

## What is Community Employment?

Community Employment (CE) is a work experience and training programme.

There are lots of jobs to choose from, in areas like:

Retail, Childcare, Office administration, Sports projects, Tourism and arts projects, Caretaker/maintenance, Drivers

## Benefits of working in CE:

- Develop your skills and confidence
- Meet new people and make a difference in your local community
- Work 19.5 hrs per week. Get work experience and a reference
- Gain a recognised qualification
- If your spouse/partner is also in receipt of a Social Welfare payment, your partner can claim an Increase for a Qualified Adult -IQA- (with the means from CE earnings assessed), while the CE participant gets the full minimum rate of CE €247.50.
- Work part-time while on CE
- Access temporary unpaid leave for up to 26 weeks to take up a job
- The minimum payment for every participant is €247.50 per week, (even for those aged under 25 or those assessed with high means), and might be more depending on your circumstances
- Keep your Medical Card and any other secondary benefits you have

### Find out more:

- All Community Employment jobs are listed on <u>www.jobsireland.ie</u>
- If you are over 21 and on a Jobseekers payment more than 12 months you may be eligible. If you are interested in working in CE and want to check if you are eligible, please contact cerefnw@welfare.ie

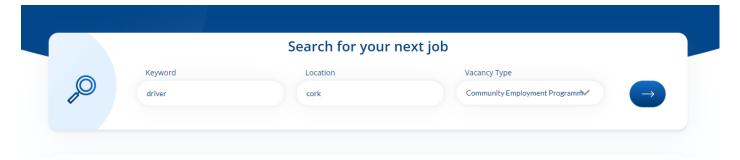


# Community Employment jobs on www.Jobslreland.ie

All Community Employment jobs are advertised on www.jobsireland.ie

Here are a few tips to help you with your search

This is what the search function on Jobs Ireland looks like:



## **Keyword:**

- Use the 'keyword' field to put in the type of job you are looking for
- Make sure to try the different types of names that might be used. For example: Caretaker, Groundsperson, Groundsworker
- Try searching for different formats: Youthworker, Youth Worker

## **Location:**

 Sometimes jobs don't always come up when you search by a small specific location, so it can better to use a larger town, eg Buncrana, or even just enter Donegal (to see vacancies for the entire county)

## **Vacancy Type:**

 Make sure to select 'Community Employment Programme' under vacancy type