EUR31k For Two Clare Voluntary Organisations

County Clare, 7th March 2008 – Two County Clare voluntary organisations have received funding allocation under the Government’s Scheme of Community Support for Older People.

March 6, 2008 - PRLog -- The Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs announced that it has allocated EUR30,600 and EUR550 to Caring for Carers Clare and Cratloe Community Council respectively.

Welcoming the funding announcement, Minister of State and Clare T.D., Mr. Tony Killeen said, “I am very aware of the hardships that older people can face and, therefore, welcome any initiatives that improve confidence, security and comfort levels among older people in our society allowing them to continue to live independently.”

He explained that the scheme of Community Supports for Older People provided funding for initiatives to improve the security and social support of older individuals by means of a community-based grant scheme.

“The security devices that Caring for Carers and Cratloe Community Council can now benefit from under this scheme include smoke alarms, the once off cost of installing socially monitored alarm systems, security lighting, and window locks, door locks and door chains designed to strengthen points of entry to dwellings”, added Minister Killeen.

The scheme for Community Supports of Older People is administered by local community and voluntary groups and funded by the Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs. In excess of EUR1 million has been provided to date in 2008 for the Scheme.

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