Louth County Library Ireland

https://www.louthcoco.ie/en/services/library/

ACTION

➤ **Migrant Women's Group:** Women's group for migrant and refugee women meets weekly.

This is a safe space for migrant and refugee women and mothers who want to meet other people, establish social interactions and share common issues and concerns.

PROBLEM

Louth County Library is providing access to information and guides individuals in their information seeking is a central role of the library service. The library team are expert guides and can ensure that the information accessed is appropriate, and relevant and supports users pursuing lifelong learning, job and business advice, and healthy living.

The public library is ideally suited to support ongoing learning in literacy, including digital literacy, through the provision of programmes and access to essential information and communications technology. The library can contribute significantly to the lifelong learning aspirations of users through the provision of both formal and self-guided courses.

The age profile in Ireland is changing. For example, the proportion of people in Ireland aged 65 years and over is expected to increase to 20% of the population between now and 2032.
Lifelong learning provides significant benefits for an aging population, resulting in improved quality of life, not just for the individuals, but also for the people around them. Library provides opportunities for all users to engage in lifelong learning through the delivery of services developed in collaboration with national and local partners.

RESULT

The library:

✓ Supports connected and informed communities and promotes civic participation by all sections of our communities, including new communities.

✓ Consolidates the role of public libraries as the public face of local authorities.

✓ Collects, explores, and celebrates the cultural memory of local people and communities, and develops and promotes local studies collections and archives through a national programme for enhanced digital access.