



OUR **SECURE FUTURE**

Women Make the Difference

AWARDS MOBILIZING
MEN AS
PARTNERS
FOR WOMEN,
PEACE AND
SECURITY
2019-2023

INTRODUCTION

A key pillar of the [Mobilizing Men as Partners for Women, Peace and Security \(MAWPS\)](#) work is to strengthen and empower grassroots organizations in conflict-affected countries.

Local organizations have their fingers on the pulse of their communities; mobilize quickly and effectively at the grassroots level; work together across divides; build broad support; and create sustainable solutions.

To support grassroots activities through a trust-based model of funding, MAWPS identifies civil society groups in conflict-affected countries with established records of leadership, integrity, and trust. These groups are reviewed by a diverse committee to ensure that they are representative of and accountable to their communities. They work at the nexus of gender rights, health, conflict resolution and population displacement, and often adopt a more holistic approach to addressing the needs of the local population.

Over the past 5 years, OSF/MAWPS has contributed over \$160,000 in unsolicited small grants to local grassroots organizations. Our Secure Future is proud to support the mission and work of the following organizations from 2019-2023.

ICON KEY



CAPACITY BUILDING



LEGAL/JUSTICE SERVICES



DISABILITY RIGHTS



PEACEBUILDING



HEALTHCARE



REFUGEE AND MIGRANT RIGHTS



SEXUAL AND GENDER BASED-VIOLENCE PREVENTION



YOUTH EMPOWERMENT



HUMAN RIGHTS



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SYRIA

CENTER FOR CIVIL SOCIETY AND DEMOCRACY (CCSD)

CCSD seeks to build a stable and just society where peace, respect for human rights, and fundamental freedoms prevail. CCSD supports political transition and sustainable peace in Syria by building the foundations of social stability and strengthening human rights charters and principles. Through the Women for the Future of Syria program, CCSD develops the capacity of women leaders and women's organizations to allow them to be involved in the Syrian transition process. They aim to achieve gender equality, eliminate forms of gender discrimination, abolish discriminatory laws against women, and end all forms of violence against women and girls. The program has trained more than 2,500 women on topics such as negotiation, mobilization, advocacy, and strategic planning.



UNITED STATES

ADELPHI FRIENDS

The Adelphi Friends Meeting, a faith-based organization, served as an intermediary to support the Champions of Justice Awards from the Global Women's Institute at George Washington University. The Awards were given to 33 formerly imprisoned Nicaraguan women's rights leaders who were released in the U.S. and granted asylum. The Global Women's Institute provided housing and other essential support as many of the women came to the U.S. with nothing and had no family to help support them.



UNITED STATES

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN, PEACE AND SECURITY (GIWPS)

GIWPS seeks to promote a more stable, peaceful, and just world by focusing on the important role women play in preventing conflict and building peace, growing economies, and addressing global threats like climate change and violent extremism. They engage in rigorous research, host global convenings, and advance strategic partnerships on women's roles in peace and security efforts, economic empowerment, countering violent extremism, and mitigating climate change and natural disasters. GIWPS' Women, Peace and Security Index offers a more comprehensive measure of women's wellbeing in over 150 countries. They communicate their original research findings and amplify the voices of women peacebuilders through their Seeking Peace podcast, media appearances, video and oral history projects, social media channels, newsletter, and blog.



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AFGHANISTAN TOO YOUNG TO WED (TYTW)

Too Young to Wed seeks to empower girls and to end child marriage globally. They envision a world where every girl can decide for herself, if, when and to whom she will marry; girls are free to be children and teens, with access to gender-specific healthcare and all levels of education; and all girls are free to determine the course of their own lives. TYTW partners with grassroots organizations providing direct relief to their own communities, instead of parachuting in without an understanding of contextual realities. TYTW has an Afghanistan Emergency Initiative to address the dire crisis of food insecurity, livelihood options for families, and education for girls. In Kenya, TYTW engages key decision makers to better protect girls and supports innovative champion-building workshops and public awareness campaigns.



AFGHANISTAN WOMEN & PEACE STUDIES ORGANIZATION (WPSO-AFGHANISTAN)

WPSO supports inclusive peace and development in Afghanistan through community engagement, as well as by promoting women in education, development, peacebuilding and conflict resolution. WPSO-Afghanistan has engaged with a network of local women peacebuilders all over Afghanistan. They have provided capacity building, advocacy, mobilization and leadership training, mentoring and coaching, and platforms for local conflict resolution.



DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO DYNAMIQUE DES FEMMES JURISTES (DFJ)

DFJ is a network of women lawyers in the eastern part of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, which facilitates women's access to justice and fights against impunity. DFJ strengthens the skills of women, so they can take part in decision-making bodies in the public and private sectors, and engage in the promotion, protection, and defense of their rights. Claudine Tsongo, a DRC lawyer and activist fighting gender-based violence, is the formidable woman behind DFJ: "In DFJ, we think justice should be done and victims of gender-based violence deserve protection. We have a mission to protect them and bring perpetrators to justice. This is where we put all our efforts."



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BURMA WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF BURMA

The Women's League of Burma was established in 1999 to increase the participation of women in the struggle for democracy and human rights, and in the national peace and reconciliation process, and to enhance the role of women in Burma at the national and international level. The organization has programs for peace and reconciliation, women against violence, and women's political empowerment.



DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO PANZI FOUNDATION

Panzi Hospital and Foundation was founded by Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Dr. Denis Mukwege and is dedicated to giving women who have experienced sexual violence in the Democratic Republic of the Congo the opportunity to heal and rebuild their lives. The Panzi community of supporters, health practitioners, lawyers, and activists work to help survivors and to end the use of sexual violence as a weapon of war. Their holistic healing model combines medical treatment with access to psychosocial support, legal services, and job skills training. The Panzi Hospital has treated more than 85,000 survivors.



IRAQ FREE YEZIDI FOUNDATION (FYF)

FYF supports the Yezidi community in the aftermath of the 2014 Yezidi Genocide. FYF promotes the rights and well-being of Yezidis in Iraq and the diaspora, with an emphasis on women's empowerment, the pursuit of justice, and helping the community rebuild through trauma treatment, education, training, and economic development. Some of the activities include educational opportunities for Yezidis and minority women to improve literacy and enhance access to higher education, as well as to perform structural investigations into ISIS crimes against Yezidis.



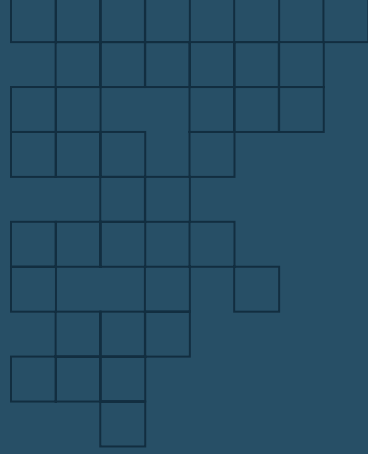
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LATVIA CENTRS MARTA

MARTA Centre provides social, legal, and psychological services to adult victims of violence and human trafficking, including refugees from Ukraine. They have also provided rehabilitation for certain female activists and their families who were forced to leave Ukraine, work to prevent trafficking of refugees from Ukraine, and provide support for grassroots women's organizations in Ukraine and for refugees in Latvia. Current projects include documenting sexualized war crimes in Ukraine and establishing teams of specialists for a newly created shelter for victims of sexualized war crimes in the Ivansk Frankivsk region.



2021



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BOLIVIA **A BREEZE OF HOPE FOUNDATION**

A Breeze of Hope Foundation brings healing and justice to the lives of those affected by childhood sexual violence in Bolivia and beyond. The Foundation seeks to 1) eradicate sexual violence through transdisciplinary prevention strategies targeting root causes; 2) restore the lives of those who have suffered from childhood sexual violence through free, holistic support; and 3) secure access to justice for survivors to support individual healing and to strengthen legal systems. The Foundation has four facilities and centers in Bolivia that offer free legal, social, and psychological services to child victims of sexual violence and their non-offending family members.



GHANA **ENLIGHTENING AND EMPOWERING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN AFRICA (EEDAFRICA)**

eepdAFRICA is directed and staffed by volunteers with and without disabilities. The organization ensures that persons with disabilities in Africa enjoy their rights enshrined in the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the Millennium Development Goals, and policies and laws in their constitutions, without any discrimination. eepdAfrica empowers persons with disabilities to live an independent and self-sufficient life through advocacy, education, mentoring, and networking locally and globally. Furthermore, eepdAfrica is working to bring the first inclusive educational environment to Ghana with the Accessible Schools Project. To learn more about eepdAFRICA, read OSF's [awardee spotlight here](#).



NEPAL **HIMALAYAN HEALTHCARE (HHC)**

The mission of Himalayan HealthCare is to provide sustainable development programs in remote and impoverished areas of Nepal, focusing on gender-sensitive primary healthcare and rights, community education, income generation, and disaster preparedness and response. HHC partners with some of the most impoverished and marginalized people in the world, working in remote and isolated northern Dhading villages of Ruby Valley Rural Municipality. Women, Indigenous Tamang and Dalit community members are at the center of their work. To learn more about Himalayan HealthCare, read OSF's [awardee spotlight here](#).



UGANDA

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UNITED STATES

MOBILITY INTERNATIONAL USA (MIUSA)

MIUSA advances disability rights and leadership globally through international exchange, international development and strategic consulting to create a more just and equitable world where people with disabilities take their rightful place as leaders and citizen diplomats throughout the world. MIUSA empowers people with disabilities to take advantage of the same international exchange opportunities as everyone else, offers a women's leadership training program, and provides technical assistance and training tailored to the priorities of disability communities around the world with a disability-led and cross-sector approach.



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BURUNDI **YOUTH COALITION AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE (SEMERERA)**

SEMERERA enables local communities in Burundi to actively take the lead in achieving the goals of gender equality, development, and peace for all. They mobilize and support youth activists to build a network of protection, awareness, and material assistance for survivors of gender-based violence and to address gender-based violence in economic, political, and social arenas.



CAMEROON **SOUTH WEST NORTH WEST WOMEN TASKFORCE (SNWOT)**

SNWOT provides adolescent girls and young women with the knowledge, skills, and resources to participate in politics and influence policies. SNWOT ensures the participation and representation of adolescent girls and young women in peace processes and mobilizes grassroots organizations in support of conflict resolution, education, health, and humanitarian assistance for all. To learn more about SNWOT, read OSF's [awardee spotlight here](#).



COLOMBIA VOICES OF MIGRANTS

Voices of Migrant aims to create a platform and a community where migrants' voices can be heard. Through this platform, Voices of Migrants strives to unveil the obstacles, courage, and pain behind what is commonly referred to as a "crisis," but refugees and immigrants call life, as well as to build a bridge between international organizations, local movements, and the community. The organization runs a letter-writing campaign, including a pen-pal program with Villa Caracas and note-writing to refugees in Greece, and fundraises for Villa Caracas, a Venezuelan migrant community in Barranquilla, Colombia. Their newest initiative, Creare, transcends borders through a lens of artistic expression, inviting migrants to share their own stories.



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GUATEMALA ASOCIACIÓN POP NO'J

Asociación Pop No'j promotes the social, political, economic, and cultural empowerment of Mayan communities in Guatemala. The civil society organization facilitates and supports organizational processes, training, community engagement, and advocacy to contribute to sustainable, indigenous-led development, the empowerment of Mayan women, the education of young Mayan leaders, and the reintegration of children and adolescents who were deported from the United States and Mexico. Pop No'j focuses its work in the Maya Mam and Huista regions of the department of Huehuetenango in Northwest Guatemala.



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LEBANON

COLLECTIVE FOR RESEARCH AND TRAINING ON DEVELOPMENT – ACTION (CRTD.A)

CRTD.A supports the social development of local communities and organizations in Lebanon and across the Arab world. The organization focuses on providing women and girls with the necessary tools to exercise agency in the private and public sphere. CRTD.A shares best practices, supports capacity building, and promotes policy advocacy on cross-cutting and national issues in the areas of gender and inclusive citizenship, economic rights, socio-economic empowerment, leadership, and public participation. Its activities are designed to help advance the SDGs with a focus on goal 5 – Gender Equality.



MEXICO

LOS DESAPARECIDOS DE IGUALA

Los Desaparecidos de Iguala monitors grave human rights violations, including forced disappearance, to support their vision of Mexico where human rights are fully respected; children and youth are safe; and a just, equitable, participatory, and accountable society is guaranteed. The organization helps to eliminate root causes of human rights abuses by designing and implementing legal and psychosocial strategies, investigations, and public awareness campaigns. Their vision is that human rights are fully respected, children and youth are safe, and a just, equitable, participatory, and accountable society is guaranteed.



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NIGERIA

MWADA-GANA FOUNDATION

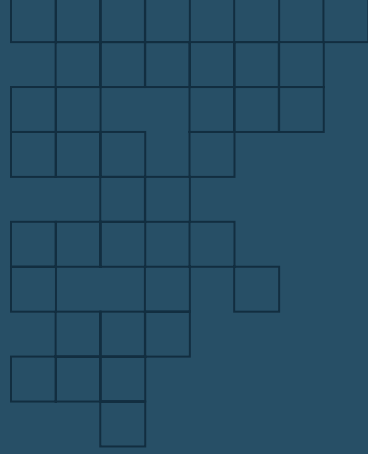
Mwada-Gana Foundation improves maternal and newborn health in Nigeria through community participation. The organization increases access to obstetrics care for underserved communities by supporting the availability, accessibility, and utilization of quality skilled care during pregnancy, childbirth, and the postnatal period. They work to reduce the incidence of gender-based violence among refugees, improve purchasing power of refugees in host communities and IDP camps, and partner with state and local governments, including civil society groups, in Borno State. The organization also implements the Village Health Worker Project, which increases access to nutrition and to maternal, reproductive, newborn, and child healthcare. To learn more about the Mwada-Gana Foundation, read OSF's [awardee spotlight here](#).



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2019



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CÔTE D'IVOIRE

WEST AFRICAN NETWORK FOR PEACEBUILDING (WANEP- CI)

WANEP-CI facilitates civil society cooperation in Ivory Coast and West Africa. They promote information sharing and resources on human rights, democracy, good governance, conflict prevention, humanitarian action, and social justice. WANEP-CI plays a crucial role in crisis prevention, supporting victims of violence, expanding women's roles in electoral processes and peace-building, and mainstreaming gender into community-level and national conflict prevention efforts.



IRAQ

AL-FIRDAWS SOCIETY

The Al-Firdaws Society in Iraq was established to promote women's rights and economic empowerment and to enhance their role in society, the political process, and democracy. They have since expanded their work to establish a peace network in Basra, which unites different organizations from diverse groups and communities. The network has organized several campaigns calling for peace and development in Basra, addressing local authorities to enhance the delivery of basic services. To learn more about Al-Firdwas Society, read OSF's [awardee spotlight here](#).



SOUTH SUDAN

EVE ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN DEVELOPMENT

EVE strives to improve the quality of life of women and girls in South Sudan through interventions that help them realize their full potential and effect positive changes at the community level. The organization's strategies include 1) developing and strengthening the capacities of women and girls to be leaders and to effectively participate in decision-making and nation-building processes; 2) promoting the cultural and socio-economic abilities of women to contribute to the development of South Sudan; 3) supporting the rights and interests of women and girls; 4) promoting the health and education of women and girls; and 5) fostering a culture of peace.



SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION OF WAR AFFECTED WOMEN (AWAW)

AWAW is dedicated to strengthening democracy, advancing women’s participation, and promoting sustainable development and lasting peace in Sri Lanka. They collaborate with a wide variety of stakeholders, both within the country and internationally. Their partners include clergy of all faiths, academia, professionals, women, men, and youth across all districts of the country. Together, they work to protect human rights and strengthen good governance and democracy. AWAW is also actively involved in various activities, including producing policy briefs, conducting advocacy work, delivering training, and actively participating in initiatives related to the Women, Peace and Security agenda. To learn more about the Association of War Affected Women, read OSF’s [awardee spotlight here](#).