

Freelance Fundraising Consultant

Location: Remote

Duration: c.4-5 days per month for up to 12 months

We are looking for an experienced Freelance Fundraising Consultant to work with our organisation on a project-by-project basis. The Consultant will be responsible for preparing high-quality proposals and bids that effectively communicate YEF funded (or prospective YEF funded) project capabilities, expertise, and value proposition to secure funding to match YEF's investment.

Key responsibilities:

- **Research:** Conduct research to identify potential funders that are a good fit with the organisation's mission, funder priorities and eligibility criteria.
- Proposal development: Collaborate with our team (and that of our grantee/prospective grantee) to gather information and insights about the project. Use this information to create well-structured, persuasive proposals that address the funders' requirements and objectives.
- **Application coordination:** Manage the application process, including coordinating with the grantee/prospective grantee and YEF internal teams to gather the necessary information for the proposal.
- **Quality Assurance:** Review and proofread proposals to ensure accuracy, consistency, and compliance with all funder requirements.
- **Funder engagement:** Where required support the grantee/prospective grantee to maintain effective communication with the funder to clarify requirements and respond to inquiries during the process.

Skills and expertise

- Proven experience as a freelance fundraising consultant, with a track record of securing six and seven-figure sums from a range of funders.
- Strong written communication skills, including the ability to write persuasively and concisely.



- Up-to-date, detailed knowledge of funders in England and Wales that focus on children and young people as a priority area.
- Attention to detail and strong proofreading skills.
- Ability to work independently and meet tight deadlines.
- Ability to quickly understand new areas and sectors to write compellingly and persuasively across varied subject matters.

Application process

Interested candidates should submit their CV, a cover letter outlining their relevant experience, details of their day rate and a portfolio or examples of previous successful bids they have worked on no later than **4pm Thursday 30**th **November 2023** to change.yef@youthendowmentfund.org.uk.

Please also provide references from previous clients or employers. We aim to hold interviews the week commencing 4th December 2023.