



## **Irish Youth Foundation Bursary 2023**

The Bursary opens for applications on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January** and closes on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February** at 5pm

### **Fund Objective**

The Irish Youth Foundation Bursary is a multi-annual award, focused on supporting young people who are ready to transition to the next stage of their lives however, are being held back because of financial constraints.

***It is a fixed yearly investment of €2,500 for two years - €5,000 in total.***

The unique element to this funding opportunity is its flexibility. Each young person will receive 100% tailored and personalised financial support to remove obstacles blocking their chances for success.

The Bursary is unique in that it is designed to meet young people where they are at. For example, young people can apply for financial support for; college fees, grinds for Leaving Cert exams, practical supports to enable them access and remain in apprenticeships or other training opportunities, childcare costs to support school/college attendance, and more.

***This Bursary will support young people living in the Republic of Ireland aged between 15-24 years and is focused on supporting young people experiencing disadvantage and marginalisation in their lives.***

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### **Who is eligible to apply for funding?**

Any young person living in the Republic of Ireland, aged between 15-24 years is eligible to apply.

**However, the application must be made with by a youth worker / support worker on behalf of the young person, and must be made through a registered youth organisation.**

Organisations applying for funding on behalf of an interested young person should adhere to the terms and conditions outlined below

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### **What funding opportunities are available?**

A Bursary award of €5,000 is available to individual applicants.

This funding will be distributed over two years - €2,500 in year one (2023) and €2,500 in year two (2024).

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### **Term and conditions**

Organisations applying for funding on behalf of an interested young person should adhere to the following conditions:

1. Applications must be made through a registered not-for-profit or charitable organisation
  2. The applying organisation must have a bank account set up in the name of the organisation
  3. The organisation must be registered in the Republic of Ireland and have been active in Ireland for the past 12 months
  4. The organisation must have a child protection policy in place
  5. The application can only be made with the consent / assent of the young person involved, and the consent of their parent / guardian if they are under 18 years of age
  6. Activities using the Bursary must be based in ROI
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### **Additional**

- The organisation must provide a copy of their annual audited accounts/end of year accounts if requested
- The organisation must provide a reference if requested
- An organisation may only apply for a maximum of three individual young people

### **GDPR**

- IYF will hold the organisation and project details which you submit with your application form so that we may inform you of future funding applications. We will only share this information with the third parties administering the application and selection process, unless we agree otherwise with you

### **Please note**

- Late applications will not be accepted
- By sending in your application, you accept these terms and conditions. If you do not comply with these terms and conditions, you may be disqualified and may have to return any award granted. In the event that an award is not accepted, or an award is revoked, the Directors may select an alternative awardee



### **Note on Costs eligible for funding**

- The fund is flexible and can be used for a wide scope of needs including, but not limited to, college fees, grinds for Leaving Cert exams, practical support to enable them to access apprenticeships or other training opportunities, childcare costs to support school/college attendance, and more.

*\*\*Please note that if you are applying for support with third level tuition fees you must provide evidence of being unsuccessful securing Student Universal Support Ireland (SUSI) funding*

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### **Timeline for use of funding**

- If your application is successful the first grant of €2,500 will be distributed in mid-March 2023, for expenditure by December 2023
  - The second grant of €2,500 will be distributed in Jan 2024 for expenditure by December 2024
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### **Reporting**

- Youth workers will be asked to submit two progress reports on behalf of the young person being awarded as part of the contract – one at the halfway stage of the programme and one on completion of the programme. IYF will provide full progress reports for completion
- The youth workers / youth organisation will be responsible for providing receipts to IYF for the expenditure of funds

**IYF reserves the right to disqualify any entrant, to change the terms and conditions without notice, or to cancel the application process at any stage.**

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### **How can projects apply for the funding?**

Information on applying can be found at <https://iyf.ie/grants/>

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### **Please note**

Due to the anticipated volume of interest, we regret that we will not be in a position to provide feedback to all applicants. Feedback will only be provided to successful shortlisted applicants.

### **Queries**

For any queries relating to this fund, please contact Sarah Edmonds on [sarah@iyf.ie](mailto:sarah@iyf.ie) / 087 7622946