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Dear Furrah Riaz,

Equality and Human Rights Fund 2026/2027 Award

We are delighted to confirm funding for 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027 as detailed below:

Total funded amount: £207,019.00

The following is a summary of the activity which funding will contribute to:

To empower BME women to raise their voices and fully understand their human rights. To create safe spaces for women to connect, share their experiences, and better understand their rights on issues like hate crime, racism, and misogyny. To ensure the experiences of BME women are heard and addressed by key statutory agencies, particularly through strong partnerships with Police Scotland, Social Work services, and NHS Health Boards.

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Your organisation will be working towards the following:

To provide a national helpline service offering culturally and religiously sensitive support and advice to BME women.

- To deliver the Sahara Scotland casework & domestic abuse service to provide support and advocacy to marginalised women, including women with

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- To deliver a telephone befriending service to help increase confidence and reduce isolation in BME women
- To raise awareness of the issues and challenges experienced by BME women among other organisations, policy makers, and the general public

To accept the grant offer, please complete the online grant agreement using the link below. The form, along with this email, serves as your grant agreement with Inspiring Scotland and explains the terms and conditions of your funding. You are required to include an active email address when you complete the grant agreement, so please ensure this is accurate, as you will be sent a copy of the grant agreement for your records to that email address. If you are unable to complete the form online or need any help with it, please contact. (EHRenquiries@inspiringscotland.org.uk).

There will be FOUR quarterly payments of the grant starting from April 2026.

You will be required to report on your **expenditure every quarter and project delivery every six months**. Funds will be released subject to the submission of the required reporting and satisfactory progress against outcomes.

We look forward to continuing to work with you.

Yours sincerely

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Programme Manager - Equality and Human Rights Fund

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