

STAND UP. SPEAK OUT!

Join FORWARD's National Youth Advocacy Programme

Build skills. Get training.
Act to end FGM.

Join a network of **young leaders** around the country working to end FGM!

Training will be in Manchester on
31st August - 2nd September

Deadline to sign up is **12th August**

WHAT IS THE YOUTH ADVOCACY PROGRAMME?

FORWARD's Youth Programme, Young People Speak Out, works with young people around the UK on the issues of female genital mutilation (FGM). We believe that young people play an important role in creating change and ending FGM, so we help to make sure your voices are heard. We also work to build your skills to be leaders and advocates against FGM and gender based violence.

The Youth Advocacy Programme is a six month programme for young people. During the programme, you will gain valuable skills and knowledge about leadership, campaigning and running your own project. You will then be asked to plan a project which you feel would help let other young people know about FGM. Finally, you will receive a small amount of money and support to put your plan into action!

IS THE PROGRAMME FOR ME?

We are looking for young people, male or female, who:

- Are passionate about ending female genital mutilation and violence against women and girls.
- Will be dedicated to the project and will commit to it for a six month period.
- Are from ethnic minority communities.
- Are aged 16-25
- Are from the cities of London, Manchester, Birmingham, or Bristol

WHAT SUPPORT WILL I GET?

Young people participating in the project will receive:

- A full training programme covering FGM, campaigning, facilitation skills, and project management.
- Fully paid travel to Manchester for the training, and to London for the final conference.
- A small amount of money to run an independent advocacy project
- Ongoing support from specialist staff and other advocates.

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

1 Just send an email to youth@forwarduk.org.uk, telling us that you'd like to be part of the project.

2 We'll ask you to send us some information about you, and why you'd like to be involved.

3 A member of staff from your city will call you for a conversation to make sure that you understand the project and are able to come to the training.