

# Colmcille Grants Scheme 2019

This scheme aims to promote relations between the language communities of Scottish and Irish Gaelic and to strengthen Scottish and Irish Gaelic through these relations. There will be two rounds of the grants scheme in 2019:

## Round 1:

- Deadline Friday 22 March 2019
- Applications for projects starting in 2019
- Upper limit €12,000/£10,800

## Round 2:

- Deadline Thursday 10 October 2019
- Applications for projects starting in 2019/2020
- Upper limit €12,000/£10,800

An application can be made for up to 80% of the total costs of the project. The scheme is open to any organisation which is in a position to promote the relations and who have the appropriate documentation.

## Background

Colmcille is a partnership between Foras na Gaeilge and Bòrd na Gàidhlig, and the two organisations collaborate to realise the priorities of the initiative in Scotland and Ireland.

## Aims

- To promote relations between the language communities of Scottish and Irish Gaelic
- To strengthen Scottish and Irish Gaelic through these relations

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We welcome applications for projects which will further at least one of the following priorities:

- Language skills – Scottish Gaelic in Ireland or Irish Gaelic in Scotland
- Bringing together speakers of Scottish and Irish Gaelic
- Building relations between Scottish and Irish Gaelic speaking communities
- Facilitating language use and mutual understanding when Scottish and Irish Gaelic are spoken at the same event
- Sharing good practice in language development or in language community development
- Promoting awareness of Irish Gaelic language and culture in Scotland and promoting awareness of Scottish Gaelic language and culture in Ireland
- Strengthening Scottish or Irish Gaelic, or their language communities, through promoting the link between the two languages and their speakers

As well as these priorities a clear link between Scottish and Irish Gaelic must be evident in all applications.

**How to make an application**

Applicants should speak to us as soon as possible if they have questions. After that the application form should be completed and sent along with the relevant documents to:

Colmcille, Foras na Gaeilge, Westgate House, 2-6 Queen Street, Belfast, BT1 6ED

Note, applicants must have an active bank account when applications are submitted.