

RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM CHILDREN + YOUNG PEOPLE IN DUBLIN

Here are some of our suggestions to help get rid of poverty:

- School should offer the choice of more practical subjects that would help people get jobs like hairdressing, plumbing, painting
- Education should be free including transport to school if it is needed
- Young people who have left school without any qualifications should be encouraged to learn again – listen to young people about what they want to learn and how they want to learn. Some schools do not respect young people. School can be very difficult and some people might learn more in a different set-up.
- Sex education in all schools to help prevent teenage pregnancy
- University should be free
- 5% of all company profits should go to combat poverty
- The dole keeps people poor – but it is hard to get off the dole. Make it easier to help people off the dole.
- More information about entitlements – for example, many people do not know about tax credits
- Ask people who are living in poverty for their ideas about how they can be helped out of poverty
- People living in poverty may also know lots of ways of saving money
- Money from tax should be spent on health and education – not guns and war.
- Free facilities and activity centres for young people.
- Make more jobs.
- Make this a better city for young people.

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