



SPORT IRELAND
LOCAL SPORTS PARTNERSHIPS

Supporting Clubs and Community Groups



DID YOU KNOW?

A key focus for LSPs is that there is a sustainable level of development within local sports structures.

Across the network, LSPs work with clubs and groups to ensure that structures are in place to enable participation for all community members in a wide range of sport or physical activity options.

1,800 & 400

The number of Clubs and Community groups Local Sports Partnerships (LSPs) provided funding supports to in 2019 across every county in Ireland.

€250,000

The amount Sport Ireland invested in Club and Community Development support across the Local Sports Partnership network through Core Funding in 2019.

If you are a club or community group who is looking to increase participation in sport or physical activity, you can make contact with your Local Sports Partnership to find out what supports are available.

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Visit www.sportireland.ie/participation for more information and contact details of your Local Sports Partnership.



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Supporting Older Adults

15,000

The amount of people who took part in Local Sports Partnership (LSP) initiatives targeting Older Adults in 2019.



**DID YOU
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One of the main aims of Local Sports Partnerships is to support Older Adults to participate in sport and physical activity in their community.



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Local Sports Partnerships support the nationwide rollout of the Age & Opportunity Active programme which is a national programme for Sport and Physical Activity for Older People, funded by Sport Ireland.

If you are an older adult, or know an older adult who could benefit from support with physical activity, find your local sports partnership at www.sportireland.ie/participation

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Supporting People With Disabilities

24,000

The number of people with a disability that took part in Local Sports Partnership (LSP) initiatives last year.

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One of the main aims of Local Sports Partnerships is to help people with disabilities to participate in sport and physical activity.

It has been uplifting to see wheelchair users and children with a disability participate and enjoy an inclusive sports programme at local level.

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In 2019, over €1,000,000 was allocated to support the Sports Inclusion Disability Programme across the LSP network. Sports Inclusion Disability Officers (SIDOs) supported the delivery of initiatives in 29 LSP areas to encourage and facilitate more people with disabilities to participate in sport and physical activity and develop sustainable clubs and programmes in all settings. These SIDOs work in a coordinating capacity with all relevant stakeholders to increase and sustain participation opportunities for people with disabilities.

2,600

The number of people trained through the Local Sports Partnership network across Cara's Disability Awareness, Autism in Sport & Disability Inclusion Training and Education programmes.



If you have a disability, or know someone with a disability who could benefit from some help with physical activity, find your local sports partnership at www.sportireland.ie/participation

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Supporting Women In Sport

**160,000 GIRLS &
75,000 WOMEN**

Took part in Local Sport Partnership LSP) programmes in 2019.



38,000

Females took part in 205 targeted Women in Sport programmes.

€265,000

The amount of investment provided by Sport Ireland to LSP's as part of the Sport Ireland Women in Sport Programme in 2019.



DID YOU KNOW?

In 2019, Over 51% of LSP programme participants were female.

Within LSP Boards of management and committees, 37% of members are female, which is ahead of the Women in Sport Policy and National Sports Policy target set at a minimum female representation of 30% on the boards of funded bodies by 2027.

One of the main aims of Local Sports Partnerships is to help women and girls to participate in sport and physical activity. The Sport Ireland Women in Sport Policy identifies Local Sports Partnerships as being essential to provide diverse and inclusive opportunities for women to take part in sport in a supportive and inspiring environment.

If you would like to know more about Sport Ireland's work in supporting Women in sport, or want to get involved visit www.sportireland.ie/women-in-sport or find your local sports partnership at www.sportireland.ie/participation

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Supporting Training and Education

10,400

The number of Sports Leaders and Volunteers that completed Safeguarding training across 7,000 courses in 2019.

€1,015,000

The amount allocated to support Community Sports Development Officer positions in 29 LSPs in 2019. These Community Sports Development Officers are tasked with activating local communities through a variety of means including the co-ordination of targeted programmes and training initiatives for clubs and communities.



DID YOU KNOW?

In 2019, Local Sports Partnerships (LSPs) planned and delivered 399 training and education courses with 30,000 people participating in these training courses.

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One of the main areas of work for Local Sports Partnerships is to create greater opportunities for access to training and education in relation to sports and physical activity provision.

The Local Sports Partnership network also plays a critical role in sustaining voluntary commitment across the country by providing a range of training programmes, resources and supports for volunteers, their clubs and communities.

If you would like to learn more about the training and education opportunities provided by LSPs and see what training is available, find your Local Sports Partnership at www.sportireland.ie/participation

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Supporting Opportunities

466,000

The amount of people who participated in 1,427 locally delivered participation initiatives through Sport Ireland's national network of Local Sports Partnerships (LSPs) in 2019.

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95,000 additional participants took part in interventions supported by the LSP network, including Daily Mile, parkrun, Playground Markings, Chalk-free play, and Active Homework initiatives.

DID YOU KNOW?

Over 47,000 people took part in the flagship events during European Week of Sport, which included the Great Dublin Bike Ride, European School Sports Day and National Fitness Day.

110,000

The amount of people who took part in 800 local events registered across the country for the European Week of Sport through the Sport Ireland website.

If you would like to learn more about how Local Sports Partnerships can provide support, visit www.sportireland.ie/participation

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Local Sports Partnerships in every county

466,000

The amount of people that were active across the Local Sports Partnership network through 1,500 locally delivered participation initiatives.

DID YOU KNOW?

Older adults, young people, people with disabilities, women and girls, ethnic minorities and people who are unemployed, are some of the people currently under represented in Sport that LSP's aim to help get physically active.

If you would like to find out more about the Local Sports Partnerships, and find your LSP, go to www.sportireland.ie/participation

DID YOU KNOW?

There is a Local Sports Partnership (LSP) in every county in Ireland and four across Dublin.

Local Sports Partnerships aim to increase sport and physical activity participation levels in their local communities.



THE NATIONAL SPORTS POLICY (2018-2027) OUTLINES:

"The LSP network plays a vital role and has been tasked, in particular, with increasing participation levels in sport and physical activity, especially among those sectors of society that are currently underrepresented in sport. Their capacity to remove barriers and ensure that opportunities for participation in sport are progressive, innovative and fully inclusive at a local level is a unique and valuable strength."

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