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MY VIEWS ON NFP PLAN FOR IRELAND 2040

I hope that people like me, that are now calling Ireland home, can contribute to a better society.

I am talking of twenty years from now. I hope it will be a much better place. A place where I will be able to raise my family and maybe by then I could be a grandmother, helping to raise new generations, my grandchildren and other children that deserve better. I would like to think that Ireland will be a more inclusive country that accepts new communities and allows us to contribute in a meaningful way. Ireland has welcomed me and my family as refugees to its shores, but I still see that in some ways the hundred thousand welcomes does not extend to all newcomers. With this I would like to see a change, where everyone is treated the same, all of our hopes and dreams and desires are acknowledged and allowed to flourish.

I would like to see a more welcoming Ireland where minorities in the community are given space to represent and to have their voice included in politics, by allowing them to be a part of the process where their voices will be heard and be part of the social and political conversation.

I would like to be living in a place that respects and protects the environment so that it becomes more sustainable, that as a society we care more about climate change than we do at the moment, that challenging climate change is not seen as a struggle. We need to work towards a world where there is no longer forced mass migration, nor conflicts or economic crises, that people can be able to live where they choose, and close to their families and friends.

I would also love to be a Senator here in Ireland, not necessarily the first African to represent my community but following in the foot steps of others who pushed the boundaries and worked really hard to be part of the Irish society, bringing meaningful integration to the forefront. A future Ireland where being a politician from another background is normal. I want to live to see Ireland

in 2037 and continue to be proud and happy to call myself an Irish woman.

I would also like to think that in 2040 we will no longer have homeless situation where many people are sleeping on our streets ,I would like to see Ireland which will open market to start ups social interpreneure and support small business , so that many people can sustain their living by doing so.

I would also like to see Ireland which will support our community to grow and eat fresh vegetables and from our gardens and support our farmers .To also encourage super market no waist a lot of food but create more food banks and recycle our food. That's the Ireland I dream of 2040.