

TRAID (Textile Recycling for Aid and International Development)

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TRAID calls for proposals to wear poverty out



The charity TRAIID launches its annual funding round on January 30th at BOND UK, committing £400,000 to international development projects in 2012. TRAIID fundraises through its environmental work in the UK to collect, reuse and resell unwanted textiles in its charity shops.

TRAID partners with organisations, people and communities worldwide to tackle critical problems in people's lives and the environment caused by the textile industry. We fund projects working in a variety of ways to improve the rights, health, environment and incomes of people working in the textile supply chain including children and home workers.

Our grant making focus - to transform the textile supply chain, and the exploitative relationships within it - reflect TRAIID's day-to-day work to reduce textile waste, to encourage more sustainable consumption and to educate the UK public to consider the conditions in which their clothing is brought to the high street.

Angela Russ, TRAIID's International Development Manager said, "We are delighted to call for proposals and invite applicants fitting TRAIID's grant making criteria to submit initial concept notes. We look forward to selecting our partnerships for 2012 and working together to overcome inequality, exploitation and environmental degradation in the textile supply chain."

The full details and deadlines for TRAIID's 2012 Funding Round can be found at www.traid.org.uk/funding.html

Notes to editor

- For images and information please contact Leigh McAlea at TRAIID on 020 8733 2585
- TRAIID's current project partners are EveryChild, Fairtrade Foundation, International Childcare Trust, Nagorik Uddyog, Oxfam, Pesticide Action Network, Save the Children and War on Want. Project descriptions are available at www.traid.org.uk/projects.html
- TRAIID publication Wearing Poverty Out details every project funded since TRAIID launched in 1999. Read online www.traid.org.uk/opoverty.html or request a hard copy.