

Vision

Exchange House Ireland is a provider of Traveller specific frontline services of excellence in an Ireland where the distinct ethnicity, identity and experience of Travellers is acknowledged, celebrated and respected.

Mission

We provide a range of Traveller specific frontline services and supports that empower individuals, families and communities and enhance choices with care and integrity

Core Principles

In all of our work, we are guided by the principles of:

- Professionalism
- Equality
- Diversity
- Excellence

Our Children and Young Peoples Service is resourced and supported by:

- **City of Dublin Education and Training Board**
- **City of Dublin Youth Services Board**
- **Pobal**
- **The Dormant Accounts Board**
- **Department of Children and Youth Affairs**
- **Department of Education and Science**
- **The European Union**

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Children and Young People's Service



Exchange House Ireland

Exchange House Ireland has over 35 years' experience providing Traveller specific, professional, front-line family support, crisis intervention, education, training and children and young people's services in Ireland. This "best practice" model is funded by the Health Services Executive, Department of Social Protection, the Education and Training Board, City of Dublin Youth Services Board, Department of Children and Youth Affairs, SOLAS, Pobal (Dormant Accounts Fund), the European Union and a variety of charitable trusts.

We hold the contract from the HSE National Office for Suicide Prevention to deliver the National Traveller Suicide Prevention Service and are funded by the Genio Trust to deliver Ireland's only Traveller specific mental health service "Travelling to Well-Being".

Exchange House Ireland holds Quality Qualifications Ireland (QQI) accreditation, and is approved by FETAC to design, develop, deliver, quality assure and accredit education and training courses.

Annually, we work with over 8,000 Travellers, almost one quarter of the Traveller population in Ireland, making us the largest Traveller specific service provider in the country.

Children and Young Peoples Service

Exchange House Ireland offers a suite of services and supports to Traveller children and young people throughout the Greater Dublin area. Operating from a critical social education model, we respect, encourage and support Traveller young people to achieve their potential and become active agents of positive change within their communities.

- Youth Development and Education
- Youth Cultural, Social and Recreation
- Positive Health and Well-Being

Our dedicated Children and Young Peoples team also works with parents, families and partner youth and education service providers to ensure that our children and young people are supported and challenged to use their talents, develop their leadership and achieve their educational potential.

Specialised Services

Within the context of our daily, weekly, monthly and seasonal programmes, children and young people participate in a series of specialised programmes, including:

- Stay in School Programme
- After School Programme / Homework Clubs
- Structured Personal Development Programmes
- Physical Fitness and Sports Programmes
- Mental Health Awareness
- Suicide Prevention
- Educational Away Programmes
- Comhairle na n'Og
- Domestic Violence Awareness Projects
- Cross Community Diversity Programmes
- Anti-Bullying
- Leadership
- Mentoring Programmes
- European Projects

Integrated Services

A core part of our work is to provide and afford the families of our children and young people opportunities to engage with Exchange House Ireland's Family Support and Crisis Intervention and Education and Training Services.