



South Kerry Development Partnership Ltd.

PRESENTATION

AGM 2015



South Kerry Development Partnership Ltd.

ABOUT SKDP

SKDP is – An integrated local development company which works in partnership with state agencies, the social partners, local elected members and community & voluntary representatives

Mission – To promote and assist the development of sustainable, vibrant communities in South Kerry and to improve the quality of life of people living there through the provision of social & economic opportunities

Key Objectives – Built around three key pillars, Enterprise & Employment, Education & Training & Community Development



FUNDING PROGRAMMES – 2014/2015

Local and Community Development Programme

Rural Social Scheme

Local Employment Service

Jobs Club

Skillnets

Job Seekers Support Programme

Rural Recreation Officer/Walks Scheme

Rural Development (LEADER) Programme

Rural Alliances

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Significant Developments since 2014 AGM

- On going Developments in the ‘Alignment’ Process
 - Stage 2 of the Tender Process to Implement the new Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme (SICAP). Commenced in October 2014
 - SKDP - Tender submitted in December 2014
 - SKDP – Successful in Tender Process Contract Awarded to SKDP in March 2015 to implement new SICAP Programme from April 1st 2015 to December 31st 2017.
 - SICAP – Enables SKDP to continue its Social Inclusion Work – Supporting Community Groups address Social Inclusion Issues, addressing Education Disadvantage & Labour Market Supports & Activation Measures.





Significant Developments since 2014 AGM

- On going Developments in the ‘Alignment’ Process – Cont’d
 - Tender Process for the next round of LEADER - Launched in March 2015. Two stage process.
 - Stage 1 - Expression of interest stage. SKDP submitted an EOI in May 2015.
 - Government Policy – One Local Action Group (LAG) in each county with one LEADER strategy per county. The L.C.D.C to be the LAG with the Local Development Companies as Programme Implementers.
 - March 2015 – Announcement by Govt. of County by County allocations for the next round of LEADER - €220 million nationally, down from €370 –previous programme
 - Kerry LEADER budget – €10.2 million – down 60%
 - Stage 2 – LEADER tender process launched in June 2015



Significant Developments since 2014 AGM – Cont'd

- Rural Development (LEADER) Programme
 - March to July 2015 - Discussions between the Local Development Companies in Kerry (SKDP, NEKD & IRD Duhallow) & Kerry County Council in an effort to reach an agreement in Kerry re the implementation of the new LEADER programme .
 - Agreement reached in July 2015 – Detailed Heads of Agreement signed.
 - Per the agreement
 - Local Development Companies - implementation Role. SKDP will implement the new LEADER Programme in South Kerry
 - Kerry County Council – Financial Partner role – Pay out of Grant aid.
 - Kerry L.C.D.C will be the L.A.G with one LEADER strategy for Kerry.
 - Local Development Companies to lead the process of preparing the LEADER strategy for Kerry



Significant Developments since 2014 AGM – Cont'd

- Rural Development (LEADER) Programme
 - LEADER (2016 – 2020) - 3 themes & 9 Sub-themes
 - Economic Development
 - Social Inclusion
 - Rural Environment
 - SKDP – Detailed Community Consultation – 33 Communities across South Kerry. Commenced in July. Completed early October 2015.
 - LEADER Strategy for Kerry – Target completion date end of October 2015. To be Submitted for approval to Dept. of Environment Community & Local Government in November . Approval anticipated in December 2015.
 - LEADER (2016-2020) to commence in South Kerry in early 2016.



Significant Developments since 2014 AGM – Cont'd

- South Kerry Greenway
 - Decision by Kerry County Council to CPO the land in early 2015
 - Consultation days held by KCC in March & April 2015 re the various route options
 - Application to An Bord Pleanála in September 2015 for planning permission
 - Kerry County Council aim to commence construction work in early 2016 with a target completion date of the end of 2016.





Significant Developments since 2014 AGM – Cont'd

- South Kerry Life Project
 - Formal launch of the Kerry LIFE+ project in Glencar - September 2015
 - Conservation Project – aimed at Protecting the fresh water pearl mussel in South Kerry - Glencar/Blackwater area.
 - Led by Dept. of Arts, Heritage & Gaeltacht – with SKDP in lead role locally. SKDP is a key partner in the project. Teagasc, Coillte & Dept of Agriculture & Forestry Service will also be involved.
 - Will be worth 3.8 million to the Glencar/Blackwater area over 5 year s.
 - Contracts offered to almost 50 farmers/landowners in the Glencar/Blackwater area.





Significant Developments since 2014 AGM – Cont'd

- Rural Alliances

- Final Conference held in Brecon, Wales, March 2015 (10 SKDP delegates attended)
- Alliances throughout SK supported to develop new marketing & promotional material
- Report on Results from RVM survey undertaken by UL/MI with Dr. Brendan O'Keeffe being launched
- SKDP exploring new project opportunities following on from the work undertaken in Rural Alliances
- SKDP continues to work with the Transnational Partners from the RA project to ensure long term benefits for South Kerry





Enterprise & Employment



Enterprise Supports
-Local & Community
Development Programme



- Back to Work Area Enterprise Allowance Scheme – 2014/2015
 - 157 Individuals progressed into self employment in 2014 through the Back To Work Enterprise Allowance, (B.T.W.E.A.)
 - 109 individuals progressed into self employment to date in 2015 (Jan – September 2015) through the BTWEA
 - 2014 - 291 new clients in total received advice & guidance from the SKDP Enterprise Officers.
 - 2015 (Jan – Sep 2015) 160 new clients in total received advice & guidance.
 - Close collaboration with Dept. of Social Protection – Local Offices.





Capital, Mentoring & Training

- In 2014 - Capital grant assistance provided to over 40 enterprises (New & Established). Almost €16,000 paid out. 22 clients received Training assistance, Safe Pass organised in-house for 20 & 2 individual courses.
- To date in 2015 – 18 enterprises have been approved to receive capital grant assistance.
- In 2014 – 209 BTWEA clients received mentoring support
- To date in 2015 – over 90 Clients have received mentoring support.
- Start you own business Courses – Commenced – July 2015. 3 Courses to date and 2 further courses planned in October. One of these courses was delivered in Polish by a Polish national already set up in business with assistance from SKDP. Other clients availed of the SYOB Course delivered in Tralee & Killarney by LEO. Over 50 participants to-date.



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Promotion of Enterprise Supports in 2014/15 including

- Networking Evenings in Killorglin & Killarney in July 2nd 2015 (Killorglin) & July 23rd 2015 (Killarney)- almost 80 attendees.





Enterprise /Employment
Supports
-Local & Community
Development Programme
(Agriculture)



- Outreach to Smallholders

- 230 smallholders assisted one to one in 2014 on a range of farm household entitlements.
- Outreach through Livestock Marts & attendance at discussion group meetings
- Collaboration with Citizens Information Service

- Information Nights

- Information nights held in Beaufort, Black valley on the CAP changes & rhododendron issues – guest speakers from Teagasc & O.P.W. attended.
- Information night held in Caherdaniel on CAP changes.

- IT Training

- Four basic computer courses + Two FETAC level four courses for farmers held in Killorglin & Killarney in September to December 10 participants on each course.



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- Rural Biz Competition
 - Competition run again in 2014 In partnership with N.E.K.D, Farmers Journal, Teagasc, Radio Kerry & Kerry Local Enterprise Office and Dan Tim O Sullivan
 - Total prize fund of €17,500 with Dan Tim O Sullivan contributing €2,000.
 - New categories included, under 35 years of age and collective enterprise.
 - Joint winners, Michael O Dowd (Apple Juice) and Ballyhar foods.
- Kerry Life Project
 - Approved by EU in April 2014
 - SKDP Board member chaired Information night held in Blackwater and Glencar March 2014. Large number of farmers attended
 - SKDP representative participated on Management Committee



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- Collective Enterprises-Iveragh Forestry Produces Group
 - 12 farmers completed City & Guilds chainsaw training courses in Kenmare and Cahersiveen.
- South Kerry Beef Replacement group
 - Purchased over €10,000 worth of five star maternal straws and the first calves from this project were born in 2014. The group held meeting with Munster, Dova and Bova AI companies on the selection of sires.
 - Visits were organised to farms in Fermanagh, Limerick and Cork. The group was accepted into a Teagasc research project on fertility in Beef cows.
- Work continued on the South Kerry Greenway in conjunction with Kerry County Council.



- Young Farmers
 - Outreach support continued to young farmers groups in Cahersiveen.
 - Kenmare group Linked to Macra Na Feirme & engaging with their activities
- Kerry Social Farming
 - Initiative to build closer links between the farming community and people with additional needs
 - Working Group established
 - 7 social farms established in Kerry (3 fully established near Killarney and 1 in Kilgarvan & 3 identified to start in the Cahersiveen area. 8 young adults with special needs participating in the project.



Employment Supports
-South Kerry Local
Employment Service



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- South Kerry Local Employment Service Provides
 - Free & confidential services to the unemployed
 - Assistance with job-seeking, training and education & information provision
 - Career guidance/mediation support on a client case-load basis
 - Job placement/progression into employment, training or education
 - Provision of mediators fund
 - Business Development Programmes
 - Services to Employers – South Kerry LES has developed an employer engagement strategy



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- Local Employment Service – Placement/Progression 2014
 - In 2014, over 1,857 clients registered with the South Kerry LES

Job Placement Progress 2014 – South Kerry LES.

LES – Placement in 2014			
Job Placement	Self-Employment	CE	Total
572	86	149	807



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- Local Employment Service – Placement/Progression 2015
 - To date in 2015 (Jan – Aug) 1,075 clients have registered with the South Kerry LES

Job Placement Progress to-Aug in 2015 – South Kerry LES

LES – Placement to-date in 2015 (Jan – Aug)			
Job Placement	Self-Employment	CE	Total
388	67	90	545



Enterprise Supports -
Rural
Development/LEADER
Programme



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- Summary Objectives – Rural Development (LEADER) Programme

Aim of LEADER - is to improve the quality of life in rural areas and encourage diversification of the rural economy.

Measures -

- **Diversification into Non-Agricultural Activities**
- **Support the creation and development of micro-enterprises**
- **Encouragement of Tourism Activities based on sustainable development of natural resources and cultural & natural heritage**
- **Basic Services for the economy & Rural Population**
- **Village Renewal & Development**
- **Conservation & upgrading of Rural Heritage**
- **Training & Information**
- **Skills Acquisition & Animation**



Rural Development (LEADER) Programme Summary

2009 - 2015

- All programme funding was allocated by mid 2013.
- Focus of the programme since – administrative – closing out projects and paying out grant aid.
- €3,441,981 paid out to 122 projects in 2014
- All projects to be paid by September 30th 2015

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
Project Funding Paid	€327,908	€429,251	€802,620	€741,573	€1,930,936	€3,441,981	€56,409	€7,730,678



Rural Development (LEADER) Programme 2014/2015

- €3,152,381.58 has been paid out to 148 projects across the three enterprise measures of the programme since it commenced in early 2009.
- Almost 150 businesses have been supported through the LEADER Mentor Panel – since it was established in May 2012.



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Enterprise Projects Paid 2014 & 2015 (to date)

Promoter	Amount
Shirley Teskey	13647.28
George Kelly	75852.82
Siegfried & Yvonne Muller	40957.98
Lauragh Valley Handcrafts	5918.39
Blueberry Hill Farm (Sigi Muller)	732.84
Gerard Sheehan	17610.00
John & Esther Cronin	16600.61
John O'Sullivan Greenwater	19634.19
Mango Crafts Ltd.	8273.16
FM Marine Services	83985.75
Aisling Software	24474.39
Donal McCarthy	1365.70
Neidin Hats	5905.50
Pat Sugrue	54946.82
Michael O'Shea	7224.75



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Enterprise Projects Paid 2014 & 2015 (to date)

James Purcell	14020.37
Peg Wickham	3211.56
Cloudberry Bakery	16344.81
Dan O'Brien	69745.70
Julie Ann Foley	23722.40
Kenmare Stonemasons	3541.00
Valentia Island Dev Co	6546.96
Beachside Landscapes	47719.20
Bonane Community Council	3652.41
John Sweeney	5950.12
Michael Crawley	19399.72
Kenmare Irish Music Fest	4520.25
Keeshla Communications	2467.50
Portmagee Development Group	3101.52



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Enterprise Projects Paid 2014 & 2015 (to date)

Noel Donnelly	14548.33
Kenmare Chamber of Commerce	15534.18
John & Emma Shanahan	149250.00
Cahersiveen Tidy Towns	2998.42
Lickeen Field	121492.50
Helen Wilson	12356.81
Killorglin Tidy Towns	12375.42
Valentia Island Development Co. Ltd.	8901.70
Kenmare Food Carnival	10014.16
Kerry Dark Sky Group	2521.55
Pedals 'n' Boots	78077.59
Annascaul Tidy Towns	2993.51
Killorglin Tidy Towns	2023.74
Sneem Development Co-Op Society	7939.79
IRD Waterville	1171.16
Sneem Family Festival	8310.13



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Enterprise Projects Paid 2014 & 2015 (to date)

Annascaul Tidy Towns	1332.75
Kenmare Chamber of Commerce	2239.16
Star Marina	27074.62
Annascaul Tom Crean Festival	7451.25
Keel Community Council	3056.25
Blackvalley Community Group	900.00
Charlie Chaplin Comedy Film Festival	7033.26
Kenmare Chamber	19187.36
Comhlacht Forbartha Cill Rialaig	8914.85
Kenmare Lace Festival	2505.01
Wilma's Farmhouse Cheese	362.05
All Kerry Tourism	44008.26
Tourism & Rec Working Group	4690.00
Rural Biz 2012	3586.82
Economic Development St Group	8978.40
AKT Animation Steering Group	12924.05



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Enterprise Projects Paid 2014 & 2015 (to date)

Transition Kerry	11087.10
Enterprise Supports Working Group	7324.65
Agriculture Working Group SKDP	24278.00
Central a/c (Tourism & Rec.)	43567.29
Agriculture Working Group SKDP	4271.34
Enterprise supports Working Group	61378.60



Rural Recreation Officer/The Walks Scheme



Rural
Recreation
Officer





The Walks Scheme – Rural Recreation Officer

- Participant landowners / landusers = 287 in 2015, an increase of 57 participants since 2014.
- €296,818.53 in walks scheme payments made in 2015, an increase of €24,333.69 in payments since 2013.





Update 2014/2015



- Continuation of the Walks Scheme for a further 5 years on the Beara Way-Kerry section(2014)and Hags Glen Loops (2015).
- €58,538.10 in funding applied for and granted from Dept. of Environment, Community & Local Government under Trail Maintenance Scheme 2014- to cover purchase of people counters, upgrading work to Kerry Way-Killarney National Park section, Delivery of Low Level Walks Training in Valentia, Development of a Heritage Trail for Waterville and design & print of map cards for looped walks.

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Update 2014/2015



- €9,127.77 of funding was applied for and received from the Dept. of Environment, Community & Local Government under Small Projects Funding for the Development of the Monks Trail, Ballinskelligs & the Pound Loop Walk in Portmagee.
- Low Level Walks Training was also delivered in Ballinskelligs with support from Comhchoiste Ghaeltacht Uíbh Ráthaigh in Jan 2015.



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Update 2014/2015

- Mountain Access
- Installation of **people counters** on the principle access routes. These give us hour by hour, day by day breakdown of the numbers accessing the Reeks.
- **Supervision & Surveys**- A TÚS participant supervises two of the access routes (at the car parks, Breanlee and Lisliebane) on weekends to give advice to walkers on land usage & livestock, safety information & information on the work of the forum, and also carries out surveys on user experiences.





Update 2014/2015



- **Indemnity scheme**-the indemnity scheme is still being progressed at present with the State Claims Agency and the Rural Recreation Section within the Dept. of Environment, Community & Local Government.
- **Honesty box**-we have installed two honesty boxes in the car parks/access points- asking walkers to make a voluntary contribution to fund the repair work needed to the paths in the MacGillycuddy Reeks.
- **Friends of the Reeks**-this new initiative invites all interested individuals, small or large businesses to become a Friend of the Reeks for a nominal fee. In return they receive a sticker and use of the Friend of the Reeks logo on their promotional materials. This is also to support path repair works. Letters have been sent to B&B's, hostels, hotels etc. in Killarney and the surrounding areas.



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Update 2014/2015



- **Upland Path audit**-an upland path audit, remedial plan and indicative costings report was completed following a competitive tendering process. This report gives detail on the condition of each of the paths in the Reeks, recommendations how further erosion could be stopped and indicative costings to carry out repairs.
- **Landowner training**-following on from the recommendations contained in the upland path audit the Reeks Forum sought and received funding from KCC to hold the National Trails Office Approved Trail Maintenance and Construction. This was three days of basic training designed to show participants various methods of trail construction. Ten participants completed the course on a voluntary basis.
- **Website**- the forum sought and received funding from KCC to develop a website for the Forum, which will act as an information point and will help support to the other initiatives above. This is being developed at present. www.macgillycuddyreekskerry.com



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Update 2014/2015



Second path audit-a second audit is being conducted at present to provide us with detailed specifications (to planning permission standard) to carry out repairs on the Hags Glen path, The Devil's Ladder, O'Shea's Gully and Caher. We are also investigating the level of maintenance required once the paths are repaired and a training programme so that local landowners/people could carry out the repair and ongoing maintenance, thus giving a return to the local area and this would be more sustainable than getting outside contractors. Funding for these initiatives is being sought from statutory and private agencies, individuals and interested persons.



Education & Training



Education & Training -
Local Employment
Service



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- Local Employment Service – Placement/Progression 2014
 - In 2014 – South Kerry LES progressed 560 clients into education & training programmes

LES Progression - Training & Education 2014			
FAS Training	Return to Education	Other Training	Total
258	83	219	560

- Skillnets in conjunction with the South Kerry LES have run a number of Job Seeker Support Programmes for clients who are unemployed.



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- Local Employment Service – Placement/Progression 2015
 - To date in 2015 (Jan – Aug) – 477 clients progressed into further education & training

- Mediators Fund 2015
 - Spend - January - September 2015 €15,932.00
 - Number of clients supported under this fund: 66
 - Types of course/training funded:
 - ❖ Safe Pass Ticket
 - ❖ CSCS Articulated Dumper Ticket
 - ❖ CPC Course
 - ❖ Safety/Security Training
 - ❖ Driving Lessons – Car, Bus, Artic, Rigid
 - ❖ Train the Trainer
 - ❖ ITEC Certificate in Personal Training
 - ❖ BIM Radio Operator Course
 - ❖ HACCP Training Course



Education & Training - South Kerry Jobs Club



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- South Kerry Jobs Club provides the following supports
 - Developing clients job seeking skills & techniques
 - Developing an individual job search plan
 - Preparation of clients for interviews
 - Exploring & analysing local work opportunities
 - Providing access to the facilities of the Jobs Club (Telephones, email, newspapers etc)
 - Provision of formal Jobs Club training
 - Provision of a one to one support service for clients
- South Kerry Jobs Club held 12 formal training sessions per in 2014, 5 in Killarney, 2 in Killorglin, Kenmare and Cahersiveen, 1 in Firies



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- South Kerry Jobs Club Performance 2014
 - SKDP Jobs club registered 427 clients in 2014.
 - 1,117 people accessed the Jobs Club services in 2014
 - 160 did formal Jobs Club Training in 2014
 - 147 clients were progressed into employment

SKDP Jobs Club 2014 - Performance Summary			
Total 2014 Daily Activity	Jobs Club Registrations	Jobs Club Trainees	Progressions – Job Placement
1117	427	160	147



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- South Kerry Jobs Club Performance 2015
 - SKDP Jobs club registered 331 clients - (Jan – Aug 2015)
 - 765 people accessed the Jobs Club services for the period Jan - Aug 2015
 - 121 did formal Jobs Club Training for the period Jan – Aug 2015.
 - 73 clients were progressed into employment

SKDP Jobs Club 2015 - Progression Jan – Aug 2015			
Total Daily Activity	Jobs Club Registrations	Jobs Club Trainees	Job Placement
765	331	121	73



Education & Training– South Kerry Skillnet



- South Kerry Skillnets
 - Enterprise Led training network
 - presents businesses, their management & staff with a greater opportunity to improve their skills by availing of top class training & support services aimed at:
 - Increasing Performance, Competiveness & Profitability
 - Promoting & Protecting Employment in the Region
 - It supports the training of people at all levels of the business including owner/managers, staff & workers
 - Is open to all types of business regardless of size or industry sector
 - Is very supportive of Small Businesses



- The benefits of South Kerry Skillnets
 - Top Quality Training Programmes based on the actual needs of business, in the area delivered by experienced practitioners
 - Up to 20-25% funding of training costs provided
 - Support for in-house training requirements
 - Training delivered locally throughout the area- minimising cost and disruption
 - Networking with other businesses to acquire knowledge, solve common problems, promote your business
 - Since 2009 – open to the unemployed – Job Seekers support programme



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South Kerry Skillnet 2014		Performance Summary 2014	
Category	Target	Achieved	%
Members Companies	150	122	81%
Employed Trainees	550	711	129%
Unemployed Trainees	108	82	76%
Training days	2,958	2,984	100%

South Kerry Skillnet 2015		Performance Summary To-date 2015	
Category	Target	Achieved	%
Members Companies	100	339	339%
Employed Trainees	550	490	89%
Unemployed Trainees	102	44	43%
Training days	2,827	2,283	81%



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- South Kerry Skillnet courses for 2014/2015 are run under the following categories:
 - Business & Management Development Skills
 - Technical Skills
 - I.T Skills
 - Tourism Skills
 - Healthcare
 - Agriculture



Education & Training–
Local & Community
Development
Programme



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- English Language Supports - 2014
 - Holy Cross Pre-School Killarney
 - 47 Children in total supported from 10 different countries
- Family Supported Learning - 2014
 - National Schools, Secondary Schools, Family Resource Centres, KDYS Killorglin Neighbourhood Youth Project, supported with funding in 2014 – Homework Supports, After School Supports, Psychological Assessments, Literacy & Numeracy Supports. 866 Children, Young People & Parents supported
- Counselling - 2014
 - Funding to South West Counselling Service, South West Kerry Women's Association – Colaiste Na Sceilge. St Brendan's College Killarney
 - 162 students & young people ranging from 14-23 years of age supported and 8 Parents



- Children with additional Needs - 2014
 - 4 Groups supported in Kenmare, Cahersiveen, Mid-Kerry & Killarney
 - 72 Children supported in 2014
- Kerry Life Education - 2014
 - All 8 second level schools in South Kerry supported through various programmes.
 - Total numbers supported in 2014 were 1,350 students, 50 teachers/professionals & 100 Parents.
- Learning Supports Unit
 - Interagency Collaboration – to provide a coordinated approach to the provision of additional learning support services
 - Coordination of services and supports for young people



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- Tom McBride Bursary Fund - 2014
 - Over 200 applications in 2014
 - 52 applicants supported with funding
 - €34,000 paid out in bursaries
- Promotion of Adult Education & Training
 - SKDP worked with other agencies to promote third level education opportunities for adults wishing to pursue second chance third level education - IT Tralee, KETB, Adult Education Centres in South Kerry, Tralee Community College, Family Resource Centres. Submission by SKDP to the HEA re the difficulties adults experience in accessing education opportunities in South Kerry.



Education & Training–
Rural Development
(LEADER) Programme



Rural Development (LEADER) Programme 2014/2015

- €185,672.50 has been paid out to 47 projects under the Training and Information measure of the programme since it commenced in early 2009.



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Training Projects Paid 2014 & 2015 (to date)

Promoter	Amount
Maureen O'Neill	1622.50
SKDP Enterprise Supports Working Group	61378.60
Kenmare Mens Shed	4800.00
Joesph McCrohan	1622.50
IRD Waterville	3020.00
Siegfried & Yvonne Muller	6803.64
Kenmare Tidy Towns	1400.00
Iveragh Flower & Gdn Club	371.95
South West Kerry Family Resource Centre	16594.36
SKDP Tourism & Recreation Working Group (Walks)	1,150.00
Bantracht na Dromoda	767.97
Bonane Community Council	4700.00
Sneem Resource Centre	5380.97



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Training Projects Paid 2014 & 2015 (to date)

Kenmare Chamber of Commerce	5765.00
SKDP SIP Working Group	1500.00
Forbairt na Dromoda	4345.00
Comhlacht Forbartha Cill Rialaig	1320.00



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Community Development



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Rural Social Scheme & Tus



- Rural Social Scheme

- Provides income support for farmers and fishermen in receipt of long term social welfare payments, who in turn provide certain services of benefit to rural communities
- Open to farmers and fishermen only.
 - 19hrs work per week in a farmer-friendly manner
 - 138 participants on the SKDP Rural Social Scheme
 - Changes in payment structure introduced in 2014 to bring the scheme in line with DSP activation programmes.





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- Work continued on a large number of community & voluntary projects in 2014. Work is on-going in 2015.
- Scheme is closed to new participants



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• Categories of Projects

- Maintaining and enhancing way marked ways, agreed walks & bog roads
- Energy conservation work for the elderly and the less well off
- Village & Country Side Enhancement Projects
- Social care and care of the elderly, community care for both pre-school and after school groups
- Environmental maintenance work, Maintenance and care-taking of community and sporting facilities
- Projects relating to not for profit cultural & heritage centres
- Community Administration/Clerical duties
- Any other appropriate community project identified





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• TUS Programme

- Aim is provide short term quality work opportunities for those who are unemployed and to provide certain services of benefit to communities
- Rural & Urban focus and built on the proven architecture of the Rural Social Scheme
- Eligible Work Categories - Environmental Services, Caring Services, General Community Services, Heritage & Cultural Services, Para-Educational Services
- Five TUS Schemes for SKDP – bringing total Tus Places to 100 for South Kerry.





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Dec 2014 – RSS & Tus Summary	Cahersiveen	Mid Kerry	Killarney	Kenmare	Total
Number of community projects supported	82	77	53	46	258
Number of RSS Participants	60	43	17	18	138
Number of TUS Participants	20	30	40	20	110
Total Number of participants	80	73	57	38	248
Number of Supervisors	4	3	3	2	12



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- Publication – Kerryman Newspaper Supplement in May of 2015 to promote awareness of the work of Tus/RSS in South Kerry & encourage groups not currently availing of Tus/RSS Supports to do so.
- Great response from local community groups and businesses who contributed to the publication





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Rural Development (LEADER) Programme



Rural Development (LEADER) Programme 2014/2015

- €4,392,623.69 has been paid out to 130 projects across the three community measures of the programme since it commenced in early 2009.



Community Projects Paid 2014 & 2015 (to date)

Promoter	Amount
Barraduff Community Field	380548.48
Cracow Park	5029.80
Nagle Rice Community Centre	497000.00
Foilmore Community Centre	2808.75
Dragon's Den	100000.00
Cahersiveen Mens Shed	5708.29
An t-Sean Scoil	5791.50
Sceim Tithiochta na Sceilge	1838.25
Muckross Community Assoc.	109047.75
Reenard Development Group	10543.50
Killorglin Archive Society	3340.71
Sneem Tidy Towns	4428.00
Bealoideas Ciarrai	3000.00
Kerry County Council	5503.86
ACARD Ltd.	126809.19



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Community Projects Paid 2014 & 2015 (to date)

Killorglin Tidy Towns	3220.74
Kerry County Council	5112.52
Kerry Folklore	14815.44
Kerry Folklore	1616.93
Kenmare Tidy Towns	3683.25
Sneem Dev Co-Op Society Ltd	4155.10
Sneem Community Centre	109343.16
Cromane Community Council	186818.99
Killorglin Family Resource Centre	63438.71
An Bhainseach	105656.90
Cahersiveen Tidy Towns	1178.40
Milltown Community Playground	122870.54
Kenmare Tidy Towns	5398.92
Sneem Devevelopment Co-Op Society	41179.47
Sneem Tidy Towns	66378.51
Kilgarvan Tidy Towns	5002.93
Sceim Tithiochta na Sceilge	2933.55



Community Projects Paid 2014 & 2015 (to date)

Youth & Community Development Steering Group	27719.00
SKDP Gathering Steering Group	6233.06
Tourism & Recreation Working Group SKDP	11737.75
Tourism & Recreation Working Group SKDP	29600.00



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LOCAL & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



- LOCAL & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
 - The Local and Community Development Programme aims to tackle poverty and social exclusion through partnership and constructive engagement between Government and people in the most disadvantaged communities.
 - The programme prioritises marginalised people and groups within the most disadvantaged communities, which means that it targets those furthest from access to education, training and employment, and those at highest risk of social exclusion.



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Four goals of the new programme. Companies must frame their annual plans for 2010-2014 within the context of these four goals.

1. Promote awareness, knowledge and uptake of a wide range of statutory, voluntary and community services
2. Increase access to formal and informal educational, recreational and cultural development activities and resources.
3. Increase the work readiness of people to enter the labour market.
4. Promote engagement with policy, practice and decision making processes on matters affecting local communities.



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LOCAL & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME ○ - TARGET GROUPS

CO	D TARGET GROUP
T1	Long Term Unemployed (> 1 year)
T2	Disadvantaged Women
T3	People with Disabilities
T4	Disadvantaged Young People
T5	Lone Parents
T6	Short Term Unemployed (< 1 year)
T7	Low Income Smallholders
T8	Underemployed / Seasonal workers
T9	Travellers
T10	Older People (> 55 years)
T11	Homeless People

T12	Asylum Seekers/Refugees
T13	Ex-Prisoners
T14	Substance Mis-Users
T15	Low Income Families/People with Inadequate Incomes
T16	Disadvantaged Communities
T17	Parents/guardians/carers of young people at risk
T18	Offenders
T19	Early School Leavers
T20	Potential Early School Leavers/Young People at risk of underachieving
T21	Young People with behaviour/learning difficulties
T22	Lesbians, Gays and Bisexual People
T23	Migrant Workers



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LOCAL & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME - PROGRAMME PERFORMANCE 2014

Beneficiary Participation Rates	Targets 2014	Actual 2014
Number of Individuals Supported (Caseload)	620	998
Number of young people/children supported	1,510	2,396
Number of local community groups supported	31	62
Beneficiaries participating in Education	55 (Accredited) 40 (Unaccredited)	58 (Accredited) 103 (Unaccredited)
Beneficiaries participating in labour market training	20 (Accredited) 75 (Unaccredited)	12 (Accredited) 43 (Unaccredited)
Individuals supported into employment	8	19
Individuals supported into self-employment	175	172



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- Community Development Actions Under the LCDP 2014
 - Men's Shed Projects – support 8 sheds
 - Quarterly network meetings very popular
 - Health & Safety recommendations for each shed
 - Very good take up of Computer Training
 - Men's Health & Well-Being project ran in 2 sheds with HSE
 - Local Authority Housing Estates;
 - supporting 10 groups in conjunction with KCC Housing Dept.
 - Assisting groups with their local needs analysis
 - Training in presentation skills
 - Networking 4 times during the year



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- Integration Work;
 - Series of meetings with unemployed migrant workers in Killarney to identify key issues. Additional language course provided.
 - Coordinated exhibition of Celebration of Diversity posters.
- Community Forum;
 - meetings on proposed changes to SKDP programmes very well attended by community groups.
 - Groups assisted in participating in new county forum structure the PPN



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THANK YOU