Community Foundation Ireland

Giving With Impact

Individuals & Families







Supporting you on your philanthropic journey

When it comes to philanthropy, it can be challenging to know where to begin. In a crowded landscape where charitable organisations and causes are competing for investment, it can become overwhelming and difficult to navigate what should be a rewarding and joyful experience.

At Community Foundation Ireland we provide strategic guidance and support. We are your trusted philanthropic partner ensuring that the funds that you invest are properly used, secure and strategically invested in line with your wishes.

This guide sets out how we can assist you on your philanthropic journey, no matter what stage you are at.

A Little About This Guide

Community Foundation Ireland is on a mission to achieve equality for all in thriving communities. By providing expert advisory support and philanthropic fund management services, we affect change on complex and varied social issues.

This guide sets out how we work with individuals and families through our expert Philanthropic Fund Management Service.

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About Us

Community Foundation Ireland is on a mission to achieve equality for all in thriving communities. The foundation provides a trusted source of expertise for people and organisations seeking to maximise the impact of their donations.

Since the year 2000 we have provided the expertise, network and knowledge that enables donors to make a positive impact through strategic giving. We connect donors, grantees and communities to support equality.

At Community
Foundation
Ireland we know
philanthropy.

Our Impact:



Over €120 million invested in our mission to achieve equality for all in thriving communities.



€50 Million worth of assets under management.



Investing in over 5,000 local, national and international non-profit organisations.

Our Expertise:



Strategic Giving Vehicles



Due Diligence



Support & Advice

How we work with Individuals & Families

Our relationships across a network of 5,000 partners enable us to identify patterns, connections, and solutions that others can't yet see. Our funding strategies drive change at a systemic and societal level, support inclusive communities, empower generations, and address the challenge of climate change.

As a philanthropic hub we offer the services you need when you need them.

You or your family may:

- Be at the start of your journey and wish to:
 - Find your philanthropic feet and pursue your passions by setting up your own Donor Advised Fund
 - Support vetted, ready-to-go projects or take a collaborative approach investing in an existing Fund at Community Foundation Ireland
- · Have a lump sum to donate from an IPO, a sale, or an inheritance
- Wish to engage the next generation in giving and establish a family wide approach to philanthropy
- Have your own Foundation and simply need guidance on supporting particular charities or how to move the dial on a societal issue
- Wish to give back in the place or county where you are from or where you now live.
- Wish to leave a lasting legacy

"The work Community Foundation Ireland takes off your shoulders is immense. Whether that's relieving setting up a Foundation or carrying on your legacy of giving after your lifetime... To me that was the answer to my charitable giving"

Donor Advised Fund holder, Community Foundation Ireland

Routes to Impact

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Set up a Donor Advised Fund (DAF)

This tailored, private, giving vehicle is ideal for those who wish to pursue personal charitable interests, as well as those wishing to avoid the administrative burden and costs associated with starting their own Foundation.

Flexibility is key to this offering, including around the duration of investment and engagement, sharing of decision making with family, as well as choices in relation to privacy.



Donate to a Fund

Supporting an existing fund is highly strategic and facilitates a collaborative and effective way to give.

Donations can be combined for maximum impact in supporting particular cohorts in society including Older People, Women, Young People and Children, as well as important issues such as the Environment and addressing Discrimination and Inequality

Leave a Lasting Legacy

By leaving a legacy, you can support a charitable cause or organisation which has been important to you in your life time.

In making a bequest to Community Foundation Ireland, there are a variety of options to consider including investing in our long-term Endowed Fund which facilitates grant-making in perpetuity, as well as supporting our strategic pillars of Environment and Biodiversity, Inclusive Communities, Empowering Generations and Accelerating Change.



To Get in Touch

If you would like to learn more about how Community Foundation Ireland can support you on your philanthropic journey, email us at giving@foundation.ie or call us on +353 (0)1 8747354.

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