

CAPACITY BUILDING THAT ACTION HAS PROVIDED TO PARTNERS

Partnership assessment and monitoring	01	09	Organizational effectiveness and succession planning
Intersectional feminist programming and policy influencing training	02	10	Resource mobilization and diversification
Financial Management Training	03	11	Psychosocial support training
Communications for development	04	12	Communications for development 2
Monitoring and evaluation training	05	13	Leadership and Change Management
Project management for development	06	14	Outcome Harvesting (Online training from AA E training platform)
Network Management and policy Influencing training	07	15	Basics of Human Rights Based Approach to Programming
Managing Gender based violence in emergencies.	08	16	Women Peer Education

RESULTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

15	Women-led organizations' systems and programming abilities strengthened
1	Functional Shelter Established in Collaboration with Ministry of Women Affairs
942	Sexual and Gender Based Violence Survivors (Women And Girls)
5	Court judgments secured for SGBV survivors

ADDRESSING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE/VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

5

women's rights related legislations, policies, and commitments influenced

WOMEN ECONOMIC JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

5,680

Direct Reach  
(Women & Glrls)

N3,371,500

saved by 480 Women through the Village Savings and Loans Associations

980,652



357,563  
Males



623,089  
Females

Indirectly Reachly through Social Media campaigns, Awareness creation in schools and communities, community sensitization, Advocacies, Trainings

State and Community Level Platforms

13

Project Steering Committees  
Peer Educators

POLITICAL PARTICIPATION AND LEADERSHIP

4	Women were supported to vie for elective positionsin their respective political parties.
903	women were supported to collect their voters' cards.
2	of the women supported won elections.
5	women elected to the House of Assembly

State and Community Level Platforms

112



Male Allies trained as  
Women Leadership Advocates

6,529

Direct Reach (Women & Glrls)  
Across 16 LGA's in Kwara State

3,298,587

Indirect Reach (Male and Females)

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WOMEN'S VOICE AND LEADERSHIP PROJECT

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Women's Voice & Leadership Nigeria Project  
KWARA STATE FACTSHEET

Project Title: Women's Voice and Leadership Nigeria (WVL-N) Project

Donor: Global Affairs Canada (GAC)

Implementer: ActionAid Nigeria

Duration: 5 years (2019 - 2024)

Partners:  
3 LWROS  
12 CBOS

Partners: 3 LWROs & 12 CBOs

Local Women's Rights Organizations

Location: Implemented Across 16 LGAs In Kwara State

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

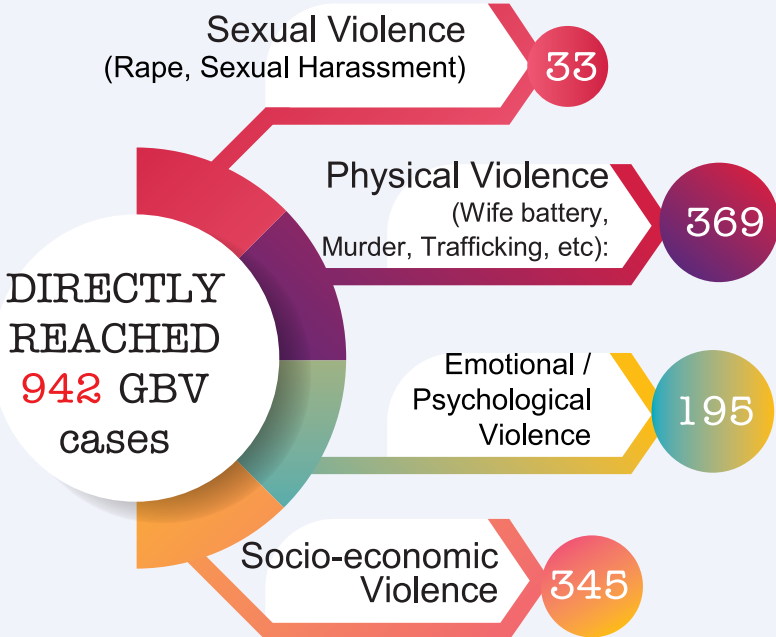
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Partners in 5 Years



Multi Year Grant - 15 grants yearly

StrategicOpportunity Fund - 5 Grants

COVID 19 Response Funds - 11 Grants



3,523,317

Indirect Reach (Male and Females)



### MOVING BEYOND BOUNDARIES

GLOHWOC moved into Kwara State in 2019 and commenced operations in Ilorin South and Irepodun LGAs but was not visible in the State. Only operated in 2 communities in one LGA Through the WVL project as its first funded project in the State effective collaboration, synergy, and partnerships with relevant key stakeholders. Consequently, GLOHWOC has expanded its geographical scope in Kwara State from the initial two implementing LGAs before to the 16 LGAs in the State reaching 977 direct and 585,600 and the organization is well recognized and visible across Kwara State.

The recognitions, community and state level impact within the last 4 years has endeared the state women machinery to increasingly reach out to GLOHWOC for technical support in policy development, reviews, and implementation. The community impact led to the donation of hectares of land on lease for its beneficiaries' farming and economic empowerment. A philanthropist also donated 5 plots of land to the organization to build its office and permanent.

Her Excellency, the First Lady of Kwara State Ambassador Dr. Mrs. Olufolake Abdulrazaq: "I appreciate the support and contribution of GLOHWOC in Kwara State. Especially the way and way she cares for survivors. I also commend her on how she can work quietly and very well in collaboration with everyone with visible results".



Picture of beneficiaries supported with equipment for empowerment activities by the Office of the First Lady of Kwara State.

### Strengthened SGBV Justice System in Kwara State

Despite the political will and efforts put in place by State and non-state actors in the prevention and response to VAWG in Kwara State, legal aid and justice for survivors was very weak in the State. Survivors only received psychosocial and economic empowerment but hardly got justice for the violence perpetrated against them. Perpetrators were hardly brought to book. For instance, from 2020-2022 out of the 204 survivors that had received support from GLOHWOC, only 1 survivor had gotten justice. Women left the shelter and went back into their abusive environments. Therefore, it became a critical issue to strengthen the justice arm of GBV response in Kwara State.

Consequently, GLOHWOC through the Strategic Opportunity Fund on the WVL-N Project, received funding to strengthen the justice arm of the State level SGBV Committee set up by Her Excellency, the First Lady of Kwara State. The intervene supported inauguration of the SGBV Prosecution subcommittee comprising of Ministry of Justice, police, National Human rights commission, state judiciary, NSCDC amongst others. Furthermore, capacity building was conducted for the committee members on GBV response and collaboration, and a bi-monthly meeting for the committee was instituted. As a result, the committee has facilitated the Prosecution of 40 SGBV cases within one year, 5 life imprisonment were secured, 28 cases settled out of court and 7 cases are currently in court.

According to Mr. Bisade Philips Adebarede of the Kwara State Judiciary "I can't but give a KUDOS to GAC, AAN, and GLOHWOC for the 2 days training supported by the WVL-N Project and for this multisector coordination platform which has helped to improve justice for survivors, in the past most of the cases go bad because case files are not followed up to a logical conclusion due to bureaucratic processes in the various government institutions, lack of coordination among agencies and community interference. This platform has strengthened synergy that has facilitated the path to justice."



Group picture of the SGBV Case Management Committee during their inauguration

### BETTER BY FAR (THREE HONOURABLE WOMEN SEATS IN OUR AREA OF OPERATION).

Before the advent of WVL-N Project, Community Need Care Development Initiative (CONCED) has been participating in election monitoring and have proper data of election results, looking at the result, especially 2019, men dominated all the elected seats in Kwara State. Precisely in 2019 election, 35 seats were contested for in which all seats were won by men. Women voters constituted approximately 50% of electorate, despite this figure of women voters, they were not elected, this prompted us to choose women participation in politics intervention out of the three thematic areas in the WVL-N project.

Through Women's Voice and Leadership project, CONCED has been able to make impact in kwara state and in the lives of women politicians in the state. CONCED advocated and sensitized down to the grassroots, to the party executives, House of Assembly, market women, Schools (Secondary and higher institutions) and even to the streets to increase women participation in politics and in elective and appointive positions. Continuous Radio Jingles, billboard, and strong media engagements to follow our advocacy never stopped. Proper training and empowerment were also done intensively to enlighten our women and women aspirants. Not only did we give them proper training and advocate for them, but we also printed posters for the candidates during the campaign period to support them in kind.

The WVL-N Project which CONCED is working on Women Participation in Politics, recorded several successes. One of our landmark points is that 3 women who contested in the last general election won as Honorable members of House of Assembly, namely Hon. Maryam Aladi, Hon. Olatundun Alanamu and Hon. Arinola Lawal.



Sample of the campaign posters given to the women aspirants during their campaign

### Advancing Women Peace and Security in Kwara State

Kwara State is located in the North-Central geo-political zone of Nigeria. The region is volatile, and highly susceptible to militia attacks and sectarian crises. There had been frequent clashes between pastoralists and sedentary farmers. According to Insecurity and Under Development in Nigeria. An Analysis of Banditry in North Central Nigeria research report, in the last decade there were 1,412 incidents of conflict and 7,399 deaths reported across the North Central region. From December 2020- March 2021; Kwara State witnessed a disturbing rise in kidnapping for ransoms, gang clashes, farmers-herders clash, targeted killings, trafficking in persons of which most of the victims of this insecurity were women and girls

To enable the state to be proactive and have a coordinated approach for the prevention and response to issues of women in the context of insecurity, OCDI and ActionAid engaged the Kwara State Ministry of Women affairs on the need to domesticate the United Nations Resolution 1325 on Women Peace and Security. Through the multi-year grant, strategic opportunity fund and capacity building on UNSCR 1325 provided to OCDI by ActionAid on the WVL Project OCDI further conducted capacity building for the Kwara State Ministry of Women Affairs, non-governmental organizations in the State, 16 desk officers in the state. After which they worked together with the ministry and stakeholder to develop the first State action Plan (SAP) on women peace and security. OCDI used the funding on the project to support the ministry with a consultant for technical support and funds to organize consultative forums, document review and validation meetings.

OCDI through the WVL-N project facilitated the development and launching of the State Action Plan on Women Peace and Security in the State. As government, we commend the efforts of the organization through their various interventions in the State. - Director Women, Ministry of Women Affairs.

