

The Supporting Women Project



EVELYN OLDFIELD UNIT

Capacity building support for agencies working with vulnerable refugee and asylum-seeking women



This is a multi-agency project and will involve refugee and asylum-seeking groups (RAS), mainstream and statutory agencies.

This is a women only project.

Our focus is on those working with women affected by violence or trauma.

This includes pre-migration, during the asylum process and violence faced by new communities here in the UK.

We are running this project with our values of collaboration and participation at the core and thus we are looking for steering group members, collaborators, advice, tips and new connections, including reaching out to small groups working with women who may be new to the Evelyn Oldfield Unit.

The project activities are listed on the following page. Please get in touch if this something that is of interest to you.

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The Supporting Women's Project

Supporting Women will build capacity of 3rd sector RAS groups, mainstream and statutory groups working with women enabling them to better understand the needs of women who have experienced trauma and violence, deliver more effective support and improve engagement in the sector.

NB all of the project activities below are free to EOU members



The main activities will include:

- **Consultancy** support for the planning of new projects to support women
- Offering **training** for frontline staff supporting vulnerable women
- Running **accredited advocacy sessions** for RAS women
- **Raise awareness** of the issues vulnerable RAS women face
- Facilitating **dialogue** between agencies working with women
- **Annual conference**—sharing learning, understanding new developments in the sector
- Building **strategic engagement, collaboration and improving access to services**
- Working with mainstream and legal groups **to improve their working practices**
- **Building resources:** development of online good-practice resources on working with vulnerable RAS women



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