

## Key milestones

Real Help Now: Meeting Demand for Services and Tackling Unemployment		
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Community Resilience Fund programme	Office of the Third Sector (OTS)	Grants available from April 2009
Community Resilience Fund-commissioner engagement	OTS National Training Programme for Third Sector Commissioning	The National Programme is currently out for tender. The new programme will run from June 2009
Refresh of the Compact	Commission for the Compact, OTS, Compact Voice	The Commission for the Compact will consult from summer 2009, with a new Compact in autumn 2009
Awareness raising campaign across public sector finance professionals	OTS	Delivery throughout 2009
New funding information web service	OTS	A new information web service will launch in late spring 2009
Third Sector Indicators Community of Practice recession – specific programme of work	OTS, Third Sector Indicators Community of Practice	Delivery throughout 2009
Work-focussed volunteering opportunities	Department for Work and Pensions, OTS	Available from April 2009
vTalent Year	v	Young people will attend the first residentials as part of the programme in March 2009

<b>Strengthening the Sector Now and in the Future</b>		
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Establishment of a modernisation fund	OTS	Diagnostic support available from April 2009. Funding for organisations available from summer 2009
Corporate Giving and Philanthropy Summit	OTS	The Summit will be held in summer 2009
Develop channels of communication between the Association of Charitable Foundations and Government Departments	OTS, Association of Charitable Foundations	Cross-Government round table summer 2009
Research on redirection of the higher rate of Gift Aid from donors to charities	HM Revenue and Customs, HM Treasury	Research available in autumn 2009
Promotion of social enterprise	OTS	Development work underway. Consensus with sector on a way forward reached summer 2009. Sector begins roll out in November 2009
Support for businesses open to social enterprise	Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform, OTS	Ongoing
Review of incentives for investment in social enterprise	National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts	The review will start in spring 2009

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Review of limits on distributions by Community Interest Companies	Community Interest Company Regulator	Review from spring 2009
Programme of specialist financial skills and investment training	OTS	From March 2009
Building skills in the third sector	Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills (DIUS)/OTS	<p>DIUS will publish a Skills Prospectus for the Third Sector in March 2009</p> <p>DIUS will consult over the summer 2009 on a third sector strategy</p> <p>New investment in the School for Social Entrepreneurs from April 2009</p> <p>A 3 month taskforce to explore ways in which the private sector and the third sector can work together from March 2009, reporting in summer 2009</p>
Strengthening the sector's pension schemes	Pensions Regulator, Charity Commission, OTS	Information for the third sector will be published by May 2009