ADVISING LONDONERS PARTNERSHIP

Improving Londoners' Finances and Wellbeing Together

The Advising Londoners Partnership (originally the <u>Cost-of-Living Crisis Prevention Advice Project</u>) is a strategic collaboration between the <u>Greater London Authority</u>, <u>London Legal Support Trust</u> and <u>London</u> <u>Citizens Advice</u>. It funds 41 local Citizens Advice, Law Centres and other advice agencies, working with community and faith groups, and a training programme known as 'Advice First Aid' to boost the supply of much needed welfare advice for hard-up Londoners. It commenced in September 2022 and is now in its third year. This poster summarises achievements over the first two years of the project.

53,646 Londoners helped.20,498 Londoners attended cost-of-living events.

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£24 million financial improvements for Londoners 5:1 return on investment¹: £541 for every person advised^{*}



38% of people had not received advice before. Over 84% were in a better situation with improved understanding of rights, money and help available. Two thirds were less worried after the advice. ²



146 <u>Advice First Aid Training</u> courses for over 2000 people from community agencies, increasing knowledge of social welfare rights, resources and options.³



Over 200 new partnerships between advice agencies, community and faith agencies across London. Collaboration has strengthened relationships and created new inter-agency referral routes.

For every £1 invested in the Project by the GLA, the finances of Londoners who were advised improved by £5.03. *Average.
Results of a client feedback survey responded to by 120 people in March/April 2024.

3. Advice First Aid training supports people in non-advice roles in community and faith groups to help people in hardship.



"I'm grateful for all the support I've received so far. Nobody else has been this helpful and I feel more hope than ever before. I hope I continue to receive support from you."



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