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Introduction

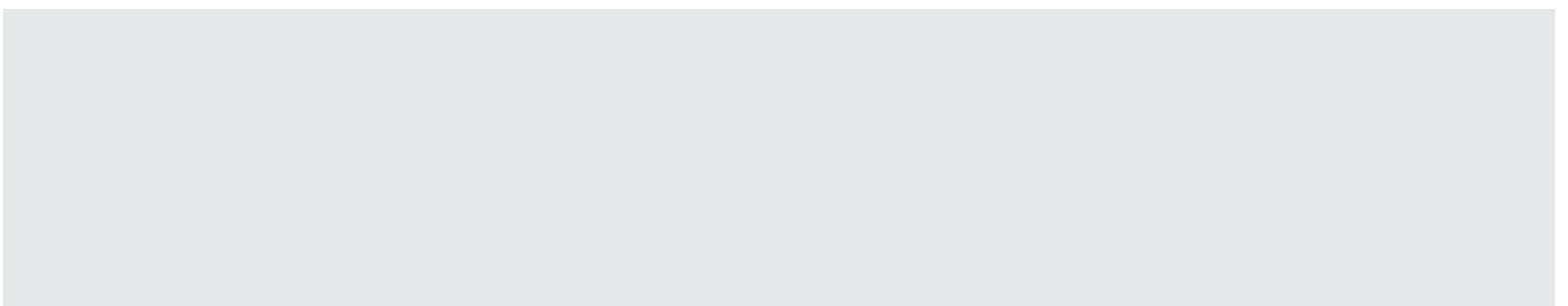
Welcome to the *Directory of projects relating to refugee child mental health*. The Child Psychotherapy Trust collated this *Directory* in 2003. The Child Psychotherapy Trust is a London-based registered charity that exists to promote good mental health and emotional literacy. The *Directory* is part of our funded work in relation to child refugees and asylum seekers. Our first booklet in this area, *Far from the battle but still at war*, gave teachers insights into some of the ways in which refugee children might be dealing with past or present traumas. This new booklet *Far Away from home – scarred, scared and alone: are they entitled to care?* is a resource for social workers and those working in a social service setting.

The *Directory* arose out of requests by the many users of our service. Statutory and voluntary bodies wanted to know what other projects were available for the mental health of refugees. We compiled information between March 2002 and June 2003 by the use of a postal questionnaire. We sent out three rounds of questionnaires to relevant organisations, using our mailing lists and that of the Refugee Council, together with requests to the Refed Listserve (refugee education listserv maintained by the London Borough of Newham). The projects self-selected themselves for the *Directory*; we did very little filtering.

We asked those who returned the forms if they would agree to their details being made available in a printed format or electronically on the web. We have removed those who did not wish their material to be used. Therefore, if you would like to know more about a project or contact them, could you please do so direct? If there are any errors, we would be grateful if you could let us know, as we would like all information to be as accurate as possible.

Hope you find it useful.

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Advisory Centre for Education

project name
contact name
position

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London
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phone 0808 800 5793
fax 020 7354 9069
email ace-ed@easynet.co.uk
website <http://www.ace-ed.org.uk>

Information and advice for parents on a wide range of education topics including; bullying, exclusion, special educational needs, school admissions appeals. Free advice booklet can be downloaded from our website.

age group 5–16 years
project start date
project end date On-going

Albanian Youth Action

project name
contact name Caroline French Blake
position

Unit E209
2nd Floor
East Building
Westminster Business Square
1–45 Durham Street
London
SE11 5JH
phone 020 7582 6082
fax 020 7582 8679
email info@albaction.org
website

Albanian Youth Action provides a focus and support structure for young Albanian speaking refugees from the Balkan regions. Albanian Youth Action offers advice, a supported housing project, a school preparation project, and an Albanian library. A range of counselling, educational, social, sports and cultural activities is available.

age group All ages
project start date
project end date On-going

Asphaleia

project name

contact name Vivien Makovik

position Promotions Officer

Euro House

3 Teville Place

Worthing

BN11 1UQ

phone 01903 234 268

fax 01903 522 966

email theasphaleiaproject@asphaleia.co.uk

website

Founded in 1999, Asphaleia is committed in helping equip disadvantaged young people for life. Currently we work with young unaccompanied asylum seekers providing care, accommodation, language, education and training programmes.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Asylum Support

project name Child In Need

contact name Frank Corrigan

position

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London

WC1N 3XX

phone

fax

email frank@childinneed.info

website <http://www.childinneed.info>

An internet based information service

age group

project start date

project end date

Asylum Welcome

project name

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position Youth Worker

276a Cowley Road

Oxford

OX4 1UR

phone 01865 722 082

fax 01865 792 532

email asylum-welcome@supanet.com

website

<http://www.asylumwelcome@supanet.com>

Asylum Welcome provides immigration advice and support, weekly youth clubs, holiday recreation and leisure activities. We also support schools with asylum seeking youths. Generally filling in gaps left by social services.

age group 0–21 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Bayswater Families Centre

project name

contact name Heather Brown

position Office Manager

14–18 Newton Road

London

W2 5LT

phone 020 7229 8976

fax 020 7221 3782

email inbfc@mail.nch.org.uk

website

<http://www.bayswaterfamilycentre.org.uk>

The Bayswater Families Centre provides family support services for homeless families and refugees, such as advice and advocacy (housing/benefits), drop in play facilities, after school club, early years classes, IT classes, postnatal group, crèche, massage, aerobics, yoga, mother tongue counselling and practical assistance such as clothes, food and baby equipment.

age group 0–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Bradford Action for Refugees

project name

contact name JT Johnson

position

Unit 2

Carlisle Business Centre

Carlisle Road

Bradford

BD8 8BD

phone 01274 223 240

fax

email bradfordrefugees@aol.com

website

Information and advice for refugees and asylum seekers on education, employment and training. We provide information on welfare rights, health and housing. We also sign post to other specialist organisations with problems that we cannot deal with here.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Brecknock School

project name

contact name Siobhan Kevins

position EMAS Teacher

York Way

London

N7 9QE

phone 020 7485 6334

fax 020 7424 0110

email admin@brecknock.camden.sch.uk

website

<http://www.brecknock.camden.sch.uk>

Homework clubs for parents and children in Bengali and Somali. Funding for outings and after school clubs. Translations and interpreters for accessing the needs of children (funded by Camden LEA now in second year).

age group 3–11 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Camden Traveller Education Service

project name

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position Information Officer

Medburn Centre
136 Chalton Street
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NW1 1RX

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fax 020 7974 8175

email jim.donovan@camden.gov.uk

website

The Camden Traveller Information Service ensures that traveller pupils gain access to their legal entitlement to an education that meets their needs and achievements. We promote inclusion of traveller pupils. We enable traveller pupils and families to become independent users of the education system

age group 0–25 years

project start date

project end date

Central Manchester & Manchester children's University Hospital NHS Trust

project name

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position Head of Child Psychology

Dept of Child Psychiatry
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Royal Manchester Children's Hospital
Hospital Road
Pendlebury
Manchester
M27 4HA

phone 0161 727 2125

fax 0161 727 2942

email dianetobin@cmmc.nhs.uk

website

Comprehensive CAMHS for Manchester and Salford. This includes specific services for: looked after children, carers, and residential units etc. children on the Autistic Spectrum, in-patient children's unit and other special services. Child Psychotherapists are working in generic CAMHS and with looked after children. Also child psychotherapy in-put to regional In-Patient Adolescent Units

age group 0–17 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Child & Family Service

project name

contact name David Trickey

position Chartered Clinical Psychologist

The Traumatic Stress Clinic

73 Charlotte Street

London

W1T 4PL

phone 020 7530 3666

fax 020 7530 3677

email ace-ed@easynet.co.uk

website <http://www.traumaclinic.org.uk>

The Team offers assessment, treatment, court reports, consultation, training and research. Interventions include family therapy, cognitive behavioural therapy, EMDR, consultants to parents, group therapy and recommendations for medication

age group 0–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Chinese Information & Advice Centre (CIAC)

project name

contact name Emma Renshaw

position Young Asylum & Refugee
Project Worker

1st Floor

53 New Oxford Street

London

WC1A 1BL

phone 020 7692 3478

fax 020 7692 3476

email info@ciac.co.uk

website <http://www.ciac.co.uk>

For Chinese asylum seeker and refugees, a drop in service on every Monday at CNHLC Chinese National Healthy Living Centre, 29–30 Soho Square, London W1D 3QS. Providing support work information on health care and other welfare advice services.

age group 14–25 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Christian Care Association

project name

contact name Miranda Litchfield

position

St Joseph's

Hunston Road

Chichester

PO20 1NP

phone 01243 537 934

fax 01243 839 214

email miranda.litchfield@chichester

christiancare.fsnet.uk

website <http://www.stonepillow.org.uk>

Project funded by West Sussex County Council Social Services. Hostel for young unaccompanied asylum seekers aged 16–18 on first arrival, supporting them until they are able to move on into independent accommodation.

age group 16–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

CLASS-Camden Language and Support Service and Refugee Team

project name Refugee Education Team

contact name Workneh Dechasa

position Senior Refugee Community Advisor

The Medburn Centre

136 Charlton Street

London

NW1 1RX

phone 020 7974 8141

fax 020 7974 8175

email workneh.deschasa@camden.gov.uk

website

Advice and support for schools, parents, community groups and other services on refugee and asylum seekers (education).

age group 4–19 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Coventry Refugee Centre

project name Asylum Team;
Settlement Project; Car sense
contact name Justine Doherty
position Project Coordinator

St Peters Centre
Charles Street
Hillfields
Coventry
CV1 5NP

phone 02476 559 050
fax 02476 251 467
email covpeace@gn.apc.org
website

Asylum Team *Drop-In-Service for Asylum Seekers and Refugees.*

Settlement Project *Structured support for refugees with tenancies.*

Car Sense *Helping refugees apply for car licences and running workshops on safe and legal driving in the UK.*

age group All ages
project start date
project end date

Day-Mer Turkish and Kurdish Community Centre

project name
contact name Asli Demiral
position Educational Manager

Former Library
Howard Road
London
N16 8PR

phone 020 7275 8440
fax 020 7275 7245
email info@daymer.org
website <http://www.daymer.org.uk>

We provide education support in seven secondary schools, four primary schools and one special school. We provide Drop-in-Advice, Literacy and IT classes, social and cultural activities and folk dance/group/guitar and Saz for children.

age group
project start date
project end date

Department of Child & Family Psychiatry

project name
contact name Janet Sherrard
position Child & Adolescent
Psychotherapist

Department of Child & Family Psychiatry
Possilpark Health Park
85 Denmark Street
Glasgow
G22 5EG
phone 0141 531 6106
fax 0141 531 6153
email
website

The Community CAMHS Team provides direct work for refugee and Asylum Seekers' children as part of routine work. We have support from the Asylum Seekers Support Service, which provides consultation for workers in child, adolescent and adult mental health services.

age group Pre-school–12 years
project start date
project end date On-going

Displaced People in Action

project name
contact name Leona Evans
position Project Worker

CSV House
Williams Way
Cardiff
CF10 5DY
phone 029 2041 5706
fax 029 2041 5744
email dpia_uk@yahoo.co.uk
website

Displaced People in Action (DPIA) aim to involve asylum seekers and refugees in their new communities, in a voluntary capacity. It assesses their existing skills and allows them to learn new ones, offering opportunities for training, activities, educational visits etc. Funding has been received aimed specifically at young refugee and asylum seekers. The first three projects, which began in January 2001, will be opportunities for training, gardening and horticulture and creative arts. Schemes for a football side from young asylum-seekers and refugees exist, together with a bicycle maintenance scheme. We also provide Self-Awareness workshops and also facilitate the complete retraining and re-qualifying of refugee and asylum seeker doctors.

age group 12–25 years
project start date
project end date On-going

Ethiopian Community Centre in the UK

project name

contact name Alem Gebrehiwot

position Director

Selby Centre

Selby Road

London

N17 8JL

phone 020 8801 9224

fax 020 8801 0244

email post@eccuk.org.uk

website <http://www.eccuk.org.uk>

To relieve poverty among Ethiopian refugees and asylum seekers residing in the UK, by the provision of advice and guidance on education and training, welfare benefits, housing, immigration, health related issues, etc. Most of our clients are unaccompanied minors between the ages of 11 and 18, therefore we cater for these children who vulnerable through our youth project. Founded by BBC Children in Need.

age group 5–60 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Ethnic Minority Achievement Service

project name

contact name Helen Taylor

position Refugee Support Coordinator

3A Watts Road

St Jude

Plymouth

PL4 8SE

phone 01752 673 618

fax 01752 673 614

email emas@plymouth.gov.uk

website

The service has a dedicated teacher for the support of refugee and asylum seeker children and families in the city of Plymouth. Plymouth City Council has earmarked a budget for this work since the beginning of the NASS dispersal scheme. The EAL service manages the work of the refugee support teacher through this budget. All families are referred to the service through social services or the accommodation agencies within NASS. The service assesses the children, assists in school admissions and supports the EAL needs of the children in school. Pre-school children are referred to either the Family Education centre for refugee and asylum seeker children and mothers or direct to local uniform and school meals. The DfES payment for each NASS dispersed school age child is retained centrally to pay for school uniform and school meals.

Family Service Units

The service runs a Refugee Education interagency group, which is a subgroup of the city's working party on refugees and asylum seekers, headed up by the department of Housing and Social Services. This has enabled it to play a central role in addressing the needs of refugee and asylum seeker families in the city.

age group 4–16 years

project start date

project end date On-going

project name

contact name Belinda Monsma

position Administrator

207 Old Marylebone Road

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NW1 5QP

phone 020 7402 5175

fax 020 7724 1829

email

website <http://www.fsu.org.uk>

National charitable organisation working to promote the inclusion of families and children marginalised by poverty and discrimination. Provide a full range of community-based, accessible and culturally sensitive services working with children and families from 19 Units located in some of the UK's most disadvantaged inner-city areas.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Hendon Health Centre

project name Pegasi Practise

contact name Gill Horne

position

Meaburn Terrace

Sunderland

SR1 2ND

phone 0191 510 1865

fax 0191 514 1014

email

website

The Pegasi Project works with children and families as well as single parents in the Sunderland area. The team provides assessment and therapy but also signposts to other specialist organisations.

age group 0–8 years

project start date

project end date

Housing Action in Barnet

project name

contact name Sandra Watts

position

36b Woodhouse Road

North Finchley

London

N12 0RG

phone 020 8446 8400

fax

email

website

Asylum seekers project includes a drop in centre, women's group, holiday play schemes, clothing store, and advice workers.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Imece Turking Speaking Women's Group

project name

contact name Nezahat Cihan

position Coordinator

2 Newington Green Road

London

N1 4RX

phone 020 7354 1359

fax 020 7226 7599

email imece@dial.pipex.com

website

We provide services for Turkish speaking women (Turkish, Kurdish, Turkish Cypriot) most of whom are refugees of asylum seekers. The refugee crisis intervention worker provides emotional and practical support and counselling to refugee and asylum seeker women experiencing mental distress. We also provide an accessing and referring service, home visits and Drop-in-advice sessions for the SureStart areas.

age group Working with families with children under 4 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Islington Peoples Rights

project name

contact name

position

2 St Pauls Road

Islington

London

N1 2QN

phone 020 7359 2010

fax 020 7354 3803

email advice@i-p-r.demon.co.uk

website

Advice and advocacy on welfare benefits for residents of Islington only

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Jewish Council for Racial Equality

project name

contact name Dr Edie Friedman

position Director

33 Seymour Place

London

W1H 5AU

phone 020 8455 0896

fax 020 8458 4700

email jcore@btinternet.com

website <http://www.jcore.org.uk>

The Jewish Council for Racial Equality works on three fronts:

- 1 Anti racist education*
- 2 Black–Jewish dialogue*
- 3 Asylum and Refugee issues.*

We promote awareness and active involvement in the Jewish community to combat racism and build a just, harmonious multi-cultural society

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Jigsaw 4 U

project name

contact name Christine Roe

position Head of Services

40 Mill Green Road

Mitcham

CR4 4HY

phone 020 8687 1384

fax 020 8687 9730

email jigsaw@care4free.net

website <http://www.jigsaw@care4free.net>

Grief support and advocacy for looked after children and young people – currently Merton and Sutton.

age group 0–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants

project name

contact name Tauhab Pasha

position Legal, Policy & information
Director

115 Old Street

London

EC1V 9RT

phone 020 7251 8708

fax 020 7251 8707

email info@jcwi.org.uk

website <http://www.jcwi.org.uk>

JCWI is an independent national organisation, which exists to campaign for justice in immigration, nationality, refugee law and policy and human rights. It undertakes strategic casework and acts as an expert training resource for others who work in this field. Our mission is to eliminate discrimination in this sphere. Advice line 020 7251 8706 (Tuesday/ Thursday 2–5 pm)

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Kent Refugee Action Network

project name

contact name Jill Casebourne

position Chair

PO Box 294

Dover

CT17 9GY

phone 01304 201131

fax 01304 201131

email kran@actionnetwork.freemove.
co.uk

website

KRAN aims to co-ordinate the work of member groups in sharing info and resources. It handles media and research enquiries and works in partnership with statutory authorities regarding new legislation and the promotion of multiculturalism and racial harmony in Kent. Latest project to support mentoring for families (or individuals) granted status. Mentoring Project 01304 240041.

We are not a direct service provider.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Kent Refugee Support Group

project name

contact name Charles Bournier

position Project Co-ordinator

1 Cecil Street

Margate

CT9 1NX

phone 01843 225 549

fax 01843 225 549

email krsgroup@aol.com

website

KRSG's services are aimed at refugee children; social events on Tuesdays, monitoring children fixed or permanently excluded from school. School visits with arrangements of activities and interactive workshop. We also give talks on citizenship and problems faced by refugees within the community. Participation in local community development projects where the emphasis is on children. Summer programme of education and recreational activities (depending upon funding). Children's parties at Christmas.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date March 2004 (dependant on funding)

Lambeth Education Ethnic Minority Achievement Team

project name

contact name Mus Begum

position

6th Floor International House

Canterbury Crescent

London

SW9 7QE

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fax 020 7926 9362

email mbagum@lambeth.gov.uk

website <http://www.lambeth.gov.uk>

The European Refugee Induction Project aims to target refugee and asylum seeker children in Lambeth Education Authority who are waiting to gain admission into school. Statistics in the Authority show that Key Stage 3 and 4, in particular Key Stage 4 pupils particularly find it difficult to gain admission into mainstream schools due to their interrupted educational history and late arrival into the educational system. The Induction Programme is delivered in a classroom within a mainstream school. It provides a rolling programme of six weeks duration with a focus on key skills; in particular accelerated development of basic English, Numeracy, IT and Science. The children enrolled on the programme attend classes for the whole morning, five days a week. The refugee support teachers undertake liaison work in the

Lancashire Children's Rights Service

afternoon and also do some time-limited support in schools where the graduates from the programme have been admitted.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

project name

contact name Pauline Geraghty

position Project Leader

30 Ribblesdale Place

Preston

PR1 3NA

phone 01772 256 900

fax 01772 256 901

email mail@lcrs.fsnet.co.uk

website

LCRS offers advocacy and children's rights service to children and young people whom are 'looked after' by Lancashire County Council. Independent visitor scheme. Participation Project for Looked After children and young people. Project for children and young people who run away from care or are at risk of being looked after because of this.

age group 0–18 years

project start date

project end date March 2004

Latin American Women's Rights Service

project name

contact name Erika Rljas

position Project Manager

Tingle Manor

52-54 Featherstone Street

London

EC1Y 8RT

phone 020 7336 0888

fax 020 7336 0555

email lawrs@lawrs.fsnet.co.uk

website

The services provided are Counselling Mon-Fri 9-5; Advice and Support on Domestic Violence Mon-Fri 9-5; and interpreters for appointments with GPs, hospitals and clinics for the residents in the Camden and Islington areas only.

age group Up to 30 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Leeds Children's Rights Service

project name

contact name Dan Bordoley

position Project Manager

272A Dewsbury Road

Leeds

LS11 6JT

phone 0113 244 4544

fax 0113 272 1465

email necrsl@post.nch.org.uk

website

No specific service for refugees, but advice and advocacy for children and young people in local authority care and those who have left local authority care. We promote the rights of children in a proactive way, ensure young people are involved in decision-making concerning them.

age group 0-21 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Lewisham Asylum Seekers Team

project name

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position Senior Social Worker

5 Griffin Street

Deptford

London

SE8 4RJ

phone 020 8314 6668

fax 020 8314 3191

email gerry.aitken@lewisham.gov.uk

website

Supports destitute families and unaccompanied asylum seeking children (aged 16/17). Each unaccompanied asylum-seeking child is allocated a social worker, who provides advice, visits clothing and other forms of support.

age group Children in families and unaccompanied 16/17 year olds

project start date

project end date On-going

London Borough of Camden

project name Refugee Education Project

contact name Workneh Dechasa

position Co-ordinator of the Refugee Team

Medburn Centre

136 Chalton Street

London

NW1 1RX

phone 020 7974 8059

fax 020 7974 8175

email workneh.deschasa@camden.gov.uk

website <http://www.camden.gov.uk>

This award winning (CRE Local Authority Race Award 1998) programme works through primary and secondary schools, with pupils from refugee and 'asylum-seeking' households. The project also engages with unaccompanied minors. The four-person team seeks to provide additional academic and personal support to pupils who have often experienced severe psychological trauma. The project also involves parents in providing training to Camden teaching staff about politics, culture and educational systems in their countries of origin.

age group 6–16 years olds

project start date

project end date On-going

London Borough of Ealing

project name Youth and Connections
contact name Mahmoud Aden
position New Arrivals Worker

Priory Community Centre
Acton Lane
London
W3 8NY

phone 020 8992 3557

fax 020 8993 6733

email

website

We help young refugees gain access into mainstream education, employment and training in the Ealing Borough area. Youth services/guidance is provided through advice and information on employment and training, counselling for young people and parents, support with job hunting skills, help with grant applications, empowering parents by raising their awareness about their children's adolescence period and how to cope with it.

age group 5–24 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Manchester Asylum Seeker Team

project name
contact name Pauline Richardson
position Service Manager

Manchester Social Services
Claremont Resource Centre
Roll Crescent
Hulme
Manchester
M15 5FS

phone 0161 232 1153

fax 0161 226 9435

email pauline.richardson@notes.
manchester.gov.uk

website

Provide accommodation and support to National Asylum Support Service supported asylum, seekers and their families in local authority accommodation in Manchester

age group

project start date

project end date

Manchester Refugee Support Network

project name

contact name Ahmad Ballah

position

St James Centre
95a Princess Road
Moss Side
Manchester
M14 4TH

phone 0161 232 7420

fax 0161 226 1332

email ahmad@mrsn.fsnet.co.uk

website <http://www.mrsn.org.uk>

We provide training, advice, capacity building, befriending and support for refugees and asylum seekers. Refugee Children's Projects, after school support, holidays outings and parties, Engagement of children in annual cultural festival, dance, theatre and music.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date 2005

Manchester Vietnamese Refugee Community Association

project name

contact name Anh Murray

position

Woodville Resource Centre
Shirley Road
Cheetham Hill
Manchester
M8 7NE

phone 0161 740 7899

0778 0702 996

fax 0161 740 7899

email

website

Education project to support young pupils in mathematics, science and computing. Set up mother tongue classes. To help young Vietnamese maintain Vietnamese culture. We provide support and information to refugees of Vietnamese origin.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Medical Foundation for the Care of Victims of Torture

project name

contact name Alex Sklan

position Clinical Director

Star House

96–98 Grafton Road

London

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fax 020 7813 0011

email

website <http://www.torturecare.org.uk>

Provides survivors of torture in the UK with medical treatment, practical assistance and psychotherapeutic support, document evidence of torture, provide training for health professionals working with torture survivors, educate the public and decision-makers about torture and its consequences, ensure that Britain honours its international obligations towards asylum seekers and refugees.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Merton Asylum Welcome

project name

contact name Catherine Nolan

position Manager

c/o Vestry Hall

London Road

Mitcham

CR4 3UD

phone 020 8685 1771

fax 020 8685 0249

email asylumwelcome@mvsc.co.uk

website

We provide free information, advice, practical help and emotional support to asylum seekers and refugees in Merton. We offer specialist health, education, benefits and housing advice. Asylum seekers are helped to access services in voluntary and statutory sector schools. We rely heavily on volunteer support from the local community. Great emphasis is put into helping the mental health and emotional well being of unaccompanied and accompanied children.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Merton Education Service

project name Social Inclusion Team

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position Refugee Co-ordinator

The Chaucer Centre

Canterbury Road,

Morden

SM4 6PT

phone 020 8288 5660

fax 020 8646 3163

email rosemary.demin@merton.gov.uk

website

We provide support to Refugee and Asylum Seeking families in matters concerning education. We help support schools on Refugee and Asylum Seeker issues, we provide 'ESPERO' an Art Therapy Project based in local schools and provide activities for 15/16 year olds that are out of school. We also refer to other local organisations and projects.

age group 3–16 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Middlesbrough Education Refugee Service

project name Welcome

contact name Denis Maycock

position Co-ordinator

Vancouver House

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Middlesbrough

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phone 01642 728 081

fax 01642 728 955

email denis_maycock@middlesbrough.

gov.uk

website

We provide school placement, bus fare and school uniform provisions, after school activities, provisions for weekly drop-in centres, home visits, placement of parents into Adult education for English and training.

age group 2.5–19 years

project start date

project end date March 2006

Mind in Harrow

project name Refugee Project
contact name Daniel Wasp
position Refugee Mental Health
Development Worker

Ground Floor
132–134 College Road
Harrow
HA1 1BQ
phone 020 8861 3020
fax 020 8861 3085
email mindinharrow@btinternet.com
website

Refugee mental health development work. Development and workshop presentations to open the discussion on mental health for asylum seekers/refugees. Sign posting and ensuring access to services for families and individuals, and encouraging mental health services to be more responsive to the specific needs of refugees in terms of culturally appropriate service provision. Referrals accepted only from Harrow residents.

age group Youth and adults
project start date
project end date On-going

Mirage Children's Theatre Company

project name
contact name Frank Brennan
position Artistic Director

Park Walk School
Park Walk
London
SW10 OAY
phone 020 7349 9969
fax 020 7349 9969
email mir-arts@dircon.co.uk
website <http://www.miragetheatre.co.uk>

We produce dual-language story tapes for children. They have a traditional story in the mother tongue on one side and the same story in English on the other side. They are available in 14 different languages with more being produced. We also produce multicultural theatre for children and provide story-telling workshops for professionals working with children in various languages.

age group 3–11 years
project start date
project end date On-going

Multicultural Education Centre

project name

contact name

position Refugee Education co-ordinator

Carr House Centre

Danum Road

Doncaster

DN4 5HF

phone 01302 734 225

fax 01302 734 727

email hazel.wilson@doncaster.gov.uk

website

We provide support to refugee, asylum-seeking and bilingual children in school by providing dual language materials and bilingual classroom assistants to help children learn English in school.

age group 4–16 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Multi-lingual Interpreting Service

project name

contact name Dervise Jemal

position Director

The Chase Business

39–41 Chase Avenue

Southgate

London

N14 5BP

phone 020 8242 5557

fax 020 8242 5559

email Mlisltd@aol.com

website

We provide interpreting and translation services in and around London. We specialise in public service interpreting, specialist in short notice bookings. We employ from Ethnic and Refugee communities.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

NCH – Glasgow

project name Young Refugee Project

contact name Wendy Ager

position Development Worker

c/o NCH San Jai Chinese Project

53 Rose Street

Glasgow

G3 6SF

phone 0141 332 1193

fax 0141 332 2665

email scsjp@mail.nch.org.uk

website <http://www.nch.org.uk>

NCH is developing work with school age children in Glasgow. The project is in its initial stages, consulting with families and working with statutory and voluntary agencies and networks (currently in two communities in the city: Pollokshaws and Toryglen) to identify ways of promoting young people's well being in their resettlement in Scotland).

age group School age

project start date

project end date Funding dependant

NCH – Notts. Advocacy

project name Notts. & Nottingham

Independent Visitors

contact name Jane Aitman

position Project Manager

101–103 Alfreton Road,

Sutton in Ashfield

NG17 1FS

phone 01623 557 076

fax 01623 443 669

email ennca@mail.nch.org.uk

website

Independent advocacy for young people in public care in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire. Adult friends to children and young people in public care in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire.

age group 0–21 years

project start date

project end date March 2004

NCH Children's Rights

project name

contact name John Murphy

position Project Manager

138 Foleshill Road

Coventry

CV1 4JJ

phone 02476 551 113

fax 02476 257 737

email mdccrs@mail.nch.org.uk

website <http://www.nch.org.uk>

Provides support, advice and advocacy for children and young people who are 'looked after' by social services in Coventry and Warwickshire. NCH is independent of the local authorities and works to support children and young people looked after, regardless of their refugee status.

age group 0–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

NCH Hillingdon Children's Rights Service

project name Abacus Centre

contact name Sarah Culligan

position Children's Rights Officer

c/o Hillingdon Family Centre

Rowlhey's Place

West Drayton

London

UB7 UNQ

phone 01895 443 497

freephone: 0800 7837993

fax 01895 445 572

email Intcro@mail.nch.org.uk

website

Children's Rights Service provides advocacy and information for children and young people looked after in London Borough of Hillingdon. This includes children and young people who are unaccompanied asylum seekers and young people considered to be care leavers.

age group Up to 24 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Newham Family Centre

project name

contact name Sabine Samad

position Project Co-ordinator

318 Barking Road

Plaistow

London

E13 8HL

phone 020 7511 7308

fax

email newhamfamilycentre@ukonline.co.uk

website

We aim to provide at least one hot meal for refugee children per week, on Wednesday evenings. We provide homework support, advice on education, counselling for traumatised children, training of management committee members to enable refugees to become self-sufficient, social activities and outings to encourage social inclusion for refugee children.

age group 5–13 years

project start date

project end date

North of England Refugee Service

project name

contact name Monica Bishop

position Manager

19 Biggmarket

Newcastle Upon Tyne

NE1 1UN

phone 0191 222 0406

fax 0191 222 0239

email biggmarket@refugee.org.uk

website <http://www.refugee.org.uk>

Holistic advice and support service for people seeking asylum and settled refugees. Also operating the one stop service as part of the Home Office dispersal scheme. As well as advice, NERS provides community development, campaigning, education and awareness, integration support, etc.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

North of England Refugee Service

project name

contact name Mohammed Nasrudin

position Manager

19 Villiers Street

Sunderland

SR1 1EJ

phone 0191 510 8685

fax 0191 510 8697

email sunderland@refugee.org.uk

website <http://www.refugee.org.uk>

Holistic advice and support service for people seeking asylum and settled refugees. Also operating the one stop service as part of the Home Office dispersal scheme. As well as advice, NERS provides community development, campaigning, education and awareness, integration support, etc.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

North of England Refugee Service

project name

contact name Mohammed Nasrudin

position Manager

3rd Floor

Forum House

The Forum

Wallsend

NE28 8LX

phone 0191 200 1199

fax 0191 200 5923

email wallsend@refugee.org.uk

website <http://www.refugee.org.uk>

Holistic advice and support service for people seeking asylum and settled refugees. Also operating the one stop service as part of the Home Office dispersal scheme. As well as advice, NERS provides community development, campaigning, education and awareness, integration support, etc.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

North of England Refugee Service

project name

contact name Pete Widlinski

position Area Manager

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Middlesborough

TS1 4AD

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fax 01642 210 200

email teesvalley@refugee.org.uk

website <http://www.refugee.org.uk>

Holistic advice and support service for people seeking asylum and settled refugees. Also operating the one stop service as part of the Home Office dispersal scheme. As well as advice, NERS provides community development, campaigning, education and awareness, integration support, etc.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Northern Ireland Council for Ethnic Minorities (NICEM)

project name Refugee Integration

contact name Lumturi Podrimaj

position Refugee Integration Worker

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Belfast

N. Ireland

BT2 7DB

phone 028 9023 8645

fax 028 9031 9485

email lpodrimaj@nicem.org.uk

website <http://www.nicem.org.uk>

We provide; capacity building, anti-racism training, asylum seekers support (NASS and One Stop Shop) interpreters training and provisions, health advocacy, volunteering, immigration advice, Section 75, government lobbying – local, national and European.

age group Adults

project start date

project end date On-going

Nottingham City Council

project name Social Services Asylum
& Reception Team

contact name

position

1 Kilburn Street

Nottingham

NG3 1BQ

phone 0115 915 9683

fax 0115 915 9680

email

website <http://www.nottas.org.uk>

Provide assessment and referral for asylum seekers that arrived prior to August 2000 and unaccompanied minors.

age group Under 18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

NSPCC

project name Children's Advice
& Representation Service

contact name Caroline Kibble

position Manager

4 Chapel Street

Stafford

ST16 2BX

phone 01785 228 888

fax 01785 283 779

email ckibble@nspcc.org.uk

website <http://www.nspcc.org.uk>

Children's Advocacy and Representation Service. Advocacy to any child 0–18 years in care in Staffordshire. Visitors on a monthly basis to befriend children without contact of family. Represents children to make complaints about service.

age group 0–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

NSPCC

project name Children's Advice
& Representation Service
contact name Lisa Cawthorn
position Project Co-ordinator

Cannon Court East
Abbey Lawn
Shrewsbury
SY2 5DG
phone 01743 281 980
fax 01743 281 989
email
website <http://www.nspcc.org.uk>

We provide an advice service to any child/young person in care of Shropshire Social Service Department. Visitors to befriend children in care, with no contact with family.

age group 0–18 years
project start date
project end date On-going

NSPCC

project name Sheffield Young
Peoples Centre
contact name Permala Sehmar
position Manager

35 George Street
Sheffield
S1 2PT
phone 0114 228 9200
fax 0114 228 9229
email sheffield@nspcc.org.uk
website <http://www.nspcc.org.uk/inform>

Drop in advice and Self-referral counselling for 11–18 years, Therapy service for 3–17 years (currently under review), Information, advice, and support (also providing access to IT suite) for 11–19 years, Children's rights and advocacy for 5–18 years. Independent visitors scheme matching looked after young people with adult volunteers.

age group 11–18 years
project start date
project end date On-going

Portsmouth Social Services

project name Dept: Children's & Families
Sector
contact name
position

Children & Families Sector
Mearefield House
Nutfield Place
Portsmouth
PO1 4JZ
phone 02392 839 111
fax 02392 875 503
email pc57rg@hants.gov.uk
website

Portsmouth Social Services provide accommodation and support for asylum seekers whose application was submitted pre 14.8.00 this includes single adults and families. Also provide support to unaccompanied asylum seeking children in partnership with our Asylum Seekers Department.

age group All ages
project start date
project end date On-going

Praxis Community Projects

project name
contact name Juspin Bahunga
position

Pott Street
London
E2 OEF
phone 020 7749 7600
fax 020 7729 0134
email admin@praxis.org.uk
website <http://www.praxis.org.uk>

Praxis works with migrants and refugee children and young people. At Praxis, children and young people have a space to meet each other, share experiences, relive their own cultural traditions, keep in touch with their identity, learn new skills, build confidence and uplift lost self esteem. Together we organise educational/training events, recreational activities and cultural events. We also engage in health awareness and sports development programmes.

age group All ages
project start date
project end date On-going

Reading Refugee Support Group

project name

contact name Zainab Koroma

position

1st Floor

RISC

35-39 London Street

Reading

RG1 4PS

phone 0118 950 5356

fax 0118 958 5406

email rbrsg@btclick.com

zainab@btclick.com

website

We provide information, advice, practical help and advocacy for asylum seekers and refugees in Reading and its surrounding areas. Statutory and other services are accessed on their behalf and where needed advocacy provided. (We don't to date provide a specific service for children but will in the future deliver a project for women and children.

age group All ages – as part of a family

project start date

project end date On-going

Redbridge Refugee Forum

project name

contact name Jackie Matharu

position Health Advocate

1st Floor

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1 Cranbrook Road

Ilford

IG1 4DU

phone 020 8478 4513

fax 020 8514 0540

email rrfgen@tiscali.co.uk

jackie@refugeeforum.org

website <http://www.refugeeforum.org>

Advice and information service for asylum seekers and refugees. Casework, drop-in services each weekday. Advice provided on housing, health, education, benefits and employment.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Refugee Action

project name Choices

contact name Shahbana Rehman

position Team Administrator

3rd Floor

The Old Fire Station

150 Waterloo Road

London

SE1 8SB

phone 020 7654 7713/00

fax 020 7401 3699

email shahbanar@refugee-action.org.uk

website <http://www.refugee-action.org.uk>

A confidential service offering information, advice and support for asylum seekers and refugees considering returning to their country of origin. Also advise carers for unaccompanied minors.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Refugee and Migrant Project

project name Young Refugee Project

Art Therapy Service

contact name Annette Clare

position Project Manager/Art Therapist

170 Harold Road

Plaistow

London

E13 OSE

phone 020 8475 7351

fax 020 472 2805

email annette@

renewalramp-newham.org.uk

website

We provide art therapy for refugee children with state registered art therapists. Children are seen individually and in-groups both in Newham schools and in our specialist art therapy room at our centre. A whole family service is offered with counselling for parents/carers of children seen for art therapy.

age group 4–15 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Refugee Council – Panel of Advisers for Unaccompanied Refugee Children

project name Panel of Advisers for Unaccompanied Refugee Children

contact name Helen Johnson

position Team Leader

240–250 Ferndale Road

Brixton

London

SW9 8BB

phone 020 7582 4947

fax 020 7840 4388

email

website <http://www.refugeecouncil.org.uk>

The panel of advisors help, advise and advocate for separated asylum seeking and refugee children in the UK, particularly to the asylum process. We have caseworkers operating nationally and a drop-in for 16 and 17 year olds open for weekdays in our Brixton office. We have an adviceline for other agencies and clients on 020 7582 4947.

age group Under 18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Refugee Housing Association

project name Young Peoples Team

contact name Cliff Brant

position Service Manager

MHT House

Crescent Lane

London

SW4 9RS

phone 020 7501 2271

fax 020 7501 2200

email cbra@mht.co.uk

website <http://www.refugeehousing.co.uk>

Providing supported housing and accommodation in semi-independent hostels to unaccompanied minors referred from social services. Staff work alongside social workers on care plans providing both practical and emotional support to young asylum seekers and refugees.

age group 16–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Refugee Network Sutton

project name **1** Play group

2 Cooking club

contact name Sharon Leedham

position Co-ordinator

2 Grove Cottage

Grove Park

High Street

Carshalton

SM5 3BB

phone 020 8770 6983

fax 020 8770 6198

email srefugeen@yahoo.co.uk

website

1 Under fives supervised playgroup at weekly drop-in centre for refugees and asylum seeker children.

2 Cooking and life skills club for unaccompanied minors (16–17 years).

age group **1** Under 5 years.

2 15+ years

project start date

project end date August 2003 subject to funding

Refugee Project Croydon

project name

contact name Susan McDonald

position Co-ordinator

South Norwood Centre

Sandown Road

South Norwood

SE25 4XE

phone 020 8656 4560

fax 020 8656 7958

email croydonrefugees@aol.com

website <http://www.refugeeproject.org.uk>

Welfare advice for refugees and asylum seekers. Refugee Project Croydon started in 1989 was granted major funding in 1991 and won National Lottery funding in 1995 and is also funded by the local authority.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Refugee Support Centre

project name

contact name Cherryl Monteith

position Director

47 South Lambeth Road

South Lambeth

London

SW8 1RH

phone 020 7820 3606

fax 020 7820 3606

email rsctherapy47@hotmail.com

website

Provides psychotherapy and counselling in a variety of languages and English for children and their parents or guardian.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Refugee Women's Association

project name

contact name Simin Azimi

position Director

Print House

18 Ashwin Street

London

E8 3DL

phone 020 7923 2412

fax 020 7923 3929

email rwa@refugeewomen.org.uk

website <http://www.refugeewomen.org.uk>

Crisis intervention (up to three sessions) under the Refugee Women's Well Being project. Advice, information and referral service for refugee women (from 16 years up) who are enduring mental health difficulties and/or are in emotional upheaval. We help find jobs and work placements; we provide information on education and Capacity Building.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Royal Hospital for Sick Children

project name

contact name Christine Puckering

position Consultant Clinical Psychologist

Dept of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

Royal Hospital for Sick Children

Yorkhill NHS Trust

Yorkhill

Scotland

G3 8SJ

phone 0141 201 9239

fax 0141 201 0620

email c.puckering@clinmed.gla.ac.uk

website

Co-ordination of psychological and psychiatric services for refugee children and adolescents in Glasgow. Children and adolescents are seen within Yorkhill, as well as child psychiatry and clinical psychology services.

age group 2–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Save the Children

project name

contact name Miranda Kaunang

position Development Officer
for Refugees

195 Fog Lane

Manchester

M20 6FJ

phone 0161 434 8337

fax 0161 445 9408

email m.kaunang@scfuk.org.uk

website

<http://www.savethechildren.org.uk>

Development work to promote the rights of refugee children and young people e.g. young separated refugees and children in emergency accommodation.

age group 0–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Save the Children UK Education Unit

project name Eye to Eye

contact name

position

17 Grove Lane

London

SE5 8RD

phone 020 7703 5400

fax 020 7716 2101

email

website

<http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/eyetoeye>

The Teachers section of the Eye-to-Eye website is now complete. What is it like to be a young Palestinian refugee? What is life in a refugee camp like? These lessons will help you teach your children or pupils about one of the most pressing issues in today's world. All lessons are linked to the core national curriculum subjects in the UK. For more information click on

<http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/eyetoeye/teachers/index.html>

age group School children

project start date

project end date On-going

Sefton Advocacy

project name

contact name Alison Ayres

position Advocacy Development

4th Floor

391 Centre

16 Crossby Road

Liverpool

L22 0NY

phone 0151 285 4040

fax 0151 285 4041

email alison@seftonadvocacy.info

website

Sefton Advocacy offers an independent, fair and confidential service that is free to anyone living in Sefton. We offer practical and emotional support without making judgements about people. We can find information, make complaints and support when making difficult decisions or meeting. We are a general organisation and have supported refugees for several years.

age group 18 years +

project start date

project end date On-going

Shepherds Bush Families Project

project name

contact name Tina Mayers

position Families Centre Worker

58A Bulwer Street

London

W12 8AP

phone 020 8749 2371

fax 020 8746 1347

email SBFP58a@cs.com

website

Day centre for families living in bed and breakfast and other temporary accommodation. Pre-school play group, parent and child drop-in, Adult groups with crèche facilities, advice service with crèche facilities and after school club.

age group 0–16 years

project start date

project end date On-going

South London Refugee Association

project name

contact name Habteab Fessaha

position Co-ordinator

Unit B/006 Trident Business Centre

89 Bickersteth Road

London

SW17 9SH

phone 020 8682 4350

fax 020 8672 5768

email southlondonrefug@aol.com

website

Provides advice and support to refugees and asylum seekers on immigration, housing, welfare benefit, education and training.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

Spurgeons Rights & Participation project in Salford

project name

contact name Melissa Hind

position Project Manager

73 Sycamore Court

Paddington Close

Salford

M6 5FR

phone 0161 743 0744

fax 0161 743 0744

email raps_salford@spurgeons.

fsnet.co.uk

website

We are a Children's Rights project in Salford, providing advocacy and befrienders to young people looked after by the Local Authority. We aim to be a voice with and on behalf of Children and Young People, and are an independent means of support, advice and advocacy. We have a team of volunteer advocates and independent visitors (befrienders).

age group 17+ years

project start date

project end date On-going

Red Sea Community Programme

project name Sure Start – Somali Child

contact name Hussein Hersi

position Co-ordinator

PO Box 419

Wembley

HAO 4WH

phone 020 8451 9510

fax 020 8451 3755

email hersis@hotmail.com

website <http://www.brent.gov.uk/brain>

We organise educational, cultural activities to improve educational performance and weekend activities. Our Programmes raise awareness against drugs and crime. In addition to that the service users receive information and interpreting services on different issues and needs.

age group 0–22 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Thanet Early Years Project (TEYP)

project name Thanet Early Years Project (TEYP)

contact name Carol Smith

position Project Manager

Office Suite 3
Addington House
Addington Place
Ramsgate
CT11 9JG

phone 01843 591 200

fax 01843 582475

email carol@thanetearlyyears.org

website

Services for pre-schools and families for young children in Thanet. We work in partnership with other agencies to provide crèches to allow parents to attend activities or courses. We also run a toy library and Parent and Toddler Groups.

age group 0–5 years

project start date

project end date On-going

The Caspari Foundation for Educational Therapy

project name

contact name Anne Casimir

position Senior Educational Therapist

Caspari House
1 Noel Road
London
N1 8HQ

phone 020 7704 1977

fax 020 7704 1783

email administrator@casparihouse.

fsnet.co.uk

website

The Caspari Foundation is a charity providing educational therapy services. Educational therapy is a specialised educational and therapeutic method for working with children.

age group School age

project start date

project end date On-going

The Children's Society

project name West Sussex Participation
& Advocacy Rights

contact name Peter Johnstone

position Project Manager

18 Wellington Road

Brighton

BN2 3AA

phone 0800 0152 582

fax 01273 625 710

email par@childrenssociety.org.uk

website

<http://www.thechildrenssociety.org.uk>

Advocacy, rights and Independent Visiting services for all looked after children in West Sussex. This includes advocacy to refugee children. We also provide participation forums for policy makers.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

The Children's Society

project name The Junction

contact name Paul Weston

position Project Leader

266 Holdenhurst Road

Bournemouth

BH8 8AY

phone 01202 399 733

fax 01202 397 656

email the-junction@childrenssociety.org.uk

website

<http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk>

Advocacy services for looked after young people, including unaccompanied asylum seekers 12–17 years) in Bournemouth and Poole. We provide counselling services free for under 21 year olds, information and advice service for 12–21 year olds, 'Safe on the Streets' and in-house Youth Advisory Clinic for under 18 year olds.

age group Under 21s

project start date

project end date On-going

The Children's Society

project name East Oxford Inclusion Project

contact name Joyce McCullagh

position Project Co-ordinator

c/o Oxford School

Glanville Road

Oxford

OX4 2AU

phone 01865 428 230

fax 01865 428 230

email nl@childrensoc.org.uk

website

<http://www.childrensociety.org.uk>

East Oxford Schools Inclusion project is a Children's Society project which works to promote inclusion of children in mainstream education at 4 local schools. We do this by working with schools to prevent exclusions, working with parents, staff and students to increase attendance and by supporting vulnerable groups of young people, especially asylum seekers. Our asylum seeker work takes place mostly in Oxford School (a comprehensive upper school). There are currently 30 asylum seekers or refugees on the school role of whom 19 are unaccompanied. We focus our work on providing targeted learning and language support for students, forging networks with other groups in the city. The project is looking to develop its Asylum Seeker work over the next 3-4

years in partnership with other local schools. It will be re-named OASIS.

age group 9-18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

The Children's Society

project name The Refugee and Homelessness Team

contact name Elisabeth Green

position Project Manager

Wesley House

Herbert Road

London

E12 6AY

phone 020 8553 9619

fax 020 8553 3369

email elh@childrenssociety.org.uk

website

<http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk>

The Refugee and Homeless Team helps young refugees to fulfil their individual potential and to challenge the systems that keep them marginalised. It assists young refugees to overcome the obstacles that are preventing them from accessing education, social services and accommodation. It helps young refugees to meet new people to reflect on their own experiences and build up their self worth. It supports young refugee to lobby and campaign for their rights and to challenge prejudice.

age group 4–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

The Children's Society

project name Safe on the Street Leeds

contact name Sheila Green

position Project Manager

4th Floor

Gallery House

125–131 The Headrow

Leeds

LS1 5RD

phone 0113 246 5131

fax 0113 245 9854

email safe-on-the-streets-leeds@childrenssociety.org.uk

website

<http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk>

TRAX offers independent support and advocacy for young people who feel like running away, have run away and don't want to go back, or are staying somewhere without permission. Freephone 0800 73 140 85 for young people. Leeds based. Additionally we work in schools to set up peer support schemes. We are carrying out research into the needs of lesbian, gay, BI-sexual, undecided, black ethnic minority young people who run away.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date On-going

The Children's Society

project name

contact name Alison Harvey

position Principle Policy & Practise
Manager

Edward Rudolf House

Margery Street

London

WC1X 0JL

phone 020 7841 4400

fax 020 7841 4500

email alison.harvey@childrens
society.org.uk

website

<http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk>

We have projects running in different parts of the country working with refugees; those who are unaccompanied and those in families. We work with refugee children to involve them in decisions that affect their lives, to provide opportunities for their voices to be heard and to work with them to campaign against the injustices they face.

age group 0–20 years

project start date

project end date On-going

The Children's Society: Young Carers Initiative

project name

contact name Alison Kendall

position Information Officer

Young's Yard

Finches Lane

Twyford

SO21 1NN

phone 01962 711 511

fax 01962 711 512

email Young-carers-initiative@childrens
society.org.uk

website

<http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/youngcarers>

The Children's Society has three year funding from the Department of Health for the Young Carers Initiative. It provides information, advice and is developing training in order to promote best practice. The project will be looking at the support needs of all young carers and their families including families who are refugees and asylum seekers. The project welcomes enquiries from other agencies and is also interested to hear from anyone who is currently working with refugee families where a family member is ill, disabled, suffering mental distress which results in their child/children caring either physically or emotionally for them.

age group Under 18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

'Time Out' Young Peoples Centre

project name

contact name Rosie Ingham

position Manager

38 Walnut Close

Chelmsley Wood

Birmingham

B37 7PU

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The Time Out Centre has been developed to provide a direct access service for young people. Service activities include: individual counselling, advocacy for young people over ten, and child protection conferences. Groups include: Being Bullied, Anger Management, Community Arts and Young People's Advice.

age group 9–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

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Project Dost (friend) is an innovative creative arts project, which specialises in working with separated children. The project supports young refugees to develop self-confidence and build relationships through a combination of art, drama, dance, music and physical activities. The project is currently open to young people aged between 11–16 years. From 2004 the age range will be 11–19 years. The project includes Residential weekends six times a year, activities include art, drama, dance, sports workshops, team building and games. Creative projects – film, music, photography and silk screen painting. Weekly youth clubs, advocacy, advice and support.

age group 11–16 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Unaccompanied Minors Team

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The Unaccompanied Minors Team is being set up in response to the continuing need to assess the needs of unaccompanied minors applying for political asylum in the UK who present to RBK&C Social Services.

age group Under 18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

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We provide advocates for children and young people up to age 21, who are being looked after by social services or who have left care, only for the Hertfordshire area.

age group Up to 21 years

project start date

project end date On-going

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Advocacy for children in care or in need

age group 0–25 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Waltham Forest Asylum and Immigration Rights Group

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The project is a consortium of two groups providing supplementary education to refugee children. The two organisations are Walfair and the Somali Women's Association. WALFAIR provides English classes and help with accessing full time education for new arrivals on Thursday and Friday afternoons in addition to additional English language support for the children in the school where the project is based. The Somali Women's Association provides additional support with science with a Somali speaking science teacher on Saturday afternoons. All classes take place in Waltham Forest. Waltham Forest Asylum and Immigration Rights Group also provide mentoring classes to local school.

age group 11–18 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Waltham Forest Youth Service

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We provide youth services for young refugee groups. This includes providing voluntary organisations with premises to run activities, youth provision for refugee young people to explore issues, to support youth development and volunteering. We are currently in the process of implementing the Refugee reintegration project with money from the European Social Funds targeting a range of refugee groups aged 11–25 years.

age group 11–25 years

project start date

project end date On-going

Wandsworth Primary Care Trust

project name Health Improvement

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Service sits within the Health and Homeless Team and is a three year project to target the health of refugees and asylum seekers to ensure they gain access into primary healthcare. The service is aimed at those living permanently or temporarily within the London Borough of Wandsworth. We have access to telephone interpreting and face to face interpreters by appointment.

age group All ages

project start date

project end date Review in March 2004

YAS

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The YAS project provides support to young unaccompanied asylum seekers aged 8–21 years who are arriving via Gatwick Airport. We are part of the Family Welfare Association an independent charity. Our aim is to provide the following services: emotional support, help with accessing a variety of services and resources in the community; one-to-one counselling, support groups, activity sessions, opportunities to gain new skills, creative therapy sessions, support, advice and training to workers in the field.

age group 8–25 years

project start date

project end date On-going

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YES provides a number of services for young people including information (accommodation, benefits), drop in counselling, sexual health, early intervention for young people experiencing psychosis for the first time, advocacy in child protection and for 'looked after' young people and personal development training.

age group 13–25 years

project start date

project end date On-going



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