

What is Youth Work?

Youth work is complementary to the formal, academic or vocational education of a young person. It is a planned programme designed to help and support the personal and social development of the young person. Youth work is based on voluntary involvement and provided mainly by youth work organisations at local community level. It can take place in youth clubs, youth groups, youth projects and youth services with professional youth workers and volunteers. Youth work was given formal statutory recognition in the Youth Work Act 2001.

What is Intercultural Youth Work?

Intercultural youth work recognises that ethnic and cultural diversity enriches our communities. This approach involves the development of policies and practices that promote communication, understanding and integration among and between different cultures and ethnic groups. It is a commitment to social cohesion and living harmoniously in a multi-ethnic society. It believes that it is the responsibility and commitment of all to work towards achieving a society based on equality and inclusion. Intercultural youth work is not an add-on, it is embedded in our thinking, planning, implementation and evaluations with an emphasis on achieving equality of outcome for all. It recognises the need to build programmes that support cultural identity and belonging, builds trust with families and develops skills and competencies.

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Youth Work Activities for Children and Young People in Co Kerry

This leaflet was developed by the National Youth Council of Ireland to support young people in Asylum Seeker Accommodation Centres and young people in Refugee Resettlement Projects to link with Youth Activities in their area

Accommodation Centres:

Atlas House, Killarney, (F)

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Johnson Marina, Tralee, (F)

Manager: Jamie Carnegie Tel: 066 7180177

Linden House, New Road, Killarney (SM)

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See online map on www.youth.ie/online-interactive-map



ماهو العمل الشبابي؟

العمل الشبابي هو المكمل للتعليم الأكاديمي أو الرسمي أو المهني للشباب. هو برنامج مخطط ومصمم لمساعدة ودعم تطوير الشباب ذاتيا واجتماعيا. العمل الشبابي يعتمد أساسا علي العمل التطوعي و مصدره الرئيسي منظمات الشباب علي مستوى المجتمع المحلي. ويمكن إقامته بنوادي الشباب، الحلقات الشبابية، مشروعات الشباب أو الأماكن الخدمية بالتعاون مع عاملين مختصين في العمل مع الشباب و متطوعين.

ما هو العمل الشبابي الثقافي؟

هو ما أدرك أن الاختلاف الثقافي و العرقي بالمجتمعات يزيدها ثراء. وهذا الاتجاه يتضمن تطوير السياسات والمعاملات التي من شأنها أن تدعم التواصل و التفاهم و التكامل بين المجموعات المختلفة ثقافيا و عرقيا. وإنه لضروره لضمان التلاحم المجتمعي و العيش المتجانس بين الثقافات المختلفة في المجتمع الواحد. كما يؤمن أن العمل به مسؤولية و التزام من الجميع للوصول إلي مجتمع مبني علي المساواة و التضامن. و قد أدرك الحاجة لانشاء برامج تدعم الشخصية الثقافية و الانتماء و بناء الثقة مع العائلات و تطوير المهارات و التنافسية. إن العمل الشبابي الثقافي ليس بإضافة و إنما هو راسخ في تفكيرنا و تخطيطنا و تقييمنا لضمان الوصول لنتائج عادله و متساويه للجميع.



Young People at NYC's launch of their research **Make Minority a Priority**: a research report on the insights from minority ethnic young people growing up in Ireland and recommendations for the youth work sector.

[www.youth.ie/minority] Photo credit: Steve Humphries

Qu'est-ce que le travail pour jeune?

Le travail pour jeune est complémentaire à l'éducation formelle, académique ou d'apprentissage d'une jeune personne. C'est un programme planifié conçu pour aider et soutenir le développement individuel and social de la jeune personne. Le travail pour jeune est basé sur l'engagement volontaire et est fourni principalement par des organisations bénévoles de travail de jeune au niveau d'une communauté locale. Il peut se passer dans des clubs de jeunesse, des groupes de jeunesse, des projets ou des services de jeunesse, avec des travailleurs professionnels de jeunesse and des bénévoles. Le travail pour jeune avait reçu une reconnaissance statutaire dans la Loi de 2001 sur le Travail avec les Jeunes.

Qu'est-ce que l'Interculturalisme?

L'Interculturalisme reconnaît que la diversité ethnique et culturelle peuvent enrichir notre société. Cette approche implique le développement des politiques qui promeuvent la communication, la compréhension et l'intégration parmi et entre les cultures et les groupes ethniques. C'est un engagement à la cohésion sociale et à la manière de vivre le mieux harmonieusement possible dans une société multi-ethnique. C'est la responsabilité et l'engagement de tous dans le secteur de travail avec les jeunes, de travailler pour atteindre une société basée sur l'égalité et l'inclusion des tous. L'Interculturalisme devrait être vu comme d'autres problèmes d'inclusion et d'égalité – tels que le genre et le handicap – encrés dans nos pensées, nos planifications, nos mises en exécution et nos évaluations avec un accent particulier sur l'atteinte de l'égalité dans résultats.

Youth Groups in Co Kerry

Jigsaw Kerry

Jigsaw is not a youth group. It is therapeutic support for 15-25 year olds experiencing mild to moderate mental health difficulties, of up to 8 sessions. We do referrals or signpost young people on if another service is more appropriate. A parent/guardian always attends the first appointment for under 18s. A parent/guardian can thereafter arrange for the young person's attendance (i.e. whether accompanied or not).

Location: Jigsaw Kerry, Unit A1 Edward Court, Edward Street, Tralee, Co. Kerry

Age group: 15-25

When and how you can access jigsaw: Through phone or email to discuss a consultation

Contact details: Phone: 066 718 6785 or email: kerry@jigsaw.ie

Travel: Young people would need to travel to Jigsaw. 3 minute drive from Atlas House, 7 minute drive from Johnson Marina.

Web: www.jigsaw.ie/jigsaw_kerry

Other specialist youth organisations:

These youth organisations may offer something to those with specialist interests.



Photo courtesy of Youth Work Ireland

Boys Brigade and Girls Brigade: National uniformed organisations underpinned by the Christian faith

Coder Dojo: National volunteer-led organisation offering free programming workshops for young people between 7 and 17

Irish Red Cross Youth: Youth section of Irish Red Cross

Irish Youth Orchestras: Umbrella body for community-based music groups

Localise: National Youth Volunteers organisation that enables young people to be change makers in their community through service to others

No Name Club: National youth clubs that promote a lifestyle in which the use of alcohol or drugs is seen to be unnecessary

Order of Malta: Junior section of the ambulance corps

SpunOut: Interactive online community providing information on health, signposting to support services, and offering a youth media space

USI: Union of Students in Ireland

USSI: Union of Secondary Schools in Ireland, supporting young people having a voice and decision making

Voluntary Services International (VSI): Focus on youth volunteering in Ireland and overseas

Young Irish Filmmakers: A national development and educational youth film making organisation with their base in Co Kilkenny

For details on all of the above and to see more options see www.youth.ie/get-involved/members/

Kerry LGBT group

An LGBT+ youth group run by KDYS for young people aged 15 – 21 years in Kerry and the South West.

Location(s): Kerry Diocesan Youth Service, Tralee Youth Centre, Deny Street, Tralee; also Castleisland and Killarney

When do we meet: The group meets in:

- Tralee every Tuesday from 6:30-8.00pm
- Castleisland Saturdays
- Killarney Wednesday evening

Age group: 13-18 yrs

When and how you can join: Contact for more details.

Contact details:

- Tralee: Oonagh O'Sullivan, email: oonaghosullivan@kdys.ie or phone: 085 759 9567. For the 18-25 yrs LGBT group: Martin O'Sullivan – 066 712 1674
- Killarney: Geraldine O'Halloran, phone: 064 663 1748
- Castleisland: Tim Nolan, phone: 066 714 2648

Travel: Young people would need to travel to the youth centres.

Web: www.kdys.ie

www.facebook.com/KDYS

Kerry Diocesan Youth Service, Youth Work Ireland

KDYS is Building Futures for all young people. We are committed to equipping young people to become stronger, more resilient with skills which last a lifetime. We believe in all young people, we invest in spaces where they can be safe and have fun, connect and forge their networks, develop leadership skills, take action and have their voices and opinions heard on issues that affect and interest them.

Locations: Kerry Diocesan Youth Service, Tralee Youth Centre, Deny Street, Tralee.

Kerry Diocesan Youth Service, KDYS Youth Centre, Fair Hill, Killarney.

When do we meet: Weekly and/or day programmes

Age group: 13-19

When and how you can join: There is a range of different groups throughout the year. Contact us for more details.

Contact details: Geraldine O'Halloran, email: GeraldineOHalloran@kdys.ie or phone: 064 663 1748

Travel: Young people would need to travel to the group. KDYS Tralee is 13 minute walk from Johnson Marina. KDYS Killarney is 10-15 minute walk from Atlas House and Park Lodge.

Web: www.kdys.ie

www.facebook.com/KDYS



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Scouting Ireland

Scouting Ireland is part of the worldwide movement of Scouting. We work through a non-formal educational approach with boys and girls. We focus on the development of young people as whole individuals, by building knowledge, skills, responsibility but above all character. In Ireland, as across the globe, Scouting works on team building, leadership, outdoor learning, a code of living and service to others. Scouting Ireland is working toward an inclusive environment, that it is not just open to all, but welcoming to all.

Location: There are a number of scouting groups in Kerry. For locations, see

www.scouts.ie/Get-involved/Group-Locator/

When do we meet: Usually once a week from September to July as well as overnight trips

Age Groups: Beavers aged 6-8; Cub Scouts aged 9-11; Scouts aged 12-15; Venture Scouts aged 15-17; and Rovers aged 18-25

Contact details: Karol Quinn, email: kquinn@scouts.ie or phone: 086 0449904

When and how you can join: Enquire anytime. Places can be limited if we don't have enough Leaders. You may have to wait until September to join your local group. www.scouts.ie/about/About-Scouting

Travel: Young people would need to travel to the group.



Photo courtesy of Irish Girl Guides

Irish Girl Guides

Irish Girl Guides (IGG) is a youth-driven, dynamic organisation offering a varied and exciting programme for girls and young women aged 5-30, and opportunities for women of all ages. As a girl-only movement, girls are free to develop and express themselves in a safe, comfortable, supported setting. Our members learn new skills, grow in self-confidence, develop teamwork and leadership skills, experience new activities, and build lifelong friendships. We have a strong emphasis on the outdoors, environment, community responsibility and global sisterhood. IGG actively promotes diversity and inclusion and welcomes girls and young women from all walks of life.

Location: There are a number of groups throughout Kerry. See www.irishgirlguides.ie/unit-locator/ for more information.

When do we meet: Weekly, usually from September to May / June

Age groups: Ladybirds aged 5-7; Brownies aged 7-10; Guides aged 10-14; Senior Branch aged 14-30

Contact details: Mary at info@irishgirlguides.ie or phone 01 668 3898

When and how you can join: Enquire any time. Places can be limited if we don't have enough Leaders. You may have to wait until September to join your local group. www.irishgirlguides.ie/how-to-get-involved

Travel: Young people would need to travel to the group.

Catholic Guides of Ireland

The Catholic Guides of Ireland (CGI) is a Nationwide association open to girls and women from all backgrounds. CGI provides accessible Guiding opportunities within a safe environment to enable all girls and young women to develop to their full potential. We encourage members to explore Creativity, Health, Out of doors, International, Communication, Environment and more. Our members are empowered and inspired to actively engage in various local and global issues, and to recognise the contribution they make to society. Members have opportunities to gain skills in the areas of leadership & teambuilding, and they develop self-esteem and pride in themselves and their capabilities.

Location: CGI have a Unit in Caherdaniel. See all locations at www.girlguidesireland.ie/find-a-local-unit

When do we meet: Weekly from September to June with occasional activities during the summer months

Age Group: Cygnets: 5-6, Brigini: 6/7-10/11, Guides: 10/11-17, Guiders: 18+

Contact details: email admin@girlguidesireland.ie or phone 01 661 9566

When and how you can join: Contact the National Office at any time for more information on your local group and the availability of places.

Travel: Young people would need to travel to the Unit meetings.

Web: www.girlguidesireland.ie and social media

Wavelength at Gaisce: The President's Award

Gaisce – The President's Award is a self-development programme that encourages young people aged 15-25 to find your passion, get active and make a difference in your community. Gaisce is a direct challenge from the President of Ireland to young people aged 15-25 to dream big and realise their potential. There are three levels of Gaisce – Bronze, Silver and Gold. The more time and energy you give, the greater the reward. By taking part in Gaisce, you will take on exciting personal, physical and community challenges and develop new skills and new friendships. A President's Award Leader (PAL) will support you throughout your Award Journey.

The Wavelength Project at Gaisce aims to ensure young people aged 14-25 who are seeking asylum, or who are refugees in Ireland have the opportunity to participate in Gaisce – The President's Award, whereby any fees will be waived.

Location: Various locations, contact the Wavelength team for more information

When do we meet: Participants engage with a project for 1 hour a week as a minimum.

Age group: 14 – 25

When and how you can join: Anytime during the year

Contact details: Email Sanaz at wavelength@gaisce.ie or call 01 617 1999.

Other: over 25's can take a leadership role on the programme. They are called PALs (President's Award Leader). PALs can also sign up young people to the Wavelength project.

