

Ireland

### **No Mind Left Behind**

No Mind Left Behind gives promising young people an opportunity to complete third-level education by providing an annual scholarship to cover the costs of books, accommodation and other key expenses. Over \$54,000 donation this year is supporting 9 students from St James Street CBS. The programme has helped 200+ students so far with a life changing scholarship.

### **Learning Hub Limerick**

In disadvantaged areas of Limerick, only 6% of young people progress to a university education, so instilling a love of learning is key. LHL is a place where art, science, music, health, stories and digital learning is provided for all children. LHL works in partnership with parents, education providers, statutory agencies, and the wider Limerick community to provide a safe, welcoming and inspiring learning environment where young people can reach their true potential.

### **Trinity St. James Cancer Institute**

The Trinity St James Cancer Institute (TSJCI) is transforming cancer care in Ireland by combining world-class science with excellent patient care to pioneer new ways to prevent, detect and treat cancer. This is essential as Ireland has the third highest cancer rate in the world and cancer is the cause of one in four deaths nationally. The first cancer centre in Ireland to be accredited by the Organisation of European Cancer Institute (OECI), TSJCI is now working towards becoming Ireland's First Comprehensive Cancer Centre (CCC). Globally, cancer centres that integrate research, clinical trials, patient care and education are proven to deliver the best care for patients. A CCC is a national priority for Ireland and TSJCI is leading the way. A significant donation was made by a very generous donor.

### **Support for Ukraine**

At our first major fundraising event since COVID, a Black-Tie Dinner in March 2022 in Sydney Ukraine had just been invaded by Russia and whilst there are still many people to be assisted in Ireland our Chair Yvonne Le Bas announced on the night that all proceeds from our Live Auction would be directed to displaced Ukrainian people in Ireland and Australia. We donated \$30,000 to the Ireland Funds Ukrainian Relief Fund, an impactful response to a humanitarian crisis with immediate assistance for refugees with strategic services for people in need. **Over 40,000 refugees** have arrived in Ireland so far, the fund is supporting organizations in Ireland working to ensure: Access to education, Resettlement and community integration, Accommodation, Employment and Provision of mental health services.

### **CAN**

CAN is a social justice organisation working on issues such as housing, education, poverty, youth alienation, racism etc. in a unique and innovative way. When tackling a problem, they work closely with those most impacted by the issue, placing them at the heart of the change process. They are interested in change that is systemic and lasting. CAN achieves much with very limited resources their added value is their innovation—Our Support from a generous donor in Australia has helped CAN roll out their innovative ideas over the last few years.

### **ICE (Inner City Enterprise)**

ICE is a not-for-profit charity, set up to help long term unemployed individuals, social enterprises and youth entrepreneurs to establish their own businesses in Dublin's Inner City. Over the last 10 years (since 2012), ICE has established circa 1,400 new businesses. Over 50% of these enterprises are still in business after 2 years in operation, with a further percentage securing full time jobs or full-time education courses. ICE has awarded 38 Dublin City social enterprise awards in partnership with Dublin City Council. ICE works to support this group offering one to one supports, training, networking and support with accessing finance.

### **Trinity Provost Scholarships**

In 2017 TCD launched the Provosts' PhD awards which last year provided 50 scholarships to PhD's across a wide variety of disciplines. With a very generous donor advised grant, the Ireland Funds Australia was able to support this fantastic initiative in 2022.

### **Special Olympics**

Special Olympics transforms lives through sport. A sports organisation for people with an intellectual disability from the age of 4 years old with no upper age limit. Currently almost 8,000 athletes from across the island of Ireland participate in 15 different sports through Special Olympics. Through their sports, health and leadership programmes their athletes learn to be physically, mentally and emotionally fit. They get to learn new skills, increase confidence and most importantly they get to experience the joy of sport and make life-long friendships! Our Young Leaders supported by donating \$16,500 from this year's Global 5k event.

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### **Beyond Blue**

With more than 3 million Australians living with anxiety or depression Beyond Blue provides support and information to help everyone in Australia achieve their best possible mental health whatever their age and wherever they live. Our Young Leaders have supported Beyond Blue for the last 3 years and this year they have donated \$16,500

### **Support for Ukraine**

After our Black-Tie Gala in March 2022, we donated \$30,000 to the Ukrainian Resettlement Fund, Rotary Program in Sydney this fund will provide professional support for a variety of resettlement programs such as mental health, work-entry, life skills (such as swimming, first aid, and driving lessons), bridging courses to have qualifications accepted in Australia, and integration programs for children (such as retreats and camps).