



UMBRELLA LANE

SEX WORKER WELLBEING PROJECT

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Annual Report 2017 - 2018



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Background

As a group of current and former sex workers and supportive allies, we began Umbrella Lane from the grassroots community level in January 2015 and registered with OSCR as an SCIO in August 2015. Umbrella Lane grew out of our shared frustration with the way existing services are delivered to sex workers from a political stance that views all prostitution as violence.

Our Mission & Governing Principles

To improve the health and well being of all sex workers in Scotland, through a community-based, innovative & holistic approach that recognises our agency & choices in starting sex work, managing work & sometimes moving on from sex work.

- To respect the self-determination of sex workers
- To respect and promote the human and health rights of sex workers
- To be inclusive to all sex workers and work from principles of equality, respect and recognition

Goals for 2017/2018

Coming into the 2017/2018 year, our goals followed over from the year previous were to continue developing partnerships with community organizations and build outreach within the wider Sex Work community. We aimed to bring in additional funding sources and offer more consistent peer support services.





Activities & Achievements During 2017/2018

Further development of partnerships and working groups with other support services and advocacy organisations for sex workers both in Scotland and throughout the UK

Application submitted to become a member of **Saver Lives, Changed Lives**

Continued joint work with National Ugly Mugs and Police Scotland to support sex workers in reporting violence anonymously and warning others about potential violent clients

Began weekly drop-in for peer support purposes

Attended workshop on **PREP and Women in Scotland** and Inputted into following reports on reaching sex workers

Supported individual and groups of sex workers in various issues, including safety at work, access to harm reduction, reporting of violence and exploitation

Two unsuccessful Funding Bids were submitted, and two are awaiting responses. We hope to continue to fundraise for future activities

Financial Reporting

Umbrella Lane had no income or expenditure for the reporting period.



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