In 1976, Dan Rooney, owner of the Pittsburgh Steelers football team and the former U.S. Ambassador to Ireland, along with fellow Pittsburgh-based businessman Sir Anthony O’Reilly, created what was then The Ireland Fund. The Ireland Fund and the American Irish Foundation, founded by Irish President Eamonn De Valera and U.S. President John F. Kennedy, merged at a White House ceremony on St. Patrick’s Day 1987, to form what is today, The Ireland Funds America.

The Ireland Funds is a global philanthropic network established in 1976 to promote and support peace, culture, education and community development throughout the island of Ireland, and Irish-related causes around the world. With chapters in 12 countries, The Ireland Funds has raised over $600 million for deserving causes in Ireland and beyond, benefiting more than over 3200 different organizations.
2017 was a very good year for The Ireland Funds. Without accounting for earnings from our international chapters, The Ireland Funds America generated revenues that exceeded $35 million. This was made possible, as always, by the profound generosity of our donors.

Our donors enabled remarkable things for Irish nonprofits in 2017. The revenue generated not only allowed us to fund 352 projects across the island of Ireland and around the globe, but in particular enabled five Flagship Grants: significant investments that build capacity, core funding and sustainability for outstanding established projects. Thanks to our events and unrestricted income generated, The Irish Film Institute, Irish Men’s Sheds Association, Integrated Education Fund, Speedpak and Blossom each received two-year investments that are helping to scale their impact and increase their reach. We’re pleased to show you some of those accomplishments and milestones in the pages that follow.

Our event roster was strong with close to 150 events and an increasingly active Young Leaders program. Through those events we were able to introduce our work to new friends as well as deepen our relationships with existing friends and donors. People are at the heart of The Ireland Funds and our events continue to serve as a key opportunity to gather and reinforce our love and care for the island of Ireland.

There are so many stories of how The Ireland Funds is changing lives and improving the day-to-day lives of people across the island of Ireland and around the globe. On page 4 we share some of that testimony from organizations ranging from The Native Woodland Trust which is preserving Ireland’s natural environment, to the Children’s Medical Research Foundation which is saving children’s lives. One privilege as an organization is that we get to address such diverse needs and make a difference for thousands of people. This is the core mission of our organization: to harness the power of a global philanthropic network of friends of Ireland to promote and support peace, culture, education and community development across the island of Ireland and among Irish communities around the world. It is only through your philanthropy that we succeed and we are immensely grateful.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO OUR MISSION AND FOR CHOOSING TO EXPRESS YOUR LOVE OF ALL THAT IS IRELAND IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE IRELAND FUNDS AMERICA.

—John Fitzpatrick, Chairman of The Ireland Funds America
ACROSS IRELAND AND AROUND THE WORLD, THE IRELAND FUNDS IS:

Creating jobs
Promoting Irish art & culture
Promoting dialogue across communities in Northern Ireland
Advancing social entrepreneurship
Strengthening transparency & accountability in the non profit sector
Providing inner city after-school programs
Bringing meals to thousands of people on society's margins
Providing access to education
Helping the homeless
Ensuring the next generation is a music generation
Providing guide dogs for those with disabilities
Protecting the environment
The Ireland Funds Impact: 798 grants were made in 2017.

The impact of our donors’ philanthropy and investment was felt across 352 projects such as:

- **Support for The Irish Film Institute**
  - Processed and digitized 1000+ HOURS of culturally significant film. This film is being made globally accessible on the IFI Player.

- **Support for Integrated Education**
  - In Northern Ireland advanced the integration of 4 more schools.
  - Support also enabled 40 additional registrations on the Integrate My School Platform, initiating the transformation conversation across schools in Northern Ireland.

- **Funding for Irish Wheelchair Association**
  - Established sports clubs for children with disabilities and brought activity opportunities to 120+ new participants.

- **Support for the Irish Men’s Sheds Association**
  - Has enabled the training of 25 Shed Support Volunteers to support the 440+ Sheds and 10,000 members throughout the Island of Ireland.
Thank You

Integrated Education in Northern Ireland
\textit{“THE IRELAND FUNDS HAS BEEN A TREMENDOUS SUPPORTER OF INTEGRATED EDUCATION FOR OVER 35 YEARS.”} It was there to help when the very first integrated school, Lagan College, opened in 1981. Its support has been unstinting to the present day.

PeacePlayers Northern Ireland
\textit{“We are recognized as being a key component to making Northern Ireland a better place. The grant makes such a difference for us. PeacePlayers is a great program but NONE OF THAT COULD HAVE HAPPENED WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE IRELAND FUNDS.”}

Co-operation Ireland
\textit{“Co-operation Ireland is committed to peace-building on the island of Ireland and we will continue to deliver innovative programs which challenge people’s thinking and attitudes. SUPPORT WE RECEIVE FROM THE IRELAND FUNDS HIGHLIGHTS WHAT CAN BE ACHIEVED with funding that allows for more creativity and input from the people the programs aim to help.”}

Native Woodland Trust
\textit{“OUR SUPPORTERS LIKE THE IRELAND FUNDS, ARE PRESERVING PIECES OF IRELAND.”} Protection means that it will no longer be subject to destructive practices. There is so little left that to be able to say, ‘I saved that for perpetuity’ means it is a gift for generations to come.

Children’s Medical Research Foundation
\textit{“THE IRELAND FUNDS HAS STAYED WITH US AND ALLOWED US TO CONNECT WITH THE BROADER NETWORK”} so we can sustain and grow. They have an immediate and passionate connection to what we are representing here which is improving the lives of sick children and their families in Ireland.

ALONE
\textit{“I think sometimes people can think donating money or supporting a cause doesn’t actually make a difference. I think the important thing to take away is that it does. It changes lives. The Ireland Funds’ support demonstrates that people care. IT’S REAL MONEY, GOING TO REAL SERVICES, FOR REAL PEOPLE.”}
In 2017, the following organizations were among those assisted by the Ireland Funds America.

174 Trust
Abbey School
The Abbey Theatre
Ablevision Ireland
ACET (AIDS Care Education & Training) Ireland
Age Concern Network
Aisling Irish Community Center
Aisling Return to Ireland Project
Alcohol Forum
ALONE
Alzheimer Society of Ireland
American Irish Historical Society
An Taince
Angel Eyes NI
The Ark
Arthritis Ireland
Ashoka
AsIAm
Baboró International Arts Festival for Children
Backstage Theatre
Bantry Development and Tourism Association
Bantry Hospice Project
Bantry Rowing Club
Barnardos
Barretstown
Baseball Ireland
Belong To
Belvedere College S.J.
Belvedere Youth Club
Benefits
Blackrock Castle Observatory
Blackrock College
Blossom Ireland
The Blue Box CLC
British-Irish Association
Cahoots NI
Camara Ireland
Cancer Support Sanctuary LARCC
Care After Prison
Carrickfergus YMCA
ChangeX
Charities Institute Ireland
Chester Beatty Library
Children, Adults, Parents and Autism
Children’s Law Centre
Children’s Medical Research Foundation
ChildVision
Cill Rialaig Project
Cinemagic
Clara Family and Community Resource Centre
Clonard Monastery
Cloughjordan Circus Club
Community Action Network
Community Centre for Music and the Arts
Concern Worldwide
Connemara Therapeutic Riding
Conradh na Gaeilge
Co-operation Ireland
COPE Galway
Cork ARC Cancer Support House
Cork Counselling Services
Corrymeela Community Crosscare
Cuan Mhuire
CyberSafeIreland
Cystic Fibrosis Ireland
Daisyhouse
Dance Theatre of Ireland
DCU Educational Trust
DePaul Ireland
DIT Foundation
Dogs for the Disabled
Dogs Trust
Donegal Clinical Academy Trust
Donegal Family Resource Centre
Down Right Brilliant
Down Syndrome Ireland
Druid Theatre Company
Dublin Jewish Board of Guardians
Dublin Simon Community
Dublin/Wicklow Mountain Rescue Team
Dunbrody Famine Ship
Elemental Festival Team
Emerald Isle Immigration Center of New York
Enactus Ireland
Express YOUR Gender
The Festival of Curiosity
Fighting Words
Flax Trust
Focus Ireland
FoodCloud
Foxford Community Garden
Free Legal Advice Centres (FLAC)
Friends of the Cancer Centre
Friends of the Derry Walls
Front Line
Gaelic Players Association
Galway Community Circus
Galway Rape Crisis Centre
Galway University Foundation
The Gate Theatre
Glensal Abbey
Gonzaga College S.J.
Good Shepherd Cork
Greater Dublin Independent Living
Ground Zero 360
Haven
Hawk’s Well Theatre
Helium Arts
Holywell Trust
The Hunt Museum
The Icon Walk
Institute of Technology Tralee
Integrated Education Fund
Ireland US Council Foundation
Irish American Heritage Center
Irish American Writers & Artists
Irish Arts Center
Irish Chamber Orchestra
Irish Film Festival
Irish Film Institute
Irish Georgian Society—Dublin
Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind
Irish Hospice Foundation
Irish International Immigrant Center
Irish Martial Arts Academy
Irish Men’s Sheds Association
Irish Repertory Theatre
Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children
Irish Wheelchair Association
iScoil
Iveagh Trust
Jewish Home of Ireland
John F. Kennedy Library Foundation
Kerry Hospice Foundation
Laurnagh Community Council
Leitrim Cailing
Lime Tree Theatre
Limerick Institute of Technology
The Little Museum of Dublin
Longford Women’s Link
Lyric Theatre
Mae Murray Foundation
Making Connections
Marie Curie - Belfast
Marie Keating Foundation
Mark Pollock Trust
Mayo Roscommon Hospice Foundation
McAuley Place
Meningitis Research Foundation
Merchants Quay Ireland
Midlands Science
Milford Care Centre
Mobility Mojo
Move4Parkinson’s Foundation
Moy Hill Community Farm
MS Ireland
Na Piobairí Uilleann
Narrative 4 Ireland
Nasc
National College of Ireland—Early Learning Initiative
National Gallery of Ireland
National Library of Ireland
National Women’s Council of Ireland
Native Woodland Trust
New York Irish Center
Newpin NI
North Offaly Community Development
North West Clare Family Resource Centre
Northern Ireland Hospice
Not So Different
NUIMaynouth
NYU Glucksman Ireland House
O’Hanlon Park Boxing Club
Origin Theatre Company
Our Lady’s Hospice
Peter McVerry Trust
Philanthropy Ireland
Pieta House
The Pushkin Trust
The Queen’s University of Belfast Foundation
Rebel Wheelers
Rights Watch UK
Rowing Ireland
Royal Irish Academy of Music
Rural Area Partnership in Derry
SAFE Ireland
The Salvation Army Ireland
Science Gallery
Scoil Chriost Rí
Self Help Africa
Sensational Kids
Sharing Point
ShoutOut
The Soar Foundation
Social Entrepreneurs Ireland
Social Innovation Fund Ireland
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul
Solace House
Solas Project
Special Olympics Ireland
Specialisterne Ireland
Speedpak Limited
Spin Injuries Ireland
Spraoi agus Spórt Family Centre
St. Brigid’s Church Belfast
St. Jarlath’s Court Residents’ Association
St. Malachi’s College
St. Mary’s Youth & Community Centre
St. Patrick Visitor Centre
St. Patrick’s Cathedral—Dublin
St. Ultan’s Childcare project
Suan Educational Development
SWAN Youth service
Together-Razem Centre
Trinity Centre for People with Intellectual Disabilities
Trinity Foundation
UCC Cork Cancer Research Center
UCD Michael Smurfit School of Business
Ulster University Foundation
The Undergraduate Awards
University College Dublin Foundation
University of Limerick Foundation
Vineyard Compassion
Washington-Ireland Programme
Waterford Healing Arts Trust
West Cork Music
West Cork Rural Transport
West Cork Women Against Violence Project
Wexford Festival Opera
Wicklow Hospice Foundation
Wicklow Travellers Group
Women For Election
Women in Business NI
Women on Air
Yeats Society Sligo
Youth Initiatives
Youth Work Ireland—Tipperary
The Ireland Funds America is committed to supporting projects across the island of Ireland that promote education, cultural and community development and peace and reconciliation. Through the generosity of donors linked to Ireland by interest, ancestry and compassion, The Ireland Funds America provides ongoing support to organizations whose initiatives directly serve the people of the island of Ireland. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, The Ireland Funds America awarded more than $29 million in grants and program services to 352 worthy projects in 2017 across the island of Ireland and Irish communities worldwide.
## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

**AS OF DECEMBER 31**

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<td>344,916</td>
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<td>115,304</td>
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**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

**YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31**

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<td>Contributions</td>
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<td>Fundraising events</td>
<td>$11,262,165</td>
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<td>Less: fundraising event expenses</td>
<td>$(4,118,326)</td>
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<td>Fundraising events, net of direct costs</td>
<td>$7,143,839</td>
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<td>Other income</td>
<td>$75,096</td>
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<td>Net Unrestricted Revenues &amp; Support</td>
<td>$31,926,545</td>
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<td><strong>Investment Income and Foreign Exchange</strong></td>
<td>$1,762,482</td>
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<td><strong>Other Contributions</strong></td>
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<td>Contributions of art and literary collections</td>
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<td>$48,250</td>
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<td>Changes in Temporary Restricted Net Assets-Contributions</td>
<td>$(511,965)</td>
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<td>Changes in Permanently Restricted Net Assets-Endowment Contributions</td>
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<td><strong>Total Other Contributions</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Net Revenues, Support, Other Contributions</strong></td>
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<td>General Administration</td>
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<td>Fundraising</td>
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<td><strong>Total Supporting Services</strong></td>
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“The American Ireland Fund is a further exemplar of those values of openness, generosity and hospitality. You are recognized as one of the most dynamic and successful diaspora and philanthropic organizations in the world. We are proud of the work you do and thank you for doing it. It is making a real difference to the lives of people on the ground, many of whom are still feeling the effects of the financial crisis which afflicted us in recent years. I want you to know that your work is deeply appreciated at home in Ireland. ”

— PRESIDENT OF IRELAND, MICHAEL D. HIGGINS