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Youth website Spunout soars to dizzying new heights

Community/social entrepreneurship award



William Corless of Spunout.ie.

SpunOut.ie is a youth-led online service for young people offering information on health and lifestyle issues including alcohol, drugs, mental health, relationships, work, travel and education.

Set up by [Ruairi McKiernan](#) in 2004, the site reaches an audience of more than 300,000 per year, with the majority of site visitors aged 16-25 years old.

The website offers a variety of resources, including a search database of more than 1,000 support services, space for young people to publish their views, and moderated discussion forums where young people can debate issues.

The website has won an [Eircom](#) Golden Spider Award (2007), a Global Young Social Entrepreneur Award (2007) and a Social Entrepreneurs [Ireland](#) Award (2006).