### FRIDA | THE YOUNG FEMINIST FUND

### 2020 GRANTEF PARTINER ANNOUNCEMENT



### **IMAGE DESCRIPTION**

**A YELLOW IPE TREE EMERGES FROM GOLDEN WATERS.** 

THE TREE'S SHADOW IS REFLECTED IN THE WATER, GIVING THE IMPRESSION OF BEING ROOTS. THE TREE IS INSIDE A CIRCULAR PORTAL, IN A DARK GALAXY WITH BRIGHT STARS. LARGE CRYSTALS GIVE FORM TO MOUNTAINS THAT ALSO EMERGES FROM THE WATER. IN THE BACKGROUND, A BLUE SKY WITH WHITE CLOUDS.



### YOUNG FEMINIST MOVEMENTS ARE RESOURCEFUL, OUR CREATIVE ENERGY IS ABUNDANT, OUR RESILIENCE IS ANCESTRAL AND OUR IMAGINATION IS RADICAL.

We are starting the new year by celebrating the power of subversive young feminist organzing. In our 7th call for proposals in 2020, FRIDA has welcomed 93 new grantee partners — the biggest cohort in FRIDA's journey! — this Zine honors their stories and the feminist organizing that resists any oppressive systems imposed on us. We are actively reimagining, transforming and co-creating the intersectional feminist futures that we want to live and thrive in.

As FRIDA celebrates 10 years of resourcing young feminist organizing with core flexible, sustainable funds and opens a new decade and new era, we are constantly learning how to increase our flexibility and adapt our strategies to respond to the immediate and emergent needs of the movements while also staying committed to our long-term vision.

The year ahead leaves behind everything that is not life-affirming. We trust all the learnings from the past like magic spells to guide us on our way forward. Looking at our own reflection as a space for revolution, we are honouring all the challenges that supported us to grow and we hold gently the parts that are still healing. Our roots carry our deepest connections, ancestral love and lessons that keep us strong at the core to continue to grow, expand and flourish. The source of our power is in the relationships that sustain us, and we embrace them with care while we let go of those that are heavy to hold. We understand the responsibilities of being in community and we are present for each other in this collective energy that transgresses borders and physical spaces. As we move forward, we are reimagining care, safety and new ways of being where our sources of joy are abundant.

The stages and pathways of our journey may be different, but we know that our struggles are interconnected and we support and celebrate each others' successes.

THE COLLECTIVES FEATURED IN THE ZINE HAVE BEEN PART OF A PARTICIPATORY GRANTMAKING PROCESS IN WHICH THEY WERE ABLE TO READ EACH OTHER'S PROPOSALS AND VOTE FOR THE STRATEGIES THEY BELIEVE ARE CRITICAL TO BE SUPPORTED IN THEIR CONTEXT.

This collective process provides space for young feminist movements to learn from each other, to create connections, to build solidarity by supporting each others' work and to decide together how we support our communities.

Nevertheless, we recognize that participatory processes hold many complexities. It requires effort, time, creative resources and dedication from everyone involved. Guided by feminist principles and supported by young feminist advisors from all over the world, we are committed to continuously creating access to ensure communities are the center of the future we dream of.

Young feminists activists organize in radical, non-traditional ways, and the grants awarded to the highest voted groups in this cycle will not only support them to transform their communities, but also build feminist realities that include all of us. Young feminists movements need resources to be able to dream together, sustain their work and their wellbeing. For these dreams to flourish in a caring and sustainable environment, core flexible funding that respects the autonomy of the movements is critical.

### WHILE SHAPING THE WORLD WE ASPIRE FOR, WE ALSO SHAPE THE FEMINIST PRINCIPLES THAT INSPIRE US, MAKING THEM EVEN MORE INTERSECTIONAL AND INCLUSIVE.

This zine is also a concrete expression of the reality that we are building together: it was created in a participatory way and is a space for collectives that have received the grant to share notes of love, support and gratitude with the groups that voted for them.

We dedicate this work to everyone that was a part of the 2020 participatory grantmaking process. We are grateful to each one of the 1000 groups that dedicated their creative efforts and trusted FRIDA when submitting a proposal. We are grateful to the 72 people, including advisors, staff members, and grantee partners, who read all the proposals, identified those that met the criteria and collectively decided on priorities considering the specificities of each region. We are grateful to the 472 groups that participated in the voting process, trusted in the participatory grantmaking process and took the time to read and comment on their voting group's proposals. Finally, we are grateful to the 93 groups that were awarded and that have chosen to be part of FRIDA.

In feminist solidarity.

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This zine does not include all new grantee partners who have joined FRIDA's community this year, as some groups have chosen to remain anonymous and/or away from the public eye, due to security issues related to the nature of their work, climatic and government conditions of their region, or simply out of choice.

### SOUTH, SOUTHEAST, EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (FORMER ASIA AND THE PACIFIC)



### **IMAGE DESCRIPTION**

YOUNG PEOPLE IN DRESSES AND HOLDING HANDS, WALKING ON A LARGE TAPESTRY TOWARDS THE SKY. IN THE BACKGROUND, A BLUE SKY WITH YELLOWISH CLOUDS AND A FULL MOON. A LARGE DARK GREEN BIRD FLIES TOWARDS ORANGE PINK FLOWERS IN THE RIGHT CORNER OF THE IMAGE.



# LOVE NOTES

### MEANDERING MOUNTAIN MAHILAYEIN

INDIA

Hello Frida Family Hope there are ways that we can learn from each other, grow together, walk together as well. We learned a lot reading all the applications, and it was good to learn about all the very vital and energetically committed initiatives that all of you are leading. In solidarity! mmm

### **BORN2WIN**

INDIA

If we come together, anything is possible. Coming from a place of stigma and taboo, being frowned upon several instances, we realised there is always help and hope around us and amazing people willing to love and help.

# FRONT SANTRI MELAWAN KEKERASAN SEKSUAL (FOR MUJERES)

#### **INDONESIA**

MALAYSIA

Thank you very much for choosing our community in the youth women's community competition. we love you. all of you great. you are young feminists who work on different issues and face different challenges. even so, together we must keep trying to create a new world a just world without oppression.

### KL QUEER SPACE

Thank you so much for your support! We were so encouraged when we received the most votes. This is our first time being awarded an international grant and only our second funder ever. Since we started we have remained underground and self-funded through our activities. With the onset of COVID-19 it has been very difficult to continue. This fund means we can continue to provide services online and to small groups - even if they don't generate revenue.

### **RIGHTS CLUB**

#### MONGOLIA We are proud of human rights activists around the world who are dedicated to building a just and equitable society, regardless of gender. We believe that the power of girls can bring about social change

### ACCESS PLANET ORGANIZATION

#### NEPAL

We would like to thank for your trust upon us. We are very hopeful that the project will be milestone for strengthening the movement of young women with disabilities in Nepal!

### **HER PAKISTAN**

#### PAKISTAN

Thank you for trusting us with this amazing opportunity. We wish you all the best and look forward to working together with you in future.

# LOVE NOTES

### **ABAN** KABABAIHAN

### PHILIPPINES

We are very grateful to have your support to our initiative for the young women in Mindanao, Philippines. Though we are from different contexts and experiences on the advocacy for young women's rights, but we can work collectively with passion and love in order to make big change that we want to attain for the young women sector. As a new member of the FRIDA community, we hope to meet and to learn from each of us in whatever means. Stay positive spirit for all of us!

### **SISTERS OF** HOPE

#### SAMOA

To the survivors of sexual and domestic abuse out there, RISE UP and Say NO MORE. There is HOPE. To my family of Young Feminist, BE ENCOURGED, because together, we can change a life, one girl child at a time.

### BEYOND HE HIJAB

#### SINGAPORE

Thank you so much to the amazing groups that do brilliant work for women in their own communities, we feel so touched for your belief and votes and a strong sense of solidarity and connection to all those who are doing whatever they can to push back against the violence of oppression for women and all those who are marginalised. Our struggles are intimately connected to yours, and we will do our very best to do justice to your kind votes and trust in us.

### CIRCLE -WING OF YOUNG **FEMINIST GROUP**

Dear Young feminist teams, thank you so much for adding value to our works in the ground, without you we shouldn't get this opportunity to move forward, Thanks a lot to support us and our team is looking forward to working with you all in future to make changes and bring new creative things in feminists movements, also especially the teams working for child education, climate changes, our team having plans on working in challenges on climate changes. Thank you and sharing lot of loves and solidarity. Awaiting to link with the teams in order to make our journey more valuable.

### SISTA

#### VANUATU

**SRI LANKA** 

Thank you to everyone who voted for us — it has been a dream to be part of the FRIDA community and we are honoured to be part of this journey with you! Tank yu tumas bak agen from Vanuatu! Sista x

### **DEGENDERATION CONFEDERATION**

#### VIETNAM

This is a great honor for us to being voted by you. Thank you for believing in us, giving us a chance to making this world better with you. If you need support such as sharing experience, knowledge, skills,... please feel free to reach us. We would love to support you. Sending love and hugs to all friends and colleagues. Together, we can make this world becomes a better place for us, and for future generations.

### JUSTICIA **FEMINIST NETWORK**

We express our gratitude and love for those who synced well and supported our thoughts and initiative, and chose us for the successful implementation of our passion for ensuring gender justice. The role of women feminist lawyers are fundamentally shaping the grounds of equality and equity at the policy level in this supremely unequal, unjust, and complex societal structure based open patriarchy. With this initiative, we will build a stronger feminist network and stand in solidarity with all who understands the importance of youths and women plays in framing the future of a nation !

# ACCESS PLANET ORGANIZATION

"Visibility of young women with disabilities and their capacity is our greatest accomplishment. After the establishment of the organization, young women with disabilities and their ability in different sectors like sports, leadership have been more visible than before. The local government, other community and civil society has started to trust the capability of young women with disabilities."



# LOCATIONFOUNDED INNEPAL2015

FACEBOOK https://www.facebook.com/Access-Planet-690606924346719/?eid=ARBwjmvMurpuhymsrZV8dkxrxS1k7tbHt\_IE-Ir YLzBhIOpYIGzyaE9AO7my9TGoTrQLFNo5GfuT8IOB&timeline\_context\_item\_type=intro\_card\_work&timeline\_context\_item\_ source=100001429086327&fref=tag

Founded in September 2015, Access Planet Organization envisions the society where every people including women with disabilities (WWDs) are empowered to guide their life in their own hand. Their Mission is to empower persons with disabilities by building equitable environment in the education, economic opportunity, social and cultural participation through capacity building, lobby and advocacy, making them independent, capable, productive and responsible members of the society.

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"Each time a reader tells us that they feel less alone and that they have been waiting for a space just like ours, we feel a sense of accomplishment precisely because we have helped one more Muslim woman feel less isolated. Often times, this happens when the topic discussed is rather poorly discussed or subjected to stigma, such as the issue of Muslims who come from a minority sect, domestic abuse, or even the feeling of not being 'Muslim enough!' We value each person's voice very much, and because our dominant medium is the written word, which is can be intimidating for many people, it is a kind of magic when someone sources the courage to share their story. When they do this, the connection and magic that they bring is undeniable and the response is very touching to witness."



BEYOND

THE

HIJAB

Beyond The Hijab was founded in 2014 with the mission of fostering and creating a space where Muslim women in Singapore can share their own stories and perspectives on their own terms. In an environment where many Muslim women and doubly minoritized and are spoken over, this is an aim that remains necessary. Additionally, they also aim to substantively and compassionately explore the diversity of experiences within their community itself, especially those whose narratives are attached with stigma and negative stereotypes. Their hope is that in slowly and compassionately building a community, Muslim women can feel more represented, understood and less isolated.

# BORN2-WIN

"Being sex workers, trans\*women and dalit women (in reference to Indian caste system) getting funds has always been very hard so our team has always been resourceful with limited funds and have managed to provide an office space, helping closeted trans\*individuals and skill development for trans\*individuals and contributions to arts through involving more of them in the fields.We conduct the trans\*achievers award function which creates role models within the community for trans\*people to recognise the barriers they can break."







2013

The group was founded in 2013, and aims for the empowerment, education and employment of the trans\*community in Tamil Nadu and of sex workers, people living with HIV and marginalized communities from within the trans\*community. The group is creating leaders from within the community to solve problems and helping sex workers lead and create change. Rehabilitation and rehoming of trans\*persons and trans sex workers was a major feat for the group.



# CIRCLE WING OF YOUNG FEMINIST GROUP

"Suhanya is the youngest child in the family which was severely affected by the Tsunami, the family displaced from Kallady to Swiss Village located in Batticaloa. Her father went for daily work, and got a wage from that. He drank every day and touched the children and her mother. Due to this insecure atmosphere created by her father she dropped her studies before taking ordinary level exams and fall in love with the person and got married before 16 years of age. Afterward her husband started harassing her since he is jobless and need money from her, also he started stealing money at home and continues domestic violence for Suhanya, She came to meet our team,got assistance from us,we linked with the right authorities (police, legal aid commission to get legal assistance) also we arranged her to continue her studies, Now she is studying and goes for part time work."



2019



The Circle-Wing of young feminist group was founded in 2019. Their Vision? Towards an energized, competent and responsible Young feminist leaders and a women society. Their mission is to attain prosperity and community harmony in Sri Lanka for women. They strive to augment Women Society Organizations capacities and to foster strategic coordination among women Organizations, young girls and boys teams. They believe that good government, a vibrant womens' society, vibrant and educated young girls and boys team, go hand in hand. They encourage inclusiveness, structured dialogue and accountability.

# DEGENDERATION CONFEDERATION

"Another happened at the middle of 2019, our group network and colleagues had spoken about discrimination, the lack of transparency and experiences of inequality in the working process of an NGO with grassroot activists. That's a huge dark picture we hadn't told anyone for years. Our action encouraged other voices to speak up and stand with us. However, they all refused to admit the truth and didn't take any responsibility or apologize to us. They stayed quiet and left us out of all of their events. Some people would say we all failed but we knew we win because we were really brave and strong to speak out the truth and fight for the right thing. That was a hard time. Speaking up exhausted us but we felt so proud of ourselves at the end."

### **DEGENDERATION** CONFEDERATION



2019

FOUNDED IN

In 2019, they formed their group, a working group formed by feminists, and LGBTIQ advocates, advocating against the absurdity of gender theory, raising the political position of each group in the movement so they couldn't be silenced and left behind. In the next 5 years (2019-2024), DGC will focus on advocating for intersex rights, and then nonbinary minority groups and queers with awareness-raising activities for both communitybased organizations and civil society organizations about the knowledge of sexual diversity and methodology of the social construction of gender. At the same time, DGC builds space for sharing knowledge, tools, and experiences to not only work together for social mobilization but also be a strong support platform for voicing inequalities and discrimination.

# DHAARCHIDI

"We wish to understand different women's experiences through all of these realities. Women do more than 70% of the work in fields, forests and city-building, yet are marginally involved in any form of decision making. We aim to challenge the propaganda of media and mainstream discourse, especially by bringing women's perspectives out into public and web spaces," they say. During the COVID crisis, they began to feel the need for spacious solidarity and closeness. During the lockdown they worked on a crowd-sourced collage of women's experiences during lockdown, which brought about the understanding that women's lives, struggles and roles were not 'locked down' but busier than ever before. Therefore, the group came together to work in a stronger direction towards building a bigger and more connected team to take up issues, reflect and act, agree and disagree, and value women's narratives as a valid way of understanding the world. "At this moment our success is that we are committed to non-formal organising, and to spending time making sure our values and actions are emerging from the necessities of women and the planet in this moment," they say.



### LOCATION INDIA

FOUNDED IN 2018

Meandering Mountain Mahilayein was initiated in 2018, but has grown and focused their work since then. They started off doing youth consciousness building work and publishing a local histories magazine. In the last year, they have come together as a group of young women, an informal collective, that works together to understand, respond to, create public interaction around and amplify the voices and stories of women in their region. While their region is predominantly rural, it is fast growing with a lot of migrant workers bearing the brunt of this "development".

# FRONT SANTRI MELAWAN KEKERASA

- 1. They can invite the women's movement to advocate for cases of sexual violence at the Ploso pesantren.
- 2. They can enliven the case in the local and national media in our country.
- 3. They can do a demonstration in front of the police station.
- 4. Ploso cases are becoming popular in our country.

### FORMUJERES

Front Santri Melawan Kekerasan Seksual



FOUNDED IN 2018

LINKTREE <u>https://linktr.ee/for.mujeres</u> FACEBOOK <u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100046293133068</u> INSTAGRAM <u>https://www.instagram.com/p/CD5OXVGgesu/?igshid=7hti1tcnsrbg</u>

Their mission is to build an organized students power to eliminate sexual violence and abuses, especially in young Islamic religious groups, the Pesantren circles, and in other educational institutions in Indonesia. They have a vision of a new world — a world where all forms of sexual violence and dominations over women and marginalized groups—especially young people—are abolished. This vision is the starting point of their collective. They aim to spread awareness about sexual abuses, to encourage young women and students to struggle against sexual violence and other kinds of violations of body authority, to build a healthy community where young women feel at ease and given space for self expression, creativity and growth, and to break stigma and discrimination around gender and sexuality.

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"Our group co-organized the 3rd Girls' Rights Forum on the occasion of the International Day of the Girl Child with financial and technical support of the Princess center. Over 100 teenage girls from different parts of Mongolia attended the forum. This forum was organized under the theme of girls' Rights and Discrimination and it consisted of three panel discussions. In the first panel of the forum, members of our group presented the following presentations to participant girls such as, 'What are girls' rights?', 'Discrimination against girls', and 'Discrimination and girls' rights violation'. In the second panel of the forum, girls from different groups (teenage mother, girl with disability, orphan girl, rural girl and LGBTQI girl) shared their stories on how they have been discriminated with attendee girls. In the future, we are planning to take steps to end the Girls' Virginity Test which is a violation of girls' rights."



In 2017, the PRINCESS Center implemented the "Girl Leadership Program" for the first time in Mongolia. Through this program, they learned about human rights and gender equality, and how their rights are being violated at every step. On the other hand, girls are being blamed for acknowledging that this is normal. To this end, the Girls ,Rights Club was established in 2018 and it was the initiative of an alumni of the Girls' Leadership Program. The mission of their group is to contribute to the creation of girls-friendly society with meaningful participation of empowered Mongolian girls. The main goal of their group is to make changes in the current society and to create a non-violent society that values girls' and women's rights. As well as a society with the participation and initiative of empowered (leaders) and human rights activist girls who aim to bring positive changes to the society.

# HER PARSTAN

"Since its inception in May 2018, HER Pakistan has impacted the lives of more than 15,000 individuals across the world with our on-ground and online activities. Our biggest achievement is when shy and hesitant girls and women open up about their problems related to menstruation, childbirth, fertility and even domestic violence. These girls and women who were once shy to talk about anything related to their body, are now confident about their bodies and love themselves. With every session in the community or in schools, we see how women feel more confident about their bodies and the realization that access to information and health care is their basic human right makes them feel empowered and in control."



**LOCATION** PAKISTAN

FOUNDED IN 2018

HER Pakistan is a youth and womenled not-for-profit organization that empowers individuals about menstruation through education, service and advocacy. The organization was founded in May 2018 by two sisters based in Pakistan. Their community education program consists of awareness sessions in the most marginalized and underprivileged communities, where women lack access to menstrual health education and menstrual products. Their School Puberty Education program prepares adolescents, their parents and teachers for puberty and associated changes and challenges. Their online community on Facebook; Oh My Period! is a period-friendly digital safe space for menstruators from all over the world to talk about everything related to menstruation and to learn from each other's experiences. Their COVID Relief Campaign supports individuals with their menstrual health needs. We have served 2300+ periods. We are also providing menstrual cups to healthcare and hospital workers who are tirelessly fighting at the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic.

# JUSTICIA FEMINIST NETWORK

"Justicia identifies itself as a feminist network and this is the first time that any such network is established in Bangladesh. Our country is a socioreligiously conservative society and feminists are severely stigmatised, shamed and abused. One of our success story for us is that, for the first time in Bangladesh we have conducted UNWomen's HeforShe campaign in remote areas and received positive responses, which helped the group members and their allies to understand the importance of the strategy of bringing men in to the discussion table in order to achieve the feminist agenda. We are a network of feminists and do not depend entirely on any donor for our work and activism. And here lies the main magic of JUSTICIA that 'We do what we believe in and we believe in gender justice!""



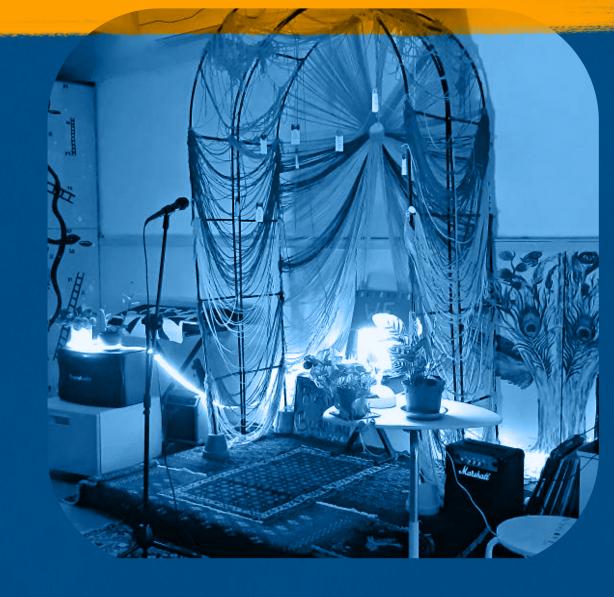
JUSTICIA

Network

JUSTICIA is a network for feminist women legal professionals. This network system primarily aims to connect and strengthen the network among the feminist women legal professionals and young law students. Justicia aims to put feminist lawyers on the same knowledge, experience and opportunity sharing platform in order to enhance their capacity so that they do not lag behind their male colleagues and actively contribute in accelerating the process of gender justice in the society. Keeping this essence and passion for gender justice in mind, in 2016 a group of feminists lawyers established Justicia feminist network which is the one of a kind in Bangladesh.

# ROUEER SPACE

"We have successfully run 100+ workshops (in person and online) including accessing rights, filmmaking and creative writing. We have produced film content as well as 7 zines, compiling Malaysian LGBTQ2I creativity. **Completely self-funded by contributions** from founders and our 1000+ members, through 50+ major events, showcasing 300+ performers to thousands of participants from the LGBTQ2I community. Throughout, we have maintained strict privacy policies for the safety of our participants, and successfully operated without interference from authorities. We have strengthened feminist leadership by particularly empowering women, trans and youth to lead solutions to their own rightsbased issues. For instance, KL Queer Woman **Discussion Group ran a landmark workshop** with the only trans man lawyer on the Malaysian Bar Council- sharing professional advice with 40+ LBT women on how they can protect and assert their rights."



LOCATION MALAYSIA

FOUNDED IN 2016

Queer Space was founded in October 2016 as a performance event bringing together all genres, sexualities, genders and ethnicities. h April 2018 their first physical space opened for 6 months, followed by a larger premises in May 2019. They are a queer affirming physical space that focuses on raising awareness, advocacy, service provision, networking and empowerment to mitigate violence and discrimination experienced by LGBTQ2I people in Kuala Lumpur. They encourage creativity as a catalyst for community cohesion and trauma release. Social isolation is confronted through community responsive programming. More spaces are created to network and collaborate by strengthening LGBTQ2I women-led initiatives that empower the community to access their rights. We celebrate diversity, support community led decision making, cultivate free expression and forge valuable relationships. Services cover creative expression, knowledge sharing, networking, workshops, emotional support groups, mental health support and capacity building.

# ABAN KABABAHAN

"Laban Kababaihan has sustained solidarity despite the diversity and intersectionality among the members. Although all women, the members belong to different age groups, cultures, and beliefs. We always employ the principle of respect and sensitivity to the individuality and distinct contexts of the members, but however we work collectively to our common issues and agenda as women."





FOUNDED IN 2018

Laban Kababaihan was founded last 2018 by some local women leaders from different communities in Mindanao, Philippines. Laban Kababaihan works on advancing the political rights of the tri-people (Muslims, Indigenous People, and Migrant Settlers) women in Mindanao through intensifying the campaign and advocacy activities. Specifically, Laban Kababaihan has the following objectives: 1) to enhance the awareness and capacities of the women to plan and to launch campaign activities/ program on women issues, 2) to provide space for exchanging experiences and strengthening solidarity, 3) to lead broader campaign actions to protect the women from any forms of violence, 4) to promote the ecosocialist feminist framework in the society, and 5) to sustain the collaboration and solidarity with other gender identities towards broader advocacy on women's rights and gender equality.

# SISTA

"When Sista was first established in 2016, we started as an online magazine. As the years went by, our work expanded beyond information sharing and towards implementation. In 2018, we began our journey as a charitable organization. In 2019, we officially registered! We believe that our greatest magic is that we keep the conversation about gender equality alive and that we promote self care and self love 365 days a year through our social media platforms! We talk about issues that are considered taboo and we break barriers by being creative and innovative. Recently we created an online library that brings together gender-related resources to ensure that information is accessible to all. But we also try to have fun — for example our Sista Gat Style fashion shoot shows the diversity of Ni-Vanuatu women and we use the shoot to leverage other issues including women's rights, economic empowerment etc."



**LOCATION** VANUATU

FOUNDED IN 2016 Sista is a charitable organization, established in Vanuatu in 2016, which is driven by feminist values. Sista aims to use arts, media and communications to empower women and girls, raise awareness and advocate on issues that affect them. Sista aims to help Vanuatu to achieve a gender balanced and respectful society. Their vision is a world where women and girls are able to enjoy their rights and participate fully in decisions that affect their lives. Their mission is to work with women and girls to promote gender justice and women's representation in Vanuatu.

# SISTERS OF HOPE

"I was sexually abused by my biological father at 9. I turned to my mother who took my father's side. I confided to a friend who contacted my helpers. I am 21 years old now; an Ambassador against child sexual abuse, encouraging other girls who have walked the same path as I, that there is always light at the end of the tunnel. When I became a shelter residence in 2012, I was an angry child. But I found peace in the oddest places. Digging the soil releases my anger. Seeing my plants grow makes me happy. I gave the garden my own name: Leilua's Peace Garden. In 2019, I travelled to London, and met Prince Harry, to receive the Commonwealth Innovative Award for my Peace Garden. Close to 300 abused children found peace at my peace garden, and together, we are building a stronger generation of young feminist."





FOUNDED IN 2018

FACEBOOK https://www.facebook.com/samoavictimsupportgroup/

The Group was founded in 2018 by survivors of sexual abuse who found refuge at the Camps of Hope shelter facility operated by Samoa Victim Support Group. The sisterhood's mission is to promote a family atmosphere among its members, necessary for them to rise up from the ugliest reality of being sexually abused. The groundwork for the scope of the Group's work is set out while the survivors are in residence at the shelter. This is where a support network of sisters is formed which has greatly assisted with the girls rehabilitation, and their eventual reintegration back into the community. It is also at the shelter facility that the sisterhood approach to life outside the safety of the shelter facility is introduced. Over the years, members of the Group have become Ambassadors against sexual abuse, speaking publicly in schools, amongst youth gatherings an in the media as their awareness platform.

### CENTRAL EASTERN EUROPE, CAUCASUS, CENTRAL AND NORTH ASIA

### **IMAGE DESCRIPTION**

FIVE PEOPLE LOOKING AT THE CAMERA AND HOLDING A FLAG IN THE COLORS OF THE RAINBOW. THEY RAISE THEIR HANDS IN SYMBOL OF STRENGTH. THEY ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF YELLOW FLOWERS. IN THE BACKGROUND, THERE IS A DARK BLUE SKY WITH PURPLE AND A WANING MOON AND THREE GREEN, YELLOW AND RED BIRDS.



# NOTES

### **CLUB SPORTIV** OCAZIONA

We really appreciate your support and we will do our best not to disappoint you! No matter what you do, just do it, at least you're moving in a direction.

ROMANIA



Дорогие подруги, дорогие сестры! Спасибо вам за то, что вы поверили в нас и отдали свои голоса нам. Вы дали нам возможность быть с вами, бороться за свои права, сопротивляться и быть самими собой. Для нас это очень важно и мы оправдаем ваше доверие и хотим сказать вам, что мы очень любим и ценим вас всех!

### FEMHOUSE ARMENIA

#### ARMENIA

In these days of the pandemic, we find ourselves in a situation that requires a lot of effort and patience. Many of us face even more difficulties, problems, and limitations due to the lockdown. With this message of solidarity and care, we wanted to share our positive energy and stubborn spirit with you. Please do not forget about self-care, mutual support and empathy, which is even more important these days. Last but not least, thank you for all your support and encouragement! Warm energies and love to all of you. Stay well!

### LATVIAN DRAG KING COLLECTIVE

We are so thankful to everyone who voted for our group for us to be the lucky ones to receive this amazing grant! It was so inspiring to read all the proposals from nearby countries that face very similar governmental and societal oppression as us and to see that there ARE groups that are actively fighting against them. We cannot express how much it means when fellow activists acknowledge our work as important and beneficial. It has been tough but so very worth it! Thank you from the Latvian Drag King Collective!

### LATCHO DIVE

#### MACEDONIA

All women and girls should seek for their rights, fight against the discrimination. Be motivated, educate yourself as much as you all can, be a role model in your communit and raise you voice whenever needed, possible. We are all worth and we should always stay together, because together we are stronger and louder. < 3

### **SOCIAL LAB**

Thank you all for believing in our idea and giving us the opportunity to start working in something that we have planned for a long time. We are united and we are one, no matter where we are physically. – Social Lab Team.

KOSOVO

It is a great honor for us to receive this grant from Frida, especially as all other groups from our region had such interesting and important projects submitted. Thanks to everyone who voted for us, we hope we will not let you down and achieve all the goals we set for ourselves. We want to share our love and support with all those queer and women-run organizations, especially during these hard times. We want to show our solidarity with everyone in need and especially, LGBTQ+ activists in Poland, as they are being repressed because of the government's anti-LGBTQ+ attitude.

### ВОЧКИ ДЛЯ **(GIRLS FOR GIRLS)**

#### RUSSIAN **FEDERATION**

#### LATVIAN

### GRLZWAVE

#### **GEORGI**

# РОЗОВЫЙ КРУГ (PINK CIRCLE)

"Our group consists of three different activists with different opinions and varying areas of involvement. We do not always have the same ideas; we often come across questions that some of us have not thought about. This does not impede our activism but rather fosters it. We have learned to communicate with each other, to approach conflicts constructively, including (and this is especially important) ideological ones. In the times of activist personal and ideological fragmentation and fights, such experience is a success story."



LOCATION RUSSIAN FEDERATION FOUNDED IN 2019 The group's members met through the activist community in St. Petersburg as they participated in each others projects. Together they developed a set of important shared values they wanted to fight for. They wanted to speak about gender inequality in Russia and the world, social justice, rights of people with disabilities, as well as LGBT+ people through entertainment and educational projects.

# ELUB SPORTIV OCAZIONA

"We had a strong community feeling when we organized a Christmas Party for all the participants and got really good feedback on our work. There were women that said they changed their perception in a positive way of the LGBT community because of playing football with us. Also our team won the 3rd place in an amateur competition and we're really excited."







In January 2018 the group learnt about the first LGBT football tournament in Romania. For the sake of the cause a member gathered her friends, and registered a mixed team. This is how Club Sportiv Ocazional (Occasional Sports Club) began. In the beginning they had no regular meetings, but then they saw that there weren't many options for women to practice football so they felt the need to establish a more organized activity. So they met every week. Football is fun and they wanted to make it more accessible to women that otherwise wouldn't have the opportunity to play. Because they were playing in parks and other open areas, they faced criticism and they were often bullied or made fun of, but they didn't stop and with a friendly approach on their social media channels they improved the participation. Their group's mission is to offer a safe space for young women from diverse backgrounds to practice football.

# FEMHOUSE ARMENTA

"The opening of FemHouse Armenia with its two important parts such as FemLibrary and Queer Café is a significant story for us. It was a beautiful, empowering, touching and inspiring process of collective efforts, participation and care. Overall, several dozens of people (155 exactly) from Armenia and even overseas were involved in this powerful journey of establishing the firstever feminist library and queer cafe in the country, the opening of which is another significant outcome, especially for Armenia's queer and lesbian communities. Formation of independent reading clubs and organization of self-led initiatives at FemHouse is another significant part of HERstory in Armenia. FemHouse hosts both private and open discussions, preparation for public actions and work meetings in collaboration with diverse activists and allies. During the last two years, FemHouse organized around 62 big events. There were 7-60 people attending each event, depending on its target, format and scope."



LOCATION ARMENIA

FOUNDED IN 2017

The collective was born in 2017 when a group of young queer feminist activists, writers and artists, reflecting on their years-long contribution in feminist and other social movements, realised the need of a critical space that would unite feminist activism, art and knowledge together. The idea of their communitybased initiative was born out of nightlong conversations with diverse feminist, queer, anarchist, environmental and antimilitarist activists about the importance of cross-movement collaboration, collective power building and intersectional feminist thought. The space was created in 2018 as a place to dream, strategise and cocreate in afeminist village of courage, self-care and resistance.

# GRLZWAVE

"In less than a year our audience consists of more than 33 000 followers. Our social media responses such as post reach (more than 300 000 every week) and views (more than 100 000 views every week) are really good. Moreover, we get quite some interest from the media. Most importantly, we often get heartwarming messages from our audience members, who thank us for creating the platform and support us in many ways. Each message that says we helped in any way or gave them needed information, motivates us, and helps us be better."



2019

**GEORGIA** 

Grlzwave was founded on 9th of September in 2019 by three feminist women. Our goal is to motivate young people, and especially girls and queer individuals, to be comfortable in their own bodies, to speak up about problems they are facing, and to be who they want to be, despite what society expects from them. We want young people to strive for societal change and way of thinking, so they can live in a world free of stereotypes. Our mission is to star the discussion on topics that are still taboo in our country, represent marginalized groups, and create a safe space for everyone.

### NITIATIVE FOR FIGHTING GBTIQ\* YOUTH HOMELESSNESS

"We have been very successful in connecting with other local organizations that work with (general population) youth experiencing homelessness. They have been very supporting, recognizing the problem, and very open to cooperation, especially when it comes to field work. It is of great importance to us to have these organizational allies that can support us with their experience, and with whom we can start the dialogue about the importance of addressing LGBTIQ+ youth homelessness."



FOUNDED IN

2019

LOCATION Slovenia

The group was founded in 2019. Their mission is to raise awareness about LGBTIQ+ youth homelessness, to provide a safe space for LGBTIQ+ youth with the experience of homelessness, and to enable their access to other relevant organizations and service providers. Their vision is a society where young LGBTIQ+ people have strong support networks, feel welcome in the community no matter their personal circumstances and experiences, know where to turn for support in situations of (housing) crisis and feel empowered to do so.

# LOBBY LGB

"Our magic lies in the diversity of our group - of age, experiences, activist methods and approaches, personalities, and identities. It shows in our accomplishments we managed to publish an educational antidiscrimination book 'From A to Z about LGBTOIAP' which reached out to over 9000 young queers in Poland; went to towns declared as 'LGBTfree zones' and educated over 200 people on LGBTQ+ rights; distributed over 20 thousand stickers with queer slogans all over Poland; organized demonstrations and queer street actions; provided support to numerous young queer persons: educated and empowered queer groups, ensured legal counselling for arrested activists and we continue to do this. Our actions resulted in unifying and radicalizing LGBT organizations."



LOCATION POLAND FOUNDED IN 2019 The group was founded in 2019 and is now in the process of establishing an organization. They act for queer community through radical empathy and mutual support, empowering and mobilization of queer activist groups and movements, education and direct activism in the public sphere. They stand firmly against patriarchy, capitalism, misogyny, all forms of discrimination and systemic exclusion. They envision the world in which queer individuals are protected from systemic violence and discrimination, feel safe and can realize their full potential, in which queer communities are able to act freely and flourish.

# REBEL READERS OBUNJENE ITATELJKE

"The War from the Children's Perspective was our first big project; it was also well received among various readership. We published a book of essays written by fifteen young female critics from ex-Yugoslav region. Our idea was to bring attention to the often marginalized perspectives of women and children in narratives about war written in the countries of former Yugoslavia from WWII to present day. This book represented a beginning of our regional collaboration that continued in our latter projects. With each project the group has been expanding, inviting more collaborators in the group and the regional network. We gather every year to present the results of a joint project and to make plans for the future. The work on creating a strong network of female literary critics in the region is fundamental to our goal of eradicating the nationalist and misogynist values prevalent in our cultural fields."



**LOCATION** SERBIA FOUNDED IN 2014

**Rebel Readers was founded** in 2014 with a vision to strengthen the feminist literary movement in the post-Yugoslav region, especially in the field of critical writing. Since then, they haveencouraged young women to engage in the public sphere with their feminist interpretations of literature, putting a special spotlight on women as literary authors. They have offered alternative education to young women and members of LGBTQ+ community in critical reading and feminist, queer, anti-colonial and ne Marxist criticism. They have also established a regional network of feminist critics with whom we work on many projects and created two website where we regularly publish critiques, essays and interviews on literature for children, young adults, and adults.

# ROMA WORLEN OF PARTILIZATION

"The Magic of our work is that we started from only our own will and power to change and did not comply with invisibility. We were recognized as well as our efforts to changes Roma girls and women's lives on the left bank of the Danube in Belgrade."





Roma Women of Palilula was founded in 2015, in Borca, part of Belgrade. Their work focuses on the protection and promotion of human and minority rights, focusing on Roma population, especially protecting Roma women from violence, discrimination and homophobia. Their vision is for Minority women to be emancipated, equal and respected in the society. Through activism and community work, their organization empowers and educates minority girls and women to fight for their rights, lives without violence, discrimination and homophobia.

# SOCIAL

"Our biggest accomplishmentis advocating for sexual and reproductive health in Kosovo as young women. Talking about issues related to sexual health can be hard in our community, but by utilizing technology, we are able to reach a big number of young people through our mobile phone application called 'Shnet'."



**LOCATION** KOSOVO FOUNDED IN 2016 Social Lab was founded in 2016. Their vision is to create a society built on the principle of equality where women and young people have the opportunities and attention they deserve. Their mission is to create safe virtual and physical spaces for young women to talk about the issues that concern them and to empower them to become part of the policy-making process in Kosovo.

### THE ASSOCIATION FOR ROMA WOMEN DEVELOPMENT LATCHO DIVE

"Strong, motivated, determined, trained and educated women and girls who decide, fight and are vocal about their rights, demands and what belongs to them. We are a group that will monitor the situation of Roma women and girls and that will make changes in society and will be an example and motivation for all other women and girls from ethnic groups."



The Association for Roma Women Development "Latcho Dive" was founded on the 8th April 2018. This organization was founded because there are no functional Roma women organizations in our country. The situation of the Roma women and girls is improving, but there is still a lot of work that needs to be done. The Roma women and girls live in patriarchal families, with strong family values and tradition. The vision of the Association is: Roma women and girls in the Republic of Macedonia are equal citizens, economically independent, actively participating in public and political life. The mission of the Association is to promote and develop the status and well-being of the Roma girl and woman in the Republic of Macedonia.

# THE LATVIAN DRAG KING COLLECTIVE

"Looking back at the time when the first Latvian Drag King Festival was still in the planning, it was impossible to predict how much of a community will blossom from it, how many friendships will be made and how much activism can be achieved through drag performance. It has been amazing to see the joy and thirst in our audience's eyes when our kings perform and to experience the creation and transformation of multi-faceted characters from our member's bodily imagination. Even if just a single person had benefited from us speaking up about afab masculinity, all the work year-round would have been worth it, but it has been amazing to see every new member join the Collective and to see our work helping young kings in our neighbouring countries Estonia and Lithuania. We are full steam ahead with our Drag King History 101 video production and the next festival in autumn!"



LOCATION LATVIA



The Latvian Drag King Collective was created for the purpose of organising the first Latvian Drag King festival 2019 in Riga, Latvia. The festival was dedicated to drag king performances (the theatrical exploration of masculinity and embodiment). The mission of the Latvian Drag King Collective is to build a more inclusive society in Latvia, by increasing the visibility and understanding of LGBT+ community members and gender. It seeks to renegotiate the traditional understanding of masculinity and to expand safe spaces via drag, education and debate. It seeks to lead with unapologetic strength in defiance of the discriminating laws and perceptions found in Latvia. The platform seeks to bring together activists and artists from Latvia and the Baltic region to strengthen LGBT+ and feminist activism.

# PEER AZERBAIJAN

"So far we have managed to develop educational mechanisms to address the most sensitive and important issues related with gender, sexuality, sexual and reproductive health as well as peace and conflict transformation. This methodology that we have used has reached thousands of adolescents and young people in Azerbaijan and empowered their mobilization at a community level."



Youth Peer Education Network

### **LOCATION** AZERBAIJAN

FOUNDED IN 2013

**INSTAGRAM** https://www.instagram.com/ypeerazerbaijan/ **FACEBOOK** https://www.facebook.com/ypeerazerbaijan/

The current group was founded in 2013 to establish solidarity of young people with intersectional identities to fight against gender-based violence and discrimination, to promote rights of women and queers, sexual health and freedoms in order to build more healthy, safe and just society in Azerbaijan and in the wider region of South Caucasus. The core mission of our group is to empower and build capacity of young people, particularly young and queer women in Azerbaijan, to eliminate all kinds of violence, discrimination and gender inequality, and improve physical, sexual and mental health through active and meaningful participation. The organization in nonhierarchal young women and queer-led group which aims to shift the local, regional and global context of gender inequalities and culture of violence by giving more resources and capacity to young women and queers to change power-dynamics and stop gender oppression.

### СПРУППА ДЕВОЧЕК-Одростков \_юнка (уилка)

"'Yunka' is a unique group of teenage girls in Ukraine. And yes — we were born with HIV! Our group stands out for its careful attitude, understanding of the strengths and abilities of each of us and desire to organize into a strong and proactive team. We study paralegal practices to be useful for HIVpositive children and adolescents in our country; we advocate against stigma and discrimination towards HIV-positive adolescent girls. We give advice and support to girls of the same age."

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**LOCATION** UKRAINE

FOUNDED IN 2020 Ukrainian "Yunka" Group was established in 2020 to mobilize leaders and activists, to provide sorority support, to mobilize the girls' community with modern, sometimes bold, proactive views on activism as a driving force in the struggle against stigma and discrimination of HIV positive adolescent girls.

### ДЕВОЧКИ ДЛЯ ДЕВОЧКИ ДЛЯ (GIRLS FOR GIRLS)

FOR

FOUNDED IN

2019

LOCATION

**RUSSIA** 

"Our group was created quite recently and therefore at the moment, we cannot yet boast about our important achievements. But we unanimously believe that we are united against the difficult conditions, where the rights of girls and women are violated every day. We have found the courage to confront the norms adopted at the state level. One of the key school problems is the dress code. We are forced to wear long skirts at school, although these skirts are very uncomfortable. School security officers at the entrance do not allow us to enter the school building if the rules of the dress code are broken. We will look for different ways to resist and promote our rights and interests. We hope that our success stories lie ahead and we will certainly share them."

The group was created to protect the rights of school girls. The group was created at the end of March 2019. It is based in Grozny, where one of the group members is currently in the 11th grade. They have united to protect not only their own rights but also the rights of other primary school girls, as their rights are similarly violated. Their primary goal is to counter gender discrimination, school bullying and unequal treatment. They want to be respected as individuals and treated as normal people, and they will work to promote their rights and interests and protect other girls.

### МЫРЗАИЫМ (THE MYRZAIYM TRANSGENDER INITIATIVE GROUP)

"We are the only initiative group in Central Asia."







The MyrzAiym Transgender Initiative Group was launched in late 2017. So far, MyrzAiym is the only trans initiative in Kyrgyzstan founded by trans people. One of the main current priorities and activities of MyrzAiym today is to increase the capacity of the trans communities as a whole, as well as specific activists and individuals.

### SOUTH WESTASIA AND NORTH AFRICA

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#### **IMAGE DESCRIPTION**

THREE YOUNG GIRLS ARE HAVING FUN AND PLAYING A SPORT. THEY WEAR YELLOW VESTS AND WHITE HIJABS. THEY ARE SURROUNDED BY YELLOW AND ORANGE FLOWERS. IN THE BACKGROUND, THE RUINS OF AN ANCIENT CITY AND A BLUE AND PINK SKY WITH A MOON IN THE LAST QUARTER. THE IMAGE IS FRAMED BY A COLORFUL MOSAIC.



# LOVE NOTES

#### LEBANON

نحن ممتنات ونقدر هذا الدعم ، ونعد اننا سنكون على قدر ثقتكن ونتحدى اوضاعننا كنساء في مجتمع ابوي وكمو اطنات في بلد يشهد ظروفا صعبة وإستثنائية على كل المستويات وعدنا ان نكون إستثنائيات ، نتطلع الى العمل معكن وحشد الجهود لنصنع التغيير الذي نستحقه كنساء

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#### YEMENI FEMINIST MOVEMENT

#### YEMEN

We are so overwhelmed and grateful for all the support from FRIDA fund and the groups that voted for us. We can't begin to express how thankful we are. Beyond that, we feel so blessed to be part of an amazing community with common goals and values. We are so inspired by all the groups and are in awe by all the great work that is being done and will continue to be done. All the love, support and solidarity from us, Yemeni Feminist Movement Tea

#### TAKATOAT

#### JORDAN

We believe that Takatoat will grow stronger and louder with your trust and support. Solidarity is always the key to lift each other up!

#### HERA

W.T.B.S.

الهي اعطيني القوة لتغيير الأشياء التي استطيع والقوة لتقبل الأشياء التى لا استطيع تغير ها والحكمة لأعرف الفرق بينهما ) ليس من السهل ان تكون امرأة دائما عليك ان تكوني مثالية ,جميلة ذكية ,صغيرة .. لا احد يهتم بما تشعرين من الداخل ولكننا نفعل ونحن نعلم انك انت فقط من يملك من القوة لتغير الأشياء والشجاعة للمحاولة مرة اخرى والحكمة للوضول ..فخورون بكم جميعا واعلموا انكم لستم وحدكم ..لم تكونوا يوما وحدكم كل الحب والدعم فريق هيرا التطوعي.

#### ANONYMOUS

نشكر كل المجموعات التي شاركت و وثقت في عملنا و أمنت بأهدافنا المستقبلية، نتمنى لكنم كل النجاح و مسيرة موفقة في مشار عيكن م المستقبلية , حب كويري نسوي

كم نحن سعداء بوجود مجموعات نسوية بهذه العظمة والقوة من الحراك النسوي الفاعل الذي يجعلنا اكثر قوة وعزيمة في المضي نحو هدفنا في السعي للوصل الى مجتمع العدالة الاجتماعية الذي يضمن مشاركة المرأة في بناء وتنمية المجتمع ويكفل كافة حقوقها تصويتكم لنا كان بمثابة الجدار القوي الساند لنا والذي يجعلنا نقف بثبات امام عواصف التحديات ونمضي قدماً في تحقيق اهدافنا تقديري واحترامي لكل المجموعات النسوية الذي صوتت لنا وتحية لكل النسويات في هذا العالم

#### LIBYA

YEMEN

# LOVE NOTES

#### FEMIN AMFI

#### TURKEY

We live in a period in which women's solidarity has reached an international level. Thousands of women from all over the world are empowering each other and our struggle. As young feminists, we are aware of the importance of the support and solidarity you give us. We found the strength we needed to hit the road in the struggles and experiences of feminists before us. We continue to learn from each other every day. On this journey, we are happy and excited to find our way with you.Our solidarity will increase the resistance against the patriarchy. Long live women's solidarity!

جمعية زاخر لتنمية قدرات المرأة الفلسطينية PALESTINIAN TERRITORY رسالتي للمجموعات الصديقة التي صوتت لمجموعتنا هي رسالة شكر وتقدير على جهودكم ودعمكم لمجموعتنا وثقتكم في عملنا ونحن سعداء بان نكون جزء من فريدا ونتمتى ان يكون هناك تواصل بيننا لتبادل الافكار والمعلومات و الخبرات التي تخدم مجتمعاتنا وتحقق اهدافنا

### QUEER WOMEN-RUN COMMUNITY GROUP

Thank you, sisters, for your support. Although we have never met, everyone is fighting for feminism in our hometowns. It is this power of women and femme that has broken down the barriers of national boundaries. races and cultures. We are in community with each other and your strengths and energy are empowering us. Sisters! Come on!

#### **NOON MOVEMENT**

#### SUDAN

Words are feckless to express how grateful we are, it's a great honor for us to be supported by such groups as we saw the intersectionality in the goals, vision, hopes and dreams, what made us believe that feminism is some sort of a global sisterhood that doesn't believe in the patriarchal political boarders, we shall remember all the groups, the inspiring visions we will do our best to bring these visions to reality in our our country and we hope that one day we would all celebrate them together.

#### **WE PLAY EQUAL**

We'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has believed in our project. With your support, we are confident that we will make our promised impact to contribute towards gender equity come true. We will particularly be more dedicated to fight gender-based violence during the shadow pandemic besides COVID-19.

#### **ASIA-PACIFIC**

#### TURKEY

### W.T.B.S

"Women make up half of society, but also, the most important element in society. Women should enjoy all their rights, and this is difficult in our society because customs and traditions have instilled a policy of exclusion, marginalization, and persecution of women. Because we are young girls, the painful reality of the harsh conditions in which women live was the motivation that made us break our silence and make a promise to ourselves that we will not stop until we have taken our rights as women and this, was not easy. We faced harassment and difficulties. Our conservative society accused us of emancipation and deviation from ethics; of inciting girls; and of being supporters of infidel countries. Because our will is our main motivation and our rights are our principles, we continue our work with great efforts despite some lack in capabilities. But, 'To light a candle is better than to curse the darkness,' and we are that candle that will illuminate our sky and which will help every woman regain her rights for she is the main cause that we shall not abandon whatever happens."



#### LOCATION YEMEN

#### **FOUNDED IN** 2017

FACEBOOK https://twitter.com/FeministHawa FACEBOOK https://www.facebook.com/somaliyouthfederation/

Founded in the Yemeni city of Ibb in 2017, W.T.B.S is a feminist group that was launched by a group of girls who believe in Yemeni women's rights to participate in society's process of development and to reject the idea of exclusion from and divestment of their rights by men.Their vision: creating a social justice community that guarantees participation of women in the process of development.Their mission: They seek to include the role of women in the process of social development by protecting, empowering, and qualifying women in all fields and advocating for all issues that require Social Justice. The group has worked since its inception in the field of defending women's rights and combating under-age marriage. The year 2017 focused on raising girls' and families' awareness against under-age marriage. The group has worked in partnership with youth institutions and initiatives on advocating against gender-based violence. The group continues, with effort, to implement its work in difficult and alerting circumstances.

### METRAS PALESTINE GROUP

"We created 'T — for Taking Action' in which we address women's issues socially, politically, and culturally, and discuss protests against oppression of women. We have formed an efficient network of female writers, public opinion makers, and influencers, and have organised courses to empower some women to write and publish opinion articles and journalism."

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#### LOCATION PALESTINE

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Metras young women group was founded in 2019 with the aim of supporting young women in Palestine to express their views and ideas on political, social, and cultural issues. In addition to empowering them in the field of journalism and media to produce solid analytical and research materials.



### HERA

"You do not tell us what to do, you tell us what we can do,' one of the participants in our projects, told us. We were born and raised in a difficult environment and we have faced and gone through all challenges and this is what made us gain the experiences to handle a difficult life in our society. This society drew our features and we learned it; we also learned its weaknesses and how we can overcome these weaknesses by having gone through them because we know our strengths. We were always united by the difficulties and the hard times that shaped our personalities and made us who we are now. So we are the ones who know this cruel society the most and we are the ones who have faced it the most. Perhaps this is what distinguishes us and what makes our work valuable, as we share our lives and feelings with others through creating a network and a safe space for those who are like us."



LIBYA

**FOUNDED IN** 2015

FACEBOOK https://www.instagram.com/hera\_lby/

HERA was established as an idea in 2015 when the team started to invest in itthrough self-supported projects; in 2017, HERA was registered as an official legalorganization. They struggle with many problems in their country, but how women are treated is the most worrying issue. There are many different opinions about how women should act and think, these decisions should be taken only by eachindividual woman. They believe that women have the ability and the power to dogreat things. Perhaps they may not know that, so they aim, through our work, tobreak intellectual restrictions and cross red lines drawn by outdated customsand traditions. They aim to achieve gender equality, reconciliation, and social peace.

# FEMINAMFI

"FeminAmfi protested in front of a store called Watsons where a 17-year-old woman, who was accused of stealing lipstick, was stripped naked. This protest led to the case going viral; the perpetrator was then fired and the firm apologized. In a period when the attacks against the Istanbul Convention increased, FeminAmfi strengthened the agenda with the action we carried out in the Family and Social Policies Directorate. Due to the spread of the images we were subjected to violence by the police, and this caused the action to be claimed by all other women's organizations. We have once again demonstrated the power of solidarity. We have disclosed several academics harassing students at universities and it turned into a #metoo movement among young women in universities.We worked in solidarity with women academics in this process. We continue to be in the prohibited areas every March 8 and show feminist struggle knows no borders."

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LOCATION TURKEY **FOUNDED IN** 2016

TWITTER <u>https://twitter.com/FeminAmfi</u> INSTAGRAM <u>https://www.instagram.com/feminamfi/?hl=tr</u>

FeminAmfi started their journey as feminist young women in 2016, after the slaughter of Özgecan Aslan in 2015. That year was a historical cross-section where attacks on the existence, life, freedom and identity of women were exacerbated and attempts to destroy their achievements were made; These forms of violence remained largely hidden as a result of patriarchal suppression. With the awareness of the importance of acting in unison and due to the original conditions of their time, their main purpose is to grow the feminist movement from universities and strengthen women's solidarity and organisation. Their organization was established to eliminate inequality between all sex identities and sexual orientations. While the violent, discriminatory, male-dominated political and cultural environment they live in is reinforcing hate speech and discriminatory behaviour towards all kinds of sexual orientations; they are fighting against the heterosexist and monosexist approach to LGBTi+ and various kinds of violence.

# NOONAD TADAMON

"Our main and essential success story is our ability to cross the serious political and socio-sectarian division in our country, and our successful creation of a diverse feminist group with multiple cultural, political, regional, and sectarian backgrounds. Another inspiring story is our contribution to empowering a number of women professionally and literally and creating job opportunities for them. At the beginning of the group's foundation, one of the participants was a former soldier who fought in the Lebanese war. She shared her experience with the participants and they all demonstrated a high level of acceptance by listening to her story and her sensitive role in a war in which most of them had lost their loved ones and their livelihoods. We continue to create feminist success stories."



LEBANON

FOUNDED IN 2018

Noon Al Tadamon was established with funding from Oxfam in 2018.Their vision is to create an effective feminist movement in the Lebanese countryside. Their goals are: Raising women's awareness; Building rural women's capacities in all fields; Stimulating political participation among women; Empowering women literately, professionally, and cognitively; Providingpsychosocial support to women and contributing to providing educational opportunities for women.

# NOON MOVEMENT

"We managed to leave our own signature in the sudanese feminist movement especially at such a crucial time (transitional government). We participated in unifying the women rights groups and organizations at one table, although we might not be the first group to demand social justice for the lgbtq+ai community, we are the first who boldly demanded justice. One of our contributions during the revolution, is that during the first year of the transitional government two of our group have been chosen to be candidates in the transitional government parliament."



LOCATION SUDAN FOUNDED IN 2018

Noon Movement group was founded during the December revolution. They gathered after noticing the mass negligence of the political actors in the political scene overlooking women's agenda. They realized that the current mainstream women rights movement is not representative of their hopes, dreams and the agenda of the movement is not radical enough therefore it's not grass rooted. They work towards establishing a new qualitative knowledge base among the uprising generation to break the cycle. Because they believe that knowledge is power.

# ORGANIZE FOR GENDER CULTURE

"Due to the circumstances in which our group has seen the light, it seems almost impossible for us to think about 'a success story.' However, we feel that our power lies in the fact that each one of us came from a different circle of feminist activism, and that despite the disappointment each one of us has felt in the past, we are still willing to embark on a new adventure with new people. We believe that our magic lies in our ability to trust the process, once again, and to dream together."

ORGANIZE FOR GENDER CULTURE

**LOCATION** TUNISIA

**FOUNDED IN** 2019

The group was founded in 2019 with the goal of making accessible gender related knowledge that is rooted in a feminist and intersectional paradigm. They believe that the time has come, for feminist and queer knowledge in Tunisia and North-Africa, to be gathered, shared, and reflected upon. They believe that it is a historical responsibility; that they ought to leave something of their lived experience to the upcoming generation, and they ought to contribute to the international, and internationalist, queer, and feminist history.

# TAKATOAT

"Takatoat is a collective working on building a young feminist movement and challenging the power dynamics in Jordan. We play a big role in mobilizing people around issues related to women's rights, and recently we played a big role in advocating against honor crimes after a young woman was killed by her father and we succeeded in taking action on ground and social media."

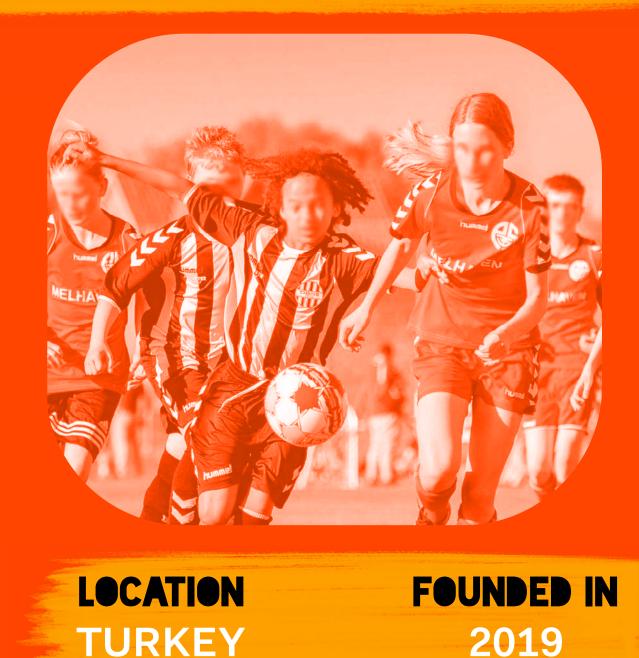


**LOCATION** JORDAN **FOUNDED IN** 2019

Takatoat is a non-governmental, independent feminist collective based in Jordan. It is led by a group of young feminist activists working together to spread the feminist knowledge, establish safe spaces for women and girls, support their solidarity and struggle against the dominating patriarchal culture, practices, policies and norms, enhance their effective participation in all sectors and ensure their enjoyment of rights, protection from all forms of gender-based violence, and access to freedom, justice and equality. They work towards a safe community where women and girls practice solidarity and enjoy their power, freedom, rights and equality.

# WE PLAY EQUAL

"We've come an incredible way in such a short time with zero to minimal budget. We are fully impact-oriented every step of the way, boosting creativity between gender issues and design thinking: We launched a large-scale online campaign through social media to encourage dialogue and action; we trained 60 coaches with the impact potential of 10,000 adolescents through a series of ,train the trainer' workshops on action against gender-based violence, changing gender norms and roles; we have built many coalitions to amplify the movement with 10+ stakeholders; we have been working adolescents from both genders as the main goal of our initiative will only be possible when working with all genders as co-beneficiaries of a more gender equitable balance of power. That's why we say louder: It only works if we play together!"



The We Play Equal group was founded in 2019 with a mission to tackle gender-based violence and gender inequality by using the socially transformative power of sports. Improving gender equity is not about changing the gender-based statistics but rather shifting the culture of communities about how they perceive gender justice. The ultimate goal of the initiative is to fight domestic violence and sexual assault against women and contribute towards gender equity by increasing awareness, inspiring collective action and fueling culture change.

# YEMENI FEMINIST MOVEMENT

"Yemeni Feminist Movement is the first Yemeni feminist online platform of its kind. We are proud to be one of the first platforms to start conversations on social media about feminism and gender equality in Yemen. Our work is sensitive and dangerous, so we do feel a sense of accomplishment whenever we start an advocacy campaign and bring a Yemeni woman's story to light. We have done this a lot mainly with stories of Gender Based Violence and honer crimes, where we demand justice for the victims through online campaigns. In addition to working on social justice, we focus on women empowerment as well. Which is why we recently launched our 'Bright Yemeni Woman' IGTV interview series where we interview successful Yemeni women and highlight their work and achievements. We strive to continue being a platform that highlights stories of incredible Yemeni women that don't often get light shined on them."



Yemeni Feminist Movement's **Online Platform was first** established in 2013 for a few months only then shut down because of attacks and threats. They revived it in 2019 with the mission to educate and shift mindsets by promoting feminism and women empowerment. Their vision is to have a society that is more supportive of women and gender equality. They aim to raise awareness, provide resources, and share knowledge using social media and storytelling in order to reach our goals.

### ZAKHER ASSOCIATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PALESTINIAN WOMEN CAPABILITIES

"Our group is distinguished by the fact that all its members are young volunteer girls who chose to challenge obstacles and difficulties to prove their inherent capabilities. They are graduate girls who have not had the luck of obtaining job opportunities in light of the crises and high unemployment that the Palestinian society is going through. The great importance of society, which enabled them to prove their presence on the ground despite the difficult economic, social and political conditions in which the Palestinian community lives. Among the most important achievements that have been achieved are: That it enjoys good relations with some financiers; Needs intervention; The association is a well-known address to various institutions and society, especially as it targets marginalized groups; Establishing partnerships and networking with associations at the regional and global level."



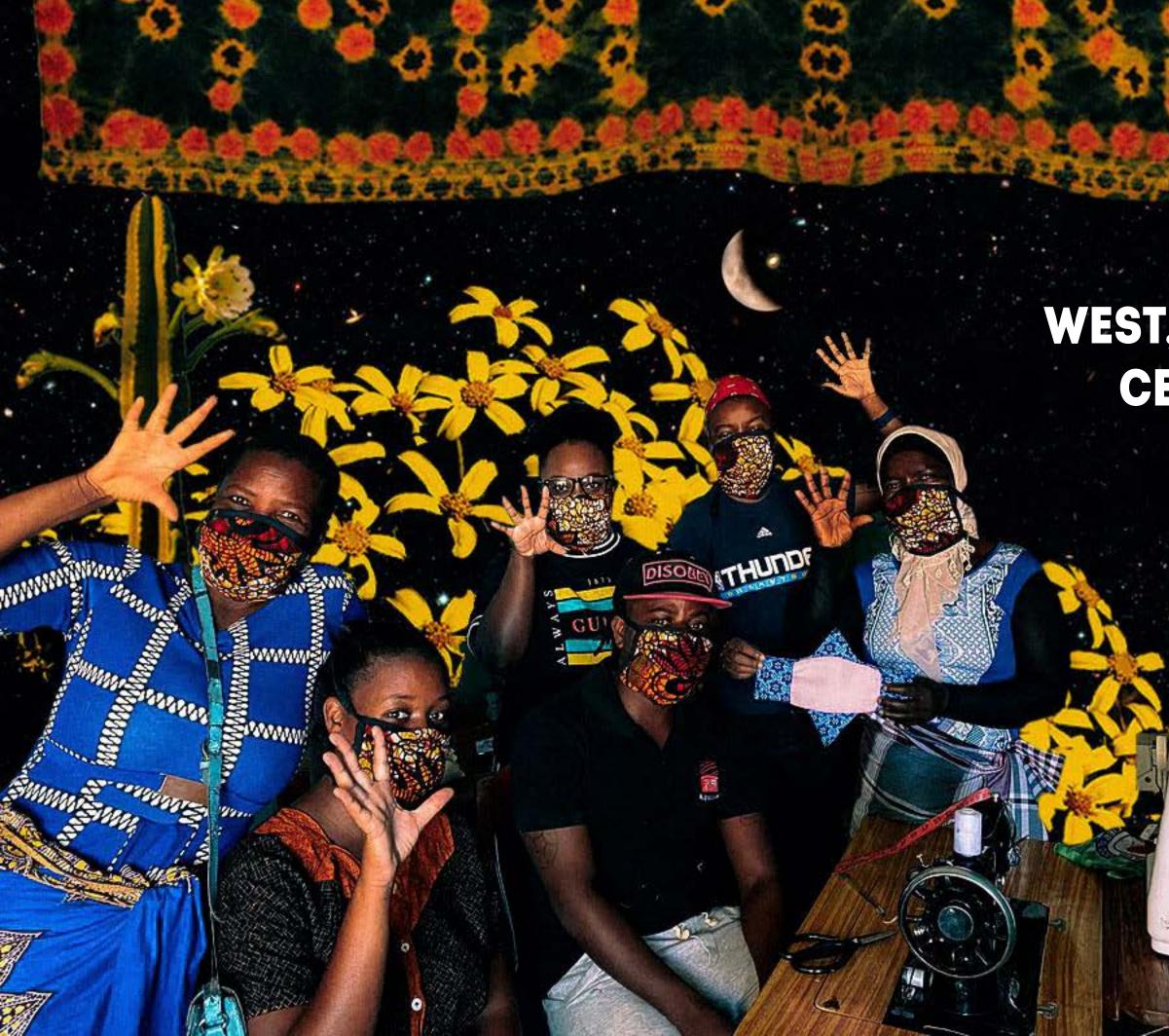
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#### LOCATION PALESTINIAN TERRITORY

FOUNDED IN 2013

Gaza City in 2013 based on a pioneering approach initiated by a group of Palestinian entrepreneurs in order to enhance and develop the capabilities of women in a way that will positively affect the family and society. And then its activities developed to include providing programs aimed at empowering and enhancing the role of women in society. Their vision: To provide distinct development services to empower women, develop children, and advocate for their rights in order to bring about sustainable development. Their mission is to seek the development and empowerment of marginalized women and children in the eastern Gaza region, especially through capacity-building, women's empowerment and child development programs. Our group is committed through achieving its vision and mission to the principles of human rights, equality and commitment to the rule of law, active participation, and empowerment of marginalized groups. Our goals: Paying attention to Palestinian women's issues, developing their own capabilities and enhancing their role in society. Educating women in the fields of childhood and motherhood care. Carrying out developmental projects that aim to empower women economically. Encouraging women to interact with community issues.

The group was established in Palestine in



### WEST, EAST, SOUTHERN, CENTRALAFRICA

#### **IMAGE DESCRIPTION**

SIX PEOPLE LOOKING AT THE CAMERA, WEARING COLORFUL MASKS AND MAKING A SYMBOL WITH THEIR HAND OPEN WITH THE PALM TOWARDS THE CAMERA. THEY ARE NEXT TO A SEWING MACHINE AND SHOWING A FABRIC THEY SEWED. THEY ARE SURROUNDED BY YELLOW FLOWERS AND A FLOWERING CACTUS ALSO WITH YELLOW FLOWERS. IN THE BACKGROUND, A STARRY SKY AND A CRESCENT MOON. ABOVE THEM AND THE MOON, THERE IS A BLACK, ORANGE AND YELLOW PRINTED FABRIC.



# NOTES

#### ISEGURI INITIATIVE

**ISEGURI INITIATIVE** wish to express our gratitude all the group who voted for us during grant section God richly bless you for your support, thank you. Charity A Nketiah

#### КАМВІ КАКАТА

**BURKINA FASO** 

Nous sommes heureuses de faire partie d'un mouvement mondial de jeunes filles dédié à la cause de la jeune fille, socle de l'umanité naissante et dont nous voulons juste, équitable, inclusive, paisible. Notre reconnaissance va à l'endroit de FRIDA et de ses partenaires qui ont décidé de consacrer des moyens pour aider de petits groupes qui ne verraient pas forcement le jour sans cela ou qui peineraient à émerger. L'équipe de FRIDA a certainement travaillé durant une période de confinement. Merci Nous disons un grand coucou aux filles qui, malgré les différentes difficultés ont voté. Nous restons en contact. Merci.

To all those feminist organizations who voted in our favour and those who never voted for us, we thank you all. We are one large family that works to change the narrative of young women, girls and transgender youth. We thank you for giving us a chance to make disabled girls voices be heard.

#### **GIRLS FOR** GIRLS

#### BURUNDI

Girls for Girls salue l'engagement, l'abnégation et le sens élevé d'objectivité aux groupes qui ont voté à notre subvention.

### **NEW HOPE GIRLS**

THE DEMOCRATIC **REPUBLIC OF THE** CONGO

**Nous NEW HOPE GIRLS remercions tous ces groupes** qui ont placés l'amour en vers nous et leur demandons de continuer dans l'amour.

#### GHANA

### PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

### COLLECTIVE RAISING

MADAGASCAR

KENYA

We have bounded from afar but we are bound in our vibrant soul and spirit and in actions for social justice, equity, freedom and love. We are sending vibes of love and solidarity to you all. ( we want to remain anonymous)

# NOTES

#### TIWALE

#### MALAW

Thank you for giving our work such support and trust. Your support is all the encouragement for us to work even harder and break toxic norms in our society. Knowing you are rooting for us is power. We are rooting for you too.

#### **INTERSEX NIGERIA**

Intersex Nigeria is appreciative of your votes that has given us this support we received to enable us carry out work and mission. We pledge our commitment in utilizing the resources to our best ability to achieve the community interest. We also know that not all groups got the funds not because they aren't qualified but because they have to sacrifice for others. We are grateful for this opportunity. Thank you!

### GREEN GIRLS

#### MALAWI

Thank you so much for voting for our group and for showing us that we are not alone in the fight for a just world where young feminist are engaged, included and heard in their environmental activism. It was inspiring reading all your work. Once again, thank you for trusting our work and choosing us to advance environmental activism in Malawi Green Girls Platform- Malawi

As H.E.R.O., we thank all of our sister organisations who supported us in this FRIDA grant process. Thank you for believing in us and our work. Know we appreciate your passion and commitment to our common work. We are in this together!

#### SABER NASCER

#### O nosso muito obrigado a todas e todos que votaram no nosso grupo e confiaram em nós. Está oportunidade vai servir para de forma direta ajudar a erradicar a violência obstétrica, que vem tirando a dignidade e oprimindo as mulheres. Khanimambo

MOZAMBIQUE

#### NIGERIA

### **HEALTH AND** EQUAL RIGHTS ORGANISATION (H.E.R.O.)

#### **RWANDA**

# NOTES

#### **LADIES WITH VISION**

#### SIERRA LEONE

On behalf of the entire Ladies With Vision team, we say a big thank you to the groups that voted for us. We appreciate the fact that you believe in us! Our team will do its best to work assiduously in implementing all task as proposed, we will not disappoint you. For those who could not get the grant, please don't relent, keep pressing, you will surely see light at the end of the tunnel. Thanks for all the love and support! Lots of love from Ladies With Vision Sierra Leone.

### BLACK WOMXN CAUCUS

To all the people who have contributed and continue to contribute to the development of this movement, we remain inspired by your teachings. Black Womxn Caucus reflects the lives and experiences of the womxn who have labored for it. As we enter another stage of growth, we remain focused on building a continental feminist movement, that advocates for and with the people we lead. We will continue to build Black Womxn Caucus to take new heights. Let us dare to dream bigger than our realities because feminism says we can.

On behalf of RiWA and young feminist in South Sudan, we would like to say the world is a better place because there is always a female out there helping others and who is always trying to make this world a better place to live. Whether it's through their actions, votes or comments, these folks deserve our appreciation. Thank you all for trusting us with your vote to receive this grants. **RiWA** Team

### HAWA FEMINIST COALITION

We convey a message of love and solidarity to all young feminists groups who have recognized the worthiness of our application and voted us to receive the grant. We extend our gratitude to you and affirm our affection and total optimism to our shared vision of creating a world free from oppression and violence. We are excited to be part of a community of young feminist groups to exchange ideas, learn from each other and establish bonds of love and sisterhood. With warm regards, Hawa Feminist Coalition Bosaso, Somalia

**SOMALIA** 

#### SOUTH **AFRICA**

### RISE INITIATIVE FOR WOMEN'S RIGHT ADVOCACY

#### SOUTH **SUDAN**

# IONE NOTES

#### GOLDEN MAMAS GROUP

#### UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

Dear Colleagues, thank you so much for the vote of confidence to our group. It is not because we deserve it, but because of the passion and motivation you have for the sake of equality and safety women and girls around the world. We promise to work collaboratively with every partner to achieve our goal in a collective power of young Feminists.

#### TRANS FEMINIST WOMENS\* ORGANIZATION ZAMBIA FROM ZAMBIA

To all young feminist groups that with great confidence voted for the young trans feminist group from Zambia in the application process of this grant cycle we would like to express our gratitude & thanks to you. Our work collectively is and will always remain incredibly vital in dismantling systems that exclude and don't include us. We send strength, love, light & great thanks to you. Like you all we will continue doing the work of radical social & systematic transformation and once more are thankful for your confidence in our beginning. We hope for collaboration & learning with you

#### KU MWANACHI FOUNDATION

Please don't give up! No matter how hard it may seem to not have gotten funding this time around, it will serve as a learning experience and give you a heightened insight on what to do the next time around. Having applied for the third time and being successful, I can assure you that you're one step or chance away from achieving your desires. Keep striving. You're unstoppable! ;-)

#### THE PINK BOX INITIATIVE

UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

We would like to say a huge THANKS to all groups that voted for our group to receive this grant. As we read through each of your projects in your respective countries during the voting stage, we were astonished by each of your accomplishments and we're so proud of you. We promise to never let you down and use the grants for the benefits of the adolescent girls and young women living in vulnerable conditions in Rwanda and Tanzania! Sending lots and lots of love! ZAMBIA

### AFRICAN TRANS #WOMENS ALLIANCE

"Being formed in January 2020 & Officially operational in February 2020 to date & ongoing. Our group despite the difficulties of the ongoing pandemic, lack of funding & operational equipment has been able to self organize. We have created a platform of interaction where we have come together collectively to discuss the kind of work we'd like to do & some of the objectives of our work." The group has been able to build networking relationships with both national and regional organizations to further enable collaborative opportunities both now and in the future and has gained guidance from existing Feminist regional & national organizations on organizing as a young feminist group. "We have been able to figure out how we'd like to organize & build on as a group & thanks to FRIDA we have been able to experience a process of fundraising."

LOCATION ZAMBIA

FOUNDED IN 2020

The African Trans #Womens Alliance from Zambia was founded in January 2020 to address the needs of transgender women in Zambia by enabling them to articulate for themselves the vital needs that are essential to the community & creating a space where the trans community has a voice and say in the kind of work the group carries out and how it decides to address it. Their Vision is to achieve equity, equality for gender minorities in Zambia. Our Mission is the creation of sustained safe spaces addressing the needs of gender minorities that last a lifetime.

# SABER NASCER

"Knowing how to be born is seen as an organization that guarantees and promotes the humanization of obstetric care, and many women embrace this initiative because they see in us a way to defend their rights in the context of obstetrics."



### LOCATIONFOUNDED INMOZAMBIQUE2019

Saber Nascer was founded in the year of 2019 and it's mission is promoting the prevention and eradication of violence against girls and women, with a greater focus on obstetric violence through the promotion of educational actions and stimulating the humanization in obstetrics services as well as train more health professionals in that area, from prenatal, delivery and postpartum in **Obstetric Humanization. Their** vision is to humanize obstetrics services throughout the country, in order to be a reference as an assistance entity in actions of good practices in the human rights issues of girls and women respecting them as subjects of rights, as well as issues of respect for sexual and reproductive rights.

### BLACK WOMXN CAUCUS

'BWC built a movement with over 200 women across its main organizational structures in organizing against GBV. Black Women Caucus (BWC) is a founding member of the organized #TotalShutDown March against GBV and Femicide which led to the **Presidential Summit against Gender Based** Violence, BWC led the #SandtonShutdwon march at the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) to submit a memorandum to the private sector to fund the fight against GBV. BWC operates the #CrisisOfCare WhatsApp Helpline that provides free accessible emotional and support services to serviceusers for the duration of COVID-19. Black Girls In Caucus (BGC): Through popular feminist education run in high schools BGC has run a successful #MakeOurSchoolsSafe campaign focusing on addressing prevalent forms of violence at schools Bereka Mosadi (Working Women): The #BerekaMosadi food distribution project provided food for 120 families across four communities during the national lockdown because of COVID-19.



INSTAGRAM https://www.instagram.com/blackwomxncaucus\_ingwe/ FACEBOOK https://web.facebook.com/blackwomxncaucus/ TWITTER https://twitter.com/BWC\_ingwe

Their mission is to advocate, mobilize and educate for a society free of violence against womxn and children. Their vision is to create agency through feminism. Theirorganizing principles are Democratic participation; Equity of entitlement; Multi-stakeholder collaboration; Diversity and inclusion; Empowerment; Ubuntu; Community based education. The Black Womxn Caucus is non-partisan movement that was established on 18 May 2017. The movement was formed in response to the prevalence of Gender Based Violence and Femicide (GBV) against women (including the LGBTQIA+ and differently abled community - therefore they use womxn with an x) and children in South Africa. Consequently, GBVF is part of their organizing as a movement for womxn who are survivors and potential victims of GBVF. They advocate for thorough intervention strategies of GBVF as it manifests in economic, political, social, physical, geographical, and psychological ways which reinforce a system that promotes violence against womxn and children.

# COLLECTIVE RAISING

"One of our milestone is our courage in daring to translate our realities into fueled spaces that allowed us to come together and to start changing our narratives as young activists. Navigating the systemic structure and being aware of the emerging challenges in our journey as activists and human beings resulted in opening up rooms of alternative for self-discovery, healing, solidarity, reflection, dialogues and actions that are collectively owned by us for us and with us."



**Collective Raising was founded** in 2018 as an alternative space of activism, organizing and movement building in Madagascar. They felt from their own experiences and realities that there wasn't a platform where they as young activists could come together for self-discovery, self-care, collective support, dialogues around and within activism and related areas of their personal and activists work and lives, for co-creating, for self and collective sustaining and growth. It is critical for us to thrive in alternative spaces led by us for with and with us that respond to our realities and that groom our leadership where we are collectively raising ourselves and our activism. Our vision is anchored in cocreating; co-leading, collective actions and organizing for social transformation.

# GIRLS FOR GIRLS

"In order to see, particularly the rural Burundian girl fly by her own wings, we have put at the center of our interventions the participation of young girls by respecting her values, ambitions and priorities."





**FOUNDED IN** 2018

Girl For Girls was founded in 2018. Their vision is for Burundian girls in need to enjoy their wellness as any other social category in dignity and with rights. Their mission is to build a high standard of living for Burundian girls in rural areas on their social and economic self-promotion through the participatory needs assessment of rural girls, victims of human rights violations; and the development of participatory projects and programs to strengthen the capacities of the target group (rural girls in particular; girls orphaned by war and sexual assault, girls living with disabilities, sex workers, girl mothers, illiterate girls).

# COLDEN MAMAS GROUP

"Our Success Story comes from a case study of five girvls who joined our Skills **Development Initiative; these girls** faced several different circumstances such as teenage pregnancies, early and forced marriage, bullying and stigma. They joined our Centre at different times, and they were in traumatic situations. After a number of trainings and some Mentorship from August 2019 to March 2020 they were almost recovered. They took courses on Life Skills, Entrepreneurship and leadership Skills and financial Literacy, as well as **Vocational Skills, especially Tailoring** and Embroidery. They are now able to stand for themselves to defend their rights and are financially stable. They also have plans to establish their fashion designing firm."



MAMAS

#### LOCATION TANZANIA

### FOUNDED IN 2019

**INSTAGRAM** <u>https://instagram.com/goldenmamas1?igshid=1stq739eztxmc</u>

Golden Mamas was founded and registered as of the14th Gender Festival of 2019, convened by the Tanzania Gender Networking Program (TGNP). Their vision is to have an empowered community with Knowledge and Skills sufficient to address any form of violence. Their Mission is to empower and support adolescent girls and young women who are vulnerable to any form of violence and to help them succeed in life.

### GREEN GIRLS PLATFORM

"So far these are our accomplishments:

- 1. Built the capacity of 10 young female leaders on UNFCCC negotiations and COP processes.
- 2. 24 Live and recorded radio talk shows aired,
  48 girls and young women champions trained in effective communication, public speaking and led and participated in these programs,
  250 girls actively participated in weekly
  WhatsApp group discussion, anchored by
  about 24 young female leaders.
- 3. Young women are now actively engaged in policy making spaces.
- 4. About 200,000 trees planted for the past two years, 120 youth leaders trained in nursery establishment, 4000 girls and young women participated in the awareness and also actual tree planting activities.
- 5. Enhanced knowledge of young women leaders on climate change, climate justice concept mainly in the context of human rights, leadership, and evidence based advocacy, effective communication, mobilization skills.
- 6. Formulated and revamped climate justice clubs in schools."



#### **LOCATION** MALAWI

FOUNDED IN 2016

FACEBOOK Green Girls Platform INSTAGRAM @girlsplatform TWITTER @girlsplatform

Green Girls Platform was founded in 2016. Thier vision is to ensure that girls and young women in Malawi have sustainable adaptation and mitigation options that enable them and their families to be lifted out of poverty and be climate resilient. They are determined to ensure that gender and women's rights are placed on the climate change and environment local, national and global agendas through the active participation of young girls and women by enhancing and increasing the number of women and girls participating in climate change and environmental programmes at local and national governance structures, strengthening of existing capacity on gender, human rights, climate change and environmental policies and practices, enhance the ability advocating for climate financing to support to women led interventions on adaption and strengthening of Women led climate justice networks and initiatives.

### HAWA FEMINIST COALITION

"Somalia has extremely high rates of maternal mortality, rape, cases of female genital mutilation, violence against women and girls and child marriage. This is compounded by women's low participation in politics and decision making spheres and clanbased culture which promotes strict male hierarchy and authority. As a first feminist movement in Somalia with members of diverse experiences and strengths, we have created awareness rising and facilitated legal and access to services for 2,300 gender based violence survivors and also advocated improvements in legal protection for protection of women and girls. Furthermore, some of our members with skills and experience in tailoring have trained 311 young women on how to make their own washable, reusable sanitary pads using commonly-found materials so they can have access to sustainable sanitary protection and good menstrual hygiene at their fingertips."



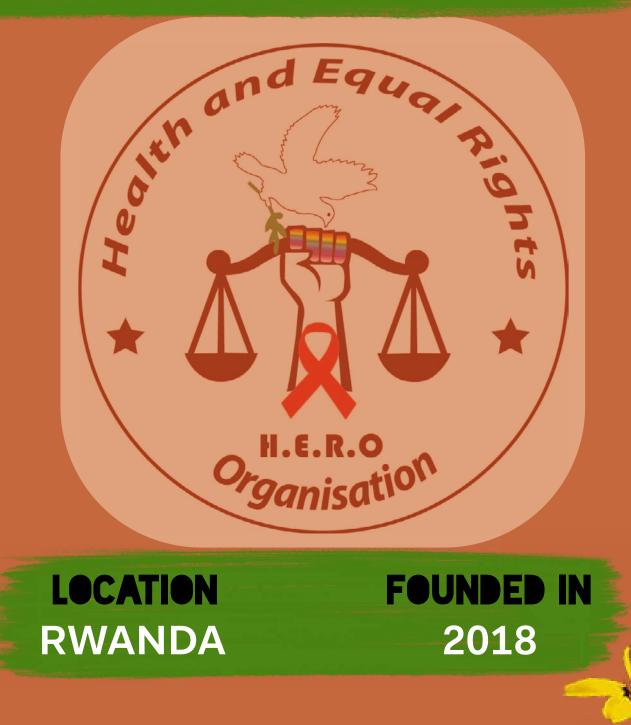
#### LOCATION SOMALIA

FOUNDED IN 2018

Hawa Feminist Coalition was founded by young feminists all under the age of 35 in 2018 with aim of promoting the safety, equality, justice, rights and dignity of girls and young women in Somalia where women and girls bear an unequal brunt of hardships exacerbated by poverty, conflict, religious and cultural limitations which promotes strict male authority. To achieve these milestones, Hawa Feminist Coalition's mission is to mobilise the voice and unity of Somali young women and girls for achievement of gender equality and young women's and girls' rights at all levels to enjoy all their rights and live in dignity in Somalia.

### HEALTH AND EQUAL RIGHTS ORGANISATION (H.E.R.O.)

"Since its inception, H.E.R.O has supported activities which are geared towards promoting and protecting the human rights of sexual minorities within Rwanda at both the national and local levels. We are passionate about this work and others are now recognizing our passionate commitment to those we serve. In 2018, we established several LGBTQ+ solidarity groups in Kigali. In 2019, we began empowering young girls who had dropped out of school because they had lost support and been rejected by their families due to their sexual orientation. We have also worked hard to facilitate reconciliation between rejected young girls and their families. In 2019, we also established meaningful working relationships with several other local organizations with similar missions supporting LGBTQ+ rights. These positive relationships led to H.E.R.O. being asked in July, 2020 to take the lead facilitating an emergency food distribution program for the most vulnerable within the LBTQ/FSW+ community."



FACEBOOK <u>H.E.R.O.Rwanda</u> INSTAGRAM <u>@h.e.r.o\_rwanda</u>

Founded August, 2018, Health and Equal Rights Organisation (H.E.R.O)'s mission is to provide a platform that promote good health, well-being and protection of the rights of less privileged persons, including the LBTQ community and female sex workers, through advocacy, education, and empowerment. Their vision is a Rwandan society that respects, accepts and promotes the self-realization of less privileged persons regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity, status, disability, or age.

# INTERSEX NIGERIA

"Creating the first Intersex led organization in Nigeria which has created a platform for Intersex persons to connect and share thier concerns and address issues has been like a dream come true. Intersex Nigeria has also participated in regional and global Intersex forums, this has helped in community growth and outstanding connections that will help us achieve our aim and objectives. Connecting with many Intersex people in Nigeria and still reaching out to more is a huge accomplishment for us as we hope to join hands to achieve our rights."



#### LOCATION NIGERIA

FOUNDED IN 2019

The Vision of Intersex Nigeria is the full integration, affirmation and respect of sex (body) variant persons; existence, human rights and culture within the society. Intersex Nigeria's mission is to contribute to creation of an overall societal environment striped of all forms of violence and discrimination that targets intersex persons, through awareness, development and implementation of medical, administrative and legal policies, procedures and practices respectful and inclusive of all sex (body) variant persons.

# **ISEGURI INITATIVE**

"Since its inception Iseguri Initiative has established and empowered over 500 teen and single mothers who are employing climate smart agricultural activities to improve families' nutrition and household income. The organisation has also empowered more than 1,000 smallholder women farmers, who are now economically independent and have increased access to production resources, which has increased the power of their voices. Iseguri Initiative organized a Coronavirus educational program for smallholders women farmers in our operational areas on Coronavirus and its effects on agriculture and preventive measures'. The smallholders' women farmers, teen and single mothers were trained on how to wear nose masks, regular hand washing with soap and running water, the uses of hand sanitizer and social distancing methods."



The Iseguri Initiative was founded on the 14th of January, 2013. Their vision is to have empowered women living in a healthy and sustainable environment. Their Mission is to improve rural women's, teen and single mothers' livelihoods through rights empowerment, sustainable agricultural production and environmental conservation and to promote public education on Early and Forced Child Marriages for rural communities in the Oti Region, and its implications on our societies.

# KAMBI KAKATA

"In June 2019, SIENOU Minsita, a 25-yearold woman from the village of Kounga joined Kambi Kakata. In May, her first and only daughter, 18 months old, lost her life as a result of the excision. She had been brought to Niouri (a village located on the Mali-burkinabe border) where her maternal grandmother resides to be mutilated (excised). In tears, she confided in her cousin Alimata SIENOU, who happens to be a founding member of the Kambi Kakata Movement, who told her to join the group and be a part of passing on a strong message. In the same month of August that followed, Kambi Kakata held a theater performance in Kounga in which SIENOU Minsit, in tears, played a role in asking other women to reject FGM/C forever. Kambi Kakata started from a sad reality to bring a victim to testify and engage in a restorative struggle."



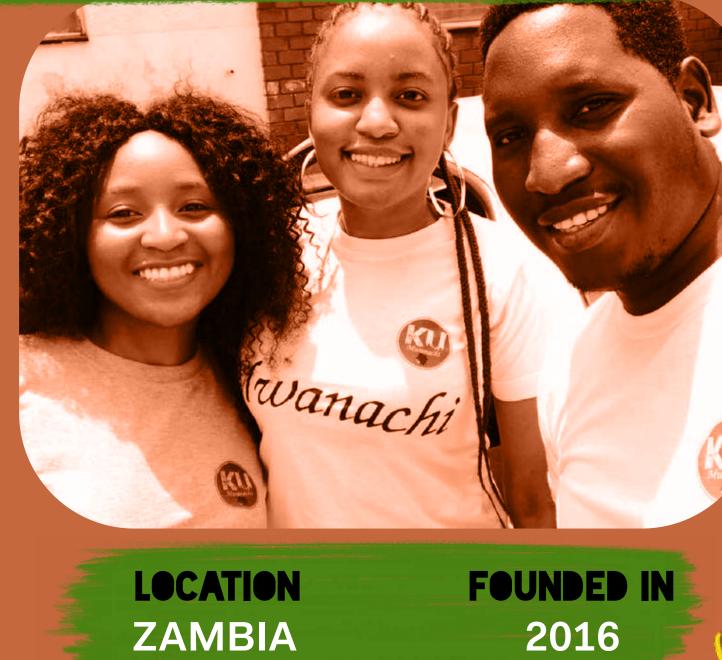
LOCATION BURKINA FASO

FOUNDED IN 2018

Kambi Kakata was founded in 2018. Their mission is to increase the capacity and means for effective, unveiled activism of girls and young women between the ages of 10 and 30 in our communities. Their purpose is to support the emergence of resilient girls and young women in their communities who are leaders and who are driven to action/advocacy. They want to empower youth to "eradicate" all the harmful practices to young girls such as marriage, early or forced marriage and female genital mutilation/ cutting (target 5.3 of the SDGs). Their objectives are to support the emergence of resilient, leading, active young girls, to promote and defend the sexual and reproductive health and rights of young girls and to support national policies to promote gender and to improve the living conditions of girls and women.

# KU MWANACHI FOUNDATION

"From inception, we have directly and indirectly helped more than 1,500 women in Zambia economically through building their capacity in entrepreneurial skills and financial literacy, helping them access land for their farming-related businesses. 50% of the women we have helped, who were middle school drop-outs, have returned to school, being market vendors and farmers by day and pupils in evening classes by night. Additionally, through their farming and vending businesses, vulnerable women can now afford to take all their children to school and not just their male children (as is the norm in Zambian society to prioritize a male child than a female child in times of financial constraints)."



Ku Mwanachi Foundation was founded in 2016 with the the mission of contributing to ending Poverty, Hunger and **Gender Based Violence against** women in Zambia. Their concern is not just for the women in the market place who are not progressing economically and therefore continue to live in abject poverty, being abused physically and sexually, but also their young children who, instead of obtaining an education because it is their right to, continue to sell in the market places with them because of financial constraints. They also have the vision of promoting gender equality and give women a fair chance to thrive and be successful.

# ADIES WITH VISION

Ladies With Vision is a non-profit organization that was founded on the 10th April 2018 to support, empower, inspire and advocate for women, girls and the less privileged including orphans and people with disabilities in Sierra Leone.



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Their activities and successes include: Donation of food items to the Bombali School of the Blind in Northern Sierra Leone (2018). Embarking on rape sensitization targeting 6 schools in Western Area. The team further collaborated with Females in Sierra Leone on a marathon against rape (2019). Also In honor of 2020 International Women's day (IWD), the team donated food items, toiletries and some words of encouragement to female inmates at the Female Correctional Center in Western Rural Area. Additionally, they did a sensitization video on gender equality in support of the theme for IWD. The team also assisted a woman suffering from ovarian cyst to pay her hospital bills in Bo, Southern Sierra Leone (2019). During COVID-19 pandemic, the team donated food items and toiletries to orphanages, face mask to health workers and did a sensitization video in English and other languages with was captured on local news outlets.

# NEW HOPE GIRLS

"NEW HOPE GIRLS has advocated for quality care, nutritional and psychological support for transgender girls living with HIV and children affected by AIDS, without any form of discrimination. This care aims at the well-being of transgender girls and children living with HIV/AIDS in their own environment to enable them to live positively their health status. Since 2019, NEW HOPE GIRLS has based its action on awareness-raising and education of transgender teenage girls and young women on sexual and reproductive health and rights and AIDS."

# New Hope Girls NGO-DRC

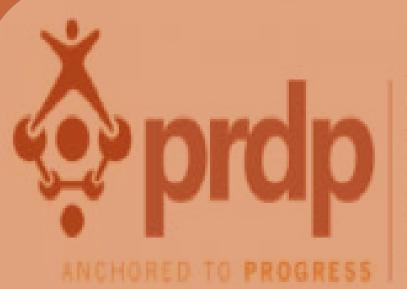
LOCATION DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO FOUNDED IN

2019

NEW HOPE GIRLS was founded on April 23, 2019. Their vision is to create a gender-equal world where all human beings enjoy their sexual and reproductive health and rights. Their group's mission is to work for the inclusion and promotion of young transgender feminists rights and their well-being through information sharing, training, research, education and innovative early interventions.

### PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

"PRDP is a women's Organization founded by a group of disabled girls and women, to bring about practical inclusive development through promoting inclusive policies, legislation and practices. The organization has been pertinent in financial inclusion of the disabled women and girls. The program has initiated Savings and Internal Lending Communities, to gain the business and financial management skills. The program enables these women to save their own funds and use their own resources to provide loans among themselves and earn interest. 15 disabled girls and women are currently accessing small business loans to launch them towards greater profits. Ongoing mentorship for participants, and an emphasis on creating a culture of saving among women, makes PRDP's program especially effective. "With our effort, we have been able to secure scholarships for 15 disabled girls with the county government and provided 10 wheelchairs for disabled community members."



Participatory Research and Development Program

LOCATION KENYA FOUNDED IN 2016

FACEBOOK https://web.facebook.com/Participatory-Research-and-Development-Programme-171300579719281 The Participatory Research and Development Programme was registered in 2016 with a commitment to empower the voiceless women and girls with timely information, skills, tools, and economic resources so that they are able to champion for their

rights, lead the development of their own communities and realize their full potential. The idea was to create spaces where women, girls with disability, being the intended beneficiaries, feel comfortable and enjoy the freedom to express themselves without the fear of judgment or harm, intimidation, threats, stigma and discrimination. **PRDP** Vision: Having a society where the rights of the vulnerable persons are appreciated, guaranteed, protected and also where such persons are accorded opportunity to live in dignity so they can reach their full potential PRDP

Mission: To protect and promote the rights and dignity of vulnerable and marginalized disabled women and girls through education, economic strengthening, advocacy and awareness creation services.

### RELLA WOMEN'S FOUNDATION





WEBSITE www.rellawf.org

**Rella Women's Foundation** envisions a Uganda which promotes, protects and respects Human Rights of Lesbians, Bisexual and Queer women. Their mission is to promote Lesbian, **Bisexual and Queer women's** rights through SRHR service provision, Creation of safe spaces, Advocacy, Leadership - Movement Building and Economic Justice. **Rella Women's Foundation** runs the Rella House of Hope where they provide a safe space, housing and environment as a transformational temporary housing for challenged LBQ women in Uganda to obtain and keep permanent housing, breaking the repetitive cycle of homelessness. This program seeks to help over 50 homeless LBQ women a year to obtain healing, wellness and keep permanent housing, breaking the repetitive cycle of homelessness and gender based violence among LBQ women."

### RISE INITIATIVE FOR WOMENS RIGHT ADVOCACY

So far, their presence in South Sudan has piloted extensive learning in developing this phase of the project. **Partnering with local Human Rights** NGOs and dialoguing with beneficiaries, stakeholders and local structures has been a significant internal source of learning. Economic empowerment is an effective entry point to promote economic autonomy and gathering members' has proved to be effective social forum for open discussion on Gender issues. They have started a female team known as crown football club to support women in sports through provision of Sexual reproductive health services and representation of Female in Sports.Registration of Rise Initiative for Women's Right Advocacy -RiWA as National organization with South Sudan **Relief and Rehabilitation Commission.** 

### RiWA Strengthening Communities

LOCATION SOUTH SUDAN

FOUNDED IN 2018

 WEBSITE <a href="https://web.facebook.com/">https://web.facebook.com/</a>

 TWITTER <a href="https://twitter.com/RiwasouthsudanRiWASouthSudan">https://twitter.com/RiwasouthsudanRiWASouthSudan</a>

**Rise Initiative for Women's Right** Advocacy (RiWA) is a Feminist, Human Rights organization that was formed in Feb 2018, that aims at increasing the capacity of marginalized women and it's dedicated to meeting the needs of Vulnerable women in South Sudan, RiWA was born out of the need to bridge the missing link of the untapped potential, comparative advantage & strategic resourcefulness of grassroots & peri-urban based women in the struggle to work towards realizing a supportive policy and social environment that enables healthy and productive lives.

### THE PINK BOX INITIATIVE

"Despite the ongoing global pandemic, we have still been able to conduct 7 outreach programs in both countries, Rwanda and Tanzania and we have supplied reusable pads and food supplies to over 300 adolescent girls and young women so that they won't have to worry about financial burdens of buying pads for the next two years. We are still going strong and doing more outreach programs during these times while properly observing the social distancing measures. We are a strong team of young feminists who work daily for the interests of young girls and women without compromising!"



#### LOCATION TANZANIA

**FOUNDED IN** 2017 The Pink box was founded in January 2017. Their vision is to shape the future of adolescent girls and young women living in vulnerable conditions from the schoolroom to the community.

Their mission is to equip adolescent girls and young women living in vulnerable conditions with sustainable knowledge of menstrual hygiene management, sexual abuse awareness and economic empowerment in order to be able to make responsible and informed decisions with their sexual, reproductive health and financial independence.

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"Being youth-led has meant so much flexibility and ease through the times. We are willing to swiftly change our approach to something better for everyone, we get creative around circumstances and we have fun doing it. We started with microfinance, have shifted to vocation fashion skills, have launched traditional education classes then also non-traditional skills based education. Now we are back at using our fashion skills to help provide facemasks to critical workers across Malawi. Our other core programs are still central to our work but considering the moment we are being creative about our survival while centering impact."



#### **LOCATION** MALAWI

FOUNDED IN 2012

WEBSITE <u>www.tiwale.org</u> INSTAGRAM <u>https://www.instagram.com/tiwalecbo/</u> Founded in 2012, Tiwale's Mission is to uplift each other to pursue learning, healing, and growth to build skills and sustainable ventures that positively transform our communities. Their vision is a thriving healthy community that embraces showing up for each other and mutual growth.



### THE CARIBBEAN

Accession



#### **IMAGE DESCRIPTION**

FIVE PEOPLE SITTING IN CHAIRS IN A CIRCLE, CLOSE TO EACH OTHER. ONE WRITES SOMETHING AND THE OTHERS APPROACH TO SEE. ALONG WITH THEM, THERE ARE MANY GREEN PLANTS WITH RED FLOWERS AND RED, BLACK AND YELLOW WINGED BUTTERFLIES. NEXT TO IT ARE DRUMS. THE SKY IS BLUE WITH WHITE CLOUDS AND THERE IS A NEW MOON IN THE SKY.



#### COLESDOM-COMUNIDAD DE LESBIANAS INCLUSIVAS DOMINICANAS

#### DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Muchas Gracias Compañeras Feministas ! Esos voto de confianza que le dieron a COLESDOM apoyará a transformar la vida de juventudes. Articularemos la conciencia feminista para desvincular la violencia del amor romántico.

#### NÈGÈS KREYÒL

#### HAITI

Nous aimerions remercier chacun des groupes qui ont voté pour que nous puissions recevoir cette subvention. Merci parce que grâce à ce don beaucoup de vies vont être changé et nous contribuerons largement pour l'égalité et l'équité ici en Haïti. Nous voulons également vous féliciter pour le grand travail effectué pour les filles et les femmes de l'Amérique latine et des Caraïbes. Continuez à travailler car nous avons beaucoup à faire. Merci Frida, merci les filles. Nous sommes super excitées de faire partie de la communauté de Frida.

#### EMPOWERING OUR WOMEN SLU - GIRLS HELPING GIRLS

With the many challenges we have faced globally throughout the year as a people, the members of our organization would like to express our sincere gratitude to you for your support and recognition. With your vote we are now able to impact the lives of many other women in our country. "Each time a woman stands up for herself she stands up for all women" — Maya Angelou, this is why each and every vote is significant and treasured by us. Forever Thankful Empowering Our Women SLU

#### GIRLSCARE – CLIMATE ACTION FOR RESILIENCE AND EMPOWERMENT

With what is happening in the world at this time, we are grateful to be a part of a community that empowers, affirms, and validates the work that we are doing.

#### JAMAICA

#### JAMAICA

#### EDITORIAL CASA CUNA

#### **PUERTO RICO**

Agradecemos inmensamente a cada una de las personas que han apoyado nuestro proyecto. ¡La futura será interseccional, con apoyo mutuo y solidaridad o no será!

#### COALICIÓN FEMINISTA CUBANA

**CUBA** 

Agradecemos infinitamente a todos los grupos que votaron por la COALICIÓN FEMINISTA CUBANA... Gracias a ustedes, companerxs, podremos ayudar y aportar nuestro grano de arena a la ardua lucha por reivindicar nuestros derechos, esos que nos han arrebatado el patriarcado y todos los mecanismos de dominio y sometimiento. Enfrentarnos explícita y contundentemente a todos los intentos de robar nuestra voz, nuestros sueños, nuestros derechos, será la mejor manera de retribuir la confianza que depositaron en nuestras propuestas y nuestra labor. ESTAMOS AQUÍ PARA USTEDES, ABSOLUTA Y SORORAMENTE!!!!

#### REDROOTSVG

We are so grateful for the persons that voted for us, when we got the results we could not have responded immediately because we were bursting with excitement, we appreciate all the love and support from everyone, this experience was a wonderful one, we look forword to working with and meeting the other groups very soon, thanks again. <3 Humbly RedRootSVG

#### C.E.P.G.

#### **PUERTO RICO**

Gracias a todas esas personas que confiaron en nosotres y en nuestras labor. Ante esta realidad pandémica que estamos viviendo, nuestra ciudadanía se ha visto afectada y abandonada por el gobierno de Puerto Rico. Ahora solo nos tenemos a nosotras para sacar el país adelante. Cada voto que hicieron por nuestro proyecto fue una semilla que crecera en la oportunidad de que estudiantes pobres puedan tener acceso a todo tipo de educación incluyéndo con perspectiva de género. El voto que que hiceron por nuestro proyecto puede salvar vidad y dar oportunidad en Puerto Rico hoy. ¡Se va a cer! ¡Gracias!

#### Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

# NEGES KREYOL

"Our magic is how we include the community in our various programs and activities. What makes us happier are the testimonies of the beneficiaries, how we have helped them transform their lives, whether it is by avoiding unsafe abortion or by having access to contraceptive tools. We have had girls who had very dangerous abortion practices, who had used very bad materials during their periods and who have now changed their life habits".



LOCATION FOUNDED IN HAITI 2015

**FACEBOOK** <u>https://www.facebook.com/asosyasyonnegeskreyol/</u> INSTAGRAM <u>https://www.instagram.com/p/B5SzJ6Ulyke/?igshid=aaro5ims2py9</u>

Négés Kreyól was formed in 2015 to fight against all kinds of discrimination, social inequality, physical, sexual and verbal abuse faced by Haitian rural girls and young women. Their mission is to help and accompany Haitian girls and young women in rural and underprivileged communities to be in control of themselves while working towards their emancipation. To achieve change in areas such as: education, health, social development that will lead to an equitable and less discriminatory society for girls and young women in rural Haitian communities. They want young rural women to be self-sufficient, have confidence in themselves, to be in control of their bodies and to take responsibility for their choices. They make sexual and reproductive information available to reduce STD rates. They aim to significantly reduce the mortality rate of young rural women by combating unsafe abortion practices.

### EL COLECTIVO EDUCATIVO POR LA PERSPECTIVA DE GÉNERO (C.E.G.P)

"We created a manual for activists who want to educate other young people about the gender perspective. Title: 'Por ti, amor' is dedicated to the mother of the founder of the collective. The manual has easy-to-process information, gender issues, gender-based violence, inclusive language, sexual and reproductive rights, and board games that help facilitate students' learning process. El Pueblo Crítico gave us advice to help us with this achievement. Last March we began the training workshops and more than 10 organizations have completed the training, 50 people approx. and the manual is in countries like Venezuela, Chile, P.R. and the United States. With our manual we want people to be inspired and do projects like ours around the world. Because we understand that the oppression of women and people in the LGBTTIQ+ community is a global problem that we are going to overthrow together."



COLECTIVO EDUCATIVO POR LA PERSPECTIVA DE GÉNERO

#### LOCATION PUERTO RICO

FOUNDED IN 2019

**FACEBOOK** <u>https://www.facebook.com/asosyasyonnegeskreyol/</u> **INSTAGRAM** <u>https://www.instagram.com/p/B5SzJ6Ulyke/?igshid=aaro5ims2py9</u>

El Colectivo Educativo por la Perspectiva de Género was founded in Magayuez P.R in 2019. The collective was founded by their coordinator Luis José Morales Ortiz who is an activist, drag artist, student, and educator. They dedicated their youth to fighting for the rights of education, women and the LGBTTIQ+ community to be guaranteed. C.E.P.G. seeks to provide gendersensitive tutoring in English, Spanish and mathematics to students in public schools and disadvantaged communities. C.E.P.G aims that its students can be able to get into a University, and can decide for majors that they really desire without the fear of gender stereotypes, we also want that our students have the tools to fight against the patriarchy, and its oppressions. The collective works alongside with a perspective of popular education, we create and carry out workshops, as well as the advisory of young university students who want to become activists. C.E.P.G. has a component of artivism called Haus of Martell.

### **COALICIÓN FEMINISTA CUBANA**

Even though, La COALICIÓN FEMINISTA CUBANA is quite young, as well as having had to face the enormous havoc that the pandemic has caused around the world and to women, we would like to highlight the struggles, and achievements that La **COALICIÓN FEMINISTA CUBANA has** had. We can say that we have been able to bring together a considerable group of women from all over the island; women of different generations, sexual orientations, gender identities, political positions, races, organizational realities and identities, women who are willing to become and live as "proudly transgressive" women. But our biggest success this year, the year of our creation, is our effective work in Advocacy and in giving voice to Rural Women. This is why our work to raise awareness and prevent violence against women has given rise to the creation of strategic alliances with feminist organizations and projects in different regions of the island."



Leannes Imbert Coordinadora General



Coordin adora

de Proyectos

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Elizabeth Gorin Coordin adora Región Oriental



Marinet Ferrán Coordinadora Región Central María López Goordinadora Región Occidental

LOCATION CUBA FOUNDED IN 2019

Coalición Feminista Cubana was founded in 2019. The Coalition's ABC plan is: A. Weaving Strategic Alliances for Democracy and the Promotion of a Culture of Non-Violence, Articulating and Promoting SORORITY and Dialogue among women; B. To support women who face discrimination, and have been victims of violence. To denounce, and make visible the gender violence and femicide in Cuba, as well, to accompany the victims and their families, especially rural women, helping in the process to develop skills that will allow them to live and work with dignity, and satisfaction; reaching high levels of personal development.; C.Promote and Advise the Design and Management of Effective and Successful Community Projects and Emerging Businesses, with women leaders.

### **COMUNIDAD DE LESBIANAS INCLUSIVAS DOMINICANAS**

"We began our process of incorporation in 2018 but the Dominican State rejected us; from that moment on we learned the importance of allies from civil society, government organizations and public servers who are helping us achieve our incorporation. This motivated us to develop political advocacy actions at the national, and international level. Through this advocacy we are looking forward to the Dominican government taking protective action for marginalised communities by implementing inclusive public policies. We are still waiting for our final certification of incorporation, estimating that by 2020 we will be legally incorporated. Our secrets to our achievements are: Perseverance, discipline, love, passion, struggle, energy, support our partners and focus on our mission and vision to achieve our goals."



#### LOCATION DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

**FOUNDED IN** 2017

WEBSITE <u>https://www.colesdom.org/</u> FACEBOOK <u>https://web.facebook.com/Colesdomrd/?\_rdc=1&\_rdr</u> INSTAGRAM <u>https://www.instagram.com/colesdomrd/?utm\_source=ig\_profile\_share&igshid=f5gphi50hbzf</u>

**COLESDOM** was born on May 29th, 2017. Their vision is to be the leading organization advocating for the human rights of the lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer (LBTIQ) community; with a representative approach by activists through strategic alliances between governments and civil society. Their mission is to promote the social inclusion of the lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, and queer (LBTIQ) community and to make them less vulnerable to poverty through bio-psychosocial support, with training, orientation, and a coordination of services in order to promote the empowerment of these groups and also promote public policies that reduce discrimination and laws with a human rights approach.

# EDITORIAL CASA CUNA

Ve offer a workshop space, materials, temporary shelter, and transportation to support the participation and leadership of transgender, queer, non-binary, intersex, black, afro-descendent, unemployed, poor, sex workers and women organizers. We take action to work on the interests of marginalized communities by redistributing resources, facilitating income generation for these populations, and providing shelter and food in emergencies. We use art for public and social movement interventions and occupy artistic spaces to ensure the physical and emotional wellbeing of the LGBT+ community. Finally, we provide tools, and share knowledge to encourage communities to organize, and mobilize themselves. We rely on horizontal organizational models and hold meetings to facilitate leadership, participation and consensus among the people who participate in our initiatives. In these meetings, we prioritize the voice of trans, black and non-binary people."



#### LOCATION PUERTO RICO

FOUNDED IN 2018

WEBSITE www.editorialcasacuna.com INSTAGRAM https://www.instagram.com/cceditorial/ FACEBOOK https://www.facebook.com/cceditorial/

Casa Cuna Editorial, is an artistic project focused on transformation, liberation, and collective healing, using the arts as a medium. They work towards the decentralization, and diffusion of art, and literature and the creation of grassroots power using self-management, mutual support, collaborative work, and community organization that encourages leadership. Our project is essentially aimed at marginalized, black, poor, student, youth and, more specifically, trans, non-binary and LGBTQIA+ communities. ECC was founded by Ketsia Ramos a non-binary transdisciplinary artist, in September 2018. At the beginning of Casa Cuna Editorial, we provide spaces for the economic empowerment of independent artists from marginalized communities, also spreading literary content that helped to tear apart gender biases, and patriarchal norms, as was the case with Revista Molotov (Molotov Magazine). The project has continued to grow and they have been able to transform themselves in order to meet the immediate needs of their communities.

### EMPOWERING OUR WOMEN SLU GIRLS HELPING GIRLS

'Our group's mission is to raise awareness and educate young women in St. Lucia on the topics of leadership, empowerment, sexual assault and harassment, sexual reproductive health, mental health and women's rights regardless of their age, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, socio economic background, as well as, foster community building and community service in Saint Lucia. Our recent activities include a donation drive at a home in Castries, a menstrual hygiene seminar in the community for poverty stricken girls between the ages of 12-19 years old, where they were given a menstrual hygiene kit with the necessary tools to aid them with their menstrual cycle, a food hamper give away to single mothers in socio economic depress communities, a fundraising bake sale to raise awareness for women's history month and a social media campaign, to emphasize remarkable women who made a significant impact to our society.



Empowering Our Women SLU was established in 2018. Their mission is to empower and raise awareness for marginalized groups who are victims of Gender Based Violence within Saint Lucia, as well as to educate the vast majority of vulnerable young women on the importanceof attaining sexual reproductive health and rights.

## GIRLSCARE

"As a group of young women who have been in the environmental space for some time, we are happy to have collaborated on GirlsCARE, to curate a space by young women for women. On international women's day we sought to highlight the female champions of change globally. We also recently collaborated with other youth groups in the space to delve into the climate emergency and its importance in discussions leading up to the Jamaican 2020 elections. Both events we are very proud of and look forward to even greater things !"

Climate Action for Resilience & Empowerment

FOUNDED IN

2020

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**LOCATION** JAMAICA

Their mission is to empower women and girls as advocates for climate action that safeguards the economic, social and environmental rights of women in adaptation and resiliencebuilding efforts nationally. Their specific goals in this regard are to empower women and girls to engage climate change by building awareness and technical capacity through mentorship and training; to advocate for the adoption of gender sensitive and climate just approaches to youth engagement in adaptation and resilience building strategies at the national level; to promote womens and girls economic, social and environmental rights and to promote an integrated approach to climate/gender justice in youth engagement and development planning.

## REDROOTSVG

"Our group has managed to feed twenty homes on a monthly basis with a food basket. In return these young ladies learnt various skills like sowing, food preparation, small appliances repair etc. And attend a monthly empowerment workshop. Each year we have a new batch of young women going through this program"

### RedRoot-SVG

Supporting Empowering women & children

Tel:1784-491 (ROOT) 7668 Email: redrootsvg@outlook.com

**LOCATION** SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES FOUNDED IN 2018

 WEBSITE https://redrootsvg.wordpress.com/

 FACEBOOK https://www.facebook.com/RedRoot\_SVG-116861476386482/

 WEBSITE http://surveygizmoresponseuploads.s3.amazonaws.com/fileuploads/217612/5753958/114-40

RedRootSVG was founded on 28th June 2018 with the aim for the Supporting and empowering of children, adolescence and women who are victims of violence or abuse. This mission is rooted in the value of Healing, Educating, Promoting Equality, Justice, Partnership and Trust among children and young girls our goals is to empower young girls making a difference in their lives so they can in return do the the same.



### LATIN AMERICA

#### **IMAGE DESCRIPTION**

WOMEN HOLDING HANDS STANDING ON A STRAW MAT LOOKING AT THE CAMERA. SOME OF THEM USE INDIGENOUS ARTIFACTS AND PAINTINGS. THEY ARE BEING SUSTAINED BY LARGE DARK GREEN ROOTS. IN THE BACKGROUND, MANY GREEN MARINE PLANTS AND REFLECTIONS OF LIGHT, AS IF THEY WERE UNDERWATER. BEHIND THEM, THERE IS A MIRROR IN THE CENTER WITH A NEW MOON.



### MUJERES ACTIVANDO

#### **ARGENTINA**

Desde mujeres activando queremos agradecer profundamente a todas las Organizaciones que han puesto su voto en nuestro proyecto. Gracias por brindarnos la oportunidad de seguir creciendo y aprendiendo. Apostando al trabajo de la juventud que viene tomando fuerza desde hace tiempo. Queremos una vida libre de violencias, esta es una oportunidad que nos va a permitir seguir construyendo herramientas de prevención y erradican de las violencias contra las mujeres, niñas y niños. Gracias!

#### **COLETIVO AROEIRA**

Obrigada a todos os grupos que confiaram no potencial do nosso coletivo. Nos inspiramos ao ler sobre cada grupo e estamos muito contentes em fazer parte dessa rede. Com apoio do FRIDA, poderemos expandir nosso planejamento e fazer nossa mensagem chegar em novos lugares. Que essa rede só aumente!

#### ASOCIACIÓN CON ALAS PROPIAS

**BOLIVIA** 

NO EXISTE MAS QUE AGRADECIMIENTO HACIA **CON USTEDES, GRACIAS A SU APOYO PODREMOS** CONTINUAR CON NUESTRAS LUCHAS Y SUEÑOS. SIEMPRE DISPUESTAS APOYAR OTRAS CAUSAS Y ABIERTAS A CUALQUIER APOYO A LA NUESTRA, **MILES DE GRACIAS, ABRAZOS Y FUERZA PARA CONTINUAR POR UN MUNDO MAS IGUALITARIO Y** JUSTO CON LAS MUJERES

## COLETIVO DE MULHERES INDIGEAS E NEGRAS QUILOMBOLAS

BRAZIL

Nós do coletivo de mulheres indígenas e quilombolas do estado de Goiás/Brasil, agradecemos a todxs que votaram no nosso coletivo, que acreditaram e confiaram no nosso trabalho. Dejesamos a todas vocês muita saúde para passar por esse momento, muita força para seguir na luta e muita proteção para vencer as baralhas. Forte abraços das mulheres da terra.

#### BRAZIL

### COLECTIVA DE ARTE FEMINISTA ANTI-CARCELARIA PAJARX ENTRE PÚAS

Sentimos un tremendo orgullo de ser parte de esta comunidad gracias al reconocimiento y afecto de compañeras y compañeres activistas. Juntas más fuertes y libres!! Gracias amoras < 3

CHILE



### MOVIMIENTO DE MUJERES NEGRAS BARRIALES Y PERIFÉRICAS

**COLOMBIA** 

Abrazamos con amor, fuerza, valentía y resistencia a cada una de les compañerxs que votaron por nosotrxs y creyeron en nuestros caminos de resistencia. Estamos convencidas que desde el compromiso y amor seguimos quebrando cadenas históricas de exclusión.

#### **JAURIA TRANS**

We at Jauría Trans are so very thankful for giving us the opportunity to keep continue doing our work and impacting trans lives. The work we do, it is so important for our communities and for us as well as we need to continue on creating safe spaces for our trans children and our trans youth, as well as trans sex workers, trans people living with HIV and trans elders. We are more than excited to be working with FRIDA and the rest of you. Sincerely and with gratitude: Alexandra Rodriguez **Program Coordinator** 

### REVISTA DIGITAL FEMINISTA "LA PERIÓDICA"

**ECUADOR** 

Agradecemos a cada una de las compañeras y organizaciones feministas que creen que hacer **#PeriodismoFeminista es necesario. Gracias por la** confianza 🎔 🎔

#### ADEJUM IZABAL

**GUATEMALA** 

Desde el Caribe Guatemalteco, las miembras de ADEJUM Izabal, queremos agradecer de todo corazón a todxs las personas que han creído en nuestro trabajo y en nosotras. Gracias a la comunidad feminista por abrirnos las puertas y aportar al seguimiento de nuestras acciones a favor de las juventudes, mujeres rurales comunitarias y por la defensa de nuestra madre tierra. Gracias FRIDA.

#### **MEXICO**

### MUJERES INDÍGENAS EN ACCIÓN

#### **MEXICO**

Nuestros agradecimientos a las hermanas y compañeras feministas que apoyaron nuestras ideas; sinceramente esta propuesta nace desde los corazones de nuestras compañeras, como un camino de liberación, de paz interior y de apoyo a otras compañeras de otras comunidades que más lo necesitan. Gracias por ello esperemos un día juntarnos para fortalecernos y fortalecer nuestra organización feminista cada día mas y también pido que nos apoyen con ideas y con motivos, porque ha sido y es un reto impulsar y promover el feminismo en población indígena.

#### COMITE DE MUJERES KUÑA ATY

#### Nuestros mas sinceros agradecimientos a las organizaciones de mujeres, compañeras y hermanas, que nos han apoyado y siguen apoyando en este proceso de construcción, para nosotras es muy importante sentirnos acompañadas en este camino y saber que podemos contar unas con otras. Nuestros mas sinceros afectos y solidaridad a la lucha por un mundo diferentes, donde la mujeres seamos parte plena de todos los cambios.

#### MIZANGAS, MOVIMIENTO DE MUJERES AFRODE-SCENDIENTES

#### URUGUAY

Queridas compañeras de luchas, Estamos muy felices de poder, juntas, conformar ese espacio. Desde Mizangas estamos a la disposición para contribuir en lo que sea necesario para transformar nuestra sociedad en un lugar más seguro y menos desigual para todas las mujeres. Tenemos a convicción de que juntas somos más fuertes y poderosas. Agradecemos a todas que votaron en nuestro proyecto, con su voto nos dieron la oportunidad que muchas veces nos hace falta tener a las mujeres afro. Creemos en la construcción colectiva, así que más que de Mizangas, ese proyecto es para y por todas. Abrazos, Mizangas

#### PARAGUAY

**FALDAS-R** 

#### LAS AMAPOLAS-NICARAGUA

Queremos agradecer a todas las mujeres que se tomaron el tiempo de leer la propuesta, y votarnos, estamos muy alegre de que sea posible echar a andar las acciones y crear una comunidad de educación menstrual en nuestro país, también de poder seguir promoviendo espacios para niñas y adolescentes a través del arte. Las Amapolas

#### VENEZUELA

¡Queremos agradecer el apoyo de todas las organizaciones que participaron en el proceso de votación! Cada voto para nosotras, viene a reforzar la idea de que no estamos solas aportando al horizonte que nos hermana: despatriarcalizar la sociedad, las relaciones y los cuerpos. Reforzar la autonomía de los procesos de la salud sexual y reproductiva es un camino que recorremos junto a millones de feministas en el mundo. Este apoyo nos hace sentir acompañadas y nos da herramientas para acompañar a otras mujeres. ¡Muchísimas gracias! ¡Juntas somos infinitas!

#### NICARAGUA

# ASOCIACIÓN CON ALAS PROPIAS

"We emerged and organized in a moment of weariness and fatigue with some local ONGs, which on behalf of our generation and identities profit shamelessly from our struggles, and dreams. We are the antithesis of these organizations that look abroad, and take offense at our cultural legacy. Among our actions were field studies in prisons to expose the human rights violations of LGBTQ and PVV (By its Spanish acronym) (people living with HIV) prisoners. We are currently in action and reaction for our trans sisters, who are obscenely denied political rights. Bolivia lives in a blatant social segregation, where patriarchal stereotypes prevail. We are young trans women who want a world that allows us to dream without fear, reprisals, dogmas or alienating concepts."

ASOCIACIÓN CON ALAS PROPIAS

FOUNDED IN

2019

LOCATION BOLIVIA

Bolivia Asociación con Alas Propias (ASCAP) was born on February 12th, 2016 thanks to a group of anti-system, anti-machismo feminists, and also every single femenine expression who society does not see as normal. In response to the repressive legalities that try to shape and instruct them, they are on the frontline of resistance. They live in an age where they are constantly delegitimized, and denied the right to scream, live, dream, get angry and show the accumulated rage of oppression towards women. Throughout their lives they are taught how to be, how to behave "properly," and are told about all the requirements that their desire, libido, and love must have. They are the daughters of a planet that is clearly a woman, female, mother, daughter, grandmother, and the blood of femininity runs through every human being; this philosophy of life guides them in their battles.

# LERNOS JUNTAS

"Some of the members of the project belong to the Jënpoj Women's Radio Collective, so they have been working in the community for a long time, opening up a path for women in Tlahuitoltepec. On the other hand, those working around writing, reading, and editing convened the workshop, and their experience in managing cultural projects made it possible for all of us to add to our learnings, thus without them, it would not have been possible to shape this workshop, that would later become a group. We recognize and share our history. The path that each one of the members has traveled has been fundamental to get here, and those journeys help us imagine and create other worlds."



**LOCATION** MEXICO

FOUNDED IN 2019

The journey began in September 2019 with a small writing workshop. From there they decided to form the group to carry out other activities related to artistic, and creative processes, inviting other colleagues and forming a small network of women involved in artistic creation. Their mission is simple-telling their own stories. They believe that, as Chimamanda Ngozi says, stories matter. They know that there are dominant stories that have been told about them, and they believe that it is time to gather and agree on their stories. They are sure that between them, their friends, acquaintances and family they can share knowledge, tools and experiences that will enrich them and allow them to find their own ways to create.

### COLECTIVA DE ARTE FEMINISTA ANTICARCELARIA PAJARO ENTRE PUAS

"Projects such as 'Siluetas a la Calle' 'y Feministas Bailando' have been quite beautiful, and successful stories, thus these projects have allowed us to create a bond among the female prisoners; a bridge of sensitive, and loving communication between them and the outside world. Both actions took place in the prison and were later shown in public spaces and theaters, where people could observe silhouettes of the companions, dance and memory plays (video that accompanied the cast), and then leave them messages, which were later received in the prison with great emotion. This made such an impact that we got to create a pilot program that connects prisons with cultural centers, starting with Valparaíso's Cultural Park and Valparaíso's Women Prison. The principal objective is the construction of a sorority, and creative community among the members."



INSTAGRAM https://www.instagram.com/pajarxentrepuas/?hl=es-la FACEBOOK pajarxentrepuas

WEBSITE www.pajarxentrepuas.cl

They are an interdisciplinary Feminist Anti-prison Group, which bases its work on the pedagogy, the body, the art, and the memory. Their main goal is to build a sorority community of women, families, prisoners, exprisoners, and feminist artists, which will allow them to weave networks of support, and creation to subvert, and imagine together a world without prisons. Through research/action they are interested in creating content, and critical cartographies that make visible conditions of inequality. They bring these conditions of inequality to the spotlight, through the creation of theater plays, and images that allow them to visualize another possible world. Their methodology Somatic/Dialogical is based on the individual and collective connection, linking art-body to socio-cultural contexts, and identity processes to mobilize a collective memory that intervenes in the streets and prisons, denouncing injustices. They believe that it is possible to think about justice using the arts and feminisms. Their motto is "Transforming Pain into Movement and Movement into Freedom." They have developed an artistic methodology that leads to an individual and collective connection.

# ODELTIVO AROEIRA

"The stories we love always involve the people of the region complementing their food with what was planted in Aroeira's actions and the different uses of the plants we are learning. A particular story that marks us is that of a person who was traveling in Brazil, met Aroeira, and formed very strong bonds with us. In addition to exchanges in our community garden, she participated in harm reduction courses, got a job, left the streets, and had access to psychotherapeutic care. Now, being in her/his hometown, it was possible to resume contact with his family. We always receive messages from this person with updates and they started a community garden in the city."



LOCATION BRAZIL FOUNDED IN

2018 Mills

The collective was founded in 2018 by young women to associate the knowledge of Agroecology with the practices of Harm Reduction (HR) and thus promote autonomy and care practices for the street population and people who use drugs in downtown Brasília. They see HR as ethics of care from an individual and collective perspective, which seeks to promote care regardless of individual choices. We plant in the city as a way to occupy urban territories, promote care for the land and the people, and access and share knowledge about the medicinal and nutritional uses of plants. The bonds and knowledge that emerged throughout the history of the collective are many, which makes the task of choosing a story to tell complex!

### COLETIVO DE MULHERES INDIGENAS ENEGRAS QUILOMBOLAS

BRAZIL

"Unfortunately, we have no success stories to share. We have lived in a war for over 500 years. At the moment in the native and traditional people, we are going through a decimation not only by the pandemic but also by the current government. We are still at war and the magic that unites and strengthens us is our ancestry, our spirituality that guides and protects us."



INSTAGRAM https://instagram.com/mulheresindigenasequilombolas?igshid=zzzjvudwje01

2019

The collective's ties were strengthened in April 2019, with the desire to participate in the Terra Livre Camp (Acampamento Terra Livre, ATL) in Brasilia, the largest gathering of people from Brazil. To be a part of Terra Livre Camp, it was necessary to organize themselves as a collective, hold meetings, meet more often and to get a bus. With the understanding that the ATL is a training and strengthening meeting for us indigenous and black quilombola women, we approached to look for ways to participate in this movement for the struggle for Earth.

### COMITÉ DE MUJERES JOVENES RURALES

"Cindy (not her real name) is a 15-year old girl who lives in one of the communities in the municipality (we won't mention community's name either, for Cindy's safety) where the great majority of its inhabitants work on farming, and where most of the girls end up accompanying each other at 12, 13, 14,15 years old; a rural community where there is abuse, rape, but at the end of the day nobody knows anything, and nobody says anything, where the women are only meant to serve their husbands. Cindy is a domestic worker just like her mother, her aim in life is to be a professional. She doesn't have a father. Her step-father raped Cindy. Tired of this suffering, she approached the Committee seeking help in making her complaint, and the abuser went to jail."

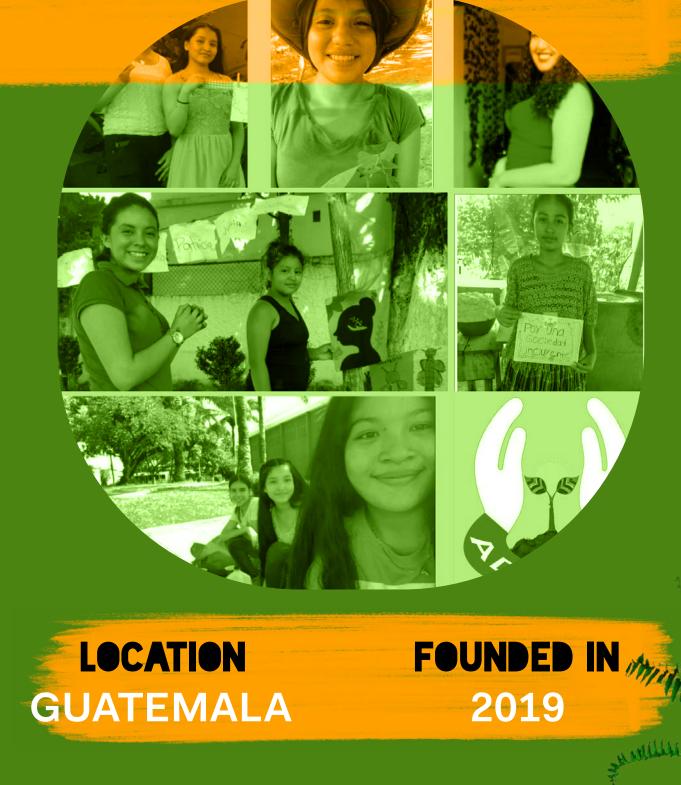


LOCATION FOUNDED IN EL SALVADOR 2016

Their mission is to consolidate themselves as a womens group with the capacity to generate social transformations, a group empowered in the sustainable management of the environment with a perspective of environmental and climatic justice that allows a greater, and effective articulation and participation of women in the access, sustainable use, and defense of natural resources and ecosystems in the territory. Their vision is to be a legally established Women's Association, female leaders and a reference in the promotion of sustainable development and the improvement of the quality of life of rural women, through the collective construction of knowledge to guarantee equal opportunities.

# ADEJUM IZABAL IZABAL

"Most of our members now understand how important they are and are overcoming the fear of expressing themselves. However we want to highlight that in ADEJUM, 2 young women with depression and suicidal thoughts have found the strength to keep going in the face of their adversities.They have empowered themselves over their bodies, feeling they are important, freeing themselves from paradigms and with an arduous desire to work collectively in favor of others."



FACEBOOK <u>https://www.facebook.com/Adejumizabal1/?ref=aymt\_homepage\_panel&eid=ARDLPOBz\_wyBH90HrCvCImRmQMtwoD46bO1Tf3RQD2pJgFm3Gmy3QRyZ7rTzKM7iaqwjxam7wi5JqId6</u>

Their vision is to contribute to the reduction of social inequalities. And to make youth and women the protagonists of their own transformation, through conscious citizen participation in the social reality: for the construction of a collective mindset that seeks a self-sustainable development. Their Mission is to promote development alternatives, and citizen participation for youth and women in conditions of inequality in Izabal, Guatamala through projects that provide psycho-social and environmental support with joint efforts and models of culturally relevant local organization.

# COMITE DE MUJERES KUNAATY

"As women, we have been able to strengthen our own space within the community, we are recognized as a committee, and we have been able to engage in productive projects, such as strengthening the members of the committee and their families, in a rural context. While we continue to grow, the fact that we have opened up our path is our greatest achievement."



**LOCATION** PARAGUAY

**FOUNDED IN** 2015

The committee was founded in February 2015, prior to this they had been working as a women's group, focused on different types of community action. Their mission is to improve the living conditions of their members, and their families in all areas: health, education, economy, environment, politics and culture; through active and protagonistic participation, self-management, citizen mobilization, promotion of activities typical of peasant agriculture, cooperation and solidarity.

## FALDAS-R

"Since our foundation and over the years, the situation of sexual, and reproductive rights in Venezuela has progressively worsened. In particular, we have noticed the deep lack of integral sex education, and access to contraceptive methods. For this reason, we decided in 2016 to create an advocacy strategy to transform this situation, and so the Route of Safe and Pleasant Sexuality, was born. It has become our main strategy to raise awareness with tools of popular education about sexuality. The Route has also served to distribute contraceptive methods to women at risk, as well as allowed us to talk openly about abortion in highly stigmatized contexts with women, who otherwise would not have been allowed these conversations. Nowadays, we have carried out at least 20 Routes, and distributed more than 1500 contraceptives in various territories in the country."



LOCATION VENEZUELA FOUNDED IN 2011

WEBSITE <u>www.faldas.red</u> FACEBOOK <u>FALDAS-R</u> INSTAGRAM @faldasr TWITTER @FaldasR\_Ve

Faldas-r (Skirts-r) is an organization of Young Women (In a wide and inclusive sense) that was founded in 2011. Their mission is to generate incidence process, advocacy, and research about sexual and reproductive rights of women, children, adolescents and pregnant women in Venezuela with a special emphasis on access to safe abortion; comprehensive and inclusive education; and modern contraceptive methods. They identify as a feminist organization guided by the principles of political horizontality, sisterhood, inclusiveness and autonomy. Their vision, and the historical objective that summons them, is to guarantee the autonomous exercise of sexuality, and access to health for women, children, and teenagers in Venezuela, guided by the horizons of reproductive justice and feminist political praxis built on accompaniment and listening.



"Our goals are to raise women's awareness of their rights, to contribute to the visibility of gender violence, and to provide information, and useful tools to women for the construction of their autonomy. We also work to contribute to the construction of community health. We raise awareness with the women who participate in the workshops, about topics related to them. One of the most significant experiences was our continued journey with a woman of the neighborhood. Since last year we have been accompanying her, and helping her through a situation of vulnerability, and violence. Another achievement was the support given to a young woman who had been kidnapped by her ex-partner at the beginning of the year. Through different networks we were able to find her, rescue her and accompany her. Nowadays, she is working and studying."



LOCATION ARGENTINA FOUNDED IN 2015

Mujeres activando was founded in 2015, to provide a space of support, and action for women from different marginal neighborhoods that fight against gender violence, using different cultural tools to prevent, and eradicate violence. The Flores del Desierto Rap Band, a feminist, and women's rights activist group was born out of the music scene, and its members are women from the organization. Their songs are full of social commentary through which they express life stories, make visible, and denounce the realities that women go through in their society, and invite everyone to build other possible realities.

# FEMINSTA JIGITAL

"We start by recognizing ourselves as feminists and that informs our journalism and communications. We believe that it is precisely this point of view that has allowed us to look at the word, as a form of reparation. Our aim is that La Periódica will amplify the voices of groups that have historically been forgotten. We put the lives of LGBTI women and people at the center. During these 3 years of work we have produced a series of stories related to the historical memory of the LGBTI movement in the country. We have told stories related to sexual violence and forced motherhood; we have also covered actions and demands for justice by feminist organizations, national mobilizations such as the October 2019 National Strike, with a feminist outlook and editorial line. In addition, we have produced reports and stories about the demands of environmentalist women advocates in the Ecuadorian Amazon."



LA PERIÓDICA PERIODISMO DIGITAL FEMINISTA

**LOCATION** ECUDAOR FOUNDED IN 2016 La Periódica is the first digital, feminist, journalistic media in Ecuador. La Periódica was born in 2016 and has been available online since April 2017. This project focuses on denouncing and making visible the violation of the rights of women, girls, and LGBTI people, and narrating reality from a critical feminist perspective. MURIA TRANS

"Right before the COVID19 pandemic we were able to have our annual event 'Multiverso Trans,' a two day event with the theme 'Other Families are Possible" and we had more than two hundred people that came and learned about Trans Families and trans children and trans youth. We also had an art exhibition curated by trans artists and other trans artists participated presenting poetry, workshops and round tables about trans issues. Also, during the pandemic even though we closed our doors, we were able to set up a donation center for the trans communities most affected by the COVID19, like trans sex workers, trans elders, and trans people living with HIV. We also have virtual round tables about the issues that these communities were going through."



Jauría Trans was founded in 2017. Their mission is to stimulate and to share critical activities related to contemporary culture to create awareness and to promote a more trans inclusive society, so that they can live our processes of internal and external transformation that will places us in and out of the dominant ideology. They do all these from our transfeminist and anti-neoliberal positioning. Their vision is to develop social, cultural and activism activities. To develop formative activities so we can create a support system for trans identified people so we can create community, and an effective network that can help to mitigate the lonesomeness, the ostracism, and the fear that trans people who don't have any support systems go through. Our goal is also to give visibility to the work and production of trans artists that are on the visual arts, curatorship, music, literature, activism, and academia.



"This space was built with the intention of doing feminist activism, but during the process we realized that it was a safe space where we practiced sorority and learned to heal. Here inside the collective we have lesbian comrades that suffered a lot of violence, and Las Amapolas were their first safe space. We are also women from the periphery, so every single action that we do is a response to the different violent actions that we suffer, and have suffered. The collective has accompanied us in our processes of resistance, supporting us in our individual and collective dreams. We create art space for women in our city and the way we have built knowledge has been from the street. All this experience saved our lives in 2018 when we received threats during the outburst. Today the majority who are in exile are safe. The collective gave us knowledge on how to apply security tools, seek protection, whilst providing support from a distance and so we continue to speak out."

LOCATIONFOUNDED INNICARAGUA2015

They began work on specific actions in 2013 and officially became a collective in 2015. Their mission is to contribute to the promotion and defense of the rights of girls, adolescents, young people and women, especially sexual and reproductive rights, through multidisciplinary activities, primarily theater and other forms of popular education. Their vision is to be a safe space and a reference for all the women, mainly young women, they provide emotional support to victims of male violence, and for those who want to build leadership, get information and learn about sexual education. They aim to be a space for healing from multiple forms of violence, to develop artivism for the defense of women's human rights, to strengthen support networks and to promote the creative art of women.

### MIZANGAS, MOVIMIENTO DE MUJERES AFRODESCENDIENTES

"We have been able to impact and influence on the agendas about Afro-descendants' rights, the wide women's movement, and the social movement in various areas, integrating the ethnic-racial component, gender, youth and sexual diversity, into proposals, and actions. We have also been able to contribute to the development of focalized public policies for gender, and ethnic-racial equity by introducing these issues to the public. We have also articulated and contributed conceptually to the approval of Law No. 19,122/13, which establishes norms to promote the inclusion of Afro-descendents in the areas of education and employment. In articulation with other civil society movements, since 2006 we have participated in the Coordination of the March for Diversity, including as pillars of work, the fight against racism and the various forms of being women of African descent. We have also contributed to the public debate on Law No. 19.075/13. **Equal Marriage.**"



#### LOCATION FOUNDED IN URUGUAY 2006

**FACEBOOK** Mizangas Antares y Mizangas Mujeres Afrodescendientes **INSTAGRAM** Mizangas Mujeres Afro T **TWITTER** Mizangas Mujeres Afro

Montevideo, Uruguay Mizangas, movimiento de mujeres afrodescendientes (Movement of Afro-descendant Women) was founded in 2006, in response to the need of putting the necessities, and demands of young Afro-women on the national and international agenda, and generating its own space. Mizangas developed lines of action in various fields to reach its objectives (research, training, debates, publications, workshops, mobilizations and advocacy), carried out the Southern Cone coordination of the Network of Afro-Latino, Afro-Caribbean and Diaspora Women and founded the National Network of Afro-Uruguayan Women. Their main mission is to promote the construction, and consolidation of a wide Afro-descendant Women's movement that incorporates the ethnic-racial, gender and youth perspectives at the local, national and regional levels.

### MOVIMIENTO DE MUJERES NEGRAS Y BARRIALES

"We have consolidated a more organized Women's Youth Movement with strengthened community, and neighborhood processes within our territories. The women affiliated with (Movimiento juvenil de mujeres barriales), are organising with a political and social consciousness, to keep building paths of freedom, and peace within their communities. Young Women from the city's peripheral slums already know that there is a movement that defends their rights, and that women within the city's slums have been encouraged to organize as collectives, and to influence community processes for a life free from gender based violence."



LOCATION COLOMBIA FOUNDED IN 2019

Their mission is to be a network that focuses on love, support, accompaniment, and education in defense of the life and dignity of Afro-descendant sisters,

and brothers in the most impoverished neighborhoods of the city. They are trying to create collective political strategies, neighborhood, cultural, artistic, and economical resistance; as well as to generate spaces that allow for conversations on the historical debt that the state, and society have on our bodies. Their vision is that by the year 2023 they will be a movement with great strength in mass work organizational processes that support the elimination of discriminatory socio-cultural patterns.By 2023 they envision that they will be a key movement for the establishment of equal relationships in the midst of advocacy exercises, and relationships free of violence regardless of gender, race and ethnicity.

# **ENACCION**

"As young indigenous women from San Juan Cancuc, our daily challenges is that we should have the opportunity to be trained at the upper-middle and upper level, this education and training would keep us from being forced to marry young (at the age of 13 to 14). One of our achievements is that we have been able to demonstrate that we have the capacity to study, that we think, and that we can reach the higher or technical level of study. The journey that led us to achieve success is the bond that we have with other women who are not from our community, some who are not Tseltales, because unfortunately our parents do not believe in us, they believe in other women who are not Tseltales, so we take this opportunity to demonstrate that we can be successful, so one day they will believe in us, and we will work as a team."





FOUNDED IN 2014

Mujeres Indigenas en Acción (Indigenous Women in Action) began to organize in 2014, because there were acts of discrimination against women, sexual and reproductive violence, and violation of women's human rights. Their mission is to act, to defend what is rightfully theirs, to defend what their ancestors defended, and to ensure that future generations will be able to enjoy their lives, their natural resources, their culture, their food, and the way of life that gives them dignity and identity as indigenous Tseltales women of their region. Their Vision is to be an empowered and territorially positioned feminist organization that assumes responsibility, and active participation in its own reality.