

Events

- IFGB Members Network Event
11th September 2008
- Golf Tournament
16th October 2008
- Forgotten Irish Awards
November 2008
- Winter Ball
6th December 2008
- London City Luncheon
3rd March 2009

Projects

If you would like to see for yourself how your donation makes a difference, we would be delighted to organise a project visit for you. If you are interested in volunteering opportunities, The IFGB can put you in touch with local projects that have voluntary positions available.

For more information on The Forgotten Irish Campaign, on the projects, or any of the events mentioned above, please contact us using the details below.

Thank you.



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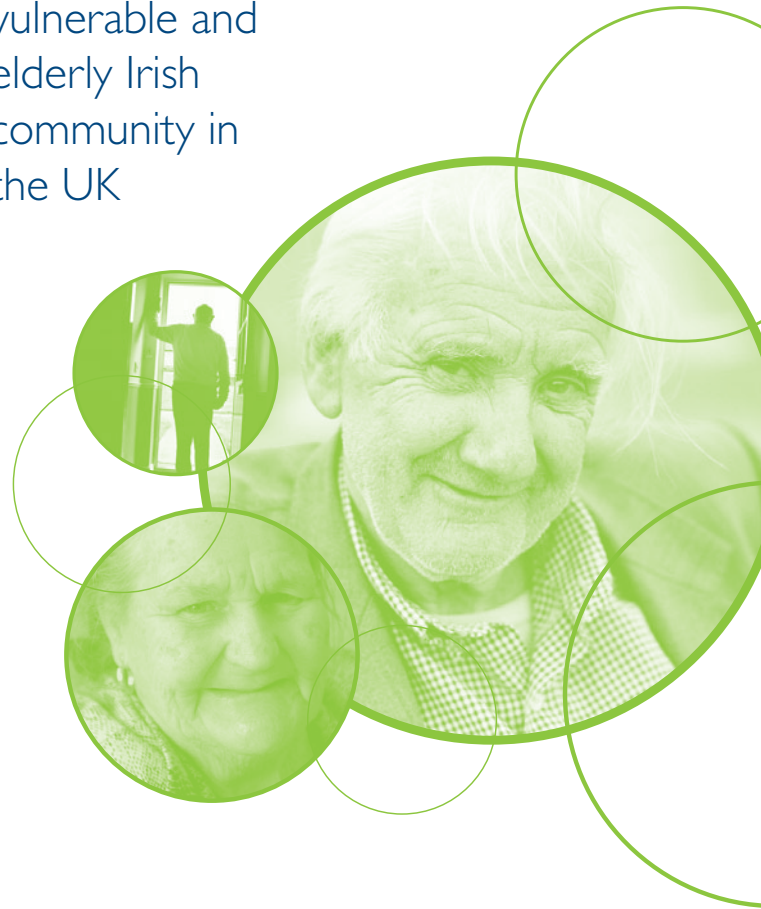
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Remembering...



supporting the
vulnerable and
elderly Irish
community in
the UK



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The IFGB provides funding to Irish community organisations across the UK whose focus is to support those in health, housing, social or psychological need.

The IFGB does not receive government funding and relies upon donations from private individuals, corporations and other non-statutory sources.

Our Current Focus - The Forgotten Irish Campaign

Launched in 2007 by Chairman of The IFGB, Peter Sutherland, The Forgotten Irish Campaign is a 5 year multi-million pound project which has received tremendous assistance from supporters both in the UK and Ireland, reaching over £2 million pounds in its first year.

Who are the 'forgotten Irish'?

The 'forgotten Irish' came to Britain in the second half of the twentieth century, during one of the darkest and most impoverished periods of Ireland's history.

Many came to find work and sent an equivalent to an estimated £3 billion Irish pounds home to their families, building the foundations of the Ireland we know today.

Thousands came over to escape the hardship, marginalisation and sometimes, the abuse of institutional life.

They paved the way for more recent generations of Irish immigrants to Britain - for people like us.



Picture supplied by Brendan O'Farrell

The Forgotten Irish deserve our help

At the end of their working lives, many had the means to go home however many are still here, often living in isolation, poverty and deprivation - without the support of friends or family.

Given the age of those involved and the hardships they have faced, it is likely that many will not survive the next decade.

How The IFGB will tackle this urgent need

Grants will be awarded to groups specifically targeting the 'forgotten Irish' following a thorough assessment of their grant application. Projects are measured on the basis of need, the viability of the proposed project and the ability to sustain delivery.

“Our lunch club gives me a reason to get up in the morning. It is as simple as knowing there is a place where someone will notice if you're not there.”

Bridie - London Irish Centre



You can make a difference: Donate to The Forgotten Irish Campaign

“I have no hesitation in bluntly putting it to you that there is an obligation to help, and that we need your help; that the beneficiaries of The Forgotten Irish Campaign are the people that deserve your help.”

Peter Sutherland -

Chairman of The Ireland Fund of Great Britain