

Women's Group



Our SLRA women's group provides a safe and empowering space for all women going through the immigration process. We value our members' different backgrounds, cultures, languages, knowledges, and skills. Last year, due to Covid-19 we switched from meeting in-person to meeting online. It has become a unique space for women to connect with each other, share their feeling and struggles, get some time off, and be creative together.



Community Quilt

To deepen that feeling of togetherness, the women decided to make a community quilt. With the help of our wonderful volunteers, we sent out craft kits to each woman, recorded explain videos, and sewed together via Zoom.



On International Women's Day 2021, we had a big online celebration where we unveiled the community quilt, and we're really excited displaying the SLRA quilt at the Wandsworth Arts Fringe for the first time! The quilt tells the women's stories, struggles, and hopes. For many women the community quilt helped them through the difficulties during lockdown and symbolizes the strength and power of the women's group.

Read more
about the big
community
quilt release



Women's Voices



"I think what it symbolizes is working together as a team and also gaining new skills. Because I am not much of a sewer or good with arts, creativity and these kinds of things. But it just brought everybody together and gave you a new lease of life sort of, to be able to have a goal to work towards."

"I would like to display the quilt wherever the SLRA can do so, and somewhere where a lot of people can view it."

"The quilt is just an image of what I am feeling inside of me. It is like an image that reflects myself and what I am feeling because it is an image of hope, of positivity even if we pass through hard times."



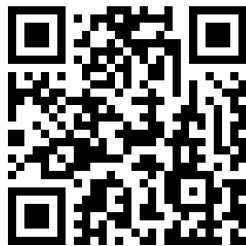


South London Refugee Association

South London Refugee Association is a frontline, Lambeth-based voluntary organisation providing specialist advice and support to more than 1,000 refugees, asylum seekers and other migrants in crisis or at risk each year. Established in 1991, SLRA is one of very few sources of free, high-quality immigration advice in South London.

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“Symbol from the group of women on protest, agitated for freedom, livelihood, home, for their children. Symbol for home, for justice, migration, freedom. We deserve a good home, good health, freedom of speech, language and expression. Women’s group are women coming together irrespective of race, background, speak with one another, bring unity, that is what this signifies. SLRA has encouraged women to find their voice.”



“I believe that SLRA women’s group has given me the chance to be part of a team bringing justice for injustice and fairness and I am thankful and happy to be part of that togetherness. I enjoy what we learn and give a big Virtual Hug to everyone online as we are not able to meet in person. I am thankful.”



“I enjoyed it, it kept me busy and it meant that I had something to keep me going and to take my mind off things.”

