

Public Participation Network Kildare



Funding Opportunities



RTÉ Toy Show Appeal 2024

Children and family charities with an annual income of €10,000 to €500,000 may apply to the Community Grants Round. Children and family charities with an annual income of more than €500,000 may apply to the Impact Grants Round. Please read through the criteria thoroughly before applying for funding. Links to our online application forms can be found in the criteria documents.

Community Grants Criteria 2024 Impact Grants Criteria 2024

If you have any questions, please take a look at our [FAQ document](#) and if your question is not answered there, you can get in touch with us at info@foundation.ie

Community Foundation Ireland hosted a webinar on Wednesday 14th February that ran through the criteria and shared tips and advice on how to apply for funding. To watch the webinar on YouTube [here](#).



International Protection Integration Fund 2024

The International Protection Integration Fund celebrates rich cultural diversity and enables community based organisations across Ireland to play a greater role in supporting the integration of International Protection Applicants. Successful Scheme A organisations stand to receive grant funding of €30,000 – €100,000 to support large scale integration projects. Successful Scheme B organisations stand to receive grant funding of €2,000 – €10,000 to support smaller integration initiatives.

Applicants can access a detailed guidance document and complete an online application form [here](#).

The closing date for receipt of applications is 12pm on 6th March 2024.



Local Enhancement Programme 2024

Kildare County Council through Kildare Local Community Development Committee has €198,071 to be awarded to community groups and organisations in Kildare allocated as follows:

€163,322 capital funding to use towards carrying out necessary repairs and improvements to facilities, energy efficiency type projects, purchase of equipment, etc. The minimum application amount is €1,000 and the maximum application amount is €10,000.

€34,749 capital funding for Women's Groups. There is a separate application form for Women's Groups. They can apply for funding under both application processes.

The closing date for receipt of completed applications is 5.00 pm on Thursday 29 February 2024.

[Find out more](#)



Kildare County Council Community Grant Schemes

Kildare County Council are now inviting applications for the following grants schemes administered by Kildare County Council. Online application forms and a short instructional video may be found at the links below.

- [Community Grant Scheme](#)
- [Festival Grant Scheme](#)
- [Residents' Association Grant Scheme \(Local Authority\)](#)
- [Residents' Association Grant Scheme \(Private Estates\)](#)

More funding opportunities:

- [Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2024](#)
- [EU Just Transition Fund \(EU JTF\): Community and Enterprise Grants Scheme](#)
- [Creative Ireland, Arts Grants, Commissions and Bursary Award opportunities for 2024](#)
- [Open Call for Cruinniú na nÓg 2024 Commission Awards](#)



Kildare PPN News

Save the Date Kildare PPN Climate Action Weekend



We are delighted to announced that Climate Action Weekend is back for 2024 and will take place on Friday and Saturday the 19th and 20th of April. We hope this weekend will be a catalyst for positive change as we unite in our commitment to address climate challenges at the local level.

If your group/organisation would like to hold an event as part of Climate Action Weekend for inclusion in our event programme, please fill out the event registration form below before **Friday the 22th of March**.

[Expression of Interest](#)

Plenary Meeting



We will be holding our first Plenary meeting of the year on **Saturday the 24th of February 2024 at 10:30am** in the Curragh Racecourse and would be delighted if you could attend.

Following feedback from member groups, we have decided to hold this meeting on a Saturday to give an opportunity to members who find it difficult to attend during the week.

[Find out more](#)

How to locate your PPN



Are you applying for a grant for your organisation and need your group's PPN number?

You can find your organisations PPN number in our members directory on our website.

[Kildare PPN Member Group Directory](#)



Updated Criteria for inclusion in the PPN Environmental College

Does your group focus on environmental work? The PPN Environmental College is open to groups whose core work is environmental, including biodiversity, sustainability, education, protection, resource efficiency and more.

If this describes your group's work, the IEN would like to invite you to join the PPN Environmental College. You may be new to the PPN, or be registered as a Community & Voluntary group or Social Inclusion group and believe that you are in the wrong category.

[Find out more](#)



Training

Vision Ireland Technology Training

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TECHNOLOGY
TRAINING
FOR BEGINNERS

Vision Ireland

Empowering people who are blind or vision impaired

VI Labs

Are you ready to embark on a journey towards digital empowerment?
Vision Ireland Labs is thrilled to announce our FREE Digital Literacy Course, designed to equip people with low vision or no vision essential digital skills!

Weekly Course topics include:

- computers and the internet
- using my smartphone
- connecting with others
- entertainment and shopping
- hobbies and travel
- online banking

How much is it to take?
The course is delivered free.

Who would benefit and who can join?
Anyone with a Vision impairment (and family members) over the age of 60, but all ages are welcome. Service events are open to registered service users with Vision Ireland. If you wish to become a registered service user visit www.visionireland.ie or please contact info@visionireland.ie

What are you likely to get out of the sessions?
Digital Skills development, structured learning, peer networking, and much more!

Where are the classes being held?
Vision Ireland Tallaght
Tallaght House, Unit P5, Belgard Square W, Tallaght, Dublin 24, D24 F22V

When are the classes being held?
The occurrence of training will depend on the number of registrations of interest. It would be held during normal business hours.

Where can I register my interest?
By completing the form found at the link below or by using the QR Code on the underside.
<https://forms.office.com/r/3X3Hd4g6t6>

How do I find out more?
Please contact Vision Ireland Labs at training@visionireland.ie or 1800911250

Vision Ireland

Empowering people who are blind or vision impaired

For the year 2024 Vision Ireland will be running Essential Digital Skills Group Training for people who are visually impaired or blind (and their families).
The topics covered would be the following:

- Introduction to being online.
- Using my smartphone
- Connecting with others
- Entertainment and Shopping
- Hobbies and Travel
- Online Banking

At this stage, we are currently awaiting registrations of interest, so if those individuals or their families could please complete the following form if they would like to be contacted for future events.

[Register here](#)

Upcoming Events

THE WHEEL’S FUNDING ROADSHOW - KILDARE

Join The Wheel at The Cathedral, Kildare Town, Co. Kildare on the 27th of March for the first of their Funding Roadshows in 2024!

- ♦ Learn about developing a sustainable funding model that aligns with the goals of your organisation
- ♦ Pick up tips and tricks for preparing successful grant applications including writing techniques, developing budgets and the importance of demonstrating impact
- ♦ Gain an understanding of the various funding opportunities available, including EU and national funding
- ♦ Connect with a selection of different local, regional and national funding agencies who will be with us on the day to present their funding opportunities and answer your questions.

👉 Places for this free event are limited, so register now.

[Find out more](#)

Registrations are now OPEN for FREE Online Workshops with Helium Arts

Ages 6-8 and Ages 9-12
Online Spring Saturdays from 6th Apr - 11th May

Supported Conditions Include: Diabetes, Epilepsy, Asthma, Juvenile Arthritis, Heart Conditions, Spina Bifida, Cystic Fibrosis, Allergies, Rare & Complex Conditions and many more...

[Find out more](#)

Helium Arts

CREATIVITY FOR ALL

EMPOWERING YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH CREATIVITY

FREE Creative Workshops for Ages 6-16 Living with Lifelong Physical Health Conditions

What We Offer:

- All in-person and online workshops, tailored to different age groups
- Safe and accessible spaces
- On-site medical care
- Professional artists
- Volunteer support

Beyond Health Conditions:

- Meet people with similar life experiences
- Build friendships
- Explore new skills and interests
- Create a supportive through community

95% of parents believe that Helium Arts has improved their child's physical health & wellbeing.
(Based on a survey conducted in 2023)

Living with the arts

Arts Council of Ireland

Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht

County Kildare Leader Partnership

County Wick Leader Partnership

County Wex Leader Partnership

County Kerry Leader Partnership

County Cork Leader Partnership

County Clare Leader Partnership

County Limerick Leader Partnership

County Galway Leader Partnership

County Mayo Leader Partnership

County Donegal Leader Partnership

County Fingert Leader Partnership

County Wick Leader Partnership

County Kerry Leader Partnership

County Cork Leader Partnership

County Clare Leader Partnership

County Limerick Leader Partnership

County Galway Leader Partnership

County Mayo Leader Partnership

County Donegal Leader Partnership

HELIUM ARTS

www.heliumarts.ie

Good Grief

An open and Honest discussion about bereavement and grief with Older Voices Kildare and Heads Up

Venue: Kildare Community Development Centre - R51 RF88
Date: Wednesday 28th February 2024
Time: 10.00am - 11.30am

Please book your FREE Place - with Caroline - 086-1372871
Deirdre: 086-1068305

GOOD GRIEF!

AN OPEN AND HONEST DISCUSSION ON BEREAVEMENT AND GRIEF

Wednesday 28th February 10am to 11.30am
County Kildare Leader Partnership
Kildare Community Development Centre, Meadow Road Kildare Town, Co. Kildare
R51 RF88

PLEASE BOOK YOUR FREE SPACE
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DEIRDRE ON 086-1068305

Recent News

Are you a Climate Hero?

Climate Heroes is a good-natured, carbon-saving competition from Global Action Plan.

Between the 15th and 26th of April, all kinds of community groups across Ireland will log planet-friendly actions and compete to have the biggest carbon footprint reduction. Weekly webinars in the run-up will shine a light on the big picture and offer a space for knowledge-sharing and connection. Participation is free.

For more information and to sign up, please visit www.climateheroes.ie. Because everyone can be a Climate Hero!

Calling all



CLIMATE HEROES

Join our FREE community challenge!

15th - 26th April 2024

- Log climate-positive actions
- Compare, compete and connect
- See the 'big picture' & take action

climateheroes.ie



2024 SunSmart Sunscreen Dispenser Pilot

This is an open call to all community groups/organisations to register their interest.

The Pilot Project involves provision of a sunscreen dispenser with a UV index display to a small number of community/voluntary groups who are involved in outdoor leisure activities to trial the unit from May to the end of August. This pilot is open to new applicants only and excludes those who previously took part in the pilot in 2023.

One litre of sunscreen will be provided along with each sunscreen dispenser board. **NCCP will not be providing any extra sunscreen as part of the pilot.** All pilot locations can keep the sunscreen dispenser board following conclusion of the pilot and can organise to re-order sunscreen cartridges directly for ongoing usage of the sunscreen boards. A re-order form will be sent out with the board if you wish to re-order sunscreen. If you do not think you have capacity to re-order sunscreen via your organisation or community group then please consider if this pilot is suitable for you to partake in.

Expression of interest



- Public Consultations:**
- [Public Consultation on the Proposed Public Realm Improvement Works to Market Square, Kildare Town](#)
 - [Part 8 - Proposed Sallins Grand Canal Greenway Link](#)
 - [Consultation on Ireland’s Draft National Energy and Climate Plan](#)
 - [Green Paper on Disability Reform: A Public Consultation to Reform Disability Payments in Ireland](#)

Please circulate to members in your group/organisation

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