Crois Dhearg na hÉireann Irish Red Cross

Strategy 2025-2030

Vision

To be the leading humanitarian organisation in a world where people's essential humanitarian needs are provided for

Mission

To provide humanitarian assistance, at home and abroad, to those most in need and inspire policy and attitudinal change

Principles

- Humanity
- Impartiality

- Neutrality
- Independence

- Voluntary Service
- Unity
- Universality

Strategic Objective 1: Volunteerism

Goal

We aim to be a model for best practices in volunteering, where it is easy to and people want to volunteer, feel valued, and are facilitated to remain involved throughout their lifetime.

Outcomes by 2030

- Our range of volunteering opportunities meets the changing needs of volunteers and the needs of their communities and is available and easily accessible to people in every county in Ireland.
- Our volunteers reflect the diversity of Irish society.
- Our volunteers and branch network have access to high-quality training, equipment, and logistical and administrative supports.

Strategic Objective 2: Disaster & Emergencies

Goal

We want people and communities to have access to relevant, timely and coordinated supports to help them prepare for emergencies, respond when they happen and recover in a way that makes them more resilient.

Outcomes by 2030

Preparedness

Individuals and communities are prepared and empowered to mobilise to save lives and minimise negative impacts in an emergency. Response

People affected by an emergency have access to a coordinated, scalable and person-centred emergency response.

Recovery

People affected by a humanitarian emergency are supported to recover and return to normality.



Strategic Objective 3: Health & Wellbeing

Goal

We will provide people with supportive and practical wellbeing and psychosocial assistance in emergency situations, and also where specific ongoing humanitarian needs arise.

Outcomes by 2030

Preparedness

Resources are prepared for effective mobilisation in response to an emergency. Response

People in a crisis are supported to access the health and wellbeing care they require and to receive practical assistance.

Recovery

People and communities can return to normal living and become more resilient through targeted support.

Strategic Objective 4: Displacement & Migration

Goal

We will help people who are forced to migrate to have their essential humanitarian needs met, support and empower them to rebuild their lives.

Outcomes by 2030

Preparedness

Communities are facilitated to prepare for the arrival of migrants forced to flee their own countries.

Response

People forced to migrate have their essential needs met in a dignified, efficient and timely manner.

Recovery

People forced to migrate are supported to integrate and can begin to return to normality.

Strategic Objective 5: Organisational Culture & Fitness

Goal

We aim to be an agile, digitally enabled and sustainable organisation that attracts and retains great people and has optimal internal ways of working.

Outcomes by 2030

- We have a cohesive team of volunteers, staff and board working together to create a positive, diverse and adaptable environment.
- Through digital transformation, we will boost transparency, innovation, efficiency, and decision-making, increasing our emergency readiness and impact within communities.
- We have adequate funding in place to reach the most vulnerable people who need help.
- We demonstrate best practices in governance, accountability, safeguarding and programming.
- People in Ireland are aware of the Irish Red Cross and our work in Ireland and overseas.

Our Ways of Working

- Volunteer base
- Putting people at the centre of our care
- Local communities and people
- · Collaborating with others

- · Fulfilling our auxiliary role
- Transparent and good governance
- Safeguarding, Garda vetting & compliance
- Reflecting, learning, innovating & adapting