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Dear Chair,

### **Home Office preparedness for Covid-19: domestic abuse**

Further to my attendance at the Home Affairs Committee session yesterday, I wanted to provide some additional information on the allocation of the £2m of Home Office funding that I announced on 11 April.

I am delighted to announce that just over £900k of the funding has already been allocated to the following organisations:


- Galop
- Hestia
- Hour Glass
- Operation Encompass
- Refuge
- Respect
- South West Grid for Learning
- Surviving Economic Abuse
- Suzy Lamplugh Trust:
- Women's Aid.

The funding is focused on supporting existing helplines and web-based facilities, and their associated support services, to respond to increased demand, thereby ensuring that victims of domestic abuse can continue to access vital help and support during this challenging period.

We are in further discussions with stakeholders about the remaining £1.1m.

I am placing a copy of this letter in the Libraries of both Houses.

Yours sincerely

With our good wishes  


**Rt Hon Priti Patel MP**