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**Safe Home office hours:**

**Monday to Thursday:**  
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**Thinking of returning or  
moving to Ireland?  
Get in touch!**

Safe Home Programme CLG  
trading as Safe Home Ireland  
Charity No: 20049119  
Company Reg No: 351678

We hope you are enjoying the summer so far and that the weather is nice wherever in the world you are located? Summer has finally arrived in Ireland .. we hope!

**Returned Emigrants Network**

In December 2023 we held the first meeting of our **Returned Emigrants Network** in Portlaoise, Co. Laois and the Network has met bi-monthly since then. Returning to Ireland after living abroad for many years can be both an exciting and a challenging experience. Some people return in a planned fashion and can navigate the return and re-settlement process with ease. However, we know some people return in challenging situations (due to a myriad of reasons) and find the return process quite daunting, emotionally and practically. We have set up the Returned Emigrants Network to address some of the issues and challenges faced on return and where possible advocate for policy change. The Network is also intended as a place for people to meet others who have lived abroad and returned.

Our next Returned Emigrants Network will take place on Saturday 17th August in Portlaoise Library (2-3.30pm). We welcome people from Laois and all around Ireland if you can travel!



**HAVE YOU RECENTLY RETURNED HOME TO IRELAND?**  
IF SO ... WHY NOT JOIN SAFE HOME IRELAND

**RETURNED EMIGRANTS NETWORK**

- Would you like to meet with others who also lived abroad?
- Finding it hard to settle, re-connect or facing some challenges?
- By sharing your experiences, you can make the road easier for others setting out on their return journey
- For more info contact Karen at Safe Home Ireland

**Saturday 17th August 2024 - 2pm to 3.30pm**  
Portlaoise Library - 23 Lower Main Street,  
Portlaoise Co. Laois R32 N1EP

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Safe Home Ireland is a charity that works with the Irish diaspora. It provides a range of services to Irish abroad thinking of returning home to Ireland. It also offers outreach support to those who have recently returned.

Government of Ireland  
The Community Foundation for Ireland  
SAFE HOME IRELAND



## Board Recruitment

Following a recent governance review and to ensure effective succession planning, we are currently seeking to appoint new Directors for our Board. We are particularly interested in hearing from people with experience and background in the following key areas: Financial oversight and audit; Measuring social impact; Fundraising; Legal expertise

There are six board meetings per year, normally held on Wednesday afternoons via Zoom. Additional time will be required for preparation and reading of materials for board meetings, as well as participation in established sub-committees as required. Applications are welcome from people living outside of Ireland and an initial commitment of three years is preferred, with the possibility of serving two additional terms.

See <https://shorturl.at/B7Yyp> for more info and application pack. Closing date for receipt of applications is 23rd August 2024.

**Note:** This is a voluntary/unpaid position, but Board members can be reimbursed for 'out of pocket' expenses where this is deemed appropriate.



**BOARD RECRUITMENT**

SAFE HOME IRELAND  
DIASPORA SUPPORT SERVICE

Safe Home Ireland, Diaspora Support Service (Safe Home) is seeking to recruit new Board Members. Membership of the Board is an opportunity to influence the strategic direction of Safe Home and advance positive change in all it supports and services.

We are interested in hearing from people with experience and background in the following key areas:

- Financial Oversight & Audit
- Measuring Social Impact
- Fundraising & Development
- Legal Expertise

**CLOSING DATE**  
23rd August 2024

Further information and/or to have an informal chat contact  
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**VOLUNTARY POSITIONS**

SAFE HOME IRELAND  
DIASPORA SUPPORT SERVICE

## Office Closure

Finally .. we are taking a short break to facilitate staff annual leave for our small but impactful team! Our office will be closed from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August (bank holiday in Ireland) to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August. We will be back fully refreshed on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August from 9am!



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**CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS**

We are taking a break!

Our office will be closed from  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August  
and will re-open on  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August

**Until our next edition, we hope you all have a wonderful summer.  
From the Staff, Board, Friends and Ambassador of Safe Home Ireland**