

# Irish Quaker Faith in Action

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**Irish Quaker Faith in Action (IQFA)** is a charity of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Ireland that gives practical support in Ireland and across the world with a particular focus on **social action**, **justice** and **peace-building**. Our work is an active and concrete expression of our Quaker faith, providing support primarily to small projects that may not receive funding from larger charities.

### Projects supported by IQFA in recent months include:

The **Center for Development in Central America**, which works with communities in Nicaragua to achieve their own goals with the aim of empowerment and sustainability. Initiatives include economic development, sustainable agriculture, primary health care, education and appropriate technology.



**Quaker Service**, which delivers practical, social and emotional support in Northern Ireland to mothers and children, prisoners and their families, young people and senior citizens with a view to valuing and empowering them where they are at and playing a role in reducing violence, suffering and disadvantage in society.

**Palestine Trauma Centre**, which supports mental health and community workers in Gaza who are dealing every day with a traumatised population. A Community Wellness Programme has been developed to support people and give them self-help skills to help them develop resilience.



IQFA has supported a number of women's micro-enterprises in Kenya, Sierra Leone and India via **Right Sharing of World Resources** (RSWR) - an independent Quaker not-for-profit organisation sharing the abundance of God's love by working for equity through partnerships around the world. Helping women get businesses up and running ensures a brighter, sustainable future for them and their families.

An RSWR loan has transformed life for mother-of-four Mary Abasa and her family in Vihiga County in rural western Kenya. The loan has enabled Mary to set up a kiosk where she sells groceries and second-hand shoes. Her husband, who is out of work, supports her in the business by purchasing supplies at the large markets.



## Other projects supported by IQFA recently include:

- Embrace Northern Ireland
- Friendly Water for the World
- Alternatives to Violence Project Student Residence, Bolivia
- Care4Calais, France - providing funding for tents for refugees
- KMF Productions - producing TV documentaries on human rights
- Apostolic Women's Empowerment Trust, Zimbabwe (via Christian Aid)

The Purpose of IQFA is: "To give practical and spiritual help and support to the Christian concerns of Irish Friends; desiring to be guided to do God's work in helping to build His kingdom on Earth."

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## Giving a little can help a lot!

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