



December 2023

Thank you for **a year of impact** across the island of Ireland



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Supporters like you transformed lives

As 2023 draws to a close, we are filled with gratitude for our compassionate global network of friends of the island of Ireland. Because of your commitments, we were able to answer the call of communities in need and support non-profit organizations that tangibly improve people's lives.

Together, we ensured access to mental healthcare, empowered people with intellectual disabilities, and cared for families in crisis. We opened up educational opportunities, supported advocates for equality and inclusion, and promoted the best of arts and culture across the island of Ireland. We safeguarded our environment, provided meals to the hungry, supported peacebuilding and reconciliation efforts at local and individual levels, and so much more.

On behalf of the hundreds of organizations you helped us support in 2023, thank you from all of us at The Ireland Funds.

Upcoming Events

We invite you to join us at these upcoming events.



The Ireland Funds 33rd Palm Beach Emerald Isle Ball

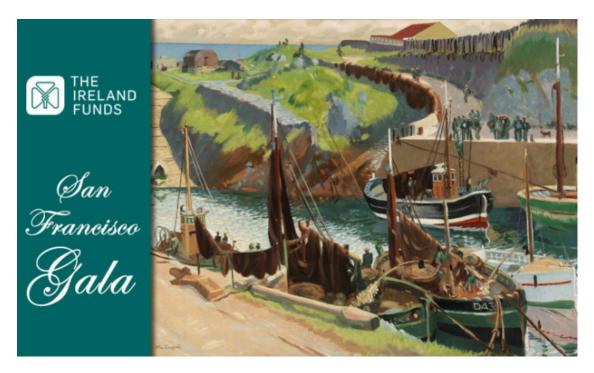
Thursday, February 15, 2024

Join us in Palm Beach at the Breakers for The Ireland Funds Emerald Isle Golf Classic on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 and The Ireland Funds 33rd Emerald Isle Ball on February 15, 2024. The Ireland Funds Community Leadership Award will be presented to **Jimmy Borynack & Adolfo Zaralegui** of the **Findlay Galleries**.

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Join us for **The Ireland Funds Naples Golf Invitational** Save the date: March 1, 2024 More info to come.



Join us for **The Ireland Funds San Francisco Gala** Save the date: March 8, 2024

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Join us for **The Ireland Funds Washington**, **D.C. National Gala** Save the date: Wednesday, March 13, 2024 LEARN MORE

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Recent Events



42nd Annual Boston Gala Tuesday, November 28, 2023

Over 700 corporate leaders and friends of Ireland gathered on November 28th, 2023 for The Ireland Funds 42nd Boston Gala in support of charitable, cultural and educational causes across the island of Ireland and locally in Massachusetts. The evening's Guest of Honor was **Ireland's Ambassador to the United States, Geraldine Byrne Nason**. She thanked The Ireland Funds for its steadfast support across the island of Ireland saying that the organization's work, "builds hopes and opens doors." **Jean Hynes**, CEO of **Wellington Management**, was honored with The Ireland Funds Distinguished Leadership Award. She was introduced by **Abby Johnson**, Chairman and CEO of **Fidelity Investments**. The Ireland Funds Humanitarian Award was given to **Rev. Dr. Bill Shaw OBE**, Director/CEO of the **174 Trust**. He was introduced by **Joe Kennedy III**, U.S. Special Envoy to Northern Ireland for Economic Affairs.

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San Francisco Women in Leadership Luncheon Friday, December 1, 2023

The Ireland Funds San Francisco Women in Leadership Luncheon was held on December 1st, 2023. **Ruth Cotter**, Senior VP, Marketing, Communications & HR at **Advanced Micro Devices (AMD)** and **Marianne O'Shea**, Vice President of Global Nutrition Science at **PepsiCo**. were the Honorary Speakers. Consul General **Micheál Smith** welcomed the audience of 350 guests. In an inspiring and entertaining conversation, journalist **Janet Reilly**, led the discussion ranging from career paths to flexibility and hybrid work, to investment in Ireland.

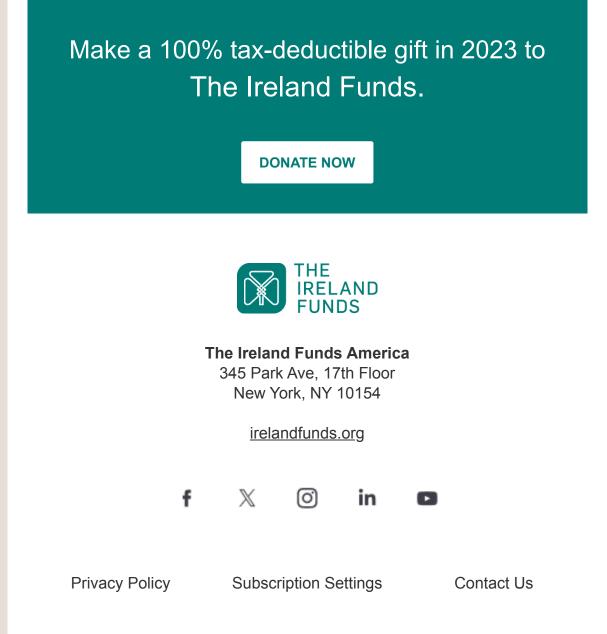
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> Conor Largey, Senior Youth Worker & CEO Holy Trinity Youth Centre, Belfast



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