

**Delhaize Group Fund supports 34 projects in Belgium and in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, to help residents work together to make their neighbourhood or village more liveable**

Encouraged by the achievements that previous prize-winners made with the support\* received from Delhaize Group Fund, managed by the King Baudouin Foundation, the Fund has launched its fourth call for projects. A total of 34 initiatives from Belgium and Luxembourg (14 in Flanders, 6 in Brussels, 11 in Wallonia and 3 in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg) have been awarded. These initiatives promote the idea of neighbours coming together and participating in the collective wellbeing of their area or village.

On 21 October Delhaize Group Fund announced the results of the 2011 call for projects. A total of 34 projects, spread throughout Belgium and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, received support worth EUR 150 000. The prize-winning initiatives unite residents from different social, cultural and economic backgrounds. They strive for one common goal: that of getting to know their neighbours better and feeling good in their community.

Delhaize employees (associates) were also involved in the selection of projects and it was the project 'The school in the neighbourhood' of the V-TEX school in Kortrijk that was voted the winning project. This project was awarded the 'Delhaize Associates' Prize', which doubles the amount of financial support provided.

The jury, for their part, gave particular attention to the innovative elements of another project, "Come Dine with Me", led by SEFoP in Herbeumont (province of Luxembourg, Belgium). This project aims to fight prejudices against asylum seekers who are residing in a centre located in the commune . They commented: "the originality of the project lies in adapting a concept that is well-known to sections of the population that are socially and culturally distanced from each other. There is also the symbolism of welcoming strangers into your home with the trust and open mindedness that is involved. The initiative leads to warmth and friendliness in the short term i.e. during the meal but also in the long term by reducing prejudices about asylum seekers and their aims."

**The following appendix contains an overview of the projects supported by Delhaize Group Fund and the contact data for each project.** They can be contacted directly for more information if you wish.

For journalists who would like to have more information about the Fund, the projects supported (who the winners are and how the projects of previous winners have evolved), social cohesion etc., a **virtual press room** is available (in French and Dutch) at:

<http://pressroom.voice.be/fondsdelhaize>.



The Fund is a partnership between Delhaize Group and the King Baudouin Foundation. With the foundation of this Fund within the King Baudouin Foundation, Delhaize Group is attesting to its goal of social responsibility in improving the collective welfare of communities where its stores are located. Corporate Responsibility is one of the three pillars of Delhaize Group's strategy. Through this project the Group enforces its focus on being a socially responsible company that is concerned about meeting high standards in social, environmental and ethical matters. The Fund will launch a **new call for projects in March 2012**. [www.kbs-frb.be](http://www.kbs-frb.be).

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\* To mention just a few examples of the work done by the projects selected by Delhaize Group Fund in 2010:

- Improve mobility and knowledge of the Flemish language among female immigrants in the Antwerp region;
- Encourage good relationships between neighbours through social mediation by local volunteers in the east of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg;
- Create a friendly meeting point and gardening area in the province of Hainaut.

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## SELECTION 2011: BRUSSELS REGION

### Music in action, an artistic, educational and social programme

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The not-for-profit association ReMua organises collective music workshops in order to fight exclusion and to engender social and cultural wellbeing among disadvantaged people in certain Brussels districts (particularly the commune of Saint-Gilles). To this end, there is a double programme: creating local orchestras and choirs in partnership with after-school clubs and establishing an inter-generational orchestra bringing together people from different socio-cultural backgrounds. The aim is to develop a sense of collective harmony in young people, improve their learning abilities, self-confidence and independence as well as build bridges between artists, the general public, generations, cultures and stakeholders from schools, associations and the cultural sphere.

### Brussels – Road map

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This project is aimed at the mothers of pupils from two public schools in Molenbeek. Its goal is to raise their awareness of Brussels' social and cultural resources through various bimonthly visits (museums, family planning, local economy office, nursing home etc.). A 'road map' outlining these visits with the help of the women's testimonies and photos will then be put on view around the area. While the visits are chosen to aid the women's personal development, sense of independence and, in the long run, greater integration in their adopted country, the road map is intended to show the abilities of the project participants.

### Corsaires TV: Local life

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The not-for-profit organisation, *Les Corsaires*, helps associations focused on getting people into the workforce, social cohesion and adult education with Internet projects. One of its three axes involves creating an online monthly video programme that deals with citizen initiatives that are springing up all over working-class Brussels and, specifically, in Cureghem (Anderlecht). This 15-minute Web programme has been operational since January 2011 and enables locals to express themselves and provides a means for reflecting on media and citizenship.

### **Express yourself to build a shared community of citizens!**

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Cureghem is an area in Anderlecht with a large North African community. “Abattoirs” is a community garden in the area that offers a wealth of festive and friendly activities (mosaic and lace making workshops, French conversation exchanges, mini concerts, neighbourhood parties etc.) along with gardening of course. The aim is to help people get along better with one another and to promote participation, responsibility and citizenship. In parallel, Infor-Femmes want to build on these activities and encourage people to think about the area’s identity by making these activities known through oral testimonies and photos.

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The Big Brothers and Big Sisters are third-level students who provide tuition and educational support to primary school children at risk of dropping out, particularly as a result of lack of French fluency. They also serve as intermediaries between children, parents and teachers and they have the role of responsible tutors for these students who come from socially or economically disadvantaged backgrounds. The children are put into small groups of between two and five. The association hopes to help them to ‘drop in’ rather than ‘drop out’ of education while aiding them to develop and settle into school life.

### **Opening doors and minds on Rue Jennart!**

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The majority of the 150 or so residents of Rue Jennart in Molenbeek are of North African origins. While there are no particular tensions in the area, locals would better appreciate their rich colourful history if they came together more often. Continuing on from the *Quartiers Verts* (Green Quarters) project that was recently organized on the street, the idea is to put together a street party enabling neighbours to forge friendly relations. This initiative should also lead to greater social mixing in the longer term.

## SELECTION 2011: WALLONIA

### 1. Walloon Brabant

An inviting outside space at the heart of the Boischamps Estate in Chastre

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Created in January 2011, the community centre has two goals: improving the lives of residents in three social housing estates and promoting citizen participation and get-togethers among these residents. The latter is achieved particularly through a back-to-work scheme for job seekers who will also get training in construction. This project aims to redevelop a small space in the heart of the area with benches, tables, a barbecue, bins as well as a kiosk-type building where residents can meet in a friendly setting. The uniqueness of this project lies in the construction training element that will be offered as part of the building works and will require collaboration from trainees.

### 2. Hainaut

Collective composting Rue Montifaut Tournai

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This young organisation aims to organise activities around the community garden on Rue Montifaut where it is based. Collective composting, providing shelter for insects, educational activities on growing forgotten vegetables; these will all provide opportunities to bring local people together around an environmental project and to reach out to people living in isolation (particularly older, less mobile women). The aim is to make the project independent and from there fight loneliness and isolation by creating a greater sense of solidarity in the area.

### 3. Liège

Géromont Loisirs, for a sense of community

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Géromont is one of eight villages in the Comblain-au-Pont area. These days, shops, schools and other communal spaces have all gone from Géromont even though it has seen the area's greatest population growth since 1985. To rekindle a sense of community and to reduce social tensions, *Géromont Loisirs* organizes all kinds of activities and has a multipurpose hall available to residents. Help from the Delhaize Group Fund will be used to renovate this hall and bring it in line with

safety standards so that residents and local associations can continue to run their community projects there and bring back life to the village.

### **Publishing a daily diary: one thought and one photo per day**

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The Ecrit'Haut project is a writing workshop that is organised twice a month to enable people living alone in this part of Verviers to rebuild their self-confidence and to participate more actively in society. This is the context in which AEI will publish a daily diary containing a photo and a text for each day of the year. With support from a photographer, this document will show how eloquently the participants can express their thoughts, change how people see the writers and encourage other people to write. Selling the daily diary in bookshops will also valorise the collective work undertaken in the workshop to the general public.

### **Altogether in Lixhe!**

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It is two years since AMO Reliance started working in the Lixhe estate where many single-parent families live in about sixty social housing units. The tensions that exist there are often due to lack of communication and they amplify each family's isolation. However, we can see that the children play happily together. The "Altogether in Lixhe" project aims to develop a positive dynamic in the area through running intergenerational activities that will be organized on an ongoing basis. These initiatives bring residents together to work on concrete projects which will help them to get along better with one another.

### **Women and the city: camera at the ready!**

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The idea behind this project is that a back-to-work scheme in Huy will help about ten at-risk women who are job hunting to create one or several video features on how they see the town. These videos may be broadcast online on the commune's digital space, on local TV, at the cultural centre etc. The aim is to enable women who were isolated from society to exchange views, fight against prejudices and find a way to feel valued. The project will create a high-quality artistic production.

## The kitchen: a meeting place

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The creative workshop is virtually the only meeting place for the village of Crombach's 300 or so residents. In summer, the playground and barbecue area get lots of use and people really enjoy using them. Building a kitchen would mean it could diversify its activities all through the year. It could be used to hold cooking workshops (for women, old people, children...) as well as classes on healthy eating. This kitchen will also be available to residents who want to organize little parties. In addition, participants at other activities in the Workshop can use the kitchen for get-togethers, snack time etc.

## 4. Luxembourg

### Come Dine with Me: A unique get-together

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In February 2011, the centre for asylum seekers in Herbeumont first opened its doors and there was a lot of prejudice and fear among the local population regarding these foreigners. Since then, relationships have been made and citizen initiatives have been started. To facilitate interaction among Herbeumont locals and the centre's refugees and reduce the prejudices that exist, SEFoP decided to run a competition inspired by the television programme 'Come Dine with Me': four families will receive twelve refugees for an intercultural meal who will evaluate the occasion. It is an opportunity for everyone to open up to another culture and to participate in the creation of social relationships.

### LET'S COMPOST!

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By organising collective composting in three or four bins that will be given to the Wamme Farm, the local community centre is achieving two goals. On the one hand, it is improving the standard of living, sense of community and citizenship (training interns to compost, to manage the site, to sort waste) and on the other hand, helping interns get work experience in the area of land management (diversifying their technical training and learning how to work with others). A garden shed will also be built for the eight renters who already have a piece of land in the collective garden.

## 5. Namur

### Memory and territory, intergenerational creativity

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Founded in 2000, this bilingual association runs artistic projects with social and educational objectives all over Belgium. About fifty artists are working in disadvantaged schools, in centres for unaccompanied minors seeking asylum, halting sites for travellers etc. MUS-E Belgium wants to start a project for poetic creativity (video, animation, theatre or dance) involving older people, an artist and the children from the school in Maison-St.-Gérard (Mettet). The aim is to make the transition from the past to the present and to create new relationships between long-time residents and the newly arrived so that the village can once again become a united entity.

### Getting to know each other over dinner

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As both a centre for creativity and a centre for further education, *La Spirale* has been increasing the activities it offers since 1990 in order to promote greater integration. Among the activities available are creative workshops, adult courses, activities in schools, art exhibitions, a variety of events etc. One of the initiatives involves starting monthly cooking classes where the residents from the Red Cross Refugee Centre in Natoye will demonstrate their culture to the locals. *La Spirale's* vegetable garden will provide the 'raw material' for the workshops. The aim is twofold: promote integration for the Centre's residents and make locals aware of the difficult reality of being a refugee.

## SELECTION 2011: FLANDERS

### 1. Antwerp

#### A colourful vegetable garden on an abandoned lot

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No less than 19 nationalities live in the 106 social housing units in Woonhaven, a disadvantaged area in Antwerp. The idea of the YWCA, a pluralist association promoting emancipation of women of all faiths, is to create a communal garden on the abandoned lot situated behind their buildings. This will enable women in the area to improve their living environment but also to meet other women and to develop their skills and their self-confidence by participating in the broader project to 'green' the town which is also a means of socialisation.

#### Coming together for a nicer neighbourhood

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Friendliness, cleanliness and security are the priorities of the local committee in Wittebrood which organises various activities around these themes (board game evenings, decorating buildings for Christmas, Easter egg hunts etc.). The project is supported by the Delhaize Group Fund and involves organising four activities targeted at a particular audience and on a specific subject: a crepes and cakes workshop for children, a play for the elderly and the handicapped, a visit to a mosque and to Fort de Breendonck for foreigners and an activity to be decided for and by people from disadvantaged backgrounds. All this will come to a close with a barbecue bringing together all the people in the area.

#### 'It's cool to live in Nekkerspoel!'

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Turning Nekkerspoel Street into a cosmopolitan street that the residents can be proud of – that's the aim of the local committee who want to restore the image of this very busy commercial spot that has been become rather rundown. The idea is to mobilize as many locals as possible over a three month period to redecorate the street and make it an attractive area once again. At the same time, the project aims to stimulate public participation, to bring people from different cultures together and to increase the sense of wellbeing in the area. At the end of the work, there will be a big neighbourhood party.

### **Gigantic: a social art project**

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As an artistic platform and meeting place in the heart of Borgerhout, the Madam Fortuna association is inviting locals to tell an anecdote or story about Borgerhout. The storytelling will be made into a documentary film ("Tall Stories from Borgerhout"). This film will be broadcast in different places in the area. The stories will be used in a musical show put on by local residents which will involve music, prose readings and songs on the theme of 'Gigantic'. Besides demonstrating the local heritage, the project aims to create synergies between generations and cultures.

### **Getting together for a meal in the community centre**

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In the new community centre known as '*De Mozaïek*', the Praatcafé association plans to organise a cooking activity every month with the help of a group of enthusiastic volunteers. It will be followed by a healthy economical meal made from locally sourced produce which will be served to locals. The emphasis is on meeting people of different cultures (as there is a large Turkish community), of different generations (the young and the not so young) and of different backgrounds (long-time residents of the area and new arrivals). The atmosphere is friendly and warm and aims to reduce prejudices.

## **2. Flemish Brabant**

### **Vibrant Ruisbroek, a step to harmony**

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The influx of new Belgians from abroad and the disappearance of community life have really changed Ruisbroek, which is in the Leeuw-Saint-Pierre commune not far from Brussels. The Pin association specializes in initiatives to integrate migrants in the name of equal opportunities and positive diversity. Pin aims to increase the number of get-togethers it holds and local participation in collaboration with new residents. In this way, it hopes to encourage relationships to be forged and to restore a feeling of harmony and wellbeing for everyone.

## **Borgt Community Centre (Grimbergen)**

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Noise, pollution and heavy traffic affect Borgt, one of the most disadvantaged areas of Grimbergen which is located close to an industrial area. Thanks to this association, many initiatives will be undertaken to improve the quality of life of these forgotten citizens such as hiring a street cleaner, getting a mobile library, delivery of organic fruit/vegetable boxes, Dutch language courses for young mothers, cooking activities, games, get-togethers etc. The dialogue created strengthens social cohesion among people of all ages and all origins in this community.

### **3. West Flanders**

## **School meets the neighbourhood**

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Each week, children from the local school take part in various workshops that take place in the school itself, in the nursing home, in the home of artists or neighbours etc. Based on the Freinet method, the children attending the workshops will learn how to knit, cook, do DIY, and do gardening in the name of sustainability. The school thus develops in the child the ability to learn about things other than their school subjects and to participate in their area's social cohesion bringing together parents, children, partners, neighbours, volunteers etc. Support from the Delhaize Group Fund will enable the school to continue offering these activities that are beneficial to all concerned.

## **Gourmet vegetable garden in Nieuwkapelle**

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The garden adjacent to the 'Trekpat', home to this association that specialises in giving advice and raising awareness about renewable energy and protecting the environment, was not being used. It therefore provided the perfect opportunity to develop a 'gourmet' vegetable garden that was environmentally friendly. The aim is primarily to educate people, young and old, about seasonal vegetables and composting as well as to revive the old-fashioned allotment gardens as well as the know-how involved in running one. The project will also contribute to creating local synergies between all age groups in this area of Dixmude that also recently installed two wind turbines.

## A world record in Zedelgem !

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Kurt Vansteelant, a photographer, had the idea of asking residents of Zedelgem – a district with 8300 households – to take pictures of the neighbours to their right. The plan is for primary school children and members of local photography clubs to participate. The latter are required to provide assistance to those who are not experienced photographers. All the photos will be printed on an enormous banner and rolled out like a carpet in the local area. This will set a world record for this type of thing. In our increasingly individualistic society where we do not always know our neighbours, this fun challenge should encourage neighbours to get to know each other better. What's more, the project will end with festivities providing even more opportunities for people to socialise.

## 4. East Flanders

### Helping my neighbourhood with LETS

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This community centre, which already works with people living in difficult situations, wants to initiate a Local Exchange Trading System (LETS) in Eeklo. Eeklo is an area that has been hit hard by unemployment. The idea is to start a local community of members who exchange products and services for units of exchange; this 'currency' is only valid within the system. The services traded (repairs, guitar classes, babysitting etc.) aim to develop each person's talents and should create a social network based on equity for all.

## 5. Limburg

### Steenveld Composting: Don't complain, compost!

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The 1200 people living in the working class area of Steenveld complain about illegal dumping that attracts rodents and blights the area. This association, which works with people living on the margins, intends to deal with this problem in a creative way. A street cleaner from the town of Beringen will train 13 volunteers from the area in composting techniques and how to manage a composter. Locals will be able to put their kitchen and garden waste into this composter. This waste will serve as a source of food for rabbits and chickens who will be housed in the compost area.

## **A social space in Sledderlo**

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Stebo is leading a series of actions aiming to bring locals together who are socially isolated or on the margins of society in the former mining areas of Limburg. By renovating this social space behind the community centre, the association aims to create a friendly meeting area for residents from the old part of Sledderlo (descended from the local farmers who worked there) and disadvantaged families living in social housing in the new part of Sledderlo. The space will be behind the community centre looking out over a forest area (soon being made into a park). It will be used to hold language exchanges and other social activities.

## **Open caravan**

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A group of permanent residents from Maaseik campsite originally came together to deal with occasional problems but decided to form an association to improve their living situation and to defend their interests. Through this came the decision to organize an open house day so that people from the area can find out in a fun way how the 28 families live (through sketches, a guided visit etc.). The implicit aim of this event is to promote contact between permanent residents of the campsite, local people and decision makers so that they can get to know these people who have made caravans their home.

## SELECTION 2011: GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG

### Success in school for all

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Since 1976, Inter-actions has been involved in community work in Grund, a historic area of Luxembourg city centre where well-off sections of the population live alongside people from disadvantaged backgrounds (13% French, 5% Italian, 17% Portuguese and 25% other nationalities). Improving the educational level of immigrant children is a way to reduce social inequality. The project aims to help these children, who previously were not the target of Inter-actions projects, to learn German from the beginning of their schooling in order to motivate them and to give them the same opportunity for success as their affluent neighbours.

### Memories of our town: in search of the past

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This association aims to make culture accessible to all and to raise awareness of active citizenship through cultural and socio-cultural projects. Dudelange is the country's fourth city and has seen massive demographic growth due to immigration. To preserve collective memory in Dudelange, the idea is to organize a photography expedition, to gather oral testimonies about areas in the town and to organize cultural activities that will enable older citizens to show the younger generations places that they frequented as children. In this way, the project will bring together people from different generations, different cultures and different socioeconomic backgrounds.

### « Il était une fois... » (Once upon a time): Multilingual reading workshops for children

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By creating the only intercultural library for children in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg, the association aims to breathe life into Gasperich, a working class area of the capital city. Various cultural, artistic and literary activities are organized there including reading workshops in several languages for children aged from four to nine years old. They take place every Saturday and are followed by an activity related to the story the children have been told that day. The aim of these workshops is twofold: to make the library a friendly place for intercultural exchange through languages and to encourage children to learn the pleasure of reading which is in itself a door to other worlds.