

# Young people discover their heritage roots

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Young people in the East of England can now get involved in discovering more about heritage by applying for funding through HLF.

The [Young Roots](#) grants programme is aimed at young people aged between 11 and 25 to enable them to explore their heritage. They can even apply through their schools.

HLF would like to encourage more schools and colleges to consider applying for grants. Since April 2003 around £3.5million has been awarded to 145 projects in the East of England that have engaged with young people in learning about heritage.

Young people have led projects on a wide range of topics including aspects of the Second World War, Darwin, celebrating local history, and the environment and wildlife... and even a grant to record the history of local rock bands from the 60s and 70s!

To find out more about our grant programmes and how they can benefit young people in the East of England, please contact the development team at the Cambridge office on 01223 224 870, who will be happy to give you bespoke advice.

If you're thinking about developing a project for young people, why not check out the film below? This film has been made to celebrate the achievements of young people and shows how getting involved in a heritage project helps to develop young people's skills and knowledge.