



Social Inclusion Seminar February 25th 2021

Empowerment/Inclusion/Collective Action/Accountability

Social Inclusion

- A process which ensures that those at risk of poverty and social exclusion gain the opportunities and resources necessary to participate fully in economic, social, political and cultural life and enjoy a standard of living that is considered normal in the society in which they live. It ensures that they have greater participation in decision making, which affects their lives and access to their fundamental rights. Social Inclusion works for a fair future that benefits everyone.

Council of the EU (2004) Joint report by the commission and the council on Social Inclusion

http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/soc-prot/soc-incl/final_joint_inclusion_report_2003_en.pdf

SICAP 2018-2022 Target Groups

Disadvantaged Children and Families	People Living in Disadvantaged Communities
Disadvantaged Young People (aged 15-24)	People with Disabilities
Disadvantaged Women	Roma
Individuals and Families coming out of Homelessness	Travellers
Lone Parents	The Disengaged from the Labour Market (Economically Inactive)
Low Income Workers/Households	The Unemployed
New Communities	

Community Grant 2021

- **Grant-** maximum award of €1,500.
- Local Community Groups (LCGs) would benefit from support for their own development and/or to run activities.
- Also open to those who have previously received financial supports from DNP.

Community Grant Criteria- Summary

- Community Development approach: meaningful consultation, participation, 'bottom up', empowerment.
- Commitment to Social Inclusion and promotion of equality.
- Operating within DNP catchment area.
- Representing people who are socially excluded and whose voices are not heard in our society.

Eligible Actions

- Developing good governance structures.
- Strategic Plan Development.
- Small scale capital items that will improve and enhance the function of the LCG and its work.
- Community Activities with clear links to SICAP target groups- must improve quality of life of community members.
- Travel and subsistence for LCG members for participation in regional and national networking and learning opportunities, where there is no other source of core funding available.
- Funding for women's groups, men's sheds, youth work initiatives delivered by LCGs- funding allocated must be for a specific activity focussing on SICAP target groups.
- Small scale capital items that have a higher cost than €1,500 and where there is evidence that matching funding is in place.

Ineligible Actions

- Individuals i.e. not representing LCGs.
- Private 'For Profit' or Statutory organisations.
- Primary or Secondary Schools
- Actions which do not demonstrate a Social Inclusion focus.
- Which duplicate a similar action or existing programme in the catchment area.
- Not addressing needs of target groups.
- For actions outside DNP catchment area.
- For activities or spending which has already taken place or are due to take place before proposal approval is confirmed.

Ineligible Costs

- Travel and subsistence for employees of other service providers that are a member of boards of management of LCGs or have a role in projects led by LCGs.
- Ongoing running costs e.g. rent, insurance, electricity, phone, office maintenance.

Application Process

- Application forms and guidelines are available on DNP website [www. http://dublinnorthwest.ie/](http://dublinnorthwest.ie/)
- Information sessions on application form completion will take place on Zoom on **Tuesday March 2nd 2021 at 18:00** and **Wednesday March 3rd 2021 at 11:00**.
- Closing date for receipt of completed applications is **Friday March 19th 2021 at 16:00**
- DNP Action Appraisal Committee (sub-group of the DNP Board of Management) will review all applications and will approve selected applications.
- Community Groups have the right to request feedback on their application; such requests must be submitted in writing.

Requirements of Successful Groups

- Groups will become members of DNP's 'Social Inclusion Network' and will be required to attend quarterly network meetings.
- Attend compulsory training on DNP administrative and reporting requirements prior to receipt of any financial supports.
- Host interim visits of DNP staff and submit interim and final reports.
- Sign a grant contract with DNP- details of responsibilities of both DNP and successful LCG.
- Invitation to showcase work at seminar early 2022.

Thank You

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