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HSBC Malta Foundation Supports Malta's First Reintegration Programme for Female Offenders

The HSBC Malta Foundation has made a donation to the RISE Foundation to support Malta's first rehabilitation and reintegration programme designed for female offenders. The donation funded the purchase of a vehicle that will play a key role in facilitating the programme's daily operations and outreach efforts.

The van will provide residents with access to essential services such as education sessions, healthcare and therapeutic appointments, and community-based activities all of which are integral to their rehabilitation and reintegration journey.

Dr Paula Mamo, Deputy Chairperson for the HSBC Malta Foundation commented: "Rehabilitation is not just about reform - it's about restoring dignity, unlocking potential, and creating safer communities. Through this donation, we are proud to support RISE Foundation's pioneering work and the women who are determined to rebuild their lives with courage and purpose."

Matthew Degiorgio, Education Coordinator at the RISE Foundation, expressed heartfelt appreciation for the support: "Your support not only helps us meet practical needs but also reinforces our belief in second chances. It empowers us to continue our mission of walking alongside individuals with complex, often traumatic pasts, and guiding them in reshaping their futures in ways that benefit both themselves and the wider community."

Charlie Mifsud, Chairperson at the RISE Foundation highlights that "the female programme offers a structured and supportive environment for women nearing the end of their prison sentence, with a strong emphasis on comprehensive rehabilitation and reintegration to reduce the risk of reoffending. Without adequate support, those leaving prison face a much higher likelihood of returning to criminal behaviour, which can lead to further harm and pose risks to public safety."

This initiative forms part of the HSBC Malta Foundation's broader commitment to supporting vulnerable communities and fostering social inclusion across the country.



Photocaption: from the left: Glenn Bugeja, Secretary for the HSBC Malta Foundation, Charlie Mifsud, Programme Founder and Director – RISE Foundation, Dr Paula Mamo, Deputy Chair Person for the HSBC Malta Foundation and Matthew Degiorgio, Coordinator Education Section - RISE Foundation

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