**Louth Volunteer Supports Initiative Guidelines**

The volunteer supports initiative aims to successfully increase the number of people of all ages playing a leadership role in developing sports and physical activity in their communities. This will be done through the delivery of training and education courses to support volunteers in their development as community leaders/coaches of sport and physical activity.

Louth LSP will provide this opportunity for assistance in training and education for individuals or clubs by providing 50% of the total cost of the course.

You are eligible to apply for funding once you meet either 1 or 2 of the main requirements:

1. You or your club must be within a disadvantaged area to be considered for support (areas listed below)
2. You or your club are working or intend to work with people with disabilities to be considered for support.

**Eligible Courses (may include):**

* Sports specific Coach Education (e.g. Athletics, Basketball, Gaelic, Soccer).
* Committee and / or Volunteer education, Administration & management courses
* Generic courses outlined on application form, Child Protection, First Aid, Sport Leader Award etc
* Personal Development (leadership roles, governance, organizational skills, building self-esteem and confidence etc )
* Accredited courses by NCTC or NGB
* Applicants who have a bona fide youth structure in place
* Applicants from club/organizations within Co Louth

**Ineligible Courses (will include):**

* Courses outside Ireland
* Sport related courses delivered by bodies not recognized under the National Coaching Development Programme or by the National Governing Bodies of Sport (NGB's) if one exists.
* Generic sports courses delivered by a non-recognized agency
* Day to day running costs (e.g insurance, transport)
* Courses not directly related to applicant club/ organization e.g. team building.

# **Louth Sports Partnership**

# Volunteer Supports Initiative Application Form

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| **Applicant details** | |
| **Contact Name** |  |
| **Club Name & Address** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Phone Number** |  |
| **Type of Sporting Activity** |  |
| **National Governing Body to which club is affiliated:** |  |

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| **Training Course Details** | |
| **Name of training Course** |  |
| **Purpose for which grant, if approved will be used. (Please attach additional information if required)** |  |
| **Planned start date** |  |
| **Planned End date** |  |

**If applying for more than 1 course, please provide full list above.**

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| **Cost of Training** |

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| **Please List items and estimated cost for which grant assistance is sought, including breakdown of all costs.** | |
| **Course/ Training** | **Estimated Costs** |
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| **Total cost the Course/ Training?** | € |

Payment Details

* In some instances, a course will only proceed if the minimum numbers of paid applications are received before the closing date, assuming Louth Local Sports Partnership is arranging the course.
* No refunds can be made if a candidate cancelled their course application on or after the closing date or a candidate fails to attend a course.
* Louth Sports Partnership reserves the right to cancel any course or workshop at short notice. In this case a refund or alternative course date will be offered.
* Participants who complete a coaching course will be required to make a time contribution towards increasing participation to their club/sport.

Further Details

* In accordance with Data Protection Regulation Louth Sports Partnership have a duty to protect any information we hold on you. The personal information you provide on this form will only be used for the purpose of course bookings and compiling statistics. Data will be held securely for 5 years after which time it will be disposed of.
* We would like to send you information on other sports courses that may be of interest to you, if you would like to receive such information please tick here
* To assist in the production of future promotion material Louth Sports Partnership may arrange to photograph activities taking place during the courses. Images may be used on Council printed material or within the council website and social media sites. If you give your consent to photographed/filmed, please tick here

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| **Declaration** | |
| **I hereby certify that I have read and understand the Volunteer Supports Initiative Guidelines and that the information supplied on this application is complete, correct and accurate in every respect and it is on this basis only that this application is submitted for consideration and accepted for consideration by Louth Local Sports Partnership. I further understand that the submission of any incorrect or inaccurate information will render the application null and void.** | |
| **Name:** |  |
| **Signature:** |  |
| **Date** |  |

**For general information, contact** [**louthlsp@louthcoco.ie**](mailto:aine.mcdonald@louthcoco.ie)

**OR**

**042-9324318 Monday – Friday 10am – 4pm.**

**Return Postal Address:**

**Volunteer Support Grant Application, Louth Sports Unit, Dundalk Sports Centre,**

**Tom Bellew Avenue, Dundalk, Co. Louth, A91 X36T**

**Applications can also be emailed to** [**louthlsp@louthcoco.ie**](mailto:louthlsp@louthcoco.ie)

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**Check List for Application**

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| **Application Form – fully complete and signed** |  |
| **Date and Time Received by Louth Sports Unit** |  |