

# Pan-London Umbrella Support (PLUS) Project



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# PLUS Project



- Pan-London Umbrella Support (PLUS) Project - partnership between Homeless Link and Shelter (worked together since 2013)
- Between 2015 and 2017, 1314 people attended PLUS project events and training
- Also work in partnership with other agencies eg WRC, AVA, Stonewall Housing
- Currently work with over 360 London-based organisations working with homeless/vulnerably housed people, equalities groups and specialist organisations, including mental health, substance misuse and women's
- All services are open to borough officers, service staff and landlords
- The services are fully funded by London Councils, so there is no charge to attend.

## What services do we offer (yearly)

- 4 policy forums and 4 good practice events
- In-house and public training – e.g. homelessness law, homelessness prevention and reduction
- 1 landlord event
- Relationship brokering events
- A monthly newsletter

## Why?

- To improve knowledge around recent policy and legislation changes e.g. welfare reform and the Homelessness Reduction Act
- To improve knowledge around new service delivery
- To enable the ability to adapt service delivery and increased links to LA, SV/DV and employment providers

## What services do we offer cont..

- Policy, legal and statistical briefings
- Attend borough homelessness forums
- Provide intensive support to 3 outer-London boroughs that have seen increased numbers of rough sleepers
- Havering, Harrow and Kingston.
- “Special Initiative” – gendered specific approaches for homeless women

## Why?..

- To improve working relationships between services and across sectors, including women’s, sexual and domestic violence, health, substance use, mental health, the VCS and statutory services.
- To improve organisational sustainability

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