

## **AFRIL – Action for Refugees in Lewisham Advice Service**

The project is based in Lewisham in London and is supported by Blackheath Quaker Meeting.

It provides information and support to refugees, asylum seekers and vulnerable migrants who have had to flee from war and conflict in their home countries, helping them establish themselves in their new home.

The QPSW Relief grant will be used to cover the cost of renting a private room for the advice service, providing clients with a confidential environment in which to discuss their needs. The project has two professional advisors who work one day each a week, providing an hour-long advice slot to service-users, offering each person the detailed, bespoke, and in-depth advice they need. The Project Manager assists drop-in clients and their families each week through advice, referrals and other support. The project also provides telephone advice and signposting.

Over the last year, the project has helped roughly 1,500 individuals to access advice, classes, social networks and volunteering opportunities.

