



heritage lottery fund



Making a difference

HLF and volunteering

England's Past for Everyone Conference

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Presentation outline

- Who we are and what we do
- Heritage Lottery Fund and volunteers
- Best practice examples
- Resources

Valuing our heritage, Investing in our future



- Dedicated funder to heritage
- £180 million a year to invest
- Set from 2009 - 2013



Our strategic aims

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

- More than £1.7 to over 21,800 projects that involve volunteers
- More than 100,000 volunteers giving over three million hours of time
- Positive impacts on one in three volunteers





Why volunteer?

- Benefits to individuals
- Training
- Encouraging diversity
- Active citizens and community cohesion



What we look for:

- Volunteer policy
- Project planning
- Expertise and management
- Budgets
- Meeting volunteers' needs
- Recruitment
- Spaces
- Rewarding and retaining volunteers
- Evaluation
- Lasting benefits

Examples of what we will fund:

- Out of pocket expenses
- Childcare costs
- Training and related resources
- Essential equipment
- A new staff post
- Refurbishment of a space to accommodate volunteers



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- Develop projects to involve volunteers in researching local history material
- Volunteers providing support and material for education programme
- Training programme
- Acknowledging and celebrating
- Sustainability



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