

South Dublin County Enterprise Board is one of 35 Boards established throughout the country to actively support the start-up, development and growth of locally based innovative micro businesses. Based in Tallaght, the Board attracts and supports entrepreneurs to create new enterprises within South County Dublin, particularly those with the potential to grow and develop. The needs of existing enterprises are also addressed to enhance their competitiveness, innovation and management capability. The Boards assistance is provided in the form of training, mentoring, networking and financial supports as well as a vibrant enterprise education programme at Primary and Second level. Recent and pending new initiatives include Hi Start – a management development programme for High Potential Micro Enterprises, The Student Synergy Awards at ITT Dublin and Tech Check – an ICT healthcheck for business. The Board works closely with other agencies and organisations for the good of enterprise in the county.

Each year South Dublin County Enterprise Board recognises and celebrates the achievements of outstanding micro enterprises in the county through the County & National Enterprise Awards.

Award winners are selected from eligible businesses supported by the Board on the basis of their business plans, marketing & financial strength, technology, innovation & entrepreneurial skills. . A cash prize, complementary mentoring and framed certificate are awarded to each winner. The overall winner goes on to represent South Dublin at the National Enterprise Awards .

This year South Dublin County Enterprise Board is delighted to present the 2008 County Enterprise Awards at the South Dublin Chamber Gala Ball in October in association with Business in the Community Awards.