

Unions unite in pay claim for care and community workers

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Three trade unions – public services union Fórsa, general union SIPTU and nurses' and midwives union INMO – have joined forces with the support of the ICTU confederation to secure a pay rise and collective bargaining forum for workers in voluntary and community services. The unions argue that many of these workers provide essential services but have not seen a pay rise since the 2008-09 economic and financial crisis. The aim is for a 3% pay rise this year and to establish a forum for future collective bargaining. The unions have also approached the government to get it to recognise its role in providing funding for community organisations which should include appropriate amount for decent pay and conditions.

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