



VANTASTIC SOCIAL FINANCE REPORT

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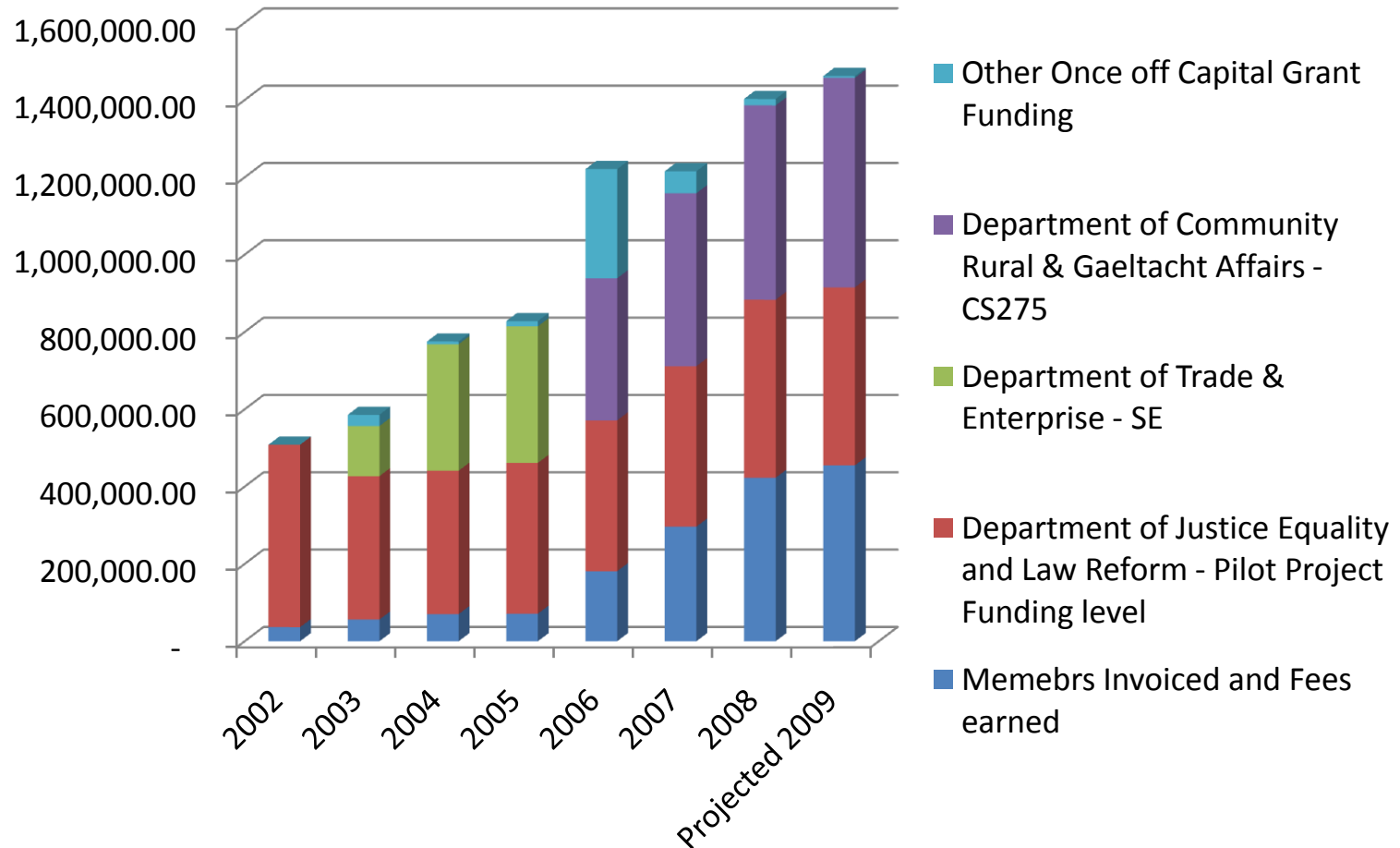
Background

Provides door to door transport and self drive rentals for people with mobility difficulties

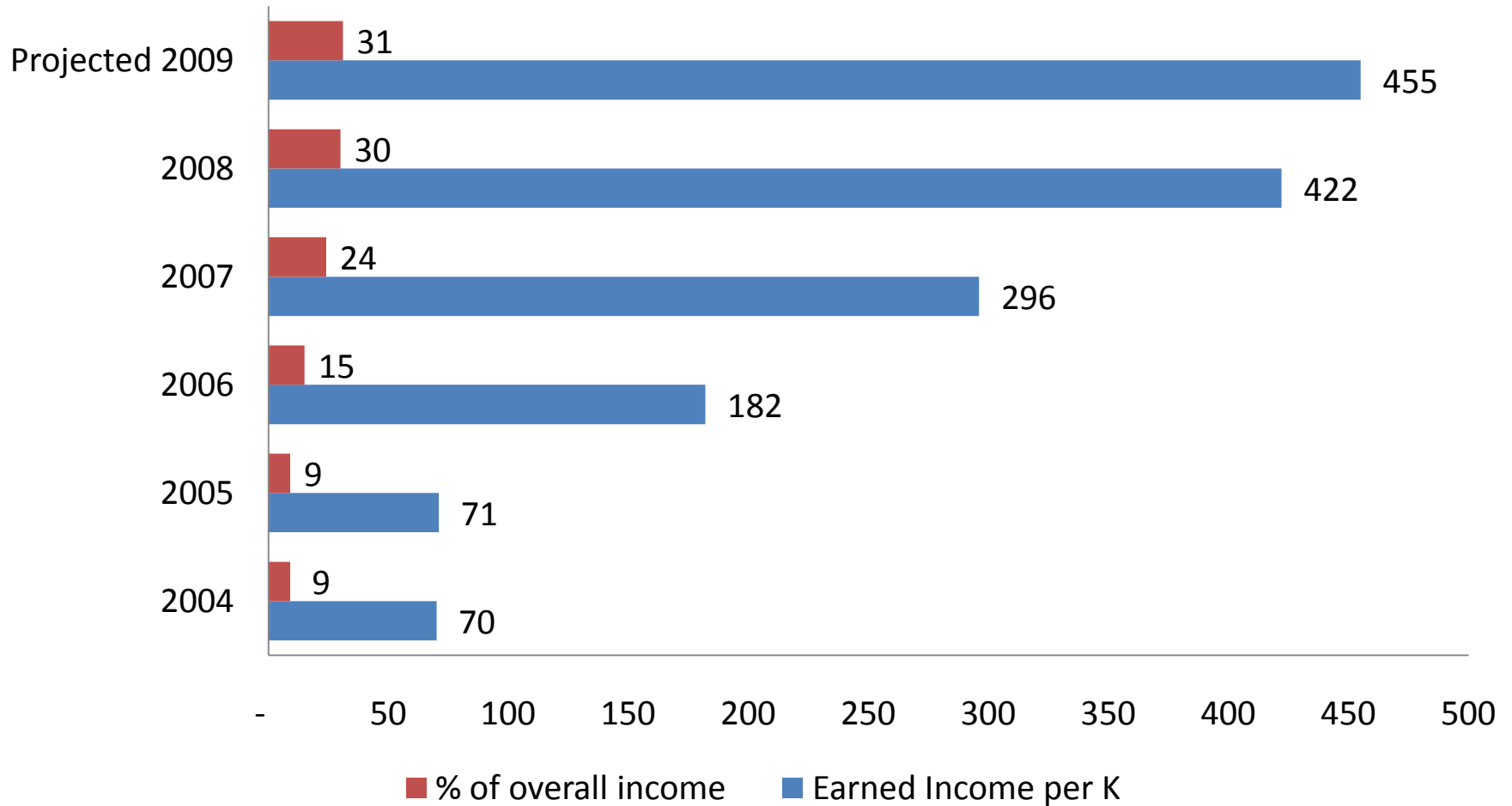
- 2000 Formed out of Centres for Independent Living
- 2000 Pilot Funding from Dept. of JE&LR
- 2002/3 PWC Report and Recommendations.
- 2003 Social Economy Funding – rolled into Community Services Programme in 2006.
- 2004 Current Management Structure and Systems

589% increase in trips 2004 - 2009

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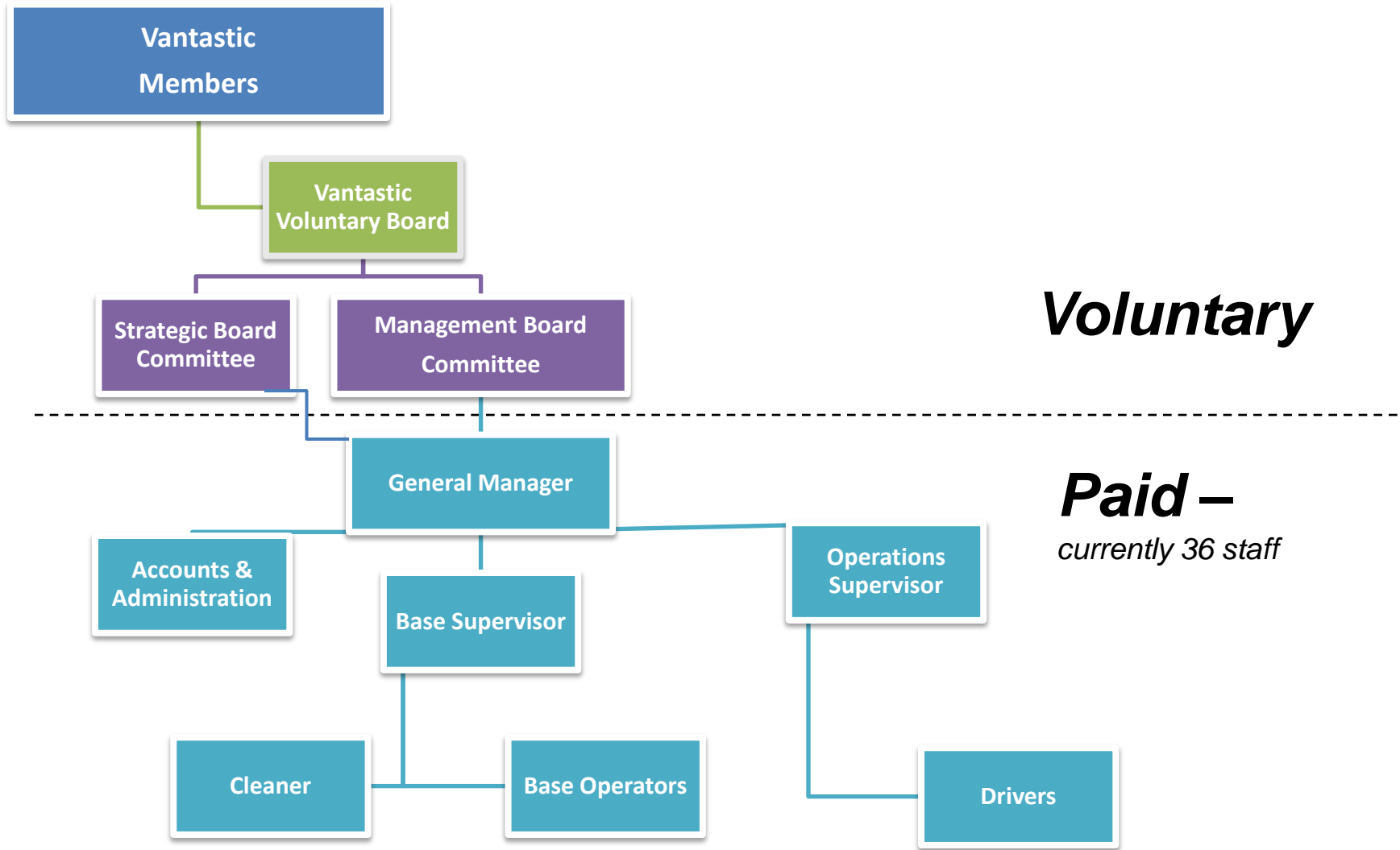
FOUNDATION/CLANN CREDO

- 2007 - €120k – Purchased 3 Nissan Interstars each capable of carrying 3 wheelchair users
- 2009 - €40k – Purchased 16 seater accessible coach to be used for Day Care and Shop Route passengers

Vantastic Performance

	2005	2009	% Change
Fleet	8	27	238% growth
No. of trips	9,294	55,000	492% growth
No. of members	544	3059	462% growth
Cost per trip	€81.91	€24.90	70% reduction
Avg. charge per trip	€7.67	€10.45	36% growth

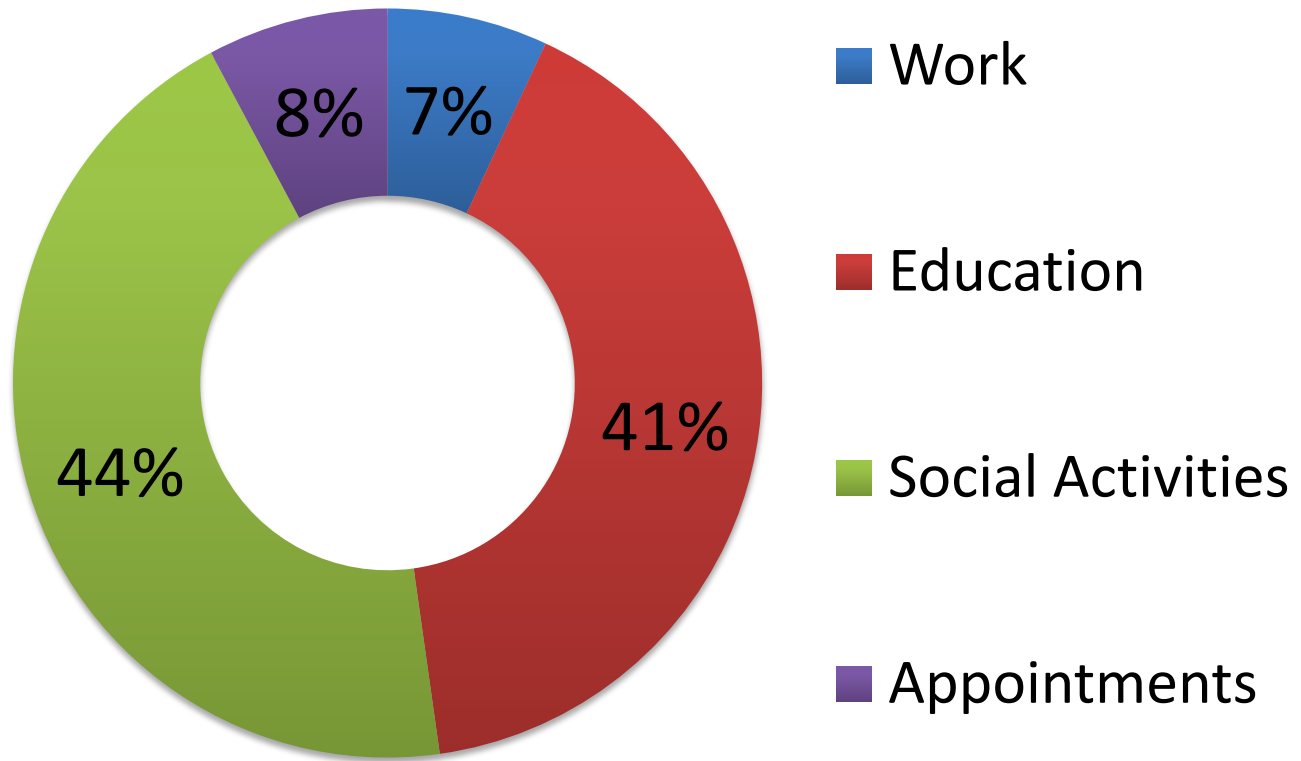
Vantastic Structure



Voluntary

Paid –
currently 36 staff

Breakdown of Trips 2008



Developments/Diversification

- ❑ Corporate Sector
- ❑ Tourist/Conferences
- ❑ Transport of Elderly – Pilot Scheme with Dublin City Council – Full service April 2009
- ❑ Rent a Van – self drive rental scheme introduced 2008.
- ❑ Outsourcing/Insourcing – maximise resources in the sector



Vantastic Issues

- ❑ No Funding System – need for Per Capita State Funding as part of Public Transport
- ❑ No Strategic Policy despite State acceptance of need for Door to Door transport
- ❑ No stability due to lack of funding system

MEMBER'S STORY - DOOR2DOOR

Anne McClintock

“I left Rehab in April 2005 and didn’t know of any wheelchair accessible transport until my daughter found Vantastic on the internet. Since then I have been using Vantastic to get me to the doctor, hospital and many a social event. It has given me the means to keep me sane and enables me to do the things I need to do.”

MEMBER'S STORY - SELF HIRE

Laura Leeson

“We hired the vehicle for two weeks over Christmas 2008. My family and myself went down to Wexford to stay in a hotel for 4 days – we would not have been able to do this together except for the self hire from Vantastic. I was also able to go shopping in Blanchardstown.”

MEMBERS' STORIES - SHOP ROUTE

I love the idea of this coach, its great as I've had two hip operations

I don't worry about being sick, as I can now stock up on food

I look forward to Friday to go shopping and a chat with the other ladies

Door to door – it's a God send



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