## Tús - Community Work Placement Initiative

Waterford LEADER Partnership CLG., on behalf of the Department of Social Protection, are responsible for the delivery of the **Tús - Community Work Placement Initiative** in county Waterford.

Tús is a **12-month work experience placement** which enables those who have been long-term unemployed an opportunity to upskill and prepare for their re-entry to the work force, while also providing some much needed supports to our community partners and host organisations at a local level.

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## Participants

To qualify for Tús, those who take part must have been **continuously unemployed for at least 12 months**, be currently **receiving Jobseeker's Allowance** (JA) and be **"signing on" on a full-time basis**.

For the most part, participants are **randomly selected by the Department of Social Protection and referred to Waterford LEADER Partnership** to be considered for a suitable placement once it becomes available, however, some Tús places can be filled through **self-referral by people who meet the eligibility criteria**.

The programme is also available to those who are **fully unemployed and in receipt of a Disability Allowance** (Self-referral only) or those with refugee status and getting a Jobseeker's Allowance payment. All participants must be 18 or over.

## Placement Providers

Waterford LEADER Partnership supports a **wide range of Community Partners** in the delivery of local services in both urban and rural areas throughout the County. Placements are typically **19.5 hours per week for a 12-month period** but can be tailored to suit a specific need within the Community.

**Positions include:**

- Caretaking/Pitch Maintenance
- Meal Preparation & Delivery
- Retail/Shop Assistant
- Care/Classroom Assistants
- Customer Services/Administration
- Tidy Towns Roles
- Community Centre Upkeep

During their time on the programme Participants can avail of a **wide range of training opportunities**.

## Expressions of Interest

Waterford LEADER Partnership CLG is proud to be a part of this wonderful community initiative and are inviting applications for Tús involvement on an on-going basis.

**An Expression of Interest Form can be found on our main website page www.wlp.ie or by contacting our office on Tel: 058-54646 or Email: info@wlp.ie**