





Shared Roadmap for System Change

Cover Note - Women's Aid and SafeLives Joint Evaluation

This contract was previously available for tender in 2016, we are reopening the tender process and, following feedback from evaluators, would like to add the following clarifications to support the tender documents.

Following feedback:

- We acknowledge that the deliverables set out in the tender documents may appear to be restrictive; we have
 ambitious aims for this programme and evaluation but recognise that we do not have all the answers. We would
 welcome bidder's expertise and input into how best to use our resources to achieve the aims of the evaluation and
 we are open to consider suggested alternatives to the deliverables we have set out in the brief. Please do get in
 touch with us if you have any questions on this when writing your proposals.
- While we expect the proposed pricing of all bids to be within the budget indicated; if you feel there are aspects of the brief that will be challenging to deliver within the current budget please let us know when submitting your proposal. We are exploring options for accessing a limited amount of additional funding to support the evaluation, but this cannot be assumed for the purposes of the bid.
- We welcome joint bids and are very happy to help facilitate these please email Sarah Salter
 (<u>S.Salter@womensaid.org.uk</u>) if you would like us to share your details (via our tender FAQ webpage) with other
 bidders who are interested in working in partnership. Please also indicate your willingness to work in partnership
 in your proposal.
- We have amended the timeline for the tender process to allow eight weeks to submit proposals.

Points of clarification on the evaluation brief:

- The bid should outline how consistent measures/methodologies can be applied across the sites/interventions. The evaluation budget should be equally weighted across the two approaches (rather than the eight interventions) and it would be useful if you could outline how you would ensure a consistent and fair approach is applied to each organisation's work.
- The focus of the bid should be on survivors (women and girls) and should ensure a gender-responsive evaluation both in what the evaluation examines and how it is undertaken. The bid should explain how the evaluation would be co-produced with survivors.
- We expect an understanding of all our shared programme outcomes to be evident in your approach to evaluating system change. Our shared programme outcomes are:
 - a) Women and girls experiencing domestic abuse are supported by coordinated holistic approaches that increase safety, early intervention and resilience
 - b) Survivors take a greater role in co-producing the services they want and need
 - c) Evidence-based national and local strategies for responding to domestic abuse are informed by survivors
 - d) Better quality evidence of what works influences policy, practice and commissioning decisions
 - e) Reframed state, private and specialist sector response to domestic abuse that creates positive change for women and girls
 - f) Local communities mobilised to challenge domestic abuse and advocate for good quality support for survivors

We recognise the complexity of our programme and welcome your questions – please do get in touch via Sarah Salter (S.Salter@womensaid.org.uk).