

Dear Chief Officer,

Please see correspondence in relation to the €550,000 Ignite Fund

Kind regards,

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Less than one month left to apply to our €550,000 Ignite Fund

Hi There,

I hope that you are well. My name is Amy Power and I am Fund Manager for the Ignite Fund at Social Innovation Fund Ireland. I wanted to send you a quick email to ensure that you're aware of The Ignite Fund, its fast-approaching deadline and the opportunities that it holds. The fund offers 6 Awards ranging between €55,000 and €75,000 and has a closing date of Monday, May 6th 2019.

What is the Ignite Fund?

The Ignite Fund is a **€550,000 fund** created by Social Innovation Fund Ireland in partnership with several private philanthropists and the Department of Rural and Community Development from the Dormant Accounts Fund.

'Ignite' means to 'spark' or 'set in motion'. The objective of the Ignite Fund is to spark meaningful social impact in communities across Ireland by providing support to some of the most innovative charities and social enterprises.

We are now seeking applications from organisation's and projects who are 'igniting' impact across **four categories** which are listed below:

1. Empowering Families:

The Empowering Families Award will support projects working to unite and enable families to overcome challenges and to improve mental, physical or educational outcomes for children. Projects can apply to win an Awards package worth €75,000.

Find out more [here](#).

2. Music to Impact:

The Music to Impact Award is open to innovative projects using music as a means to enhance wellbeing or promote social inclusion for children, young people or adults. Projects can apply to win an Awards package worth €55,000.

Find out more [here](#).

3. Harnessing Ability:

The Harnessing Ability Award is open to organisations whose mission is to create economic opportunity for adolescents or adults with disabilities through innovative programmes that enhance skills, drive leadership potential and provide job opportunities. Projects can apply to win an Awards package worth €75,000.

Find out more [here](#).

4. Youth Resilience

The Youth Resilience Award is open to innovative projects focused on the mental health of young people in Ireland in the context of increasing social and digital media use. Projects can apply to win an Awards package worth €75,000.

Find out more [here](#).

If you have any further queries please email me at amy@socialinnovation.ie or alternatively contact me on 0896017450. The Ignite Fund is open for applications until **Monday, May 6th 2019**. Visit www.socialinnovation.ie/ignite-fund/ for more information.

Kind Regards,
Amy Power