

Question 1	Who is eligible to apply?
Answer	<p>A local authority must be the lead partner in all applications, working with their local enterprise offices (LEOs).</p> <p>Local authorities may choose to collaborate with other local authorities and/or external partners (e.g., in further or higher education, research or innovation) as appropriate to their application. Such collaboration should be clearly structured and outlined within applications.</p> <p>Collaborations with regional agencies such as the Western Development Commission and Údarás na Gaeltachta are welcome.</p>
Question 2	Do all Local Authorities have a Creative Ireland Coordinator? If not who is managing this process?
Answer	<p>Every local authority has a Creative Ireland Coordinator. Their contact details are on the specific local authority page. Search here https://www.creativeireland.gov.ie/en/creative-communities/</p>
Question 3	Does the whole project need to be completed in 2023? Or can some element run into 2024?
Answer	The funding is for 2023 only.
Question 4	What is the total funding available for the country?
Answer	€400k
Question 5	Is the fund upfront and how is it paid?
Answer	This fund will be allocated to the successful local authorities who will claim the funding by 19 th November 2023.
Question 6	Can funding be used to appoint personnel for a proposed project?
Answer	Yes
Question 7	Are you interested in partnerships & collaborations with 3rd level institutions within a county?
Answer	Yes
Question 8	What dates will awards be announced?
Answer	March 2023
Question 9	What is the closing date for applications?
Answer	The closing date is 28 th February 2023

Further information can be obtained from creativeireland@tcagsm.gov.ie

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