



All Together in Dignity

ATD Fourth World - Ireland
Annual Report 2019





Celebrating ATD Ireland's 20th Anniversary in the heart of Dublin's Inner City on the 4th May 2019

Celebrating 20 Years!



In presenting the 2019 Annual Report, the ATD Ireland team is proud to be marking 20 years of All Together in Dignity in Ireland.

For this momentous occasion, a 20th Anniversary concert at O'Connell's Boys School, Dublin 1 was held on the 4th of May 2019. Over 150 of our friends and supporters gathered to sing songs, tell stories and to share memories of the organisation's engagement and actions over the last two decades.

Over these 20 years, the work of ATD Ireland has grown thanks to the generous contribution of so many people who have nourished the community life of the organisation through their gifts and commitment. For this reason, we came together to celebrate our legacy through the strength of our various wide and wonderful connections.

The High Hopes and the Peace Choir lent us their voice through their magical musicality as we all sang along to many of our favourite powerful and inspirational tunes. In between songs, we were blessed with the words of many important people from within the ATD community who spoke on topics such as what they do in the struggle to eradicate poverty/injustice and what that means to them. Among them were the founders of ATD Ireland, Isabelle and Stuart Williams, as well as other key members of the Volunteer Corps, such as Françoise Barbier, Dann Kenningham, Charlotte Tiffoin, and Pierre and Fabienne Klein. Alongside these were many other well-respected friends and partners of the organisation.

It was a wonderful event which reminded the current ATD Ireland team how lucky it is to have had, and still to have, such an extensive and supportive circle of commitment.

"Those who volunteer for All Together in Dignity are inspiring examples of that spirit of solidarity, offering friendship and support to those who live with poverty and social exclusion every day, and struggling to create futures of hope for themselves and their families." – **President Michael D.**

Higgins

2019 was a year of change for ATD Ireland as it went through transition and change to the permanent team in Dublin. As we moved into the year, we said goodbye to Pierre and Fabienne Klein and hello to the New National Coordination Team comprising Mark Hogan, Dann Kenningham and Charlotte Tiffoin. Throughout this period, it was paramount to the team that the strong connections established over the last 20 years were maintained. The team valued the importance of ongoing support, and worked to ensure that the relationships with families, allies, friends, community groups and partner organisations continued to flourish.

The Board of ATD Fourth World - Ireland met four times during 2019, including the Annual General Meeting of the members of the company in May. The Board passed a number of important organisational policies including its Code of Conduct for Directors. All Board members and staff also did refresher training in relation to our work with vulnerable adults and children.

In April, ATD moved its office to number 30 Mountjoy Square, Dublin 1 – our fourth successive office location in this historic location – thus maintaining ATD Ireland’s 20-year presence in Dublin’s north inner city area.

Gail Seekamp, Chair of ATD Fourth World-Ireland Board.



Fabienne and Pierre Klein enjoying a hand-crafted blanket gifted to them by the ATD Ireland community.



Friends Remembered, Friends Together



Sadly some valued friends of ATD Ireland home and abroad, passed away in 2019.

We remember fondly the lives and commitments of (top L –R) Bobby Molloy, Czarek Bieniasszewski, Sara Jane Burke and Moarene Roberts.



ATD Home Visits & Community Activities

ATD **home visits** are a **core aspect of maintaining and building relationships** within ATD Ireland, in which 2019 was no exception. Little by little, these relationships allow people to develop mutual trust and respect at their own time and pace. The visits allow people to illustrate the challenges they face, share stories, and express their beliefs in a safe and comforting space. In addition, the visits provide an opportunity to invite, share news, and exchange pictures from events hosted by ATD and other organisations. Volunteers learn from, support and correspond with families, friends, and allies from home or abroad. The ATD approach is to ensure that life events, however small, are celebrated or supported so that no friend of ATD is left behind.

In 2019, around 350 home visits were made by volunteers of ATD Ireland. During the months of January to August, the home visits provided an opportunity to work alongside ATD friends who were willing to share their experience of discrimination for the '*Does it Only Happen to Me?*' project and report.

Throughout the year, a number of community activities and events took place among the friends, families, and members of ATD.



Monthly **Sing-a-long evenings** were continued as a regular activity throughout 2019. People gathered in the ATD offices to share the joys of music and conversation. These evenings contributed to the formation of a group for the Christmas Carol Singing on Grafton Street where, despite the wind and rain, a great time was had by all involved and much-needed funds were raised.

ATD also supported the community's creation of artistic stone slabs that displayed 700 decorated stones during the 'Your Rights Are Written in Stone' campaign. This creative project was exhibited at the ATD Ireland's 20th Anniversary event.

ATD also **continued to support and attend other local community events** such as the Irish Festival of Nations and the North Inner-City Community BBQ. For more information, visit: atdireland.ie/wp/news

Marking the UN End Poverty Day in Dublin



The National 17 October Committee was proud to announce the installation of a **new information plaque** at the Human Rights and Poverty Stone, in Dublin, to mark the International United Nations Day for the Eradication of Poverty in time for 17th of October event. 2019 marked the 30th anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. This theme reminded us that in order to overcome poverty, the **rights of the child must be fulfilled**. As we marked International Day, adults and children from all over the country expressed messages of hopes/dreams for their future on decorated paper footsteps. A large crowd gathered at the Poverty Stone, where 6 powerful testimonies and messages were shared.



*“On this day we honour the countless thousands of people who, everyday struggle and resist the realities of poverty, inequality and exclusion in their lives. **We pay tribute to their efforts to seek to forge footsteps towards a better future for their children and their families.** These footsteps, which we placed along the End Poverty Walkway, connecting the Stone to the Famine Statues and around the Stone itself, symbolise the collective voice of this gathering and many others like it.”* - Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Tom Brabazon

Extracts from the messages and testimonies read on 17th October 2019:

Lorraine (All Together in Dignity)

*“As a mother, we always want what's best for our kids but sometimes there's things we can't give them. Material things don't matter to me; the best thing you can give your child is love and support in whatever they want to do because it's their dreams not ours. **I want a society that doesn't treat my children the way I was.** I hope there's an end to discrimination. I hope my kids are never discriminated against the way I was. That's why I'm here and I'm sharing my story with you all. I'm standing up for my kids' future. The lack of equal opportunities must end so that they won't suffer the hardships in life that I did. (...) I'm taking positive steps so that my children can follow in the footsteps I have laid down.”*





Monika (SAOL)

“Home means many things to many people. I believe that the word ‘home’ means a safe and secure place where you can be yourself. But imagine if you woke up tomorrow to the news that you would lose your home. What would you do? Where would you go? What would it mean for children?”

Yemi (Dominican Justice Office)

“Direct Provision is damaging people like me and my children. It kills the dreams you have for yourself and for your children. It renders you useless and you feel like you can’t build a future for your children. But I tell my children that one day we will come through and be in that better place that we have always dreamed of. But for now, we have to make the best use of the opportunities we have, and to build the future we want for ourselves.”



Saoirse (Children’s Rights Alliance)

“Events like today are important so that the voices of those living with the reality of poverty are heard and that the issue stays in the national agenda. We must ensure that the child and the family stays firmly in the minds of political leaders and that all parties commit to lifting all families and children out of poverty.”



**An Roinn Gnóthaí Fostaíochta
agus Coimirce Sóisialaí**
Department of Employment Affairs
and Social Protection



SURIA group hosting 'Human Rights' workshop in ATD Office



Launch of Report on the 18th of September 2019



Senator Lynn Ruane Launching the Report



Sharing of some stories at the Report Launch

‘Does it Only Happen to Me?’

The project entitled ‘Does it Only Happen to Me?’ **contributes to the wider campaign to have socio-economic discrimination recognised as a tenth ground of discrimination in the Irish Equal Status Act.** Our Socio-Economic Status (SES) project offered a platform for members and volunteers of ATD’s network to provide a space for people who experience socio-economic discrimination to communicate their stories.

*“The **voices of the people in the shadows are starting to come forward** and that’s what the shared knowledge is for me. They need to be at the table... That’s what this report does. It takes people out of the shadows and gives them a platform.”*

Paul Uzell (ATD Community Activist)

*“The type of report that ATD has produced is extremely valuable because **it gives us an insight into the daily lived dynamic of how it feels to be discriminated against** because of your socio-economic background and social class.”*

Judy Walsh (Director, UCD Equality Studies Centre)

Since the project’s launch on the 9th November 2018, the ATD team in Dublin gathered stories from 65 rights holders, living in persistent poverty, who were willing to share their lived experience relating to discrimination within the public sector. In the bringing together of the shared stories, common themes and patterns were identified which resulted in the production of an in-depth report that included 19 recommendations drafted by the Service Users Rights In Action (SURIA) group.

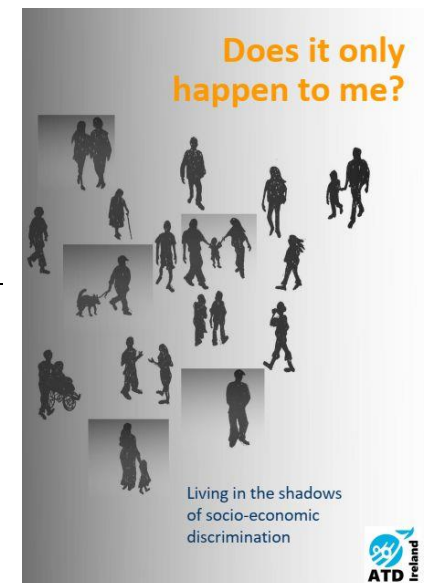
ATD Ireland was proud to publish its report, ‘Does it Only Happen to Me?’ *Living in the Shadows of Socio-Economic Discrimination*, which was launched on Wednesday, 18th September by Senator Lynn Ruane. The event included the reading of excerpts from personal stories and panel discussions. It is ATD’s hope that the report is an Irish contribution to the wider SES European debate.

To download the full or summary report, visit: www.atdireland/socio-economicground

The publication of this report was made possible thanks to a grant supported under the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC) grant scheme 2018.



This project is supported under the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission Grant Scheme





Networking for Human Rights

In 2019, the Irish team helped to organise **the Irish launch of the ATD Fourth World UK's 'Understanding Poverty in All its Forms' research report**. This report is part of a wider international collaboration between ATD Fourth World International and Oxford University. Hosted by ATD Ireland on 23rd October, people gathered to attend the Irish launch of the participatory research study. A delegation from the ATD UK shared their direct experience of poverty and compared it to the Irish context. This conference brought people with lived experience of poverty together with professionals and researchers working to address poverty. For more information, visit: atdireland.ie/wp/4257-2/

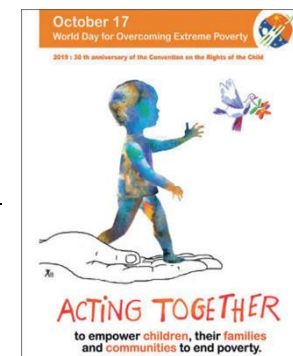
Members of ATD's Unity in the Community Youth Group had the opportunity to participate in the 2019 **People's University in Brussels** to discuss the many factors impacting on people living in poverty. The Irish youth delegation sought to persuade Irish European representatives and MEPs beyond Ireland of the importance of working to try and ensure that protection against socio-economic discrimination is written into equality legislation, so that all citizens of Europe would be better protected before the law. Read more here: atdireland.ie/wp/europematters/



In partnership, ATD **continued to engage with the Community Platform** during 2019, partaking in regular meetings and co-organising various events, such as; the launch of a manifesto for a values-led approach to voting held on 2nd May 2019 in St Andrew's Resource Centre. Members of the team facilitated in the co-creation and design of a values-led election manifesto and leaflet for the Local and European Elections.

For the International United Nations End Poverty Day 2019, ATD Ireland **continued to facilitate the Irish 17th October Committee and to support the national networking initiative** linking 15 projects throughout Ireland that marked the Day. 250 people joined the 17th October event at the Human Rights and Poverty Stone in Dublin.. To find out more, see the 'Gallery 2019' section of www.17october.ie

Networking for Human Rights was co-funded by the Community Platform - **The UN End Poverty Day and the 17th October Committee national networking projects** were funded by the ATD Foundation and the **Irish Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection** - the **UCYG project and the trip of the Irish Delegation** was funded by the **"Communicating Europe"** DFAT Initiative, Mairead McGuinness MEP and Lynn Boylan MEP, and the ATD Fourth World Foundation.





AGENDA 2030 - 17 SDGs and Promise

Throughout 2019, ATD was again active around the campaign to **promote the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development** and its accompanying **promise to Leave No One Behind**. The 17 Global Goals for Sustainable Development are part of the 2030 Agenda which was adopted in September 2015 by all 193 States of the United Nations. The Agenda sets goals and targets for all countries in the world to end poverty, fight climate change and inequalities by the year 2030.



The ATD team participated four times in the reporting period in **National SDG Stakeholder Forums**. Each Forum focused on one of the 17 SDGs and at which representatives from across civil society and Government departments explored how we can work together to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. In addition, ATD continued to be an **active member of the Irish Coalition 2030**. ATD aims to “walk the talk” of the Goal number 17 about the needed partnerships between stakeholders to achieve Agenda 2030, and to keep the “Leave No One Behind Promise” of the Agenda a top priority for the transformative challenge.



In 2019, **ATD Ireland raised awareness of Agenda 2030 through the #Cycle4SDGs event**. From the 21st-30th September 2019, Irish and French cyclists, including several from disadvantaged backgrounds, journeyed together at a time when the international community marked the 4th anniversary of the adoption of Agenda 2030 and the 17 Sustainable Development Goals. Cyclists traveled from the Human Rights and Poverty Stone on the Custom House Quay in Dublin to the Palais Chaillot, Paris (where the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was adopted in 1948). At each stage, the cyclists met with local elected officials on Agenda 2030, and presented them with a copy of the Declaration of the New York Summit on Sustainable Development (adopted on 24th September 2019).



For more information, visit the Irish Coalition 2030 website: www.ireland2030.org



Building Links with ATD Fourth World UK



From the 3rd to 6th of April 2019, a large delegation of over 20 staff, volunteers and friends of ATD Ireland left Dublin together to meet the ATD UK team and to discover its work and actions.

The majority of the time was spent getting to know the team, volunteers and activists of ATD UK and learning about their community-based and advocacy work with people living in poverty. It was also an opportunity for the ATD Ireland delegation to get to know one another better. We stayed in the very comfortable and homely surroundings of the historic Frimhurst Family House – a beautiful building in a green and picturesque setting in the

countryside of Surrey dedicated to hosting family short-stay residencies and holidays.

Everyone participated in **several workshops** and games facilitated by our hosts which helped the group gain a more in depth understanding of ATD's international context. **This experience also provided insight into both the shared and contrasting actions of the English and Irish teams.**

In typical ATD spirit, in-between discovery and learning sessions, there was also time for fun and exploration. Frimhurst offered its visitors many enjoyable games to choose to play from, as well as a piano, nearby walks both in nature and to the small village, and so much more!

On the last day, the Irish team were warmly welcomed at the ATD headquarters, Addington Square, London, where we shared lunch, conversation, ideas, and song and poetry with each other. We were then given free rein to discover some of the beauty, culture and history that London offers. A bus/boat trip from the House of Parliament to the Tower of London was organised. The trip finished as enjoyably as it had begun, with dinner, singing, writing and chat at the home of our generous ATD allies, Christine and Heinz Kauffman-Burkhard.





Unity in the Community Youth Group in front of the 'Ghetto Heroes Monument' in Warsaw – May 2019

Study Visit to Poland

On the 12th May 2019, the young adults involved in ATD's Unity in the Community Youth Group left Dublin with several other ATD members, to embark on a **life changing journey of discovery in the form of a fact - finding visit to Poland**. A main ambition of ATD Ireland last year, shared with the UCYG, was to improve Irish anti-discrimination laws to ensure all citizens, and especially the most vulnerable in society, are equally protected. For the Youth Group to have as strong an input into this campaign as possible was the seed in which this trip was planted.



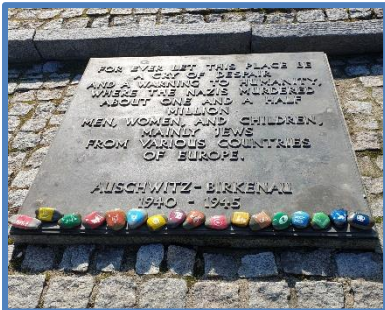
Visit to the ATD team and Youth group in Warsaw

Whilst the purpose for travelling to Poland was centred on the exploration of the extremity of the discrimination, many other related activities also took place. The ATD members began their journey in the city of Warsaw, where Magda - a friend of ATD Fourth World - provided an interesting and informative tour of both the Jewish Warsaw Ghetto and Polin, the museum of the history of Polish Jews. This provided our group with a very important context to the ingrained societal Jewish prejudice and a necessary background setting for what was to come.

On a lighter note, the Irish ATD group spent a lot of time getting to know ATD in both Warsaw and Kielce, where it was met by a large delegation of very welcoming hosts, including their own formidable Youth Group. The members of the UCYG were eager to learn from both seeing the horrors of Auschwitz as well as from listening to the Polish people speak

about the extreme discriminatory events of the Holocaust in their country, as well as the impacts which this had on their society and any continuing ramifications which exist to this day.

We must use the horrors of the Holocaust as an extreme example and warning of what can happen when discrimination is let thrive without societal challenge. We must strengthen our mission to end socio-economic discrimination in Ireland to create a better world. To realise this dream, and as a sign of respect for those who were denied their fundamental human rights during this time, we laid down stones representing the Sustainable Development Goals at Auschwitz.







Financial Report 2019

ATD Fourth World Ireland CLG

All Together in Dignity - ATD Fourth World - Ireland Ltd					
Expenditure Financial Year 2019					
12 months ended 31st December 2019			12 months ended 31st December 2018		
€			€		
Staff Costs	62307		61379		
ATD Centre Costs - Rent	20253		14400		
Training Costs	8145		6900		
Electricity/Heating	3800		4619		
Telephone/Broadband	1544		1773		
Postage, Stationery & Activity Materials	25649		24234		
Insurance	2429		2538		
General Expenses	723		2157		
Bank Charges	99		74		
Memberships	600		600		
Transport	2450		2862		
Water	334		334		
Material	1278		0		
Audit & Accountancy	1000		1000		
TOTAL	130611		122868		

ATD Ireland ended 2019 with a **surplus budget of €6,175**, after a deficit budget of €7,155 in 2018. This is thanks to a strong year which saw income of €136,785 which is an increase of 18.2% over the 2018 income. This increase in income generation is accompanied by an expected rise in expenses to €130,610 which represents an increase of 6.3% over the 2018 expenses.

The higher growth of income over expenses creates a surplus for the year and is mainly due to an increase in the grant allocated to ATD Ireland by the ATD Fondation as a support to its annual budget. This increase was motivated by a foreseen increased budget for the year 2019, due to an increase in staff members for the first half of the year, as well as expenses due to the change of premises for the ATD Ireland office.

At the end of the financial year, the company has assets of €18,912 and liabilities of €13,402. The net liabilities of the company have decreased by €6,175.

Our team is made up of local volunteers and full-time paid staffs including members of the International Volunteer Corp. Paid staff agree to work on a very basic income (annual salary of €18,600 or 36h/week on legal minimum wage). In the context of ATD Volunteer Corp pay policy, this can be seen as €780 monthly stipend and €720 Housing Support.

In 2019, there have been 6 team members on the payroll at different times in the year.

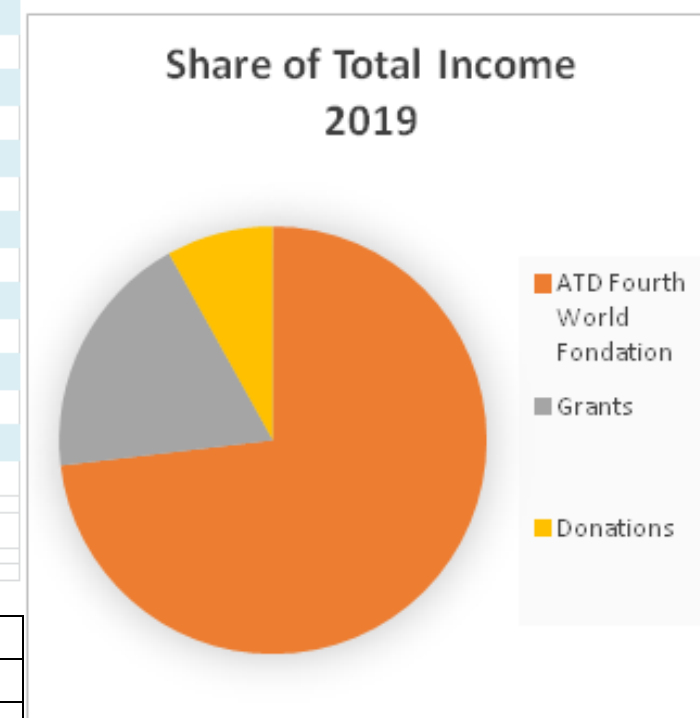
All Together in Dignity - ATD Fourth World - Ireland Ltd					
Income Financial Year 2019					
			12 months ended		12 months ended
			31st December 2019		31st December 2018
			€		€
Social Inclusion Division DEASP			5700		6000
Forsa Small Grants Fund			250		1900
North East Inner City (NEIC) Fund			0		2800
ATD International via Agence Française du Développement (AFD)			997		197
DCCEA grant for HLPF Participation			0		1717
Coca-Cola Thank you Fund			0		5000
National Youth Council of Ireland			400		0
Dublin Bus Community Award			0		2000
Concern Worldwide			5000		10000
Donations			11057		8447
ATD Fourth World Foundation			100000		65000
Cork Street Fund			0		450
Community Platform Grant			0		400
Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC)			5594		406
DEAR MISFA Subgranting			0		1000
NEIC programme grant			2300		3500
Community Foundation			0		800
ICCL Grant 2017			0		400
Dublin City Council			1300		2760
Dublin City Community Enhancement programme			3950		
DFAT - Communicating Europe			0		2500
International 17 October Committee			237		0
Universal Health Coverage Day			0		436
TOTAL			136786		115713

€	2019	2018	2017
Income	136,786	115,713	95,502
Expenditure	130,610	122,868	94,147
Balance	6,175	-7,155	1,305

ATD Ireland is funded by grants and donations from the public and like all companies in this sector is dependent on securing sufficient funding.

ATD Ireland was successful in many funding applications in 2019, with a total income from grants of €25,728 (excluding the grant from the ATD Fondation); and was successful in raising €11,057 in private donations.

For the past 10 years and the coming 4 years, the French ATD Fondation is committed to support ATD Ireland to balance its annual budgets.





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Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission



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PROJECT 2 (NYP2)

NORTH WEST INNER CITY
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PROGRAMME

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Dublin City Local Community Development
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Our report would also like to thank the approximately 50 friends who volunteered with ATD during 2019. Nothing would have been possible without them. **A big thank you too to those many projects** which were ready to join our initiatives, including: **Irish 17 October Committee, Community Platform, European Anti-Poverty Network Ireland, Irish Coalition 2030, SAOL** project, North West Inner City Training and Development Project (**NWICTDP**), Community Action Network (**CAN**), Neighbourhood Youth Project 2 (**NYP2**), and Dublin Adult Learning Centre (**DALC**).

We wish to thank solicitors **Gerard McGrath** and **Pól Ó Murchú** for pro bono legal services provided to ATD Ireland during the reporting period.

The challenge for ATD Ireland in the coming years will be to gradually cover this full cost from resources raised nationally (through EU, national or local grants, sponsors, network of friends who donate, etc.). We are also especially grateful to **Ciara Margolis and Olga Lacey** who accepted to join the Discovery Programme of the ATD International Volunteer Corps. We also value the contribution of our longstanding ally, **Mark Hogan** who worked in the ATD Ireland team on a voluntarily basis. We thank **Paul Uzell**, our team member for his conviction and commitment to community activism in our work. We would also like to thank **Dann Kenningham** for his continued support and work throughout the transition period of the ATD Ireland team. **We are also grateful to Natasha Chirwa and Louise Brument** who did an internship/placement in the ATD Dublin team in 2019. They made a real difference!

ATD Fourth World – Ireland is a company limited by guarantee not having a share capital, registered in Dublin – Company Number 475746 – Charity Number CHY 18678 – Charity Regulations Authority 20072131 – Office: 30 Mountjoy Square East, Dublin 1 – **Directors on 31st December 2019:** Gail Seekamp (Chairperson), Elaine Phelan (Vice Chair), Marie Williams (Company Secretary), Juliette Pechenart (Treasurer), Isabelle Pypaert-Perrin, Maurice Hurley, Gerald Doherty, Hugh Frazer – **Staff on 31st December 2019:** **Charlotte Tiffoin, Ciara Margolis and Olga Lacey** – The 2019 Income and Expenditure Accounts of ATD Ireland have been audited by **Nolan and Associates**, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors, 302/304 The Capel Building, Mary’s Abbey, Dublin 7 – **ATD is a member of** Coalition 2030, Dóchas, the Children’s Rights Alliance, the Community Platform, the Irish 17th October Committee, IDEA, EAPN Ireland, Social Justice Ireland, the ESC Rights Initiative, The Wheel, and the International Movement ATD Fourth World. To contact the Board, please write to: board@atdireland.ie



Get involved in 2020!

VOLUNTEER, ADVOCATE _____

Our Friends and Volunteers' Network is a means for everyone to get involved in the fight against poverty. **In 2019, around 10 new people joined our vibrant Friends and Volunteers' Network.**

Friends and supporters help us in many ways from the running of our projects, fundraising, translating English/French texts, to preparing special events, office administration, accounts support, general maintenance, family support and a whole lot more. Whether you like to work alone or in a group, in an office or outdoors, on the front line or in a support role, we can always use the help, and we are flexible according to your available time and skills. It is also a great way to meet new and interesting people!

Call us or find out more at www.atdireland.ie

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JOIN THE DISCOVERY PROGRAMME OF THE ATD VOLUNTEER CORPS _____

Members of the ATD International Volunteer Corps make a long-term commitment to working alongside families living in extreme poverty and are involved in activities and projects in Ireland and overseas.

They agree to live on the same basic salary regardless of their seniority and responsibilities (close to the legal minimum wage of the country they work in - €18,600 gross annual salary in Ireland) and to be available to go where their expertise and skills are most needed.

Families, couples, and individuals of all ages, from a variety of backgrounds and with an assortment of practical skills and qualifications, make up this diverse group of dedicated, full-time workers.

There are a number of steps to joining the Volunteer Corps, the first being involvement in ATD activities and projects here in Ireland.

Contact us: info@atdireland.ie

Thanks to hope, we are able to believe that poverty is not inevitable, that it can be overcome, that it is an error of humanity, since it is by definition inhuman. It is anti-humanity. We really believe that all people can work together to overcome poverty — for that is what hope is — that we will be able to eradicate it and that all people, starting from the poorest people, will be able to work to overcome it.

Joseph Wresinski,
Founder of ATD Fourth World.

All Together in Dignity – ATD Fourth World is an international human-rights organisation that works through grass-roots projects in partnership with people living in poverty. All around the world, it remains focused on constantly reaching out to the most vulnerable families, those who have a long history of poverty and educational disadvantage, even in the so-called developed countries.

Since 2000, ATD in Ireland has been close to family members facing persistent poverty and struggling daily to live in dignity. **ATD Fourth World – Ireland CLG** is a company limited by guarantee and is registered for charitable tax exemption (CHY 18 678). Its registered offices are located at 30 Mountjoy Square, Dublin 1, Republic of Ireland.

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