

**YOUTH  
WORK  
CHANGES  
LIVES**



# Annual Review 2016

NYCI IS A MEMBERSHIP-LED UMBRELLA ORGANISATION THAT REPRESENTS AND SUPPORTS THE INTERESTS OF VOLUNTARY YOUTH ORGANISATIONS WORKING WITH OVER 380,000 YOUNG PEOPLE.

WE USE OUR COLLECTIVE EXPERIENCE TO ACT ON ISSUES THAT IMPACT ON YOUNG PEOPLE.  
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**MEMBER ORGANISATIONS**



**NEW MEMBERS:**

In 2016 we welcomed the Union of Students in Ireland (USI) and Global Action Plan (GAP) into membership.

## YOUTH SECTOR:

**1,400**

STAFF WORK WITH OVER

**40,000**

VOLUNTEERS IN ORGANISING AND SUPPORTING YOUTH WORK FOR OVER

**382,600**

YOUNG PEOPLE

## Strategic goals

**I**

INFORM AND INFLUENCE PUBLIC POLICY

**II**

RECOGNISE AND VALUE YOUTH WORK AND THE VOLUNTARY YOUTH SECTOR

**III**

BUILD KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND CAPACITY

**IV**

CREATE EXCELLENT RESEARCH

**V**

DEVELOP THE NATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL OF IRELAND'S ORGANISATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

# YOUTH WORK



I. Lobbied successfully to increase funding for Youth Work in Budget:

**€5.5m** ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT ► **5%** INCREASE IN FUNDING ACROSS YOUTH WORK.

- I. II. Participation on: National Children and Young People's Advisory Council (NCYPAC); Child Poverty, Brexit and Prevention and Early Intervention Sub-Groups of the NCYPAC; National Implementation Group for the National Quality Standards Framework; and Standards for Local Clubs Working Group.
- I. II. National Youth Strategy included in NCYPAC workplan for 2017.
- I. II. III. North/South collaborations: on professional endorsement of 3rd level qualifications in youth and community work; and on youth work and ICT working group.
- V. Full compliance with the Governance Code.
- I. II. Participated in National Taskforce on Youth Mental Health led by Minister McEntee.
- I. II. Prepared Memorandum of Understanding with Education and Training Boards Ireland.
- I. II. III. In partnership with Techspace, secured Science Foundation Ireland funding to support major STEM in Youth Work initiative. Secured funding from Carnegie to support ICT in youth work.
- II. Led large collaborative group in partnership with Accenture to develop SkillsSummary, a tool to recognise and record soft skills young people acquire through youth work.
- II. III. Facilitated discussions with NYCI's All Island member organisations. Facilitated NYCI's Specialist Organisations Network to engage with Charity Regulation and the development of the Standards for Local Youth Clubs.
- V. NQSF: successfully participated in Year 1, Cycle 2.
- I. II. III. Over 100 decision makers, academics and youth workers looked at securing investment in youth work at NYCI Annual Conference: Talking Cents.

## ADVOCACY AND POLICY WORK



I. II. MET WITH

**4** + **4**  
SENIOR MINISTERS      MINISTERS OF STATE

I. NYCI'S WORK REFERENCED IN OIREACTHAS PROCEEDINGS

**35** TIMES

I. **1st** TIME NYCI NOMINEE ELECTED TO SEANAD ÉIREANN

I. II. DEVELOPED GENERAL ELECTION MANIFESTO ACROSS 11 POLICY AREAS AFFECTING YOUNG PEOPLE:

Reference in Programme for Government to "fund an expansion of Youth Services" commitment in line with NYCI advocacy work in meetings with all parties and presentation of our manifesto prior to the General Election.

## COMMUNICATIONS



II. V. ONLINE AND SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE STRENGTHENED AND INCREASED MEDIA PROFILE FOR YOUTH ISSUES AND NYCI:

**218,658** SESSIONS ACROSS ALL NYCI WEBSITES

**479** MEDIA MENTIONS AND INTERVIEWS WITH AN ADVERTISING VALUE EQUIVALENT OF **€746,770**

**6,500+** TWITTER FOLLOWERS      **2,700+** FACEBOOK FOLLOWERS

**4,000+** E-BULLETIN SUBSCRIBERS      **4,968** YOUTUBE CHANNEL VIEWS

## 13 PUBLICATIONS

Resources, reports and policy papers developed for the youth sector. See [youth.ie/publications](http://youth.ie/publications)

# YOUTH ARTS



iii. **OVER 130** PARTICIPANTS IN TRAINING AND NETWORKING EVENTS FOR THE SECTOR

ACC iii. NYCI/NUI LEVEL 7 CERTIFICATE IN YOUTH ARTS: **9 NEW GRADUATES**

i. Youth Arts Advocacy training successfully piloted with **3** YOUTH PROJECTS resulting in local action campaigns

iii. **10** ARTIST AND YOUTH WORK RESIDENCY GRANTS awarded nationally 

iii. CENTENARY EVENTS: partnered with National Print Museum to help **2** YOUTH PROJECTS explore what a new Proclamation of Independence for the next one-hundred years might look like

# DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION



i. CELEBRATED 2ND SUCCESSFUL YEAR OF UN YOUTH DELEGATE PROGRAMME

ACC iii. **40 GRADUATES:** QQI Level 5 Social Justice Principles course

## ONE WORLD WEEK:

i. iii.

**200**

YOUNG PEOPLE at Youth Summit on Migration and the SDGs

ii.

**30**

MINI-GRANTS supporting local actions

iii.

**355**

TRAINING PARTICIPANTS REACHED

**9,940** YOUNG PEOPLE

# INTERCULTURAL AND EQUALITY



iii.iv. **500 COPIES OF 8 STEPS TO INCLUSIVE YOUTH WORK** TOOLKIT DISTRIBUTED

Launched to support sector to demonstrate and measure inclusive practice in youth work.

iii. TRAINING AND PRESENTATIONS



provided to **295** participants across youth sector

iii. Coordinated Council of Europe No Hate Speech Movement in Ireland:

**REACHED 440+** AT OFFLINE EVENTS AND ENGAGED **WITH OVER 5,000 ONLINE** AND THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA.

iii. **OVER 1,500** downloads and views of [Access All Areas](#) toolkit and [Let's Act on Inclusion](#) video

# YOUTH HEALTH PROMOTION



**HEALTH QUALITY MARK AWARDED TO 7**



HEALTH PROMOTING ORGANISATIONS (3 GOLD/1 SILVER/3 BRONZE)

ACC iii. **16 PARTICIPANTS** commenced Specialist Certificate in Youth Health Promotion

iii.

**19**

TRAINING EVENTS WITH **344** PARTICIPANTS

iii. P.A.U.S.E training on challenging behaviour delivered to the youth sector

iii. New 'Understanding pornography and young people' training programme developed

i. iii. Mental Health Promotion Officer added to the National Youth Health Programme



# CHILD PROTECTION

## III. NYCI CHILD PROTECTION AWARENESS PROGRAMME

DELIVERED BY ITS MEMBERS' TRAINERS TO OVER **10,000 PARTICIPANTS**

TRAINING DELIVERED DIRECTLY BY NYCI TO A FURTHER **815 PARTICIPANTS**

**ACC** III. **17 GRADUATES** from the Certificate in Child Protection and Welfare

III. **NYCI GARDA VETTING CONSORTIUM** **5,200** vetting applications processed on behalf of the youth work sector

V. III. E-vetting went live - information seminar held for over **100 PEOPLE**

# INTERNATIONAL WORK



I, II, III. **300+** **YOUNG PEOPLE AND YOUTH WORKERS** PARTICIPATED IN **YOUNG VOICES** AS PART OF THE EU STRUCTURED DIALOGUE PROCESS

I, II. **30+** **YOUNG PEOPLE AND YOUTH WORKERS** facilitated to attend national and international policy and advocacy events

I. **YOUNG PEOPLE FROM YOUNG VOICES YOUTH GROUP** PRESENTED PLAN FOR **YOUTH CHECK 'SEIC ÓG'** IN IRELAND TO THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S POLICY CONSORTIUM

# RESEARCH IN FOCUS



## I, IV. **SCREENAGERS** INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH ON **ICT, DIGITAL AND SOCIAL MEDIA IN YOUTH WORK**

**5** **INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS** LED BY NYCI (AUSTRIA, DENMARK, FINLAND, NORTHERN IRELAND AND ROI)

**1,865** survey respondents, focus groups and case studies engaged with the project



### IN IRELAND

**OVER 3/4** of youth workers use digital and social media in their work daily - **BUT ONLY**

**24%** had received training

Screenagers International Research **NATIONAL REPORT** provided evidence base for:

- advocacy on increased supports around ICT in youth work practice and
- securing funding for related initiatives to support the sector

# FINANCES

INCOME 2016: **€1,596,137**

EXPENDITURE 2016: **€1,585,475**



SOURCES OF FUNDING: **40**

STAFF EMPLOYED: **21**

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