



Yemen Women Union (YWU)

Field of Activity

Gender Equality and Gender Based Violence (GBV)

Vision and mission

YWU is WRO with a focus on **Yemeni women empowerment** working together with their family, and supporting women capacities for an effective contribution in sustainable development, emergencies and crises. Furthermore, YWU strives to eliminate all forms of discrimination against women and **promote the principle of partnerships and cooperation** with local, Arab and international organizations. YWU aims at empowering Yemeni women and families to be an essential and dynamic partner in, social, cultural and political development.

ACTIVITIES

YWU program and activities are highly focused in advocating for women rights to enable women gain access to their rights and **reduce the prevalence of violence** against them. YWU provides comprehensive, specialized GBV services. The organization is engaged also in **awareness-raising activities and community mobilization**, identify key risks and address negative norms, attitudes, and practices that perpetuate the social acceptance of GBV.

MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS

- ❖ Multisectoral services (psychological, social, legal, medical and national hotline) in 13 governorates for victims of GBV and child marriage
- ❖ Operating 19 safe spaces for 14.725 Women and Girls Safe, that have been provided Referral of GBV victims; psychological support; vocational training; economic empowerment; and cash assistance.
- ❖ Operating 9 safe shelters for 188 GBV survivor women and girls located in the following Governorates: Sana'a; Amran; Hodeidah; Taiz city; Shamayatayn district-Taiz; Ibb; Hadhramaut and Aden
- ❖ Case management and mapping, a case manager in each district, the case manager is in charge of the internal or external referral of GBV survivors to service providers according to a referral map that is continuously updated.



Country: Yemen



Year of foundation: 1963



Areas of intervention:

Sana'a, Aden, Alturba-Taiz and Lahj.



STAFF: 728 employees, 614 are women



Networks:

Oxfam; OCHA



Website:

<http://yemenwu.org/>

YWU's Contributions to Naseej's workstreams:

1

Service Delivery

2

Community Engagement

3

Policy Change



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BWA's activities supported by Naseej: an overview

Locations



Sana'a, Aden, Alturba-Taiz and Lahj.

Budget



€ 300.000

Timeframe



16 months

Naseej's workstreams

Stream 1 (Services Delivery)

Strengthening support and referral services and reporting systems for women and girls GBV survivors



Stream 2 (Community Engagement)

Transforming the social norms that perpetuate GBV with a special focus on youth engagement



Stream 3 (Policy Change)

Strengthening development and implementation of national GBV legislation



Improve the referral systems for SGBV support services

Developing and publishing **2.400 copies** of the Service Mapping Manual, building the capacity for the selected **24 referral system** by providing training workshop to support **1.680 SGBV cases/survivors**.

Strengthen the **existing YWU safe Spaces** to provide health, legal and psychosocial support and case management

Providing the safe space with essential equipment for protection services for SGBV survivors, first aid, communication tools, psychosocial devices. Capacity building training of 21 services provider to support 1440 SGBV cases/ survivors.

Transforming the social norms that perpetuate SGBV with a special focus on youth engagement

Building the capacity for the schools' managers and school-based activities for **72 men** and **1.440 students** to raise the awareness about masculinity and femininity, positive fatherhood, and non-violent communication to promote a critical examination of norms and gender dynamics.



Empower women and girls' agents of change within their communities

Building the capacity for **20 women** by organizing 120 discourse sessions and training workshops to increase their knowledge SGVB, women's rights, and enhancing their communication and leaders' skills.

Engage social leaders, influencers and role models in the dialogue and advocacy on ending SGBV

Capacity building for **81 male/female** on leading advocacy campaign, dialogue, and communication message on ending GBV. Creating 162 communication messages to be conveyed through different platforms.

Awareness raising on women and girl's knowledge of SGBV (health, legal, psychosocial and reporting mechanisms)

432 awareness sessions with 10-15 male and female to increase women and girls' knowledge on where and how access SGBV support services. Designing and printing **6.000 educational brochures**

Strengthening development and implementation of national SGBV legislation

Collect testimonies to document and advocate against violations of women's rights in crises. Building the capacity of 24 WROs to advocate women issues and to enhance their roles in peace building



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Against Women and Girls in the MENA Region



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