



leave only
pawprints....®

Green Dog® Walkers



A friendly way to tackle dog fouling issues

Green Dog Walkers®

is a project initiated by
South Dublin County Council,
Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown
County Council,
Fingal County Council,
Meath County Council and
Wicklow County Council.



The Facts...

- The Litter Pollution Acts, 1997-2003, impose fines from €150
- 35.6% of Irish households have a dog

Did you know that primary school children and footballers are most at risk from diseases caused by dog fouling?

Would you like to take part in the project?

In order to become a Green Dog Walker®, read the pledge and return the signed acceptance form. We will send you your durable waterproof Green Dog Walkers armband / bag dispenser.



The Green Dog Walkers® Pledge



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I hereby volunteer to accept a Green Dog Walkers® Armband/bag dispenser and pledge to take part in the campaign as follows:

1. I will wear the armband/bag dispenser as often as possible when walking my dog(s).
2. I will at all times clean up after my dog and dispose of the bag in a bin.
3. When others walk my dog I will encourage them to clean up after my dog.
4. I understand that wearing the armband/bag dispenser indicates that I will carry extra doggie bags to distribute to other dog walkers if requested.
5. At no time when wearing the armband/bag dispenser will I aggressively confront other dog walkers about dog fouling. I fully understand that Green Dog Walkers® is intended to be a non-confrontational and friendly campaign to change attitudes about dog fouling.
6. I agree that Green Dog Walkers® may contact me to take part in questionnaires or surveys regarding my Green Dog Walker experience, to help judge the success of the project.

Adapted from: [http://www.socialcredits.ie/onlineForms/GDW%20Pledge%20form%](http://www.socialcredits.ie/onlineForms/GDW%20Pledge%20form%20form)



An Garda Síochána Winter Burglary Prevention



FACTS:

1. In winter, burglaries increase by 25%
2. Over 40% of burglaries in winter occur between 5pm and 11pm
3. In 20% of burglaries, entry is through an unsecured door or window
4. Jewellery and cash are the most common articles stolen during burglaries
5. There were over 200 cases where car keys were “fished” through the letterbox in the past year

TOP 5 TIPS:

1.  Secure all doors and windows
2.  Light up your home, use timer switches when out
3.  Store keys safely and away from windows and letterboxes
4.  Record details of valuables and don't keep large cash amounts at home
5.  Use your alarm, even when at home

See www.garda.ie for more information

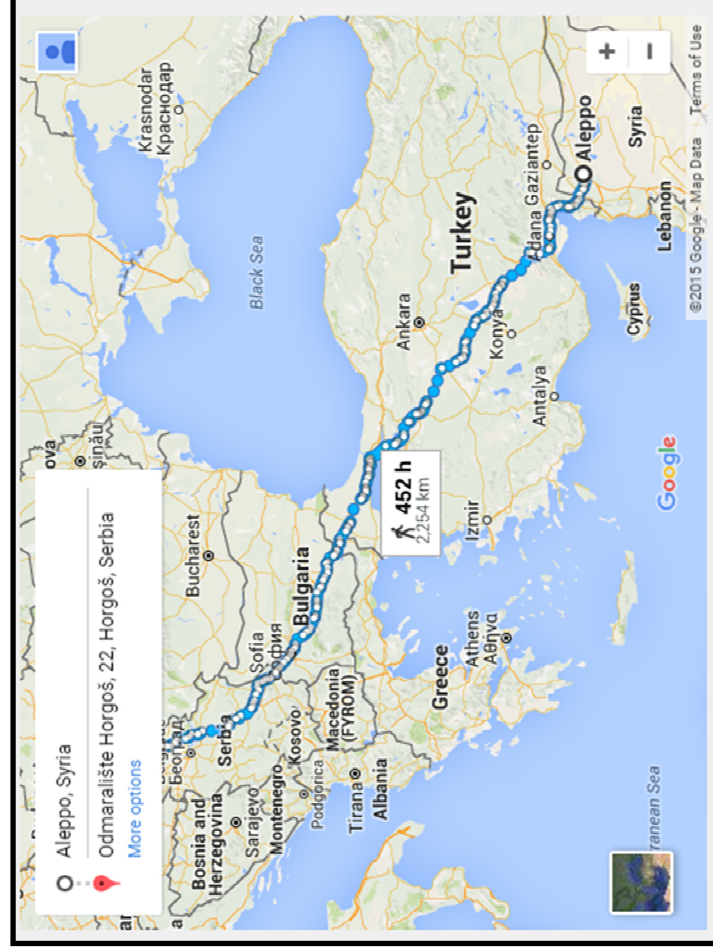
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Building a better world for children

A Refugee's Journey

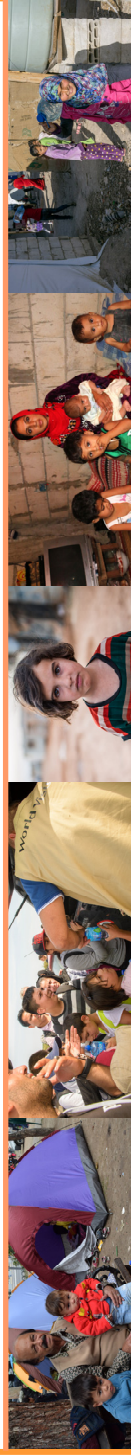
A 2,254 km walk, taking an estimated 452 hours



- Thousands of families are fleeing war and violence in Syria in the hope of finding peace and a future.
- To understand that journey the Google map above shows the walking directions for a family of refugees fleeing Aleppo in Syria, trying to get to Horgos, Serbia in Europe.
- The family would have to walk more than 2,254 kilometres to get to Serbia's border with Hungary.
- It would take 452 hours - about 50 days - if they walked eight hours per day and were able to cover a full 40 kilometres per day.
- On this difficult journey a family would have to carry everything they own, mind young children and stop to look for food.
- "It was very cold, and we didn't have blankets to cover ourselves," said Muhammed, a 72-year-old Syrian refugee who had stopped at a park in Belgrade, Serbia, with his two grandchildren and daughter-in-law. Some families are sleeping in tents, others out in the open.
- Some countries have closed their borders to refugees but many are willing to make that long, uncertain and dangerous journey.
- World Vision has been distributing relief packs to tired refugees, which include bottled water, bananas, anti-bacterial wipes, honey packets and fruit. For families with infants, World Vision has provided baby food and nappies.

By Chris Huber, World Vision published September 18, 2015

Adapted from: <http://www.worldvision.org/news-stories-videos/google-map-refugees-walking-syria-serbia>



About Foróige



Foróige is the biggest youth organisation in Ireland and has been working with young people since 1952. Our vision is for an Ireland that believes in every young person. Our aim is to make sure that young people actively involve themselves in their own development and in the development of society.

We work with 56,000 young people aged from 10 – 18 in volunteer-led Clubs and staff-led projects. Foróige is in 26 counties in Ireland. We have 611 Foróige Youth Clubs, 137 Youth Projects, the Big Brother and Big Sister Programme, the Foróige Youth Entrepreneurship Programme, our Youth Citizenship and Youth Leadership programmes.

Foróige clubs, special interest groups, Youth Cafés, feeder clubs and youth fora (groups) encourage young people to take responsibility for themselves and to be a part of shaping the world around them, while developing their talents, skills and character.

We also work with services like the Garda Youth Diversion Projects, Teen Parent Support Programmes and Neighbourhood Youth Projects. These help young people to deal with issues that affect them, in a safe friendly space.

All Foróige work is designed to reach its goals in a fun way so that young people become more confident, manage relationships better, gain knowledge, develop new skills and take responsibility.

www.foroige.ie



CHARTER OF RIGHTS

IN FORÓIGE ALL YOUNG PEOPLE WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS

**THE RIGHT TO
SELF EXPRESSION &
FREEDOM OF SPEECH**

**THE RIGHT TO
KINDNESS & RESPECT**

**THE RIGHT TO
BE LISTENED TO & HAVE YOUR
VIEWS CONSIDERED**

**THE RIGHT TO
DEVELOP YOUR PERSONALITY,
INTERESTS & ABILITIES**

**THE RIGHT TO
EQUAL PARTICIPATION**

**THE RIGHT TO
BE SAFE FROM ANY
TYPE OF BULLYING
& THREATS TO WELLBEING**

**THE RIGHT TO
CONTRIBUTE & TO IMPROVE
THE WORLD IN SOME WAY**