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[Women and girls projects in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough receive major funding boost](#)



Grassroots groups working in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough have received much-needed grants worth over £40,000 to help support local women and girls facing a range of challenges.

Five projects have received grants of between £5,000 - £10,000. This is the second time we have awarded groups money from the Tampon Tax Community Fund to help women and girls experiencing issues such as period poverty, domestic and sexual abuse and mental health.

Collectively as a network, UK Community Foundations is one of the UK's largest grant-makers and was asked by the government to distribute the largest share of the funding raised through the levy on sanitary products through its network of community foundations. A total of £6.9 million has been awarded nationally to grassroots groups in the two rounds of funding.

The projects being funded:

- Peterborough Women's Aid has received £9,000 to provide a Women's Support Worker, workshops and outings benefitting women who are survivors of domestic abuse.
- Turtle Dove Cambridge has received £9,000 to pilot an alternative education provision and offer an 8-10 week 1:1 support programme for young women.
- Wisbech Community Development Trust has received £8,000 to provide yoga sessions and confidence courses for women who have suffered domestic or sexual abuse.

- One Voice 4 Travellers has received £9,217 to hold employment workshops for domestic abuse survivors in East Cambs and Fenland to enable them to reduce family poverty through securing of employment.
- Peterborough Rape Crisis Care Group has received £5,000 to train the phone, text and app volunteer team who support women and girls in crisis who live in rural communities.

Photo: a previous Turtle Dove Cambridge project that enabled young women to hold a tea party for older people in their community.