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Saving Lives, Changing Lives



Today I will close the door to my past and open the door to my future.

Survivors of domestic abuse need support to stay safe in a variety of accommodation settings. This includes private rented accommodation, social housing, and other accommodation types.

Funded by the Greater London Authority, led by Advance, together with our five specialist partners: Al-Hasaniya Moroccan Women's Centre, Asian Women's Resource Centre, Galop, Latin Women's Rights Service, and Woman's Trust provide housing support to survivors of domestic abuse.

The partnership ensures additional specialist support is inclusive of those often marginalised such as: LGBTQ+ survivors, those with additional language or mental health support needs, and those who wish to access other culturally specific services.

This project supports survivors of all risk levels across their housing needs and is available across 11 London Boroughs:

Brent Camden Ealing Hackney

Hammersmith & Fulham Hillingdon Harrow Hounslow

Havering Kensington & Chelsea Westminster



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Who we support

- Women with housing issues/facing homelessness.
- Women who have or are about to approach the local authorities Housing Options/Solutions.
- Women with social tenancies, living in either Council or Housing Association accommodation.



What women can access

• **Housing IDVAs** (Independent Domestic Violence Advocate) co-locate within local authority housing options teams, offering crisis intervention to high-risk survivors.

(Harrow, Hillingdon, Hounslow, Camden and Havering only)

• DA Housing Advocates

supporting survivors of all risk levels with a local authority or housing association social tenancy, for up to a year.

 Community DA Housing Advocates providing specialist and culturally specific support.

(Brent, Camden, Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham, Hillingdon, Harrow, Hounslow, Havering, Kensington and Chelsea, and Westminster only)

- · Housing Finance & Debt Coordinator supporting survivors facing financial difficulty due to domestic abuse.
- Housing Sanctuary Coordinator ensuring survivor accommodation is safe and secure.
- Housing Carers Advocate

provides specialist support to survivors with caring responsibilities.

 Longer-term mental health support sustain accommodation and rebuild survivors' lives.

How to refer.

Refer to London Whole Housing Service Partnership via housing-approach/

or request a referral form via LWHSP@Advancecharity.org.uk or call us on 08000590121