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## **NORTH EAST INNER CITY PROGRAMME OFFICE REPORT**

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

Funding proposals totaling **€1,326,852.20** were approved by the NEIC Programme Implementation Board at its meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022 bringing the total approved to €7.5M of the €7.5M 2022 NEIC funding allocation. The full list of 2022 funded 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 November Board Meeting are as follows:

### **Sub- Group 4 – Enhancing Community Wellbeing & the Physical Environment**

#### **Charleville Mall Library - €70,000**

Charleville Mall Library is a part of the Dublin City Public Libraries it was built in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. The building is wheelchair accessible however it is in need of an upgrade internally.

A programme of works have been agreed to bring the Library up to current standards including the addition of accessible bathrooms on site.

A contribution of funding has been requested from the NEIC Programme Office to assist with making the Library a better space for all and to ensure higher usage of the Library space.

#### **Hill Street Family Resource Centre Application for Planning Permission - €68,285**

Hill Street Family Resource Centre is an Intercultural Centre for families and children based in Dublin's North East Inner City.

A request for a contribution towards the Planning Permission Application has been submitted the NEIC Programme.

It is hoped to develop the Hill Street Family Resource Centre into a state of the art Family Resource Centre in Dublin 1.

## **Hill Street Family Resource Centre Lunar Celebrations 2023 - €50,000.**

Hill Street Family Resource Centre host an annual street family celebration for Lunar New Year. A request for a contribution to the 2023 Lunar Festival celebrations has been agreed by PIB.

2023 is the year of the Rabbit and will be celebrated on the 28<sup>th</sup> of January 2023.

Staff and families have commenced the preparations. The event will host an array of family fun activities including Arts & Crafts, Tea Ceremony, Tai Chi, Chinese Cooking & traditional dancing.

## **North Circular – Movie launch €13,567.20**

A contribution of funding is being sought to host a launch of the film North Circular – A Musical Trip Through Inner City Dublin.

Luke McManus a recipient of D-Light's NEIC funded Creative Residency Programme in 2021 who filmed a documentary called "North Circular" which explored North Circular Road, its inhabitants, its culture, its history and contemporary streetscape.

## **Diamond Park redevelopment - €325,000**

Diamond Park is a 0.7 hectare park was originally developed in 1985 but was later redesigned with the inclusion of a multi-sports pitch, children's play area and table tennis tables. There is a scattering of early mature tree planting within the park and pockets of grass lawn.

A contribution of €325,000 has been approved by the NEIC Taskforce to bring key elements of the new parks design to the project.

## **Rutland Street School Community HUB - €800,000**

A tender process for the construction contract is underway. The Programme Implementation Board have been requested to make a contribution of €800,000 to bring the new community HUB to fruition. This flagship project will facilitate local youth and community services, community crèche, community garden, Dublin City Council Area Office enterprise space and more.

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

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## **NEIC Intercultural Development Co-Ordinator Report to Central Area Committee December 2022**

### **Global Village Festival Review Written by Anna Carolina Morsdorf, on behalf of Intercultural Ambassadors**

A Global Village Festival was organised by the North-East Inner City Intercultural Ambassadors on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> of November 2022.

The festival was a successful culmination of cultural performances from around the globe. Comunidade Capoeira Ireland opened the event showcasing a live act of the Brazilian martial arts dance.

The event was introduced by Cllr Donna Cooney, the audience was left stunned by beautiful Irish music performed by Ceoltoiri Chluain Tarbh.

From the Irish incantation, viewers received a musical passion from Locanda, a Latin gypsy jazz band, Irish singer Ruby Moss and Flamenco harpist Pilar Paradela.

Further wonders of the first set include Nigerian spoken word artist Elizabeth Zion charming with her trilingual masterpiece "From Nylon We Become Gold" depicting the emotional journey of an immigrant coming to Ireland, and Venezuelan Roots inspiring us with their beautiful national costumes and dance.

The second set started off with Hill Street FRC Intercultural Community Theatre Group, who interpreted the migrant's journey into Irish society as a short theatre piece. The Parnell Band, originally from Turkey, got the audience up on their feet for an energetic jazz song.

Following the jazz, Cantonese in Ireland showed us the wonders of the Cantonese language with their singing. Brazilica introduced us to a lesser-known side of Brazilian music: relaxing Bossa Nova. Momma Needs Art came all the way from Cork to wow with an inspiring vocal and spoken piece.

Finally, Go Dance for Change lead the way to an intercultural break with finger food from some of the countries represented in the performances.

After a delicious tasting, Alma Boliviana wowed the crowd with their Bolivian folklore dance, which lead to Ethereal Danza Collective's lovely contemporary dance piece. Romane Chaja impressed the audience with their singing and dancing representing the Polish Roma community.

Greek musician and songwriter Iordanis Sidiropoulus shared a traditional Sardinian piece and a self-written soulful Greek song before supporting Daniel Kamenyezi's spoken word performance with instrumental

bliss. Daniel's piece incorporated his Congolese heritage in a beautiful poem on his journey to Ireland. Finally, the evening was closed by Patrick Stefan whose song filled us with great joy and yearning for the travels that inspire his music. All in all, it was a magical event that brought the community together and introduced us to cultural gems we would not have encountered otherwise.

The feedback has been equally amazing from both artists and audience alike. The message below, received from one of the performing artists says it all!

*Good morning Intercultural Ambassadors: This is a message I wanted to send directly after the night but I am sending it today as the feeling of the event is still alive in me. It is my absolute honour and pleasure to see you all and play for you, this is really where I belong and please accept my emotional feelings for all the effort you put into keeping the arts and human expression alive. It is not only that I am privileged to be a part of this and to know personally many of you nice people, but is what I truly and soulfully received from you that night which is rare.*

*Thank you for giving expression and soul a chance, and thank you for bringing all these acts and making an exceptional night. Thank you for all the kind words I received and all the moving feedback. I hope Ireland will continue to support such initiatives that give character, value and colour to our communities.* - Iordanis Sidiropoulos





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## NEIC Community Arts Programme Report to Central Area Committee December 2022

### Early Years Arts Programme

Our Early Years Arts Programme continues this November with early years Storyteller and drama facilitator Joanna Parkes and musician Eamon Sweeney, the artists are working in Ozanam House, Hill Street FRC and Holy Child preschool Rutland St.

In addition to delivering the programme with the early years Eamon and Joanna have been delivering CPD sessions with Early Childhood Educators.



### CPD and Visual Art Programme with After Schools Education and Support Programme Sheriff Street

Artist Helen Barry has been working with the After Schools Educators on Sheriff St. to deliver a programme with the children that explores the Visual Arts for a range of ages and interests. Helen works with the After Schools educators in advance of the sessions taking place to ensure that they optimise their learning during the session and then works with them subsequently to adapt specific programmes for a range of age groups.

## Older People's Drama Programme in Ozanam House

As Part of our Try It Out Programme this Autumn, we are delivering a pilot drama and storytelling programme with Older People in Ozanam House.



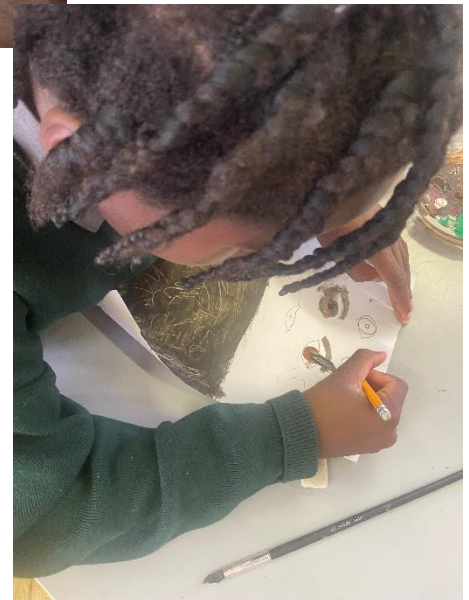
Experienced practitioner Margaret Callan Bergin is supporting the group on their Journey as they write scenes, create stories and explore their creativity in a fun and supportive space.



## Residencies

Our Residency programmes continues with the following work taking place:

- A visual Arts Residency with artist Susie Maloney in St. Laurence O'Tooles CBS.
- A music Residency with musician Helen Blackmore with children who may present additional need in St. Laurences CBS.





- A singing and voice residency with artist Cathy McEvoy with a range of groups in LYCS. This is a partnership programme with the DCC Arts Office.

## Magic in the Mansions

The Magic in the Mansions Evaluation has been completed by Arts Consultant Anne O'Gorman. To obtain a copy please contact

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**APPENDIX 1**  
**NEIC Programme Office – 2022 Funding Proposals Approved to date**

<b>Department of Rural &amp; Community Development</b> <b>Community Enhancement Programme Allocation (€7.5M of €7.5M)</b>	
<b>Sub - Group 1 – Enhanced Policing</b>	
Policing Dialogue Programme with Young People, Youth Workers and Gardai	22,700
Active Case Management	245,029.80
Operation Cribbage (Additional policing of Liberty Park and environs)	370,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€637,729</b>
<b>Sub - Group 2 Maximising Educational, Training &amp; Employment Opportunities</b>	
Child Restored – A celebration of primary school children	24,000
St. Vincent's Girls National School – Kitchen Refurbishment	35,088
NEIC After-School Study Programme	125,330
Fighting Words	30,000
Roma Employment and Training Project	9,505
ICRG Training Bursary	15,000
Childcare CPD Bursary	39,300
City Connects & Firestation – Making a Movie (workshops)	4,400
JumpAGrade	20,000
Education Guidance	50,000
Afterschool Literacy Programme	24,380
	<b>€377,003</b>
<b>Sub - Group 3- Family Wellbeing</b>	
Belvedere Youth Club 7-10 year olds project	53,160
Crosscare – BYS & BASS	110,000
Trauma Workshop	8,800
Parenting Support Coordinator	60,000
Implementation of the Restorative Practice Strategy	43,000
<b>Sub- Total</b>	<b>€277,960</b>
<b>Sub - Group 4 – Enhanced Community Wellbeing and the Physical Environment</b>	
Rutland Street School Redevelopment Project	1,526,000
Greening Strategy	562,000
Diamond Park Redevelopment	729,120.63
Community Arts Programme Aug 2022 - Feb 2023	90,000
Community Events Programme 2022	325,000
Sports, Recreation & Well-being Programme 2022	300,000

Number 53 The Musical	30,000
St Laurence's O'Toole Environs	70,000
Community Archive (Phase 1)	6,000
Killarney Court Refurbishment	39,411.82
NEIC Intercultural Development	30,000
Green Ribbon Interim payment	8,000
Reframe – Delight	10,760
Green Ribbon – 2022-2023	100,000
Charleville Mall Library	70,000
North Circular Movie Premier	12,713.96
Hill Street Planning Permission	68,285.00
Hill Street Lunar Festival	50,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€4,027,287.79</b>
<b>Sub - Group 5 – Substance Use Misuse &amp; Inclusion Health</b>	
Anti-Stigma Training	9,325
Healthy Communities project evaluation	20,000
Dual Diagnosis Community Capacity Building	78,918
Non-Fatal Overdose Research Project	8,466.25
Domestic & Sexual Violence Project Coordinator	56,968.96
Drug Relation & Violent Intimidation Drug Coordinator	62,641.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>€236,319.21</b>
<b>Sub Group 6 – Alignment of Services</b>	
Belvedere Youth Club – Youth Workers	60,265
SWAN Saturday Summer Activities	13,436
<b>Sub – Total</b>	<b>€73,701</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,630,00.00</b>
<b>Overarching Budgets</b>	
Social Employment Fund	1,236,000
Emerging Needs	260,000
Community Grants	104,000
Programme Office Costs	270,000
<b>Sub –Total</b>	<b>€7,500,000</b>