

# AIB Community €1 Million Fund



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The AIB Community €1 Million Fund is an annual initiative that supports local charities across Ireland, Northern Ireland, and Great Britain. Here are some frequently asked questions about the Fund:

**1. What is the AIB Community €1 Million Fund?**

- AIB first launched the Fund in 2022 which supports over 70 local charities nominated by customers, the public, and employees each year.

**2. Who can nominate a charity for the fund?**

- Anyone, including AIB customers, employees, and the general public, can nominate a registered charity.

**3. How do I nominate a charity?**

- Visit [aib.ie/community-fund](https://aib.ie/community-fund) and complete the online nomination form.

**4. What information is required to nominate a charity?**

- Your name, email address, the charity's name, its registration number, the region it's based in, and a brief reason for your nomination.

**5. Where can I find the charity's registration number?**

- You can find this information on the Charities Regulator website here <https://www.charitiesregulator.ie/en/information-for-the-public/search-the-register-of-charities>

**6. Which regions are eligible for nominations?**

- Connacht, Munster, Ulster (ROI), Leinster, Greater Dublin, and Northern Ireland & Great Britain.

**7. What are the funding amounts awarded?**

- Public-nominated charities will receive €20,000
- A once off €10,000 amount for each region in the public-nominated fund (more details in No.8 below)
- Employee-nominated charities receive €6,000
- Charities can be nominated in both funds

**8. What is new for 2026?**

- In 2026, we are adding an extra once off €60,000 to the AIB Community €1 Million Fund to celebrate AIB's 60th anniversary. This will provide an additional

€10,000 per region for the public-nominated charities, enabling us to support even more local projects and initiatives in our communities.

**9. Are there restrictions on which charities can be nominated?**

- Yes, charities that received funding in the previous three years are ineligible for nomination.

**10. Can I nominate more than one charity?**

- No, only one nomination per individual and associated email address is accepted.

**11. What types of projects are excluded from funding?**

- Projects related to religious or political activities, non-charitable activities, animal charities where animals are the primary beneficiaries, and those covering core costs like rent or salaries. The list of excluded categories is kept under ongoing review and further information relating to these is available in the Terms & Conditions on [aib.ie/community-fund](http://aib.ie/community-fund)

**12. How are the nominated charities selected for funding?**

- The top six nominated charities in each region are shortlisted in the public fund and invited to present to a reviewing panel. In 2026, the seventh highest nominated charity in each region will also be shortlisted for the once off amount of €10,000, and invited to present to a reviewing panel.

**13. When do nominations open and close?**

- In 2026, nominations will open on Friday 08 May and close on Friday 19 June at 5pm.

**14. Can I edit or withdraw a nomination after submitting?**

- Nominations are final once submitted.

**15. What happens if the charity details (e.g. registration number) are entered incorrectly?**

- The nomination will not be counted.

**16. How are the funds allocated across regions?**

- Each of the six regions are allocated an equivalent amount.

**17. Can charities apply directly for funding?**

- No, charities must be nominated by individuals; they cannot apply directly.

**18. Are there any reporting requirements for funded charities?**

- Yes, all nominated charities are subject to due diligence review, and AIB reserves the right to monitor beneficiaries' use of funds.

**19. Can a charity be nominated multiple times by different individuals?**

- Yes, multiple nominations can increase a charity's chances of being shortlisted.

**20. How are employees involved in the nomination process?**

- AIB employees can nominate charities, and €300,000 of the fund is allocated to employee-nominated charities.

**21. When are the selected charities announced?**

- The top charities in each region are announced in Autumn.

**22. Can I nominate a charity outside of Ireland?**

- Yes, charities registered in Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales, or England are eligible.

**23. Where can I find the list of previously funded charities?**

- The list of charities awarded in previous years is available at [aib.ie/community-fund](https://aib.ie/community-fund)

**24. How can I stay updated on the fund's timelines and announcements?**

- Follow AIB's social media channels for updates on timings and announcements.

For more information, please read the Terms and Conditions on [aib.ie/community-fund](https://aib.ie/community-fund)