Young people aged 11-25:**
 - *Young people and mental health:* to support services and approaches that help young people experiencing mental health problems make positive changes in their lives.
 - *Sexually exploited and trafficked young people:* to reduce harm to young people who have been sexually exploited or trafficked
 - *Domestic and sexual abuse—young people:* to support young survivors of domestic and sexual abuse.
 - *Young people and alcohol:* to fund work for young people who are misusing alcohol or drinking excessively.

Grants of between £25,000 and £40,000 are available for between one and three years. Eligible organisations are from the voluntary and community sector.

The deadline for applications is **29 June 2012 (12pm)**.

CABLE & WIRELESS FOUNDATION

Grants of up to £10,000 are available for not-for-profit organisations for communication solutions and services to support people with special needs. The foundation is looking to partner and build relationships with organisations that support, research or implement the appropriate specialist communication requirements for those with special needs.

The 2012 deadline for applications is **25 June 2012**.

HELP A HEART GRANTS

Voluntary and community groups are able to apply for between £300 and £2,000 to promote heart health in their areas. Applications must be submitted by **20 July 2012**.

ALCOHOL RESEARCH UK SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

Through this programme, grants of up to £5000 per project are available for small research projects, pilot research studies or demonstration projects. Priority will be given to projects that have the potential to make a significant contribution to the alcohol evidence base either in its own right or as a precursor to check whether aims have been achieved.

FUNDING FOR HEALTH INNOVATION PROJECTS

The Health Foundation has announced that the 2012 round of the Shine Challenge is now open for applications. Through this challenge, awards of up to £75,000 per project are available to improve healthcare. The challenge is open to healthcare teams based in any of the four countries of the UK as well as private and voluntary sector organisations. This year, the challenge is trying to find new approaches to supporting patients to be active partners in their own care, improving patient safety and improving quality while reducing costs.

The closing date for applications is **12 noon on 17 July 2012**.



Housing

HELP THE HOMELESS

Funding of up to £3,000 for medium sized charities and voluntary organisations to support capital costs for projects that assist disadvantaged people in their return to mainstream society through residential or training facilities.

The deadline for applications is **30 June 2012**.



Sport

PREPARATORY ACTIONS IN THE FIELD OF SPORT

Support is available from this EU call for transnational projects put forward by public bodies and not-for-profit organisations which will identify and test suitable networks for good practices in the field of sport in the following areas:

- The fight against match fixing

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- The promotion of physical activity supporting active ageing
- Awareness raising about effective ways of promoting sport at municipal level
- Trans-frontier joint grass roots sport competitions in neighbouring regions and Member States.

A total budget of EUR3.5m is available and proposals must include a transnational network with members from a minimum of five EU member states.

The deadline for submissions is **31 July 2012**.

COMIC RELIEF—UK GRANT PROGRAMME (SPORT FOR CHANGE) (FUNDING APPLICATION IN DEVELOPMENT)

Funding of up to £100,000 to understand more about how sport can play a part in delivering positive change within the lives of individuals and communities and how it can be used to tackle identified social issues as part of a broader programme to achieve a measurable social change.

The deadline for applications is **08 June 2012**.

McDONALDS KICK START GRANTS

Funding of between £500 and £2500 to help support community football clubs which will help develop their players and the community.

The deadline for applications is **30 June 2012**.

QUEEN ELIZABETH II FIELDS CHALLENGE

The Queen Elizabeth II (QEII) Fields Challenge is designed to protect 2012 outdoor recreational spaces in communities as a permanent living legacy of the Diamond Jubilee. The funding available from this programme is intended to assist not-for-profit organisations (including local authorities) with improving the facilities provided at sports and/or recreation fields.

Two streams of funding are available. The Volunteer Support Fund offers up to £5,000 for projects whereas the Major Works Fund offers up to £25,000 for projects. Applicants are required to pay 11% of the grant they are receiving which can come from applicants own funds or a donation from another individual or organisation.

In order to receive funding, the applicant must first nominate a recreational space for QEII status. The deadline for this stage of the process is **25 June 2012**. Upon receiving a Deed of Dedication, through the QEII Fields Challenge, applications for funding for that recreational space can then be submitted by **18 June 2012** for the Volunteer Support Fund and **23 July 2012** for the Major Works Fund.

PROTECTING PLAYING FIELDS (PPF)

PPF is seeking to support projects that help communities maximise the sporting benefits of playing field land. Grants of between £20,000 and £50,000 are available towards:

- The purchase of land for new playing fields and bringing disused playing fields back into use.
- The purchase of playing field land where there is a known and established threat such as through the expiry of a lease or development proposal.
- Improvements to existing pitches through levelling, drainage, reseeding and realignment.

The next deadline is **09 July 2012**.

BUILD THE GAME

Build the Game provides grants for small facility projects up to the value of £50,000. All projects must demonstrate that they can support the growth and retention of grassroots football.

There is **no set deadline** for applications.

INSPIRED FACILITIES

Inspired Facilities is designed to tackle the issue of tired and worn out sporting facilities by allowing organisations to re-furbish or upgrade sports facilities or alternatively to convert an existing building into a sporting facility accessible to the whole community. The funding available is primarily for capital expenditure such as upgrades and improvements, indoor lighting and flooring, outdoor floodlights and sport equipment.

Statutory bodies are able to apply for up to £150,000 and are required to match any funding pound for pound. Community / voluntary organisations are able to apply for up to £50,000— match funding for community and voluntary organisations is encouraged but is not a specific requirement.

The next round of Inspired Facilities opens on **23 July 2012** and will close on **17 September 2012**.

ACTIVE COLLEGES FUND

Active Colleges is a £25m investment ring-fenced to benefit students in further education. It will fund projects through two key strands:

- College Sport Makers—total funding of up to £17m over five years to create 150 full time sports development professionals working in the further education sector. Their role will be to link colleges with community sport opportunities.
- Further Education Activation Fund—Up to £8m allocated for revenue projects that will increase regular sports participation of students in colleges. Applications for between £30,000 and £150,000 can be made.

The key outcome of this programme is an increase in regular participation in sport by further education and a reduction in drop out of young people.

Further information will be released in **September 2012**.

FOOTBALL FOUNDATION—FACILITIES GRANT SCHEME

Schools, other educational establishments, local authorities and other not-for-profit organisations can apply for funding to build, develop and/or refurbish facilities in order to sustain and/or increase participation in football and other sporting activities. The type of facilities that can be developed / refurbished include:

- Grass pitches drainage / improvements
- Changing rooms
- Floodlights
- Artificial turf pitches
- Pavillions and clubhouses.

Funding can also be used for revenue purposes—e.g. a football development officer.

FOOTBALL FOUNDATION—FACILITIES GRANT SCHEME (cont)

The foundation will usually fund up to 50% of eligible costs but can in exceptional circumstances fund up to 90% of costs. The maximum grant available is £500,000.

Applications may be submitted at **any time**.



Delivering together

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