

## Jewish charity wins award – and is congratulated by the Prime Minister

The work of the charity René Cassin – the Jewish voice for human rights – has been recognised at a major conference of faith-based and community organisations.

René Cassin won an award for its pioneering work that aims to counter the racism and discrimination faced by the UK's Gypsy, Traveller and Roma communities.

**René Cassin's Director, Shauna Leven, said:**

*I'm delighted that our work has been recognised in this way. I'm especially pleased that this award will help publicise the plight of some of our society's most marginalised minorities. The discrimination that Gypsies, Travellers and Roma face has been labelled 'the last bastion of acceptable racism'. But it is not acceptable in a modern civilised society – and it is particularly important for a Jewish organisation to say so.*

**The Prime Minister, David Cameron, sent a message of support to the winners, saying:**

*This is a brilliant way of putting the spotlight on the work that faith groups do daily across the country, and recognising those who have been at the heart of making a difference in their communities.....My congratulations to every award winner and everyone taking part.*



1. 1. Interfaith leaders at training in July.