

Help & Shelter

Counselling Services Support/Reproduction & Distribution of Public Awareness Materials Project

1 January to 31 March 2011

Funded by the UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office

Project Report

Introduction

Funding of G\$1,560,000 was provided in January 2011 pursuant to a contract dated 25 January 2011 between the UK Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, represented by His Excellency Mr. Simon Bond, Acting British High Commissioner, and Help & Shelter to assist Help & Shelter in combating violence against women & children by support for provision of counselling services to survivors/victims of domestic & sexual violence and child abuse and enhancing public awareness of domestic & sexual violence and child abuse by reproduction & distribution of public awareness materials

Project Activities

The following activities were carried out with the funds provided:

1. Face-to-face counselling sessions with survivors/victims of violence, both existing clients & those seeking our help for the first time, at Help & Shelter's crisis centre & making appropriate referrals.
2. Conducting hotline counselling for survivors/victims of violence and making appropriate referrals for face-to face-counselling &/or other services as necessary.
3. Delivery of comprehensive court support services, (counselling, preparing client for court procedures, attending court sessions) for survivors/victims of violence.
4. Reproduction & distribution of public awareness leaflets.

Outputs

Counselling

Our statistics for January to March 2011 are attached. It will be noted that:

- 127 existing clients received counselling, 89% of them female
- 87 new clients received counselling, 86% of them female
- 62 clients were referred
- 99 hotline calls were received
- 28 existing clients and 6 new clients received court support counselling
- 94 court attendances by support counsellors

Reproduction & distribution of public awareness leaflets

- 31,800 leaflets were reproduced
- 10,652 leaflets were distributed

Financial

Our financial report with supporting documents is attached.