

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPROVED DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2005

The following are funds approved in October 2005. Please note that the sums referred to relate to approvals, not payments. While finance may be approved for a business investment, for example, it does not guarantee that a project will go ahead. The approval simply shows that HIE Moray (HIEM) funds have been made available, but they will not be released until evidence that the project has gone ahead is received.

*\* denotes projects where Directors or staff are directly or indirectly connected. Please note that in such cases these persons are excluded from the processing or approval of such projects.*

**STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES**

**Promote Investment in Community Assets and Services**

Applicant Name	Description	Location	Assistance (£)	%
Moray Art Centre	Construction of Visual Art Centre for Moray	Moray	37865	10
Mundole Futures Ltd	Technical Survey of Land	Forres	2000	40

**Develop Community Strengths, Leadership & Confidence**

Applicant Name	Description	Location	Assistance (£)	%
Kirkmichael and Tomintoul Community Association	Legal Advice	Tomintoul	2000	100

**Enhance the Quality of the Environment and Culture**

Applicant Name	Description	Location	Assistance (£)	%
Findhorn Fairways Committee	Updating of Findhorn Tourism Information Boards	Findhorn	500	33

**DEVELOPING SKILLS & LEARNING**

**Narrowing the Gap in Unemployment**

**Skills Training Grants**

*HIE Moray aims to enhance the employment prospects of unemployed people by assisting with the costs of vocational training courses. HIE Moray offers grants of up to 50% towards course fees, up to a maximum of £300. Certain restrictions apply in line with market opportunities and level of available skills in the local labour market.*

<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Assistance</b>
Gordon Imlach	Buckie	400
Steven Aitken	Buckie	400
Robert Bruce	Buckie	300
Scott Breen	Buckie	400
Calum Sinclair	Buckie	400
Ronald McLean	Buckie	200
Jamie Flett	Buckie	400
Scott Burness	Buckie	300
Richard McKerral	Buckie	300
Michael Willetts	Buckie	300
Mark Davidson	Buckie	400
Gordon Moore	Buckie	300
Gordon Moore	Buckie	256
Allan Marandola	Buckie	400
Bernard Forbes	Buckie	400
Stephen Middleton	Burghead	300
Graeme Duncan	Elgin	300
Heidi Oravasaari	Findhorn	264
Callum Sinclair	Garmouth	400
Andrew Moir	Lhanbryde	300
Keith Turner	Portknockie	300
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21 applications</b>	<b>£7020.00</b>
<b>TOTAL TO DATE</b>	<b>115 applications</b>	<b>£33646.00</b>

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**GROWING BUSINESSES**

**Greater Entrepreneurial Dynamism & Creativity**

Applicant Name	Description	Location	Assistance (£)	%
Ark Childcare Ltd	Building Development at Ark Childcare Centre	Mosstowie	50000	16

**HIE Starts**

*HIE STARTS is designed to support new business ventures by providing information and guidance to individuals interested in running their own business. Help is available for business planning and implementation. Limited funding may be available to help clients over an initial trading period. The following businesses are actual starts during the month which may have been approved in a previous period.*

Applicant Name	Nature of Business	Location	Assistance (£)
Jean Royan	Food Hygiene Awards	Pluscarden	1040
Margaret Hamilton	Craft Production	Portknockie	250
Chloe Argyris	Osteopath	Forres	250
Tracey Carrington	Training Instructor	Elgin	1040
Astra Gray	Training Provider	Elgin	1040
Mark Quilter	Cycle Sales	Lossiemouth	1040

\*\* Partnership

**GLOBAL CONNECTIONS**

**Increased Involvement in Global Markets**

Applicant Name	Description	Location	Assistance (£)	%
The Findhorn Foundation	Feasibility Study for the CIFAL Centre	Findhorn	2000	50