

Community Climate Action Fingal

Funding Community projects to Reduce Emissions



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Who is Eligible?

- Not-for Profit organisations operating in Fingal
- Tidy Towns, Community Groups, Residents Organisations
- Youth Clubs, Active Age, Mens/ Women's Sheds
- Sports Clubs, GAA, Soccer, Sailing, Scouts, Tennis, Cricket, Cycling
- Can have Charitable Status, Articles of Association, Regular minuted meetings/ AGM
- Groups registered with PPN/ The Wheel
- **This grant covers projects that will reduce emissions**
 - *This grant is not for 'learning' and does not cover workshops and festivals/ awareness events
- Please note *Schools and Educational facilities are not eligible,
 - *businesses/ commercial entities are not eligible, but projects can include working with businesses to reduce waste/ water/ energy



Projects are 100% funded,
3 scales of grants available in this competitive application process

Small Scale Projects - Up to €20K

Medium Scale Projects - €21K to €50K

Large Scale Projects - €51K to €100K

Each Application should cover up to 5 Themes



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Themes - Project Ideas to Reduce Emissions

1. **Community Energy:** Solar Panels, Building Insulation, Heat Pump on a Community Building, LED Lighting in car park/ community area/ sports pitch
2. **Community Travel:** Cycle Parking infrastructure in Community area, Community Share Travel Options, Car-Pooling Initiative, Group cycling, bike lockers, bikeshare schemes, bike repair hubs
3. **Community Food & Waste:** Community Composting, Leaf Mould Collections, Community Food Bank/ sharing, Working with local businesses to reduce Food Waste, Packaging, Community Gardens
4. **Community Local Climate & Environmental Action:** Sand Dune/ river/watercourse/ Habitat Restoration, Planting Trees, Planting Biodiversity Area, Community Gardens
5. **Community Shopping & Recycling:** Working with local businesses to reduce waste, introduce local return/ Repair/ swap schemes, reduce packaging

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Project Ideas

- **Building Fabric Upgrades**
 - Roof/Attic Insulation
 - Wall Insulation
- **Renewable Energy Solutions**
 - Heat Pumps
 - Solar PV Panels for Solar Electricity
- **Energy Efficient Lighting**
 - Interior & Exterior, Floodlighting
 - Car Parks





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Project Ideas

- Heat Recovery Solutions
- Smart Metering
 - What gets measured gets managed
- Technological improvements
 - Building Management Systems
 - Heating Controls
 - Ventilation Controls





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Next Steps

- Assess Your Buildings
 - Get a FREE Energy Audit from SEAI (2k Voucher Support System)
 - Baseline Energy Consumption
 - Schedule of Improvements
 - Cost vs Impact Assessment
- Get at Least Three Quotes for recommended works as per your energy audit



Community Climate Action Officer will support groups in developing applications

- There will be one lead group in the application
- Each application might have multiple groups involved to hit the 5 themes - so networking is very important
- Fingal County Council will assess the applications and partner with the groups in the Application to the Department for the grant
- Meetings must be minuted and all agreements recorded
- Following approval, the lead group will receive 25% upfront funding, if necessary, group bank details will be submitted
- More payments can be drawn down as the project is verified/ vouched
- All parties must have a Bank/ Credit Union Account & treasurer



Online Applications

- Deadline for Applications will be announced
- Contact the Community Climate Action Officer (CCAO)
- Arrange a meeting to discuss ideas
- These are long-term projects,
- Groups should develop ideas locally, partnering with groups to fulfil the 5 themes
- Get Energy Audit (BER), then 3 quotes for the components - not required to go with the cheapest quote but you must get quotes for the work/ items
- Gather whatever paperwork is required (5yr lease/ renting agreements from property owner)
- Applications scored as according to Department Guidelines



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1. Contact Sinéad Fox Climate Action Department
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2. Request to be added to the 'mailing list'

3. Organise an energy audit for your building (if applicable)

Try to identify and local partners for a joint application

