

Mitigating against Educational Disadvantage Fund – Apply Today

Local Education and Training Boards are inviting applications from Community Education providers, for funding from the Governments Mitigating against Educational Disadvantage Fund.

This fund places a strong focus on:

- Community Education as a mechanism to continue to support and engage with disadvantaged learners
- Reaching out, encouraging and supporting learners to re-engage with education and training
- Enticing new learners to engage with education and training opportunities
- Enabling the investment in building the digital infrastructure of providers, and their capability to ensure that online learning can be delivered in a way that meets the complex needs of all learners.

Categories eligible for funding consideration are:



Digital Technologies to supply devices, software and systems, or CPD training, to facilitate high quality learning and delivery



Learner Assistance Fund to help, where appropriate, with costs associated with course participation, such as books and class materials



Outreach, Engagement and Mentoring Fund to assist with costs associated with activities such as awareness raising, and services to promote re-engagement



COVID-19 Exceptional Circumstances Fund for Community Education to address educationally disadvantaged learners.

The role of Community Education has never been more valuable in Ireland in 2020. This fund is an opportunity to help people in our local communities engage or re-engage in education and training, build their confidence, achieve personal fulfilment and be supported to reach their full potential.

Funding applications from Community Education providers can be made by completing an application form from your local Education and Training Board.

**The closing date for funding applications is approaching.
To find out more or to make an application for funding, contact your local ETB.**

