



Wexford CYPSC Newsletter

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FUNDING / OPPORTUNITIES

► “Wexford Girls Get Active” Initiative invites Expressions of Interest



Background

According to Sport Ireland’s “Girls Get Active” research (2021), evidence suggests that only 7% of girls 14-15 years and 5% of girls 16-20 years are meeting the recommended physical activity guidelines. (*Moderate to Vigorous Physical activity for at least 60 minutes a day*). This research has established that the term “Sporty” or “sporty person” is strongly linked with disengagement of physical activity/sports within the teenage girl population. In Ireland, Sport Ireland recognise the need for additional support and have established the “Her Moves” campaign, designed to inspire, and support more teenage girls to be active.

Initiative Description

With this fantastic momentum growing, Wexford Children and Young People’s Services Committee (CYPSC) is delighted to announce the **Wexford Girls Get Active** Initiative. This is funded through Healthy Ireland and is being delivered in partnership with Sports Active Wexford and Gorey Youth Needs Group. This will provide teenage girls in Wexford with an opportunity to get active in a fun, social and non-judgemental environment.

This initiative will include an eight-week physical activity programme where a qualified instructor/coach will provide one session a week for eight weeks on one activity. A theme incorporating a selection of similar activities will be offered to interested organisations. Each organisation will be given an opportunity to name their preferred activities. We will endeavour to match each group to its preferred activity. However, this may not be possible in all instances. This will depend on location and the resources of the applicant.

Empowering teenage girls and giving them a voice will be of the utmost importance throughout this initiative. The girls should select the preferred theme and choice of activities themselves. This will ensure that they engage with the initiative when it is rolled out and creates the opportunity for sustainability upon its completion. Please view the eligibility criteria to observe if you are eligible to apply.

Expression of Interest forms must be returned to Nicola.collins@wexfordcoco.ie by **Friday 28th of June** by **5pm**. Late submissions will not be accepted.

► **Expression of Interest Form, click [here](#)**

► **Costings Form, click [here](#)**

► International Charity Bazaar Funding Application



Funding applications for the 2024 International Charity Bazaar Dublin (ICB) are now open.

The International Charity Bazaar Dublin was formally established as a registered Irish charity in 2008. The idea behind ICB originated with a fund-raising event held by the wife of the then Ambassador of Pakistan Nausheen Ahmad to raise funds for the victims of the Pakistan earthquake in 2005. All monies raised through ICB's annual fundraising event, International Charity Bazaar, are donated to selected charities at an award ceremony in December. Over the years, ICB has supported many different charities.

Funding Criteria for 2024:

- Only Irish registered charities may apply
- Maximum funding of **6,000 Euros per project**
- No funding for salaries or bursaries
- Projects should be Ireland-based
- Selected charities will be **notified by 31 August 2024**
- **Funds will be distributed in December 2024.**

The closing **date** for receipt of applications is **Friday, 5th July 2024**

For further information please contact us at info@icbdublin.com

Full details available [here](#)

► AIB Community €1 Million Fund



The AIB Community €1 Million Fund enables customers, the public and our employees to support the local charities that mean most to them, within their region.

The deadline for your nominations is: **12 June 2024**.

Charities are nominated in six regions: Connacht; Munster; Ulster (ROI); Leinster; Greater Dublin; and Northern Ireland & Great Britain. The amounts awarded in the public-nominated fund are either €4,000 or €28,000.

AIB employees can also nominate charities in the Fund. The amounts awarded in the employee-nominated fund are either €6,500 or €3,500.

In 2023, Recovery Haven Kerry and Lough Ree Access for All were supported by the Fund. Watch [here](#) to see how the funding helped these charities.

Find full details, including FAQs and Terms & Conditions, click [here](#).

PARENTING

► Request for details of parenting events and initiatives taking place during June/July



An Roinn Leanai, Comhionannais,
Míchumais, Lánpháirtíochta agus Óige
Department of Children, Equality,
Disability, Integration and Youth

Colleagues,

I hope this email finds you well.

It is that time again where we are seeking details of upcoming events or initiatives that are designed to assist parents/guardians in their parenting role.

Looking ahead to the summer months which hopefully will bring us some warmer weather, parents will no doubt be thinking about summer camps and events to keep their children active and entertained. With this in mind, we welcome details of any parenting initiatives which will be taking place throughout June and July 2024.

As with previous months, a selection of these events will be promoted across DCEDIY social media channels to raise awareness among parents of supports available to them in their locality. Details of upcoming events can be provided via a short survey by clicking [here](#).

It would be appreciated if details of any events taking place in June could be provided by COB on Friday 21 June to allow time for the DCEDIY Communications team to develop content for sharing across DCEDIY social channels.

You can check across DCEDIY social channels for your event and please feel free to like and share our social posts. We also encourage you to circulate this email to any service within your network that may have an upcoming parenting event which they wish to promote.

A selection of **parenting initiatives and events** promoted throughout May are accessible [here](#).

May we request that information on upcoming events is submitted through the survey link above where possible. However, if there is any issues using the survey or any particular queries, please do not hesitate to email parentingsupport@equality.gov.ie for assistance.

We wish to sincerely thank you for your continued support on this initiative.

Kind regards

The Parenting Support Policy Unit, DCEDIY

WEBINARS / TRAINING

► “See Me, Think About Me, Ask About Me” Webinar : Thursday 13th June 10am-11.30am



Please register for your free place on [Eventbrite](#)

Join us for the launch of two new resources to raise awareness of the impact of Domestic Violence and Abuse on the very young child (pregnancy to pre-school).

With key note by Dr Wendy Bunston, Australian trainer, consultant, lecturer, family therapist and IMH practitioner who specialises in working with infants, children and their parents impacted by family violence and address by the Minister for Justice, Helen McEntee TD.

Barnardos was established in 1962 with the vision to ensure all vulnerable children in Ireland get the support they need to overcome childhood adversity. In 2019 Barnardos, in partnership with Tusla, established the Childhood Domestic Violence and Abuse Project (CDVA) with the overall purpose to assist in increasing the visibility of childhood domestic abuse; to support a collective and collaborative approach to identifying the needs of children; and to delivering effective services in response.

The CDVA project identified a need to enhance our understanding of the impact of domestic violence and abuse on the very young (children aged 0-5 years old) including pregnancy. Over the course of 3 years, the CDVA project collaborated with mothers surviving domestic violence and abuse, young children in early years and pre-school settings, academics and our colleagues across the early years services, infant mental health and specialist domestic violence services. The result is a new resource called;

‘Notice me – Think about me – Ask about me’ - two resources in one:

1. **An animation**, which raises awareness of the impact of domestic violence and abuse on the young child, from pregnancy to preschool.
2. **An accompanying document** that offers some accessible information for professionals responding to the needs of children and families.