

Name of Applicant	Scheme Details
Clúid Housing	<p>Garden and children's play area at a community centre in Mountmellick, Co Laois.</p> <p>The community centre sits on a large green area with roads to both sides of the building and this new enclosed garden and play space will provide children attending the Early Childhood Care and Education Programme with a safe play area. Other community groups will also have access to this new secure outdoor space.</p>
Clúid Housing	<p>Social Housing Voter Education Programme</p> <p>The programme aims to encourage people living in social housing to participate politically in their local communities. Participants from the Belmayne Community Group will receive education in relation to local and national political structures and processes will engage with local politicians about community issues. Residents and staff who take part in the education course will use their knowledge to expand the programme across Clúid Housing schemes.</p> <p>This initial phase is part of a longer-term programme aimed at improving voter participation among social housing residents in the 2029 local elections.</p>
Fold Housing	<p>Exercise and leisure activities for older residents</p> <p>Weekly exercises will be provided to residents at the Anam Cara residential care scheme in Ballygall, Dublin. The funding will also cover a number of day trips for residents, including a visit to Bray, a trip to Howth for a boat cruise and a visit to Japanese Gardens.</p>
Fold Housing	<p>Community gardens at three Dublin housing schemes for older persons</p> <p>Three community gardens will be established at housing schemes in St Agnes in Crumlin, Cuil Duin in Citywest, and New Dolphin Park in Rialto. The project will encourage tenant involvement, allowing them to take ownership and make decisions about plants, seating and other features to be included in the gardens. The aim of the project is to reduce social isolation, enhance the sense of community, and improve the overall well-being of our older tenants.</p>
Respond	<p>Apartment courtyard makeover for social housing tenants in Cork</p> <p>Respond is undertaking renovation of a Cork City housing scheme of six apartments, which was built in 2007/2008. HFA funding will be used for improvement works on a courtyard in the Shandon Close development. Tenants' views on features to enhance the courtyard were sought and proposals include flower beds with pollination stations, a mini sensory garden, hiring a local artist to create a mural and the installation of benches and bicycle racks.</p>
Respond	<p>Family Support Programmes</p> <p>Respond's Family Support Team helps vulnerable families, contributes to community development and improves tenancy sustainment. HFA funding will support parenting, healthy eating and self-care programmes, children's activities, family support groups and family fun days.</p>
North & East Housing and Tuath Housing	<p>Redevelopment of communal outdoor space in Co Louth</p> <p>The Ramparts Green housing estate is comprised of over 100 homes, owned by NEHA and Tuath Housing, with a shared green space to the rear. HFA funding will be used to transform this space to include a children's play area, goal posts, wheelchair accessible picnic benches and flower beds.</p>
Tuath Housing	<p>Eco-friendly playground in Dublin</p> <p>Clare Village in Clarendon is a housing complex of 364 homes with a mix of social and private residents. HFA funding will be used to create a natural play space for children integrated within a grove of trees. The playground will feature eco-friendly materials and equipment designed to harmonise with the natural landscape, fostering both physical activity and an appreciation for nature.</p>
Threshold	<p>Client-facing support service and community training hub</p> <p>Threshold is establishing a full-time support centre at Steamboat Quay in Limerick City, which is expected to carry out over 3,000 advice sessions per annum. The HFA's Social Investment Fund is making a contribution towards the completion of the centre's ground floor, which will be a public-facing area with dedicated client rooms. HFA funding will facilitate the addition of a community training hub, which can be used by other frontline advice centres such as Citizens Information and student unions and by community groups.</p>
Galway Simon	<p>Communal outdoor space at Galway housing for older people</p> <p>Galway Simon Community is currently developing 10 single bedroom apartment units for older people at Upper Newcastle Road, which are due to be tenanted by the end of 2024. The HFA's Social Investment Fund will make a contribution towards the development of a landscaped communal outdoor space for residents to enjoy and meet one another.</p>
Oaklee	<p>Community-building initiatives in Kildare</p> <p>HFA funding will support an intensive community development process over a 12-month period at a 50-unit apartment complex in Athy, Co Kildare. The scheme has been impacted by a number of issues over recent years, leading to social isolation and poor community relations. With the support of this award from the Social Investment Fund, Oaklee will deliver a range of initiatives to help engage residents of all ages in positive community-building activities such as fun day events and the establishment of community groups.</p>
Donegal County Council	<p>Smartphone filmmaking, kite-making and artist mentorship in Donegal</p> <p>HFA funding will facilitate three artistic initiatives, coordinated by the local authority's Arts and Cultural Diversity Officer. The 'Smartphone Filmmaking Residential Weekend' will empower Black, Minority Ethnic, and Global Majority communities through smartphone training. 'Fly a Kite for Inclusion' proposes to celebrate cultural diversity through kite-making workshops and open days. The 'Mentor Artist Showcase' looks to enhance artistic skills and cultural visibility.</p>