

Reach Funding 2026 Application Form

The purpose of Reach funding is to provide support to the most educationally disadvantaged learners in accessing and participating in community education initiatives.

Note: All KWETB Reach Fund 2026 applications must be:

1. Submitted by **Friday, 20th February, 2026, 5.00 p.m. online via a link**
2. Completed in their entirety on or before **31st December 2026**
3. The Grantee must supply a first status report on the project by the 1st of June and a final end-of-year status report by the 1st of February 2027.
4. All applications must be submitted digitally.
5. **Do not amend this form.**

It is considered desirable to contact your local Community Education Facilitator in Kildare (conoroleary@kwetb.ie or 087-9586455) or Wicklow (FionaTuite@kwetb.ie or 086 0499149) in advance of submitting your application.

Community Group/Project Information

Part 1 - To be completed by all applicants

Community Group/Project Details

- **Name of Community Group:**

- **Please describe your organisations previous involvement in community education activities?**

- **Title of Proposed Project for which you are seeking funding?**

- **Contact Details:** (This person must be the only point of contact for this project)

- **Contact Person:**
- **Role within Organisation:**
- **Community Group Address:**
- **Email:**
- **Phone Number:**

Part 2

(Required up-to-date details relating to Tax Clearance and Bank Account and where an external applicant requests fixed-term staffing sanction costs under Reach Funding.)

Tax Clearance

- **Tax Registration Number:**
- **Tax Clearance Certificate Number:**
- **CHY Number (if applicable):**

Bank Details

(Please attach the header of a bank statement with financial details redacted. If awarded Reach Funding 2026, it will be a requirement to provide bank statements.)

- **Name of Bank:**
- **Address of Bank:**
- **Sort Code:**
- **Account Number:**
- **IBAN:**

Project Overview

- What is the title of your Reach Project for which you are seeking funding?

- How many people will take part in this project? (No. of participants)

- Please provide a Detailed Description of the Project (Max. 250 words)

- Where will the Project take place?

- Please explain the educational programme of activity that will take place and the learning outcomes which you expect will occur as a result of this project?

Project Alignment with REACH Funding Principles

- Please explain how the project supports the principles of REACH Funding?

- In your opinion, does the project duplicate existing services or adversely impact other community organisations or ETB provisions? Please answer Yes or No. If the Answer is Yes, please outline in what way this will occur.

- Having key indicators to measure the success of each project is considered important. Please outline the expected beneficial outcomes of this project and how these can be measured?

- It is considered important that REACH funded projects can have an impact after the funding period. Please explain how the benefits of the funding can be maintained after the funding period ends?

Target Groups

REACH funding is intended to widen and increase the participation of educationally disadvantaged learners. Please highlight below all of the relevant target groups that will be impacted by the project.

(At least one target group must be selected for eligibility.)

Key Target Groups

- Learners over 16 and under 25 years of age
- Long-term unemployed
- People with disabilities
- Migrants and refugees

Other Priority Target Groups

- Early school leavers
- Members of the Traveller and Roma communities
- Women wishing to return to the labour market
- Lone parents
- People who are educationally, economically or socially disadvantaged
- People impacted by mental health issues
- People impacted by addiction
- Women's groups and men's groups
- People impacted by homelessness
- Carers
- LGBTQIA
- Older people

- Please explain how you will reach the target groups you have selected above and what educational disadvantage they are experiencing?

Community Group and Project Eligibility

The following questions highlight aspects of disadvantage and innovation. Please respond as appropriate.



	Yes	No	Details
Is your community group located within an unemployment blackspot or an area of disadvantage within the KWETB Region?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If Yes, please identify the location and outline any evidence you have and/or why you believe this to be true?
Innovation is strongly encouraged in this scheme. Does your project propose innovative approaches to targeting educational disadvantage?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If Yes, please describe the innovation within this proposed project?

Proposed Project Alignment with Reach Categories

REACH FUNDING CATEGORIES

Select one category only and include amount being sought)

- Widen and increase participation of key target groups or other priority target groups
- Projects that support learners to engage in community-based educational programmes
- Projects that address topics in the areas of climate and sustainability
- Supporting marginalised groups (outreach/pre-development work)

Total Funding Sought	€
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- Please provide a clear and detailed breakdown of the funding sought?

- Please explain how your application will relate to the funding category you have chosen above?

Application Checklist

Please tick each of the following to confirm you have fully completed the application

- Fully completed all sections of the application form
- Provided a detailed breakdown of costs
- Provided relevant quotes for materials/equipment/staff costs

Quotes must include details of prices, details of services/equipment offered and be signed and dated – For items of equipment the maximum eligible value for any single item is €1,000 excluding VAT. (There is an exception for internal (ETB) projects where the threshold is €3,000 inclusive of VAT)

- Supplied a Tax Reference Number and/or CHY No. and up to date Tax Clearance certificate
- Contacted your local Community Education Facilitator to discuss your project proposal