The Community Recognition Fund was first introduced in 2023 to recognise the huge efforts made by communities in welcoming and supporting people coming to Ireland. The proposals have to demonstrate that the funding is targeted at and specifically invested in those cities, towns and villages where the highest level of new arrivals is located and where there is a clear need for investment identified.

Under the 1st round of the fund, South Dublin County Council received 2 applications from the Lucan area; one of the applications was submitted to DRCD for consideration but was not approved.

Under the 2nd Window, 4 applications were received from the Lucan area and 2 were successful: Crosscare Ucan project for the expansion of their project and SDCC for the installation of new path, public lighting and railings in the Back Weston area.

Under the 3rd Window SDCC received 8 applications from the Lucan area.

The recommended applications under the 3rd round were submitted to DRCD on February 28th and we are waiting on a decision on the projects which will be approved.

The table below shows the successful projects under windows 1 and 2:

**Window 1**

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| Group | Project | Area | Amount |
| Tallaght Community Arts | Renovation of the Making the Space | Tallaght | €98,000 |
| South Dublin Partnership | Bus | County-Wide | €103,000 |
| Gaelphobal Tamhlachta | Development of a social space and theatre | Tallaght | €250,000 |
| JADD | Outreach service Bus | Jobstown | €80,000 |
| 4 Districts day-care centre | Purchase of Mini Bus | Rathcoole | €60,000 |

**Window 2**

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| Start Bright ELC | Outdoor play space enhancement | Clondalkin | €82,713 |
| Tallaght Athletic Club | Energy efficient LED flood lighting | Tallaght | €120,310 |
| St Francis FC | Full-size all-weather pitch | Clondalkin | €350,000 |
| South Dublin County Partnership | Intercultural centre | Tallaght | €120,000 |
| Kilnamanagh AFC | Clubhouse & external training area | Tallaght | €100,000 |
| Crosscare Ucan Project YDP | Ucan project expansion | Lucan | €132,000 |
| South Dublin County Council | New path, public lighting and railing | Lucan | €56,000 |