



If you would like to find out more about the work of the Foundation or how to donate and benefit from the Grassroots Grants scheme please contact:

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## The Somerset Community Foundation

The Somerset Community Foundation (SCF) formed in 2002 to tackle poverty and disadvantage in Somerset and within five years we had made grants worth £1.9 million to over 400 local community based projects.

We are part of a network of over 60 similar Foundations across the United Kingdom, reaching over 90% of the UK population. SCF has an independent Board of Trustees and is run day to day by a small team of staff.

We have established an Endowment Fund\* for charitable giving across Somerset and can match donations through the Government's 'Grassroots Grants' scheme, which could more than double the value of net donations.

We are asking you to help us continue building the fund by becoming an Ambassador, and pledging to donate a minimum £100, or £150 for a family, a year for 3 years.



\*The Endowment Fund is managed by SCF Endowment (registered charity 1114165) on behalf of the Foundation.

## Who needs your help?

While the perception might be that Somerset is a prosperous county, there are many people of all ages and backgrounds in our communities suffering disadvantage and exclusion.

You can make a difference through the Foundation, by providing much-needed support to 'grassroots' charities and voluntary groups providing direct help to those most in need.

### Increasing the value of your gift

Through a combination of gift aid, tax relief and match funding, we can multiply the net value of donations to the endowment fund by up to 250%

#### Examples

<b>Donation per annum</b>	<b>£100</b>
Gift Aid	£28
'Grassroots Grants' Scheme**	£64

**Total received by the Foundation** **£192**

Higher rate tax payers tax relief £25

**Total received by the Foundation over 3 years** **£576**

\*\* SCF is the only organisation administering this scheme in Somerset. The scheme runs from July 2008 to March 2011

**grassroots grants**

Managed by the Community Development Foundation  
Funded by the Office of the Third Sector

## Why become a Somerset Ambassador?

- Your donation will only be invested in local causes in Somerset
- SCF has the local knowledge and flexibility to target funds where they are most needed
- You will be providing funds to organisations who otherwise might not receive financial support
- We are independent of any other organisation
- We will tell you how your gift has helped make a lasting difference
- Through the 'Grassroots Grants' scheme and tax benefits your gift could significantly increase in value

### Somerset Guardians

If you would like to become more involved in the Foundation, you may be interested in joining the Somerset Guardian scheme.

You can become a Somerset Guardian by donating £1000 per annum. In return you will have the opportunity to meet groups supported by SCF, you will be invited to special events to meet like-minded people, and you can help us target our grants.

For more information, please contact Justin Sargent on 01458 833133 or [justin.sargent@somersetcf.org.uk](mailto:justin.sargent@somersetcf.org.uk).

If you would like to become an Ambassador, please complete this section and return it to:

**Somerset Community Foundation, Baybrook Farm, Lower Godney, Wells, Somerset BA5 1RZ**

I would like to:

- become an Ambassador by donating at least £100 (or £150 for a family) annually
- make a one-off donation of \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_. Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Tel \_\_\_\_\_

*giftaid it* Gift Aid means we can receive 28 pence extra from the Inland Revenue for every pound you give. If you would like us to do this for all your donations from this date forward until further notice, please tick here

To qualify for Gift Aid, what you pay in income tax or capital gains tax during the tax year must be at least equal to the amount we claim.

### BANKERS ORDER FOR ANNUAL DONATION

To: The Manager \_\_\_\_\_ Bank PLC

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please pay the sum of £ \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ and the same day each month / year

Either:  until further notice, or  
 for \_\_\_\_\_ more years, starting today

To: **SCF Endowment Account No:** 00014171  
CAF Bank Limited. 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill,  
West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ **Sort Code:** 40-52-40

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Name (Block Capitals) \_\_\_\_\_

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