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# The Thrive Network



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# About The Thrive Network

## The Thrive Network is a powerful community of like-minded donors who share Rosa's vision of a safe, healthy, and more equal society for women and girls across the UK.

**The Thrive Network provides a unique space to gain deeper insights into the issues facing women and girls today. Members can connect, network and direct their collective investment to create a transformational impact on women and girls in the UK.**

Through collective giving, members support Rosa to champion and invest in organisations led by and for women and girls in the UK.

### OUR CORE AREAS OF WORK:

### Grant making

Funding organisations that campaign for change in UK society to address male violence, empower Black and minoritised women-led organisations and raise the profile of issues affecting women and girls.

### Research

Developing compelling evidence to create the case for wider investment by government and UK society in women and girls' work.

### Amplifying and Influencing Change

Amplifying the sector's impact through communication and influencing efforts, drawing in more funding and support.





By supporting Rosa, you are helping to build a future where women and girls across the UK can feel safe, empowered, and equal. Joining The Thrive Network will help drive the impactful, frontline work that transforms lives, strengthens communities, and advances equality.

**Together, we can create lasting change for women and girls.**



# Become a member of The Thrive Network

**At Rosa, we deeply value the incredible impact our supporters have on the future of women and girls across the UK.**

As a member of The Thrive Network, you will play a pivotal role in ensuring Rosa's ongoing success, while enjoying opportunities to engage with our work and the sector you are supporting.

By pooling funds, time and talents, members create an impact far beyond what is possible alone. Each member pledges an **annual gift of £5,000 for three years**, joining a community of supporters who bring passion, expertise and resources to support women and girls in the UK.

Together, we aim to build a network of solidarity and shared purpose with least 20 members by 2028.





## AS A MEMBER OF THE THRIVE NETWORK, YOU CAN LOOK FORWARD TO:

### Priority access to signature events

Throughout the year, you'll be invited to attend events that bring you closer to the charities Rosa supports and highlight the impact of your generosity. These include 'meet the grantholder' sessions and intimate, thought-provoking discussions with Rosa's CEO or Chair, and leaders from the women and girls sector.

### Regular updates and insights

Stay connected through The Thrive Network newsletters and annual impact reports, offering behind-the-scenes perspectives on Rosa's work and the critical issues shaping the lives of women and girls.

### Exploring opportunities to help shape Rosa's strategic development

We welcome collaborative partnerships that bring together your skills, expertise and connections to create mutual value and impact.

# About Rosa

## Creating a Safer, Fairer, and More Equal Future for All Women and Girls

Rosa is the only UK-wide funder exclusively dedicated to supporting women-led organisations working to transform the lives of women and girls. Through funding and support, we invest in the critical services, campaigning and advocacy that women and girls need.

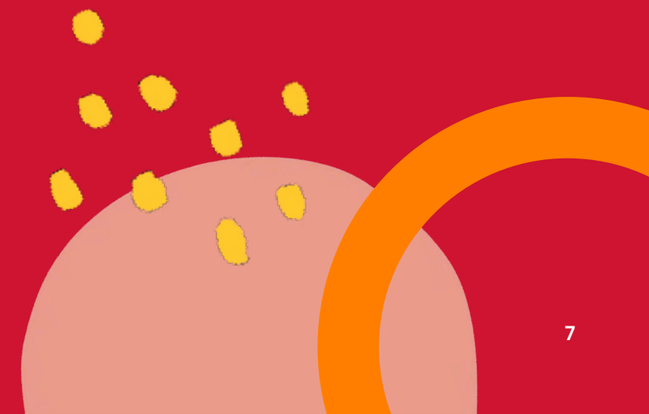




**Rosa's work supports thousands of organisations that make up the women and girls sector - a network of primarily small, specialist charities led by women, and deeply embedded in communities across the UK.**

Since 2008, we've raised and distributed over £13.2 million, impacting the lives of an estimated 563,000 women and girls. Our work covers 3 main areas:

1. We **distribute grants** to empower women-led organisations to continue their crucial work.
2. We **strengthen the sector** through training, networking opportunities, and advocacy support.
3. We **conduct research** to enable investment and engage more funders to support women and girls.



# Why Support the Women and Girls Sector?



**The women and girls sector in the UK is made up of thousands of organisations which work to address deep-rooted inequalities and provide critical support for women and girls facing some of society's most challenging issues.**

Led by women, this sector plays a unique role in advancing social justice, safety, and opportunity for women and girls. The women and girls sector creates real change and builds a society where every woman and girl can be safe, healthy and equal.



# Why the women and girls sector matters

## 1 Provides Life-Saving Services

Organisations in this sector, such as rape crisis centres and domestic violence shelters, offer safe spaces, counselling, and emergency support to women and girls experiencing abuse and exploitation. These services are often the only lifeline available in moments of crisis, providing protection, recovery, and a path to rebuilding lives.

## 2 Fights Gender Inequality

The sector challenges and addresses systemic gender inequality - from the gender pay gap and workplace discrimination to underrepresentation in leadership and decision-making roles. By offering training, mentorship, and advocacy, these organisations help break down barriers that restrict women's and girls' potential.

## 3 Champions Health and Wellbeing

Women's and girls' health issues, from reproductive health to mental health, are often underfunded and under-researched. The women and girls sector raises awareness of these gaps, supports affected individuals, and advocates for improved healthcare that respects and meets women's and girls' unique needs at all stages of life.





## 4 Promotes Racial Equity

Organisations led by and for Black and minoritised women and girls provide culturally sensitive, specialist support to Black and minoritised women and girls facing systemic discrimination. Deeply embedded in the communities across the UK, the sector campaigns and advocates for racial justice and a fairer, more equal society.

## 5 Leads Change and Advocacy

The women and girls sector has driven some of the most critical advancements in women's and girls' rights, from winning the vote to fighting workplace discrimination, to strengthening legislation to protect victims of domestic violence. These organisations continue to push for policy changes and societal shifts that prioritise women's and girls' rights, well-being, and equality.

### An Underfunded Sector with a High Impact

Despite its impact, the sector receives a small fraction of charitable funding – just 1.8% – limiting its capacity to meet the rising demand for its services. Increased support and funding are crucial for these organisations to continue their life-changing and often life-saving work. The women and girls sector matters because it creates real change, addresses deeply rooted inequalities, and works towards a future where every woman and girl can be safe, healthy and equal.







“If you are serious about wanting to see real progress and change in women’s and girls’ lives, if you are serious about wanting to address the persistent poverty that women face throughout their life, you need to fund women’s and girls’ organisations. It is these organisations that drive and sustain change and progress.”

**Rebecca Gill, Rosa CEO**

# Why Rosa?

## 1 Strong Impact

Your donations directly contribute to saving lives, empowering women, and driving legal and social change.

## 2 Extensive Reach

One donation to Rosa enables you to support a network of diverse organisations working across different regions and issues.

## 3 Expertise

With our deep understanding of the sector and comprehensive research, we ensure your donation goes where it's most needed, making every pound count.

## 4 Value For Money

We maximise the effectiveness of your donation by strengthening organisations, improving their impact, and fostering sustainability.

## 5 Leverage

Your donations help Rosa to leverage more charitable funding, increasing the amount of funding available in grants to the women and girls sector.





"There are no other funds like Rosa. Thanks to this funding, we're able to manage the organisation better and make sure it's safe and in line with policies, procedures, and regulations. We're more sustainable, robust and better able to meet the needs within the community."

**Rape and Sexual Abuse Service Highland**



## How to find out more

Our Philanthropy Manager, Lois Appleby, would be pleased to speak with you:
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## More information about Rosa

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