



The Community Foundation for Ireland

The Women's Fund for Ireland at The Community Foundation for Ireland

2018

Timeline:	Round opens for applications	26 th March 2018
	Closing Date for applications	30 th April 2018
	Grants will be made by	Mid-June 2018
	Progress Report due	07 th December 2018
	Final Outcome Reports due	10 th June 2019
	Learning Network Event	TBC

About:

The Community Foundation for Ireland is a grant-making and donor services charity. The Community Foundation makes grants to not-for-profit and voluntary groups working in communities throughout the Republic of Ireland. Grants are usually for a particular action with an identifiable outcome. Ongoing, core or capital costs will not be considered.

Criteria:

In our current cultural climate of #MeToo and #TimesUp, sexual harassment, its perpetrators and the direct and collateral damage associated with it has never been so visible. Building on our existing partnerships with organisations such as Safe Ireland, working to make Ireland “the safest country in the world for women and children”¹, The Community Foundation for Ireland wants to find out what work is taking place in Ireland in the area of combatting or highlighting sexual harassment and what needs to happen to bring about real change in this area.

We are offering **grants of up to €5,000** to organisations who are undertaking **new work** that aims to centre-stage this phenomenon and instigate changes in standards, behaviours and attitudes in this sphere. If you are part of a formal or informal group/ network that is involved in research, awareness-raising, advocacy, activism or other activities that aim to bring about this kind of social and cultural change, we are interested in hearing from you.

¹ <http://www.safeireland.ie/wp-content/uploads/Safe-Ireland-Vision-Strategy-2015-2020-1.pdf>

What We Are Looking For:

- New projects that seek to highlight or reduce levels of sexual harassment in any of its multifaceted forms, including but not limited to street harassment, sexual coercion, sexually threatening behaviour, domestic violence, stalking and online sexual misconduct
- Projects may be based in any of the many spaces (both tangible and virtual) where sexual harassment takes place, including but not limited to sports, the media, domestic spaces, workplaces and social spaces, schools and colleges and across all online and social media platforms
- Priority will be given to innovative projects that aim to bring about social, behavioural, attitudinal and cultural change
- Applications are welcome from all counties in the Republic of Ireland so that we can ensure a wide geographic spread of funding

Applicant Requirements:

- a) Applicant organisations should have an annual income of **not more than €2,000,000**. Documentary evidence may be requested
- b) All applicant organisations must declare their organisation's annual income on the online application form. Depending on your organisation's income you must submit either your organisation's Annual Accounts or most recent set of Audited Accounts
- c) Applicant organisations should have an organisational bank account or access to one. A copy of a recent bank statement must be submitted with your application. This is **for account verification only** and all financial transactions may be redacted before submission. Multiple applications by one organisation may not be made. If you are an informal group or organisation without formal governance structures and without its own bank account, please contact The Community Foundation for Ireland for further information.
- d) Applicants must demonstrate a willingness to share learning with others
- e) Proposals must include clear, detailed, realistic costs and timescales
- f) We encourage established applicant organisations to consider adopting The Governance Code for charities – see <http://www.governancecode.ie/>
- g) Applications must be from community and voluntary groups that possess charitable aims and are not for profit. If you are part of an informal organisation or you are in doubt as to whether your organisation may be eligible to apply, please email Sara Stokes at sstokes@foundation.ie with any queries you might have
- h) A commitment to equal opportunities must be demonstrated
- i) The fund will not cover: Core or ongoing costs (such as rent, salaries), Equipment costs, Promotion of religious causes, Work that has already taken place, Non-charitable activities, General political donations, Sponsorship or fundraising events, Work taking place outside the Republic of Ireland
- j) Further details in relation to our grant making, including answers to Frequently Asked Questions can be found [here](#).

Reporting Requirements:

- a) Please acknowledge the support of The Community Foundation for Ireland on any materials associated with the grant, should your application be successful
- b) Interim and Final Outcome Reports will be required. Outcome Report Guidelines will be supplied
- c) The Community Foundation for Ireland aims to promote learning opportunities and the sharing of knowledge, experience and information. **The person leading the project will be required to present on the outcomes of your work to your fellow grantees and to The Community Foundation for Ireland once the project has been completed.**

How to Apply:

Once you have ensured that you meet all of the grant criteria above, you can then make an online application by clicking on the link below.

<https://communityfoundationireland.secure.force.com/forms/womensfund2018>

If you have any queries in relation to the grant criteria, application process or your eligibility for the scheme, please don't hesitate to contact Sara Stokes sstokes@foundation.ie.



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