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FREEDOM 2 wins £1,000 Movement for Good award

FREEDOM 2 has won a £1,000 Movement for Good award thanks to nominations from the public.

FREEDOM 2 was nominated to win a £1,000 boost as part of specialist insurer Ecclesiastical's Movement for Good awards, which is giving £1million to charities this summer.

The donation will be used to fund FREEDOM 2's art programme called FREEDOM 2 Create. This will give girls an opportunity to explore their identity, purpose and give them a voice through art.

Members of the public were invited to nominate causes close to their hearts, with 500 gifts of £1,000 available for donation. FREEDOM 2 was one of the 7,000 charities which were nominated by an amazing 98,000 members of the public to be in for a chance to win a financial boost.

"FREEDOM 2 is a charity based in East London, which carries out vital work with girls aged between 12 years and 17 years old. The vision of the work is that girls will be free from exploitation, know their worth and significance, have a voice, reach their potential and will go on and empower others. To achieve this vision we rely on our supporters to whom we are so grateful for. Thank you to those of you who took the time to vote for us." **Melanie Manning Chief Operations Officer**

Mark Hews, group chief executive at Ecclesiastical, said: "As a company whose purpose is to contribute to the greater good of society, charitable giving is at the heart of our business. We know that £1,000 can make a huge difference to the incredible work that charities do and we're looking forward to seeing how this financial boost will change lives for the better."

About Ecclesiastical

1. Owned by a registered charity, Allchurches Trust, Ecclesiastical is a specialist insurer of the faith, heritage, fine art, charities, education and private client sectors
2. Ecclesiastical is one of the UK's top five company givers to charity according to the 2017-18 UK Guide to Company Giving. After donating £50m to charity in three years, Ecclesiastical launched a bold vision in 2016 to raise £100m for good causes by the end of 2020. In August 2018, the Group announced it had already raised £50million towards its target. Find out more at www.ecclesiastical.com/ourstory

About the Movement for Good awards

1. Ecclesiastical has launched a new £1million giving programme, called the Movement for Good awards which will help charities change lives for the better. 500 charities will receive £1,000 and 10 charities will receive £50,000 aimed at supporting innovation in the sector
2. The £1,000 awards launch on 23 April and is open to all UK-registered charities. The £50,000 awards are open to all UK-registered charities with an income of less than £5m, which support the advancement of education and skills; citizenship or community development; arts, culture or heritage. For more information visit www.ecclesiastical.com/movement-for-good