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Thematic Strand	Applicant Name	Project Summary	Amount Authorised	Total Beneficiaries	Primary Beneficiary	Primary Issue
Grants Awarded in Republic of Ireland						
All Counties Ireland						
Addressing Essential Needs	Cliona's Foundation	Cliona's Foundation provides financial assistance to families, across the island of Ireland, caring for a seriously sick child to help specifically with the non-medical costs associated with their child's illness.	€39,000.00	100	People with illnesses	Poverty
Addressing Essential Needs	The BIG Idea (trading as The Big Idea house)	The BIG Idea is an multi-award winning, all-Ireland creative education initiative connecting young people with industry mentors to unlock creativity, innovation and confidence to solve the biggest challenges in their lives, communities and world.	€40,000.00	64,150	Pupils and students	Education & training
Improving Wellbeing	Childhood Cancer Foundation	Childhood Cancer Ireland will deliver a structured survivorship programme combining therapeutic group support, education and peer connection to help children, parents and siblings rebuild confidence and navigate life after childhood cancer treatment.	€40,000.00	825	Families	Mental Health Issues
Creativity and Play	Children's Books Ireland	Small Print is a programme for Equal Start early childhood care & education settings that promotes a love of reading in children aged 0-5 through	€36,000.00	37,400	Families	Promotion of Arts, Culture, and Heritage

		picturebooks in English & Irish so children of all backgrounds can reap the benefits of early reading.				
Addressing Essential Needs	Irish Heart Foundation	Short, fun movement and mindfulness videos co-designed with DEIS and special schools to help children understand their health, feel well, and build heart healthy habits for life.	€39,000.00	725,000	Pupils and students	Education & training
Addressing Essential Needs	Oscar's Kids Ireland	To provide enhanced essential and bereavement supports to families of children in palliative and end-of-life care, reducing financial crisis and protecting child and sibling wellbeing.	€39,000.00	225	Families	Emergency and crisis
Addressing Essential Needs	iScoil	iScoil, an online learning service, is the largest and only national provision for early school leavers aged 13 - 16, all of whom are referred by Educational Welfare Officers.	€39,000.00	50	Pupils and students	Education & training
Addressing Essential Needs	Immigrant Council of Ireland	KIND (Kids In Need of Defence) - Partnering for Unaccompanied Children's Rights and Futures	€40,000.00	750	Refugees and Asylum-Seekers	Social Inclusion
Improving Wellbeing	Soar Foundation	Helping marginalised teenagers to develop their resilience, discover who they are and what they can achieve with our evidence-based, experiential, character-development programmes.	€40,000.00	6,500	Pupils and students	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Irish Society for the Prevention of	National Digital Mental Health and Wellbeing Programmes providing guided, neuroaffirming CBT-based	€36,000.00	315	People with neurodiversity	Mental Health Issues

	Cruelty to Children	support for children and young people with ADHD, and practical tools and guidance for their parents and caregivers.				
Improving Wellbeing	Peter Bradley Foundation	'On With Life' paediatric programme empowers children with acquired brain injuries by equipping their parents, teachers, and caregivers with specialist knowledge, tools, and strategies to support the child's rehabilitation, education, and well-being	€40,000.00	630	Carers	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Children's Sunshine Home Trust	Creating Events for LauraLynn Families to Come Together	€40,000.00	3,375	People with illnesses	Physical Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	ADHD Ireland	Family & School Advocacy Lead, supporting families of children with ADHD facing exclusion, school anxiety or refusal, securing supports, promoting inclusive practices, amplifying children's voices & keeping children engaged in education.	€36,000.00	2,000	Families	Education & training
Improving Wellbeing	Belong To Youth Services	This project will see the continued delivery and growth of our Belong To Family Support Service, founded in 2023, to provide LGBTQ+ young people and their families access to supports for their health and wellbeing.	€40,000.00	5,000	LGBTQ+	Mental Health Issues

Improving Wellbeing	The Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association	This project will develop and deliver Ireland-adapted education, emotional wellbeing supports, and the YCare youth caregiving programme to help children and families affected by MND understand the illness, build resilience, and reduce isolation.	€37,000.00	750	Carers	Physical Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	One Family	Expansion of therapeutic support focusing on adolescent-parent relationship in one-parent families who are parenting alone, separating or sharing parenting of their children.	€36,000.00	300	Families	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Transgender Equality Network Ireland	TENI Family Support Programme - supporting trans and gender diverse young people and their families across Ireland.	€44,000.00	8,750	LGBTQ+	Discrimination & Inequality
Improving Wellbeing	Irish Foster Care Association	Enhancing the process, quality and facilitation of Lifestory work for children in foster care so that it is consistently trauma-informed, safe, creative, authentic, meaningful, collaborative and truly reflects the child's voice, experience and agency	€22,000.00	300	Families	Mental Health Issues
Creativity and Play	Neurodiversity Sandymount CLG	Child-led, Occupational Therapy guided play groups that provide neurodivergent children with opportunities for creativity & fun with peers, in an environment that supports their regulation needs, autonomy & authentic neurodivergent identity.	€19,000.00	1,500	People with neurodiversity	Social Inclusion

Addressing Essential Needs	ShoutOut	Creating safe spaces for LGBTQI+ youth online and in person through school-based education programmes.	€16,000.00	2,500	LGBTQ+	Discrimination & Inequality
Addressing Essential Needs	Hygiene Hub	Our project aims to address hygiene poverty by distributing essential hygiene items to children and families in need across Ireland while raising awareness through educational workshops of this pressing issue.	€16,000.00	40,000	Families	Poverty
Improving Wellbeing	CanTeen Ireland	Therapeutic Residential Weekends Away and Production of a new DVD to raise awareness about CanTeen Ireland	€16,000.00	400	People with illnesses	Physical Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Hand in Hand	We want to scale our Play Therapy & Emotional Support Service to ensure that children across Ireland living with cancer, and their families, receive timely, trauma-informed therapeutic support during the most challenging periods of their lives.	€16,000.00	250	Families	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	The NF Association of Ireland	This project will deliver a dedicated residential camp for children in Ireland living with Neurofibromatosis, providing a safe and supportive environment where they can build friendships, strengthen confidence and feel less isolated.	€13,000.00	375	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Social Inclusion

Carlow

Creativity and Play	Bagenalstown Family Resource Centre	Together We Create: An Inclusive Creative Wellbeing Programme for Neurodiverse Children and Families	€25,000.00	450	Families	Social Inclusion
Cavan						
Improving Wellbeing	Focus Family Resource Center	Providing one to one youth support to build resilience and emotional regulation and to assist young people with challenging family situations to achieve better outcomes.	€16,000.00	50	Local communities	Mental Health Issues
Clare						
Creativity and Play	Kids' Own Publishing Partnership	This Kids' Own project is a new creative arts residency in St.Clare's school for children with moderate to profound disabilities. Developed in association with Mary Immaculate College with support from HomeTree charity.	€16,000.00	425	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Promotion of Arts, Culture, and Heritage
Cork						
Addressing Essential Needs	Nasc the Migrant and Refugee Rights Centre	Nasc will provide intensive, child-focused support to refugee families arriving through reunification or leaving direct provision, helping children at risk of poverty and homelessness access housing, education, healthcare and essential services.	€40,000.00	600	Refugees and Asylum-Seekers	Poverty

Addressing Essential Needs	Good Shepherd Cork	Our 'Hope time' project will ensure children and young people in families living in B&Bs and other private emergency accommodation have access to a Family Support Worker and high-quality developmental, educational and other services and supports.	€39,000.00	500	Families	Housing and Homelessness
Improving Wellbeing	The Crann Centre CLG	Our Psychological Wellbeing programme strengthens the mental wellness of children & young people with neurophysical disabilities – offering sustained, integrated support with an additional focus on building resilience and supporting the whole family	€40,000.00	750	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Carrigtwohill Family Resource Centre	Delivery of affordable one-to-one adolescent counselling and a structured outdoor resilience programme for vulnerable young people aged 6–18 in East Cork.	€24,000.00	160	Pupils and students	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Clonakilty Friends of Asylum Seekers	Youth-Led Wellbeing and Community Integration Project for Direct Provision Residents in Clonakilty	€16,000.00	245	Refugees and Asylum-Seekers	Social Inclusion
Improving Wellbeing	Shandon Therapy Trading as Eating	Providing counselling services for children and young people struggling with ARFID which is a growing area being addressed by our service and is a type of disordered eating more	€16,000.00	75	People with neurodiversity	Mental Health Issues

	Disorders Centre Cork	specifically found in those with a neurodivergent diagnosis.				
Improving Wellbeing	See My Skills	See My Skills will deliver the Accelerator Programme — a four-day off-campus employability and life skills programme for secondary school students who are neurodivergent or have a physical disability — across Cork between June 2026 and May 2027.	€15,000.00	320	People with neurodiversity	Education & training
Improving Wellbeing	YANA North Cork Domestic Violence Project CLG	YANA is a Domestic and Sexual Violence service that works with children and women who have experienced abuse. Our children's programme works with children to break the cycle of abuse and allows children to start to heal from trauma through therapy.	€14,000.00	130	Pupils and students	Domestic, Sexual, and Gender-Based Violence
Creativity and Play	Sample-Studios	Cork Creative Careers Programme is a schools-based creative learning programme that addresses educational inequality among children and young people in Cork City by providing fun, hands-on workshops led by local creative industry professionals.	€16,000.00	5,000	Pupils and students	Poverty
Donegal						
Creativity and Play	Cara House Family	Enhancing access to natural outdoor play areas at Cara Children's Centre to	€23,000.00	250	Refugees and Asylum-Seekers	Poverty

	Resource Centre	support the wellbeing, development, and inclusive play opportunities of disadvantaged children.				
Improving Wellbeing	Bluestack Foundation	Funding will provide equine therapy to children & young adults with disabilities from underprivileged communities, improving their physical health, emotional wellbeing, motor skills, confidence & quality of life through proven horse-based therapy.	€12,600.00	240	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Physical Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Spraoi agus Spórt Family Centre CLG	Spraoi agus Spórt will develop a permanent accessible sensory garden and deliver a 12-month nature-based wellbeing programme supporting emotional regulation, resilience and social inclusion for 1,000 marginalised children in rural Inishowen.	€36,000.00	5,000	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Social Inclusion
Improving Wellbeing	Lifeline Inishowen formerly Inishowen Womens Outreach	The project will improve access to counselling, and outreach support for children who live in domestic abuse families and / or have mental health issues, while addressing the unique challenges faced in a rural and geographically dispersed community.	€16,000.00	400	Pupils and students	Domestic, Sexual, and Gender-Based Violence
Improving Wellbeing	Liquid Therapy CLG	Liquid Therapy breaks down barriers to participation in sport, offering restorative, ocean-based programmes that bring the life-changing physical and mental health benefits of the sea	€16,000.00	450	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Social Inclusion

		to children with complex needs and marginalised families.				
Dublin						
Creativity and Play	Saoirse Domestic Violence Services	This funding will install two playgrounds in our domestic violence refuges, giving children who have experienced abuse safe outdoor spaces to play, recover, and support their mental health while staying in emergency accommodation.	€16,000.00	50,000	Families	Domestic, Sexual, and Gender-Based Violence
Creativity and Play	St. Joseph's NS, Bonnybrook	St Joseph's NS, Bonnybrook will create an outdoor sensory space with musical playground equipment to support inclusive creative play, sensory engagement and social interaction for all pupils, including children in our autism classes.	€20,000.00	1,500	Pupils and students	Social Inclusion
Addressing Essential Needs	Focus Ireland	Focus Ireland and RTÉ Toy Show Appeal: supporting children affected by homelessness with safe, trauma informed play, and wrap around family care at Focus Ireland's Aylward Green Childcare service.	€39,000.00	360	Families	Housing and Homelessness
Addressing Essential Needs	JADD Project CLG	Provide safe, structured pro-social outings and activities for children and families affected by substance use problems, helping them build confidence, develop & improve family	€12,000.00	500	Families	Addiction

		relationships and access supportive experiences.				
Addressing Essential Needs	Citywise Education	STEAM Makers - Secondary Schools: Citywise aim to tackle record levels of low-school attendances in disadvantaged communities through the delivery of in-school activity programmes in partnership with local secondary schools on a pilot project.	€39,000.00	1,500	Pupils and students	Education & training
Addressing Essential Needs	DCU Educational Trust	W2R is a research-based whole-school literacy initiative designed to narrow the achievement gap in disadvantaged schools, empowering teachers through coaching and engaging children in a high-interest, workshop-based approach to reading/writing	€40,000.00	7,050	Pupils and students	Education & training
Addressing Essential Needs	Aoibhneas CLG	Want to Talk? offers a safe, immediate digital space where trained staff provide live chat support to young people aged 12–18 experiencing violence or abuse in their dating or family relationships	€40,000.00	1,000	Local communities	Domestic, Sexual, and Gender-Based Violence
Addressing Essential Needs	Anew Support Services CLG	Essential Items for Pregnant Women and New Mothers Experiencing Homelessness and Poverty	€33,000.00	800	Lone Parents	Housing and Homelessness
Addressing Essential Needs	Depaul Ireland	"To support the Child Support Worker project by embedding dedicated support within two residential services,	€40,000.00	500	Families	Housing and Homelessness

		reaching up to 35 households and 45 children through enhanced interventions and specialised activities."				
Addressing Essential Needs	Barnardos	Delivering early education and care to vulnerable children in Mulhuddart, Dublin.	€40,000.00	365	Families	Education & training
Improving Wellbeing	ChildVision	This project supports the running costs of the Jack de Bromhead Equine Centre so that 160 children weekly can benefit from Equine Assisted Activities while expanding community access through increased instructor training and local provision.	€40,000.00	600	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Physical Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Ronald McDonald House Charities Ireland	500 Family Stays: Providing Comfort, Care & Accommodation for Families of Sick Children. Ronald McDonald House directly improves the emotional and psychological wellbeing of seriously ill children and their siblings during medical crisis.	€40,000.00	3,895	Families	Emergency and crisis
Improving Wellbeing	Children's Health Foundation	Bridges of Belonging: Developing a psychosocial support pathway for migrant, refugee, asylum-seeking, and homeless children and their families attending Children's Health Ireland services.	€40,000.00	1,350	Migrants	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	St. Vincent de Paul	This project provides creative therapy services for children living in disadvantaged communities in the	€26,000.00	175	Local communities	Mental Health Issues

		north inner city of Dublin, delivered in a mix of 1-to1 and group therapy sessions, with parental supports.				
Improving Wellbeing	Empowerment Plus CLG	A trauma-informed wellbeing and resilience programme providing therapeutic play and nature-based support to children in foster care in Dublin, helping them build emotional regulation, confidence and positive coping strategies.	€40,000.00	100	Families	Emergency and crisis
Improving Wellbeing	Liffey Area Partnership	To scale up the Community Families Home Visiting Service from the initial pilot to reach 20+ perinatal families in the Ballyfermot area.	€40,000.00	150	Families	Social Inclusion
Improving Wellbeing	Doras Bui	Community-based early intervention groups for children with additional needs and support for their families.	€17,000.00	600	People with neurodiversity	Discrimination & Inequality
Improving Wellbeing	The National Centre for Youth Mental Health CLG	Jigsaw's programme aimed at supporting the disproportionately high mental health needs of learners and educators within Youthreach; a part of our education system massively under-served with mental health supports, but massively in need of same.	€38,000.00	25,000	Pupils and students	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	ACET in Ireland Ltd. Dublin	Positive Youth Project (PYP) is the national project supporting young people growing up living with HIV in Ireland so that they become happier, healthier and more in control of their lives.	€23,000.00	125	People with illnesses	Physical Health Issues

Improving Wellbeing	Anne Sullivan Centre CLG	This project will appoint a national Deafblind Specialist providing early intervention for children with deafblindness or dual sensory loss through home and preschool visits, specialist assessments, and family training.	€40,000.00	100	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Discrimination & Inequality
Improving Wellbeing	Down Syndrome Centre	A youth programme supporting teens with Down syndrome to build independence, wellbeing, and social connection through therapy, life skills training, and community participation.	€40,000.00	750	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Social Inclusion
Improving Wellbeing	National Concert Hall	The NCH Music in Mind Youth Programme delivers trauma-informed music workshops for young people experiencing or at risk of mental health difficulties, improving wellbeing, confidence and social connection through music-making.	€20,000.00	750	Local communities	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Walkinstown Greenhills Resource Centre	A targeted early-intervention programme providing resilience-building, family support, and mental wellbeing services for children and young people affected by substance misuse within their families in Dublin 12.	€40,000.00	500	Families	Mental Health Issues
Creativity and Play	Dublin Youth Theatre	Dublin Youth Theatre will increase their capacity to deliver a youth theatre programme designed	€17,000.00	200	People with neurodiversity	Promotion of Arts, Culture, and Heritage

		particularly for the needs of Autistic young people.				
Creativity and Play	Love Actually Charity	Love Actually Charity Kids' Camp, an enriching creative play programme for children with special educational needs, providing sensory-rich and creativity-based experiences as well as nature exploration and outdoors activities.	€8,000.00	500	People with neurodiversity	Education & training
Creativity and Play	Youngballymun	The Ballymun Early Years Play Therapy Project supports young children in Ballymun by providing play therapy within early years services to promote emotional wellbeing and early intervention	€17,000.00	150	Families	Poverty
Creativity and Play	NMH Foundation	ACORN THRIVE provides play-based developmental support and parent coaching to help NICU babies thrive.	€17,000.00	600	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Physical Health Issues
Creativity and Play	St Andrews Resource Centre	This project will tackle economic disadvantage and social isolation by providing access to play and opportunities for creativity to children under 10 in Dublin's inner city.	€32,000.00	1,250	Families	Social Inclusion
Creativity and Play	Saplings Special School, Rathfarnham	To install an occupational therapy swing and trampoline in Saplings school garden to further provide opportunity for children with autism and complex needs to regulate, play and socialise in a safe space.	€32,000.00	150	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Social Inclusion

Creativity and Play	Music Network	Musical Me! Bringing live music, movement and nature to children with moderate to severe intellectual and physical disabilities.	€33,000.00	860	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Promotion of Arts, Culture, and Heritage
Creativity and Play	Darndale Belcamp Integrated Childcare Service (Jigsaw Centre)	Best beginnings: A pedagogical leader led programme that provides play based activities and supports to infants and toddlers and their parents attending a recognised Tier one early years setting.	€40,000.00	320	Community & Voluntary Sector	Education & training
Creativity and Play	First Fortnight	First Fortnight provides free creative arts therapy to children experiencing homelessness or housing instability, helping them build emotional wellbeing, resilience and coping skills through trauma-informed therapeutic support.	€40,000.00	425	People with illnesses	Mental Health Issues
Transformative Grant	Early Learning Initiative	This project will develop an evidence-informed national scaling framework for Parenting365, enabling consistent, high-quality replication of an inclusive early-intervention model for children with additional needs and their families across Ireland.	€140,000.00	145	Community & Voluntary Sector	Social Inclusion
Transformative Grant	Community Law & Mediation	A Children and Young People's Law Centre for Ireland	€140,000.00	1,000	General public	Social Inclusion

Transformative Grant	ARC Cancer Support	"Breaking the Cycle of Silent Trauma" provides free, specialist, trauma-informed support to children, teenagers and their families whose lives have been shaped by cancer, giving them tools to process fear, grief & anxiety before lifelong damage..	€140,000.00	500	People with illnesses	Mental Health Issues
Addressing Essential Needs	Ballymun Initiative For Third Level Education	BITEsize is an afterschool programme that gives primary age children in Ballymun the chance to get hands on with STEAM activities allowing them to playfully explore potential futures.	€14,000.00	300	Pupils and students	Education & training
Addressing Essential Needs	Artane Coolock Family Resource Centre clg	This project is to continue to deliver essential training to parents with children with autism in order to meet the children's essential needs in education.	€12,000.00	1,500	People with neurodiversity	Education & training
Improving Wellbeing	Shannons Hopeline CLG	The project is low-cost counselling service from ages 4 to 25, play therapy age 4 to 12, Art Therapy for ages 12 to 17 and talk therapy ages 13 to 25.	€16,000.00	900	Pupils and students	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Killinarden Family Resource Centre	To continue to provide a one to one therapuetic support to children and young adults	€16,000.00	80	Families	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	St Joseph's JNS, Balcurris, Ballymun	Core funding will enable vital nurture programmes supporting vulnerable children in Ballymun, strengthening wellbeing and resilience for pupils experiencing poverty and	€16,000.00	725	Travellers and Roma	Poverty

		discrimination, including many from the Traveller community.				
Improving Wellbeing	Quarryvale Family Resource Centre	To provide accessible and affordable mental health supports that would otherwise not be available to children and young people living in an area of extreme deprivation.	€15,000.00	1,000	Families	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	ASTER Family Support	Our planned project to apply for is funding to create appropriate space this would be trauma informed, calming reception area, and the creation of a family room. Alongside this, we would like to employ a play specialist.	€16,000.00	1,200	Families	Social Inclusion
Improving Wellbeing	Balally Family Resource Centre	Circle of Friends	€16,000.00	120	Families	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Heart Children Ireland	Nationwide Play Therapy support provided close to home for children with congenital heart disease, and their siblings, who have been traumatised by medical intervention, stress & anxiety around the condition.	€14,000.00	110	People with illnesses	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Rosemount Community Development Group	The Family Resilience Lab is an early intervention programme helping children on counselling waiting lists build emotional regulation skills and strengthen family connection through	€23,000.00	200	Local communities	Mental Health Issues

		play-based learning and guided parent support.				
Creativity and Play	Hugh's House	Hugh's House is applying for support from the RTÉ Late Late Toy Show grant to enhance and transform the existing garden play area into a more interactive, inclusive, and engaging space for children and families using the house.	€4,000.00	2,500	Families	Community development
Creativity and Play	Aoife's Clown Doctors Ireland	Aoife's Clown Doctors bring play, humour and distraction to children and young people with varied physical and mental health illnesses during their hospital stay. They offer a positive and supportive relationship through playful interactions.	€16,000.00	15,000	Families	Physical Health Issues
Galway						
Improving Wellbeing	Cancer Care West	Psychological Support for Children and Young Adults Affected By Cancer	€40,000.00	300	People with illnesses	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Ardaun Roscam Doughiska Family Resource Centre	This project provides a holistic, community-based wellbeing pathway that combines early therapeutic intervention with creative, youth-led preventative group supports to strengthen the emotional resilience and belonging of children and young people.	€23,000.00	420	Ethnic Minorities	Mental Health Issues

Creativity and Play	Galway Simon Community	Galway Simon Community's Families First Fund supports children impacted by homelessness to access play, creativity and social opportunities, helping approximately 455 children each year experience joyful, inclusive and nurturing childhoods.	€40,000.00	2,275	Families	Housing and Homelessness
Creativity and Play	COPE Galway	Promoting social inclusion among children and young people experiencing homelessness.	€40,000.00	1,000	Families	Social Inclusion
Creativity and Play	Helium Children's Arts & Health	Helium will strengthen access to its existing 8–12 creative wellbeing programmes in Galway and the Mid-West by removing barriers, including transport, language, and family support, for marginalised children living with long-term health conditions.	€50,000.00	5,250	Ethnic Minorities	Physical Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Dyspraxia DCD Ireland	Minecraft Meets Nature: Connecting children with dyspraxia/DCD with the outdoors through play	€16,000.00	100	People with neurodiversity	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Venture Out Wilderness Project CLG	Support the scaling of Venture Out's Adventure Therapy Hub in Galway city	€16,000.00	200	Families	Mental Health Issues
Kerry						
Improving Wellbeing	Listowel Family Resource Centre	The project is twofold: The Cubbie — a purpose-built sensory and calm space — and a dedicated Therapeutic Sensory Room offering contracted one-to-one therapy sessions for children	€35,000.00	300	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Mental Health Issues

		aged 1–18 with sensory needs, neurodivergence, or trauma histories.				
Improving Wellbeing	Kerry Community Youth Service	The 'All In Again,' project aims to improve the well-being of marginalised young people in Kerry by using a trauma sensitive approach that will help them increase their resilience and confidence.	€40,000.00	800	People with neurodiversity	Discrimination & Inequality
Kildare						
Improving Wellbeing	Anam Cara Parental and Sibling Bereavement Support	Anam Cara's programme supports children who have lost a sibling through trauma-informed, play-based experiences that help them express grief, reduce isolation, strengthen emotional wellbeing and build resilience within their families.	€20,000.00	600	Families	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Muscular Dystrophy Ireland	MDI Barretstown Camp 2027 for children and families with muscular dystrophy and other rare neuromuscular conditions.	€24,000.00	500	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Physical Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Newbridge Family Resource Centre	The Creative Parenting Programme is a 12-week course helping parents develop mindfulness-based parenting through guided meditation, reflection, and practical tools that strengthen emotional connection, self-compassion, and positive communication.	€35,000.00	270	Families	Mental Health Issues

Improving Wellbeing	Kildare Traveller Action Ltd	Travelling to Youth Wellbeing	€16,000.00	200	Travellers and Roma	Mental Health Issues
Creativity and Play	Kilcock Harbour Arch Hub	Providing opportunities for socialisation, creative play and personal development in a safe and supportive environment for children with special needs and their families in the Kilcock area.	€10,000.00	200	People with neurodiversity	Social Inclusion
Kilkenny						
Creativity and Play	Barnstorm Theatre Company	'Telling Our Story' will give young people with disabilities in Kilkenny the space to explore storytelling, history, and folklore through creative workshops, live theatre, and a youth theatre group that will create an original play.	€15,000.00	600	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Promotion of Arts, Culture, and Heritage
Laois						
Improving Wellbeing	LTAG T/A Tir Na Nog Preschool/After school	Improving the Wellbeing of young Travellers in Laois using holistic methods such as mindfulness, meditation and talk therapy	€8,000.00	1,765	Travellers and Roma	Mental Health Issues
Leitrim						
Improving Wellbeing	Breffni Community Development CLG	A community-based hub offering play therapy, art therapy, counselling, and family supports to provide accessible, early-intervention mental health care for children and adolescents in Leitrim and surrounding areas.	€38,000.00	250	N/A	Mental Health Issues
Limerick						

Creativity and Play	Adare Recreation & Community Complex CLG t/a Manor Fields Adare	Develop a 1.5km Eco Trail featuring biodiversity habitats, native planting and educational stations, with inclusive interactive signage designed to help children with additional needs to explore nature and learn outdoors.	€16,000.00	100	Pupils and students	Environment & Biodiversity Loss
Creativity and Play	St. Gabriel's Special School	Creating an accessible outdoor nature play space at St. Gabriel's School where children with complex physical and medical needs can experience the joy of play, exploration and connection with nature in a safe and inclusive environment.	€16,000.00	320	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Education & training
Addressing Essential Needs	Learning Hub Limerick	Learning Hub Limerick Mid-West STEAM Academy - a holistic cross-disciplinary learning ecosystem for future-ready 21st century citizens	€39,000.00	20,000	Pupils and students	Education & training
Addressing Essential Needs	Limerick Social Service Council Kitchen	Nurturing Healthy Futures: The LSSC Early Years and Family Support Service kitchen upgrade will provide vulnerable children in a marginalised community facing socio-economic challenges with access to nutritious, culturally appropriate meals.	€40,000.00	400	Families	Poverty
Improving Wellbeing	St. Gabriel's Foundation	The Alternative Respite Programme provides inclusive activities for children with disabilities, including our SPLASH programme. It builds confidence, independence and life skills while	€38,000.00	480	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Social Inclusion

		giving parents valuable respite and supporting family wellbeing				
Improving Wellbeing	Northside Family Resource Centre	A community-led wellbeing project that supports families, young people, and migrant communities on the Northside of Limerick through inclusive, creative, and nature-based activities that build resilience, connection, and leadership.	€32,000.00	1,500	Families	Social Inclusion
Creativity and Play	Limerick Theatre and Performance Hub, t/a The GAFF	BloomChild, a year-long programme of children's workshops in theatre, gardening and visual art made from natural inks. This is a new, pilot for The GAFF where participants experience three creative activities over the course of a year.	€16,000.00	750	Local communities	Social Inclusion
Creativity and Play	Irish Aerial Creation Centre	Further developing our relationship with the Midwest School for the Deaf, utilising aerial dance, circus, creativity, and play with the children of the school, culminating in a performance for families and friends.	€16,000.00	300	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Promotion of Arts, Culture, and Heritage
Creativity and Play	Dóchas Midwest Autism Support	Autistic children will design and create their own sensory toys through inclusive workshops, camps and school programmes, building creativity, confidence and social connection through play and digital making.	€16,000.00	600	People with neurodiversity	Social Inclusion

Creativity and Play	University Concert Hall Limerick	This project will increase access for vulnerable and marginalised children, including those with additional needs and those attending DEIS schools, to inclusive creative experiences that support confidence, wellbeing and social inclusion.	€19,000.00	1,600	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Social Inclusion
Creativity and Play	Irish Chamber Orchestra	ICO Schools will increase access to creative, cultural and recreational opportunities for 450 children in two DEIS Band 1 Limerick primary schools through free, playful, co-designed music education and a summer camp.	€39,000.00	2,250	Pupils and students	Poverty
Creativity and Play	Le Cheile NS	Our Nature Play & Learning Hub will build on the significant progress already made in our green space by creating an all-weather, inclusive multi-purpose centre for children and families from Le Chéile NS, the campus and the wider Galvone community.	€40,000.00	1,400	People with neurodiversity	Mental Health Issues
Addressing Essential Needs	Hospital Family Resource Centre Ltd.	Food assistance to children and families with wrap around supports including play therapy to children affected by poverty	€12,000.00	2,390	Families	Poverty
Addressing Essential Needs	Murroe National School	This project will establish a dedicated sensory hub that provides daily, structured sensory support to help children regulate, engage, and thrive in their learning and social environments.	€16,000.00	800	Pupils and students	Education & training

Improving Wellbeing	Narrative 4 CLG	A four-day creative summer camp and follow-up workshops supporting migrant teenage girls in Limerick to build confidence, wellbeing and resilience through storytelling, art and cultural experiences, ensuring they feel connected to their community.	€11,000.00	90	Ethnic Minorities	Discrimination & Inequality
Improving Wellbeing	Blue Box Creative Arts Therapy Centre	Blue Box works with schools and families in the Mid-West to provide psychotherapy services to vulnerable children & young people to realise their full potential through research-based, professional, accredited Play and Creative Arts Therapies	€16,000.00	80	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Mental Health Issues
Creativity and Play	Southill Family Resource Centre	Expanding our Play Therapy Service in the Family Resource Centre, we currently employ for one day a week we would like to expand the service to two times a week. We have a long waiting list and we would like to expand our service to twice a week	€8,000.00	200	Pupils and students	Social Inclusion
Creativity and Play	Williams Syndrome Ireland	Facilitate summer camps to support children with WS, with lifelong challenges with inclusion and mental health, to develop skills encompassing social, emotional, behavioural & sensory regulation through play, drama and art.	€9,000.00	150	People with neurodiversity	Education & training

Creativity and Play	Thomond Primary School	Investment in Thomond Primary School's playground will enhance a safe and welcoming environment where children can engage in inclusive, creative and active play that supports their wellbeing, overall physical development and readiness to learn.	€16,000.00	1,085	Pupils and students	Education & training
Louth						
Improving Wellbeing	Outcomers LGBT Support Service	"Pride in Resilience" aims to support LGBT+ young people and parents to focus maintaining positive mental health, and building their resilience.	€16,000.00	3,450	LGBTQ+	Discrimination & Inequality
Mayo						
Improving Wellbeing	Ballinrobe Family Resource Centre CLG.	Supporting Traveller and Roma children and families in Ballinrobe through trusted family support and community-led programmes that improve wellbeing, school participation, and social inclusion.	€40,000.00	450	Travellers and Roma	Mental Health Issues
Creativity and Play	Western Care Association	Delivering innovative and inclusive play experiences for children with complex neurodiverse needs through interactive technology and sensory equipment.	€20,000.00	335	People with neurodiversity	Physical Health Issues
Addressing Essential Needs	CLAREMORRIS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE	To support families, children and individuals experiencing food and social poverty	€8,000.00	2,500	Local communities	Poverty
Meath						
Improving Wellbeing	Navan Travellers	Improving mental health, confidence and life opportunities for Traveller	€36,000.00	750	Travellers and Roma	Poverty

	Workshops CLG trading as Meath Travellers Workshops	children through culturally appropriate supports and targeted programmes for additional needs.				
Improving Wellbeing	Clondalkin Behavioural Initiative Limited	Funding a KiVa facilitator across 18 schools in Dublin, Kildare and Meath will protect mental health gains for 4,187 disadvantaged children—reducing bullying, strengthening resilience, preparing for Ireland’s first national rollout of this programme	€40,000.00	20,935	Pupils and students	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Youth Work Ireland Meath	This project aims to give teenagers leadership experience, a creative voice while improving their emotional wellbeing and resilience through digital and creative initiatives.	€14,000.00	125	Migrants	Social Inclusion
Monaghan						
Improving Wellbeing	Down Syndrome Centre North East	Early Intervention for children with Down Syndrome	€16,000.00	325	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Education & training
Creativity and Play	Carrickmacross Toy Library	A year-long programme of inclusive events and workshops in primary schools and community settings designed to expand the reach of Carrickmacross Toy Library, prioritising play for children with additional needs and from migrant communities.	€16,000.00	2,500	Migrants	Social Inclusion
Offaly						

Creativity and Play	Rehab Group	PlayAbility's Charleville Cottage project will build a safe, enclosed outdoor playground for up to 70 children and young adults with autism — giving them something many have never had: free access to outdoor play in an environment designed for them.	€39,000.00	350	People with neurodiversity	Social Inclusion
Addressing Essential Needs	Offaly Traveller Movement	Inclusive Education Project	€40,000.00	150	Travellers and Roma	Education & training
Improving Wellbeing	Offaly Domestic Violence Support Service	The Brave Box Project provides trauma-informed comfort and resilience kits to children affected by domestic abuse, helping them feel safe, regulate emotions, and restore a sense of security and hope during times of crisis.	€16,000.00	400	Families	Domestic, Sexual, and Gender-Based Violence
Improving Wellbeing	Clara Community & Family Resource Centre Clg	Building Stronger Futures for young people Through Youth Work, Therapy, and Resilience Training	€16,000.00	300	Pupils and students	Mental Health Issues
Improving Wellbeing	Tullamore Community & family Resource Centre	Early-Intervention Therapy and Family Support Programme	€11,000.00	200	Families	Mental Health Issues
Creativity and Play	Dóchas Offaly Cancer Support Group	To sustain evidence-based play, drama and creative arts therapy that supports the emotional wellbeing and resilience of children aged 4–17 affected by their	€11,000.00	250	Families	Mental Health Issues

		own or a close family member's cancer diagnosis.				
Roscommon						
Creativity and Play	Ballaghaderreen Family Resource Centre	Installation of a sensory room within the Family Resource Centre that can be accessed by the community	€10,000.00	1,000	Families	Poverty
Sligo						
Improving Wellbeing	Sligo Leitrim Home Youth Liaison Service CLG	The Sligo Leitrim Home Youth Liaison Service is a non-profit organisation that provides confidential, non judgemental empathetic support to young people and their families with the objective of enhancing their current and future life outcomes.	€40,000.00	300	People with neurodiversity	Education & training
Addressing Essential Needs	Cranmore Community Co-operative Society LTD	Connecting children and their families through sharing nutritious meals served weekly at their community café and garden; to enhance healthy food choices for children from communities experiencing socio-economic disadvantage.	€16,000.00	2,000	Families	Poverty
Improving Wellbeing	Safe Haven Ireland	Safe Haven Ireland is a charitable organisation with twin aims: promoting integration & empowerment of young people from ethnic minority groups, such as migrants and refugees as well as young people from deprived areas through the sport of sailing.	€16,000.00	1,000	Refugees and Asylum-Seekers	Social Inclusion

Improving Wellbeing	Rape Crisis & Sexual Abuse Counselling Centre Sligo, Leitrim and West Cavan	Development of play/art therapy service for children aged three and upwards that have experienced acute, chronic and complex sexual trauma.	€16,000.00	325	Families	Domestic, Sexual, and Gender-Based Violence
Tipperary						
Improving Wellbeing	Millennium Family Resource Centre Ltd	Play Therapy Service	€15,000.00	325	Pupils and students	Mental Health Issues
Waterford						
Creativity and Play	Active Connections CLG	Installing an inclusive rock wall and wheelchair-accessible pontoon at our outdoor centre in Fenor, Co. Waterford, to give children and young people with disabilities and additional needs their first meaningful access to outdoor adventure activities	€35,000.00	1,300	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Social Inclusion
Improving Wellbeing	South Eastern Cancer Foundation, T/a Solas Cancer Support Centre	Supporting Children Experiencing Cancer-Related Trauma and Bereavement	€40,000.00	700	People with illnesses	Mental Health Issues
Westmeath						
Creativity and Play	Cara Phort Family Resource Centre Ltd	Our Family Resource Centre proposes to purchase and install an Outdoor Room to serve as a dedicated creative, recreational, and play based space for	€13,000.00	200	Local communities	Social Inclusion

		vulnerable and marginalised children and young people in our community and surrounding areas.				
Creativity and Play	Mullingar Youth and Community Project	“The Summer They Deserve” will give children and young people from some of Mullingar’s most disadvantaged communities the opportunity to take part in fun, creative and outdoor activities that build confidence, friendships and a sense of belonging.	€14,000.00	750	Local communities	Poverty
Improving Wellbeing	Athlone Community Services Council	Activity programme promoting empowerment, wellbeing and resilience for families recovering from the impact of domestic abuse	€22,000.00	2,500	Families	Domestic, Sexual, and Gender-Based Violence
Wexford						
Improving Wellbeing	Cottage Autism Network Wexford (CLG)	The C.A.N. Youth-Led Hubs provide therapeutic support and nature-based social inclusion for neurodiverse teenagers in Wexford, fostering resilience and independence through a programme co-designed by the young people themselves.	€16,000.00	150	People with neurodiversity	Mental Health Issues
Wicklow						
Creativity and Play	Lakers Social and Recreation Club	Sustaining and growing Lakers’ junior programme through a dedicated Juniors Instructor, creating more inclusive opportunities for children and young people with intellectual	€32,000.00	375	People with disabilities/Disabled people	Social Inclusion

		disabilities to access sport, creativity, play and social connection				
Improving Wellbeing	SOPHIA COUNSELLING CENTRE CLG	Continued provision of low-cost affordable counselling to children, teenagers & their families	€16,000.00	600	General public	Mental Health Issues
Grants Awarded in Northern Ireland						
Antrim						
Addressing Essential Needs	Young Enterprise Northern Ireland	delivering up to 72 adapted employability skills sessions to approximately 1,800 young people with additional learning needs in mainstream education across Northern Ireland	£33,700.00	1,836	Children and young people	Education, learning and training
Creativity and Play	Helping Hands Autism Support Group	delivering a 9-month creative programme for 156 children and young people aged 4-18 with Autism Spectrum Disorder	£9,498.00	458	People with learning difficulties	Disability and access issues
Creativity and Play	Action Deaf Youth	delivering Deaf-led play sessions for deaf children aged 0-4 across Northern Ireland.	£9,928.00	100	Children and young people	Disability and access issues
Creativity and Play	Fighting Words Northern Ireland	delivering "Writing Our Selves" to 150 (P5 and P6) pupils across three Belfast primary schools with high levels of deprivation	£10,000.00	775	Children and young people	Arts, culture and heritage
Creativity and Play	Young at Art Ltd	Resilient Child programme that uses play-based visual art and drama to support up to 500 children across six	£22,000.00	1,922	Children and young people	Arts, culture and heritage

		primary schools in disadvantaged areas of Belfast				
Creativity and Play	Tiny Life	delivering 100 sensory play sessions across three Health and Social Care Trust areas in Northern Ireland for infants aged 0-4 who were born prematurely or required neonatal care.	£22,300.00	1,000	Children and young people	Education, learning and training
Creativity and Play	Youth Action NI	delivering a 12-month inclusive performing arts programme for 80 disabled and marginalised young people aged 10-18 across Belfast and surrounding counties	£29,449.00	380	Children and young people	Arts, culture and heritage
Improving Wellbeing	ADDNI Limited	extending its psychoeducation and post-intervention support for 38 young people aged 7-18 with ADHD across Northern Ireland	£10,000.00	190	Children and young people	Mental health
Improving Wellbeing	New Lodge Duncairn Community Health Partnership	delivering three age-appropriate resilience programmes to 600 children aged 5-12 in North Belfast primary schools located in areas of multiple deprivation.	£10,000.00	1,800	Children and young people	Education, learning and training
Improving Wellbeing	Fresh Minds Education Ltd	delivering Let's GROW Together, an eight-session trauma-informed bereavement programme for vulnerable children (aged 6-11) and their parent or caregiver across the Northern Health Trust area.	£10,000.00	100	Children and young people	Mental health
Improving Wellbeing	Royal Mencap Society (Mencap)	expanding its Bright Horizons wellbeing programme from Belfast to Omagh, delivering bi-weekly sessions for 25	£23,385.50	50	Children and young people	Mental health

		young people aged 10-13 with learning disabilities.				
Improving Wellbeing	Children's Heartbeat Trust	deliver a home-based Play & Prepare programme for 50 children with Congenital Heart Disease across Northern Ireland.	£29,439.00	250	Children and young people	Health, wellbeing and serious illness
Improving Wellbeing	Barnardo's Northern Ireland	adapting the evidence-based PATHS Programme for three special schools across Northern Ireland, providing structured social and emotional learning (SEL) support for approximately 100 children with special educational needs and disabilities	£34,990.00	200	Children and young people	Mental health
Down						
Creativity and Play	Sticky Fingers Arts	continuing and expanding The Imaginarium's accessible arts and creative play programme for children and young people with additional and complex needs in Newry	£10,000.00	420	Children and young people	Arts, culture and heritage
Improving Wellbeing	Action Mental Health	delivering GROW (Growing Resilience for Our Wellbeing) in greater Belfast, providing trauma-informed mental health support for 154 disadvantaged children and young people aged 5-12 (5-17 for those with special educational needs)	£34,780.00	438	Children and young people	Mental health
Londonderry						
Addressing Essential Needs	Kinship Care Northern Ireland	delivering a Small Grants Programme providing essential support to 272 carers and 410 children and young	£35,000.00	N/S	Children and young people	Poverty and disadvantage

		people living in severe poverty across Northern Ireland.				
Creativity and Play	Rainbow Child and Family Centre	The Play with Baby & Child Project which delivers play-based activities and workshops for parents/carers and children aged 0-5 in Derry/Londonderry	£9,936.00	200	Children and young people	Supporting family life
Creativity and Play	Foyle Down Syndrome Trust	delivering a blended indoor and outdoor art therapy programme for children and young people (0-18) with Down syndrome across Derry/Londonderry and Tyrone	£34,001.00	240	People with multiple disabilities	Disability and access issues
Improving Wellbeing	Northern Ireland Newpin	delivering a therapeutic play and nature-based programme for 52 children aged 2-11 across Derry and Strabane	£9,750.00	231	Children and young people	Health, wellbeing and serious illness
Tyrone						
Creativity and Play	Clonmore Youth Club	The Wee Rascals Sensory and Creative Play Project will deliver 48 weekly play-based learning sessions and a summer programme for children aged 3 - 6	£10,000.00	140	Children and young people	Reducing isolation