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Sligo PPN Report 2024

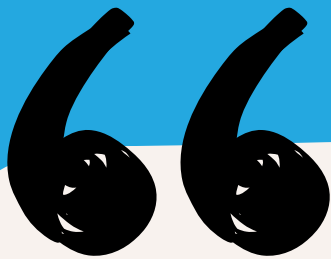


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Patron and Government support



“We must all by now realise the importance of community, inclusion, creativity and togetherness – all values that require support and a conscious effort of care, protection and solidarity. Initiatives such as Street Feast provide exactly that type of opportunity.”



President Michael D. Higgins
Patron of Street Feast



“I am delighted to support Street Feast 2024. The core work of my Department is strengthening communities and enhancing social inclusion. It is important to find ways to connect with people and focus on the importance of neighbours in our communities. Street Feast provides a fantastic opportunity to make time for each other outside of family and friends. I would encourage local communities around the country to get involved in Street Feast 2024 and aim to build communities, tackle isolation and foster connections.”



Mr. Joe O'Brien T.D.
Minister of State for Community Development, Integration and Charities at the Department of Rural and Community Development



Highlights of 2024

(click play on the image to play the video)





About Street Feast

Street Feast is Ireland's nationwide day of street parties, community celebrations and neighbourhood lunches, which took place across the country on Saturday May 25th and Sunday May 26th 2024.

Established in 2010, it has grown steadily over the years. This year 820 Street Feast events were held nationwide and an estimated 75,440 people took part.



Street Feast does good things. It...

Brings the tools for community building; inspiring neighbourhoods celebrations and providing the support to make it happen;

Promotes social inclusion, multiculturalism and diversity in an age-friendly environment;

Encourages participatory culture, collaborations and mutual aid;

Empowers residents to do things for themselves, fostering more decision makers;

Tackles social isolation



About Neighbourhood Network

Neighbourhood Network is an Irish not-for-profit originally established as Street Feast.

In 2020 we expanded our mission, developed a range of new projects and activities programmes, and adopted a new name for the organisation - Neighbourhood Network.

Street Feast CLG* trading as Neighbourhood Network aims to promote social inclusion and integration, tackle loneliness and build supportive and resilient neighbourhoods in new and older communities across the length and breadth of Ireland.

Learn more about our work at
www.neighbourhoodnetwork.ie.



Governance

Neighbourhood Network is a relatively new not-for-profit that is in the exciting stages of growing a board and setting up the practices and protocols for good governance.

In 2021 the organisation focused on building a values-based board and creating the systems, policies and structures essential for a vibrant organisation with strong governance and compliance standards.

Building on this work in 2022 and guided by the Charities Regulatory Authority (CRA) Governance Code, we submitted our application for registration to the Charities Regulator (in September 2022), and we are awaiting the contact from the appointed CRA case officer.

Neighbourhood Network operates under the legal entity of Street Feast CLG (CRO 622 674) with an address at:

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Our Team



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Community Liaison



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Our Shared Plate
Community Liaison

New additions 2024

Many Africa Day events were integrated with Street Feasts



First prison Street Feast took place in Shelton Abbey open prison and first Street Feasts were held in two mosques

Newstalk (new media partner) outside broadcast with Anton Savage launched Street Feast weekend.
Outside broadcast with Ireland AM TV and Derek Hartigan



Roadshows x 5 in Sligo, Cork, Donegal and Wicklow. Town Promoter working with the town Team (Greystones)

Street Feast team on the ground
(visited 35 Street Feasts over two days)



Whatsapp Community groups with county sub-groups

Inclusion and Integration

Street Feast's Community Engagement Officer, worked closely with community groups across Ireland to support and encourage hosts to celebrate diversity, and promote inclusion in their communities.

Our Street Feast included a performance from our Ukrainian friends in traditional dress and gifting a fresh loaf of bread which is part of their culture.

We prepared salads from our Community Garden, grown by the Ukrainians and local community together. We invited people from the Ecopark businesses - also new communities living and working in rural Co. Waterford. This gathered people who would not normally come together, sparking up conversation and sharing lunch outside, in beautiful surroundings. It helps us to break down barriers, promote inclusion, mitigate against rural isolation and show how welcoming a community can be. [Shirley, Waterford](#)



Street Feast Roadshow, Sligo

Street Feast Letterkenny



Roadshows 2024



STREET FEAST @ GREYSTONES LIBRARY
MILL ROAD, A63 KN52
SATURDAY APRIL 6TH
12PM-1.30PM

'GREYSTONES ROADSHOW'

Connect with old & new Wicklow Street Feasters
Hear From Street Feast Founder Sam Bishop and Donal Flynn of Sustainable Greystones
Share your Street Feast stories
Learn about the 30 al-fresco Wicklow Street Feasts that took place in your community and how you can join the fun this year!

ALL WELCOME

Spread Street Feast joy in your neighbourhood this May 25th/26th

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS - GET IN TOUCH
email: community@streetfeast.ie

WICKLOW | neighbourhood network | Kildare & Wicklow Governor of Leix



STREET FEAST STEPHEN STREET COMMUNITY GARDEN
STEPHEN STREET, T12RY8H
SATURDAY APRIL 27TH
4.30PM-5.45PM

'CORK CITY ROADSHOW'

Connect with old & new Cork Street Feasters over tea, coffee and treats
Hear From Street Feast Host Tara Kenny & the Street Feast Team
Share your Street Feast stories and tips!
Learn how you can host a fantastic Street Feast in your community and join the fun this year!

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STREET FEAST FERMOY LIBRARY
CONNOLLY STREET, FERMOY, CORK
SATURDAY APRIL 27TH
2.30PM-3.45PM

'FERMOY ROADSHOW'

Connect with old & new Street Feasters from Fermoy and surrounding areas over a cuppa & chats
Hear From Street Feast Grainne O' Connor & the Street Feast Team
Share your Street Feast stories and tips!
Learn how you can host a fantastic Street Feast in your community and join the fun this year!

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STREET FEAST CENTRAL LIBRARY, LETTERKENNY
OLIVER PLUNKETT ROAD, F92 R273
SATURDAY APRIL 13TH
12PM-2PM

'DONEGAL ROADSHOW'

Connect with old & new Donegal Street Feasters over tea, coffee and treats
Hear From Street Feast Community Engagement Officer Thoiba Ahmed & special guests
Share your Street Feast stories
Learn how you can host a fantastic Street Feast in your community and join the fun this year!

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STREET FEAST THE AVALON CENTRE, SLIGO
CHAPEL ST, ABBEYQUARTER NORTH
MONDAY MAY 13TH
7PM-8PM

'SLIGO ROADSHOW'

Connect with old & new Sligo Street Feasters over tea, coffee and treats.
Hear From Street Feast Community Engagement Officer Thoiba Ahmed & local community leaders
Share your Street Feast stories
Learn how you can host a fantastic, sustainable Street Feast in your community and join the fun this year!

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The impact of your support

Street Feast Sligo 2024

Thanks to Sligo PPN



16

Number of feasts were held in your local area



1,472

Estimated number of neighbours brought together

Contributing to approximately 820 Street Feasts and 75,440 participants nationwide*.

*from an average of 92 participants per feast

Motivations for hosting feasts

It's a great opportunity to meet neighbours, young and old, with or without children. Street Feast helps foster a community spirit at the beginning of Summer, when people are out and about. Street Feast is an antidote to loneliness!

Jo, Kevinsworth Heath, Sligo

We have a mix of old and young neighbours and our lives can get busy, so it's nice to take time and just break bread together as a community.

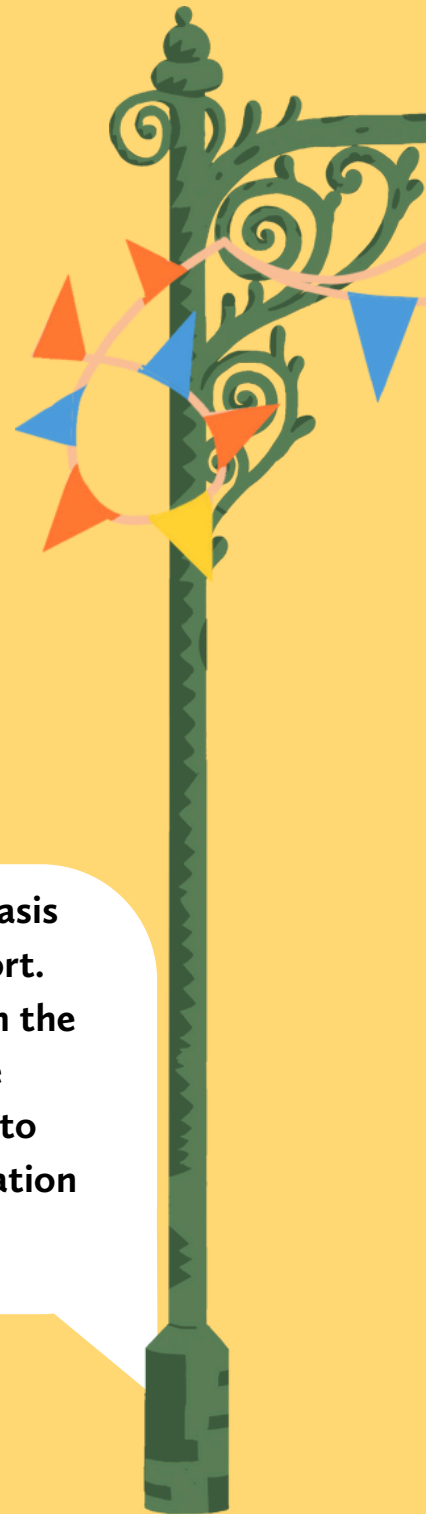
Dee, Avondale Street, Sligo

We have been coming together as Cameroonians on a monthly basis since 2017 to check up on each other and offer any needed support. We have over 50 Cameroonians living within county Sligo. Within the group, 40% of members have non-Cameroonian partners and the street feast will provide a platform to bring everyone connected to Cameroonians in one way or another for a once-in-a-year celebration with a focus on traditional Cameroonian Cuisine.

Cameroonian Street Food Party, Sligo

We would like to take the opportunity to reinforce the interaction between the citizens of our local community and Street feast seems to create a positive atmosphere for that.

Silvia, Ardkeeran, Riverstown, Sligo



Photos from Sligo



Cranmore Villas, Sligo
Street Feast 2024



Achonry Farmers
Market, Sligo
Street Feast 2024



Cameroon Social
Cultural Association
Street Feast 2024



Thornhill, Sligo
Street Feast 2024

Nazareth Village,
Sligo
Street Feast 2024





Easkey Street,
Sligo
Street Feast 2024



Testimonials from Sligo



I love hosting Street Feast. It is a lovely way to get to know neighbours and explore different cultures. It also makes the community feel more secure - we all get to know each other we then look out for one another and the children.

Dee, Sligo

Street feast is important in our community, we have a lot of elderly residents, and quite a few children. Street Feast was a great way to form friendships. It got people talking about challenges and we could find resolutions.

Kerry, Sligo



I think people really enjoyed it. I've hosted a number of them over the years and it's always worth doing. Great bang for your buck, so to speak, from a communications-building point of view

Gillian, Sligo

Host Responses to Participant Survey

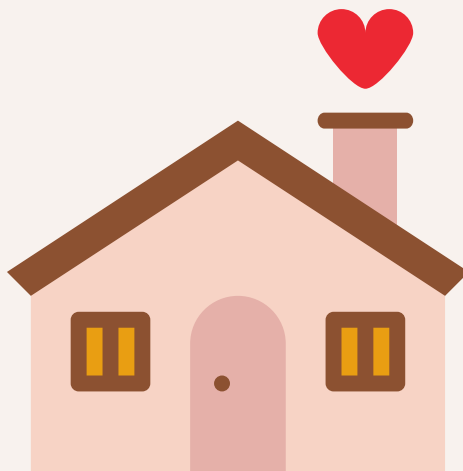
129 responses received





95%

**Feel their neighbourhood is friendlier since
their Street Feast**



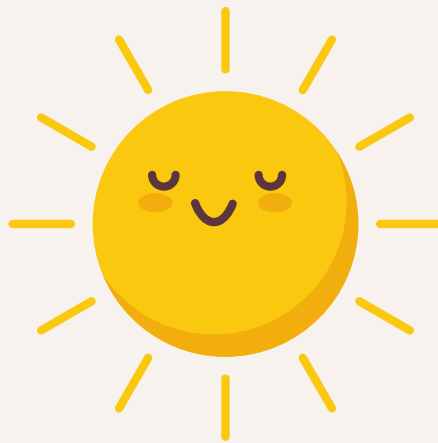
96%

**Say their sense of belonging has increased since
Street Feast**



83%

**Have made plans for more
community projects since Street Feast**



79%

**Feel safer in their neighbourhoods
since Street Feast**



50%

Of Street Feasts were 'Integration Feasts' in 2024

“Integration feasts make a special effort to welcome those who are "new to the community.”

They help to build a stronger, more multicultural and welcoming community and we hope to build on this percentage in 2025.



94%

Of hosts would host a feast again!

**Press +
Socials 2024**



Press Snippets

The Irish Times



We Love...



Street feasts

▲ From street corners to alleyways, front gardens to doorsteps, Street Feast has grown to the point that more people now take part than rock up to the Electric Picnic. It's brilliant, and brilliantly simple, you just throw a party - outdoors. Register and you'll get a free party pack including bunting, posters, invites and a DIY guide. It's about getting the community together,

hanging out with friends and making some new ones. Frankly, it would almost make you feel like you're in one of those rare episodes of a soap opera, where everyone gets on and it's all really lovely. Register now to have time to plan for Street Feast itself on May 25th and 26th. streetfeast.ie

GEMMA TIPTON



NOTION

Street people

Street Feast, the country's weekend of street parties and community celebrations, takes place next Saturday and Sunday, May 25 and 26. In previous years, community parties have taken place in front gardens, on streets and greens, in car parks, laneways, community centres and local parks. LH
For more, see streetfeast.ie



REGISTER

Rally your neighbours and organise a street party on your road or in your estate or village for Ireland's national Street Feast on May 25 and 26. It doesn't matter if you live in an apartment or house, as long as you have a space to bring people together. Once you've signed up online, you'll receive a free party pack with bunting, posters, invitations and a DIY guide. More than 1,250 communities across the country are expected to participate. streetfeast.ie

Sunday Times

Press Snippets

The Examiner



Feast on the street

The Menu can hardly believe that 14 years have passed since he first spoke to the inimitable Sam Bishop, the founder of Street Feast, about his then fledgling project promoting community and inclusion by bringing streets and even neighbourhoods together to create their own Street Feast in order to form greater and more cohesive social connections.

Now, an estimated 140,000 residents are set to take part in this year's Street Feast, for the first time running over two days (May 25/26) for a weekend of street parties and celebrations, involving anything from a small gathering in front garden or at a street corner right up to a complete neighbourhood takeover of an entire street or shared communal spaces, such as greens, public parks, car parks and community centres, with 98% of participants reporting an increased sense of belonging.

To register and receive your free Street Feast party pack, complete with bunting, posters, invites and DIY guide, see streetfeast.ie

Plan to party outside

It's time to think of sunnier days and shockingly, even eating outside, with registration for the annual **Street Feast** now open. This marks the event's 14th year, and this summer it will be held over two days instead of one and take place a month earlier on May 25 and 26.

Participation is open to all, whether you live in an apartment or house, with early registration guaranteeing you a free Street Feast party pack, complete with bunting, posters, invites and a DIY guide. streetfeast.ie



Residents of the Lower Dargle attend last year's Street Feast.

27 Street Feast events in Wicklow

BY MYLES BUCHANAN

WICKLOW is set to play its part in Ireland's national weekend of street parties taking place in May, with 27 Garden County events lined up for Street Feast this year.

Street Feast will be held over two days - May 25 and 26 - instead of one for the first time, meaning a full weekend of celebrations. Over 1,250 communities across Ireland will share food and enjoy some conversation and camaraderie this summer.

Wicklow street parties are all ready registered in the likes of Newtown, Baltinglass and Kilquade, while multiple street parties will be taking place in Greystones, Bray, Rathnew and Blessington.

Past participant, Anne from Wicklow said: "Street Feast is a way to get the community together. I believe it will strengthen relationships.

"It's a way to celebrate diversity, encourage integration and

celebrate our sense of neighbourhood."

Organisers say that no matter what kind of place you live in, everyone is invited to participate and host gatherings. It doesn't matter if you live in an apartment or house, all you need is a space to bring people together. Street Feast has had parties organised in front gardens, on streets and greens, in car parks, laneways, local parks and community centres.

Founder of Street Feast and Neighbourhood Network CEO, Sam Bishop, said: "For 14 years, Street Feast has been all about bringing folks together over food, fun, and fellowship.

"And the stats speak for themselves: 97pc feel the neighbourly love post-feast, and a whopping 98pc say their sense of belonging gets a boost. That's the magic of community."

Register at www.streetfeast.ie and once registered you'll receive a free party pack, complete with bunting, posters, invites and a DIY guide.

The Wicklow People

The Business Post

We were also featured on...

newstalk

TODAY fm

RTÉ
GUIDE

TOTALLY DUBLIN

Echo.ie
Trusted Local News

Irish Daily Mail

Ireland:
am

DUBLIN
CITY FM

FM 104

east coast fm
95/96/100 & 103fm
The Heart of Wicklow

DAILY
STAR

See the [full local and national press report here](#)

Social media collateral

Click on the posts to see them in full

STREET FEAST SATURDAY 25th May 9-11am
 Rise at The Cove, Greystones, Co. Wicklow

Weekend Launch Party

Join us to celebrate the launch of Street Feast 2024 with Newstalk broadcasting live with Anton Savage.

Free Community Event with lots of Family Fun

Children's Tie Dye Tshirt Workshop

Collect complimentary Street Chalk, extra nametags and bunting for your Street Feast

Tea, Coffee & Goodies

Local Sponsors: The Happy Pear, SuperValu

Supported by: Wicklow County Council, Tiglín, Bialinn na Míreann Government of Ireland, Greystones Sustainable Greystones

We are in @rise_at_the_cove this morning for our Weekend Launch

Join us and have fun with @newstalkfm @lollipopapparel.ie @greystonesmamma



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WIN THIS TOMAHAWK BBQ FOR YOUR STREET FEAST

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Sustainable Street Feast Host Style!

"Our Street Feast motto is 'Please Come Prepared!' with your own plate, cup/glass and fork ... so paperless dining! We hate seeing bags of paper plates and cups, plastic utensils after an event - no need for that! Green is the way to go!"

Tell us yours to win!

"We're spicing up this year's Street Feast with a pinch of sustainability and a sprinkle of community spirit! In our green fest, every dish, glass, and spoon comes from our own kitchens—no plastic interlopers or paper party crashers here! We'll be lounging on chic upcycled furniture, courtesy of our local treasure-hunter, Dora, proving that one person's skip is another's living room set."

Sustainable Street Feast Ideas



Digital media May 2024



- Media cost (advertising value equivalent) 1,556,781
- Media reach 92,687,802
- 4 TV mentions on RTE
- 1 TV mention in Virgin Media
- 52 radio mentions from local Dublin City FM to national Newstalk and Today FM
- 71 online mentions
- 66 regional print mentions
- 11 national print mentions
- 25/32 counties received coverage

Website search traffic in May 2024

Total Impressions

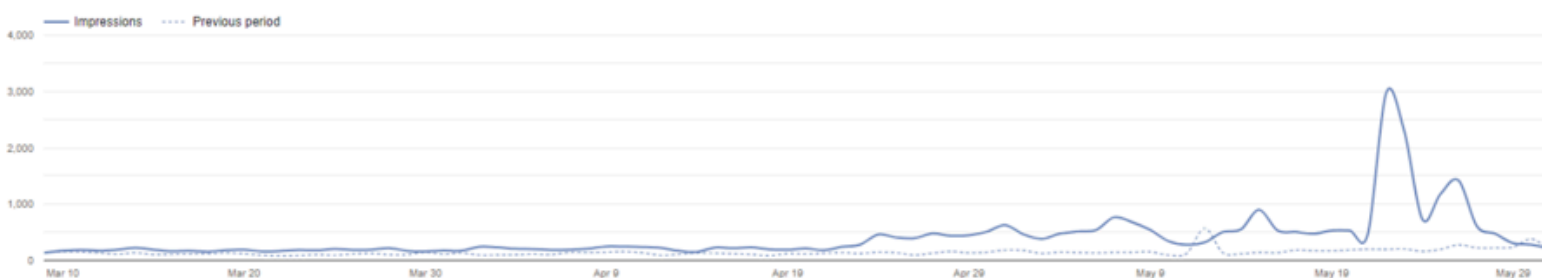
35K

↑158.7%

Total Clicks

4.7K

↑257.6%





Thank You

If you have any questions or ideas you would like to discuss, we would love to hear from you, so please do not hesitate to contact us.

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