



“HOME HELP SERVICE”. IRELAND

SUMMARY OF PROJECT

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| Location | <i>Various locations in Dublin and Cork</i> | | |
| Organization carrying it out: | <i>Currently by Boards of Management.</i> | | |
| Contact person for further information: | <i>Sr. Catherine Dunphy</i> | | |
| Year it began | <i>1970's</i> | Year it ended | |

The reason for the Project and its objectives

What was the context of this Project? What is/was the need to which this Project responded?

Families needing support in the own homes. Frail elderly people needing practical support and assistance in their own homes so that they could remain at home for as long as possible.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

Please give a brief description of the Project:

What is/was its main objective: *To support families and frail elderly people in their own homes.*

What is/were the main activities: *Teaching home making skills, personal development and providing practical support for parents. Practical assistance and support to frail elderly people in their own homes.*

The main results of the activities: *Families are supported and people can remain in their own homes with dignity for as long as possible. Creation of employment for local people, training and development.*

MODEL OF INTERVENCION

The team which participated in the Project:

Describe the people who were involved in developing it ie salaried? Volunteers? Both?

Local people, (home helps who lived in the área) and administrators, all of whom are paid. Board of Directors and Volunteers.

Benefits of the Project:

What were the principal benefits for the participants and for the local community?

What changes were produced in individuals, and in families through in this project

Families & individuals can stay in their houses and neighbourhoods. Quality of life improved / maintained.

Other organizations involved:

The Home Help Service works in co-operation with other local statutory and voluntary services.

The Budget and the way of financing the Project:

Was there funding from government, or totally voluntary funds or both?

Funded by Government (Health Service Executive).

How sustainable is/was the Project into the future?

The Home Help Services continue to operate but in a more streamlined way. Much of the activities now is providing assistance with personal care. It is sustainable because it is an essential part of health provision in the country.

How was our charism made present/alive through this Project?

Home Helps were trained and encouraged to respect the dignity of each person. Families were supported.

Signed: Catherine Dunphy

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