

Women in Philanthropy Harnessing women's power to help create a better future for refugees

In recent years, some of the most inspiring and important worldwide social movements have been led by women: #Metoo, #Blacklivesmatter, #TimesUp, to name a few. Gender equality is now more than ever part of the global agenda, and women's philanthropy is following suit.

More and more women are looking to use philanthropy creatively and strategically to help offer refugees protection, safety, and opportunity. We at UNHCR want to harness this energy, focus and passion as a global force that can generate change at scale, giving you and other like-minded women around the world opportunities to be involved and achieve impact in ways that match with your philanthropic needs and goals.

To do this right, we need your advice.

UNHCR would like to invite you to be part of an exceptional global project – a world first – seeking the input and advice of a very select group of 20 women philanthropists around the world.

About the project

- **Format** An in-depth, 1:1 interview, to better understand your needs as a philanthropist and how UNHCR can meet these. Interviews will last 45–60 mins and will be arranged at a date and time that suits you best. The interview itself will be conducted virtually, involving your lead relationship manager and the consultant hired by UNHCR to support with the interviewing process.
- **Confidentiality** Interviews will be recorded and transcribed solely for the purposes of this project and will not be shared, stored, or used beyond the timeframe of the project. Data collected will be used to identify trends and parallels, to inform UNHCR's philanthropy strategy. We can offer you full anonymity if this is your preference.
- **Next steps** After all the 20 interviews have taken place, the project team will bring together and analyse all data collected and use this insight to develop different ways women philanthropists could be involved in the co-creation of new models and opportunities to support and protect refugees. We will feed back to all participants in 2022 to update you on what we have learnt and what we will be doing next.

We hope you will enjoy participating in this exceptional project. Your opinions are enormously valued and will help us improve how we work, enabling UNHCR to achieve greater impact and, ultimately, engage more women with the refugee cause. Our aim is to reach more refugee families in need; your insights and feedback on what we can do better will help us achieve this, together.

Thank you.

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