Children and Young People’s Showcase
We’re really proud of the work that we do with children and young people, both in schools and out in the community. One of the greatest ways we can help to safety proof our future is to engage and educate young people and to listen and learn from them and their experiences.

We’re delighted to be showcasing their work this evening.

The projects that make up Children and Young People’s service:

The POW Project
The ‘Protect Our Women’ project is a community-based programme for young people in primary and secondary schools aged 10-25 years in Haringey. The programme engages young people in creative ways with a Champions programme supporting young people to take learning back into their communities.

Major Trauma Centre - in partnership with Redthread Youth Violence Intervention Programme
Solace, commissioned by The Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC), has teamed up with Redthread, a London-based youth violence charity, to allocate Independent Domestic Violence Advocates (IDVAs) in London’s four major trauma centres. Our IDVAs provide specialist support for young people aged 11 – 25 who are admitted into hospital due to domestic and/or sexual violence and abuse.

Young Change Makers
Our Young Change Maker group of Young People has been set up to raise awareness of VAWG through empowering young people to present their experiences and ensure their voices are heard. This aims to equip young people with specific skills and introduce them to useful strategies (whilst building their confidence and knowledge) in order to design and deliver campaigns of their own. These will be presented in a variety of mediums of their choice (art, drama, music, photography, poetry) and a range of audiences and venues (schools, libraries, community facilities).

CouRAGEus
We have joined together with a number of partner organisations (led by Women and Girls Network) to support BAME children and young people across London. Solace provides a CYP counsellor, a multi-disadvantage advocate and a community engagement worker to provide support and therapy for CYP experiencing various forms of VAWG as well as raising the profile of VAWG with children and young people.

9,610
children and young people supported in the community. Such prevention work is a key strand in Solace’s medium to long term strategy.

4,284
the number of lives affected by talks and seminars in schools and seminars with young people.

301
the number of children and young people helped and supported in our community services.
Children and Young People Outcomes:
Helped and supported 359 children and young people in our community services, helping to build their resilience and dealing with the impact of domestic violence. Preventive strategies included workshops, talks and seminars with groups of young people in schools impacting 4,284 lives.

Feminism to me, is the courage to stand up for women’s rights.

Specialist FSW Project
This project runs throughout Enfield, Haringey and Islington and provides specialist psycho-educational support to mothers and children impacted by domestic abuse in our Accommodation services. This 10-week parallel programme for mother and child aims to strengthen their relationship while reframing their experiences and explore impact of trauma experienced. There is also the provision of mother-child engaging play sessions to model and promote free, imaginative play while strengthening their relationships as well as meaningful trips to develop positive memories and create connections. This project funded until March 2023.

Generic FSW in Accommodation services
This project provides safe, trauma informed space to support children, young people and mothers living in accommodation services through assessing needs and devising support plans, as well as providing interactive activities and trips to support strengthening family relationship. This project works in close partnerships with external local agencies.

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Get Involved
We’re always looking for new opportunities to work with young people in London, to get involved please contact: cypservice@solacewomensaid.org

Fund or fundraising: We’re always keen to hear from anyone interested in funding our work or taking part in a fundraising activity for us. If you are interested, get in touch with: fundraising@solacewomensaid.org