



# RAISE the ROOF

On October 3rd  
Homes  
For All

## Rally

at Leinster House  
Wednesday Oct 3rd  
@12.30-2pm

Trade unions, political parties, students' unions, housing agencies & community and campaign groups have joined forces to demand action on the housing crisis.

Join us  
on October 3rd  
and make  
your  
voice heard

## THE HOUSING CRISIS IS AN ISSUE **FOR EVERYONE**

Most workers now struggle to buy a home of their own as house prices have spiralled beyond the reach of those on low and average incomes.

Soaring rents have put huge financial strain on workers, students and their families, often paying for poor quality accommodation with little or no security of tenure.

It is a key issue for women as our rate of female homelessness is now double that of other EU states and more than 60% of homeless families are headed by lone parents, the majority of whom are women.

Meanwhile, housing waiting lists grow ever longer and homeless numbers are at record levels. Thousands are now crowded into unsuitable accommodation, with families forced to raise children in hotel rooms and other emergency dwellings. Government policy to date has failed to solve the crisis.

But on October 3rd there is a chance to change course, when an opposition party motion on the crisis is debated in the Dáil.

The motion demands radical new action on the crisis, including the construction of quality, affordable public housing, preventing people from being evicted into homelessness and enshrining the right to housing in the constitution.

It is supported by Sinn Féin, People Before Profit, the Labour Party, Solidarity, the Social Democrats, the Green Party and Independents4Change, with others expected to add their backing. The motion also has the support of a wide range of trade unions,

housing agencies, and community and campaign groups representing tens of thousands of people across all sectors of our society.

A special rally has been called for outside Leinster House at lunchtime on Wednesday October 3rd by the Irish Congress of Trade Unions, in conjunction with the National Homeless & Housing Coalition, the Union of Students in Ireland, the National Women's Council of Ireland and key housing and homeless agencies.

**So join us on  
Oct 3rd and help  
us Raise the Roof  
for change**

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