

# PRIORTIZING HEALTH AND RIGHTS WITH **WOMEN AND COMMUNITIES**



# Who we are

Women's Rights and Health Project (WRAHP) is a registered women- led, Not-For-Profit organization that promotes the health and general development of women, young people and communities using the rights-based approach. WRAHP is also the Manager of the Irete Resource Centre, a center providing integrated legal and psychosocial support in a safe space for women, survivors of domestic violence, and other vulnerable persons across communities in Lagos.

WRAHP currently has offices in **Ebonyi, Edo, and Lagos State**

## Mission

To use a rights-based approach to improve women, young people and community health and development by equipping, mobilizing and actively engaging community members as agents of social change through information sharing, capacity building and advocacy.

## Vision

A just society where the dignity of women, young people and communities is respected and they enjoy sound health and maximize their potentials.

## Our Objectives

- To contribute to improved health outcomes for women, young people and members of their communities
- To enhance the formulation and implementation of relevant gender and people responsive policies
- To increase access to protection and justice related services for survivors of Sexual and Gender Based Violence

## Our Thematic Areas

- Health (communicable and non-communicable diseases)
- Human Rights, especially the Rights of women and girls
- Sexual and Gender Based Violence

## Our Core Values



**Gender Equality  
and Inclusion**



**Respect for the  
Rights of Women**



**Integrity**



**Accountability**



**Excellence/  
Professionalism**



**Innovation/  
Creativity**

## Target Groups & Beneficiaries

### Primary Beneficiaries

Women, girls and persons with disabilities who are usually the ones who experience SGBV the more.

### Other Beneficiaries

Children, boys and men in the community

### Target Groups

Those that WRAHP work with to achieve its mission, include: Government, Ministries/Agencies/Institutions; Law Enforcement Agencies including the Police; Community and Religious leaders; Policy Makers; Community Based Organizations (CBOs)/ other Community Structures; Civil Society Organizations (CSOs)/Networks, the Media, International Development Partners and a host of other stakeholders.

## WRAHP'S CORE COMPETENCES/WHAT WE DO/SERVICES WE PROVIDE

- a. Community engagement
- b. System Strengthening for community-based organizations/civil society organizations
- c. Building strategic and sustained partnerships
- d. Advocacy for gender equity
- e. Mentoring organizations on women's rights
- f. Research and documentation on women's rights
- g. Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) case management
- h. Economic Empowerment
- i. Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Education
- j. Human Rights Protection
- k. Child Rights Protection

### Organizational Ideology

WRAHP believes that women and young people are among the most vulnerable members of communities. Working with and empowering them is critical to overcoming social inequalities and enabling them to contribute to the development of the society.

## OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

### Establishment of Ireti Resource Centre:

This is an Initiative of WRAHP established in September 2020, to provide free integrated legal and psycho-social support in a safe space for women, survivors of domestic violence and other vulnerable persons across communities in Lagos State.



Services at Ireti Resource Centre include:



**Sexual and Gender Based  
Violence Response and Referrals**



**Counselling and Therapy**



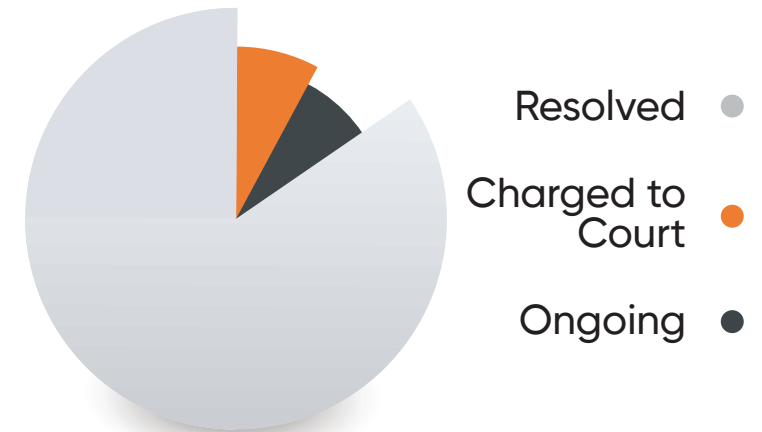
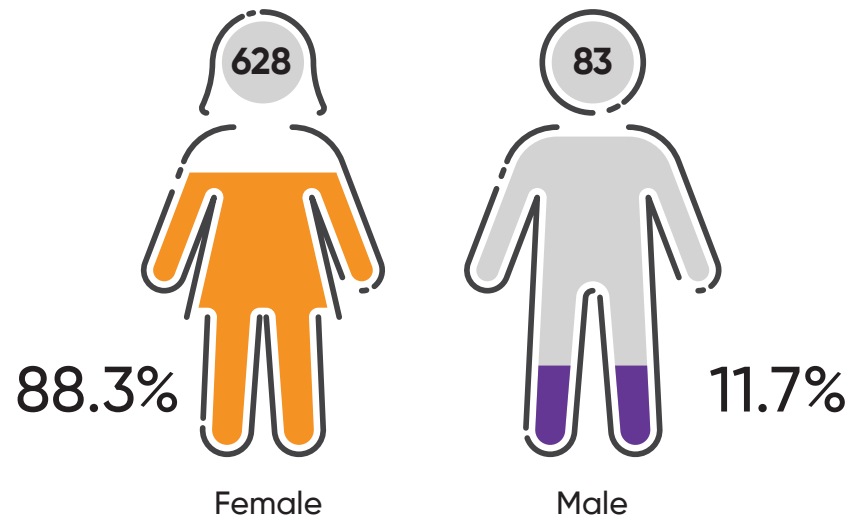
**Pyscho-Social Support Services**



**Community Legal Clinic**



## Data of Cases Management at the Centre (September 2020 – February 2023)



Total Cases Received	711
Total Cases Resolved through mediation, theory, counselling and investigations	661

## Ireti Young Leadership Program

This initiative was launched on the international Day of Girl Child Tuesday, October 11, 2022 and is aimed at increasing the access to comprehensive Sexual Reproductive Health information and services and leadership capacity to champion issues of health and development for in-school and out-of-school young adolescents and young people in Nigeria through information sharing, capacity building and mentorship.

Under this component of our work WRAHP implemented the following activities in 2022:

### (a) International Day of the Girl Child with Vulnerable girls

In commemoration of International Day of the Girl Child, 2022, 50 vulnerable girls in Ikotun community of Lagos State were educated on Menstrual Hygiene. Reusable pads were also distributed to the vulnerable young adolescent.

### (b) Mentorship of SGBV Champions in Lagos State.

This involves sensitization, training and mentoring of students as advocates of Sexual Gender-Based Violence on prevention strategies for Sexual and Gender-Based Violence, Reporting Mechanisms for Sexual and Gender-Based Violence as well as introducing the pupils to the Ireti Young Leadership Program managed by WRAHP.



*Students during mentorship program*

Increasing public understanding and application of the VAAP Laws via simplification, printing and distribution of Lagos State Domestic Violence Law and Violence Against Persons Prohibition law in Ebonyi and Edo states.



Increasing the capacity of community advocates for effective SGBV reporting and referral.





**Successfully built the capacity of Police Officers on SGBV case management**



**Provision of SGBV and health related services for 700,000 beneficiaries in 70 communities, 25 LGAs, 10 States (Ebonyi, Nasarawa, Edo, Ondo, Oyo, Kaduna, Lagos, Kano, Sokoto, Kogi) and the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Abuja**



Conducted research on sexual and gender-based violence in Nigeria that has supported the development of policies and interventions to mitigate SGBV



*WRAHP during interview and a Sign Language Interpreter communicating interview questions to one of Hearing Impaired Women*

*Men-Led SGBV Campaign*



*Engagement of Traditional rulers*



## Leading the inclusion of Persons Living with Disability (PLWD) in access to justice and community based SGBV response



Successfully built the capacity of 12 women led Community Based Organisations (CBOs) on Organisational Development system strengthening and case management of SGBV.



*Training of 12 CBO partners on Monitoring & Evaluation*



*Training of 12 CBO partners on Financial Management*

**Strengthened the Leadership of Women Living with Disabilities for Effective Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) Response and Access to Justice in Alimosho LGA, Lagos State.**

*Capacity building for leadership of all Persons living with Disability cluster*



*Key Stakeholders meeting on strengthening women living with disabilities on SGBV*

**Building Capacity of 40 Civil Society Organizations to Promote Uptake of Justice Related Social Services in Ojo and Oshodi-Isolo LGAs, Lagos State.**

*Training workshop for CSO partners*



*Quarterly Meeting with CSO partners*



Increased access of adolescents and young people to information and services on sexual and reproductive health and rights.



*In-school  
Young  
adolescents  
sensitized on  
SRHR*

Meeting with Canadian High Commissioner  
Nicholas Simard to discuss key women's  
rights issues in Nigeria



## WRAHP'S PARTNERS & FUNDERS

- ActionAid Nigeria
- African Women Development Fund (AWDF)
- Amplify Change Foundation
- Aspire Coronation Trust Foundation
- British Council Nigeria
- Chevron Nigeria Limited
- Child Protection Network
- Domestic and Sexual Violence Response Agency
- European Union Agents for Citizens-Driven Transformation (EU-ACT)
- ExxonMobil Nigeria Limited
- Fidelity Bank Nigeria
- Individuals and Communities
- Nike Red – King Baudouin Foundation
- Open Society Foundation
- Positive Action for Children Fund
- Promasidor Nigeria Limited
- Unilever Nigeria Plc
- Women Living Under Muslim Law

## WRAHP'S NETWORKS

- NNNGO
- Child Protection Network (CPN)
- Lagos State Domestic and Sexual Violence Agency
- Civil Society Scaling Up Nutrition in Nigeria
- Association of Medical Social Workers of Nigeria
- Lagos State AIDS and Control Agency
- Domestic and Sexual Violence Response Team (DSVRT)
- Africa Women Development Network (FEMNET)
- CONGOS
- Civil Society for HIV/AIDS In Nigeria (CISHAN)
- Civil Society Coalition on Sustainable Development (CSCSD)
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- The Humanitarian Country Team (HCT)
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## WRAHP'S PUBLICATIONS

- Directory of Gender-Based Violence Service Providers
- Simplified edition of Protection Against Domestic Violence Law 2007 of Lagos State Persons with Disabilities Factsheet
- Simplified Version of The Ebonyi State Violence Against Persons Prohibition law
- Simplified Version of The Lagos State Special People's Law
- WRAHPs monthly newsletter
- Process Map on GBV case management
- Infographics on Lagos State Protection Against Domestic Violence law
- Policy Brief on sexual and gender based violence in Alimosho LGA.
- Infographic on Golden rules to SEA and GBV Case Management.

## RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS

1. **Donation of a Brand New Bus to WRAHP by the First Lady of Lagos State.** The First Lady of Lagos State, Nigeria Dr. Ibijoke Sanwo-Olu donated a brand new Black Bus to WRAHP in recognition of its commitment and impact in addressing Sexual and Gender Based Violence Lagos Communities in 2021.



2. Recognition and Presentation of Award to WRAHP: On 16th of December, 2021, Tori for Town of Radio One (103.5FM) presented an award plaque to WRAHP in recognition of its work in the community.





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