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£10,000 GIFT: Almary Green's Carl Lamb and Jim Barr

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Groups set for major cash boost

SUFFOLK: Apply for funding

By Craig Robinson

COMMUNITY causes across Suffolk are invited to apply for a share of a £10,000 grant.

Businessman Carl Lamb, managing director of financial advisors Almary Green Investments – which has employees based in Ipswich, Bury St Edmunds and Newmarket – has made the money available to celebrate his company's 10th anniversary.

Now Mr Lamb wants readers of the *East Anglian Daily Times* to have a say in where the cash should go.

He is looking for suggestions of where sums of up to £2,000 should be donated to do the most good in the local community.

"Life has treated me extremely well," Mr Lamb said. "I think it is right to share some of that fortune with people less fortunate than yourself – to make a difference in their lives."

Ipswich-based Almary Green adviser Jim Barr added: "Being part of the community in which we do business is at the heart of the Almary Green ethos."

"I'm delighted to be associated with these awards and would love to see some of the worthy causes we have in Suffolk being nominated."

Mr Lamb set up his financial advice business in 2001 after leaving the RAF and following a stint at Equitable Life.

Almary Green now operates throughout Suffolk, Norfolk and Cambridgeshire and is on course to turn over more than £2m this year.

Over the years Mr Lamb and his colleagues have raised many thousands of pounds for charitable causes like Help For Heroes, the Anthony Nolan Trust, Cancer Research and the Alzheimer's Society.

Now the firm's 10th anniversary has provided the opportunity to make an even bigger difference to East Anglia-based community organisations which need a helping hand. Applications will be accepted for any amount between £100 and £2,000 and a shortlist drawn up in July.

For more details, visit www.almarygreen.com/awards.

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Radio listeners rise

BBC Radio Suffolk has 15,000 more listeners tuning in compared to this time last year, according to latest figures.

They have been released by Radio Joint Audience Research (RAJAR) and show 143,000

people listen to the station each week, an extra 15,000 listeners compared to March 2010. The audience share has also increased from 11.5% to 15.2%, with the average listener tuning in for 12.26 hours each week.

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