



BIRMINGHAM COUNCIL  
OF MOSQUES

# BCM

Charity no: 1182830

HELPING THE LESS FORTUNATE THROUGH ACTS  
OF KINDNESS AND CHARITY

## Charity projects

### BCM Pound Projects update

This was the 66<sup>th</sup> consecutive month that we have helped others. For project number 66 we donated 12 female care packs to a women's refuge. The packs consisted of shampoo, shower gel, a hair brush, deodorant and sanitary products. The charity we donated to helps women from ethnic minorities affected by domestic abuse including honour based abuse and forced marriage. They support women to improve the quality of their life, health, safety and economical wellbeing. Some services offered are outreach services for victims/survivors of domestic abuse, honour-based abuse, forced marriage, rape or sexual assault who are seeking support. They also provide emergency refuge accommodation for victims or survivor of domestic abuse, honour based abuse, forced marriage, rape or sexual assault who needs to leave home immediately and have nowhere to go. Their refuge provides safe and secure emergency accommodation but a lot of these women will leave their home with little or no possessions. So, we provided the 12 hygiene care packs to enable the refuge to give out some essentials to those most at need. Domestic abuse is a serious issue, both nationally and in Birmingham.

It has a drastic, negative and long lasting impact upon the safety, health and wider life chances of women, children, and families; and drives wider crises such as homelessness and financial exclusion. Our act may be small but we hope it helps someone at a vulnerable time in their lives, as well as raises awareness an issue that is affecting our community right now.

**Fact: The police receive a domestic abuse-related call every 30 seconds.**

Yet it is estimated that less than 24% of domestic abuse crime is reported to the police.

**Fact: On average, 2 women a week are killed by a current or former partner in England and Wales**

**Fact: Domestic abuse can lead women to suicide.** It is estimated that around 3 women a week die by suicide as a result of domestic abuse.

A note to say that your money is not used as zakat but as lillah. Jzk.

**If family or friends wish to help with £1 per month please pass on the details below:**

**Monthly standing order of £1 or £12 payment for the year.**

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