

TOWER HAMLETS

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THEME 5 – COMMUNITY SAFETY

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Summary

Resilience and a willingness to find new ways of working has been demonstrated by organisations funded under Theme 5. In the previous quarter those working with specific client groups had already put in strategies and actions to guarantee continued engagement whilst at the same time responding to need demonstrated by participants. During this quarter, organisations have worked through many challenges of adapting services and all have implemented some modified planned project activities. New tech systems have been rapidly created to enable services as well as the switch to working at home for project workers.

Organisations have been creative in reviewing project plans bringing areas of work forward that could be completed within COVID19 restrictions. Appropriate social distancing policy and hygiene measures have been put in place to enable organisations to start providing appropriate face to face services, whilst maintaining some remote activities. Resources have been developed to enable the remote delivery, for example eLearning.

During this quarter one organisation, that was due to provide an event, requested that they could use the resource for this element of their project to implement a response initiative enabling access to domestic violence reporting in pharmacies. One of the intergenerational projects has developed a new activity to enable the reengagement of older participants that created barriers to them engaging at the current time. Most organisations independently motivated, with one needing some officer intervention. Another is demonstrating the project may not have been functioning fully and consequently may not be a priority for this organisation.

Covid-19 support to residents in the period

Organisations have used project time and provided additional hours to respond to emerging need and widening inequalities experienced by participants. Work has included creating proposals and completing funding bids to enable additional responsive activities. Below are some examples of work carried out:

- Care parcels to vulnerable residents.
- Delivering activity packs to young people without digital availability.
- Implementation of a new domestic violence reporting service in pharmacies.
- Individual regular telephone phone calls providing companionship alongside ensuring people can access support.
- Pastoral care for participants suffering from isolation during Covid19 lockdown or grieving the loss of family members.

Common methods of adapting services

Organisations have had to adapt the way they provide services and activities to digital activities quickly. Some were disadvantaged by limited tech resources so initially prioritised development work and providing resources through partners. Not all planned activities can be replaced by a virtual alternative. However, all are now delivering some elements of their projects remotely.

Actions have included:

- Developing videos and then video streaming project elements.
- eLearning programmes, group video sessions, webinars and meetings.
- Introducing safe ways and equipment for working with women face to face in respect of domestic violence provision.
- One to one video and phone calls to participants.
- Setting up social media groups to enable continued peer support and increased community cohesion.
- Utilising social media to interact with young people.

Examples of good practice in the period

Organisations have managed challenges including reductions in core income and less staff and volunteer availability. Demand has increased, sometimes significantly, especially for those providing frontline services. Other examples of good practice have included:

- Continued regular contact with the client group, whilst delivering more concentrated engagement when required resulting in young people being supported to move away from harmful situations and unsafe relationships.
- Continuing to take referrals allowing response to crisis situations.
- Flexibility in when planned activities happen, resulting in those that could be delivered without face to face being brought forward.
- Increased co-production activities through engaging participants in adaption and development of activities.
- Seamless continuation of provision by rapidly moving face-to-face mentoring sessions to virtual meetings.

Negative impacts

Organisations have overcome many challenges to respond and develop services to meet existing, increasing and emerging need. However, this has come at a cost resulting in depletion of free reserves they held and challenges for future financial security. Below are some the reported negative impacts:

- Difficulties in implementing fundraising strategies to secure fluid future funding for existing services, as many standard funding streams were put on hold. This is expected to lead to future cash flow problems that may lead to project and/or organisational closures.
- Key staff members have been working extra hours and unable to take leave leading to risk of burn-out.
- Loss of core funds from income generating activities including rent from tenants and room hire.
- Older participants and others without digital facilities or knowhow not being able to continue engagement, bringing about increased social isolation and exclusion.
- Reduced staffing capacity caused by some staff not having the workspace at home to talk in private or engage fully, alongside increased caring.
- Time required to secure resources to provide staff with the equipment they need to best perform their job from home and counteract data protection and security implications of staff using own equipment and WIFI.
- Unable to implement planned fundraising events. This has increased gaps in core funding resulting in issues about future core staff, organisational and premises costs.

Positive impacts

Responses from the organisations have resulted in several positive impacts, including:

- A range of resources have gone online that has created a source of support and information available to all for the longer term.
- Increased co-ordinated responses between the organisations and statutory partners.
- Localised support to isolated residents leading to future engagement and ongoing relationships.
- Regular calls to participants resulted in essential interventions, alongside others reporting a reduction in loneliness.
- Some organisations securing funding for essential items as well as short term response projects.
- The impact of social distancing and the lockdown due to Covid-19 has reduced the number of serious youth violence and violence incidents across London. This has been reflected in monitoring from relevant organisations.

Kazzum Arts

Project Name: Build

Grant Amount: £63,552.00

Programme:

Local Community Fund

Project Theme:

Theme 5 - Scheme A:
Reduction in the exploitation of children, young people and other vulnerable groups

Project Description

Build will support young people excluded from mainstream education, currently educated at a pupil referral unit (PRU) in Tower Hamlets. Students in this setting are at risk of exploitation and coercion into criminal activity. Through a programme of creative activities our project will develop confidence, emotional literacy and interpersonal skills.

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Project Start Date:

01/10/2019

Project End Date:

31/03/2023

Type of Organisation:

Registered Charity

Area Based:

Bethnal Green

No. of paid Staff:

2

Area of Benefit:

Bethnal Green

Outcomes:

Vulnerable young people in PRUs will have improved confidence in engaging with creative and regulating activities.

Vulnerable young people in PRUs will have an increased understanding of what characterises a safe and healthy

Progress

Activity – April- June 2020

We have adapted our delivery to support the wellbeing of our participants and artist community during this time. We have worked closely with staff at LEAP and developed accessible resources that have enabled Kazzum to continue to connect and create with young people during the pandemic.

'Grounded' - Animated resources

We have created a series of 12 short animated resources to support young people's wellbeing during Lockdown and beyond. This series of guided activities has been developed with artists Robin Lane-Roberts and Tunde James and feature a range of activities to promote mindfulness, movement, relationships and relaxation. Each animation features a short guide for professionals and carers working with young people, to support them to take part, and encourage dialogue around the importance of self care.

These animations have been sent as messages directly to 37 participants across KS3 and KS4 and will be continued to be shared across the rest of term. The voiceovers for each of the animations was recorded by members of staff within the PRU, including the SENCO and Centre Managers maintaining a connection between staff and students. Many participants do not have easy and free access to technology which is why we have worked closely with LEAP to develop work that can be posted home. The animations have had 377 online views via our [vimeo](#) channel.

'Who Run the World?'

Our artists Marie Horner and Kathryn Corlett have co-created 'Who Run the World?' - a colouring-in book for young women in years 10 and 11 who participate in our weekly sessions at LEAP (Tower Hamlets' PRU). The 44 page book features inspiring patterns and designs to colour, inspirational quotes from female leaders and prompt discussion points to support their reflective thinking and enhance the learning from our group. Books and pencils were sent directly to 35 young women, with a thoughtful message from our facilitators. "I just wanted to thank you for the booklets - they're so lovely. We have sent them out to all the girls, with a little note saying they were from Kazzum. It's such a nice thing to do for them, a lovely little treat. Thank you, can't wait to have

relationship.

Vulnerable young people in PRUs will be able to communicate their thoughts, feelings and behaviours through developing language and self-reflection skills.

Vulnerable young people in PRUs will be better able to interact with support each other through developing peer to peer relationships.

Vulnerable young people in PRUs are better able to appreciate the diversity of people's backgrounds and circumstances

you guys back in the building." Astrid; "It was something to do when I was stuck at home." – participant; "I found the colouring relaxing." – participant.

'BUILD at Home'

For our work with Year 8 and 9 students at LEAP we have created a series of 36 interactive resources which include puzzles, creative arts activities and reflective worksheets to support young people to engage with learning and creativity. These are supported by short videos available on Google Classrooms which bring the activities into life and introduce DIY arts and crafts. These reached 25 young people. The activities were uploaded to the wellbeing zone on the google classrooms portal for LEAP. "Kazzum have bought so many creative activities to our students throughout lockdown. These resources have been created around the young people's developmental needs and have been used by staff across LEAP." - Marianne Dacosta – KS3 SENCO

Resources for Adults - Adverse Childhood Experiences

As part of the project we have created 2 animated pieces to support professionals in developing an understanding of Adverse Childhood Experiences and the impact of traumatic stress upon children and young people. Within the last quarter we released the second animation [Working with children impacted by adversity; Adverse Childhood Experiences](#). We will begin work on the final animation as part of this series which will look at practical ways to work with children and young people who are dysregulated.

Training with Artists

Kazzum's artist facilitators will be participating in training around trauma informed practice and returning to work in person.

Alongside this work we have also been developing our artists online facilitation skills in case we are unable to return in the autumn.

Next steps

Our intention is to return in the autumn term, guidance dependent. We will be working closely with LEAP to determine how we conduct delivery. Artists will be prepared to deliver in person and online if required. We will also continue to utilise the resources created during this time.

Other

We had one trustee step down in the last quarter due changing circumstances which meant they were unable to commit the time required. There are no other changes to report.

Brighter Futures

Our weekly 'Brighter Futures' sessions - co-delivered with Praxis Community Projects (Bethnal Green) - have continued and even become twice-weekly opportunities for young people to connect online. 'Brighter Futures' are a group of young migrants aged 18-25 who work to challenge negative perceptions of migrants through creativity. We have been working with poet and facilitator Arji Manuelpillai to deliver these workshops and are creating poetry and visual arts which reflect different experiences of Lockdown and the impact of this time on the wellbeing of young migrants in the UK.

Refugee Week Activity

The national programme 'Refugee Week' (15-22 June) moved [online](#) for 2020. We transformed our schools-based workshops to be suitable for online activity for teachers and parents to deliver with children remotely. Two schemes of work were created for

Primary and Secondary aged young people include creative writing, storytelling activities and worksheets, with the aim of developing understanding and empathy for displaced young people across the world. Our resources reached over 9000 people.

London East Teacher Training Alliance (LETTA)

[Letta](#) have curated content in collaboration with Kazzum Arts and Place2Be to support schools and families to better understand bereavement, trauma and anxiety and to have safe and sensitive conversations with children and young people.

London youth

Kazzum have been asked to deliver an interactive session of arts-based activities, to support youth workers online.

Key Performance Indicators

KPI	Target	Actual	Comments
50% of the project's beneficiaries will attend all 12 of their group's scheduled classes in each term.	September-December Term 50% of the project's 15 beneficiaries attend all of the 12 workshops that they were scheduled to attend for their group. January-April Term 50% of the project's 22 beneficiaries attend all of the 12 workshops that they were scheduled to attend for their group	0	
Vulnerable young people in Pupil Referral Units (PRUs) will have improved confidence in engaging with creative and regulating activities.	Rosenberg Self-Esteem Referral Questionnaire	0	
Vulnerable young people in PRUs will have an increased understanding of what characterises a safe and healthy relationship.	26 vulnerable young people in PRUs will report increased knowledge about healthy and safe behaviours within relationships by the end of each project year	0	
Vulnerable young people in PRUs will be able to communicate their thoughts, feelings and behaviours through developing language and self-	26 vulnerable young people in PRUs will display improved communication skills by the end of each project year	0	

reflection skills.			
Vulnerable young people in PRUs will be better able to interact with support each other through developing peer to peer relationships.	26 vulnerable young people in PRUs will report and display an increased appreciation of diversity amongst peers by the end of each project year	0	

Grant Officer's Comment

Overall the project has demonstrated that the organisation has developed resources and made significant adaptations that has enabled participants to continue to benefit during this period. The organisation has established strategic plans and implemented training for staff that will enable the project to implement activities when it restarts in the September term. The plans and training will enable both face to face and remote safe delivery. Coproduction is being developed as a key focus for ongoing work.

Arrangements in place in this period did not allow Rosenberg Self-Esteem Referral Questionnaire assessment to be undertaken. However, the report provides substantial feedback from participants, stakeholders and facilitators that indicates movement towards outcomes.

Osmani Trust

Project Name: Schools and Community Resilience Programme

Programme:

Local Community Fund

Grant Amount: £125,843.00

Project Theme:

Theme 5 - Scheme A:
Reduction in the exploitation of children, young people and other vulnerable groups

Project Description

This proposal seeks to:

1. transform and change the attitudes and behaviour of secondary school children; improving their confidence, critical thinking skills and emotional intelligence.
2. deliver a peer programme engaging young people as ambassadors to their peers, changes attitude, promotes understanding, increase community cohesion and ultimately empowers young people.

Project Start Date:

01/10/2019

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Project End Date:

31/03/2023

Progress

Work in Schools

During this last quarter the schools were either closed or open partly for limited students. Therefore, we have not been working directly from school since March 2020 due to COVID-19, instead we have maintained contact with young people from London Enterprise Academy through phone calls. Youth workers have had a total of 46 phone conversation last quarter with 9 participants from the workshops at London Enterprise Academy. 2 participants have changed their contact numbers and couldn't be reached.

Type of Organisation:

Registered Charity

Area Based:

Spitalfields and Banglatown

No group conversation took place remotely as individuals' preference was not to engage in this particular way. It does reflect that some of these young people aren't as close or in good terms outside the school environment or our group workshops- (we also got this vibe when we were working with the pupils at school). Recently we were given really positive feedback from one of the pupils from London Enterprise Academy, which was then passed on to his social worker as part of a review meeting.

No. of paid Staff:

15

Area of Benefit:

Boroughwide

Work in the community

We have been communicating with 19 existing clients (inclusive of YP from LEA), individually and as a group through WhatsApp and Zoom. We have maintained regular contact with the peer group remotely, through Whatsapp, ZOOM and 1-2-1 phone calls throughout the pandemic. We have used the group sessions to clarify any misinformation that young people were getting through friends and social media. Sessions also focused on the positives of the lockdown, such as family time, improving fitness, learning to cook or other new skills and experiences.

Outcomes:

Improvement in attitudes and outlook on life for young people at secondary school

Participants were given the opportunity to suggest future activities of the project. Some of our recent conversations were about starting up a football team, setting up own business and talking about different group excursions and youth residential. The group is keen on having a mini summer project including a barbecue and focusing on sports for leisure and personal development.

Improve the outlook of young people through detailed mentoring support

Improvement in life skills and experience ? making more positive

Staff also made well-fare calls to individuals on a weekly basis at regularly set times. The young people were provided with the opportunity to raise concerns whilst

choices discussing what was happening in their lives. Sadly, this included relatives passing away for some. We introduced subjects around the measures that were in place due to COVID-19 and how affected them. We have noticed that some young people have changed their contact number or starting to show signs of disinterest with the current form of engagement.

Increase in knowledge and understanding of consequences of youth and violent crime Our phone conversations with pupils show that majority continue to show signs of making informed choices. Youth workers have helped in more than one case to explain to young people that they are not limited to their choices as they explored where each route can take them. Generally young people have been bending the COVID-19 although they show genuine concern for family members health. However, from what we know young people have been staying out of trouble, fights or getting caught up in selling drugs.

Increase in knowledge and understanding of spotting signs of exploitation In our phone conversations with young people, we always ask about any trouble that they might have got into. Usually they have plenty of stories to tell about their neighbourhood and sometimes incidents that loosely affiliates them because one of their friends got hurt by local gangs. As usual we discuss their feelings towards this, their involvement if any at this point, their intentions and options going forward. We try and see it from the victim's point of view, the perpetrator's possible reason as well as being conscious about the law, family and anyone else that it may impact. Many of these processes and technique we have discussed with young people in our workshops, so when we are having these conversations we try and guide the young person to lead in finding the right outcome for themselves, peers and anyone else that they care for.

Peer workers recruited from amongst project cohort Young people are seen as a positive part of the community

Increase in community cohesion and sense of belonging between people of different generations Some young people have started taking a challenge to Cycle and Run collectively with others in community in completing 4000 miles to raise awareness and money for humanitarian crisis in Yemen.

Future plans

Going forward we are exploring new ways of engaging young people, whilst maintain some services remotely. We are planning on re-engaging the Peer Programme face to face by maintaining social distancing, this will be over the summer holiday and likely to be up to 2 sessions per week in the estates.

We are also thinking of doing a community event during the summer with the entire peer group with careful consideration on planning in case the cases of corona virus hike again. We will be starting off with sports and challenges with a couple of excursions planned in. We intend to also do an ASDAN course with the participants and will be discussing with the group further to agree on course subject and components. ASDAN short courses are flexible, portfolio-based programmes designed to accredit up to 60 hours of activity and skills development across a range of topics and curriculum areas. The range of subjects that could be chosen include personal and social development, sport and activities as well as employment related training. School work will start again in the coming term.

Key Performance Indicators

KPI	Target	Actual	Comments
Recruit two cohorts of 15 young people, for each full year of	Cohorts of 15 beneficiaries commencing in: • October 2019 (leaving	10	Only includes pupils from London Enterprise Academy

<p>the project, to receive education and mentoring support from the project</p>	<p>project in January/February 2020)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 2020 (leaving project in July 2020) • October 2020 (leaving project in January/February 2021) • March 2021 (leaving project in July 2021) • October 2021 (leaving project in January/February 2022) • March 2022 (leaving project in July 2022) <p>85% of the beneficiaries who commence with each project cohort will remain on the project until their cohort finishes the project.</p>		<p>(Based on our regular school workshops and 1-2-1's at London Enterprise Academy with Cohort 1).</p> <p>Work with cohort 2 didn't start due to school closing earlier in March</p>
<p>Improvement in attitudes and outlook on life for young people at secondary school</p>	<p>18 beneficiaries a project year will show an improvement in attitudes and outlook on life when they finish the project.</p>	<p>0</p>	<p>Our phone conversations with pupils show that majority continue to show signs of making informed choices. Youth workers have helped in more than one case to explain to young people that they are not limited to their choices as they explored where each route can take them. Generally young people have been bending the COVID-19 although they show genuine concern for family members health. However, from what we know young people have been staying out of trouble, fights or getting caught up in selling drugs.</p>
<p>Improvement in life skills and experience,</p>	<p>18 beneficiaries a project year have the ability to make positive life choices when they</p>	<p>0</p>	<p>This output will be met next quarter once current batch</p>

making more positive choices	leave the project.		of Young People complete the programme
Increase in knowledge and understanding of consequences of youth and violent crime	21 beneficiaries a project year will have a basic understanding on personal and legal consequences of violent crime / ASB when they leave the project.	10	This output will be met next quarter once current batch of Young People complete the programme
Young people are seen as a positive part of the community	21 beneficiaries a project year will have experienced a positive involvement in their community when they leave the project.	0	This output will be met next quarter once current batch of Young People complete the programme

Grant Officer's Comment

Reporting clearly demonstrates that Osmani has successfully implemented remote activities resulting in progress towards outcomes for participants. Additionally, the project has applied co-production activities with participants resulting in a range of actions for new activities. Communication with Osmani demonstrates they are evaluating how effective remote provision has been and way to improve outcomes if lockdown recurs. Plans are in place to reintroduce face to face project activities with adaptations to services as guidance changes and allows. Both Stepney Green and London Enterprise Academy are keen to continue working in partnership with the project.

Further info received 28 July. This section has been amended to include additional reporting received.

Streets of Growth

Project Name: Resilient Young Leaders Programme

Programme:

Local Community Fund

Grant Amount: £90,356.00

Project Description

Project Theme:

Theme 5 - Scheme A:
Reduction in the exploitation of children, young people and other vulnerable groups

The Resilient Young Leaders Programme is an innovative, impactful initiative led by and for young people (15-19 years) to enable young people to build skills and capacity to feel safe, confident, and responsible when demonstrating the community safety and positive change they want to see in their neighbourhoods.

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Project Start Date:

01/10/2019

Progress

Project End Date:

31/03/2023

The Covid-19 situation has had significant impact on the programme in terms of delivery and the engagement of the young people. From March, Streets of Growth began to reduce its face to face activities with a complete stoppage of our face to face activities from Wednesday 18th March as we prepared for lockdown. As of Monday 23rd March 2020, Streets of Growth closed down its centre, and all staff worked remotely from their own homes.

Type of Organisation:

Registered Charity

Area Based:

Canary Wharf

During March and April, Streets of Growth frontline delivery was focused primarily on maintaining contact with all young people engaged on our caseloads and across our programmes, with a particular focus the most at risk and vulnerable young people, which included the young people who we had targeted to be part of the Young Resilient Leaders project. We continued to take referrals from social services and Early Help and worked intensively with social workers, police and EH workers to support young people and families with a range of tensions and needs that were compounded by the lockdown.

No. of paid Staff:

5

Area of Benefit:

Boroughwide

Phone/Skype/Zoom and WhatsApp were all tools that we used to maintain contact with young people, along with letters and support packages sent out to young people who we could not consistently contact with. The team provided a range of support to help young people to remain engaged in their education, to talk through the risks of going out during lockdown, discuss emotional well-being, talking through risk in relation to drug/alcohol taking, drug dealing, healthy relationships, coping strategies in terms of family tensions, maintaining motivation and supporting young people to apply for jobs etc. All of these one to one sessions with young people rolled into the Young Leaders programming in terms of life skill development and awareness raising in terms of positive/negative behaviours and actions.

Outcomes:

Increased engagement and number of young people in co-designing community cohesion and positive social action initiatives in the borough

The Streets of Growth team were hampered by very limited IT and mobile phone resources, as well as not all staff having internet access in their home setting so were unable to develop any sophisticated online services over April/June but we have worked hard to maintain contact and make use of applications such as zoom to deliver one to one coaching sessions and small group workshops. Below is a description of the work that we have delivered over April to June as part of the Young Resilient Leaders programme.

Increased number of young people engaging with and working with adult residents in

their local neighbourhoods to improve community cohesion and community safety.

A reduction in the number of young people who are involved in ASB activities in the estates? where they live

An established network of young people who are leading and promoting community safety among their peers and local communities

Young people will have an increased understanding of what a safe healthy relationship is with both peers and trusted adults

Young people who are at high risk and of low/no risk have increased confidence, resiliency and critical thinking skills that will enable them to have safe, healthy and positive peer and trusted adult relationship in their neighbourhoods

From Mid- April, there were two online groups facilitated by the Youth Intervention Coaches under the umbrella of the Resilient Young Leaders Programme. One group the Young Influencers are currently 3 young men (May-June) who are all extremely high risk, with two identified as victims of exploitation/grooming which has led to exposure and involvement in crime, drug dealing and high risk behaviours. One of the young men had been a victim of significant exploitation that had led him to being involved in serious crime offences while under duress of exploitation of a criminal gang. Through the work and interventions of Streets of Growth we have ensured that this young person was recognised by the Home Office as a victim of Modern Slavery under the National Referral Mechanism (NRM) as part of the Modern Slavery Act.

As part of the Resilient Young Leaders programme these 3 young men have chosen to focus their energy on the relationship between the youth and the police in Tower Hamlets. They are currently generating a online survey that aims to uncover the views of the youth on policing strategies (in relation to Stop and Search), and opinions on how this can be improved for the benefit of us all. These views will then be shared with those in positions of authority, with the key aim of the Young Influencers working with local police and other key agencies to ensure safer communities. Alongside this the group are linking in with the Mayor of London Office- Serious Violence Reduction Unit with the aim of having the information from their survey fed into the MOPAC Building Trust in the Police Action Plan. This is in response to the events of recent weeks and months here and in the US, in which the Mayor of London has committed to developing an Action Plan for increasing trust and confidence in policing and they are about to run a series of Co-production workshops to develop this action plan and these Young Leaders will be part of this.

These 3 young men are also taking an active role with the Youth Intervention Coaches to engage and recruit more young people into the Young Leaders programme and now we have returned to Street work and social distancing face to face work (as of the end of June) the aim will be increase the number of young people engaging in this programme.

In addition, due to the work with the young people in regards the Modern Slavery Act, we have developed with them an information workshop that provides young people with relevant information and understanding of what exploitation is and the damage and consequences it causes.

The Second online group is currently 4 young women, who have all experienced exploitation and have been victims of violence and abuse. It took over two month to build up the confidence of this group of young women to all meet together online, but they are now meeting regularly and towards the end of June have met with the Youth Coach in social distancing small group. The group have over lock down covered a range of issues including, healthy relationship, understanding exploitation, challenging risk behaviours, communication skills as well as a range of creative art workshops. The Creative workshops have involved the young women working with their mums to produce face coverings/masks that have been part of the care packages that Streets of Growth have produced to give out to the most vulnerable and at risk young people and their families.

In the subsequent quarter, Streets of Growth will be bringing both these two groups together with the aim of expanding the Young Leadership programme, with this current group acting as Peer Leaders to work with Streets of Growth to recruit more young people over the summer into the project.

The group will also be working with us to develop an online/offline ASDAN accredited Personal Leadership course which the current young people will register on and complete over the summer/early autumn. In addition, we will be aiming to deliver at least one community safety event over the summer (most probably online) which will be led by this core group.

We are also seeking funding to enhance Streets of Growth digital and IT capacity which will enable us to develop online leadership tool kits that can be accessed by young people as part of the programme.

Key Performance Indicators

KPI	Target	Actual	Comments
Young people engage in and complete the resilient leaders training.	75 young people by March 2023 engage in and complete the resilient leaders training (25 per year).	7	3 young men and 4 young women have been involved in online Leadership workshops over this quarter
Young people remain engaged with the project, sharing ideas, supporting each other to maintain positive lifestyles.	75 young people by March 2023 remain engaged with the project, sharing ideas, supporting each other to maintain positive lifestyles (25 per year).	7	7 young people have engaged, developing an online survey, workshop on modern Slavery and supporting each other to move away from risk behaviours, Please see main section for description.
Young people report an increase in their self-confidence to be able move away from harmful situation and unsafe relationships.	75 young people by March 2023 report an increase in their self-confidence to be able move away from harmful situation and unsafe relationships (25 per year).	7	7 young people have all made significant progress to move out of unsafe situations. Including moving away from a criminal gang, supporting other young people to do this.

Grant Officer's Comment

Streets of Growth initially put in strategies and actions to guarantee that the young people enrolled on this programme continued to be engaged and supported. Having

inadequate IT and mobile phone resources was a challenge to start adapting services. However, they successfully used what was available to concentrate on continuing contact with the organisation's client group, whilst delivering more concentrated engagement when required. The approach they took enabled them to provide appropriate regular interventions that were responsive to individual need, resulting in young people being supported to move away from harmful situations and unsafe relationships. During this period online project events have been introduced to replace face to face group work. Social distanced activities have just started that include outreach for this project. Activities undertaken by participants have included those that benefited the wider community in response to Covid19 impact. Reporting shows the organisation effectively continued to provide activities that contribute participants moving in the direction of funded outcomes.

Four Corners Ltd

Project Name: Into Focus photography project

Programme:

Local Community
Fund

Grant Amount: £58,044.00

Project Description

Project Theme:

Theme 5 - Scheme B:
Improving the
perception of young
people in the
community

Into Focus offers an intergenerational photography project for 24 people each year (12 young people aged 14-25 years and 12 over-50s). Groups will create work for a final exhibition, focusing on social perceptions and misconceptions between older and younger people to promote positive attitudes and increasing mutual understanding.

Quarter Progress Update – April – June 2020

Project Start Date:

01/10/2019

Progress

Project delivery this quarter was detrimentally affected by Covid19. On 19 March 2020 I informed participants that lockdown would postpone our activities. We tried to find ways to keep the group together and maintain momentum with the project. We set up a Facebook group and suggested participants email us photos for Instagram. Almost all participants were distracted by the pandemic, some participants did not have internet access, some returned to family overseas and very sadly, some were grieving the loss of family members.

Project End Date:

31/03/2023

Type of Organisation:

Registered Charity

Area Based:

Bethnal Green

In April we organised bi-weekly Zoom meetings for group interacting. We asked participants to present photos of their experience of lockdown, family albums and photos by photographers they like. Sarah and I also gathered material to present technical skills and photographic themes.

No. of paid Staff:

7

Our Zoom meetings developed as follows:

Area of Benefit:

Bethnal Green
Bow East
Bow West
Lansbury
Poplar
Shadwell
Stepney Green
Boroughwide

30 April: I presented work by David Bailey and we considered how his East London upbringing influenced his work. Sarah presented work by May Ray. The group shared thoughts regarding content for the next meeting. Participants included two 14-25's and three over 50's. Please find a small selection of images from the talk attached.

14 May: Sarah Ainslie presented photos of Cindy Sherman and other artists whose work focuses on self-portraits. We considered the various ways photography can represent us as individuals. Participants included one person over 50. This Zoom meeting was recorded, and I can send the video via WeTransfer if required? Please find a small selection of images from the talk attached.

Outcomes:

Tower Hamlets
residents are better
informed about the
positive contributions
young people make to
their communities

28 May: this meeting was hosted by Sarah Ainslie with Fela Callahan (age 14) presenting photographs, which he had taken over some years. Fela has developed a keen interest in analogue photography. His technical skills are advanced for his age. Participants included one 14-25 year old and two over 50's.

Older Tower Hamlets
residents feel less

11 June: I presented photos which had a significant impact upon my life from childhood through to adulthood. We considered the way photographs influence your understanding of world events at different stages of your life. Kevin Skinner (age 62) presented photos of his son, which were shot during lockdown. Participants included one 14-25 year old and three over 50's. This Zoom talk was recorded and I can send the

wary of young people

Older Tower Hamlets residents have more positive perceptions of young people

Young people and older Tower Hamlets residents feel more comfortable mixing with the other age group

Tower Hamlets residents have a better understanding of the challenges faced by young people and older people in their community

video via WeTransfer if required? Please find a small selection of images from the talk attached.

When UK Gov announced galleries, museums and the hospitality industry could reopen on 4 July, I emailed participants to confirm we were restarting the Into Focus programme in it’s original analogue format and returning to the darkrooms on Friday 10 July.

Cameras were lent to participants and films were distributed so shooting could resume in preparation for a return to the darkroom. Eight participants have booked darkroom space to print on 10th, 17th and 24th July.

Sarah Ainslie and I extended the finishing date for this first project so participants could produce sufficient work for an exhibition in October 2020.

Other

Throughout this quarter we provided pastoral care for participants suffering from isolation during Covid19 lockdown or grieving the loss of family members.

Key Performance Indicators

KPI	Target	Actual	Comments
Young and old people working together in the project	35 (83%) young participants by March 2023 can describe ways in which they have enjoyed working with older people (10 per year). 35 (83%) older participants by March 2023 will describe ways in which they have enjoyed working with young people (10 per year).	0	Project questionnaires, to be completed next quarter when lockdown is eased and we return to the darkroom. Forms to collect baseline information, to be completed next quarter when lockdown is eased and we return to the darkroom.
Young and old people jointly create an exhibition	35 (83%) young participants by March 2023 will report feeling more confident about interacting with older people (10 per year). 35 (83%) older participants by March 2023 will report feeling more confident about interacting with young people (10 per year).	0	
Attendees of exhibitions will gain a better understanding of issues facing young and old people today	291 (80%) participants and exhibition attendees by March 2023 can name at least two issues commonly faced by young people today (83 per year). 291 (80%) participants and exhibition attendees by March 2023 can name at least two	0	

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Grant Officer's Comment

Four Corners' intergenerational project works with two groups of 12 participants each year, who co-design their specific group project and exhibition. Services have been adapted and offered to enable continued delivery during this quarter. This first group were due to complete in June, but as engagement has not been an option for all. Consequently, the finish date for this group has been extended with an aim of them holding an exhibition of their work in October. Regular phone calls have been provided to participants, particular targeting those unable to participate and demonstrating need.

Leaders in Community

Project Name: Project Connect

Programme:

Local Community
Fund

Grant Amount: £68,391.00

Project Description

Project Theme:

Theme 5 - Scheme B:
Improving the
perception of young
people in the
community

A group of young people recruited by LiC will collaborate with older people to design a programme of activities and celebrations, which enable long-term social connections to be made, and ideas and points of view to be exchanged. The outcomes of the activities will be shared with the wider community.

Quarter Progress Update – April – June 2020

Project Start Date:

01/10/2019

Progress

In April, the young people established roles and responsibilities for their steering group. Their first objective was creating a strategy on how they will circumvent the lock-down measures whilst maintaining their ongoing progress. As we went into lock down the young people's concern was how the older members of the group and wider community will manage with heightened loneliness and isolation. To address this, the steering began brainstorming ideas to help older members get online. They quickly learnt how difficult this task was going to be. Consultation and brainstorm sessions were organised with elderly groups and young people in other LiC projects, which led them to form a new campaign focusing on providing the elderly with tablets to conform with social distancing and isolation measures, as well as provide an incentive for long term commitments to the project. These tablets would be used for both events and sessional work, aiding in achieving the goals of the project and creating a new opportunity to tackle loneliness for the elderly, as they are free to use the devices to contact their friends and family.

Project End Date:

31/03/2023

Type of Organisation:

Registered Charity

Area Based:

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No. of paid Staff:

5

Area of Benefit:

Boroughwide

Outcomes:

Older project
participants have a
more positive view of
younger people within
the community

Older people feel less
wary of children and
young people

The wider community
has a more positive
view of young people
due to press/social
media dissemination
of the information

The group began by leveraging their personal network of friends, as well as the LiC network, spreading their ideas and awareness for their campaign in a bid to gather support and potential partners, as well as looking for opportunities for donations of tablets to cut on costs. Funding began to appear as an issue, leading the group to begin forming a crowdfunding campaign. They decided to purchase Amazon Fire Tablets, which were the most cost efficient and easiest for the elderly to use. They were keen on personally delivering the tablets, but had to consider the health risks, which were addressed by disinfecting the devices and packaging, whilst wearing the appropriate PPE. The group created a crowdfunding video and posters to promote their campaign, and have planned a marketing strategy to maximise reach and awareness, including targeted promotion for individuals or organisations likely to donate larger sums of money. They also started a blog following the progress of the steering group, with the first post going out in June and the second in July.

In anticipation for their new campaign, they have created 'how to' videos on setting up the tablets and using zoom which will be pre-loaded onto the devices. There will also be personal videos from young people loaded onto the device, where they talk about their cultural background and experiences, interests, music taste and hobbies; Allowing for stronger connections to be made, and encouraging the elderly to create similar videos to send back to the young people. These videos will be edited into a compilation, alongside recordings of live sessions, to showcase the work of the project

about the project

and for use as a recruitment tool.

Older and young participants feel more positive about their community and an increased sense of belonging.

Quantifiable stats can be found below:

10 meetings via zoom

6 weeks of calls to elderly

12 hours of research per steering group member over 6 weeks

15 hours on filming, editing, writing crowdfunding pitch and attending training over 6 weeks

Older and young participants have formed more positive social connections with other people across their local area

Other

We have moved into a new premises at the Teviot Centre. We informed this in our original fundraising application.

Key Performance Indicators

KPI	Target	Actual	Comments
Level of older people and young people's participation in project events to help promote and develop better relationships between older and younger people.	300 beneficiary attendances at project events in each project year. Minimum of 40 people attending each project year's five project events.	0	Due to lockdown, an event was not possible.
Older project participants have a more positive view of younger people within the community.	80% of older people participating in the project for each project year report a more positive view of younger people within the community at the end of the each project year.	0	Due to lockdown, there was difficulty reaching the elderly.
Older and young participants feel more positive about their community and an increased sense of belonging.	80% of project participants report feeling more positive about their community and an increased sense of belonging, compared to their views before participating in the project, at the end of each project year.	0	Due to lockdown, there was difficulty reaching the elderly. However, we can provide figures for young people upon request.
Older and young participants have formed more positive social connections with other people across their local area.	80% of participants have formed more positive social connections with other people across their local area by the end of each project year.	0	Due to lockdown, there was difficulty reaching the elderly. However, we can provide figures for young people upon request.

Grant Officer's Comment

Engagement with this organization demonstrates and evidences an increasing level of activity. Leaders in Community has reviewed its project plan and been creative in adapting elements of intergenerational work that are possible at this time. Within this approach they have been mindful of the funded outcomes, resulting in initiatives that will enable them to still be achieved through different paths. A major challenge is the digital capacity of the older participants to remotely engage. Activities have been introduced to try and resolve this. Co-production activities have taken place throughout with participants and other stakeholders. Support and continued engagement of older participants was achieved through weekly calls. A remote visit to the project steering group took place in May.

Hestia Housing and Support

Project Name: Families Safe and Secure in Tower Hamlets

Programme:

Local Community Fund

Grant Amount: £80,850.00

Project Description

Project Theme:

Theme 5 - Scheme C: Services for people affected by domestic violence or other unsafe circumstances

This project will support families who have experienced DVSA and who are living in a local refuge to address the trauma they've faced and to learn about what a healthy relationship looks like. It will also raise awareness amongst the Tower Hamlets community of DVSA and how to report it.

Quarter Progress Update – April – June 2020

Project Start Date:

01/10/2019

Progress

Project End Date:

31/03/2023

Type of Organisation:

Registered Charity

Area Based:

Bethnal Green

No. of paid Staff:

408

The in-refuge elements of the project have progressed well, with operational adaptations to ensure the safety and well-being of clients and staff in line government guidelines around Covid-19 and social distancing. As updated previously, Hestia has undertaken and continues to deliver a huge operational changes to provide safe working practices across all of our services, including procurement of PPE. Whilst refuges and the occupants are considered as one household, during the monitoring period activities have continued take place in line with current guidance around social distancing and self-isolating: staff now work individually with families where appropriate, but also provide daily remote contact with both mothers and older children. Instead of outings families are encouraged to use activity equipment on a rota basis and we provide cleaning products and guidance within the refuges on wiping down all surfaces before and after use.

Area of Benefit:

Boroughwide

As discussed with the Council we have needed to pivot the various outreach and DA awareness raising activities to ensure both the safety and well-being against risks of Covid-19 infection, and also victim safety in a more complex context for safely seeking and accessing available specialist domestic abuse support. Hestia's UK SAYS NO MORE team has launched two major campaigns during the monitoring period, both of which raise awareness also of the Bright Sky domestic abuse app as a way to find out about support available locally in Tower Hamlets. The #ListeningFromHome domestic abuse awareness campaign has encouraged family members, friends, colleagues and neighbours to be aware of, and report, signs of domestic abuse whilst the UK is in lockdown. In the course of May 2020 we launched the Safe Spaces pharmacy scheme in partnership with Boots and the UK pharmacy councils. Participating pharmacies have adapted their consultancy rooms to offer victims a safe space where they can access specialist support services via the Bright Sky app and make that call safely. By late May 6 Boots pharmacies in Tower Hamlets were involved in the scheme and facilitated safe spaces during Covid-19 lockdown for victims of domestic abuse in the borough.

Outcomes:

More residents have improved awareness of the different forms that DVSA can take

More residents have improved understanding of how to report DVSA and where to access support

Children and families living in south Asian DA refuge in the borough will feel

In anticipation of further disruption of daily and business activities due to Covid-19 in the months to come, we have been working with project partner Nour to explore how we can best reach all communities in Tower Hamlets with a greater ongoing use of remote communications (e.g. social media) to continue to raise awareness of domestic abuse and how to access available local support, including through the use of the Bright Sky app. We look forward to discussing plans further with the Council.

more safe and secure

More residents access tech based DVSA resources to improve their understanding of DVSA and of how to stay safe

More children are aware of the different forms of DVSA and of how to report it and where to access support

Where we have any male victims of DVSA approach us, they will receive appropriate support to make them safe

Self-confidence levels of children affected by DVSA in our south Asian refuge improve, making them feel more secure and able to move forward positively with their lives

Other

Employer engagement on corporate response to domestic abuse during Covid-19: employers have been one of few safe routes to reach and support victims of domestic abuse; Hestia has worked with three major employers in Tower Hamlets as follows - initial consultation about DA policy work and training for major construction company; DA Level 1 training for a leading homelessness charity; and DA information portal for employees in sector umbrella body for financial services industry.

Corporate partnership support for victims of domestic abuse: Hestia has worked with its roster of corporate partners to mobilise the following additional support for victims of domestic abuse in Tower Hamlets to boost their well-being and resilience: Toiletries & cosmetics gift bags; food parcels; gift hampers, toys and games (e.g. from Buddy Bag Foundation and West Ham United Foundation).

Public donations for victims of domestic abuse in the borough affected by Covid-19 emergency: Hestia's public Covid-19 emergency appeal raised funds from public donations. This allowed us to provide to women and children in our Tower Hamlets refuges with essential items (e.g. nappies), and also activity packs (e.g. children's books, games, arts&crafts materials) and tablets to help keep children and young people stimulated and able to access education while isolating in the refuge. Eid donations from Charity Walk for Peace also supported the families in the Tower Hamlets refuges during lockdown.

Key Performance Indicators

KPI	Target	Actual	Comments
Children improve levels of self confidence having gone through the project	(All unique) Q1: 0 Q2: 7 Q3: 14 Q4: 14 Q5: 14 Q6: 14 Q7: 14 Q8: 14 Q9: 14 Q10: 14 Q11: 14 Q12: 14 Q13: 14 Q14: 14 85% of 175 children [minimum] improve levels of self confidence having gone through the	24	The Children and Families Worker has observed self-confidence levels of all verbal children has improved during the quarter. This is reflected in the number of children successfully accessing education, making friends in the refuge and engaging in internal and external weekly activities with their families. These children also displayed improved speech and language skills during this period. In two particular case studies, one mother has reported her child to have improved confidence in engaging in activities at nursery, and another mother has reported good attention to online learning packages sent from their previous school (in line with covid-19 closure). 91.6% of children feel more safe and secure, based on our assessment of 24 children working to understand their experiences of domestic abuse and understanding the purpose of a refuge and

	project		<p>the support available to them and their mothers; 87.5% of the children achieved greater understanding about DA and how to report it, or where to access help. For pre-verbal children (under the age of one year old), improved levels of confidence have been assessed based on reports from the mothers observing their baby's cues, for example: developmental milestones like smiling and mimicking mothers' gestures. These children have benefited from our help supporting their mothers in their understanding of domestic abuse, and in their parenting needs.</p>
<p>Adults will directly be introduced to the Bright Sky DVSA app during the awareness raising campaigns Partner organisations will promote the app to their service users and our staff will make additional visits to promote the app</p>	<p>(All unique) Q1: 0 Q2: 25 Q3: 40 Q4: 40 Q5: 40 Q6: 40 Q7: 40 Q8: 40 Q9: 40 Q10: 40 Q11: 40 Q12: 40 Q13: 40 Q14: 60</p> <p>525 adults will directly be introduced to the Bright Sky DVSA app during the awareness raising campaigns</p>	33	<p>There were 33 adults supported during this quarter. Women residents are introduced to the Bright Sky DVSA app, and our staff and partner organisations continued to work together to promote the app to their service users. Women benefited from empowerment sessions in the form of coffee mornings with the team at the refuge. They are provided with a secure place to relax and socialise, providing the space to discuss any concerns they have. The women benefited from work sessions with a refuge worker using the power and control wheel to explore and understand their experiences of domestic abuse. Refuge workers reported: 100% of women had improved understanding of different forms of abuse, including coercive control and controlling behaviours; 100% of women knew how to report DA or where to access help, as reflected in key work sessions and achievement of support objectives.</p> <p>As previously stated, Hestia monitors download figures and usage figures for different app functions, but for safeguarding reasons we collect no personal data of app users and so it is not possible to definitely measure the number of app users in a particular borough. However, we are pleased to report a further, significant increase in user levels of Bright Sky during the quarter: previously, we reported that Bright Sky downloads had risen by 33% in March alone. This was in line with additional awareness-raising efforts of the app as a source of information during Covid-19 lockdown. Our latest download data shows that the Bright</p>

			Sky app was installed 6,679 times during January to March 2020, and 10,280 times during April to June – or an estimated 54% increase in users installing the app compared to Q1.
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Grant Officer's Comment

Hestia's priority in this quarter has been to provide Covid19 response work by providing additional support the women and families in living in the refuge as well as ensuring those experiencing crisis at home during lockdown were supported to access support. Events that were planned as part of this work have not been possible or adapted during this quarter. The development work of increased safe reporting space in the borough, specifically ensuring this is widely known about, has been supported by an agreed short time replacement of events. The report states that they have been exploring ways of reintroducing these activities with their partner provider remotely. However, it also gives indication that this is still in planning stage.