

## ONE WORLD WEEK 2020

### Introduction

The World Scouting motto is that Scouts should aim to “Create a Better World”. In Ireland we can play our part by getting involved in the One World Week (23<sup>rd</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> November 2020) that encourages young people to act to better the world around them for people and the environment.

In Rovers, we go on an adventure and overcome challenges together. The challenge in One World Week for Rovers is to look at their communities and think of an action that they can take. This action is entirely up to you! You could raise awareness about refugees, racism, or the climate crisis. You could coordinate yourself with other Rover groups and organize a nation-wide clean-up day. Whatever your action, it must be in service to others in need.

### Why get involved in One World Week?

When you get involved in One World week you can achieve Special Interest Badges and more specifically - Community or Environment badges. These also make up part of the Chief Scout Award. These activities are relatively easy to organise, but make sure the activity organisers fully understand what is going on and how the activity will work. Because these activities require some thought and discussion, it would be better to spread them over 4 meetings or run as part of the larger programme with a view to complete the Messenger of Peace or World Scout Environmental Badge. The success of the activity depends on people’s willingness to participate. Ensure that they are as active and enjoyable! There are lots of ideas to choose from so it might be a good idea to decide which Badge you would like to work towards first and then think about activities the group can do to achieve that.

### Share your action!

Make sure to log your action on the Better World [form](#)! We would love to share your stories with the Scouting Community and share the inspiring actions you did for One World Week. Make sure to tag us on social media with the #scoutingireland hashtag so we can see what you get up to!

### For more information visit:

Scouting Ireland’s ‘Exploring your community’:

<https://betterworld.ie/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/community-survey-ireland.pdf>

The Better World Scout Programme: <https://betterworld.ie/sdgs/>

COVID-19 FAQ: <https://scouting360.ie/covid-faqs/>

The National Youth Council of Ireland: [www.youth.ie](http://www.youth.ie)

**Using the Sustainable Development Goals!**

The mission of Scouts has long practiced the United Nations SDGs- to work towards a better world for people and the planet! With only 10 years left to achieve the SDGs, now is the time to speak out, work together and share the positive community work Scouts across Ireland are doing!

Understanding **the SDGs help bring a global perspective onto local actions** – are our local challenges experienced elsewhere in the world? What systems are causing these challenges? Are there groups just like us also in and outside of Scouts looking to make the world a better place too?

The SDGs can help us explore social and environmental justice issues that are experienced in Ireland and around the world, understanding how we are all connected and need to understand people and the world around us in order to make it a better world for all.

**SDG PYRAMID**



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While the SDGs can be overwhelming at first to understand, it helps to think about them under the following three themes:

For your own background information please see more on the SDGs on the Better World Scout Programme: <https://betterworld.ie/sdgs/>

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### Week 1. True or False Moving Debate

The idea of this activity is for Rovers to develop an awareness of the myths and reality refugees and migrants and might work towards challenge biases we do not even know we have. Using NYCI's resource the activity coordinator will read out a few statements and the group must move in a relay race outdoors to the different sides of the room if they think the statement is true or false. You can mark out areas for which side of the room the group should move to for true or false. The group can remain in the middle if they are not too sure. Allow time for the group to explain their movements and discuss before revealing the answer. You could even run this as a quiz online too should local COVID restrictions prevent you from gathering outdoors.



#### A few examples of statements you can use:

True:	False:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Many migrant workers do not have the right to have their family with them or to choose who they work for.</li><li>-Ireland promised to take 4,000 Syrian refugees. As of 9th September 2016, Ireland has only taken in 311.</li><li>-Asylum seekers are not entitled to free cars or mobile phones. Most are housed in hostel type accommodation until their application is processed and receive €19.10 per week per person. This amount has not increased since 2000.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- "Refugees / boat people are illegal immigrants."</li><li>- "Ireland is overcrowded and "full up"</li><li>-Once a person reaches Europe, they are usually granted asylum straight away and can start life as a European citizen.</li></ul>

Adapted from NYCI Knowledge is Power: <https://www.scouts.ie/pdfjs/pdfViewer.aspx?n=/Venture-Scout/Ideas/11VS-Refugees-Migration-the-Sustainable-Development-Goals-and-YOUth.pdf>

#### To wrap up the activity you could ask a final question:

Do you think our government is doing enough on this?

#### Before you go home:

Check in with the group to see how they got on with this activity. This activity may bring up various emotions for participants, please make time to listen and share reflections on this activity.



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#### Week 2. What can we do?

With the awareness gained from the previous activity, what can we do about it? How can we use our voice to uplift someone else?

Using the word cloud, as a group chat and write up your ideas of who outside of your group you could help and how. If you have worked with a vulnerable group before, can you reach back out to them and ask what their needs are? Would they like to do an activity with you?



#### Activity Ideas!

The last few months have been a challenge. While COVID restrictions are in place there are still activities you group can get involved in outdoors or at home. Here are some suggestions that will engage your group with One World Week!

**-400 Welcomes:** Have you heard of this campaign? It is a campaign to relocate 400 vulnerable women, men, and children from Lesbos Island outside of the Direct Provision system which continues to deny asylum seekers social, economic, political, and civil rights in Ireland. You can each research more on it and present your findings to your group. Help each other to understand the Irish Government's shortcomings on this matter and lobby the government

**-Sick of Plastic:** Take your community clean-ups a step further by collaborating with groups like Friends of the Earth on their Sick of Plastic campaign to encourage supermarkets to make their spaces plastic free

**-Write an Email to Government:** Taking what you found out about migrants in Ireland, why not contact an organization like MASI or INAR to find out how you can get in touch with your local government to start the conversation about the reality migrants face in Ireland.

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Log you actions here to decide which is most realistic for you to achieve right now.

<b>Effort and Impact</b>	<b>High Impact</b>	<b>Medium Impact</b>	<b>Low Impact</b>
<b>simple</b>			
<b>a bit of effort</b>			
<b>Lots of effort</b>			



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**Week 3. How can we do it?**

What do we need to do before we go out and help? Whatever way you have decided to take community action – for refugees, for climate or for someone you know use this planning tool to decide how you can achieve your goal. An online campaign targeted at Government and tagging relevant groups will be an easy and safe activity to do during COVID.

What can I do?	How will I do it?	Who can help me?	When will I do it?

Your chosen activity can be done as a group or as individuals depending on COVID restrictions in your area.

If completing these activities virtually you could set up a team on Slack or Trello to assign and log actions to take.



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### Week 4. Review

This meeting, taking place after the weekend activity, allows Rovers give a thumbs up or a thumbs down to explain what they liked about these activities, what they didn't like or what they could do differently next time.

Make sure to log your community action on the Better World Website here:

<https://betterworld.ie/projects/project-form/>

Can you apply for these badges now?



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### Useful Links:

#### Messenger of Peace Badge:

<https://betterworld.ie/about/the-messengers-of-peace-award/>

#### World Scout Environment Badge:

<https://betterworld.ie/about/world-scout-environment-badge/>

#### Better World Activities:

<https://betterworld.ie/resources/scouting-at-home/>

**Show solidarity with refugees:** <https://inar.ie/take-action-in-solidarity-with-refugees-10-things-you-can-do-to-help-in-ireland/>

**400 Welcomes:** <https://400welcomes.org/>

**Say no to Hate Speech:** <https://www.youth.ie/programmes/equality-intercultural/no-hate-speech/>

**Climate Action:** <https://www.foe.ie/climate/climatechange1/pass-the-climate-law-by-christmas/>

**Knowledge is Power Activity:** <https://www.scouts.ie/pdfJS/pdfViewer.aspx?n=/Venture-Scout/Ideas/11VS-Refugees-Migration-the-Sustainable-Development-Goals-and-YOUth.pdf>

**Sick of Plastic:** <https://www.foe.ie/sickofplastic/>

**Irish Network Against Racism:** <https://inar.ie/hate-crime-letter-template-to-politicians/>

**Eco-bricks:** <https://www.sealrescueireland.org/2019/12/02/ecobricks/>

**Campaign Proposal:** <https://creately.com/blog/diagrams/guide-to-writing-a-campaign-proposal/>