



# TIME TO BE OUT

## SUPPORTING LGBT+ ASYLUM SEEKERS

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*We are working for a world where people do not need to flee from their own country because they are at risk of attack on the basis of their sexual orientation or gender identity. However, for as long as LGBT+ people do need to seek asylum and refuge in the UK, Time to be Out aims to support them and be advocates on their behalf.*

Time to be Out is a small charity which aims to promote the social inclusion of LGBT+ asylum seekers and refugees. We:

- organise days out and social events for isolated LGBT+ asylum seekers and refugees
- encourage peer support groups and activities, both online and in person
- keep in touch with otherwise isolated individuals by phone / social media contact
- offer 1:1 online English tuition (usually via WhatsApp)
- provide regular data vouchers so that LGBT+ asylum seekers can stay in contact with their befrienders, legal counsel etc.
- offer some limited financial support to help destitute LGBT+ asylum seekers
- offer some grants to help LGBT+ asylum seekers travel to meetings with lawyers, doctors etc.
- support individuals as they proceed through the asylum process (including, where appropriate, submitting evidence to the Home Office and at asylum tribunals)
- offer support to successful refugees as they apply for work and accommodation
- run workshops and training sessions on LGBT+ asylum and refugee issues for charities and other organisations
- liaise with other organisations to raise awareness and to improve the situation of LGBT+ asylum seekers