# Peace4Youth





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# Project Case Study: Supporting Peace4Youth Projects in the COVID-19 Pandemic

## THEME:

Children and Young People aged 14-24

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#### **MATCH FUNDERS:**

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#### **LEAD PARTNER:**

Co-Operation Ireland

#### **PROJECT PARTNERS:**

Ulster University, National Youth Council of Ireland, Pobal

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As the Quality and Impact Body for the eleven Peace4Youth projects under the PEACE IV Programme, YouthPact is providing a range of activities including learning and best practice events and guidance and resources to help ensure the quality in delivery of projects and to maximise their impact.

#### **Peace4Youth Project Coordinator's Reflection Hub Meetings**

Within the first three weeks of March 2020 the coordinators of the eleven Peace4Youth projects met online to discuss and share the challenges they faced in transitioning their projects from the physical to the online space.

The coordinators talked about the resources they had developed and the methods they were using to support staff and the young people. They continued to support one another as the months went on, sharing resources and experience.

A reflection on the Coordinators Hub, by YouthPact's Leighann McConville (entitled Leadership in the time of COVID-19) can be found <u>HERE</u>

### **The Critical Voice Website**

The Critical Voice website continues to be a source to share resources developed and promoted by YouthPact for Peace4Youth project workers and the wider youth work sector. Of particular interest are a series of articles written by youth work practitioners on their experience of running youth work projects during lockdown. Articles range in themes including: the promise and shortcomings of digital youth work, mental health issues for young people, critiques of outcomes measurement during a pandemic and digital poverty. These can be found HERE

#### **Google Drive Resources**

YouthPact have created a set of useful documents and resources on Google Drive, which are continually updated, including: links for useful policies, learning tools, health and well-being tools and flyers. An example of some of these resources can be viewed <u>HERE</u>



