

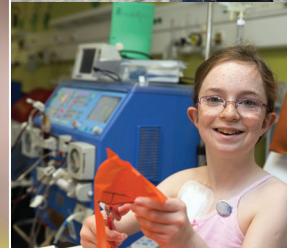


THE
IRELAND
FUNDS
AMERICA

2018 ANNUAL REPORT

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Progress
Through
Philanthropy
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2018



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.

2018

was a very good year for The Ireland Funds and generated revenue from contributions of \$30 million. This was made possible, as always, by the incredible generosity of our donors. Our donors enabled remarkable things for Irish nonprofits in 2018.

The revenue generated not only allowed us to fund 314 projects across the island of Ireland and around the globe, but in particular enabled our Flagship Grants: significant investments that build capacity, core funding and sustainability for outstanding established projects. Thanks to our events and unrestricted income generated, Sensational Kids, Trinity Centre for People with Intellectual Disabilities, Dogs for the Disabled, CyberSafelreland, Children in Crossfire and the Abbey Theatre each received two-year investments that are helping to scale their impact and increase their reach. We showcase some of those accomplishments and milestones in the pages that follow.

Our event roster was strong with numerous events and an active Young Leaders program. Through those events we were able to introduce our mission 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 Good Shepherd Cork addressing the family homelessness crisis, to SUAS which is improving children's reading and math abilities. 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 SUPPORT THE IRELAND FUNDS AMERICA.**

—John Fitzpatrick, Chairman of The Ireland Funds America



LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF
THE IRELAND FUNDS AMERICA

PROGRESS THROUGH PHILANTHROPY



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: 684 grants were made in 2018

The impact of our donors' philanthropy and investment
was felt across 314 projects such as:



Support enabled **BLOSSOM IRELAND**
to provide its Gateway Programme to young people with
intellectual disabilities. On average, participants increased
their social skills by **43.14%**, increased their
community life skills by **32.5%** and increased their
preparation for after-school-life skills by **51.88%**



Support for **MUSIC GENERATION**

has helped them reach over
42,500 children with music
tuition. Over **350** jobs have
been created and music tuition is
now offered in **800** centers
across Ireland.

Support in 2018 contributed to **FOODCLOUD HUBS**

transport and logistics costs which allowed them
to collect, store and deliver almost **1,000**
tons of food that would have otherwise spoiled
and been disposed of. That is the equivalent of
over **2,000,000** meals to over
250 charities across Ireland.



Thank You

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THE EARLY LEARNING INITIATIVE AT THE NATIONAL COLLEGE OF IRELAND

"With support from The Ireland Funds, our Parent Child Home Program (PCHP), an innovative, home based literacy and parenting program, has helped hundreds of parents to develop the confidence and skills to support their children's language, literacy and numeracy development."



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SUAS "With support from The Ireland Funds, Suas has developed smart, proven and simple solutions that improve children's reading and math scores. The model has already demonstrated positive outcomes in the most testing of environments."



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ASIAM "It is truly special knowing that there is a network of people around the world who want to support work such as ours and many have demonstrated this proactively to us with generous personal donations towards supporting our information and training services. I want to thank all donors for the work you do and all your support to date. AslAm could not have the impact we do without the help of The Ireland Funds."



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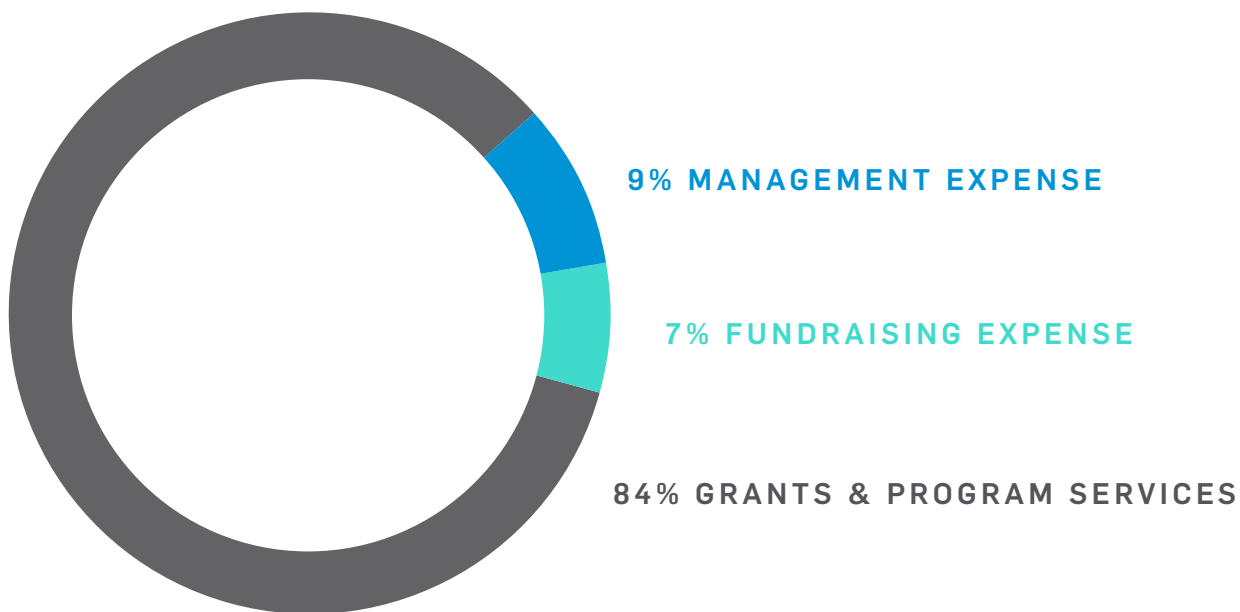
GOOD SHEPHERD CORK "There is a crisis of family homelessness in Ireland. Support from The Ireland Funds is helping us to break this tragic cycle by allowing us to develop and deliver educational and therapeutic supports to women and children in our services, encouraging them to learn, develop skills, improve health and build their self-esteem and resilience."

IN 2018, THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS WERE AMONG THOSE ASSISTED BY THE IRELAND FUNDS AMERICA.

174 Trust	Common Ground N.I. C.I.C.	Irish Men's Sheds Association	Siel Bleu Ireland
Abbey School	Conary Community First Responders	Irish Society for the Prevention	Smock Alley Theatre Ltd
Abbey Theatre	Co-operation Ireland	of Cruelty to Children - ISPCC	Social Entrepreneurs Ireland
Ablevision Ireland Ltd	Cork ARC Cancer Support House	Iveagh Trust	Social Innovation Fund Ireland
Adare Recreation &	Cork Counselling Services	Jack and Jill Childrens Foundation	Solas Project
Community Complex (ARCC)	Cork Migrant Centre	Jewish Home of Ireland	Special Olympics Ireland
T/A Manor Fields	Corrymeela Community	Kanturk Community Hospital	Speedpak Limited
Age Concern Network of	Croagh Kilfinny	Kerry GAA Centre of Excellence	Spinal Injuries Ireland
Newcastle and District	Development Association	Kerry Writers' Museum	Sport Against Racism Ireland
Alzheimer Society of Ireland	Crosscare	Laois Sports Partnership	Spraoi agus Spórt Family Centre
An Taisce - The National Trust	Cuan Mhuire NI	L'Arche Belfast	St Camillus Bethany
for Ireland	Cuan Modh Day Centre	Learning Hub Limerick	Bereavement Support Group
Anam Cara Parental & Sibling	CyberSafeIreland	Leitrim Calling	Strokestown GAA
Bereavement Support	Cystic Fibrosis Ireland	Limerick Autism Group	Suas Educational Development
ARC Healthy Living Centre Ltd	Daisyhouse Housing Association	Little Castle Playgroup	Swan Regional Youth Service
Ardoyne holycross boxing club	Dance Theatre of Ireland	Little Museum of Dublin (The)	Tallaght University
Aremoja Women's Group Sligo	Darndale Belcamp Village Centre	Longford GAA	Hospital Foundation
Ashoka	DCU Educational Trust	Mae Murray Foundation	Temple Street Foundation
AslAm	Dogs for the Disabled	Making Connections	The Cavan Centre
Athlone Institute of Technology	Dolmen Clubhouse	Maria Goretti Foundation	The Festival of Curiosity
Autism Assistance Dogs Ireland	Down Syndrome Cork	Mayo Roscommon	The Mater Foundation
Avoca Community First Responders	Druid Theatre Company	Hospice Foundation	The MS Society of Ireland
Baboró International Arts Festival	Dublin City University	Meath Springboard Family	South East Region
for Children	Dublin International	Support Services	The Pushkin Trust
Backstage Theatre	Piano Competition	Medecins Sans Frontieres Ireland	The Shona Project
Ballymun Adult Read & Write Scheme	Dublin Jewish Board of Guardians	Mental Health Reform	The Spectrum Centre Trust
Banbridge Amateur Boxing Club	Dublin Talmud Torah	Mercy Law Resource Centre	The Thoor Ballylee Development
Barnardos	Enable Ireland	Migraine Association of Ireland	Trinity Centre for People
Barretstown	Enactus Ireland	Miltown Malbay	with Intellectual Disabilities
Baseball Ireland	Enniscorthy Rugby Club	Development Company	Tyrone GAA
Basispoint	Equine Enrichment CIC	MountEagles Community Association	Ulster University Foundation
Bedford Row Family Project	Fighting Words	MS Ireland	Undergraduate Awards
Behind The Stable Door	First Fortnight	Music Generation	University College Cork -
Belvedere College S.J.	Fishamble Theatre Company	Na Piobairi Uilleann	Cork Cancer Research Center -
Benefacts	Free Legal Advice Centres (FLAC)	Narrative 4	Leslie C. Quick Jnr. Laboratory
Blackrock College	Front Line - The International	Nasc, the Refugee and	University College Dublin Foundation
Blossom Ireland	Foundation for the Protection	Migrant Rights Centre	University of Limerick Foundation
Blue Box Creative Arts	of Human Rights Defenders	National College of Ireland,	Via Wings
Therapy Centre	Fund it (Business to Arts trading as)	Early Learning Initiative	Walkinstown Greehills
British-Irish Association	Gaelic Players Association	National Gallery of Ireland	Resource Centre
Burrenbeo Trust	Gaelscoil na gCeithre Máistrí	National Library of Ireland	Waterford Healing Arts Trust
Burrishoole GAA	Galway GAA	Native Woodland Trust	Waterside Women's Centre
Butler Gallery	Galway University Foundation	North Offaly Community	West Belfast Partnership
Cabragh Wetlands	GIY	Development Network	West Clare Family Resource Centre
Development Trust	Glenstal Abbey	Our Lady's Boys Club	West Cork Music
Cancer Support Sanctuary LARCC	Good Shepherd Cork	PeacePlayers	Wexford Festival Opera
Carmichael Centre	Graffiti Theatre Company	Philanthropy Ireland	Wexford GAA
Castlerea Community Arts Group	Grow in Ireland - Dublin	Poetry Ireland	Wicklow Hospice Foundation
ChangeX	HADD-ADHD Ireland	Purple House Cancer Support	Women For Election
Charities Institute Ireland	Haven	Queen's University of	WOMEN'STEC
Children in Crossfire	Helium Arts	Belfast Foundation	Yeats Society Sligo
Children, Adults, Parents	Hello World Foundation	Rapid Prompting Method	Youth Initiatives
and Autism (CAPAA)	High Kirk Social Action in	ReCreate Ireland	Aisling Irish Community Center
Children's Grief Centre	our Community	Rosemont Secondary School for Girls	Emerald Isle Immigration
Childrens Law Centre (CLC)	Holywell Trust	Rough Magic Theatre Company	Center of New York
Children's Medical	Hope 4 UR Life NI	Rowing Ireland	Irish Arts Center
Research Foundation	Hunt Museum	Royal College of Surgeons Ireland	Irish International Immigrant Center
ChildVision, National Education	Imaginosity, Dublin Children's	Royal Irish Academy of Music	Irish Pastoral Centre
Centre for Blind Children	Museum	Safe Ireland National Social	Irish Repertory Theatre
Cinemagic	Integrated Education Fund	Change Agency	Origin Theatre Company
Citizens of Senior Years (COSY) Club	Irish Deaf Society	Scoil Chríost Rí	Washington Ireland
Clare GAA	Irish Film Institute	Scoil Uí Chonaill	Program (WIP) - US
Cloughjordan Circus Club	Irish Georgian Society	Sensational Kids	
Coláiste Chu Chulainn	Irish Heritage Trust	ShoutOut	

Financials

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 \$23 million in grants and program services to 314 worthy projects in 2018 across the island of Ireland and Irish communities worldwide.**



STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31

	2018	2017
REVENUES, SUPPORT, OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS	\$30,544,767	\$38,336,118
Contributions	\$17,302,884	\$24,707,610
Fundraising events	\$12,139,336	\$11,262,165
Less: fundraising event expenses	\$(3,300,759)	\$(4,118,326)
Fundraising events, net of direct costs	\$8,838,577	\$7,143,839
Other income	\$62,020	\$75,096
Net Unrestricted Revenues & Support	\$26,203,481	\$31,926,545
Investment Income and Foreign Exchange	\$(667,265)	\$1,762,482
Other Contributions		
Contributions of art and literary collections	\$62,500	\$16,800
Changes in Net Assets with Donor Restrictions- Contributions	\$1,645,292	\$511,965
Total Other Contributions	\$1,040,527	\$2,291,247
Net Revenues, Support, Other Contributions	\$27,244,008	\$34,217,792
GRANTS AND PROGRAM SERVICES		
Grant awards	\$20,153,964	\$27,232,325
Other program services	\$2,774,314	\$2,244,586
Total Grants and Program Services	\$22,928,278	\$29,476,911
SUPPORTING SERVICES		
General Administration	\$2,508,691	\$1,789,120
Fundraising	\$1,837,289	\$1,739,405
Total Supporting Services	\$4,345,980	\$3,528,525

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS OF DECEMBER 31

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
ASSETS					
Cash and Investments	\$14,186,728	\$14,897,992	\$17,022,964	\$22,546,267	\$20,003,181
Receivables	830,607	813,679	3,071,706	1,291,473	1,870,666
Works of art and literature on public display	241,691	344,916	219,491	236,291	298,791
Other assets	954,709	901,828	1,038,123	902,296	893,134
Total Assets	\$16,213,735	\$16,958,415	\$21,352,284	\$24,976,327	23,065,772
LIABILITIES					
Grants and accounts payable	\$3,596,011	\$5,177,262	\$6,866,435	\$9,332,817	7,482,679
Accrued liabilities	123,749	115,304	184,752	217,516	203,892
Deferred revenue	278,526	60,800	189,370	101,910	85,368
Total Liabilities	\$3,998,286	\$5,353,366	\$7,240,557	\$9,652,243	7,771,939
Total Net Assets	\$12,215,449	\$11,605,049	\$14,111,727	\$15,324,084	\$15,293,833
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$16,213,735	\$16,958,415	\$21,352,284	\$24,976,327	\$23,065,772

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"When it comes to idealism that inspires, The Ireland Funds provides the perfect model. You have been our friends and champions, in good times and in bad. Through your continuing support of Ireland you have been instrumental in promoting peace, equality and opportunity across the island of Ireland and among Irish communities worldwide." — *LEO VARADKAR, AN TAOISEACH (PRIME MINISTER) OF IRELAND*

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