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## Project Case Study: Supporting Children and Young People with Cavan PEACE IV Action Plan

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Building Positive Relations:  
Local Authority Plans

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Cavan and Monaghan  
Education and Training Board;  
Cavan County Council Library

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One of the strands of Cavan County Council's PEACE IV Action Plan was Children and Young People. Over the course of Action Plan's four years a number of projects were delivered.

### Cavan Youth Arts Lab

In 2017, Cavan County Council Arts Office was awarded €160,000 to establish the Youth Arts Lab. The purpose of the lab was to enhance the capacity of children and young people to develop awareness and respect for others and to form positive relationships through the arts. The project included workshops, training and events. 313 young participants completed the project, exceeding the original target of 210. A video highlighting the project can be found [HERE](#)

### Face Off

This project involved the implementation of five actions to positively engage young people (13-16 years old) in non-formal and formal programmes including: debates, cross-border work and campaigns to help them grow and develop into citizens, with a greater understanding of their positive role within their families, friendship circles, schools and communities. 959 young people completed the project from four key areas in Cavan: Bawnboy, Belturbet, Cavan Town and Cootehill.

### Cavan County Museum

This project utilised the museum's WW1 Trench, 1916 rising exhibition and Battle of the Somme installation to enable the young participants to learn and reflect on this period of shared history. Using these new installations/exhibitions the museum programme also developed and delivered an annual programme of events that supported and promoted integration and peace focused activities. 336 participants completed the project.

### Other Projects

Additional projects included an Anti-Bullying and Civic Leadership Campaign, cross-border educational visits and a small grants programme, where four groups were awarded funding to help support their activities (Killinkere GAA, Swanlinbar Youth project, Bawnboy – Foroige and Killinkere Development Association).