

SoCircular Brochure




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1 Foreword

SoCircular is about celebrating the social economy and circular economy. These economic models and their associated principles, approaches and actors can help address many of the challenges facing Dublin and can make our city, region and indeed country more sustainable, future proofed and vibrant. Key actors within the social and circular economies are social enterprises and circular or sustainably focused enterprises. These enterprises are at the forefront of addressing and responding to important challenges in society, the economy and the environment. They operate in inclusive, innovative and sustainable ways, have a core mission to achieve a social, societal or environmental impact and proactively work to provide solutions to climate change, social, and economic issues.

I am therefore delighted that we could produce this first of its kind brochure to collectively highlight a range of such social and circular enterprises, their mission, and the products or services they sell. The purpose of this brochure is to continue the momentum of celebrating the social and circular economy, to promote the featured social and circular enterprises and to further encourage people, businesses, organisations and government departments to buy from and support them. By supporting these enterprises, you are further enabling them to bring about more, much-needed impact to people, places, communities and the environment. Enjoy learning about the enterprises and please contact them directly if you or your organisation could collaborate with, support and purchase from them.

Caroline Conroy, Lord Mayor of Dublin



2 Introduction

The inaugural SoCircular event took place on the 5th October, 2022 in the Round Room at the Mansion House, Dublin. It was led by Dublin City Council and LEO Dublin City in collaboration with Lord Mayor of Dublin, supported by various stakeholders and hosted in alignment with the EC ESER; UN SDG European Sustainable Development Week / Act4SDGs, Circular Week; National Social Enterprise Policy for Ireland; Dublin Regional Enterprise Plan; BuySocial IRL campaign and as a lead up event to Circular Economy Hotspot Dublin 2023.

The aim of SoCircular was to help transform Dublin by: celebrating the social and circular economy ecosystem, encouraging stakeholders to buy from and support local social and circular enterprises, promoting supports for enterprises to adopt circular / sustainability approaches, and through providing a forum for conversation on developing the social and circular economies in Dublin. In order to achieve this aim, SoCircular featured panel discussions on social and circular economy themes; fireside chats with key individuals including Minister Ossian Smyth, an immersive programme of social and circular themed arts and cultural performances and a trade expo comprised of 50 social and circular / sustainable enterprises along with support organisations.

This brochure was produced to further promote the social and circular enterprises that exhibited at SoCircular. It provides a profile on each enterprise along with contact details and an overview of their core products and services. The enterprises have been arranged under broad categories that are most relevant to their primary objectives and operations and are also listed in an index table below. In addition, a subsequent section of this brochure features key support organisations relevant to social and circular enterprise development. The brochure and SoCircular initiative was collaboratively powered by and developed in alignment with:





Circular Economy Hotspot
Dublin 2023

Learn Connect Inspire

Circular Economy Hotspot Dublin is an opportunity to learn from, network with, and be inspired by the very best. Through conference talks, tours, workshops and topic deep-dives, attendees will learn about the practical steps and resources to take home and implement. Whether it's a business model that you are keen to explore or an innovation that could shape the future of your work and lifestyle, we'll have it at Circular Economy Hotspot Dublin 2023.



29.5.23 - 1.6.23

dublincirculareconomyhotspot.com

#circulardublin



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Government of Ireland



Comhairle Cathrach
Bhaile Átha Cliath
Dublin City Council



eastern-midlands
waste region



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4 Social and Circular Enterprises Index

Social and Circular Enterprise Index			
Enterprise Name	Product / Services	Enterprise Name	Product / Services
Design / Art / Craft / Play			
ReCreate Ireland	Art & Craft Materials,	Clever Tots Toy Club	Toy Rental Service
Understory	Gardenware, Plants,	ReFunk	Upcycled Furniture
Kopper Kreation	Homeware	House of AKI-NA	Homeware, Fashion, Trophy
Native Events	Event Solutions	Jiminy Eco Toys	Children's Toys
The Yard	Woodwork, Pens	CanDo Enterprises	Soap, Skincare, Weaving
Connections Arts Centre	Artwork, Art Classes		
Fashion			
Native Denims	Custom Denim, Accessories	Rediscover Fashion	Clothes, Training
Saraden Designs	Millinery Products	AFORE AFTER	Clothes, Fabrics
Thriftify	Clothes, Books, Media		
Food and Drink Production			
Off The Cuffe	Bitters, Botanicals	PACE Mugshot	Coffee
Cloud Picker Coffee	Coffee, Equipment, Books		
Hospitality (Restaurant, Café, Catering)			
Loaf Catering	Café, Catering, Events	Third Space	Café, Catering, Venue
WALK Green Kitchen	Café, Catering, Venue		
Environment			
The Grassroots Guild	Training, Projects	The Sustainable Life School	Educational Workshops
Liberty Recycling	Clothing Recycling	Tog Hackerspace	Events, Training, Repair Café
Grow Dome Project	Plants, Growing Space	Grown Forest	Tree Planting, Gifting
Sunflower Recycling	Paper & Plastic Recycling	Pocket Forests	Mini Forests, Plants
Recycle IT	IT Recycling	Bee8	Honey, Beekeeping Classes
Rediscover Cycling	Bicycles, Bicycle Repair		
Technology			
Vyra	Sustainability Training	The ZeroNet	Waste Collection & Platform
Health / Medical			
EggHeadz Youth Health Hub	Physical Activities, Therapy	HaPPE Earth	Medical Apron (PPE)
The Great Care Co-Op	Non-Medical Care Provider	Little Fitness	Child Exercise Sessions
Siel Bleu	Exercise Sessions		
Manufacturing / Engineering			
PACE	Gardenware, Trophies,		
Housing / Construction / Maintenance			
The Home Share	Home Sharing Service	Rediscover Paint	Paint, Paint Recycling
Ó Cualaan Cohousing Alliance	Affordable Housing	Viva Green	Sustainable Products
New Creation Cleaning Services	Cleaning Services		
Tourism			
In Our Shoes Walking Tours	Walking Tours		
Economic & Community Development			
Innovate Communities	Co-working, Projects	Dignity Partnership	Workshops, Networking
An Cosán	Support Services, Training		

4.1 Design / Art / Craft / Play

4.1.1 ReCreate Ireland

ReCreate salvages reusable and end of line materials from businesses and organisations in order to reuse them creatively. The materials and items are used to make art and educational supplies which are accessible and affordable to every sector of the community for all kinds of creative purposes.

- ♥ Social Cause(s): Education, Environment, Disability, Social Inclusion
- 🛒 Products / Services: Art & Craft Material, Employment Support, Corporate Training & Workshops



D12 AK5V



www.recreate.ie



01 456 8798



info@recreate.ie



4.1.2 Clever Tots Toy Club

Clever Tots Toy Club offers monthly toy rental subscriptions of sustainable, high quality children's toys to assist their learning and development through playful experiences. This club caters for children aged from 3 months to 3 years old.

- ♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Education & Learning Development
- 🛒 Products / Services: Children's Toys, Toy Rental Service



Nationwide



www.clevertots.ie



N/A



info@clevertots.ie

4.1.3 Understory

Understory is a grassroots zero waste studio, dedicated to creating limited edition zero waste products, using natural materials and employing traditional techniques. It operates various projects, hosts workshops and provides a range of homeware products which encourage connections with nature and biodiversity.

- ♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Learning Development
- 🛒 Products / Services: Gardenware, Plants, Homeware, Workshops



Greystones, Co. Wicklow



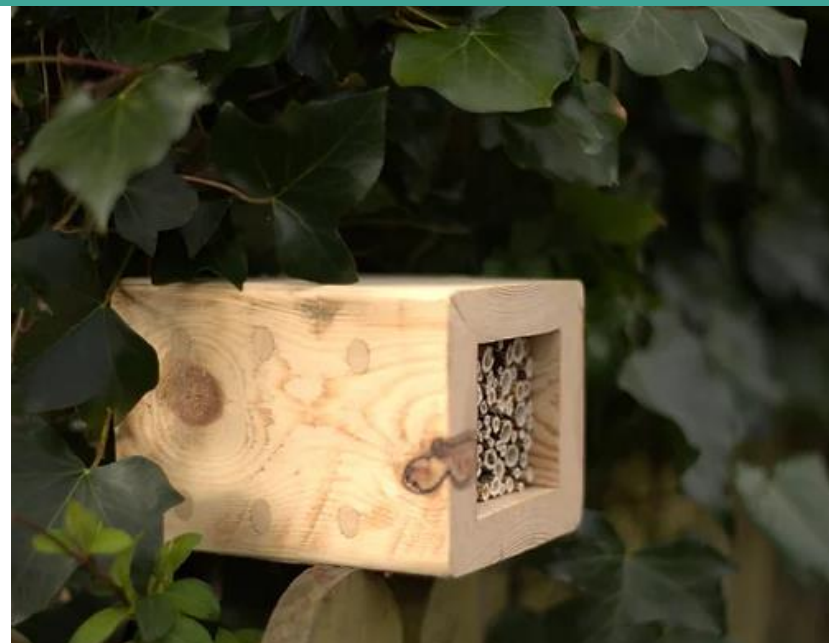
www.understory.ie



N/A







alex@understory.ie



4.1.4 ReFunk

ReFunk is a furniture upcycling platform that supports the circular economy and local creatives by connecting freelance upcyclers with sustainably-minded shoppers. Various upcyclers have their own profile on the ReFunk platform where shoppers can browse their pieces for sale or can commission a piece of furniture to be upcycled.

- ♥ Social Cause(s): Environment
- 🛒 Products / Services: Upcycled Furniture






ReFunk.  D01 Y6H7  N/A
 www.refunkupcycling.com  info@refunkupcycling.com



4.1.5 Kopper Kreation

Kopper Kreation is an industrial homeware brand that uses reclaimed and recycled materials to create unique and eye-catching pieces. The founder, Emmet Bosonnet, has always been inspired by industrial design and has a keen eye for practical and functional product design. Emmet has a passion for finding alternative uses for items that tend to be disregarded, or sent to a recycling centre or landfill.

- ♥ Social Cause(s): Environment
- 🛒 Products / Services: Craft, Homeware






  D01 P2W7  N/A
 www.kopperkreation.com  hello@kopperkreation.com



4.1.6 House of AKI-NA

House of AKI-NA supports migrant / refugee / asylum seeker women and young people through providing workshops, training and employment opportunities. Participants are trained and ethically paid to make bespoke fashion, personal, and home accessories in line with fair trade standards.

- ♥ Social Cause(s): Diversity, Migrants, Refugees
- 🛒 Products / Services: Crafts, Educational Workshops, Home Accessories, Fashion, Trophies

  D02 YX88  N/A
 www.houseofakina.ie  info@houseofakina.ie








4.1.7 Native Events

Native Events are Ireland's leading sustainable event solutions company. Their work encompasses 3 pillars - consultancy, devising workable strategies, and management plans for organisations in high impact areas (waste, energy and climate, transport and communications.) They specialize in event production, markets, stages, venues and general eco event hire.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment

🛒 Products / Services: Upcycled furniture, Crafts, Event Solutions

 native events  D01 K2Y1  083 020 4525  www.nativeevents.ie  info@nativeevents.ie








4.1.8 Jiminy Eco Toys

Jiminy Eco Toys is an Irish eco toy store and an award-winning social enterprise, in business to inspire a playfully sustainable world. Sharon Keilthy started Jiminy to make it easy to choose climate-neutral, minimal-waste toys. The store stocks over 750 eco toys and books, for all ages from babies through teens while offering party kits and party toy rentals. They are about to launch a range of refurbished, pre-loved toys.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Learning Development

🛒 Products / Services: Children's Toys, Toy Rental Service






 jiminy eco toys  Nationwide  01 851 2047  www.jiminy.ie  hello@jiminy.ie

4.1.9 The Yard

The Yard is a woodturning social enterprise, based in Dublin 8, aimed at equipping young people with the skills needed to gain employment. It upskills and empowers young people as part of a development programme in which they are trained to make wooden items and to repair bicycles.

♥ Social Cause(s): Disadvantaged Youth, Unemployment, Ex-Offenders

🛒 Products / Services: Bowls, Pens, Bottle Openers, Door Stops, Canoes

 THE YARD  D08 WY84  01 552 0683  www.solasproject.com  info@solasproject.ie



4.1.10 CanDo Enterprises

People with multiple disabilities and visual impairments (MDVI) experience extreme inequality, and are distanced from opportunities, particularly in education and employment. CanDo addresses this by providing specialist training in its enterprises and supporting individuals to learn relevant work place skills. CanDo operate and is developing five key product and service areas; soap and skincare, weaving, confidential shredding, horticulture and letterpress (handmade cards).

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Unemployment

🛒 Products / Services: Soap, Weaving, Shredding, Horticulture, Cards



🏠 D01 K2Y1

🌐 <https://childvision.ie>

☎ 01 837 3635

✉ cando@childvision.ie



4.1.11 Connections Arts Centre

Connections Arts Centre are an award winning social enterprise supporting the disability community in Ireland which seeks to improve the lives of the people they serve and achieve positive social impact. Their mission is to assist people with disabilities to overcome barriers encountered in every-day life. This mission is carried out by providing accessible arts, lifestyle and training programmes. They also train aspiring artists and help them sell their artwork.

♥ Social Cause(s): Disability, Mental Illness, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Artwork, Art Classes, Training



🏠 D06 CF63

🌐 www.connectionsartcentre.ie

☎ N/A

✉ hello@connectionsartcentre.ie



4.2 Fashion

4.2.1 Native Denims

Native Denims make custom, made-to-measure jeans using BCI (Better Cotton Initiative) raw denim. No chemicals or bleaching are used on their jeans. Their studio offers a Retail Experience where customers can see the machinery involved in the jean-making process. Additionally, they offer free repairs and guarantees on their products.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment

🛒 Products / Services: Custom Denim Products, Accessories, Retail Experiences

NATIVE 🏠 D01 P2W7 📞 01 969 6832
🌐 www.nativedenims.com ✉ hello@nativedenims.com



4.2.2 Rediscover Fashion

Rediscover Fashion have created a space where the circular fashion model can be brought to life through training, lectures and by developing innovative products highlighting circular design principles. These products are then sold in the Eco Store, along with other sustainably designed brands. Rediscover Fashion is a social enterprise that creates training opportunities for the long term unemployed and all revenue generated from its activities are reinvested in the enterprise.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Unemployment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Clothes, Training

REDISCOVERY CENTRE 🏠 D09 HK58 📞 01 893 3801
🌐 www.rediscoverycentre.ie ✉ N/A

4.2.3 Saraden Designs

Saraden Designs, is a slow fashion brand. All of their pieces are handmade exclusively in-house by owner Sarah O'Rourke. All cut offs are reworked back into designs leaving no waste. They make bespoke pieces that are handmade, embrace sustainability and present themselves as wearable art pieces. Sarah's aim is to capture audiences, bringing millinery back to the forefront of fashion.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Handmade / Bespoke Millinery Products

SARADEN DESIGNS 🏠 Nationwide 📞 087 777 5175
🌐 www.saradendesigns.com ✉ info@saradendesigns.com



4.2.4 AFORE AFTER

Womenswear label AFORE AFTER joins a handful of global fashion brands in achieving 100% circularity with a multiform, synthetic-free, mono-material, biodegradable and a zero post-consumer waste garment. The brand's circular mission also represents a new way of dressing for increasingly ethically-minded shoppers. They also address the environmental impact of clothing purchase returns with their technology of a virtual fitting room service.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment

🛒 Products / Services: Clothes, Fabrics



🏠 Nationwide

🌐 www.aforeafter.com

☎ N/A

✉ hello@aforeafter.com



4.2.5 Thriftify

With a mission to disrupt the fashion industry and make it circular, sustainable and impactful, Thriftify leverages its innovative technology to empower the world's most ethical organisations to lead the sustainable shopping revolution; by enabling for-impact companies to easily list used, sustainable goods online and reach millions of consumers.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment

🛒 Products / Services: Clothes, Books, Media, Online Shopping



🏠 D10 T042

🌐 www.thriftify.ie

☎ N/A

✉ info@thriftify.ie

4.3 Food and Drink Production

4.3.1 Off The Cuffe

Located in Dublin City, Off The Cuffe produce a range of handcrafted and unique bitters using Irish Whiskey and organic botanicals. Their range include aromatic hedgerow inspired by the countryside, chocolate factory inspired by the historic building where they are based, and aqua vitae which is their recreation of a 700 year old recipe. The bitters are characterised by quality and sustainability due to use of organic herbs and botanicals and by-hand extraction and production processes.

♥ Social Cause(s): Education

🛒 Products / Services: Bitters, Organic Botanicals



🏠 D01 P2W7

☎ 089 600 0420

🌐 www.offthecuffe.info

✉ sales@offthecuffe.info



4.3.2 PACE Mugshot

The Mug Shot is a popular coffee and catering business, providing high quality Fair Chain coffee, cold drinks, sandwiches and snacks since 2018. Designed, owned and managed by PACE Social Enterprise, their social mission is to create sustainable jobs for people who have experienced prison or probation, and subsequently find it hard to secure employment.

♥ Social Cause(s): Ex-Offenders, Unemployment

🛒 Products / Services: Coffee



🏠 D15 HNT2

☎ 01 823 1000

🌐 www.paceorganisation.ie

✉ headoffice@paceorganisation.ie

4.3.3 Cloud Picker Coffee

Cloud Picker roast seasonal specialty coffee for the ever-growing coffee market in Ireland. Their core products are roasted beans but they also offer coffee equipment and merchandise. From compostable packaging to specially designed Irish made reusable drums, delivered in a 100% electric van - even where something can't be recyclable, they pay the extra to offset it making it carbon neutral.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment

🛒 Products / Services: Coffee, Equipment, Books



🏠 D12 VH27

☎ 01 455 7582

🌐 www.cloudpickercoffee.ie

✉ hello@cloudpickercoffee.ie



4.4 Hospitality (Restaurant, Café, Catering)

4.4.1 Loaf Catering

Loaf Catering is a social enterprise working that supports people with disabilities and autism. Their café in Kilmainham has a range of delicious foods on the menu, including speciality sandwiches, hot food, salads, award winning sausage rolls. Loaf also provides event catering in Dublin.

♥ Social Cause(s): Disability, Unemployment

🛒 Products / Services: Café, Catering, Pottery, Events



🏠 D08 Y477

☎ N/A

🌐 www.loafcatering.com

✉ bookings@loafcatering.com



4.4.2 Third Space

Operating as a café by day and a community hub by night, Third Space seeks to be a welcoming space where guests are at home and where the community thrives. It hosts various community groups, clubs and initiatives and also provides training and employment opportunities for disadvantaged people.

♥ Social Cause(s): Disadvantaged Adults, Unemployment, Diversity

🛒 Products / Services: Café, Catering, Venue



🏠 D07 P440

☎ 01 529 7208

🌐 www.thirdspace.ie

✉ office@thirdspace.ie

4.4.3 WALK Green Kitchen

The Green Kitchen and Garden Shop offer tasty and nutritious home-cooked meals, locally-roasted coffee, and garden plants from their café in Walkinstown. The Green Kitchen's mission is to afford people with disabilities the opportunity to fulfil their aspirations of sustainable and long term employment.

♥ Social Cause(s): Disability, Unemployment

🛒 Products / Services: Café, Catering, Venue, Training



🏠 D12 AW22

☎ 01 557 6853

🌐 www.walk.ie

✉ info@walk.ie



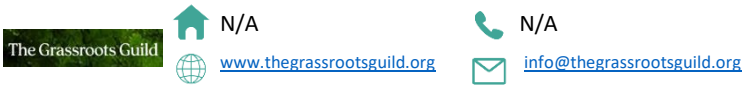
4.5 Environment

4.5.1 The Grassroots Guild

The Grassroots Guild is a social enterprise supporting environmental action at community level. Their aim is to deliver practical projects that help volunteer groups to grow their impact. They do this by helping groups to partner with local businesses, collaborate with like-minded organisations and measure the impact of their work.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment

🛒 Products / Services: Training, Environmental Projects



4.5.2 The Sustainable Life School

The School's mission is to help and inspire people who want to live more sustainably and empower those who care about the climate crisis to take climate action through lifestyle changes and joining their growing community. It helps in various ways such as providing classes taught by sustainable living experts, creating initiatives that get people together to act and support each other and hosting various events.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Education, Event Hosting, Programme Delivery

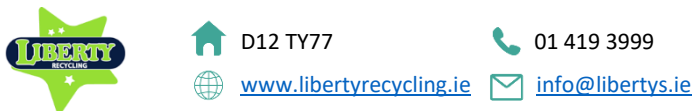


4.5.3 Liberty Recycling

Liberty Recycling provides employment opportunities for people impacted by homelessness and addiction. It aims to provide a supportive work environment to people affected by drugs to progress into mainstream employment, training and further education. Their goal is to develop a rehabilitation and training team within Liberty Recycling offering a wide range of support to those affected by addiction.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Addiction, Unemployment

🛒 Products / Services: Clothing Recycling, Employment, Training, Clothing Banks



4.5.4 Tog Hackspace

Tog Hackspace's goal is the promotion of innovation in science, technology, modern culture, and creative arts. They provide shared physical workspace(s) and resources where the community can work collectively or individually on projects. Through various workshops and training, TOG helps people with their maker activities and projects. TOG also provides community repair initiatives such as Repair Cafés.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Events, Events, Training, Repair Café, Workshops



🏠 D12 KRW1
🌐 www.tog.ie

☎ N/A
✉ Info@tog.ie



4.5.5 Grow Dome Project

The Grow Dome was created with two purposes in mind; to be used as a space to grow plants such as lettuce, microgreens and herbs, and to provide a meeting place for communities. Each Grow Dome therefore functions as a hi-tech greenhouse which double as social and education hub for local community use, free of charge. In addition, the Grow Domes create training and employment positions through the sale of plants grown in them.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Plants, Community Plant Growing Space, Education Hub



🏠 D07 E7F3
🌐 www.thegrowdomeproject.com

☎ N/A
✉ info@thegrowdomeproject.com

4.5.6 Grown Forest

Grown Forest is built on the belief that we can all prosper and enjoy life without compromising the needs and quality of life of future generations. Grown Forest plant native Irish trees in Ireland as a premium service for corporates and individuals to help mitigate the negative impacts of climate change, while also selling nature-themed prints, perfect for gifting.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment

🛒 Products / Services: Tree Planting, Tree Gifting



🏠 K78 Y3X2
🌐 www.grownforest.ie

☎ 01 907 9190
✉ info@grownforest.ie



4.5.7 Sunflower Recycling

Sunflower Recycling is a community employment social enterprise, operating a recycling collection service that collects paper, cardboard, plastic, and polystyrene. Sunflower works with long term disadvantaged individuals and provides them with training and employment opportunities. The team collect recyclable materials from government departments, retail businesses, offices and individuals.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Unemployment

🛒 Products / Services: Paper & Plastic Recycling



🏠 D01 DX67

☎ 01 856 0251

🌐 www.sunflowerrecycling.ie

✉ admin@sunflowerrecycling.ie



4.5.8 Pocket Forests

Pocket Forests work to reconnect people with nature. The Pocket Forests team leads workshops and initiatives to help communities regenerate soil and grow native trees and shrubs. They repurpose urban waste to create healthy soil and educate people about circular economy thinking. They work with residents groups, local authorities, schools, businesses (large and small), healthcare providers, sports clubs and universities.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Mini Forests, Plants, Workshops



🏠 Dublin

☎ N/A

🌐 www.pocketforests.ie

✉ Catherine@pocketforests.ie

4.5.9 Recycle IT

Recycle IT is a not-for-profit, social enterprise which creates sustainable local employment through community-based professional waste management services. Recycle IT offers a combination of drop-off and recycling collection services. Income generated by drop-off, collection, breakdown, destruction and safe recycling of e-waste is reinvested into training and employment and promoting environmental awareness.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Unemployment

🛒 Products / Services: IT Recycling, Training



🏠 D22 TK37

☎ 01 457 8321

🌐 www.recycleit.ie

✉ info@recycleit.ie



4.5.10 Bee8

Focused on helping the local community, Bee8 hosts community events, gives beekeeping classes and works with local schools to deliver educational projects about enhancing awareness of the lived environment. Bee8 install and manages bee hives which promote local biodiversity, increase the amount of 'green space' in areas and creates employment opportunities.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Honey, Beekeeping Classes



🏠 D08 T202
🌐 www.bee8.ie

☎ 01 670 8880
✉ N/A



4.5.11 Rediscover Cycling

Rediscover Cycling is a social enterprise that has been putting life back into used and discarded bicycles since 2010. Bikes donated for reuse are collected from recycling centres and then reconditioned by the team for sale in the Eco Store, located upstairs in the Rediscovery Centre. It also provides training courses on bicycle servicing and maintenance.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Unemployment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Bicycles, Bicycle Repair, Training



🏠 D09 HK58
🌐 www.rediscoverycentre.ie

☎ 01 893 3801
✉ N/A

4.6 Technology

4.6.1 Vyra

Vyra is an online environmental and sustainability education platform that helps local and global businesses to learn about environmental sustainability and climate change. The platform provides businesses with a suite of learning modules to up-skill and enable employees to contribute to environmental sustainability in their workplaces.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Sustainability Training



N/A



www.vyra.ie



N/A



N/A

The Environmental Sustainability Education Platform *for businesses*



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4.6.2 The ZeroNet

Zerobin Group created the award-winning ZeroNet collection logistics SaaS platform which optimises the way that post-consumer products and materials are recovered from the home. It is the world's first cloud based technology platform designed explicitly around the logistical requirements of the circular economy. The platform is currently focused on eWaste and enables people, business and organisations to register online for doorstep collection of unwanted electrical items which are then sustainably recycled or repurposed.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment

🛒 Products / Services: Waste Collection & Platform / Service



N/A



www.thezeronet.com



N/A



info@thezeronet.com

4.7 Health / Medical

4.7.1 EggHeadz Youth Health Hub

The hub's mission is to provide accessible therapies and fun activities for kids and teens to boost health, well-being, confidence and self-esteem. They cater for children and teens ranging from ages 5 to 18. Activities include: yoga, mindfulness, self-esteem workshops and nature-based physical activities. Therapies include: counselling, play and art therapy.

♥ Social Cause(s): Mental Health, Youth Development

🛒 Products / Services: Physical Activities, Therapies, Workshops



🏠 Donabate

🌐 www.eggheadz.ie

☎ 083 090 1570

✉ info@eggheadz@gmail.com



4.7.2 HaPPE Earth

HaPPE Earth champions sustainability and the circular economy in the healthcare industry by helping providers reduce single use plastic. It provides an award winning CE approved, compostable, single use apron that offers protection without harm to the environment.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Health

🛒 Products / Services: Compostable Medical Grade Apron PPE



🏠 D08 PP3F

🌐 www.happeearth.ie

☎ N/A

✉ lisa@happeearth.com

4.7.3 The Great Care Co-Op

Great Care Co-op is Ireland's first care workers home care cooperative founded by migrant women. Their mission is to provide great care to their clients and sustainable jobs for carers. They offer home care services that enable people to live with dignity and autonomy in their own homes and community. Services include personal care, bathing and grooming, meal preparation and nutrition, mobility assistance, social activities in the community, specialised support with conditions including Dementia, Parkinson's, Arthritis and other long term illness.

♥ Social Cause(s): Health, Employment, Migrants, Disability

🛒 Products / Services: Non-Medical Care Provider

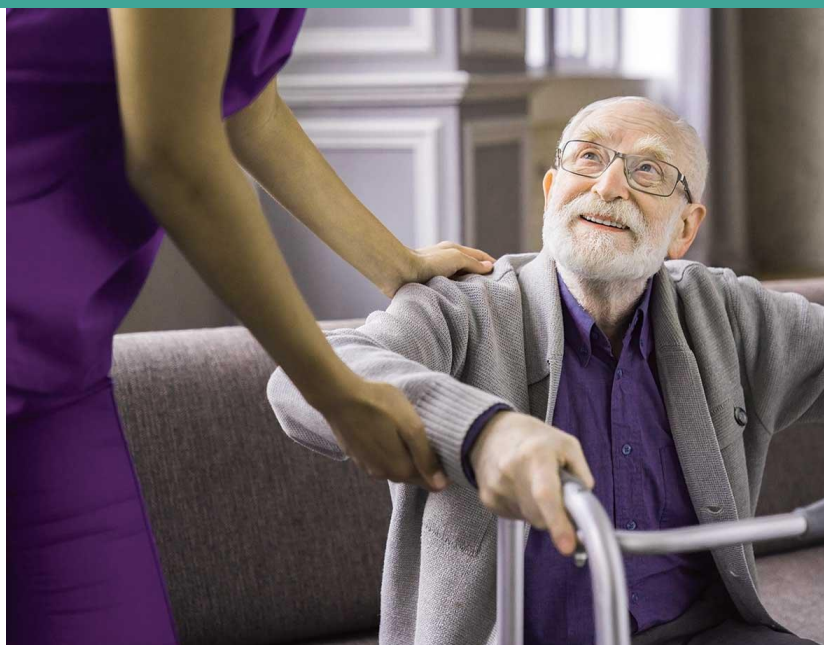


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🌐 www.tgcc.ie

☎ 085 252 7654

✉ info@tgcc.ie



4.7.4 Little Fitness

Little Fitness takes a holistic approach to the wellbeing of children living in temporary or emergency accommodation. Children participate over an 8 to 10 week programme and are provided the opportunity to engage in activities, including stretching to relax, games and colouring, all of which are often impossible living in a family hub or temporary accommodation. The skills that the children learn improve both physical and mental wellbeing, which benefits them long after the programme has finished.

♥ Social Cause(s): Disadvantaged Children and Youth, Health

🛒 Products / Services: Child Exercise Sessions



🏠 D09 CR27

🌐 www.littlefitness.ie

☎ 086 157 6526

✉ sinead@littlefitness.ie



4.7.5 Siel Bleu

Siel Bleu Ireland is a social enterprise and a not-for-profit organisation that transforms lives through communal, inclusive and physical exercise. They work with older adults, patient groups, community organisations, and people living with physical and intellectual disabilities. Their youngest participants are in their twenties with physical or intellectual disabilities while their oldest participants are a number of centenarians living in nursing homes.

♥ Social Cause(s): Health, Mental Illness, Disability

🛒 Products / Services: Exercise Sessions



🏠 D02 WR53

🌐 www.sielbleu.ie

☎ 01 209 6889

✉ info@sielbleu.ie

4.8 Manufacturing / Engineering

4.8.1 PACE

PACE train, employ and support people that have convictions to successfully integrate back into the workforce and local communities. PACE trains its service users to work with wood and metal who then design and create bespoke items like planters, benches, iron gates and trophies. Any surplus that is made via sales of the products is re-invested to create more jobs.

♥ Social Cause(s): Ex-Offenders, Unemployment

🛒 Products / Services: Gardenware, Planters, Benches, Gates, Trophies, Training



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01 823 1000



www.paceorganisation.ie



headoffice@paceorganisation.ie



4.9 Housing / Construction / Maintenance

4.9.1 The Home Share

The Home Share match people of different generations to live together for mutual benefit. An older person offers a younger person accommodation in exchange for company, a helping hand around the home and an overnight presence. The enterprise provides vetting, personal introductions, ongoing monitoring and support to ensure safeguarding for all.

♥ Social Cause(s): Health, Homelessness

🛒 Products / Services: Home Sharing Service, Accommodation. Elderly Care



🏠 D12 VE06

🌐 www.thehomeshare.ie

☎ 01 525 2311

✉ info@thehomeshare.ie



4.9.2 Rediscover Paint

Rediscover Paint is a social enterprise that collects paint from recycling centres and recycles it to create new colours. The paint is available to customers from their Eco Store in Ballymun and from their online shop. All sales contributes to the cost of Rediscover Paint providing further paint for reuse and reducing the environmental impact of paint disposal in Ireland. In addition, Rediscover Paint provides ongoing training and employment opportunities to people distanced from the workplace.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Unemployment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Paint, Paint Recycling



🏠 D09 HK58



www.rediscoverycentre.ie

☎ 01 893 3801

✉ N/A



4.9.3 Ó Cualann Cohousing Alliance

Ó Cualann Cohousing Alliance CLG (Ó Cualann) is a housing co-operative with Approved Housing Body (AHB) status. Their mission is to develop and support fully-integrated communities, to deliver well-designed, top-quality, energy efficient homes at an affordable price and to ensure its co-operative model for affordable housing can be replicated and scaled across the country.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment, Homelessness

🛒 Products / Services: Affordable Housing

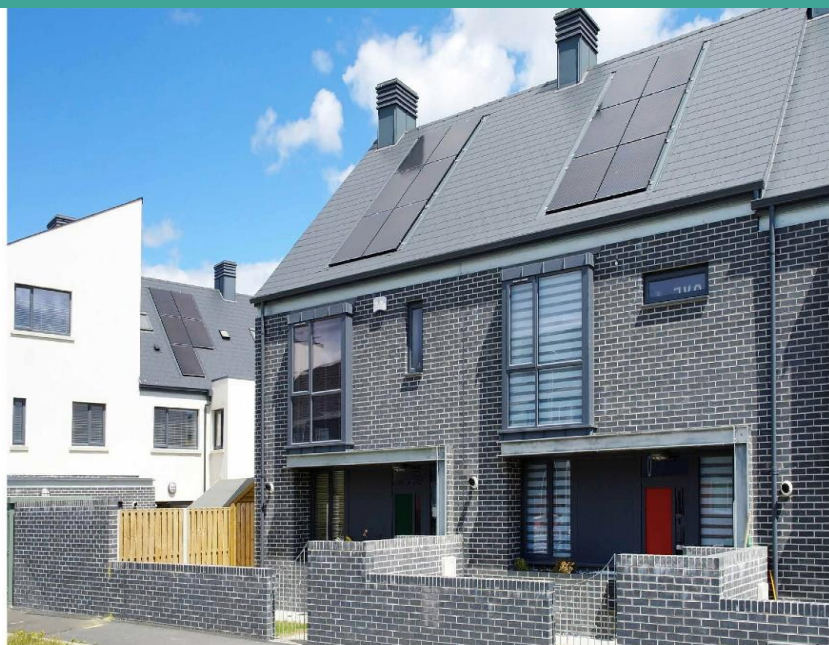


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🌐 www.ocualann.ie

☎ 01 286 9237

✉ info@ocualann.ie



4.9.4 Viva Green

VivaGreen is driven by the founders Russell and Garrett Walsh' engineering backgrounds to bring fresh, innovative products made from sustainable resources to the marketplace. VivaGreen is a world leader in the research, development and manufacturing of biodegradable, chemical-free, plastic-free, and recycled products and is committed to producing environmentally friendly products of the highest quality.

♥ Social Cause(s): Environment

🛒 Products / Services: Sustainable Cleaning, Gardening and Food Storage Products



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www.vivagreengroup.com



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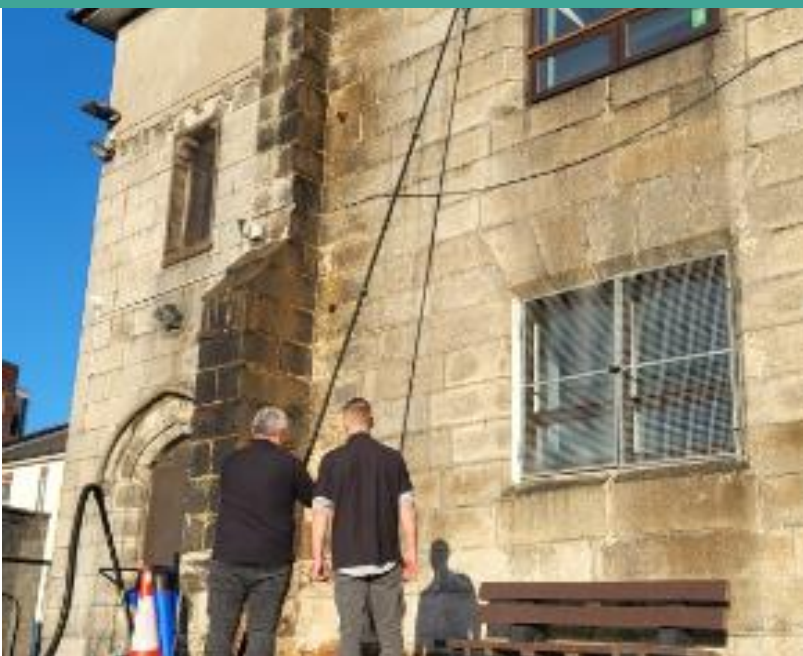


office@vivagreengroup.com



Diarmuid Gavin:

“I use VivaGreen products - the safe, natural alternatives for my home”



4.9.5 New Creation Cleaning Services

New Creation Cleaning Services are a professional cleaning service for commercial and residential properties. They train, support and employ people who are socially disadvantaged or have convictions and would otherwise greatly struggle to find work experience and employment opportunities.

♥ Social Cause(s): Education, Unemployment

🛒 Products / Services: Cleaning Service, Training



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www.newcreationcleaningservices.ie/



087 358 3079



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4.10 Tourism

4.10.1 In Our Shoes Walking Tours

In Our Shoes Walking Tours is a community based social enterprise based in the Liberties that recruit local unemployed people with strong communication skills and train them to customise walking tours for groups of tourists who are looking for a different experience. All profits are reinvested in the company to train more guides and provide more local employment.

♥ Social Cause(s): Unemployment, Education

🛒 Products / Services: Walking Tours, Training



The Liberties, Dublin 8



083 149 9927



www.inourshoeswalkingtours.ie



info@inourshoeswalkingtours.ie



4.11 Economic and Community Development

4.11.1 Innovate Communities

Innovate Communities is a social enterprise that believes real change comes through social innovation. With a blend of fresh thinking, design, system change, technology and through the provision of a range of programmes, they work with communities to create and deliver projects that work and create a lasting impact. Their Social Innovation Hub supports a diverse range of organisations, emerging social enterprises as well as vulnerable young people.

- ♥ Social Cause(s): Disadvantaged Individuals, Unemployment
- 🛒 Products / Services: Co-working, Project Delivery, Training, Enterprise Support



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www.innovatecommunities.ie



01 842 3612



info@innovatecommunities.ie



4.11.2 Dignity Partnership

Dignity Partnership (DiP) is a work integration social enterprise that promotes personal and enterprise development for people from a refugee and asylum seeking background. The purpose of DiP is to integrate refugees, people seeking asylum and migrants into the business community, and to meaningfully contribute their passions, talents, and interests using an entrepreneurial mindset. DiP activities include personal development workshops; enterprise development programmes; business clinics; and networking events to develop social capital.

- ♥ Social Cause(s): Migrants, Refugees, Asylum Seekers
- 🛒 Products / Services: Workshops, Clinics, Networking



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www.dignitypartners.com



089 254 6155



dignitypartners@gmail.com

4.11.3 An Cosán

An Cosán provides people of all ages with pathways to learning, leadership and enterprise by offering courses from basic level right up to BA degree programmes. Their approach to adult community education offers a holistic range of support services to support adults on their learning journey. These include early years' education and care, financial support, IT support, parenting support and 1:1 mentoring, tutoring and counselling.

- ♥ Social Cause(s): Education, Disadvantaged Individuals
- 🛒 Products / Services: Support Services, Training, Counselling



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5 Support Organisations and Ecosystem Index


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European Commission ESER	Networking, Policy, Projects		

5.1 Networks


5.1.1 CIRCULÉIRE

CIRCULÉIRE is the first cross-sectoral industry-led innovation network dedicated to accelerating the net-zero carbon circular economy in Ireland. CIRCULÉIRE's overarching objective between 2020 and 2022 is to source, test, finance, and scale, circular manufacturing systems, supply chains and circular business models to deliver significant reductions in both CO2 emissions and waste across their industry membership.


 Cause(s): Environment

 Supports: Network, Information, Funding, Working Groups



 D24 WC04

 www.circuleire.ie

 01 567 5000

 circuleire@imr.ie




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5.1.2 Community Resources Network Ireland (CRNI)

CRNI is the representative body for community based reuse, repair and recycling organisations in Ireland. Their aim is to provide a range of practical supports to members, and to promote community based, sustainable waste management as a practical and effective way of tackling Ireland's growing waste problem. In addition, they've recently launched a Virtual Trade Fair featuring their members products and services.


 Cause(s): Environment

 Supports: Reuse, Repair, Recycle Network, Information, Advice, [Virtual Trade Fair](#)



 D01 V3K5

 www.crni.ie


 087 173 5184

 info@crni.ie

5.1.3 Ibec

Irish Business and Employers Confederation (Ibec) is Ireland's largest lobby and business representative group which seeks to build a better, sustainable future by influencing, supporting and delivering for business success. It provides a wide range of professional services and management training on diverse topics such as human resource management, health and safety, employee relations, sustainability and environment, social and governance (ESG).


 Cause(s): Business representation

 Supports: Advice, Information, Networking, Training



 Nationwide

 www.ibec.ie



 01 605 1500

 N/A







5.1.4 Irish Social Enterprise Network (ISEN)

ISEN are a representative network for social enterprises in Ireland. They are working to make the social enterprise sector more visible than it currently is. They aim to increase awareness through promotion and education of the social enterprise sector and model as a means of addressing social needs and inequalities including the rehabilitation of communities across Ireland.

-  Cause(s): Social Enterprise, Economic & Community Dev.
-  Supports: Training, Networking, Campaigns, Webinars, Clinics





 Glasnevin, Dublin 9
 www.socent.ie

 089 255 0289
 info@socent.ie





5.1.5 Social Enterprise Dublin

Social Enterprise Dublin aim to provide top quality support to Social Enterprise in the Dublin area so they can start, grow and increase their impact in local communities. They assist startups and established social enterprises by providing them with training, mentoring and support to help them flourish.

-  Cause(s): Social Enterprise, Economic & Community Dev.
-  Supports: Mentoring, Networking, Training, Events





 Dublin
 www.socialenterprisedublin.ie

 N/A
 N/A

5.1.6 YourY Network

YourY Network is a global community of social entrepreneurs and changemakers. The network aims to create an inclusive space for global social entrepreneurs and changemakers to connect and find synergies to collaborate. They facilitate this by hosting monthly online networking events.

-  Cause(s): Social entrepreneurship and innovation
-  Supports: Networking, Events, Information



 Dublin
 www.yourynetwork.com


 N/A
 hello@yourynetwork.com



5.2 News


5.2.1 Business Spirit News

Business Spirit News write and publish journalistic content that puts impact innovations in the spotlight, gives voice to changemakers and raises awareness. The Business Spirit News site strives to support leaders of change to spot opportunities, be well-informed and inspired, while having a chance to share their stories.


 Cause(s): Environment, Economic & Community Development

 Supports: Content, Information



 Nationwide

 N/A


 www.business-spirit.news


 N/A




5.2.2 Dublin Place Brand (Dublin.ie)

Dublin.ie was designed to celebrate the very essence of Dublin; the people, places and things that make Dublin truly unique as a place to live, work, invest and study. It's all about building a vivid picture of a progressive, diverse and multicultural modern European city and region teeming with character, and characters. The place brand website features diverse content on Dublin, including articles on social and circular enterprises.

 Cause(s): Inclusion

 Supports: City Promotion, Content, Information



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 N/A

 www.dublin.ie


 info@dublin.ie




5.3 Mentoring, Training and Funding



5.3.1 Business in the Community Ireland



Business in the Community Ireland (BITC) is a movement for sustainable change in business. Its purpose is to inspire and enable businesses to bring about a sustainable, low carbon economy and a more inclusive society where everyone thrives. BITC supports businesses with practical management and monitoring systems. By facilitating forums for reflection and action, they ensure that businesses are ready to meet the current challenges of climate change, social inclusion and diversity.

 Cause(s): Environment, CSR, ESG, Education, Unemployment

 Supports: Training, Networking, Education and Employment Programmes




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 www.bitc.ie


 01 874 7232
 info@bitc.ie





5.3.2 Carmichael Ireland

Carmichael is a leading specialist training and support body for nonprofits in Ireland. Their training, support and resources enable members and partners to be more efficient and effectively run. Their mission is to work with nonprofit organisations to enhance their effectiveness in delivering their objectives, by using Carmichael's sector knowledge, experience, resources and physical space to help them achieve real and positive change for their beneficiaries.

 Cause(s): Community Development


 Supports: Training, Non Profit Supports


  D07 RHA8
 www.carmichaelireland.ie

 01 873 5285
 info@carmichaelireland.ie



5.3.3 Economic Development Office (EDO)

The Economic Development Office (EDO) of Dublin City Council has responsibility for the promotion of economic development in Dublin City. It conducts economic research, policy analysis, projects, facilitates events and works on a number of strategic goals and objectives within Dublin City Council. 4 key pillars of Human Development, Placemaking and Clusters, Promotion and Investment and Innovation guides the objectives and actions of the EDO.

 Cause(s): Economic and ecosystem development

 Supports: Policy, Projects, Research, Events

  D02 T277
 www.dublincity.ie

 01 222 2222
 economicdevelopment@dublincity.ie



5.3.4 Local Enterprise Office Dublin City (LEO)

The LEO Dublin City aims to promote entrepreneurship, foster business start-ups and develop existing micro and small businesses to drive job creation and to provide accessible high quality supports for business ideas. The LEO helps start-ups and small businesses to plan, start and grow.



Cause(s): Enterprise and Ecosystem Development



Supports: Training, Funding, Advice, Mentoring, Networking



Difig Fiontair Aitiúil
Local Enterprise Office



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www.localenterprise.ie



01 222 5611



info@leo.dublincity.ie



5.3.5 MODOS

MODOS is a circular economy training programme designed to help micro-enterprises and small and medium enterprises improve sustainability efficiently and effectively while fostering innovation and profitability. It is a joint initiative of Dublin City Council and the Eastern-Midlands Region Waste Management Planning Office. The programme is delivered via an interactive mix of presentations, best practice case studies, exercises and discussions.



Cause(s): Environment



Supports: Training, Networking

Modos
Training for a sustainable future



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www.modos.ie



N/A



modos@dublincity.ie

5.3.6 Rediscovery Centre

The Rediscovery Centre is the National Centre for the Circular Economy in Ireland. It represents a creative movement connecting people, ideas and resources to support greener low-carbon living. The centre brings together the skills and expertise of artists, scientists, designers and craftspeople united in a common purpose of sustainability.



Cause(s): Environment, Unemployment, Education



Supports: News, Training, Advocacy, Events



REDISCOVERY CENTRE



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www.rediscoverycentre.ie



01 893 3801




N/A

5.3.7 Regional Skills Forum - Dublin

The Dublin Regional Skills Forum (DRSF) is part of a national network supported by the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science (DFERIS) which is focused on fostering stronger links between enterprise and education and training providers. It collaboratively works to enable and support skills development among small medium enterprises throughout the Dublin region.

 Cause(s): Skill Development, Education

 Supports: Skills Audit, Advice, Networking, Events





 **Regional Skills DUBLIN** Partnerships for Skills  Dublin  086 837 7286  www.regionalskills.ie/regions/dublin  natashakinsella@regionalskills.ie




5.3.8 Rethink Ireland

By partnering with individuals, families and businesses, Rethink Ireland identifies the different charities and social enterprises working in communities across the country who are delivering significant impact. It provides cash grants, business support and advice to these social innovations in order to help them succeed further and to scale nationally.


 Cause(s): Social Innovation, Economic & Community Dev.

 Supports: Training, Funding, Advice, Networking

RETHINK IRELAND  D02 YE00  N/A  rethinkireland.ie  businessdevelopment@rethinkireland.ie

5.3.9 Social Enterprise Solutions

Most social enterprises have the 'social' part down; you've identified a need and the ways in which your initiative can help. What you might not have is the commercial expertise to transform your idea into a scalable, sustainable business. Social Enterprise Solutions offers strategic analysis and practical plans to help social enterprises succeed.

 Cause(s): Social Innovation and Enterprise Development

 Supports: Financial Planning, Consulting, Research



 **Social Enterprise SOLUTIONS**  Dublin  086 776 6212  socialenterprisesolutions.ie  clodagh@socialenterprisesolutions.ie

5.3.10 The Wheel

The Wheel is Ireland's national association of charities, community groups and social enterprises. As a representative voice, it provides leadership to the charity and community sector and advocate on behalf of a growing community of members. As a supportive resource, they offer advice, training and other opportunities to people working or volunteering in the charity and community sector.



Cause(s): Charity, Social Enterprise & Community Development



Supports: Skills Development, Networking, Public Campaigns, Project Delivery



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www.wheel.ie



01 454 8727



info@wheel.ie



5.4 Finance

5.4.1 Community Finance Ireland

Community Finance Ireland are a charity and a social enterprise operating across the island of Ireland. They aim to create a world-class community finance system that works tirelessly towards ensuring that positive social impact is felt – not just dreamt. They work with capital providers and clients to deliver this impact across the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector.

🔍 Cause(s): Charity, Social Enterprise & Community Development

🔍 Supports: Financial Loans, Advice



Nationwide



www.communityfinanceireland.com



041 685 8637



N/A



5.4.2 Clann Credo

Clann Credo - Community Loan Finance is a social enterprise which not only serves but is also proud to be a part of the Community & Voluntary Sector. It provides loans to community organisations, charities and social enterprises and helps organisations achieve their social, economic and financial potential on terms and conditions that may not be available to them commercially.

🔍 Cause(s): Charity, Social Enterprise & Community Dev.

🔍 Supports: Financial Supports / Loans



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clanncredo.ie



01 400 2100



info@clanncredo.ie

5.4.3 Microfinance Ireland

Microfinance Ireland provide small loans through the Government's Microenterprise Loan Fund. The purpose of the fund is to help startups and established businesses to get the finance they need for their business. They work closely with partners, including Local Enterprise Offices (LEOs), the Irish Local Development Network (Local Development Companies and Area Partnerships – LDCs), as well as all the major banks to provide viable businesses with the support they need to get started or to grow and create jobs.

🔍 Cause(s): Charity, Social Enterprise & Community Dev.

🔍 Supports: Financial Loans, Advice



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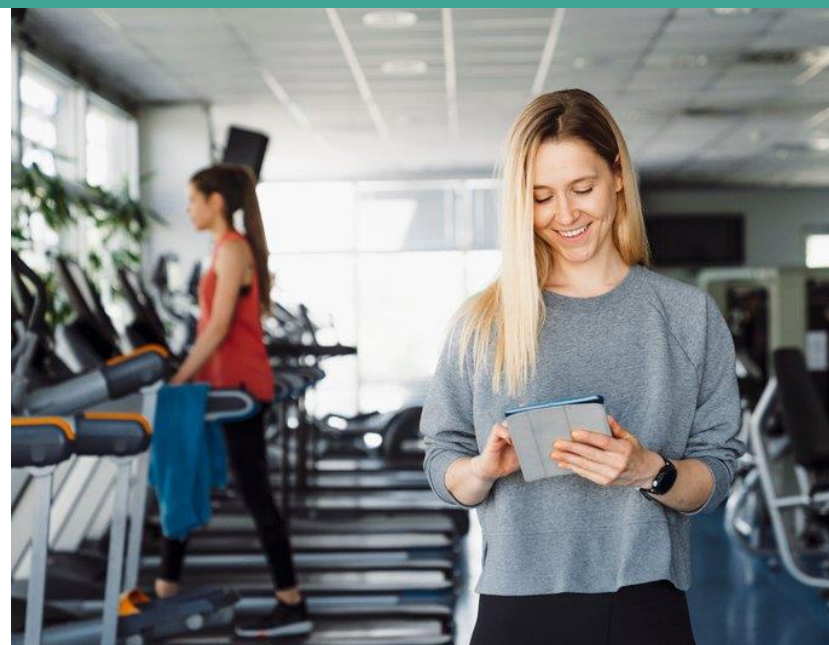
www.microfinanceireland.ie



01 260 1007



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5.5 Policy

5.5.1 Department of Rural and Community Development

The (DRCD) aims to promote rural and community development and to support vibrant, inclusive and sustainable communities throughout Ireland. The department supports the development of vibrant, sustainable and inclusive communities in both urban and rural areas, through implementing a coherent policy framework and strategy which supports the community and voluntary sector. In addition, DRCD has responsibility for social enterprise policy and development.

🔍 Cause(s): Rural, Community & Social Enterprise Development

🔍 Supports: Policy, Funding, Programmes

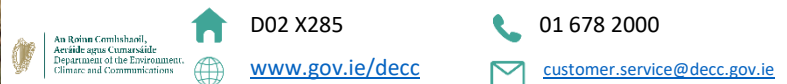


5.5.2 Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications

The Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications is responsible for creating and implementing policies in order to protect and manage Ireland's energy supply, natural resources, communications, broadcasting and postal services. Its vision is a climate neutral, sustainable and digitally connected Ireland and its associated strategic goals include supporting climate action, circular economy, connectivity and net-zero emissions.

🔍 Cause(s): Environment, Climate

🔍 Supports: Policy, Funding, Programmes



5.5.3 Dublin Regional Enterprise Plan

The new Dublin Regional Enterprise Plan (DREP) to 2024 sets out collaborative projects and initiatives among various key stakeholders in the region. The DREP is unique, as it plays a pivotal role in Ireland's economic growth. It is focused on delivering low-carbon transition; placemaking, digital transformation, inclusivity and skills and talent development for all, to leverage future economic need and growth in alignment with government priorities and policy.



🔍 Cause(s): Enterprise & Economic Development

🔍 Supports: Strategic Development Plan






5.5.4 Eastern Midlands Waste Region Office

The office works to support local authorities, businesses, communities and households to manage waste in a sustainable and efficient way. Core activities of the Eastern Midlands Waste Region Office (EMWR) include the promotion of waste prevention, resource efficiency and the provision of technical expertise. It has responsibility for the implementation of the EMWR - Waste Management Plan.

-  Cause(s): Environment, Education
-  Supports: Research, Advice, Project Delivery





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 www.emwr.ie

 N/A
 emwr@dublincity.ie



5.5.5 European Commission – European Social Economy Regions Project & Network

The European Commissions’ European Social Economy Regions (ESER) initiative is a community network of over 100 members including Dublin. It seeks to build networks of social economy actors, encourage collaboration and raise awareness about the social economy. ESER also supports the Commissions social economy policies and was actively involved in the co-creation process of the [Transition Pathway for the Proximity and Social Economy](#).

-  Cause(s): Social Economy Development
-  Supports: Networking, Policy, Projects



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