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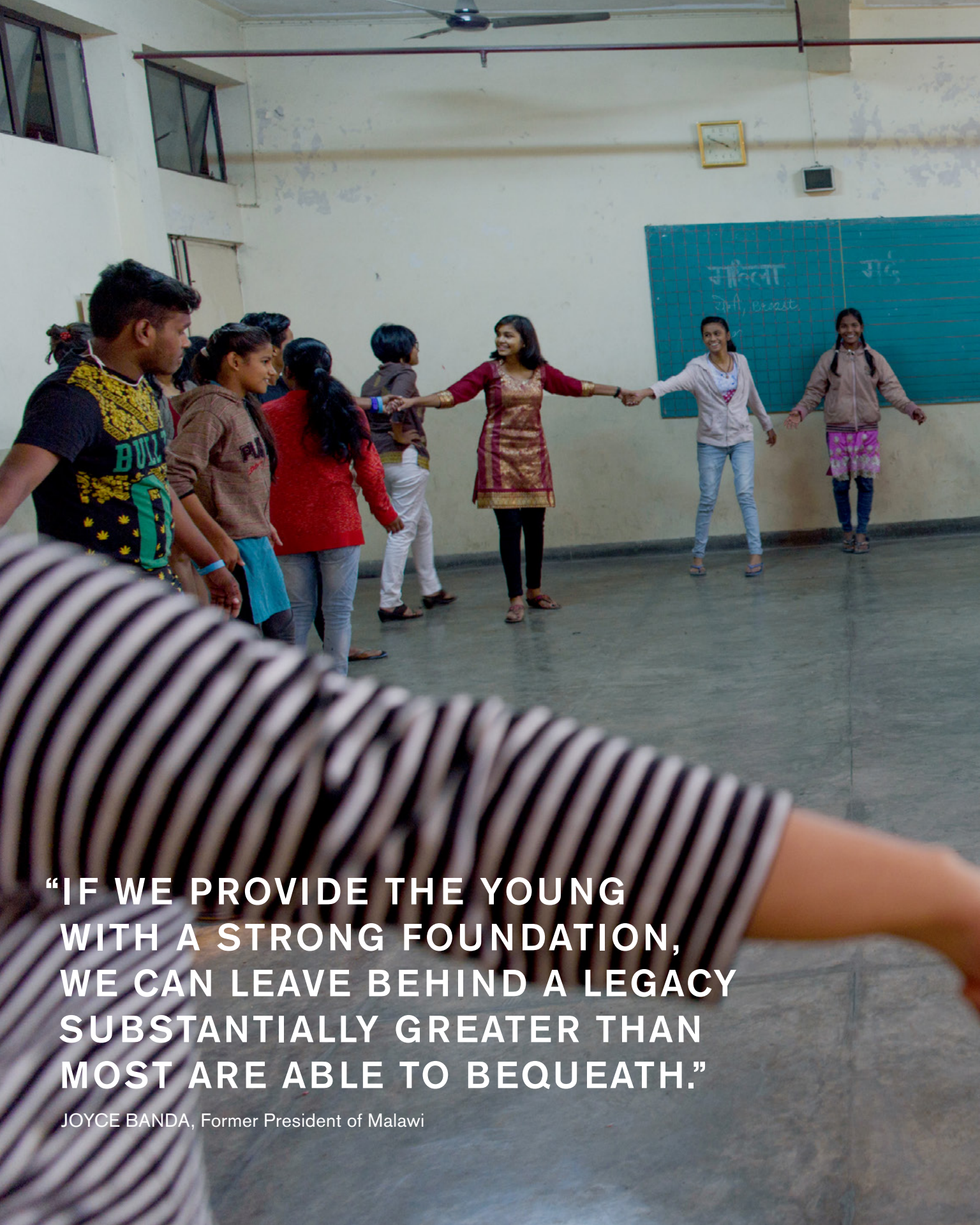
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The International Women's Health Coalition

advances the sexual and reproductive health and rights of women and young people, particularly adolescent girls, in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East. IWHC furthers this agenda by supporting and strengthening leaders and organizations working at the community, national, regional, and global levels, and by advocating for international and US policies, programs, and funding.

IWHC builds bridges between local realities and international policy by connecting women and young people in the Global South to key decision-makers. In doing so, IWHC brings local voices to global debates and in turn, makes global processes and policies more understandable and actionable at the local level.



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JOYCE BANDA, Former President of Malawi

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WOMEN
AND GIRLS
RISE UP

These are extraordinary times for women's rights.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The women's movement has made major gains over the last decade,

unifying across countries and continents to advance policies that protect sexual and reproductive health and rights.

Fresh from our hard-fought and historic victory in September 2015—when 193 countries adopted the 2030 Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals—in 2016, the International Women's Health Coalition and its partners led the charge to make these goals a reality. We are working to ensure women's and girls' equality remains central, every step of the way.

Yet alongside this unprecedented global achievement, ideological attacks on sexual and reproductive health everywhere continue unabated. The year 2016 saw the election of President Donald Trump, who has assaulted reproductive rights, repudiated multilateralism, and rejected evidenced-based policies. With this tectonic shift, populist leaders from Asia to Europe to the Middle East have been emboldened to invoke "traditional values" to justify their attacks on women and other vulnerable people.

DESPITE THESE UNPRECEDENTED AND SIGNIFICANT THREATS, I HAVE HOPE.

Our sustained advocacy, intensive mentoring of women advocates, and direct financial support to global women's groups have shaped and strengthened a revived feminist resistance. In 2016, as women took to the streets en masse to stop rollbacks of women's rights, organizations supported by IWHC were at the forefront.

In Argentina, protests erupted when a young woman known as Belén was imprisoned for allegedly self-inducing an abortion. Our grantee partner, Catholics for the Right to Decide, organized countless demonstrations and provided her with legal representation. Victory came when the courts acquitted Belén in early 2017.

In Poland, after multi-day protests by thousands of women in over 60 towns across the country culminated in a one-day strike, the government abruptly withdrew a bill that would have banned abortion under all circumstances and

imprisoned women and doctors. IWHC grantee partner ASTRA led these successful actions.

In Turkey, despite mounting government repression, our grantee partner Women for Women's Human Rights joined forces with other civil society groups to protest a bill that would have allowed rapists of underage girls to avoid jail time if they married their victims. After national and international outcry, the government withdrew the proposed law.

In January 2017, the Women's March—of which IWHC was a partner—took place in Washington, DC, and in nearly 700 cities around the world. These developments make it clear that the global feminist movement is essential to advancing human rights, and we cannot stop now—our lives are on the line.

Thank you for your support and for standing with us.



FRANÇOISE GIRARD

MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD CHAIR

Around the world political developments have emboldened leaders to adopt regressive policies, which spell disaster for women and girls.

OUR COLLECTIVE DETERMINATION TO RESIST IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER,

and IWHC is well positioned to lead the way. The organization has strong and strategic relationships with grassroots women's groups in many countries. These groups are anchored in local communities and able to effect long-term change in women's and girls' lives. At a time when funding for such organizations—and US foreign assistance in general—is extremely limited and diminishing, we must continue to support them.

Groups like IWHC's grantee partner INCREASE in Nigeria are fostering strong and independent young feminist leaders. Sixteen-year-old Nafisah from north-central Nigeria participated in their Girls Leadership Training program and has a newfound outlook. "I've learned that I can do anything I set my mind to," she said recently. "I used to be shy, had low self-esteem, and turned away from challenges.

Now I understand the meaning of the saying 'What a man can do, a woman can do.'" Nafisah has decided she wants to study further and become a college professor.

Nafisah's story illustrates how critical girls' programs are to expanding opportunities and improving whole communities. Nigeria's massive youth population has significant potential, but limited access to high-quality education and life-skills training holds them back. In addition, many girls and young women face a host of health and social challenges, such as early marriage, unwanted pregnancies, unsafe abortions, HIV, and gender-based violence. When the health and lives of girls are at risk, so is the country's social and economic progress.

Initiatives like the Girls' Leadership Training program are disrupting the status quo. The program educates at-risk girls between the ages of 11 and 18 about their bodies and rights and provides practical skills so they can tackle gender equality and other deep-rooted

social norms. By offering girls not only information but also the tools to use this knowledge, the program increases young girls' self-esteem—enabling them to stay healthy and giving them the ability to chart their own futures. After the 12-month training, the girls have developed critical thinking skills and are empowered to make decisions. "Now I know my values and accept myself for who I am," said Nafisah.

Stories like Nafisah's inspire resolve. I know IWHC is committed to empowering girls and carrying this critical work forward, especially during these tumultuous times.

I hope we can count on you to join in these efforts and show the world that girls' lives count.



MARLENE HESS



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Communities are transformed when girls can make decisions about their bodies and lives.

GIRLS EMPOWERED

With more than 30 years of experience advocating for the health and rights of women and young people, the International Women's Health Coalition recognizes the unique challenges faced by girls around the world. We know that sending girls to school or providing sanitary pads—while absolutely vital to improving their lives—will not alone address the challenges girls face in achieving equality and realizing their human rights. For things to fundamentally change, girls themselves must be empowered.



IWHC BELIEVES that providing girls with knowledge to negotiate relationships and control their bodies is central to addressing and combating the barriers that prevent girls from thriving.

We invest in community-led programs that provide comprehensive sexuality education and reproductive health services, enabling girls to know their rights, access care, and develop essential life-skills and strong self-esteem.

These programs have the added benefit of supporting sustainable change in communities—from encouraging parents to end early and forced marriage

in Cameroon to combating violence and stigma faced by girls in Pakistan. We support frank conversations to tackle the harmful gender norms and practices that hold girls back.

IWHC also fights on behalf of girls at the policy level. Without sustained and focused advocacy, girls are far too often ignored by policymakers—from leaders in their small villages to those at the UN General Assembly. This past year, we convinced all governments to collect data on marriages below the ages of 15, instead of solely focusing on 18 as the minimum age. As a result, previously unavailable data on very young married girls will



become available to guide laws and policies to end harmful practices and protect girls' lives and health.

We have also worked to highlight the disproportionate risk of HIV infection faced by girls and young women, especially in Eastern and Southern Africa—where sexual relationships between young girls and older men are common. In July 2016, we organized a high-level symposium at the 21st International AIDS Conference in Durban, South Africa, where, together with the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS; the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria; and others, we discussed concrete solutions to

the particular vulnerabilities of adolescent girls.

Underpinning all of our work is a firm commitment to girls' fundamental right to autonomy. IWHC and our many local partners are not afraid to point out girls' needs, conduct

hard-hitting advocacy to promote policies and practices that defend girls' rights, and hold leaders accountable to their promises. **Our goal is to ensure girls and women can realize their rights and full potential, and lead safe, healthy, and productive lives.**

GIRLS AROUND THE WORLD



are not
in school



were married
before the
age of 18



have experienced
forced sexual acts
at some point
in their lives



have unsafe
abortions
every year

Sources: USAID, UNICEF, WHO

BRINGING CHILD MARRIAGE INTO FOCUS: SURVIVORS SPEAK OUT



A hallmark of IWHC's approach is our ability to bring local insights, experiences, and solutions to the global level, ensuring that the voices of women and girls are heard in the highest halls of power.

IN THE FALL OF 2015

IWHC hosted Girl Summit DC—a major annual meeting to assess and energize US government efforts to improve the lives of girls worldwide. We asked four representatives of Association de Lutte contre les Violences faites aux

Femmes-Extrême Nord (ALVF-EN) and Association pour la Promotion de l'Autonomie et des Droits de la Fille et de la Femme (APAD), our grantee partners from northern Cameroon, to join us in Washington, DC, to share their life stories and work. Two of them were married as children, and one narrowly escaped marriage at the age of 15. Having lived through and seen the devastating consequences of early marriage, Siké Billé, Aïssa Doumara Ngatansou, Danedjo Hadidja, and Mairamou are now some of their country's fiercest and most effective activists against the practice.

In northern Cameroon, upwards of 70 percent of girls are married before they turn 18. Upon marrying, girls are often forced to stop attending school. They have no control over childbearing and no access to contraception, and as a result have children before they are physically or emotionally prepared. As young brides, they are isolated from health and support services.

The Cameroonian activists' trip to the United States was an opportunity for them to learn how to speak effectively to American policymakers and journalists. IWHC held a workshop for them to develop and clarify their messages. IWHC then arranged a meeting for them with US Representative Betty

McCollum of Minnesota, who has led the charge in Congress against child marriage. As newly confident spokespersons, Danedjo and Mairamou gave interviews to Voice of America, Al Jazeera, and other news media, elevating their messages to a global audience. Danedjo and Siké also spoke at Girl Summit DC, bringing their critical and powerful perspectives about the root causes of child

marriage, and about what has worked to stop it in the very conservative context of northern Cameroon.

The US trip marked a powerful new stage in the Cameroonian women's advocacy and enabled them to build momentum against child marriage at home. **In July 2016, Cameroon amended its Penal Code to ban early and forced marriage.**

“NO ONE TOLD ME I HAD THE RIGHT TO SAY NO.”

DANEDJO HADIDJA on the pressure to get married early.

GIRL SUMMIT DC

For the last two years, IWHC has cohosted Girl Summit DC, an annual event to mobilize the US government to advance the rights of adolescent girls around the world. The annual meeting brings together US government officials and representatives of organizations and UN agencies to discuss and promote policies that impact the lives of girls.

The 2015 Girl Summit DC helped galvanize the US government to release its first Global Strategy to Empower Adolescent Girls in March 2016. IWHC played a significant role in the development of this plan, ensuring that it holistically addressed the needs of girls and that it brought together all of the key government agencies responsible for US programs that affect adolescent girls in developing countries, including the US Department of State, US Agency for International Development, Peace Corps, and Millennium Challenge Corporation. The Global Strategy is not only the first US strategy of its kind—it is the first strategy of any country to focus specifically and comprehensively on improving the lives of girls worldwide. IWHC hosted the annual Girl Summit DC with the Center for Global Development, Girls Not Brides USA, and other partners.

CHANGE STARTS YOUNG: TRANSFORMING ATTITUDES AND LIVES



Her name may be Sweetie, but she is serious about her future. She wants to be a teacher—a math teacher to be exact.

SWEETIE HAS BEEN PARTICIPATING in sexuality education sessions run by an IWHC grantee partner in India, the YP Foundation, which works in slum areas of New Delhi. Young girls living in these communities face rampant discrimination and violence. As a result, their mobility and access to learning opportunities are severely limited.

Founded and led by young people, the YP Foundation provides practical information to adolescents not only about anatomy and reproduction, but importantly, about gender equality and power in relationships. Staff facilitators convey that it is not biology but society that holds girls and women back. While household work was once exclusively a woman's burden—and paid employment for women outside the home the exception—social roles in India are now rapidly shifting.

Sweetie is charting this new path. "When I become a teacher, I will not separate the sexes, as my teachers do now," she says. "And I'll make sure boys and

girls respect each other."

The YP Foundation-led workshops give Sweetie and the other young participants the freedom to explore complicated issues. "There are certain things you can't talk about at home, but here we have an open, safe space."

The YP Foundation aims to foster a cadre of informed and passionate youth advocates to drive change locally and at

the national level. Participants in the program learn about current government policies and initiatives, such as India's National Adolescent Health Program, which are supposed to address the comprehensive needs of young people but are inconsistently implemented.

The participants are trained to lead their own campaigns and tackle pressing issues. Sweetie will join their ranks determined to protect her rights and those of other girls and young women.

"Now that times are changing, boys' thinking should also change," she asserts. "They should believe that whatever they can do, we can do. They should respect our choices."



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SWEETIE, participant in YP Foundation workshop

WOMEN'S GROUPS IN BRAZIL RESPOND TO ZIKA CRISIS



Staff from IWHC grantee partner Grupo Curumim at the launch of a campaign to raise awareness of Zika.

In 2016, the Zika virus emerged as a major threat to women's health. The virus—most commonly spread through mosquitoes, but also by sexual intercourse—hit Brazil the hardest.

WHILE SYMPTOMS

for the average person are mild, the impact of Zika on pregnant women can be severe. The virus is associated with fetal neurological disorders including microcephaly, which causes abnormally small heads and malformed brains in newborns. According to the Brazilian government, as of January 2017, there were 2,205 confirmed cases of Zika congenital syndrome, and more than 2,800 cases still under investigation.

Not surprisingly, the women most affected by and at risk of Zika are poor women of color living in northeastern Brazil,

one of the country's most impoverished regions. These women have little to no access to contraception, safe abortion, and other preventative health information and services.

The Brazilian government has lagged in its response to Zika. Abortion is still permitted only in limited circumstances, and no effort has been made to consider changing the law in light of the Zika virus. The government has not expanded access to contraception and it has failed to respond to the surge of microcephaly cases that require specialized services to support affected mothers and their children.



Faced with this dire emergency, IWHC grantee partners in Brazil are filling the void. In 2016, IWHC made a Rapid Response grant to its partner Grupo Curumim—a group in the northeast that focuses on vulnerable and underserved women and girls. With these

resources, Grupo Curumim did critical work to dispel myths about Zika and provide education to communities. Curumim trained local health providers to ensure they counseled women and girls on Zika and provided them with a range of contraceptive

methods. IWHC also supported the Brazilian organization Anis-Institute of Bioethics, Human Rights and Gender to petition the Brazilian Supreme Court to legalize abortion in cases of suspected Zika infection, force the government to offer affordable contraception, and provide welfare payments and other assistance to women and families coping with infants affected by microcephaly.

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SINARA GUMIERI, attorney and researcher at Anis

“Science doesn't have all the answers yet,” said Sinara Gumieri, attorney and researcher at Anis. “But we do know about protecting rights—so we have to do that.”

MAKING DATA COUNT FOR GIRLS AND WOMEN

**EQUAL
MEASURES
2030**



In 2015, 193 governments adopted the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals—a historic and comprehensive blueprint for development and justice. Countries committed to attaining 17 broad-ranging goals by 2030, from ending hunger, to providing clean water and sanitation, to achieving gender equality. Persistent and strategic advocacy by the women’s movement—with IWHC playing a leading role—ensured that the rights of women and girls are a core part of this important agenda. If carried out successfully, these Global Goals could be transformational.

WITH THE AGENDA

IN PLACE, countries are now focusing their efforts on action plans to guide next steps and measure progress. The global community collects data on certain aspects of women’s and girls’ lives, but significant gaps in knowledge persist, whether on maternal mortality, child marriage, contraceptive use, or unsafe abortion. Almost no information is collected on girls ages 10-14. Incomplete or missing statistics leave millions of girls and women invisible and unable to claim their rights, and make it easier for decision-makers to avoid taking action.

To keep the pressure on governments to uphold their commitments to girls and women, IWHC joined the initiative Equal Measures 2030 as a founding partner. Equal Measures 2030 brings together the private and nonprofit sectors, including IWHC, the

Asia-Pacific Resource and Research Centre for Women (Arrow), the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Data2X, the African Women’s Development and Communication Network (FEMNET), KPMG, the ONE Campaign, Plan International, and Women Deliver. Together, these partners will work over 15 years to equip decision-makers with the tools and data they need to realize the 2030 Agenda for women and girls. The partners will monitor indicators that track progress for girls and women throughout their lives, collect additional case studies and testimonies

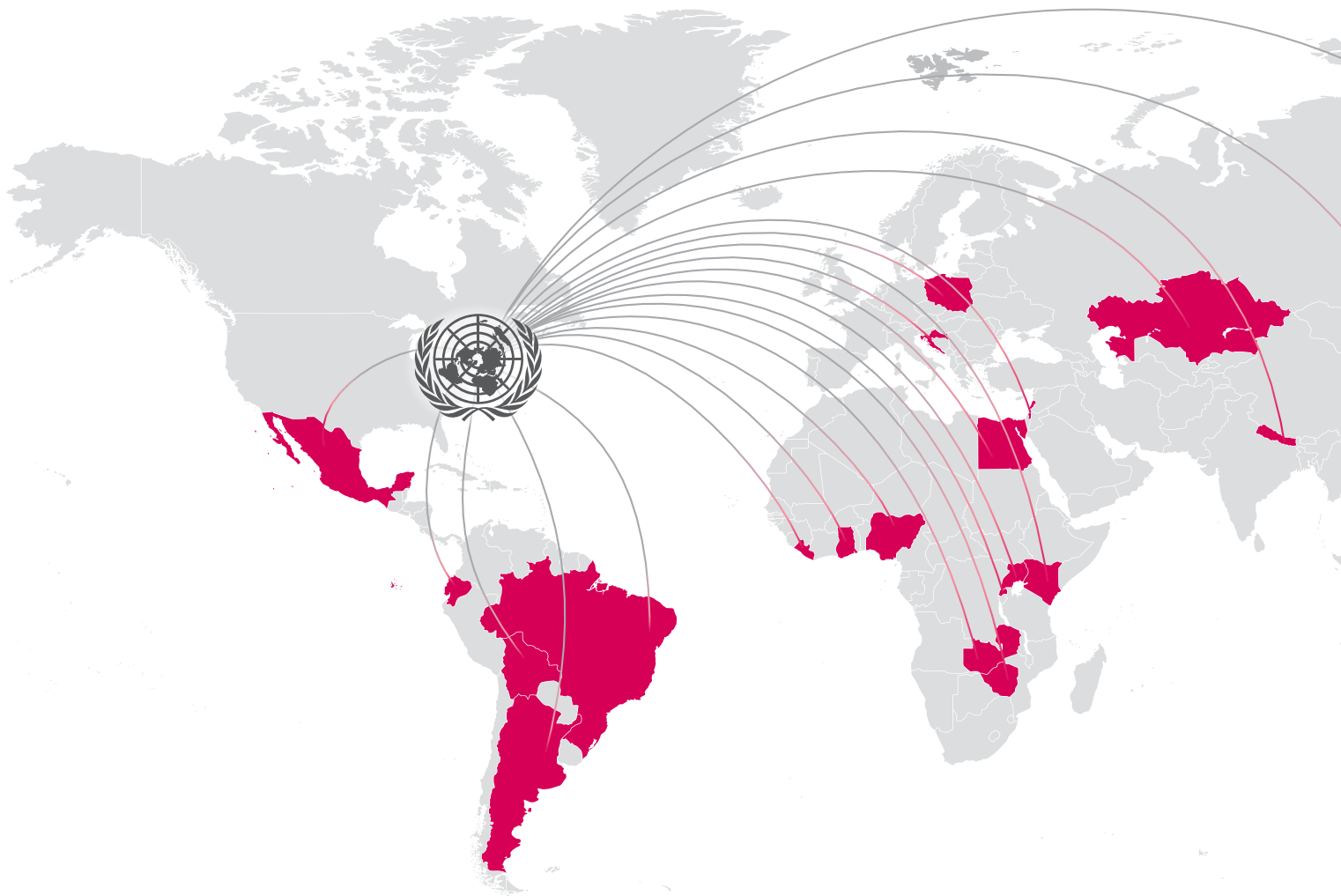
at the community level, and collaborate to share this crucial new information widely.

Equal Measures 2030 will also seek to ensure that data and evidence is connected to advocacy and action by putting this powerful information in the hands of girls’ and women’s movements and advocates. IWHC knows that without sustained mobilization by women’s groups, governments may let women’s and girls’ rights slip off the agenda, thus squandering this once-in-a-generation chance to transform our world.

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BUILDING A FEMINIST FORCE

In 2016, IWHC brought 32 activists from 21 countries to New York to participate in the UN Commission on the Status of Women. They successfully lobbied their individual governments to press for global commitments toward achieving gender equality.



ADVOCACY IN PRACTICE TRAINING PROGRAM

IWHC HAS A LONG TRACK RECORD of identifying and mentoring young people from around the world to advocate for global and national policies that further women's and girls' rights. Because engaging in international advocacy can be challenging, IWHC holds hands-on workshops to prepare young people for negotiations with UN diplomats and

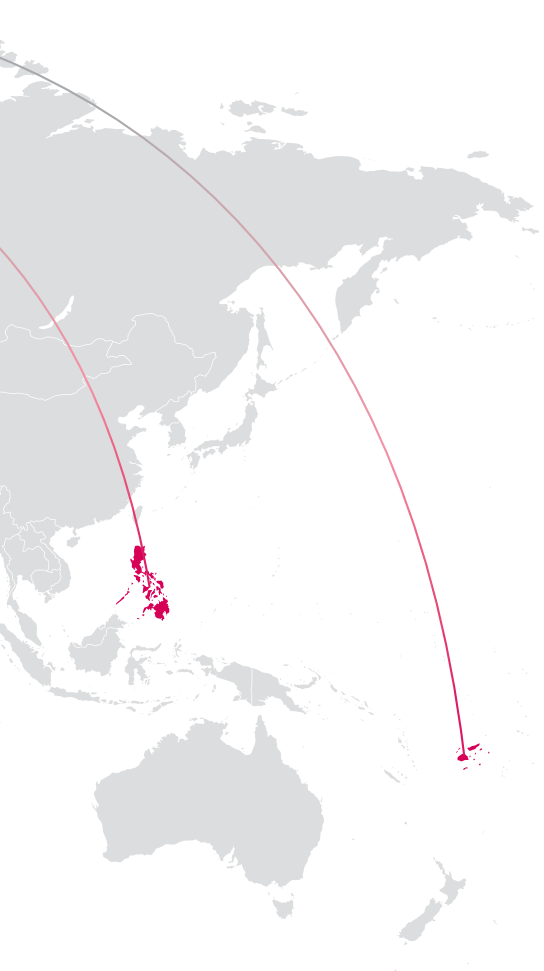
government officials. Called Advocacy in Practice, these multi-day trainings involve deep learning and team building, where participants develop a common language to address sexual and reproductive health and rights, and use techniques such as role play to practice approaching their government officials with proposed amendments. The Advocacy in Practice workshops are held

before major UN meetings and regional conferences to enable participants to take what they have learned and apply it directly, with support from IWHC mentors at these meetings. Armed with these new skills, the advocates then return home better equipped to lobby their governments for supportive policies.



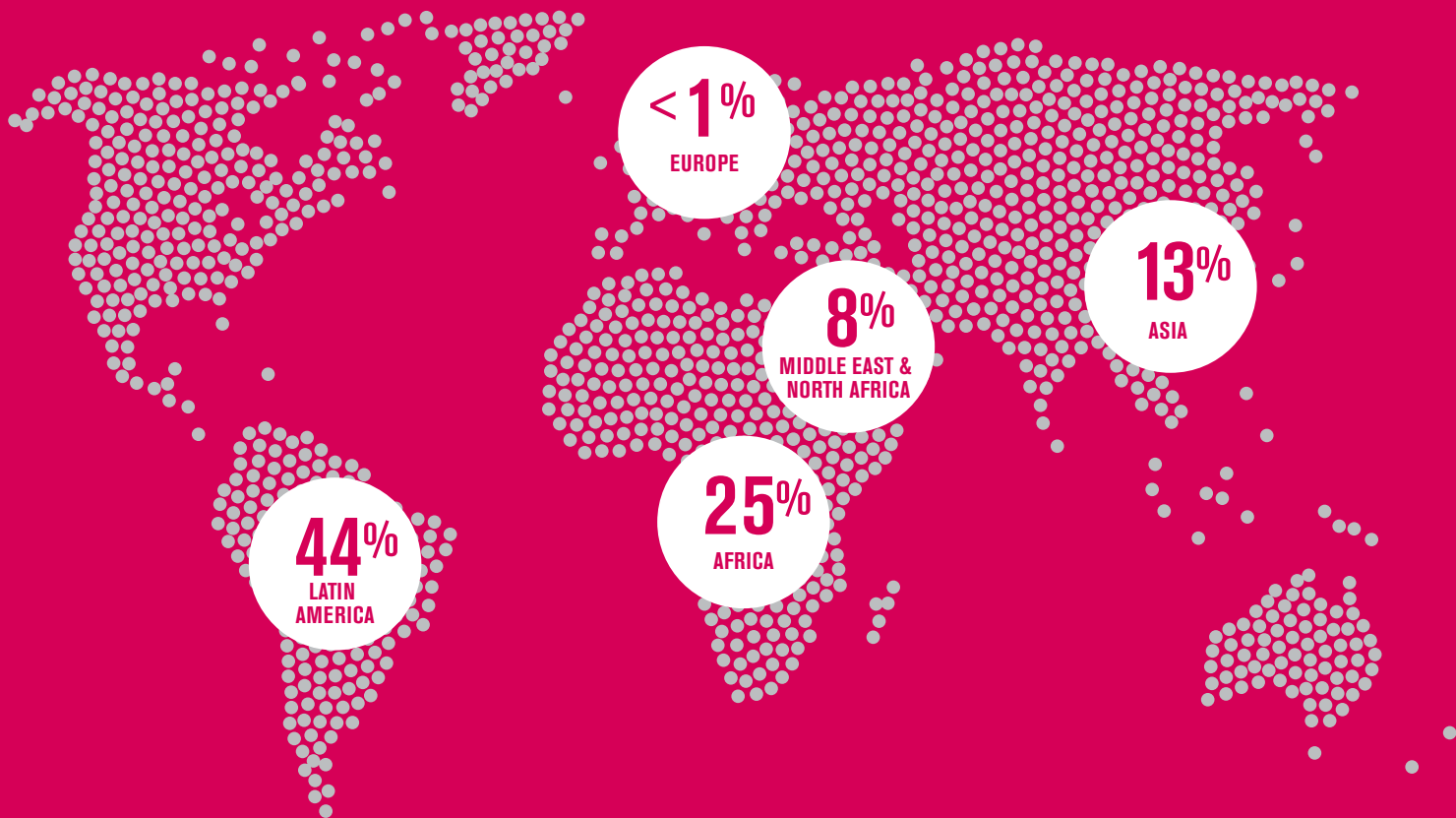
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SMRITI THAPA, Coordinator of Youth Champions Advocacy Network, Nepal



GRANTS BY REGION

FY2016 At a Glance



10%
GLOBAL
ADVOCACY

Africa:
\$461,948

Asia:
\$250,350

Eastern Europe:
\$40,000

Latin America:
\$826,006

Middle East & North Africa:
\$132,969

Global Advocacy:
\$166,523

GRANTS TO PARTNERS

Fiscal Year 2016: October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016

AFRICA

Regional

African Women's Development and Communication Network (FEMNET) \$55,000

Strengthen African women's advocacy on gender equality, human rights, and sexual and reproductive health.

Cameroon

Association de Lutte contre les Violences faites aux Femmes Extrême-Nord (ALVF-EN) \$43,336

Build the capacity of the organization to support girls and young women survivors of early and forced marriage, gender-based violence, and displacement in the Extreme-North region.

Association pour la Promotion de l'Autonomie et des Droits de la Fille/ Femme (APAD) \$31,500

Empower at-risk girls and survivors of early and forced marriage in the Diamaré area by providing information on sexual and reproductive health and rights and livelihood training.

Femmes-Santé-Développement (FESADE) \$35,000

Advance in-school comprehensive sexuality education in the Central, Littoral, and South regions of Cameroon.

Ghana

Curious Minds \$25,000

Support leadership of the 7th African Conference on Sexual Health and Rights in Accra.

Kenya

Kisumu Medical and Education Trust (KMET) \$75,000

Improve access to comprehensive sexuality education and youth-centered services as part of a holistic program with 12 community-based organizations in three western Kenyan counties.

Trust for Indigenous Culture And Health (TICAH) \$40,100

Enhance the agency of young women and girls to make informed decisions about their sexual and reproductive health and to advocate for national comprehensive sexuality education curricula.

Nigeria

Education as a Vaccine (EVA) \$54,926

Provide core support to advance the sexual and reproductive health and rights of young people and build a group of young African feminists who are able to actively engage in advocacy at the global, regional, national, and local levels.

International Center for Reproductive Health and Sexual Rights (INCRESE) \$46,600

Strengthen the capacity of young people—especially adolescent girls—in Minna, Niger State, to make informed decisions about their lives.

South Africa

Ibis Reproductive Health \$55,486

Assess current sexuality education curricula and programs and together with the National Teen Pregnancy Partnership, document youth experiences and needs and make recommendations to the Department of Basic Education for improvements.



IWHC meets with staff and young advocates from the YP Foundation in India.

ASIA

Regional

Diverse Voices and Action for Equality (Diva) \$45,025

Strengthen lesbian, bisexual, and transgender-led feminist initiatives to advance sexual rights in Fiji and the Pacific region.

India

CommonHealth \$40,325

Build capacity of network members to effectively advocate for sexual and reproductive health and rights at the state and national levels.

CREA \$105,000

Provide core support to build and strengthen feminist leadership, advance human rights, and expand sexual and reproductive freedoms.

Sama \$30,000

Broaden access to sexual and reproductive health services for marginalized, vulnerable young people in and around Delhi by empowering them and building bridges with health providers.

YP Foundation \$30,000

Advance the capacity of young people to advocate for sexual and reproductive health through a new training program.

EASTERN EUROPE

Regional

ASTRA \$40,000

Organize an advocacy workshop to challenge opposition to sexual and reproductive health and rights in Central and Eastern Europe.

LATIN AMERICA

Regional

Demysex: Red de Democracia y Sexualidad \$55,000

Strengthen comprehensive sexuality education in Latin America and the Caribbean by defining the theoretical frameworks for these programs and identifying common elements.

Argentina

Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir-Córdoba (CDD-Argentina) \$67,000

Provide core support to expand access to and public support for safe, legal abortion and to support the legal strategy and mobilization for “Belén” case.

Brazil

Anis-Institute of Bioethics, Human Rights and Gender \$76,566

Raise awareness of the Zika crisis among donors and the general public and develop the strategy for cases brought before Brazilian courts representing women affected by or at risk of the virus.

Católicas pelo Direito de Decidir (CDD-Brazil) \$76,521

Enhance the group’s influence and its defense of sexual and reproductive health and rights by training spokespeople and conducting traditional and social media outreach.

Centro Feminista de Estudos e Assessoria (CFEMEA) \$150,000

Advocate with Congress, develop the Feminist Free University as a leading online platform for political action, and establish a framework for self-care and collective well-being for feminist activists.

Grupo Curumim \$84,850

Raise awareness of the reproductive rights of women and girls most at risk of the Zika virus, mobilize against harmful legislation, and train and sensitize health providers, educators, and other professionals on the sexual and reproductive health and rights of adolescents.

Guatemala

GOJoven Guatemala \$15,000

Strengthen the communications and advocacy capacity of seven regional GOJoven chapters and ensure that youth sexual and reproductive health and rights are recognized.

Mexico

Conservación, Investigación y Aprovechamiento de los Recursos Naturales A.C. (CIARENA) \$10,000

Organize a meeting in Oaxaca of indigenous youth from all over Latin America to reflect on challenges and accomplishments and to develop a strategic global advocacy plan to advance their rights.

Peru

Centro de Promoción y Defensa de los Derechos Sexuales y Reproductivos (PROMSEX) \$150,000

Facilitate the creation of networks of safe and legal abortion providers in Latin America and expand access to the service by building support for legal change.

Instituto de Educación y Salud (IES) \$40,000

Advocate for educational authorities to commit to improving comprehensive sexuality education.

Uruguay

Mujer y Salud en Uruguay (MYSU) \$8,100

Publish and disseminate a report on the process and social and political contexts that led to the liberalization of the country's law on abortion in 2012.

MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

Lebanon

The A Project \$14,000

Provide accurate, non-judgmental sexual and reproductive health information and build ties between the women's movement and the health sector in Lebanon.

Gender and Sexuality Resource Center (GSRC) \$28,969

Support the publication and promotion of the third and fourth issues of Kohl: A Journal for Body and Gender Research and enhance knowledge and foster discourse on sexuality, feminism, and gender in the region.



Women in Zika-affected community in Brazil

Turkey

Women for Women's Human Rights (WWHR)-New Ways \$50,000

Ensure that the Turkish government assumes responsibility for achieving the UN's Sustainable Development Goals by building the capacity of local groups to monitor and hold officials accountable.

GLOBAL AND REGIONAL ADVOCACY

The African Girls' Summit in Zambia \$3,649

Support participation of an activist from Cameroon.

Association for Women's Rights in Development (AWID) 13th International Forum \$2,711

Support expert from Nigeria to present findings on adolescent sexuality and child marriage.

El IV Congreso Jurídico Latinoamericano sobre Derechos Reproductivos \$2,936

Support two activists from Argentina and Brazil to attend the 4th Legal Conference on Reproductive Rights in Latin America.

El XII Jornadas Nacionales de Debate Interdisciplinario en Salud y Población \$1,115

Support activist from Argentina to attend the 12th National Interdisciplinary Population and Health Conference.

Gender is My Agenda Campaign \$10,959

Support participation of seven activists from Cameroon, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, and Zimbabwe.

Girl Summit DC \$27,004

Enable four activists from Cameroon to engage US government officials, policy experts, and journalists in discussions on ending child marriage.

Hendrica Okondo \$1,193

Support engagement with UN diplomats on the importance of comprehensive sexuality education and reproductive health and rights in international policy.

Montevideo Consensus Review \$3,945

Enable advocates from Argentina and Guatemala to engage in review.

Pinar Ilkharacan \$5,223

Recognize leading Turkish women's activist with Joan B. Dunlop Award at IWHC Annual Dinner.

7th Africa Conference on Sexual Health and Rights \$13,191

Support four activists from Cameroon to participate in the 7th Africa Conference on Sexual Health and Rights in Accra, Ghana.

60th UN Commission on the Status of Women 2016 \$151,420

Support participation of 32 activists from Argentina, Brazil, Croatia, Ecuador, Egypt, Fiji, Ghana, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Lebanon, Liberia, Mexico, Nepal, Nigeria, Palestine, Philippines, Poland, Rwanda, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.

3rd Meeting of Inter-Agency and Expert Group on the SDG indicators \$2,181

Enable expert from the United Kingdom to participate in meeting.

21st International AIDS Conference \$5,195

Support leading activist to moderate an IWHC-hosted symposium at the conference in Durban, South Africa.

UN 2016 High-Level Meeting on Ending HIV/AIDS \$28,361

Support participation of 11 activists from Australia, Botswana, Honduras, India, Kenya, Mexico, Myanmar, Philippines, Puerto Rico, Tanzania, and Ukraine.

Women Deliver \$409

Support advocate from India to participate in a pre-conference meeting on abortion in Copenhagen, Denmark.

A number of IWHC grantee partners received grants in fiscal year 2015 and remained active partners in fiscal year 2016. They include Aahung in Pakistan; Asia Safe Abortion Partnership (ASAP) in India; Centro de Estudios de Estado y Sociedad (CEDES) in Argentina; Red de Organizaciones de Jóvenes Indígenas del Perú (REOJIP) in Peru; Blogueiras Feministas in Brazil; Talking About Reproductive and Sexual Health Issues (TARSHI) in India; and Young Women's Leadership Institute (YWLI) in Kenya.



HONORING FEMINIST CHAMPIONS



IWHC President Françoise Girard, Chair Marlene Hess, Ford Foundation President Darren Walker, and Turkish activist Pinar Ilkcaracan at 2015 Annual Dinner.

Each year, supporters and allies gather in New York to celebrate the women's rights movement at the International Women's Health Coalition Annual Dinner. On November 3, 2015, IWHC honored Darren Walker, President of the Ford Foundation, and Turkish women's rights leader Pinar Ilkcaracan.

DARREN WALKER

ACCEPTED the recognition and thanked IWHC for its deep commitment to human rights, equality, and sexual and reproductive health: "IWHC's inspiring work—with governments, civil society organizations, and community leaders—is a shining example of how to tackle women's issues from all angles. It has made the world a more accepting, uplifting, and fairer place, and lifted the sights and lives of women and girls."

The third annual Joan B. Dunlop Award—a recognition of outstanding leadership from an activist working to advance the sexual and reproductive health and rights of women and girls in the developing world—was presented to Ms. Ilkcaracan. A leading women's activist, Ms. Ilkcaracan founded several organizations including Turkish group Women for

Women's Human Rights and the Coalition for Sexual and Bodily Rights in Muslim Societies, a network of 45 academic and nongovernmental organizations from across the Middle East and Asia. Throughout the 1990s and 2000s, Ms. Ilkcaracan led Turkey's women's movement to achieve groundbreaking change in domestic laws to advance

gender equality. Thanks to her visionary leadership, Turkey adopted a law on domestic violence and reformed its Civil and Penal Codes to respect women's rights. Women for Women's Human Rights also spearheaded a human rights education program that has reached tens of thousands of poor and underserved women across Turkey.



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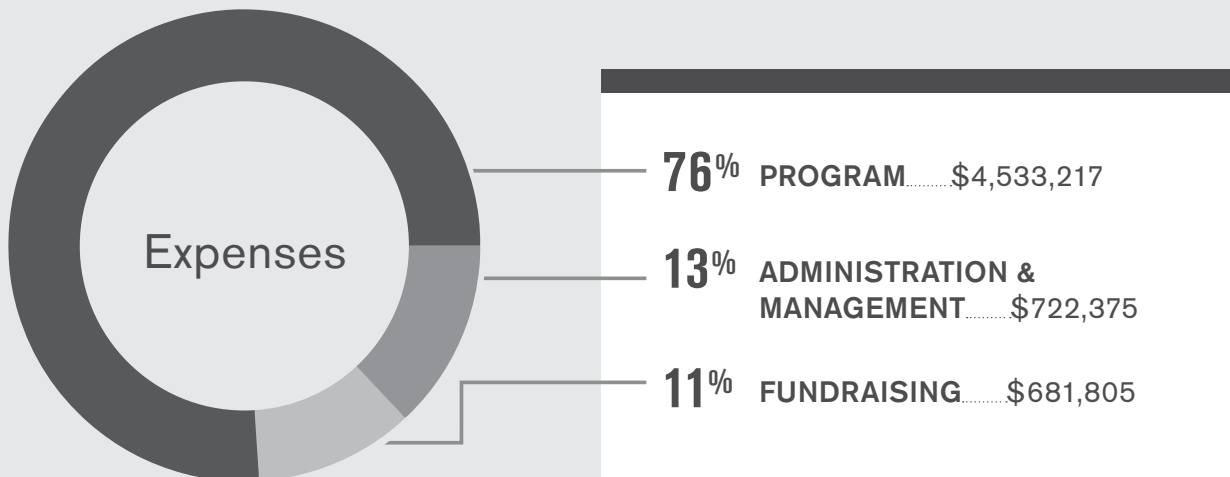
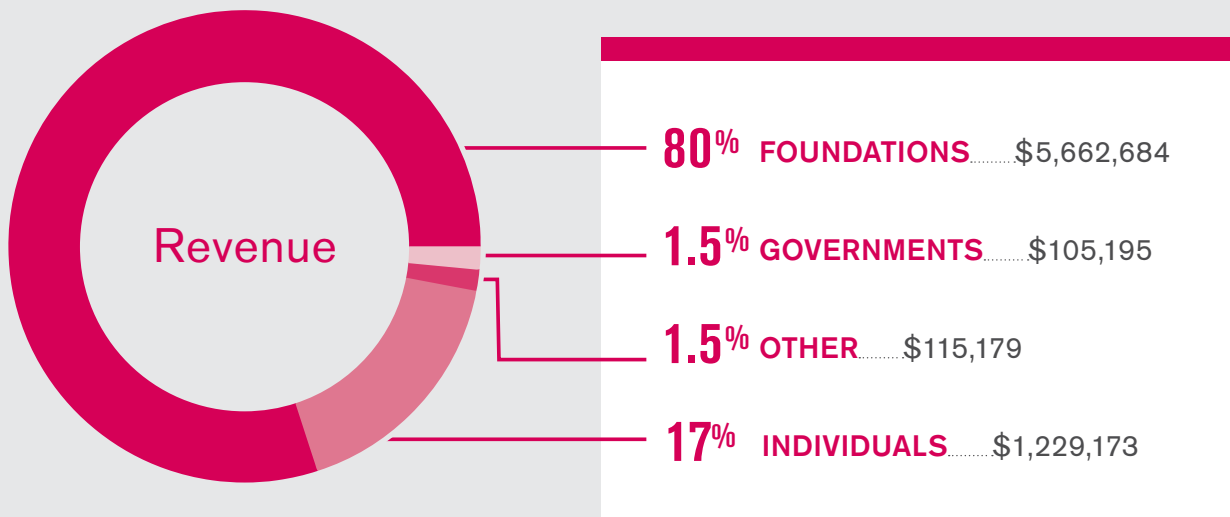
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	2016	2015
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	4,518,765	3,872,730
Grants and Contributions Receivable	468,907	157,899
Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets	59,196	106,668
Total Current Assets	\$5,046,868	\$4,137,297
Property and Equipment, net	29,653	41,603
Total Assets	\$5,076,521	\$4,178,900

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	219,714	317,274
Grants Payable	95,091	140,441
Deferred Revenue	–	181,650
Total Current Liabilities	\$314,805	\$639,365
Deferred Rent	51,313	4,011
Total Liabilities	\$366,118	\$643,376

COMMITMENTS & CONTINGENCIES

Net Assets		
Unrestricted:		
Board-Designated – Operating Reserve	1,736,252	1,510,577
Board-Designated – Director's Reserve	1,957,306	1,924,947
Total Unrestricted Net Assets	\$3,693,558	\$3,435,524
Temporarily Restricted	1,016,845	100,000
Total Net Assets	\$4,710,403	3,535,524
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$5,076,521	4,178,900

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	2016			2015		
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
SUPPORT & REVENUE						
Contributions – Foundations and Others	4,645,839	1,016,845	5,662,684	2,611,987	100,000	2,711,987
Contributions – Individuals	637,546	–	637,546	573,357	–	573,357
Grants – Government Agencies	105,195	–	105,195	429,542	–	429,542
Special Events	720,865	–	720,865	–	–	–
Direct Expenses of Special Events	(129,238)	–	(129,238)	–	–	–
Investment Income	3,519	–	3,519	5,901	–	5,901
Miscellaneous Income	111,660	–	111,660	94,645	–	94,645
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	100,000	(100,000)	–	1,578,058	(1,578,058)	–
Total Support and Revenue	\$6,195,386	\$916,845	\$7,112,231	\$5,293,490	(\$1,478,058)	\$3,815,432
EXPENSES						
Program Services						
Advocacy and Policy	1,392,568	–	1,392,568	1,741,200	–	1,741,200
Strengthening International Partnerships	2,059,370	–	2,059,370	1,827,923	–	1,827,923
Learning, Monitoring & Evaluation	611,183	–	611,183	501,324	–	501,324
Coalition Institutional Capacity	470,096	–	470,096	489,394	–	489,394
Total Program Services Expenses	\$4,533,217	–	\$4,533,217	\$4,559,841	–	\$4,559,841
Institutional Development						
Management, Administrative & Board Liaison	722,375	–	722,375	665,163	–	665,163
Fundraising	681,805	–	681,805	720,598	–	720,598
Total Institutional Development Expenses	\$1,404,180	–	\$1,404,180	\$1,385,761	–	\$1,385,761
Total Expenses	\$5,937,397	–	\$5,937,397	\$5,945,602	–	\$5,945,602
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets before Foreign Currency Exchange Gain (Loss)	257,989	916,845	1,174,834	(652,112)	(1,478,058)	(2,130,170)
Realized Foreign Currency Exchange Gain (Loss)	45	–	45	(49,157)	–	(49,157)
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	258,034	916,845	1,174,879	(701,269)	(1,478,058)	(2,179,327)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	3,435,524	100,000	3,535,524	4,136,793	1,578,058	5,714,851
Net Assets, End of Year	\$3,693,558	\$1,016,845	\$4,710,403	\$3,435,524	\$100,000	\$3,535,524

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