

Suggested petitions & donation causes for 16 days of activism 2023

Petitions

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Free court transcripts for survivors of sexual offences and domestic violence

Survivors of sexual offences and domestic violence are being faced with staggering bills to get access to court hearing transcripts. We believe this is a deeply troubling practice that has a significant impact on victims.

Require employers to have a domestic violence policy to support employees

All companies should be required to have a clear policy on how to support employees suffering from domestic abuse. This should include protections for time off and ensuring they feel believed, rather than made to feel like they are just not motivated to attend work. They should feel safe at work.

Decriminalise prostitution to promote safety

Even though their job is legal, prostitution laws prevent women from working together. Sex workers often have to choose between keeping safe and possible arrest, or avoiding a criminal record and putting themselves in danger. No woman should be put in danger by the law.

Require jurors in rape trials to complete mandatory training on rape myths

Research shows that many jurors accept widely held false beliefs about rape, rapists and victims. These 'rape myths' can influence decision making in trials. To give victims a fair chance at obtaining justice we want jurors to complete mandatory training on rape myths prior to sitting on rape trials.

Require police to have training on domestic abuse/post-separation control

Implement a law so that all serving police officers are required to have mandatory domestic abuse and post-separation control training. We are concerned that currently, too many domestic abuse victims are left to suffer and domestic abusers walk around freely.

<u>Fund reconstructive surgery and mental health support for all FGM survivors</u>

We want the Government to provide funding to ensure Female genital mutilation (FGM) survivors have access to reconstruction surgery and appropriate mental health support through the NHS. Many survivors struggle to receive the surgery and support they need at present.

Provide statutory paid leave for victims of domestic abuse

Victims of domestic abuse should not struggle to get time off work for important meetings such as applications for non-molestation orders or urgent Children Act applications. Victims should not be worried about finances at such a devastating point in their lives.





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Fundraising Causes

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Support LIFT Yorkshire CIC to fund a women & children's refuge this Christmas

Our community at LIFT Yorkshire CIC is fundraising during #16daysofactivism - 16 days of action against gender based violence, to raise £500 to run a refuge for women & children fleeing domestic abuse this Christmas. All donations go to Refuge - Refuge is a charity helping women & children to overcome the physical, emotional, financial and logistical impacts of domestic abuse and rebuild their lives — free from fear.

LPTMS recovery programme

Funding to kickstart the provision of a comprehensive therapeutic recovery programme for female survivors of domestic abuse.

Support black femmes who have experienced / are at risk of abuse

Providing Black femme survivors with support, access to justice and holistic therapies around all forms of gender-based violence.

Hold the state to account and challenge discrimination in the justice system

The CWJ holds the state accountable for failures in the prevention of violence against women and girls. They support individuals and groups who challenge institutions and laws that perpetuate such violence. They undertake strategic litigation and facilitate legal assistance.

Support unionised SWers fighting against workplace exploitation

Helping workers across the UK to improve conditions through collective negotiation and individual casework. The SWU organises to establish 'worker' status, which will enable those working in clubs to claim basic rights at work, such as annual leave, sick pay, a guaranteed basic wage and the right to organise and be represented by a trade union. Work is a lifeline for women to escape poverty, oppression and abuse.

Help single mothers to thrive, not just survive

Life for the 1.8 million single parents in the UK has never been harder. Despite most being in work, single parents are twice as likely to be in poverty than a parent in a couple. They face prejudice and judgement. And the loneliness and isolation they experience compounds things, putting their mental health and wellbeing at serious risk.

