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Contact 087 9137186 or email deirdre.madden@nlh.ie



Longford Sports Partnership COVID 19 Club Small Grant Scheme

All applications must be returned by 5pm Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Longford Sports Partnership COVID 19 Club Small Grant Scheme Guidelines

The COVID-19 club small grant scheme is part of a programme from the Government of Ireland, implemented through Sport Ireland and its network of Local Sports Partnerships to support the sports sector during the COVID-19 pandemic. This scheme is designed to support clubs, which do not have the finances to implement COVID-19 related hygiene and social distancing protocols. As the total fund available is limited, clubs which already have the finances to implement COVID-19 protocols should not apply. Clubs must ensure that, where available, they prioritise the application for funding support via their National Governing Body

or relevant representative body. Funding support for the same purpose should not be sought from multiple sources.

This grant can cover costs associated with the reopening of sports clubs. The club grant scheme is designed and intended to support return to sporting activities only such as

- COVID 19 Related Costs for Hygiene Consumables (E.g. Hand sanitizer, soap, face masks, gloves etc.)
- COVID 19 Related Infrastructure Costs (E.g. Plexiglass screens, wall mounted dispensers, signage)
- COVID 19 Related venue/equipment cleaning costs
- Increased venue hire costs to comply with social distancing
- COVID 19 Related Volunteer Training Costs
- COVID 19 Related Staff Training Costs
- Additional Registration/ Event Management Costs (E.g. admin or IT costs to manage self declarations)

This funding cannot be used to support COVID-19 costs related to hospitality services such as bars or restaurants within sports facilities or commercial sector such as gyms, bootcamps etc.. The COVID 19 Club Small Grants can be used to support COVID 19 related expenditure dating from 2nd May 2020 onwards (Date of publication of Government roadmap to recovery).

The scheme will be based on identified needs. Longford Sports Partnership and Sport Ireland and will work together to ensure that the investment is distributed fairly. Every effort will be made to ensure that the wider sports community benefits from this scheme.

There is a €1,500 limit per club on this grant scheme however applications will be means tested and only clubs with the most need will be eligible for the full amount. Clubs should not feel that they have to apply for the full amount to be considered for support.

Terms and Conditions

- Only one application can be submitted per club
- Applications must be submitted to the LSP in the county in which your club is based.
- The form must be filled out in one attempt, there is no facility to save the form and return to it at a later date.
- Maximum of €1500 per club
- The club grant scheme is intended to support return to sporting activities only expenditure dating from 2nd May 2020 onwards.
- Funding cannot be received from other organisations for items included in your application
- Clubs must have a copy of their Constitution or Club Rules;
- Affiliated member of the Public Participation Network and your NGB
- Be registered / update your club details with Longford Sports Partnership on a yearly basis
- Successful applicants must recognise the support of Longford Sports Partnership and Sport Ireland in publicity surrounding their project;
- Successful clubs must have Safeguarding done;
- The deadline for receipt of applications is **5pm Wednesday 2nd September 2020.**
- Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted
- Any club/organisation funded under this scheme will be asked to submit an evaluation report form to LSP and may be asked to supply documentary evidence

- If you are unsure on any of the above or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office on 0433343493 or sports@longfordcoco.ie.

The application form should be completed online at :
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=cNPpmZ0qvkGijTf-kvcBuh1yovML1rJGijFbj1rSBgdUMUY5UEk0WFRtUFRXRjRJMDJDn0s0NjJfQy4u>

Paper forms are also available on request

NATIONAL INTEGRATION FUND 2020

Minister McEntee launches National Integration Fund 2020 to promote integration of migrants into Irish society

The closing date for applications is 12pm, Thursday 10th of September 2020.

- €749,600 per year over a maximum of three years will be available to support migrant integration projects. There is €2.2m in total funding being committed over a three year period.
- Selected projects will help to combat racism and xenophobia
- Fund will support communities to promote the integration of migrants and their children

The National Integration Fund 2020 is open for applications from both public and private bodies. Funding will be given for projects that:

- Increase mutual understanding between local communities and immigrants;
- Combat racism and xenophobia;
- Undertake research on interculturalism and / or integration;
- Help immigrants improve their language skills so they can access employment and / or integrate into their local communities;
- Promote the integration into Irish society of vulnerable or socially-excluded immigrants;
- Introduce immigrants to the political system and encourage them to vote;
- Provide training to public and private sector organisations on equality and integration;
- Provide information and support for immigrants to help them access services;
- Provide information and support for immigrants in regard to immigration and citizenship;
- Promote integration in schools;
- Promote integration in the youth sector;
- Promote integration in the workplace; or
- Promote the involvement of immigrants in sport, volunteering and cultural activities.

How to apply:

Applicants can access a detailed guidance document and complete an online application form at: <https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/NIF2020>

New Funding – Community Enhancement Programme 2020

Closing Date: 12 noon on the 16th September 2020

Fund for Community Centres and Community Buildings

Longford Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) invites applications from community groups for funding under the Department of Rural & Community Development for the Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) 2020 fund for Community Centres and Community Buildings.

The Department has launched a new fund, under the CEP, which will provide capital grants towards the maintenance, improvement and upkeep of community centres and community buildings, adaptations or equipment needed as a result of COVID-19 may also be included. Similar expenditure on other community facilities will also be considered.

[CEP 2020 Grant Details](#)

Launch of Expressions of Interest to establish a Disability Participation and Consultation Network

The deadline for receipt of applications is 11am on Monday, 14 September 2020.

The Department of Justice and Equality is establishing a new Disability Participation and Consultation Network and invites expressions of interest from organisations who wish to participate in this initiative.

The Network will provide a channel for involving persons with disabilities more meaningfully in the development of policy and legislation, in line with the requirements of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD).

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- The newly established Disability Participation and Consultation Network will enable persons with a disability to be involved in the development of policy and legislation.
- Funding is available for an organisation representing persons with disabilities to administer the network as an Organising Member.
- Separate funding is also available for up to four Disabled Persons Organisations to provide training and support to persons with disabilities to be involved in the network.
- The network will also be open to individuals and groups (non-grant funded) who will take part in network and ensure that as many persons with disabilities, in all situations can input into its work. Details of how to these members can apply will be announced at the end of August.

- Consultation on Ireland's Initial State Report to the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with a Disability (UNCPRD) is an immediate task for the Network.

Further details of the Network, including details of how to apply for these roles are available on the Department of Justice and Equality website at:

http://www.justice.ie/en/JELR/Pages/Eol_Organising_Member_Disability_Participation_and_Consultation_Network

A separate process will be announced at the end of August for organisations, groups or suitably qualified individuals with disabilities who wish to join the network.

Freshstart Level 3 Employability Skills

Level 3 course in Employability Skills which includes Communications, Word Processing, Digital Media, Nutrition and Healthy Options, Functional Maths, Personal Effectiveness and Work Experience. All courses are free and the under 25's may be eligible for a training bonus. Contact 087 9137186 or email deirdre.madden@nl.ni.e.



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Dear People of Longford,

We in Foróige are in urgent need of Adult Volunteers to assist in our work with young people throughout the county of Longford this year. The COVID 19 Pandemic has really hit communities hard this year, particularly our young people. Not being able to socialise, meet friends, or even go to school has really taken its toll on a lot of young people.

We have been inundated with requests from young people to join clubs in and around the county of Longford, however, we are unable to meet the high demand due to the lack of Adult Volunteers.

We are launching a campaign to recruit and train as many adult volunteers as possible this year to work with us in the Attic House (Longford) and around the County such as Edgeworthstown, Ballymahon, Granard, Dromard, Drumlish, Legan, Lanesboro, Newtowncashel, Keenagh, Abbeylara and anywhere a need arises.

Can you help? Do you know of anyone that would be ideal as a volunteer youth worker in the local community? **Please forward this email to everyone in your network and help us spread the word.**

Please [Register HERE to Express an Interest in Volunteering](#) and one of our team will be in contact with you.

Watch our promotional video [HERE](#)

Thank you for assisting us locally

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Nation Upcycle Challenge

I just wanted to bring to your attention the Nation Upcycle Challenge, which is being run by the Regional Waste Management Office in partnership with the EPA.

This is the fourth year the competition has run and each year it has grown significantly and so have the number of prizes being awarded. This year we have created numerous categories from individuals to groups and I ask that you might be able to share the competition with your network.

It's very easy to complete the online application and we have a short instruction on what entrants need to do to qualify. Everything you need to know can be found at <https://www.mywaste.ie/upcycle-challenge20/> but if you have any questions or comments please let me know.

Regards,

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