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Financial Support to Cairde Corcaigh for the Cork Lesbian Initiative Project

1. The financial support is to the Cairde Corcaigh steering committee for the purpose of establishing a lesbian space from where to facilitate training, meetings and in general encourage lesbians to become actively involved in their own community.
2. A list of the steering committee is on file at LEA along with all other documentation in relation to this organisation and project.
3. The assistance is specifically towards rent, rates and insurance listed on the attached budget. The maximum financial contribution from LEA will be 10,000.
4. **Procedures:**

   - For payment of rent. The lease will need to be in the name of Cairde Corcaigh and a copy of the lease sent to LEA . Solicitor to review before hand. Rental invoices from the landlord to be sent to LEA for payment. The first payment for 758.34 will be paid on signing the lease and the next payment will cover the next five months 3,791.70. Once paid, these details and a copy of the invoice will be sent to Cairde Corcaigh for their records.
   - Invoices for rates, insurance, overheads once presented to LEA will be paid as soon as possible. Copies of invoices and any details subsequently forwarded to Cairde Corcaigh for their records.
   - The total amount of invoices for rent, rates, insurance cannot exceed 10,000.
   - All invoices sent to LEA must be originals

5. All other running expenses and equipment will be funded/obtained by Cairde Corcaigh themselves
6. Before the 3rd instalment of rent is paid, LEA will review the situation with Cairde Corcaigh in relation to operation of the project.
7. Cairde Corcaigh must take up the full offer of financial support by October 30th 1999.
8. Once the project is up and running LEA will explore options (from ERDF) of providing financial support towards a computer and printer up to a maximum value of 2,000. Where this offer is possible, and this will need to be confirmed, the procedures will be on the same basis as above i.e. invoices for the computer and printer equipment, up to a maximum value of 2,000 to be sent to LEA for payment. On payment, details and copy invoice will be sent to Cairde Corcaigh for their records.
9. Finally, as with LEA Cairde Corcaigh are open to visits both from the NOW Support Structures, the Department of Enterprise and Employment or the technical support structure from Brussels. This may involve a visit for information purposes or an audit if so required.

Cairde Corcaigh have also applied to the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs for financial support. It is also intended that they will apply to the Department of Health and carry out their own fund-raisers to cover on-going overheads. They have acquired office

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furniture to get started. The group has been facilitated by Ronnie Dorney who will continue to work with the group around its development plan.

All of the above supports are part of the regional development actions contained in the LEA project plan.

Signed on behalf of LEA: _____

Sharon O'Halloran
Manager

Signed on behalf of Cairde Corcaigh: _____