



Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe Galway City Council

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11th June 2024

TO THE MAYOR AND EACH MEMBER OF GALWAY CITY COUNCIL

Item on Agenda for City Council Meeting Monday 8th July 2024

Re: Local Community Festivals Grant Scheme 2024

A Chara,

Galway City Council supports community festivals to encourage participation in community life and demonstrates the involvement of the community and local residents. The purpose of the Grant Scheme is to provide financial assistance to groups and organisations engaged in projects and events at local community level. The Scheme provides funding for a diverse range of projects thus ensuring that the limited funds available are used to the maximum benefit of the wider community. This Scheme has operated annually since 2014.

The budget for the Local Community Festivals Grant Scheme in 2024 is €15,000, which was open for online applications from 13th May 2024, with a closing date of 31st May 2024. 35 applications were received, with total funding sought of €94,968.00.

All applications were reviewed and assessed internally in accordance with the selection criteria as outlined on the application form as follows:

- Extent to which the proposed festival or event actively engages the local community – 30 marks.
- Extent to which the festival/event demonstrates organisational capacity and track record (including the track record of organisers in the case of a new event) - 25 marks.
- Quality of proposed programme for the festival or event – 25 marks.
- Quality and relevance of information supplied in the application as it relates to the ethos of this funding scheme and the feasibility of the proposal - 20 marks.

The following is the list of groups awarded funding for noting by elected members under the Local Community Festivals Grant Scheme 2024. All successful applicants must acknowledge Galway City Council before, during and after their event. They must use the Galway City Council logo on all promotional material and at events and must comply with the grant scheme criteria.

Is mise le meas,

Derek Pender,
Director of Services,
Corporate Governance & Services, Community and Climate Change

Fáiltítear roimh chomhfhreagras i nGaeilge / Correspondence in Irish is welcome

Name of Group / Organisation	Title & Description of Event	Grant Recommended
Ballybane Community Garden	Ballybane Community Garden Festival & Open Day	€600
Ballybane Sports and Community Development	Family Fun Day	€600
Clifton Park Residents Association	Midsummer gathering	€350
Devon Park Residents Association	Annual Devon Park Summer Party	€350
Galway Afro Vibes	Galway Afro Fest	€500
Galway City Women's Shed	Galway City Women's Shed Summer Party	€600
Galway Civic Trust / Dúchas na Gaillimhe	Galway Civic Trust 30 Year Celebration	€400
Galway Community Pride	Galway Community Pride Festival	€2,000
Galway Hooker Sailing Club	Galway Docklands Festival 2024	€1,000
Galway Indian Cultural Community	THIRUVONAM -24 (INDIAN CULTURAL FESTIVAL)	€1,500
Galway Skateboard Association	Galway Skate Fest 4	€250
Galway Stronger Together	National Independence Day	€250
Learn Polish Company Limited by Guarantee	Kids Christmas Party	€250
Liosmor Residents Association	Liosmor Residents Annual Summer Barbecue	€200
Lower Salthill Residents Association	Family Fun Day	€400
Merlin Neighbourhood Residents Association	Family Fun and Sports Day	€600
Merlin Woods Sports Club	Merlin Woods Sports Community Family Day	€500
Moyola Park Residents Group	Street Feast Party	€200
Rackets For All	Rackets for All Galway Open Day	€500
SAOL Connect	Festival of Praise	€700
Shantalla Community Allotments	Community Harvest Festival	€500
Sliabh Rua Residents Association	Sliabh Rua Family Fun Day	€500
St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church	Medieval Summer Cultural Fete	€650

Tirellan Residents Association	Christmas Lunch for the Elderly and those residing alone.	€700
UHUG (Ukrainians Helping Ukrainians Galway)	Ukrainian Cultural Fest	€600
Wellpark Grove Residents	Wellpark Grove Community Party	€300
	Total	€15,000