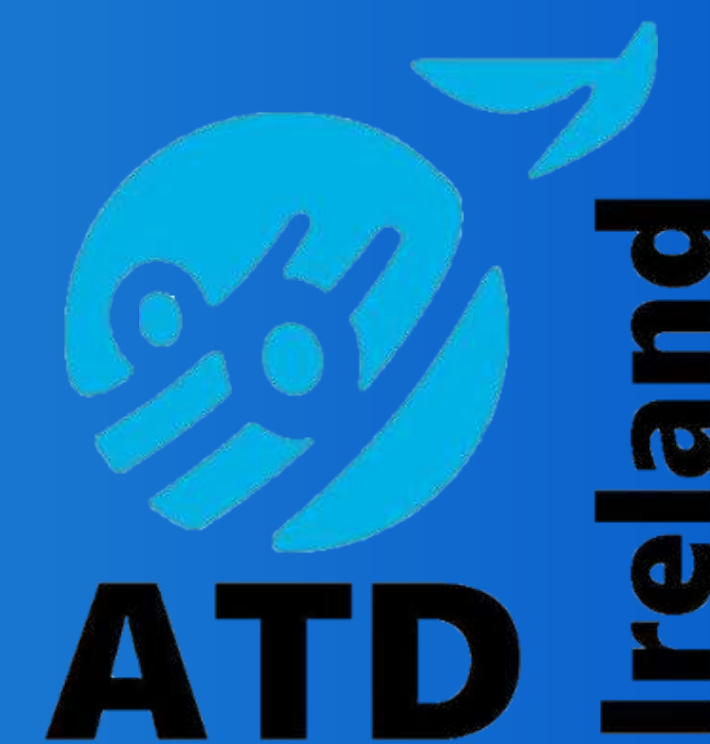




All Together in Dignity

ATD Fourth World Ireland

Annual Report 2023





With all the members of All Together in Dignity ATD Fourth World – Ireland CLG, the Board is proud to present this 2023 Annual Report.

In 2023, the ATD Ireland Team, under the dynamic leadership of Dann Kenningham, expanded on the work carried out in previous years and initiated new creative projects which are depicted in this Annual Report.

From the local, e.g. our Choose Tuesday Open House where the focus is on getting together, creativity, fun and well-being to the national, e.g. campaigning to make socio-economic discrimination recognised in Irish Equality legislation and delivering our “Poverty Aware Practice” module in Irish Universities, and to the international, e.g. our community activists being invited to speak at European and international events, ATD Ireland has successfully strived to link all its activities and projects and to make them available to a wider audience while giving a voice to individuals and families living in poverty.

As expanded upon in the acknowledgements section, we are very grateful to all the supporters of ATD Ireland – the people and families we meet online or in person, the funding bodies, community groups, volunteers, friends, the wider ATD Fourth World community, the ATD Ireland Team and the Company and Board members.

We hope you enjoy this summary of our 2023 activities and appreciate your continued support so that the objectives of ATD Ireland can be further met in 2024 and beyond.

- Juliette Péchenart, Chair of the Board ATD Ireland

What does it mean to feel like you have no voice? To feel like you count for nothing, to feel like you are only defined by your poverty or socioeconomic status. Being hindered by discrimination, stigma and often shame can make participation in the community and society at large extremely difficult.

Yet in the anti-poverty sector we speak about participation as a fundamental norm. Sometimes without recognition of how far some people are left behind. There is a paradigm shift needed in our political structures before real meaningful participation can happen.

This annual report aims to shine a light on the brave efforts made by many people struggling with poverty and social exclusion to express themselves publicly and to face the barriers and inequalities head on.

We are proud to present our ways of building relationships and partnerships across our diverse projects and actions.

-Dann Kenningham National Coordination ATD Ireland



Vision and mission Statement

OUR VISION is of a world without persistent poverty, where everyone is valued, can participate fully in society and fulfil their potential.

OUR MISSION is to contribute to building a network of people, groups and organisations committed to overcoming persistent poverty with people with a lived experience of poverty, through a human rights approach, and with a focus on leaving no one behind

OUR AIM is To support families and individuals living in persistent poverty: to get through times of crisis, to pursue their goals and aspirations, to develop their skills, confidence and knowledge; and to get together with others in situation of poverty and with people from all walks of life committed to change things with them.
Create the conditions for a partnership with other members of the public, including professionals, academics, and policymakers: to raise awareness of persistent poverty, to counter prejudice and socioeconomic discrimination and to improve policy and practice.

OUR VALUES are Reaching the hardest to reach, Taking people seriously, A long term commitment, Giving people a voice and working collaboratively



Strategic Goals 2023- 2027

These four strategic goals have been informed by critical issues arising from consultations with different stakeholders, and in particular with people with lived experience of poverty, discrimination and inequality who engage with ATD Ireland's mission and work.

These goals were approved by the directors at the board meeting and the draft goals were on display and discussed with members over a number of weeks prior to the AGM.

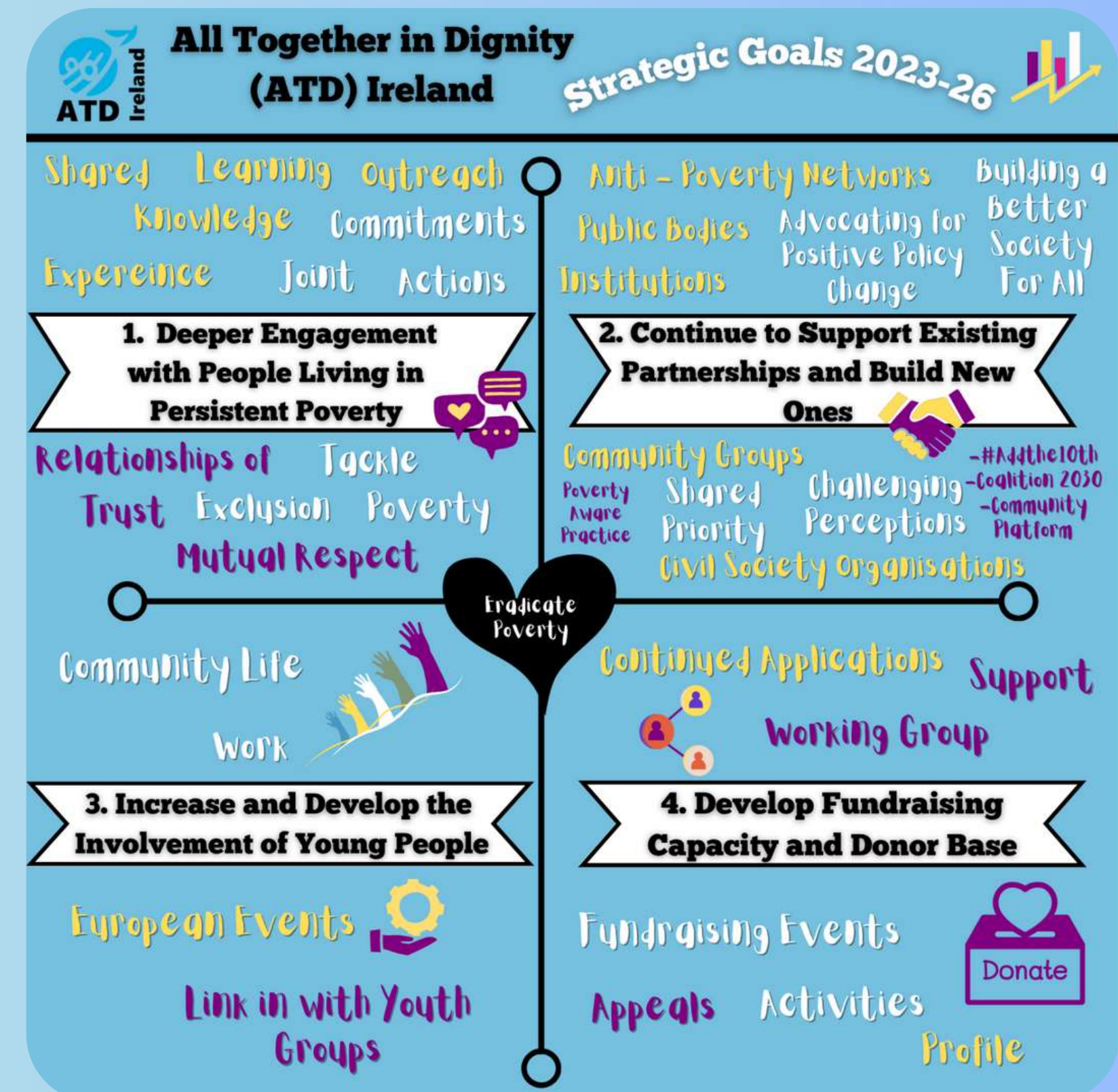
Goal 1: The ATD Community in Ireland will have an ever-deeper engagement with people living in persistent poverty in which, together, relationships of mutual respect and trust are built; knowledge, experience and learning are shared; and commitments and actions to tackle poverty and social exclusion are jointly agreed and carried out.

Goal 2: ATD Ireland will continue to support existing partnerships, and build new ones, with community groups, civil society organisations, anti-poverty networks, institutions and public bodies that share its priority aim for the eradication of persistent poverty through challenging perceptions and the public narrative on poverty, advocating for positive policy changes, and building together a better society for all.

Goal 3: ATD Ireland will increase and develop the involvement of young people in its community life and work.

Goal 4: ATD Ireland will develop its fundraising capacity and a donor base

The activity showcased in this annual report has been informed by these four goals.



[Scan the qr code to read our strategic goals document](#)





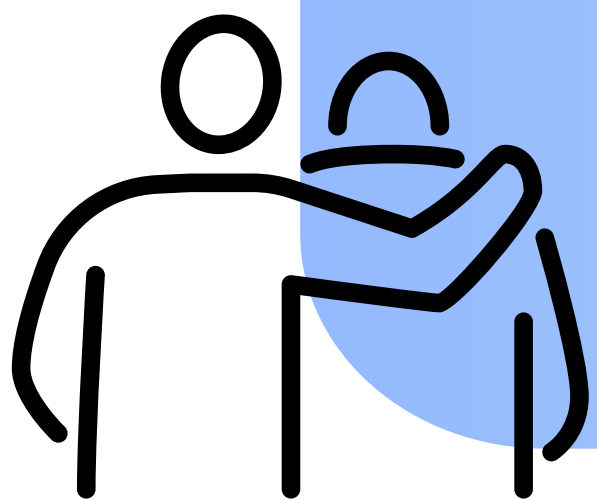
Family Visits and Family Support

An integral part of the work done at ATD Ireland are the family visits, cultural outings and family support.

Visits to family homes, hostels and disadvantaged areas take place weekly for a catch up and a chance to discuss some personal issues and offer support if needs be.

There are multiple aims of support; to offer company, to help our members get through times of crisis, to offer support in enabling people to pursue their goals and aspirations and to help people develop their skills, confidence and knowledge. Family support can also include providing character references, accompanying families to court or acting as a liaison with social workers. Family visits can also be an opportunity to invite people to participate in upcoming events and give them the opportunity to meet others with similar experiences.

“There’s nothing forced, we don’t force ourselves upon them. You’re trying to build a bond and a friendship. You don’t want to push people away or frighten them off, rather just walking alongside people and to support and just be there. If they want to talk, they want to talk, if they don’t, they don’t.” - Paul.





Keep Connected

We have weekly open house days every Tuesday, where families come to the office and we take part in different creative or knowledge building activities each week. We have lunch together and there is a new chef in the kitchen every week. Activities include regular singing sessions led by Maurice, cooking and baking, art, writing and during the summer we had several fitness sessions led by Paul. We also organised several family outings in 2023. This included bowling and scenic walks to the beach in Dun Laoghaire.

“There is no competition, no star performers but everyone can do their own thing in SingAlongCircle. Singing is for everyone and singing enables Creative Expression and is truly fun”- Maurice





#Addthe10th Campaign

ATD Ireland are part of an alliance called #addthe10th. The purpose of this group is to have socio- economic status recognized as the tenth ground of discrimination in Irish equality legislation, namely the Equal Status Act and the Employment Equality Act.

Hundreds of people across the world have so far taken part in the #Addthe10th campaign.

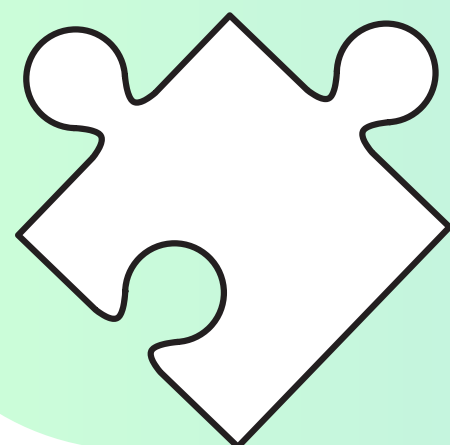
We have brought the campaign to the United Nations, the EU and to Leinster House.

In 2021 the #Addthe10th alliance submitted a collective response to the government consultation for the review of the equality acts.

On Wednesday 22nd of February, the #Addthe10th alliance was kindly invited by Sinn Féin's TD Chris Andrews and Independent TD Violet-Anne Wynne to attend the debate about the Equality (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2021 — Second Stage in Private Members' Business. Unfortunately the bill was not passed on this occasion.

However, in July Minister Roderic O Gorman published a report on the review of the equality acts.

Amendments to the equality legislation including the addition socio-economic status as a tenth ground are back on government agenda for Spring 2024 and we will keep campaigning until it happens.



SHOULD PEOPLE BE DEFINED BY THEIR CLASS?

Addthe10th Campaign: Pushing for socio- economic status recognised as the tenth ground of discrimination in Irish equality legislation

#Addthe10th
End Socio-Economic
Discrimination
in Ireland

ATD Ireland

Breaking Barriers- Report on socio- economic discrimination

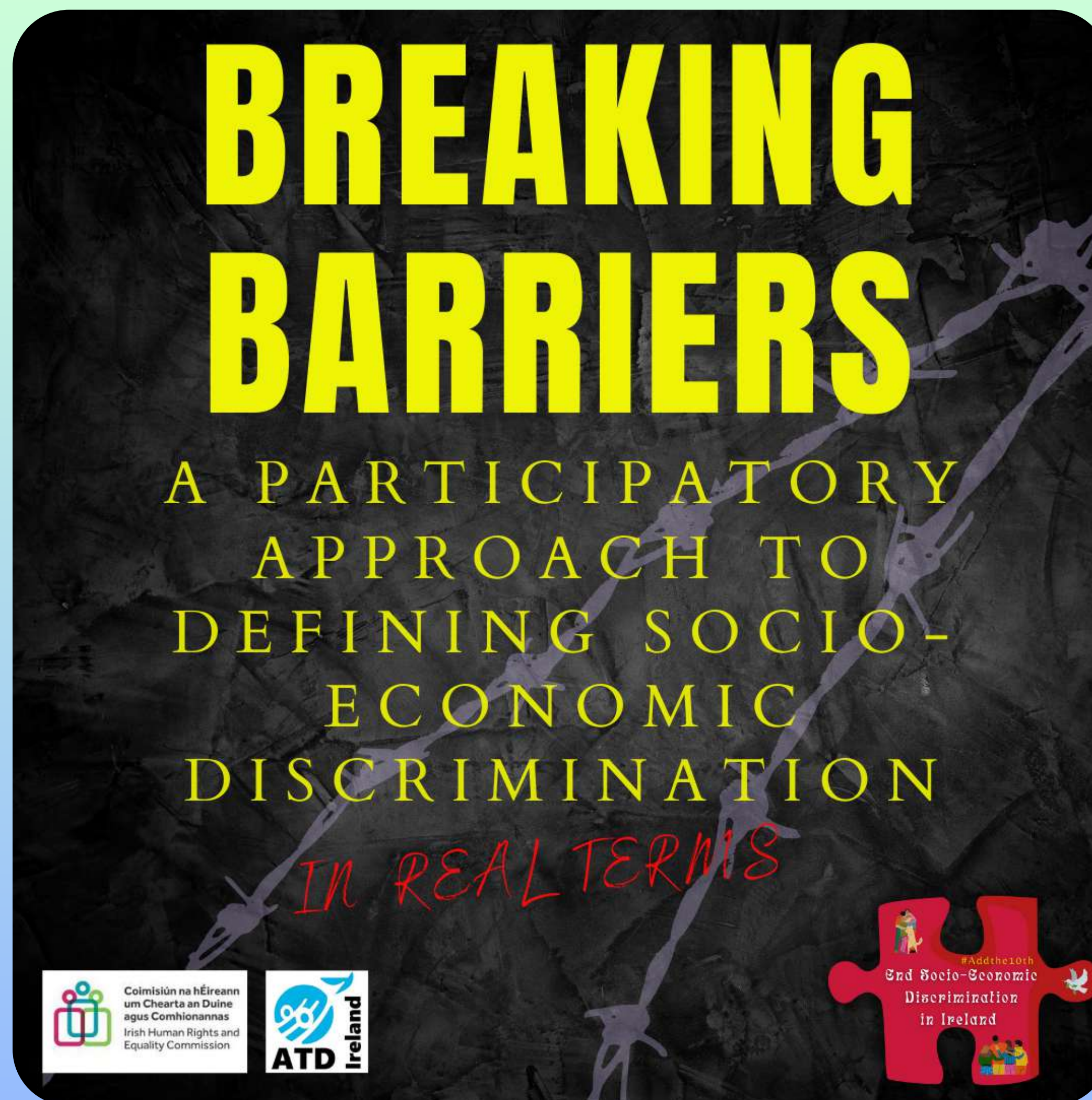
In October we launched our new report on socio- economic discrimination; **“Breaking Barriers: A Participatory approach to Defining Socio- Economic discrimination- In real terms”**. This report brings together the voices of those with lived experiences of discrimination, academics and professionals working in the community and voluntary sector to break down the term socio- economic discrimination into understandable terms. It also documents three years of campaign work in Ireland and internationally with the #addthe10th campaign to have socio- economic status recognised as the tenth ground of discrimination in Irish equality legislation.

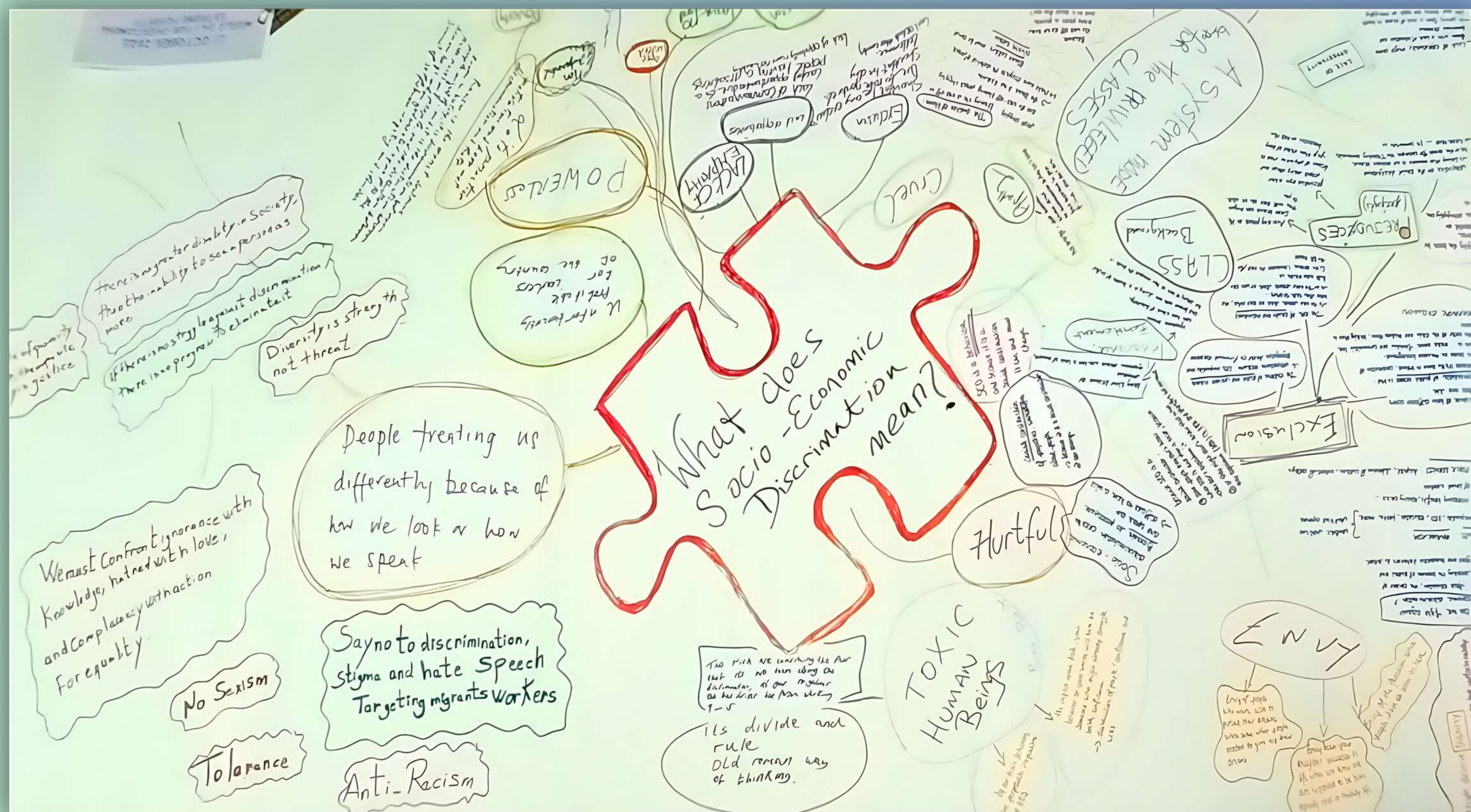
“People treating us differently because of how we look, how we speak, where we live and our wealth...it is hurtful, toxic and it impacts our quality of life”.

Thank you to the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission for funding this project.



Scan the QR code to find the webpage and full report







#Addthe10th at the European Union

On February 22nd ATD teams from ATD Europe including ATD Ireland Community Activist Lorraine met with the EU Fundamental Rights Agency in Vienna to discuss institutional maltreatment and socio- economic discrimination.

“People especially young people with a history of past drug use and trauma are mostly treated unfairly. They don’t want to look into the trauma, they just look into the addiction. I personally feel like I’ve been labelled and there is nothing I can do about it. I feel it will always follow me, and many others feel the same. This makes us feel hopeless.”

On Wednesday June 28th, ATD Ireland community activists Andrew and Christina took part in a webinar ‘Building an Inclusive Europe: Combatting socio- economic discrimination’ organised by ATD Fourth World Europe with the support of the Parliamentary Intergroup on Fighting against Poverty.

“I want a protected law in place because I have this fear that if this law isn’t in place my kids will grow up with the fear of not being able to chase their dreams say they want a certain job but they can’t get it because of where they’re from, what type of life would that be?”

“Changing the law on discrimination is important because people should be treated the same with no high class or low class. What I mean in general is we should be treated with respect.”





Claire Hédon



Solal Billon - ATD Fourth World



Olivier De Schutter



Andrew Kelly and Christina Power



Kahina Rabahi



**Thank You!
Stronger
Together
to protect
EU citizens
from Socio-
Economic
Discrimination!**

Youth Event at the Council of Europe

In line with our 2023- 2027 strategic goals, ATD Ireland continued to make efforts to reach out to young people affected by poverty and discrimination.

As a result, we took part in ATD Youth Europe's 2023 youth campaign including a youth study session at the European Youth Centre at the Council of Europe in Strasbourg. This coincided with the 30th anniversary of a major youth meeting at the Council of Europe. The week itself revolved around a series of working sessions in small groups as well as workshops and some fun time to explore the beautiful city and get to know the other young people through games, music, food and conversation. There were 60 young people from 8 different European countries in attendance. The three themes that were focused on were Discrimination and Harassment, Isolation and Choice. The Irish delegation were part of the group on the former. The main focus of the study session was on the last day, when after a week long of hard work and dedicated preparation, the young people from the 3 campaign groups were able to present their collaborative work to important MEPs and officials/representatives from the European institutions.

“Overall, it was one of the most important events I went to as a young person in Ireland”- Craig

“Youth voices and participation matters – in every space, from local communities to the Councils and Parliaments of Europe” and as Bradog so eloquently put it, the young people from the Irish delegation ***“did yourselves, families, youth service, ATD Ireland, peers and country proud.”***

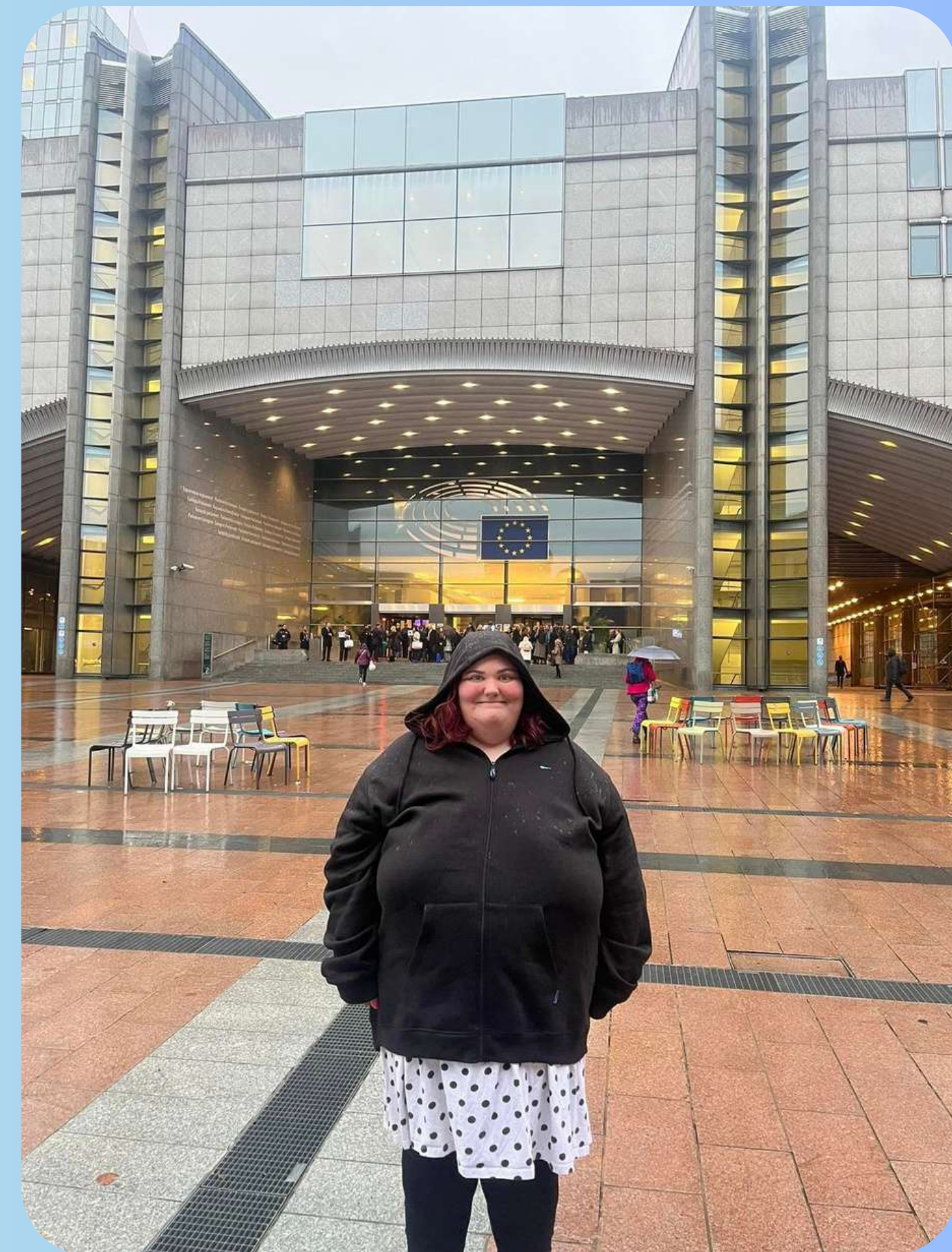
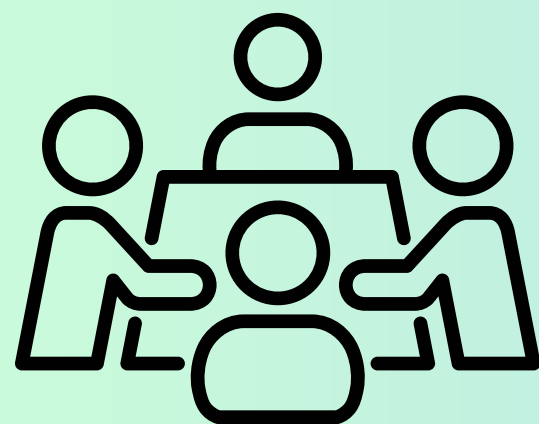


Christina speaks at a European Parliament Conference on Minimum Income

On 25th October 2023, ATD Ireland community activist Christina presented at Social Platform's annual conference; 'Over the poverty line: The case for adequate minimum income for all'. For several weeks we prepared in the ATD Ireland office through discussions on the topic of minimum income with ATD Ireland community activists and Sister Bernadette who founded the MESL work.

The conference was in aid of the Social Platform 'Over the Line' campaign. Social Platform (of which ATD Fourth World are an associate member) are calling for an EU Directive on Minimum Income. There has been some EU developments on this issue including the proposed council recommendation in accordance with the European Pillar of Social Rights and the European Parliament's Resolution on adequate minimum income. This event was co-hosted by MEP Estrella Dura of The Progressives and Sara Matthieu of Greens/ EFA.

"A minimum income should be an income which meets the cost of living. Social welfare in Ireland does not currently guarantee a minimum income which is above the poverty line and I will talk more about why this is today"





Poverty Aware Practice



ATD Ireland have developed a 'Poverty Aware Practice' module. This module is based on the Hidden Dimensions of Poverty international research and is led by ATD community activists with lived experience of poverty and socio – economic discrimination. The module is comprised of testimonies based on lived experience, group exercises, a presentation and an interactive discussion and Q&A with the class.

The purpose of this module is to enable social work students to have a better understanding of poverty and promote a dialogue between those who have experience of social work intervention and the future social workers.

This year we continued to deliver and develop our poverty aware practice. We presented the module at Trinity and for the first time in Galway University.

Thank you so much to the community activists for leading these sessions and to the students and professors involved.

We also presented the module at the Family Resource Centre National Conference in Tullamore

“It was great to see at the FRC conference the drive that people with power have the ability and motivation to change the island that we live on and it was great to see that they recognised the expertise that we have” - Andrew

“Brilliant team effort and the response from the audience was truly amazing . Well done everybody be super proud of what we achieved” - Paul





Poverty Talks

In 2023 Dr Joe Whelan from Trinity College Dublin collaborated with ATD Ireland on a research project “Walking, thinking, and talking An exploration of the lived experiences and hidden geographies of poverty using walking as a participatory arts methodology”. Community Activists Andrew, Lorraine, Paul, Kye, Gavin, Ann Marie, Christina, Jimmy, Philip, Long and Terence took part in this research which involved discussing their insights into the experience of poverty while taking a walk through an area of importance to them. This project culminated in an animated film, research report and website.

The project including research report and film was launched on October 6th at IHREC offices with MC Father Peter McVerry.

“It was important for me because I was able to walk through the area where I was born and as we walked and talked I was able to show Joe what it’s like, to show him the community and the effect that SED and poverty has on the community.” Paul

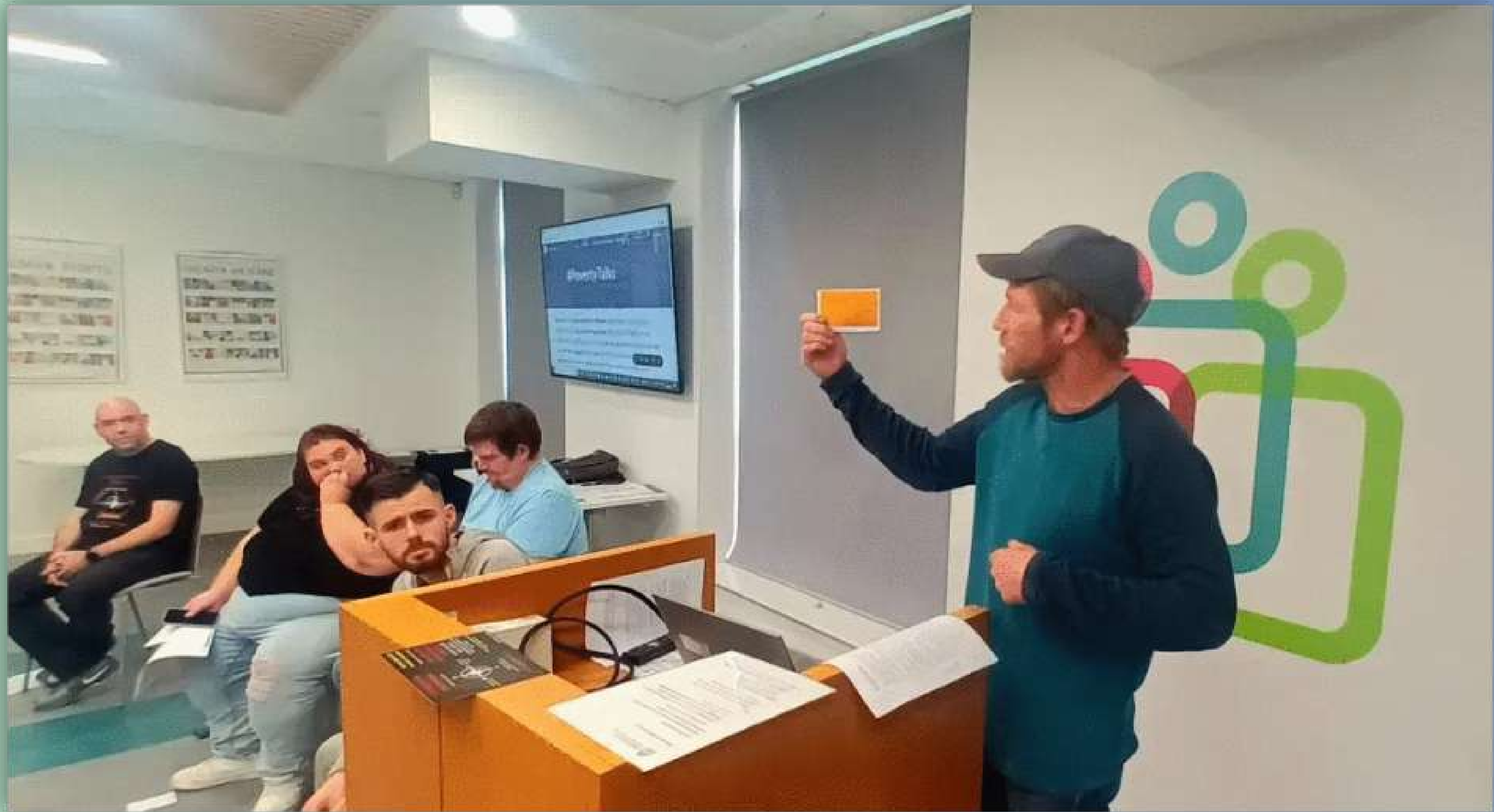
“It was important to me because even though I’m not from Dublin when I was walking past the people that were asleep on cardboard on the street outside a big shop, that was me no matter what city or place I lived in”. Andrew

“It’s about raising our voice and raising our voice for others and for the generation that we have in the future I am sure if that it will help me to have a better future for the young people”. Jimmy.



Scan the QR code to find the website, report, animated film, maps and photographs





“Academics + Community Activists = New Knowledge and solutions”

17th October

On Tuesday the 17th Of October ATD Ireland and the 17th October Committee had our annual commemoration for the UN Day for the Eradication of Poverty at the Human Rights and Poverty Stone on the Custom House Quay in Dublin. The theme this year was **“Let Dignity Be Our Compass: Working Together Towards Change”**. This theme and visual was collectively decided by the 17th October Committee. The four axis of the compass points to four issues of critical importance for Irish society in order to achieve the full realisation of human rights, equality and social justice. These include **“Zero discrimination, Affordable accommodation, A minimum standard of income and Dignified work and opportunities to participate”**.

The MC for this year was Professor Mary Murphy from Maynooth University and later Brian O Toole. We were very pleased to have Minister of State for Community Development and charities Joe O'Brien attend and speak at the 17th October event this year. Wonderful music was provided by the choirs from St. Mary's secondary school, Holy Faith, Glasnevin and St Laurence O'Toole CBS and St Laurence O'Toole National School.

We heard six powerful and important testimonies from;
Shelly- Independent Living Movement Ireland
Ann Marie- ATD Ireland
Kay- Migrant Rights Centre Ireland
Una- Saol Project
Dwayne- Matt Talbot Community Trust
Mary- Pavee Point

Afterwards we had joined together for refreshments and conversations in the EPIC centre where we were hosting our Breaking Barriers exhibition.





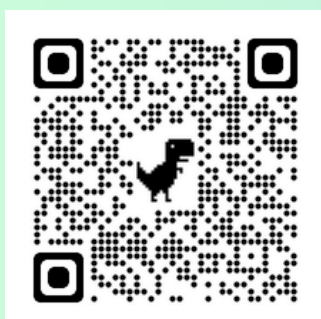
Leave No One Behind Series 3

Leave No One Behind Series 3 is a workshop series designed to start an inclusive conversation about the 2030 Agenda's Leave No One Behind Promise. It aimed to raise awareness of the Leave No One Behind Promise of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and to involve citizens from all walks of life (children, youths, adults-including people with experience of poverty and marginalisation). We want to empower marginalised groups to actively contribute to dialogue in Ireland around the Sustainable Development Goals by valuing their knowledge of social exclusion issues based on lived experience.

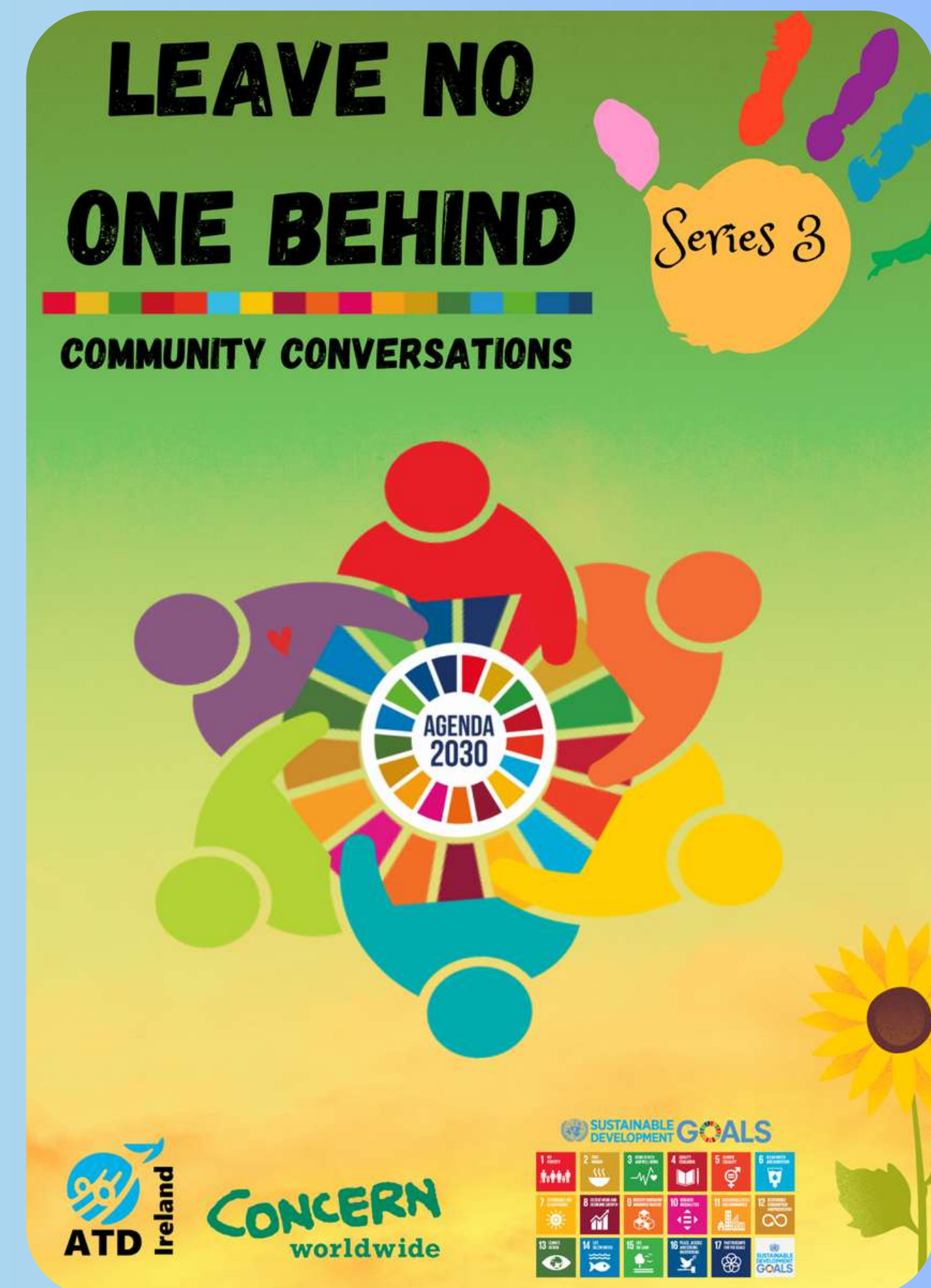
Series 3 was designed to focus on highlighting positive actions taking place around the country which aim to improve the health and wellbeing in local communities –putting these goals into practice.

This project began after identifying a diverse range of community groups specifically working with people who are often left behind. The groups included those working with people from a variety of life experiences including; Families in Direct Provision, Traveller groups, Recovery groups, Young People, Asylum seekers, people with experience of prison, Adults struggling with literacy, people living in isolated rural areas, those struggling with poor mental health and people with experience of poverty. Using art and other creative methods we identified important actions which can help ensure that no one is left behind.

In July 2023, we launched the project and showcased the beautiful artwork at an uplifting community event at Mud Island Community Gardens. The project participants gathered and conversed together with music and refreshments.



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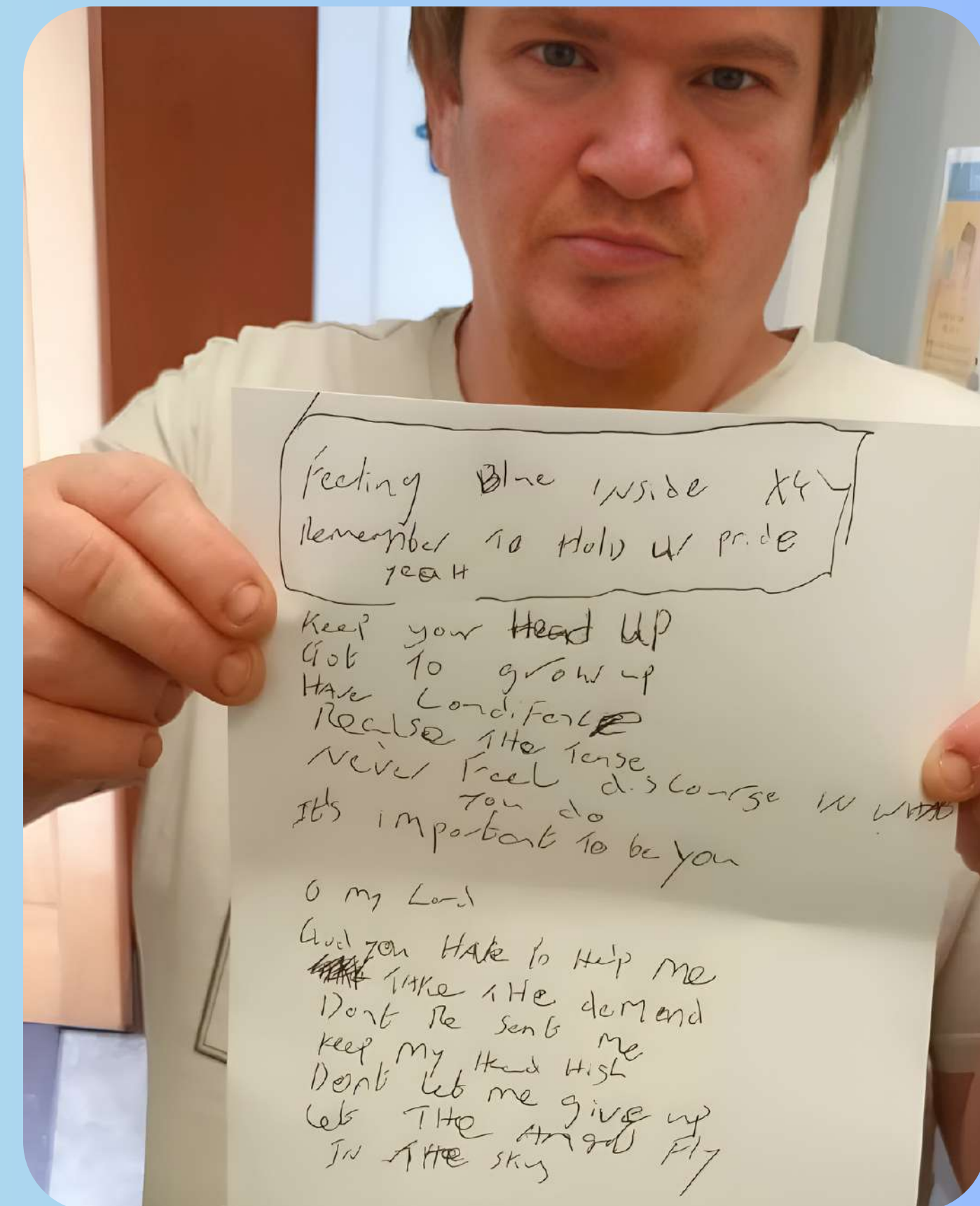
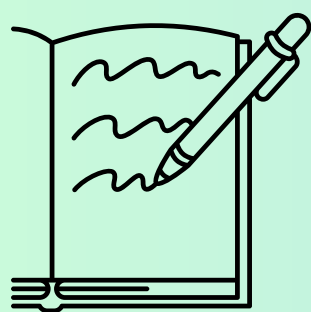


Pathways to Participation

Following on from the success of our “Lockdown Liberties: Spoken and written word” project, ATD Ireland are proud to launch a new creative writing project **“Creative Pathways to Participation”** funded by Coalition 2030.

The aim of this project is to nourish and spotlight the creative talents and knowledge of those impacted by poverty and discrimination or those who otherwise experience marginalisation. It hopes to give people an avenue to share their lived experience, insights and perspectives on topics which are important to them. This project is about recognising the value of creative outlets in people finding their voice and self-expression, given that people who are struggling are not often given the platform to do so. Finding one's voice can lead to all manners of civic participation and involvement.

This project hopes to raise awareness of the Sustainable Development Goals through the lived experience of social exclusion.





Fundraising activities

Cycling for Change- breaking the 'cycle' of poverty!

In line with our strategic goal number 4, we organised two key fundraising events this year.

On Saturday the 24th and Sunday the 25th of June 2023, 7 cyclists cycled the National Famine way from the Famine Museum in Strokestown, Co. Roscommon to the Famine Statues and Poverty Stone Customs House Quay Dublin. This was part of a sponsored cycle event to raise funds for and awareness of ATD Ireland. The ATD team would like to thank and congratulate Maurice, Ger, Ian, John, Martin, Yosvani and Michael for their achievement and also their amazing energy. Then, we would like to thank the support team, especially Terence and Juliette, for all the efforts they have done in order to organize the event.

Scan the qr code to donate to
ATD Ireland



Singing for Change!

In December we had our annual Grafton Street Christmas Carolling.

Thank you very much to Maurice for also leading this and the numerous practice sessions we had in the office!

Thank you to all those who have donated to ATD Ireland this year.





2023 Audited Accounts



All Together in Dignity - Ireland
Working with those affected by chronic poverty

	as at 31-Dec-23	as at 31-Dec-22
Current Assets		
1120 - Prepayments	4500	4500
1130 - Deposits prepaid	1500	3395
Other Funding due		1200
1200 - Cash at Bank	23645	19290
1210 - Petty Cash	95	
Total Current Assets	29740	28385
Current Liabilities		
2110 - Accruals	7575	7015
2210 - PAYE/USC to pay to Revenue	3669	4171
Total Current Liabilities	11244	11186
TOTAL NET ASSETS	18496	17200
EQUITY		
Net Profit / Loss	18496	17200
3100 - Profit and Loss Account	17200	45113
Net Profit / Loss (current year)	491	-27913
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TOTAL EQUITY	18496	17200



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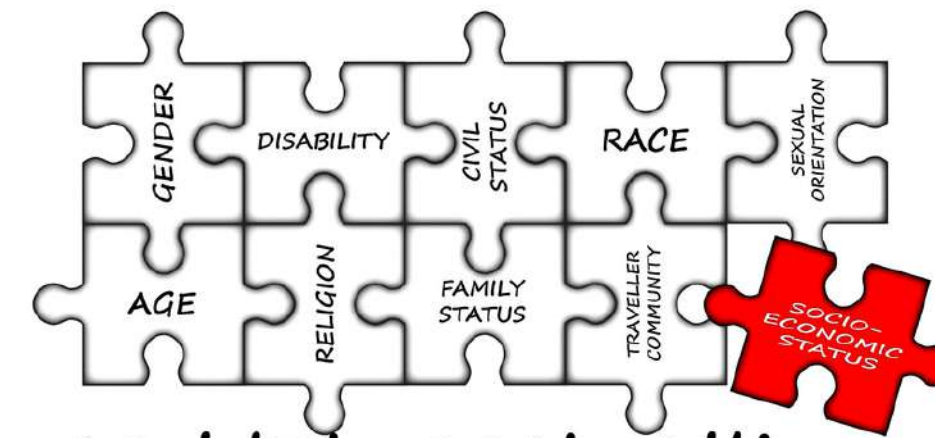
	12 Mths ended 31-Dec-23	12 Mths ended 31-Dec-22
Income		
4100 - ATD France Support	80,000	60000
AFD (French Overseas Development)		9252
4110 - Concern	14,175	15000
4120 - Dept of Social Protection	5,950	5770
4130 - Dublin City Council	3,478	2500
4140 - IHREC	3,380	5362
4145 - Coalition 2030	2,900	
4155 - Vincentian Partnership	28,073	
4160 - FORSA	700	500
4165 - Poverty Aware Practice	500	
Trinity		1000
Dominican Justice		200
4190 - Donations	3,927	3014
Partage de Fin		390
Total:	143083	102988
Expenditure		
7000 - Employee Wages and Salaries	77,162	64006
7020 - Employers PRSI	7,863	6456
8230 - Training Costs	40	0
7100 - Rent	18,015	18001
7130 - Premises Insurance	1,552	1552
7200 - Electricity	4,008	3376
7400 - Travelling	2,996	7381
7450 - Overseas Travelling	1,859	3903
7505 - Film Making	1,115	2460
Materials, Printing, postage and stationery	12,998	9393
7530 - Telephone	1,185	3009
7540 - Internet Charges	452	
7550 - Computers & Software	1,644	
7610 - Accountancy Fees	5,935	4305
7810 - Cleaning	124	
7900 - Bank Charges and Interest	53	74
8200 - Volunteer Support	1,314	
8210 - Subscriptions	650	501
8220 - Volunteer Gifts	204	
8240 - Refreshments	3,423	6484
Total:	142,592	130901
NET PROFIT / LOSS	491	-27913



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The challenge for ATD Ireland in the coming years will be to gradually cover our annual running costs from resources raised by ATD Ireland (through EU, national or local grants, sponsors, network of friends who donate, etc. and with less corresponding reliance on ATD Fourth World International).

Our report would also like to thank the approximately 50 friends who volunteered with ATD during 2023. Nothing would have been possible without them. A big thank you too to those many organisations and projects which were ready to join our initiatives, including: Irish 17 October Committee, Agence Française de Développement (AFD), Community Platform, #Addthe10th alliance, European Anti-Poverty Network Ireland, Irish Coalition 2030, SAOL project, Dublin Adult Learning Centre (DALC), the Matt Talbot Centre, Bradog Youth Service, Lus Na Greine FRC Granard, YOLA Hedge School Wexford, Pavee Point, Dominican Justice Office, SAOL project and others.

We would like to thank the team including Dann Kenningham, Paul Uzell and Tara Doherty. We wish to deeply thank Mary and Stewart McMurchie who left the team this year to join ATD Fourth World in the UK. We wish them the very best as they continue on their journey as ATD Volunteer Corps members. We also wish to deeply thank ATD team members Ciara Margolis and Rebecca Tighe who also left the team this year, and the best wishes as they explore new opportunities. We will greatly miss the presence, insights and warmth each of them brought to the ATD Ireland team.

We also value the contribution of Mark Hogan who continues to support us as a friend. A big thank you also to Stuart and Isabelle Williams for all of their support and knowledge. Thank you very much to our longstanding community activists Andrew, Lorraine, Gavin, Kye, Jimmy, Christina, Annmarie, Philip, Terence, Michael, Long and Craig for all of their dedicated efforts and involvement in our projects. Thank you to all family members in our network for sharing with us their time, their wisdom and their stories and for often welcoming us into their homes. We are also very grateful to those who took part in our internship programme in 2023 including Sarah Aiouadj, Salome Sieradzki, Owen Flynn, Gabby Segura Suarez, Cullen Kendrick, Sophie Beaddie and Deirbhile Whelan who joined on a TY student placement. We wish them all the very best of luck in all the great things they will go on to do. A thank you also to all our wonderful volunteers and board of directors. Thank you especially to Sr Bernadette MacMahon who has been supporting us with our family visits and Pat O’ Gorman and Sean Noonan who have been supporting us with our accounts. Thank you very much to editor Catriona Loughlin and filmmaker Steven Daly for their contributions to our creative projects over the past year.

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ATD Ireland is in full compliance with the Charity Regulator Governance code.

The 2023 Income and Expenditure Accounts of ATD Ireland have been audited by Carroll and Associates, Statutory Auditors and Accountants.

ATD is a member of Coalition 2030, the Children’s Rights Alliance, the Community Platform, the Irish 17th October Committee, EAPN Ireland, Social Justice Ireland, the ESC Rights Initiative, The Wheel, EAPN Ireland, the #Addthe10th Alliance, and the International Movement ATD Fourth World.

Get Involved!

Internships & discovering the international volunteer corps

ATD Ireland welcomes many volunteers and can arrange an official voluntary internship, sometimes related to a person's studies. These voluntary internships are often short term (2-3months) part-time and flexible. This can lead to a 6-month contract as a period of discovery of ATD Ireland. After this period a longer contract can be offered.

Our Friends and Volunteers Network

Friends and supporters help us in many ways from the running of our projects, fundraising, translating English<>French to maintenance in the office, special events, administration, family support and a whole lot more.

Community Activists

A Community Activist is someone with a lived experience of poverty and hardship that has made the commitment to volunteer with ATD Ireland in a diverse range of projects: one specific role is to become a spokesperson for others living in poverty.

"ATD Fourth World is unlike any other organization in how it connects people with experiences of poverty (and also people who want to create a world without poverty)... to fight for a better world for all. A world not just without poverty, but where people are seen as equals and [are] recognized for the talent that they have inside and on offer". - Ciara

"I joined ATD Ireland looking for practical experience and received way more than this. I was involved in a variety of projects that drew out creativity and thinking outside the box.

We questioned real social issues and expanded my own mindset as we worked with amazing people with first hand experience.". - Rebecca



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- Joseph Wresinski

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