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# Clare architects open their doors to Simon Community

THE RIAI and the Simon Communities of Ireland have joined forces for a special fundraising initiative. Called the RIAI Simon Open Door Day, participating architects around Clare and nationwide will open their offices this Saturday week, March 7, to give members of the public an hour's consultation with an architect in return for a €75 donation to Simon.

Among the Clare architects participating are Lourdes O'Donoghue, Kilmihil-based Michael Currane and Paul Conway of Leahy & Conway Architects in Ennis.

In this, the fifth year of the partnership, participating architects are hoping to raise €50,000, bringing the total raised since 2004 to €200,000.

"The RIAI Simon Open Door is a great way for the Irish public to appreciate the homes they have and to simultaneously help those throughout the country who do not," Patrick Burke, director of the Simon Communities of Ireland, said. "We are delighted to partner with the RIAI for the fifth time and want to thank all of the architects who are opening their doors, and the public, who will walk through them on Saturday week," he added.