

Happy Holidays



Your support is vital in ensuring we are not only able to continue our work but also expand to meet the increasing demand. Help us change the lives of women and children today [Donate](#)

This year, we have reached over 6,000 women and children with positive impact and although this has been a challenging year we are more determined than ever and passionately committed to our vision of a world where women and girls can lead safe, violence-free and equal lives.

"I think with Advance what they do is build up your confidence. Because before you can even think about another relationship you've got to heal. And we've got to get our own identity back and that's what Advance do, they nurture you here"

Woman Supported by Advance

ADVANCETALK about abuse

Advance joined the global movement of 16 days of activism from International day for ending violence against women and girls on 25 November to the International Human Rights day on 10 December, as part of the UN's UNiTE campaign.

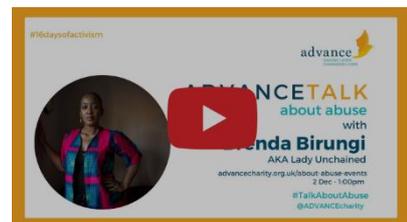
We hosted a series of talks with women survivors, artists and activists, women's organisations and others, as part of 16 days of activism to end violence against women and girls entitled **ADVANCETALK about abuse #talkaboutabuse**.

ADVANCETALK about abuse with **Amja Unabashedly**, an artist, painter and poet, and domestic abuse activist.



ADVANCETALK about abuse with **The Angelou Partnership** about how they work together to address all forms of abuse and meet the needs of women and girls

ADVANCETALK about abuse with **Brenda Birungi a.k.a Lady Unchained**, Poet, Broadcaster, Mentor, TedXLondon speaker, Host for National Prison Radio, and Advocate for Life After prison.





ADVANCETALK about abuse with **London Women's Services Alliance** on their co-ordinated specialist services led by women and for women and girls in contact with the criminal justice system, or at risk of such contact, in London.

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These have been particularly challenging and worrying times for the women and children we support, as well as for our colleagues and partners. With social distancing and lockdown in place, women and children were even more isolated and faced additional barriers to support. Women and children being abused were locked down at home, often with their abuser, becoming increasingly unsafe and unable to leave or get help. Many were released from prison with nowhere to go and with no health or financial support. Poverty and digital inequality made a difficult and unsafe situation even more so. Women and their families lacked essentials such as food, clothing, hygiene items and medication, and had no phones nor access to wi-fi to contact Advance and other services for help throughout the crisis.

Because of the dedication and determination of our team at Advance, we were able to adapt our **life-saving and life-changing** services quickly and without disruption. Our values of listening, empowerment, innovation, collaboration and accountability were at the centre of Advance's response.....



Christine Losecaat MBE
Chair



Niki Scordi
Chief Executive Officer

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Meet the new Advance Trustees



Hannah Hoare

is the Executive Director of The Blue Thread, a London-based family foundation.

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Dolly Jones

is a journalist and digital strategist who edited British Vogue's digital platforms for 15 years.

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Karthik Mahadevan

is an Executive Partner in one of the largest global technology and consulting firms

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Michelle Nightingale

recently took up the post of the Nurse Consultant for Safeguarding/Named Nurse at Great Ormond St Hospital.

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Naomi Simpson

is a criminal justice professional with almost 15 years' experience

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Working or Volunteering with Advance

Advance, is an award-winning innovative charity working to enable women and girls to lead safe, violence-free and equal lives, so that they are able to flourish and actively engage with society.



Our incredible front line workers provide emotional and practical support tailored to women's needs, and as an organisation we evoke change by working within the system and engaging with professionals within statutory agencies.

Do you want to be part of our life-saving and life-changing work?

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