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Dear Mr Brooks,

Thank you for your e-mails of 26 February and 18 March 2012, requesting the following:

- (1) The names of the organisations awarded grants from the male victims of domestic and/ or sexual violence fund;**
- (2) The annual grant schedule (2011/12 and 2012/13) for the organisations awarded a grant from this fund;**
- (3) A summary description (one paragraph for example) of the services the organisation will be providing**
- (4) The names and job titles of those who selected the successful organisations (if the Home Office does not wish to release names then job titles will suffice);**
- (5) A blank copy of the marking sheet used to assess the award of the grants to all organisations who had applied and the percentage marks available for each of the criteria on the marking sheets;**
- (6) A copy of the assessment guidance notes used by those outlined in (4) to assess the submissions made by all organisations;**
- (7) A list of those organisations who were unsuccessful in applying to the Male Victims Fund;**

(8) The reason why this single fund was spread across two distinct sectors (Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence), when government funding for women in these two sectors comes from two separate funds.

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000.

I am able to disclose the following information:

A full list of the organisations awarded grants from this fund and a summary of the services the organisation will be providing can be found at **Annex A**.

A copy of the marking sheet used to assess bids can be found at **Annex B**. This includes the scores for each aspect of the criteria.

A copy of the assessment guidance note can be found at **Annex C**.

A full list of unsuccessful organisations who applied for the Male Victims Fund can be found at **Annex D**.

The organisations awarded grants from this fund should receive payments in February 2012 and June 2012, subject to the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

Selection Panel

Applications to the fund were considered by a panel comprising officials from the Ministry of Justice (Victim and Witness Unit, Policy Advisor), the Home Office (Domestic Violence Policy Advisor and Sexual Violence Policy Advisor) and the Home Office finance team (Senior Executive Officer, Finance Team, Violent and Youth Crime Prevention Unit).

Funding

In the financial years 2011-13, we are allocating £225,000 (across two years) to support voluntary sector organisations target services at male victims of domestic and sexual violence. This money will help provide support, aid preventative work and raise awareness.

The Government has ring-fenced nearly £40 million of stable funding up to 2015 for specialist local domestic and sexual violence support services, rape crisis centres, the national domestic violence helplines and the stalking helpline. This is the first time that funding has been ring fenced for domestic and sexual violence victims on a stable basis (i.e. over the whole spending-review period). This is central funding covering both the domestic violence and sexual violence sectors.

Of that (nearly) £40m we are providing funding towards:

- 144 Independent Domestic Violence Advisors (IDVAs), and are also providing 75 funded IDVA training places each year until 2015. The organisation Coordinated Action Against Domestic Abuse (CAADA)

estimate that there are currently about 500 dedicated IDVAs within the UK in total.

- Independent Sexual Violence Advisors (ISVAs). The Home Office funds 87 dedicated ISVAs.
- Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference coordinators (MARACs). The Home Office contributes funding towards 54 MARAC coordinators and funds CAADA to provide support and advice to MARACs as well as running a programme of quality assurance. There are over 250 MARACs across England & Wales in total.
- National Helplines. The Home Office provides funding towards the following national helplines: National Domestic Violence Helpline; Men's Advice Line; Respect phonenumber (for perpetrators); Broken Rainbow.
- Rape crises centres (Ministry of Justice funding).

I hope this information meets your requirements. I would like to assure you we have provided you with all relevant information the Home Office holds.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the address below, quoting reference **CR21823**. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

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Home Office Ground Floor, Seacole Building
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As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request will be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response. If you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you will have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the FOIA.

Yours sincerely

Amina Khan

Annex A
Successful applicants and details of project

	Organisation	Domestic Violence / Sexual Violence Service	Project	Region
1	Survivors UK	Sexual Violence	Awareness raising campaign across London.	London and South East
2	Women's Support Network	Sexual Violence	Training of staff and volunteers working with male victims and rebranding the service.	North East England
3	Arch North Staffs	Domestic and Sexual Violence	Campaign targeted at preventing Domestic and Sexual Violence and supporting men to access existing services for men.	West Midlands
4	Southampton Rape Crisis	Domestic and Sexual Violence	To fund counselling and therapeutic groups for men and to fund the helpline.	South East England
5	Coventry Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre (CRASAC)	Sexual Violence	To provide a dedicated counselling room for 5-18 year old male victims of sexual violence and to deliver a dedicated publicity campaign.	West Midlands
6	Blackpool Advocacy	Domestic Violence	Increase awareness in Blackpool via a publicity campaign and to support a helpline to ensure men can access help.	North West England
7	Safer Wales	Domestic Violence	Continue to work with the Dyn Project which offers advocacy, web support, a helpline and publicity and safety packs across Wales.	Wales
8	Preston Domestic Violence Service	Domestic Violence	Awareness raising events for local agencies and another for the general public. The service will be advertised at Preston	North West England

			North End Football Club and leaflets, business cards etc will also be available at the Football Club.	
9	North Derby Women's Aid	Domestic Violence	To recruit and train a specialist advice worker, to support the drop in sessions working in partnership with Derbyshire Friends (LGBT group).	East Midlands
10	ROSA and Safeline	Sexual Violence	To support a promotional campaign and to further support a male users forum.	Central England
11	GALOP	Domestic and Sexual Violence	Awareness raising targeted at the LGBT community, set up of an information and empowerment prevention project and further support for the established case management system to better understand trends and improve casework.	London
12	The Lesbian and Gay Foundation	Domestic and Sexual Violence	Production of information resources, specialist training for staff and volunteers and running 1-2-1 sessions.	North West England

Annex B
Scoring Matrix – Male Victims of SV and/or DV Fund
 MV2011/

Application Reference:

1. Aims.

Will the money be spent on providing support and awareness raising activities for male victims of domestic and sexual violence?

Yes

No

2. Please use the table below to score the following questions.

Scoring Matrix (1-4)	Score 1 - Not Evidenced	Score 2- Evidenced with limited detail	Score 3- Evidenced with some detail	Score 4- Evidenced fully	Total
1. The service offers a specific, direct service for male victims of SV and/or DV (Question 13)					
Evidence of a direct service.					
Evidence of engaging with male victims					
Evidence of effectiveness					
Total for A					
2. The service has a proven successful track record in dealing with victims of SV and/or DV (Question 15)					
Evidence of a proven track record in dealing with male victims					
Total for B					
3. The service engages in both preventative work and support work (Question 16)					
Evidence of how the service engages in preventative work and support work					
Evidence that preventative work is sustainable					
Total for C					
4. The service is sustainable (Question 17)					
History of service is provided					
Evidence of how the service will ensure future sustainability					
Total for D					
3. Comments – Please add any additional comments you have about this application below. These can be both positive and negative.					

Annex C

Guidance on Scoring

The fund is open to **all organisations** providing services for male victims of domestic and/or sexual violence.

The Home Office welcomes **joint bids** from organisations who wish to work together in order to achieve a greater impact.

To be eligible to apply, your organisation must have a successful track record of:

- Providing specific, direct services for male victims of sexual and/ or domestic violence.
- Engage in both preventative work and support work.

If the service works with female victims you should demonstrate that you:

- Have a proven track record in working with male victims and offering tailored support for male victims of domestic and/or sexual abuse.
- The fund must be used for a specific, direct service of domestic and/or sexual abuse.

The service must be proven to be sustainable

Guidance for completing the form

All sections of the application form must be completed. The word limit is specified on the application form next to each question (where a word limit is relevant).

Funds must be used to support the aim:

- ❖ To provide support to male victims of domestic and/or sexual violence and
- ❖ To raise awareness of domestic and /or sexual violence against men to encourage male victims to be heard and recognised.

The fund must be used for specific, direct services for male victims of sexual and/ or domestic violence.

To help us assess your background in this field, please answer the following questions.

- ❖ What services do you currently offer?
- ❖ How do these specifically cater for male victims?
- ❖ How do you ensure this is a direct service which reaches male victims?

- ❖ Please include any evidence (in any form) you have of these services being effective and engaging male victims to access help and support.

If the service works with female victims, the service must have a proven track record in working with male victims and offering tailored support for male victims of domestic and/or sexual abuse.

To help us assess your background in this field, please answer the following questions.

- ❖ Please tell us what services are offered specifically for men and how this service is tailored specifically for the needs of male victims.
- ❖ What proportion of your work is targeted at male victims?
- ❖ How do you ensure the service offered to men is an effective service which caters for the needs of male victims?
- ❖ Does your organisation do any preventative work specifically aimed at male victims? Please evidence this with detail of the work, when it was commissioned/ undertaken and the impact it has had on the service provided to male victims accessing your service.

The service must have a proven successful track record in dealing with male victims of sexual and/or domestic violence.

To help us assess your background in this field, please answer the following questions.

- ❖ Can you demonstrate a proven track record in dealing with male victims of domestic and or sexual abuse?
- ❖ Please ensure you fully evidence a proven track record in working with male victims. This can include past reports on provision of services, awards of commendation, recommendations and appraisals by other organisations etc.

Please note this is not an exhaustive list.

The service should engage in both preventative work and support work.

To help us assess your background in this field, please answer the following questions.

- ❖ What preventative work do you do?
- ❖ How do you engage in preventative work?

- ❖ Does your organisation engage with any other agency or organisation to achieve a greater impact when working on preventative work? Is this sustainable preventative work?
- ❖ Please indicate what support work is delivered alongside the preventative work.

The service must be proven to be sustainable.

To help us assess your background in this field, please answer the following questions.

- ❖ Please provide us with any evidence which demonstrates the sustainability of your service.
- ❖ Please provide us with a brief history of your service and how this has been sustainable.
- ❖ Please provide us with details of your last organisation review and financial accounts records.
- ❖ Please explain how you have ensured that your organisation is sustainable and how you look to ensure future sustainability.

What can the money be spent on?

The money can be spent in a manner that is most appropriate for your work, as long as it is directly relevant to the eligibility criteria and adheres to the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

What the money cannot be spent on?

The money **cannot** be spent on:

- Activities promoting a religious faith or belief; acquisition of religious objects; the cost of supporting religious personnel
- Any party political activity
- Public money will not be provided to organisations that do not support the values of democracy, human rights equality before the law and participation in society, this includes extremist groups.

This is not an exhaustive list.

Annex D

Unsuccessful Applicants

1. Survivors West Yorkshire (Withdrawn application)
2. Mosaic II
3. African Community Health and Research Organisation
4. Broadway Lodge
5. Yorkshire MESMAC
6. Survivors of Domestic Abuse (SODA)
7. Rape and Abuse Line
8. Rape and Sexual Abuse Support Centre (Cheshire and Merseyside)
9. Life Centre
10. Independent Domestic Abuse Service
11. Behind Closed Doors
12. Survivors Manchester
13. DIAS Domestic Violence Centre
14. T&G Domestic Violence Support and Advocacy Project
15. Northamptonshire Rape and Incest Crisis Centre (NRICC)
16. Bradford Counselling Service Ltd
17. Montgomeryshire Family Crisis Centre
18. West Midlands Victim Support
19. The Nelson Trust
20. Women's Aid Leicestershire Ltd (WALL)
21. Isis and Artemis SARC
22. Head High
23. Sussex Central YMCA
24. Supporting Survivors of Abuse (UK)
25. Domestic Abuse Unit - Wrexham County Borough Council
26. The Birchall Trust
27. DV Support Service (formerly West Lancashire Women's Refuge)
28. Doncaster Council - Community Safety Unit
29. Lincoln Women's Aid
30. Crime Reduction Initiatives (CRI)
31. BME Community Services
32. Victim Support - Greater Manchester
33. Respect
34. Brave Project
35. Wakefield Youth Development and Support Service
36. Family Care Nottingham
37. ISAS - Nottinghamshire
38. The Haven / MET Police
39. The Cyrenians UK (TCUK)
40. First Step Leicester
41. Working with Men

42. HOPE Group
43. The You Project
44. Derby City Partnership
45. Mankind Councelling
46. West Cumbria Rape Crisis
47. My Time CIC
48. Victim Support and Rape Crisis - Nottingham
49. Broken Rainbow
50. Safety Net Advice and Support Centre
51. Your Sanctuary
52. Heddu Dyfed Powys Police
53. Cornwall Women's Refuge Trust (CWRT)
54. Step Up
55. Norfolk Police
56. JAN Trust
57. Norfolk PACT
58. Salfords City Council
59. ManKind Initiative
60. The Harbour Support
61. Victim Support London
62. Nottinghamshire Domestic Violence Forum (NDVF)
63. Wigan Domestic Abuse Team
64. The Brunswick Centre
65. Regents House
66. The Men's Network
67. Clarifi Consulting
68. Leeway Domestic Violence and Abuse Service
69. Living without Abuse (Formerly Loughborough Women's Aid)
70. WAVE Domestic Abuse Centre
71. Terrence Higgins Trust
72. Brook London
73. North Derbyshire Women's Aid
74. Devon NHS Partnership
75. Delivers Value Inspires Responds Protects (DVIRP)
76. Suffolk's LGB&T Network, Suffolk CC and Suffolk Constabulary
77. Action Housing & Support
78. Voice for Change Domestic Violence Support
79. Sandwell Women's Aid
80. Respond
81. Rotherham Women's Counselling Service
82. Renaissance at Drugline