

Armley Domestic Violence Project

Project Name: Armley Domestic Violence and Healthy Relationship Project
Amount Applied for: £800

Lead Organisation: ACES Cluster Safe & Supportive Sub Group

Project Summary:

Armley has been identified as an area of concern for domestic violence. The Armley schools cluster - ACES, have agreed to take forward a whole cluster approach to support victims of domestic violence and their children.

The cluster is seeking funding of £800 to set up a support group for children and young people who are affected by domestic violence. For this pilot project, they will run a weekly two hour session for up to 10 young people for eight weeks. There will be groups for secondary and primary age children. The sessions will focus on safety, confidence building, exploring feelings and emotions, building relationships, alongside fun arts and crafts activities.

The sessions will be delivered by Watoto which currently provides 1:1 support for young people affected by domestic violence. There is currently no group work for this age group in the cluster area.

Young people who might benefit from the scheme will be identified through social workers, schools and community safety. Running alongside this scheme is a cluster wide project to raise the awareness of over 300 front line health and education professionals of domestic violence and the impact it has on children and young people, through seminars and recruiting a domestic violence lead for each school or service area.

The grant will fund refreshments, arts and craft materials and an end of course celebration for the three proposed support groups. Staff and transport will be covered by Watoto and the cluster.

Project Delivery

The project will be co-ordinated by the Cluster Manager and members of the Safe and Supportive sub group.

Outcomes

- Minimum 25 children attending sessions
- Increase school attendance and raise attainment of young people affected by domestic violence

Ward / Neighbourhood:

Armley cluster schools

Project Cost & Financial Breakdown

Total project cost £4,000
Wellbeing requested £800

Staff - £1500 In kind from cluster and Watoto

Transport - £200 - cluster budget

Refreshments - £220 - Wellbeing

Arts & Craft resources - £300

Celebration event (street dancing session, outward bound etc) - £280