



KERRY DEAF RESOURCE CENTRE

KDRC provides services to Deaf and hard of hearing people at county level and contributes to national issues of equality, access and rights.

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CENTRE FOR DEAF STUDIES (CDS) STUDENT ON PLACEMENT

We would like to welcome Daniel Crean, a 4th year sign language interpreting student in the Centre for Deaf Studies who will be on supervised placement in our service for the next two weeks.

Daniel is well known in the Deaf community as his parents are Deaf & they play a very active professional & academic role in the Deaf community.

We would like to thank our Manager, Willie White who will mentor Daniel while he is with us in KDRC. We would like to wish Daniel all the best with his placement & hope it is a great learning opportunity for him.



Daniel Crean (CODA)

MILLIE BROTHER SCHOLARSHIP FOR CODAs

CODA International

**MILLIE BROTHER
SCHOLARSHIP FOR
HEARING CHILDREN
OF DEAF ADULTS**

Applications now open

<https://www.coda-international.org/2017-Scholarship-Application>

CODA International is now accepting applications for the annual Millie Brother Scholarship.

The scholarship is open to adult CODAs (Children of Deaf Adults). The scholarship can be used for undergraduate or graduate study at any accredited institution of higher education in the world. On average two \$3000 scholarship are offered annually. These are one-time scholarships, but you may apply for

as many years as you are in school. First-time winners will receive preference.

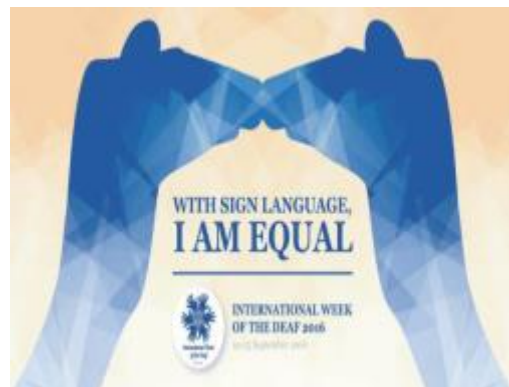
Applicants may compete for both scholarships, but a separate essay is required for each submission. Applicants must be the hearing son or daughter of Deaf parents; students from any country in the world are eligible to apply, but application materials must be submitted in English. For more information, go to

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UPDATE ON THE IRISH SIGN LANGUAGE RECOGNITION CAMPAIGN

As you may be aware the Irish Deaf Society with support from Senator Mark Daly who is from Co. Kerry have been working tirelessly to secure official recognition of Irish Sign Language (ISL)

John Bosco Conama has just released an update in ISL on their Facebook page- this follows on from an email response (see below) from an official in the Department of Justice. To see the sign language version go to

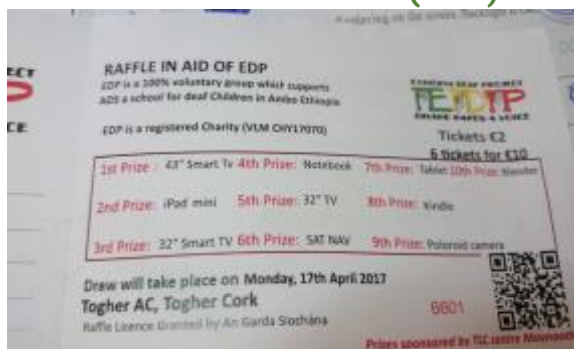


https://www.facebook.com/IrishSignLanguageRecognitionCampaign/?hc_ref=SEARCH&fref=nf#

"As discussed Minister McGrath's official's in the Department of Justice have put their thoughts on various Government amendments on paper and they are with the Department of Social Protection and the Department of Communications for comments/obs. However, it is hoped that Minister McGrath would be in a position to bring a Memo to Government in a few weeks. After that, and depending on Government approval, the official's go to the Attorney General's office for formal drafting. At this stage, I can't give any indication whatsoever as to how long that would take as that issue will require resolution at Government level in the context of all the other legislative priorities on hand."

Further updates will be posted on their Facebook page, so keep an eye out for them.

ETHIOPIA DEAF PROJECT (EDP) RAFFLE & GREAT PRIZES TOO



The Ethiopia Deaf Project (EDP) is organising a raffle with fantastic prizes with all proceeds going to the Ambo Lazarist School for the Deaf in Ethiopia.

Tickets cost 2euro each or 10euro for a book. The prizes are fantastic and include the following:

1st Prize: 43" Smart TV. **2nd Prize:** iPad Mini. **3rd Prize:** 32" Smart TV.
4th Prize: Notebook. **5th Prize:** 32" TV. **6th Prize:** Sat Nav. **7th Prize:** Tablet.
8th Prize: Kindle. **9th Prize:** Polaroid Camera. **10th Prize:** Blender

Tickets will be on sale in KDRC within the next week (approx.). In addition, if you are willing to volunteer, we know the organisers of the raffle would appreciate the support. The person who sells the most tickets will also get an iPad Mini.

EDP is a registered charity & supported by the Vincentian Lay Missionaries (**VLM CHY 17070**). To volunteer to sell raffle tickets or for more information on the fantastic work that EDP is doing, check out their Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/ethiopiadeafprojectambo/?fref=ts>