



MAKE SOME NOISE



Organise Your Own



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Why Do We Need Your Support

Everyone deserves a safe and secure home, a place to build a life. Yet, as of January 2026, **17,308 people** are homeless in Ireland, including **2,609 families** and **5,457 children**. We know a stable home is not only a foundation for overcoming life's challenges, but a place for fun, joy and even music. Focus Ireland work to provide support, advocate for change, and offer housing, **but we cannot do it alone.**



LATEST HOMELESS FIGURES*



2,609
Families



5,457
Children



2,061
Young Adults (18-24)

That's **17,308 people** currently relying on emergency accommodation in Ireland.

It's crushing, not knowing what the future holds, with no privacy, your children living in a hotel room with no place to even play, taking a toll on your mental and physical health.

*Latest figures are correct as of February 2026. Please visit the Focus Ireland website for updated figures: www.focusireland.ie

WHO CAN TAKE PART ?



Everyone can take part and help fundraise - we are calling for all musicians, choirs, singers, community groups, clubs and schools, whether you're a solo artist, part of a band, or part of a group showcasing your collective creativity - we want **YOU** to take centre stage to Make Some Noise for Focus Ireland!



Organise Your Own Event

1 Choose Your Event Location: You can choose where and when it suits you. Consider local venues such as schools, community centres, shopping centres, etc.

2 Plan Your Event: Take the lead and organise a performance in your local community. You'll be joining a nation-wide movement to Make Some Noise for Focus Ireland.

3 Start Fundraising: Set up and personalise your fundraising page on the Make Some Noise website. It takes less than 5 minutes!

4 Spread the Word! Make sure your friends, family and colleagues know about your local performance and share an invitation.

5 Make Some Noise! On Friday 1st May, take part in our collective movement to raise vital funds for homeless services.



Your Checklist Before the Big Day

✓ **Location:** When choosing your event location you should consider local venues who may be able to host your event. Please ensure that you have the necessary permissions from your chosen venue. We advise that you do not perform in open public spaces i.e., streets, or public parks, unless you have the correct permits.

✓ **Health & Safety:** We would advise that you conduct a thorough risk assessment of your event location before the day. Make sure that it is safe and that you have sufficient space for equipment and yourself (or group).

✓ **Let's start fundraising:** First step? Simply ask! Share your fundraising page and ask your friends and family to support your performance and help you reach your fundraising goal. Every contribution counts and all funds raised will help people who are experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness.

✓ **Promote your event:** Spread the word within your friends, family, neighbours, colleagues, and community. Use social media, posters, flyers, emails, local media and word of mouth to promote your event. Be active on Social Media, using #MakeSomeNoise and tag Focus Ireland to get even more people involved.

✓ **Be prepared:** First things first - make an event checklist to ensure everything is on point: instrument set-up, sound check, lighting, props and decorations, tasks for your helpers, and don't forget to add some rehearsals to your diary in the lead up to Make Some Noise!

✓ **Event Support:** Get help from friends, family, colleagues, or your local community. Ensure you have enough help to set up, collect donations and clean up after your event.



On the Day



Event set-up: Arrive early to your event location and make sure everything is set up with help from friends and family. Check your equipment and complete some final sound checks for the best performance!



Encourage donations: Make donating easy for your audience. Download and print your personalised QR poster which links directly to your fundraising page, and have collection boxes available for any cash donations.



Run your Event: Be proud that you are joining hundreds of people across the country coming together against homelessness. Share your photos and videos on your social media and use the dedicated hashtag #MakeSome Noise, tag Focus Ireland and don't forget to ask for donations!

then... **Make Some Noise and Enjoy the Day!**





Your Donation Guide

DONATE ONLINE

Donations made directly to your **Make Some Noise** online fundraising page will automatically transfer to Focus Ireland.

Share your fundraising page link with your friends and family or they can find your page on the website by selecting 'Donate to a fundraiser' and searching for you.

If you have collected any cash donations, you can also add this to your fundraising page by selecting 'Bank my funds' on your personal fundraising dashboard.

CASH & CHEQUES

Cash collections and donations made by cheque can be sent to our office at the address below. Make sure to include your name/details and reference it's towards **Make Some Noise**. Please be sure to make all cheques payable to:

Focus Ireland, 9-12 High Street, Christchurch, Dublin 8

BANK TRANSFER

You can make the donation directly to the Focus Ireland bank account using the details below. Please make sure to add your **name/details** when transferring donations and **reference Make Some Noise**.

Name: Focus Ireland

IBAN: IE30 BOFI 900017 15834518

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Contact Information

The Focus Ireland team is here to provide you with the guidance you need to organise a successful event. If you are wondering about your choice of location, how to plan your performance, or have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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