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**To the Chair and Members of
the Central Area Committee**

NORTH EAST INNER CITY PROGRAMME OFFICE REPORT

2021 Funding

A further round of funding proposals totaling €440,906 was approved by the NEIC Programme Implementation Board at its meeting held on 28th April 2021. This latest round of approvals brings the total amount to €4.72M of the overall €6.5M allocated by the Government to the North East Inner City Initiative for 2021. All 2021 projects approved to date are listed under the relevant Sub-Group heading on the attached table **Appendix 1**. The table will be updated on an ongoing basis as further funding proposals are approved. The projects approved at the April Board Meeting are as follows:

*(Note: those marked with * are approved under the 'Emerging Needs' €250K heading)*

Sub-Group 1 – Enhanced Policing

Training Bursary – Understanding and Responding to Domestic Abuse - €5,600

Level 8 Course being run by Dundalk IT [Certificate in the Fundamentals of Understanding and Responding to Domestic Abuse](#). Attendance by 4 Community Representatives and 4 members of An Garda Síochána assigned to the Domestic Abuse Co-Ordinator Programme (Store St.). This accredited programme is the first of its kind to be offered in Ireland and aims to support learners in the development of an appropriate level of knowledge, skill and understanding to enable them to appropriately recognise and respond to domestic abuse.

Sub-Group 2 – Maximising Educational, Training & Employment Opportunities

ICRG (Inner City Renewal Group / Eastside & Docklands Local Employment Service) Bursary 2021 - €10,000

Practical supports to reduce barriers and to enable low-income young people to access education and training programmes e.g. assistance with costs of workwear, IT equipment. It is envisaged that 30-40 young people will benefit with an average grant of €200-€500 per person.

Sub-Group 3 – Family Wellbeing

The Oasis Centre, St. Laurence Place East – Expanded Programme of Counselling and Mental Health Supports - €12,000*

Additional funding for The Oasis Centre to provide an expanded programme of supports in response to increased demand for services as a result of Covid 19. These include mindfulness, bereavement support and 'Living with Covid – the aftermath' workshops.

Sub-Group 4 – Enhanced Community Wellbeing and the Physical Environment

Intercultural Development Co-Ordinator – Extension of Post for a further year (Salary Contribution and Programme Costs) - €60,800

The first Intercultural Development Co-Ordinator was appointed by Dublin City Council in June 2020. The post was co-funded by NEIC and Department of Justice. Considerable progress has been made by the Co-ordinator in Year 1 in advancing the objectives of the Government's Migrant Integration Strategy at local level. Approval was granted to fund the post for a further year (co-fund with Department of Children, Equality, Diversity, Inclusion & Youth) together with programme funding to advance key projects in the coming year i.e. Intercultural Ambassador Programme and the Roma Cultural Mediation Programme.

Sub-Group 6 – Alignment of Services

HSE Multi-Disciplinary Team Extension for a further year - €405,777

The Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) was set up in October 2020. This team, comprising of an enhanced NEPS service and HSE Speech & Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy and and Psychology, provide a 3 tiered model of holistic support to all children (1,800 pupils) in the 10 Primary schools in the North East Inner City (NEIC). The approved funding will provide for retention of the MDT for a further year from 01/09/2021 to 31/08/2022.

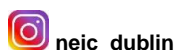
Neic Community Grant Scheme 2021 - €100,000

The [NEIC Community Grant Scheme 2021](#) is now open for applications. This year's theme is 'Emerging from Covid 19'. A total of €100,000 is available for distribution to community and voluntary organisations to support projects and activities that qualify under the terms of the Scheme. The Scheme [Guidelines](#) and [Application Form](#) are available to download from www.neic.ie. It is anticipated that assessment of the grant applications will take place in June for final approval by the NEIC Board at the June meeting (30th June). Payment of grants to successful applicants will follow in the first weeks of July.

For further information or clarification on any NEIC funded project, please contact the NEIC Programme office.

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APPENDIX 1

NEIC Programme – 2021 Funding Proposals Approved to date (April 2021)

Department of Rural & Community Development Community Enhancement Programme Allocation (€4.761M of €6.5M)	
Sub-Group – Enhanced Policing	
Operation Cribbage (Additional Policing resources for Liberty Park & Environs)	€370,000
Domestic Violence and Child Protection - Training for Practitioners	€1,600
Training Bursary – Understanding and Responding to Domestic Abuse (Dundalk IT)	€5,600
Sub-Total	€377,200
Sub-Group 2 – Maximising Educational, Training & Employment Opportunities	
School Principals Network – MA in Education (Special Option Poverty and Social Inclusion in Education) – Yr 2 of study for teachers who commenced the course in 2020	€42,900
Adult & Community Education Strategy for NEIC (co-fund with CDETB)	€12,750
Nurture Room Training for NEIC Primary Schools	€6,675
ICRG (Inner City Renewal Group / Eastside & Docklands Local Employment Service) Bursary 2021	€10,000
Sub-Total	€72,325
Sub-Group 3 – Family Wellbeing	
Service Provision for 7 to 10 year olds (Belvedere Youth Club)	€48,764
Under 18s Mental Wellbeing Therapeutic and Counselling Support (YPAR) (3 months)	€19,750
Community Case Management	€325,000
Parenting Programme Co-Ordinator (via Tusla)	€60,000
Sub-Total	€453,514
Sub-Group 4 – Enhanced Community Wellbeing and the Physical Environment	
NEIC Greening Strategy (Phase 2 : 2021-2023)	€545,000
Community Events Programme 2021	€325,000
Sport, Recreation & Wellbeing Programme 2021	€200,000
Community Arts Programme 2021	€155,000
Intercultural Development Co-Ordinator Yr. 2	€60,800
Sub-Total	€1,285,800
Sub-Group 5 – Substance Use, Misuse and Inclusion Health	
Recovery Coach Internships	€16,400
Recovery Café (Recovery Academy of Ireland)	€55,000
HOPE – Recovery Case Manager	€21,000
Sub-Total	€92,400
Sub-Group 6 – Alignment of Services	
Swan Youth – Detached Youth Outreach Programme	€150,000
'City Connects' Primary Schools Support Programme (Revised from previously approved figure of €367,951)	€314,680
NEPS / HSE – Multi Disciplinary Team supports for primary schools	€405,777
Sub-Total	€870,457

NEIC Programme Office – Overarching all Sub-Groups	
NEIC Social Employment Fund – maintain existing 55 places	1,000,000
Programme Office Costs 2021	260,000
Emerging Needs Fund <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Priority Technology Needs of Schools for remote learning €96,760</i> ○ <i>Transitional Roma translation Service for NEIC Schools €24,000</i> ○ <i>LYCS Temporary Accommodation contribution €10,128</i> ○ <i>Hill Street Family Resource Centre – 0-6 equipment - €1,760</i> ○ <i>Lourdes Daycare Centre Kitchen Equipment - €5,392</i> ○ <i>The Oasis Centre, Counselling and Mental Health Supports – €12,000</i> 	250,000
Community Grants Scheme 2021	100,000
Sub-Total	€1,610,000
TOTAL	€4,761,696