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Executive Summary

1. Four donors supported STEWARDWOMEN in 2016 namely NPA, Cordaid, Canadian Embassy and IRC.
2. The assets acquired in 2016 majorly were donated by Pact Sudan namely 10 laptops, 6 filing cabinets, 2 chairs 2 printers, 2 tables, 2 cameras, 2 money safe among others.
3. The following ICE materials were produced and distributed in 2016; 2 banners, 150 t-shirts, 250 stickers, 70 aprons and 2 flags.
4. Three needs assessments were conducted in Pageri, Mugali and Juba on womens human rights violations and community security needs.
5. Nine project inception workshops/meetings were conducted in Juba, Magwi, Obbo and Nimule.
6. Three joint consultative meetings were held.
7. Three groups were formed namely savings and loan associations in Juba Way Station and Don Bosco and Women coffee groups in Magwi.
8. Eleven trainings were conducted by STEWARDWOMEN for women leaders in Nimule and Magwi; family courts and paralegals in Magwi and Obbo; women entrepreneurs in Juba and staff in Juba. The topics ranged from statutory laws, counselling, lobby and advocacy and GBV emergency response and preparedness.
9. STEWARDWOMEN also attended eight trainings organised by other partners namely Cordaid, IRC Health Link, Institute For Strategic Litigation (ISLA), Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and South Sudan Women Empowerment Network (SSWEN).
10. Three mentoring sessions were conducted on lobby and advocacy, restaurant management, and hair dressing for host and IDP women in Juba and Magwi.
11. Two board of directors meeting were held in 2016 namely first and fourth quarter.
12. Eight awareness campaigns were conducted in the community, markets and schools on women's human rights, GBV emergency response and preparedness, healthy relationships and risky money.
13. Four live radio talk shows were held on early and forced marriage, children's rights, SGBV and transitional justice in Voice of Freedom FM in Magwi and NTC Fm in Kerepi.
14. STEWARDWOMEN attended twenty three lobby meetings organised by other partners and prospective donors to lobby for funds.
15. Twenty three GBV neighborhood assemblies were conducted in which 1165 people were reached. The topic discussed ranged from dangers of GBV, wife battery, forced abortion, land dispute, property ownership, child neglect, wife desertion, rape, child abuse, alcoholism etc.
16. Ninety cases were registered of which 69 were mediated or resolved by the family court, the legal aid clinic in Juba and Nimule and community paralegals. Child neglect tops the most rampant of incidences, followed by cases of land dispute. The least common cases are adultery.
17. STEWARDWOMEN was interviewed four times by Juba Monitor on why teenage pregnancy is on the rise in Yambio, Eye Radio on the slow progress of implementing the August 2015 peace agreement, BBC media Action on the use of phones, TV and radio to educate girls in South Sudan and Radio Miraya on the importance of ratification of the Maputo Protocol.
18. STEWARDWOMEN attended eleven cluster/coordination meetings namely GBV sub-cluster, protection cluster, governance working group and monthly coordination meeting.
19. Three high level dialogues organised by Equality Now, Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Development and UNFPA were attended in Nairobi Kenya, and Juba all to discuss SGBV occurrence in South Sudan.

20. Four public events were organised by STEWARDWOMEN namely international women's day in Magwi and Kerepi; the day of the African Child and end of year party in Nimule.

Other activities that were planned were

- a) Dialogue on ending early forced marriage
- b) Community dialogues on the property and inheritance rights of women
- c) Women leaders' round table meeting
- d) Monthly GBV cluster meeting
- e) Human rights workshop
- f) School debate
- g) Transitional Justice seminar
- h) Pass-out ceremony
- i) Police visit
- j) Public lecture

21. The facebook messages posted reached out to 585 people, 34 likes, comments and 1 share.

22. Finally. STEWARDWOMEN registered 16 achievements, 11 major challenges and 30 recommendations.

Information about STEWARDWOMEN;

STEWARDWOMEN is a women organization founded in March 2009 by some South Sudanese women lawyers and their friends, to address the problems of sexual and gender based violence, harmful customs on women and girls, child labor and trafficking, community insecurity and conflicts, poor governance and illiteracy in South Sudan. It was registered with South Sudan Relief and Rehabilitation commission (RRC) of Magwi County in Eastern Equatoria state in 2009, as a community based, not-for-profit non-governmental organization; and in June 2016 with the RRC in Juba under registration number 037.

Mission;

To develop, shape and empower South Sudanese women to advocate for policies that foster equal economic opportunity, and secure human rights for women and children”.

Vision;

A South Sudanese society free from the violations of the human rights of women and children

Board of Directors;

Jua Florence Savio, Aziku Cicily, Awizia Night Orrick, Alira William, Akeri Angelina, Bayoa Betty, Azuruku Henry Mojule, Josephine Chandiru Drama .

Team 2016;

Inyakua Esther Irama, Azuruku Henry Mojule, Josephine Chandiru Drama, Igu Charles Emilio, Tuna Stella Lolik, Izaru James Anthony, Chandia Joyce Alison, Koma Charles Drici, Juan Rose Edward, Onek Jackson, Amone Phillip, Aber Sarah.

Cover Photo;

The upper left photo shows the community in Obbo Payam gathered to listen to the speeches of the International Women’s Day, 2016.(Cordaid project)

The upper right photo shows a community dialogue on early and forced marriage in progress in Kerepi Payam, March 2016. (Cordaid project).

The middle left photo shows IDP women from Juba Way station and Don Bosco posing for a group photo during their pass-out ceremony in Juba on 9th December 2016. (NPA project).

The middle right photo shows GBV neighborhood assembly on the dangers of GBV, taking place in Magwi Payam. (NPA and Cordaid Projects)

The lower left photo shows awareness campaigns on risk mitigation taking place in Nimule secondary school. (IRC project)

The lower right photo shows STEWARDWOMEN staff in a group photo after their training in emergency response and preparedness at STEWARDWOMEN office. (IRC Project).

FOREWORD

We at STEWARDWOMEN take pride in every little step that we take in advancing the rights of women in South Sudan and beyond. Our work goes beyond the planned efforts and this is why our annual report 2016 is capturing all the events that we spent the organization valuable time on.

The 2016 STEWARDWOMEN annual report 2016 consists of six projects supported by four donors with noticeable improvements and achievements are below highlighted.

Despite the insecurity and the late receipt of funds in mid- 2016, STEWARDWOMEN managed to implement most of the planned activities. The Relief and Rehabilitation Commission among other government agencies in particular appreciated the work of STEWARDWOMEN in Magwi calling her an organization for the people and encouraged her to continue with their developmental activities. Access to justice for vulnerable women has increased through the various activities conducted through the neighborhood assemblies and mediations conducted by the family courts. STEWARDWOMEN has also continued to gain wide recognition in both field locations and at Juba level.

This foreword and the words in my heart are not enough to express my appreciation to all who were part of the achievements highlighted in this entire report. On this occasion, I sincerely extend my appreciation to all those who in one way or the other contributed to the success of our work in 2016 beginning with our donors, supporters, partners, Board of Directors, staffs, volunteers, friends, colleagues, community project committees including those who were able to make us grow by pointing out our mistakes. Your generous contributions have brought us this far, enriching and promoting the organization's vision and mission. We owe you all the successes we have registered in this report. Your support made a difference in the lives of thousands of women.

WOMEN CAN DO IT

By: Aziku Cicily Yassa
Vice Chairperson
Board of Directors

Comments from our Supporters, Friends and Colleagues;

Mama Cash congratulates STEWARDWOMEN for completing the 3 years grant period with much success.
Vanina Serra, Program Officer, Mama Cash Foundation, Netherlands.

“School girls, do not follow boys and boys, do not spoil girls’ education”.

“Women must hold their children like a briefcase in every situation”.

“STEWARDWOMEN emerged like the holy spirit ready to save us from the IWD 2015 and 2016”.

Mrs Becky Ayaa, Guest of Honour on IWD 2016 in Obbo Payam.

“Let’s give a chance to girls to finish their education so that they are not returned as a burden to parents in future” **Apoko Joyce, GBV Counsellor, Obbo Payam**

“Positive vigilantism is the way to end early and forced marriage”

Josephine Chandiru Drama, Programme Coordinator, STEWARDWOMEN

“Early and forced marriage is a cancer eating up South Sudan Slowly”

“Destroying the future of our children is destroying the future of our leaders”

Mariane Yayi Kajokaya, Programme Manager, Gender and Women Leadership, CORDAID

“Women are the primary care takers of homes and deserve to be accorded respect not only on international women’s day but every day of their lives”

Mrs. Rose Eric Duku, Vice chairperson, Family Court Kerepi.

“What would the world be without women?”

Boma Chief, Borongole Boma, Kerepi Payam.

“Most families rely on women and wives for emotional support and care”

Chairperson, Disability Group, Kerepi Payam

“Women are the primary care takers for the world’s most children and elderly, yet much of the work they do is not valued not by economists, not by historians, not by popular culture and not by government leaders”.

Stella Tuna Lolik, Legal Aid Assistant, STEWARDWOMEN.

“Girls who are married as children are unlikely to be in school, often treated as adult women and are generally burdened with roles and responsibilities of adults regardless of their ages”

Representative of the Health Department, Kerepi Payam

“My experience with STEWARDWOMEN has not only allowed me to learn but also gain great networks and a group of friends, STEWARDWOMEN is that guiding light”

Mr. Nickson Oyik , Omeo Boma Chief in Magwi Payam and C/person Omeo boma family court.

1.0 Introduction

This report captures all the activities implemented in 2016 in the Payams of Pageri, Nimule, Kerepi, Magwi and Obbo in Imatong State and Juba county in Jubek State. This report covers activities under projects supported by NPA, Cordaid, IRC and Canadian Embassy.

On the following pages, the report summarizes major accomplishments in the year 2016 along with activity highlights. It also records the challenges faced and the recommendations for moving forward to year 2017.

1.1 List of donors

The table below summarizes the list of donors, projects, amount of funding and project locations in 2016

S/N	Donor	Project Title	Amount of funding	Funding period		Payams	State
				Start	End		
01	IRC	GBV emergency response and preparedness	\$3,000	1 st April 2016	20 th May 2016	Mugali Nimule	Imatong
02	CORDAID	Strengthening Community Resilience against Gender Based Violence.	32,934 USD	Dec 2016	February 2017	Magwi	Imatong
03	NPA	1) A2J; 2) Enhancing peace and security of grass-root women during the Transitional Government of National Unity; 3) Strengthening the economic resilience of displaced women in South Sudan	\$85,000	15 th June 2016	April 2017	Nimule Magwi Juba	Imatong, Jubek
04	Canadian Embassy	Strengthening resilience of displaced women in South Sudan through livelihood capacity development assistance.	\$12,848	Dec 2016	28 th April 2017	Nimule	Imatong

1.2 Assets acquired;

Below is the breakdown;

S/N	Name of Asset	Quantity	Donor	Placement
01	Filing cabinet	1	Pact South Sudan	Nimule Field office
02	Office chairs	2	Pact South Sudan	Nimule & Juba office
03	Office tables	2	Pact South Sudan	Nimule & Juba office
04	Money safe	2	Pact South Sudan	Nimule & Juba office
05	Printers	2	Pact South Sudan	Juba office
06	Wooden cabinet	1	Pact South Sudan	Juba Office
07	Wooden file shelves	3	Pact South Sudan	Juba Office
08	Computer laptop	9	Pact South Sudan	Juba Office
09	Metallic cabinets	4	Pact South Sudan	Juba Office
10	Sony digital cameras	2	Pact South Sudan	Juba office
11	Office tray	1	Pact South Sudan	Nimule office
12	Envelopes	lump sum	Pact South Sudan	Nimule Office
13	Laptop	1	IRC	Juba office

1.3 Production and distribution of ICE¹ materials;

S/N	Name of item	Quantity	Donor	Event
01	Banners	1	Cordaid	IWD ²
02	T-shirts	150	Cordaid	IWD
03	Stickers	250	Cordaid	IWD
04	Banners	1	NPA	Pass-out ceremony
05	Flags	2	NPA	Pass-out ceremony
06	Aprons	70	NPA	Pass-out ceremony

2.0 2016 Activity Highlights;

2.1 Three needs assessments were conducted;

S/N	Date	Objective	Methodology	Findings	Location
01	19 th Jan 2016	To find out the forms of abuses women face, how those abuses can be addressed and also identify other institutions that work in community to address such abuses.	Through dialogue with key informants like the chiefs, women leaders and survivors of GBV	Domestic violence, child neglect and early and forced marriage are rampant	Loa Boma Pageri Payam
02	21 st Jan 2016	To identify the needs of the community, how these needs can be met and also identify other	Interviews and two focal discussions with the community	Lack of police officers at Mugali poice post,	Bilinya Boma Mugali Payam

¹ ICE- stands for Information, Communication and Education

² IWD stands for International Women's Day

		partners working in the area	members.		
03	18 th -24 th Oct 2016	To support the design of an emergency SGBV response project to be implemented in Juba.	Interviews with chiefs, women leaders, IDP women	Shelter and food were the needs identified by women hence the need for economic empowerment	Juba Way Station and Don Bosco) in Juba

2.2. Six project inception meetings/workshops held;;

S/n	Date	Objective	# of ppts	Location	Achievement	Donor
01	19 th August 2016	Introduce the activities of a project on “Enhancing access to justice for vulnerable women and girls in Magwi County-EES” to the stakeholders	18	Magwi	STEWARDWOMEN to expand their services to the neighboring communities because their services are needed and most people do not have access to justice.	NPA
02	20 th August 2016	Introduce the activities of a project on “Enhancing access to justice for vulnerable women and girls in Magwi County-EES” to the stakeholders	23	Obbo	The Payam Administrator promised to work closely with STEWARDWOMEN during the implementation of the project	NPA
03	9 th Nov 2016,	To introduce the NPA Enhancing peace and security of grass-root women during the Transitional government of National unity project. To build synergy and collaboration that is required for successful implementation of the project	11	Magwi	Participants suggested that two family courts in Magwi Payam were enough at this moment and they also wanted the neighboring Bomas to benefit from the project and for women in those areas to be able to access justice.	NPA
04	25 th November 2016 (Morning)	Identification of project beneficiaries; formation of enterprise/IGA groups; and ensure the IDP community is aware about the project goals, objectives, target groups, activities and target areas of this project.	150	Juba way station	50 beneficiaries were selected	NPA

05	25 th November 2016 (Afternoon)	Identification of project beneficiaries; formations of enterprise/IGA groups; and ensure the IDP community is aware about the project goals, objectives, target groups, activities and target areas of this project	53	Don Bosco	20 beneficiaries were selected	NPA
06	2 nd Dec 2016	Identification of project beneficiaries	47	Rei, Nimule	11 beneficiaries were selected	Canadian Embassy
07	3 rd Dec 2016	Identification of project beneficiaries	32	Baptist Church	11 beneficiaries were selected	Canadian Embassy
08	8 th Dec 2016	Identification of project beneficiaries	51	Motoyo West	12 beneficiaries were selected	Canadian Embassy
09	14 th Dec 2016	Identification of project beneficiaries	23	Rock City	11 beneficiaries were selected	Canadian Embassy
	A total of 408 beneficiaries were reached both direct and indirect through this activity alone.		408		115 direct beneficiaries.	



Group photo of the project inception meeting participants in Magwi Payam, 19/08/2016

2.3 Three Joint Stakeholders' Consultative meetings on GBV ERP held (Mugali & Kerepi payams);

On the 27th/04/2016, STEWARDWOMEN held a consultative meeting on gender based violence emergency response and preparedness with stakeholders' in Mugali Payam at the Payam headquarters. The meeting was chaired by the Head chief Mugali Payam Mr. Surur Balli. The 25 participants who comprised of traditional authorities, women leaders, the police, representatives from the health departments, and the youth leaders among others attended the meeting. The following summarized actions points came from group discussions during the meeting namely;

- Members requested for awareness campaigns on gender based violence emergency response and preparedness in all the villages and the community needs to be sensitized on peaceful coexistence.
- Organizations that work on GBV in Mugali Payam should come together to see how they can help the community in cases of emergencies.
- The members promised to strengthen referral system in the communities. Members agreed that, the youth, women leaders and the local chiefs should take active role in identifying incidences of GBV and refer them to the appropriate people or sectors.

- The perpetrators of acts of GBV have always been left free leaving the victims unsatisfied, therefore there is need to put strong punishment for such people so that people fear committing those harmful acts.
- The members agreed that since there are hardly any police in Mugali Payam, the health department should be ready to help victims without asking them to go to Nimule to fill Form 8. The Head chief also stated that in the absence of the police, he always gives authority letter for people to be treated by writing referral letters to the health centers.
- The members from the health department said they were ready to provide services such as counseling to victims of GBV and would not charge anyone for that. They also went ahead to mention that they would follow up on such issues and create awareness on the dangers of GBV.
- The women leaders present at the meeting promised to actively take part in advising other women who go through incidences of gender based violence in their homes and also fight hard to stop early marriage among their girls in the communities.
- The youth tasked themselves with the responsibility of creating awareness, providing counseling and guidance, identification of GBV incidences and referring them to the right people.
- There is need for the elders in the community to help local chiefs in resolving issues related to GBV and advise the men against such practices as in most cases people listen to them.

On the 2nd/05/2016, STEWARDWOMEN held a consultative meeting on gender based violence emergency response and preparedness with stakeholders' in Kerepi Payam at the Payam headquarters. The meeting was attended by 15 participants and chaired by the Head chief Kerepi Payam. STEWARDWOMEN explained the concept of gender based violence emergency response and preparedness to the participants who comprised of traditional authorities, women leaders, the police, representatives from the health departments, and the youth leaders among others attended the meeting and came up with the following actions points from the group discussions;

- Minor cases will be resolved by local chiefs and women leaders in the community. Most people in the community prefer to go straight to the head chief instead of trying to resolve their cases with the lower authorities and in the absence of the head chief most minor cases are left unattended to and the victims suffer more.
- Local leaders who do not exercise their role or do not take their responsibilities seriously will be released of their duties. For it is the duty of local leaders to link the community with the Payam authorities.
- The members also agreed that the number of police in the Payam should be increased as it is their role to provide security to the citizens and also combat crimes in the communities. The number of police in the Payam for the past years has been less and in most cases people would go to Pageri center to report cases which is very far from most Bomas in Kerepi.
- There is need for training for both the youth and local leaders in the community on emergency GBV response and preparedness, so they can use the skills and knowledge to help their communities. The youth are the eyes of the community and do a lot of monitoring in regards to issues affecting the community.
- The police reactions/response to GBV cases is always slow as in most times they see it as a normal situation. STEWARDWOMEN should conduct massive sensitization of the police on gender based violence.

- The women agreed to form women groups who will act as focal points. Women are the best counselors for themselves and in most cases respond quickly to helping others and having focal points would simplify the referral system in the community.
- Health workers promised to conduct health education especially on the dangers of gender based violence and how such issues should be treated.
- The members also promised to call for a meeting between them and the police in Kerepi Payam to see how they can work together to reduce or address issues of gender based violence.
- The family court members present in the meeting expressed their willingness to help in counseling and mediating issues of gender based violence in the community and also conduct awareness campaigns on gender based violence as they have knowledge regarding the issues.

STEARWARDWOMEN on 9/11/2016, held a joint stakeholders project inception meeting with representatives from the community of Magwi and some of the local leaders from Magwi and Omeo. The meeting was held at the Magwi community center at 10:00am and 35 people were in attendance. Of the 35, 28 were male and 7 were female. The meeting was chaired by STEARWARDWOMEN.

3 resolutions were endorsed during this meeting on the need for zero tolerance of GBV and gender disparity

1. A visit should be organized by STEARWARDWOMEN and Magwi leaders to assess the situation of Abara Boma and find a way forward.
2. A bye-should be developed to address the issue of alcoholism and related dangers of the same.
3. STEARWARDWOMEN should open a legal aid clinic in Magwi so as to ease access to reporting of cases and addressing them.



Joint stakeholders' consultative meeting is on-going in Kerepi Payam

2.4 Three different groups formed;

S/N	Date	Group	Objective	# of members	Location	Donor
01	7 th Dec 2016	Savings and loan groups	To promote the culture of savings among women, strengthen their financial security, and increase their resilience to GBV and the economic crisis in the country.	50	Juba Way Station	NPA
02	8 th Dec 2016	Savings and loan groups	To promote the culture of savings among women, strengthen their financial security, and increase their resilience to GBV and the economic crisis in the country.	20	Don Bosco IDP camps	NPA
03	19 th November 2016	Women coffee groups	To prepare the women to tackle incidences of GBV in their businesses	21	Magwi	NPA

2.5 Eleven trainings conducted;

S/ N	Group	Dates	Training content	# of ppts		Location
				M	F	
01	Women leaders	9 th -10 th May 2016	GBV emergency preparedness, risk mitigation and the referral pathway	0	30	Nimule
01	Family Court	22 nd -24 th Aug 2016	Transitional Constitution of South Sudan, 2011; the Child Act 2008; the Police Service Act ,2009; Code of Criminal Procedures Act, 2008; Civil Procedure Act, 2007; Penal Code Act, 2008; Land Act, 2009; and regional and international instruments namely the Maputo Protocol CEDAW, UNSCR 1325, ADR mechanism; communication skills and client referral and reporting.	9	5	Magwi
02	Family Court	25 th -27 th Aug 2016	Transitional Constitution of South Sudan, 2011; the Child Act 2008; the Police Service Act ,2009; Code of Criminal Procedures Act, 2008; Civil Procedure Act, 2007; Penal Code Act, 2008; Land Act, 2009; and regional and international instruments namely the Maputo Protocol CEDAW, UNSCR 1325, ADR mechanism; communication skills and client referral and reporting.	14	8	Obbo
03	Family Court	14 th -16 th Nov	Transitional Constitution of South Sudan, 2011; the Child Act 2008; the Police Service Act ,2009; Code of Criminal Procedures Act, 2008; Civil Procedure Act, 2007; Penal Code Act, 2008; Land Act, 2009; and regional and international instruments namely the Maputo Protocol CEDAW, UNSCR 1325, ADR mechanism; communication skills and client referral and reporting.	9	3	Abara-wire
04	Family Court	17 th -19 th Nov 2016	Transitional Constitution of South Sudan, 2011; the Child Act 2008; the Police Service Act ,2009; Code of Criminal Procedures Act, 2008; Civil Procedure Act, 2007; Penal Code Act, 2008; Land Act, 2009; and regional and international instruments namely the Maputo Protocol CEDAW, UNSCR 1325, ADR mechanism; communication skills and client referral and reporting.	7	5	Lerwa
05	Women coffee Groups	25 th -27 th Nov 2016	Mainstreaming GBV among women coffee vendors	0	25	Magwi
06	Community Paralegals	25 th -31 st Aug 2016	The human rights provision in the statutory Laws of south Sudan, Alternative dispute resolution mechanism and their roles in the communities that includes visiting detention center, conducting	1	2	Magwi

			Neighborhood assemblies, monitoring courts, providing legal advice, Counselling, paralegal, ADR mechanism; communication skills and client referral and reporting			
07	Community Paralegals	14 th -19 th Nov 2016	The human rights provision in the statutory Laws of south Sudan, Alternative dispute resolution mechanism and their roles in the communities that includes visiting detention center, conducting Neighborhood assemblies, monitoring courts, providing legal advice, Counselling, paralegal, ADR mechanism; communication skills and client referral and reporting.	3	0	Abara
08	Women Leaders	21 st -23 rd Jan 2016	Capacity building training on emergency GBV preparedness- risk mitigation, available services and referral pathways.	1	36	Nimule
09	Staff	23 rd -24 th May 2016	GBV in emergencies; understand the minimum GBV guiding principles and approaches; understand referral systems, safety and basic needs; GBV prevention; case management and mentoring.	2	4	Juba
10	Women Entrepreneurs	5 th -6 th Dec 2016	Financial literacy; marketing strategies; managing village savings and loan associations/groups.	0	70	Juba
11	Women Leaders	11 th -12 th Nov 2016	GBV lobby and Advocacy	0	35	Magwi



Group Photo by participants of Magwi Family court after the training in Magwi Payam, 24th August 2016



Loudo family court executive members



Alia family court executive members

2.6 Eight trainings attended;

S/N	Group	Date	Training content	Organizers	Location
01	Partners	3 rd Feb 2016	Psychological first aid (PFA) training and adolescent girls programming training; key resilience factors, frequent needs of survivors, action principles, and good communicational skills	Health Link	Nimule
02	Partners	13 th -18 th Feb 2016	Formation of the Adolescent Girls Curriculum (GBV, Financial education, Reproductive health and life skills) in South Sudan	IRC	Juba
03	Partners	4 th -7 th May 2016	Inception phase strategic program for lobby and advocacy	Cordaid	Juba
04	Partners	30 th May-10 th June 2016	Law on inheritance and administration of estates and matrimonial property; jurisprudence on women's land and property rights: communications procedure before the African Commission and African Court on Human and People's Rights; and developing a case for strategic litigation	ISLA	Johannesburg, South Africa
05	Partners	29 th -30 th June 2016	GBV emergency response and preparedness	IRC	Juba
06	African Women Mediators	31 st Oct to 11 th Nov 2016	Negotiation and Mediation as an instrument for Conflict Resolution	African Union and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands	Hague
07	Partners	15 th November 2016	Strategic workshop for partners on lobby and advocacy for the year 2017	Cordaid	Juba
08	Partners	21 st November 2016	Understanding conflict related sexual violence (CRSV), documentation of CRSV in a professional and ethical manner and utilization of the documented information for implementation	South Sudan Women Lawyers Association (SSWEN)	Juba

2.7 Three mentoring sessions conducted;

S/N	Group	Dates	Content	# of ppts		Location
				M	F	
01	Women leaders	13 th Nov 2016	GBV lobby and advocacy	0	25	Magwi

02	IDP women	28 th Nov to 2 nd Dec 2016	Restaurant management (Preparation of continental and local dishes)	0	16	Juba
03	IDP women	28 th Nov to 2 nd Dec 2016	Hair dressing	0	13	Juba



The community paralegal for Magwi Payam is encouraging one of the women to speak out since it is her right to voice any violence she is facing.

2.8 Two Board Meetings held;

S/N	Date	Quarter	Objective	Location
01	20 th – 21 st Feb 2016	First	Approve the 2015 annual report and 2016 plans	Nimule
02	21 st Dec 2016	Fourth	Updates on the progress made in 2016, audit report; human resource allocations for the year 2016	Nimule

2.9 Eight awareness campaigns conducted;

S/ N	Group	Dates	Topic	# of ppts		Location
				M	F	
01	Community	19 th Jan 2016	Sensitization on the women human rights and encourage the people to respect and promote such rights	40	70	Loa, Pageri County
02	Community	21 st Jan 2016	Women rights are human rights	25	50	Bilinya, Mugali
03	Markets	2 nd May 2016	GBV emergency response and preparedness and also together with the community come up with action points in preventing GBV in the neighborhood	0	16	Abila
04	Markets	6 th May 2016	GBV emergency response and preparedness and also together with the community come up with action points in preventing GBV in the neighborhood	2	23	Rocky city
05	Markets	13 th May 2016	GBV emergency response and preparedness and also together with the community come up with action points in preventing GBV in the neighborhood	2	32	Motoyo-Nimule
06	Schools	4 th May 2016	Healthy relationships and Risky incomes	50	41	Cornerstone-Nimule
07	Schools	5 th May 2016	Healthy relationships and Risky incomes	57	40	Green Valley-Nimule
08	Schools	6 th May 2016	Healthy relationships and Risky incomes	40	27	Rei-Nimule



Photo taken during one of the market awareness campaigns in Nimule.



Awareness campaign on healthy relationships and risky money in Rei Primary School, Nimule

2.10 Four Live radio talk shows conducted;

S/N	Date	Topic	Languages used	No. of callers	Donor	Radio Station
01	7 th March 2016	Early and forced marriage with particular emphasis on the causes and dangers and how we can end early and forced marriages in our communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English. • Arabic • Acholi 	8	Cordaid	Voice of Freedom FM Magwi Payam
02	7 th March 2016	“Pledge for Parity”; Pledge to end Child Marriage” and “STEWAROWOMEN and CORDAID are committed to ending early and forced marriage”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English. • Madi 	7	Cordaid	NTC Borongole FM Kerepi Payam.
03	25 th Nov 2016	Children’s rights as provided for in the Child Act, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English • Acholi 	5	NPA	Voice of Freedom FM Magwi Payam

04	28 th Nov 2016	Sexual and gender based violence and its effect to the people of South Sudan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English, • Acholi • Arabic 	7	NPA	Voice of Freedom FM Magwi Payam
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The Program Officer for STEWARDWOMEN ready to go on air to discuss issues on sexual and gender based violence.

2.11 Twenty three meetings attended;

S/N	Group	Date	Meeting Objective	Organizers	Location
01	Prospective donor	18 th January 2016	Review the draft materials to be used during the dissemination of the August 2015 Peace Agreement on the Resolution of Conflict in South Sudan	Democracy International (DI)	Juba
02	Partners	19 th January 2016	Preparatory meeting for the upcoming national conference for the election of South Sudan Women General Association that had its last elections in 2009 and the term of office for the duty bearers ended in 2011.	Ministry of Gender, Child & Social Welfare	Juba
03	Prospective	2 nd April	Working with village mediators as a	British	Juba

	donor	2016	model that is being used in Malawi but seeks to be piloted in South Sudan	Council	
04	Prospective donor	13 th April 2016,	To brief partners on the DFID work plan of 2 years pilot phase	British Council	Juba
05	Prospective donor	13 th April 2016	Lobbying for funds	Netherlands Embassy	Juba
06	Prospective donor	14 th April 2016	The mediation team from Malawi took STEWARDWOMEN through the draft work plan.	British Council	Juba
07	Prospective donor	12 th May 2016	Accountability for sexual violence and abduction of women and girls in the 2013 conflict.	Amnesty International	Juba office
08	Partners	13 th May 2016	First inter-ministerial gender technical committee meeting to allow each institution to have a gender focal person at the level of a director and four other persons to help him or her to mainstream gender in their institution	Ministry of Gender, Child & Social Welfare	Juba
09	Prospective donor	17 th May 2016	Discuss about the prospect of implementing a project on transitional justice with greater involvement of women from the grassroots to the national level. This is to encourage bottom-up approach	NPA	Juba
10	Prospective Donor	18 th May 2016	Develop a livelihood resilience program in South Sudan together with other partners and find out opportunities for collaboration	Pact Sudan	Juba office
11	Prospective Donor	19 th May 2016	Develop positive activities such as cultural dance activities; women's coffee groups; documentary screening to generate focus group discussions and awareness raising on pertinent issues; pre-migration conference; survivors creating solidarity among themselves to mitigate conflict in South Sudan	USAID	Kololo-Juba
12	Prospective Donor	26 th May 2016	Interview on STEWARDWOMEN's work on inequality, gender issues and economic empowerment so as to establish possible opportunities for partnership	Oxfam HECA	Juba office
13	Prospective Donor	27 th May 2016	Lobbying for funds	Norwegian Embassy	Juba
14	Prospective donor	15 th June 2016	Looking for partners who can implement quick impact projects in peace building that will popularize the National Peace	Democracy International	Juba

			Center		
15	Prospective donor	16 th June 2016	Update on the progress of the intended partnership with British Council including due diligence assessment. STEWARDWOMEN will also sign a contract for participating in the due diligence exercise and for making several contributions into the British Council A2JP	British Council	Juba
16	Partners	17 th June 2016	Briefing on the Africa Gender Index development programme which mandates country's to submit a report on pertinent gender issues including signed conventions, women's maternity, gender parity, security sector, child soldiers, country's commitment on GBV, statistics on GBV, human rights, land and property rights etc	Ministry of Gender, Child & Social Welfare	Juba
17	Prospective donor	27 th June 2016	To implement access to justice activities in Eastern Equatoria State	Pact Sudan	Juba office
18	Prospective donor	6 th July 2016	Update partners on the annual review of the DFID A2JP which resolved that the program will not work with STEWARDWOMEN in 2016 financial year	British Council	Juba
19	Prospective donor	8 th July 2016	Sharing information on the field visit by donors from Oslo from 12 th to 18 th September 2016 and STEWARDWOMEN has been identified as one of the strong partners to be visited.	NPA	Juba
20	Prospective donor	8 th July 2016	Lobby for funds	ECORYS	Juba
21	Prospective donor	6 th September 2016	Strategic partnership lobby and advocacy meeting to discuss the terms of reference for the upcoming call for proposal on lobby and advocacy.	Cordaid	Juba
22	Prospective donor	23 rd September 2016	To conduct partner assessment and discuss the two projects of Frame and Gap.	NPA	Juba
23	Prospective donor	24 th Sept 2016	To identify a partner implementing GBV in Magwi Payam with a focus on integrating GBV in CDD programming in Pajok Central Boma and Abara boma with the component of psychosocial support and referrals.	Global Communities	Magwi

2.12 Twenty Nine GBV neighborhood assemblies held;

Date	Paya m/Bo ma	Adult(2 4yr above)		YP(24 yrs below)		P W D		TOPI C	Causes	Recommendation	Action point
		F	M	F	M	F	M				
6/9/2016	Magwi Bura village	18	14	8	5	2	-	GBV	Over drinking of Alcohol Poverty Ignorance of the law	There should be people who can help women who face GBV cases	Monitoring committee formed, the members are; 1. Pelegerino John 2. Oloya, Khemishalaker, 3. Martina aluku, 4. Okwera david 5. Lino oyat
9/9/2016	Magwi / Kilio Boma	16	10	7	3	-	-	Girls child education	Cultural believed that girls' are not supposed to be given equal right as boys; Family dispute like gender base violence live some parent to stop paying girls; Poverty is also one of the factor that hinder girls from studying; Early pregnancy or marriage	Girls should be given chance for them to study; There should be a place for an open dialoged to discuss issue such as were all group will attend (rally)	Committee formed to ensure children are sent to school 1. Mama Santa Okech 2. Mama Josehine Acaa 3. Okullo Dominic 4. Opira Morish 5. Laker Vicky
14/9/2016	Magwi /Lobur e	12	6	8	2	-	1	Properly inheritance right	Cultural practice that undermine the dignity of women; Ignorance about Law	Leader should make sure women rights are respected; Women should report such cases	The chiefs, youth leader, women leader and elder should Monitor such Act and take appropriate measure
10/9/2016	Obbo/ Labatowau village	13	9	3	6	-	-	Force abortion	Poor family background Girls denied chance to continue with education	Person found committed that Act should face the law	The community leader are task to monitor the violation of human rights
15/9/2016	Obbo/ Alia Kenyi 1 village	15	5	7	2	-	2	Child Neglect	Poverty among family; Unemployment making people to neglect their family Men prefer staying in	Women are to report such cases to family court and the committee	A committee formed to monitor and report incidences of human rights

									urban places		violation and they include the village chief, women, youth leader and elder of the village
20/9/2016	Obbo/Alia Kenya 2	11	9	4	4	1	-	Property inheritance right	The parents of the man want to own the property; Communities want the woman to go away from that home	Women should report those violation and community members should stop practicing the acts	The community leaders are task to monitor the violation of women's rights
12/9/2016	Magwi/Borou village	10	5	7	2	-	-	Wife desertion	Polygamous marriages; Men prefer staying in towns	Those men should be followed up and women should report them	The committee formed include the village chief, women, youth leader and elder of the village
17/9/2016	Omeo	16	7	4	6	-	2	GBV	Men look women as sex workers; Cultural responsibilities attached to women	Men should respect their wives Leaders should handle cases of GBV without money	Police GBV desk to be put in place and Leaders are to monitor cases of GBV seriously
6/10/2016	Loudo Nyalogire village	30	19	7	4	1	1	GBV	Men refuse to pay children school fee; Over drinking of Alcohol; Poverty and men leaving cultivation to their women	There should be a group people to help women who face GBV cases, & both men and women should cultivate jointly	The community agreed together that community leaders should monitor violation of women rights and take action immediately
5/10/2016	Magwi / Amika	16	10	7	3	-	-	Domestic violence	Some men said women are not respecting their husband; Men have refused to take up their responsibilities	Both men and women should respect their marriage	Committee to monitor actions taken Tapeng Charles Laker Beatrice Amwony Josephine Bongomine odiya Adiyo joyce
17/10/2016	Magwi/Lobure East	14	5	9	11	-	-	Girls child Education	Cultural believes that girls are not supposed to be given equal rights with boys; Poverty	Leader should make sure girls are send to school -leaders to make sure girls have access to inherit their parent property	The chiefs, youth leader, women leader and elder should monitor such acts and take appropriate measure, elected committee 1. Anek paska

												2. Mary labutu Otto 3. Okeny john oyongo 4. Lomaka James 5. Odong joseph
10/10/2016	Magwi /Kilio village	13	9	3	6	-	-	Force abortion	Poor family background Denial of the girl-child the right to education	Person found committed that act should face the law	The community leader are task to monitor the violation	
15/9/2016	Omeo/ west village	19	6	5	2	-	-	Child Neglect	Poverty among families; Unemployment making people to neglect their families; Men prefer staying in urban places	Women are to report such cases to family court and committee are set to monitor	The committee include the village chief, women, youth leader and elder of the village	
24/10/2016	Obbo/ Pokongo west	30	21	6	8	1	-	Denial right to education	Some parents feel they are wasting money on education Poverty hindering parents from providing scholastic materials for children and school fees	Children should report those violations and community members should stop practicing these acts	The committee that elected to monitor are 1. Okeny Daniel 2. Oyet Bosco 3. Ayaa Mary 4. Okello jane 5. Okot Okwera	
13/10/2016	Magwi /paluonanyi	14	5	9	10	-	1	Danger of Alcohol in the community	Alcohol which leads to family neglect, divorce, loss of job, poor health and gender based violence	Both men and women should take responsibilities; Idle people should be reported to the authorities	The community selected committee to monitor are 1. Apolo Jackson 2. Marta latoo 3. Grace amoo 4. Okech john 5. Okeny peter	
21/10/2016	Obbo – pokongo south	31	12	2	7	1		Child Abuse	No good relationship between parents and their children Cultural roles given to children	Children below 12 yrs should not carry 20 jerrycan of water, parent should create good relation with their children	Leaders are to monitor cases of child abuse seriously and below are people to monitor children rights 1. John Ogaa 2. Rebecca Atek 3. Esther Achan 4. Opia Tong 5. Ayaa Josphine	
5/11/2016	Alia boma Taya village	30	19	7	4	1	1	Rape	Moving at night; Drinking alcohol with people you do not know	Victim and parent to report cases of rape to police and stop handling at home	The community agreed that its every ones responsibility to report rape cases	

12/11/2016	Alia Boma Kenya 2 village	16	10	7	3	-	-	Causes and danger of early marriage	Leaving responsibilities to children all the time; Poor relationship between parents and children	Both men and women should have time for their children	Committee to follow-up domestic in the village are 1. Richard Abongo 2. Otto Kollorine Leo 3. Aber Rebecca 4. Achan Santina
17/11/2016	Loudo Boma Cam-mo-mi village	17	5	9	8	-	-	Property inheritance rights	Cultural beliefs that girls and women are not to inherit their parent's/husband's property	Leaders should make sure girls and women have right to inherit their parent's property	The chiefs, youth leader, women leader and elder should monitor such Act and take appropriate measure,
10/11/2016	Magwi boma mugonz village	14	7	3	5	-	-	Dangers of Alcoholism	Poverty and Unemployment	Person found drinking at morning should face the law	The community leader are task to monitor the people who drink and sell alcohol at morning hours
24/11/2016	Magwi kilio village	30	21	6	8	1	-	Girl child education	Some parents feel they are wasting money on education Poverty	Children should report those violations and community members should stop practicing negative acts	Every community member should monitor children and make sure they are sent to school
2/12/2016	Lerwa village Obbo payam	29	10	5	4	1	-	Force marriage	Poverty , Lack of parental guidance	Parents should be held responsible and punished	The community agreed together that community leaders would monitor violation of women rights and take action immediately
7/12/2016	Magwi / Amika village	16	10	7	3	-	-	Wife battery	Some men said women are not respecting their husbands; Men have refused taking up their responsibility	Both men and women should respect their marriage	Such cases should be reported to family court
8/12/2016	Magwi /Lobur e East	17	5	8	9	-	-	Domestic violence	Poverty Peoples personalities Bad customs and traditions	Women should report such cases to the nearest authority	The chiefs, youth leader, women leader and elder will monitor such acts and take appropriate measures

8/12/2016	Obbo/Alia central village	13	9	3	6	-	-	Force abortion	Girls feel ashamed to report violations; Parents sometimes force their girls to look money	Persons found committing such acts should face the law	The community leaders are task to monitor the violation
10/12/2016	Obbo/Alia Kenyi 1 village	15	5	7	2	-	2	Family neglect	Poverty among family; Unemployment making people to neglect their family; Men prefer staying in urban places	Women are to report such cases to family court and committee are set to monitor	The committee formed to monitor incidence of GBV include the village chief, women, youth leader and elder of the village
11/12/2016	Abara north Iwire Payam	30	21	6	8	1	-	Property inheritance right	Some parents feel they are wasting money Poverty	There is need for awareness on property rights of women	a committee was formed to monitor such cases
13/10/2016	Abara east Iwire Payam	14	5	9	10	-	1	Family neglect	Family neglect leading to divorce, poor health and gender base violence	Both men and women should take responsibilities, Idleness people should be reported to the authority	The community leader are to selected committee to monitor GBV
12/12/2016	Obbo –Alia central	31	12	2	7	1	0	Land dispute	Communal ownership of land	People should learn to register their land and know their boundaries	Elders should handle issues of land
Total		5301	291	165	157	11	11		1165	people reached and engaged directly	



GBV neighborhood assembly on the dangers of GBV.

2.13 Ninety Cases Registered and 69 Mediated/Resolved;

Table showing overall summary;

Year	Registered	Mediated/resolved	Counselled	Police	Hospital	Referred to other agencies	Pending	Follow-ups made	Litigated
2016	90	69	3	5	0	0	13	0	0
Most Common cases			2nd Most Common cases			Least Common cases			
Child neglect			21	Land dispute		43	Adultery		1

a) By STEWARDWOMEN Nimule Legal Aid Centre

Person responsible	Registered	Mediated/resolved	Cases referred	Pending	Litigated
STEWARDWOMEN Legal Aid Clinic	10	5	2	3	0
Total	10	5	2	3	0

b) By STEWARDWOMEN Juba Legal Aid Centre

Person responsible	Registered	Mediated/handled	Cases referred	Pending	Litigated
STEWARDWOMEN Legal Aid Clinic	1	0	1	0	Enforcement of judgment and release of vehicle from Police
Total	1	0	1	0	0

c) Three cases counselled by community paralegals;

The table below shows cases counseled by the community paralegals

S/N	Names	Type of case	Action taken	Date of the counseling	Remarks
1	Hellen Angeyo	Employment rights denial by her spouse	Talk together her and the husband together and they later change	07/10/2016	
2	Atanga John and Rose Amoo	Child neglect -wife left the children to the husband	A counselling was done and both came into understanding and the women went back to the children	15/10/2016	
3	John Taban Pious	Education Complain of lack of support from parent and decided to leave studies.	He was counseled and later he resumed studies.	20/10/2016	

d) Family courts;

Payam/Boma	# of cases Registered	Category	Mediated	Counseled	Police	Hospital	Pending	Remarks

Magwi Family court	20	Assault(3) Child neglect(4) Land dispute(6) Wife battery (5) Gossiping(2)	16	0	0	0	4	The perpetrator apologised for his action and promised to change The perpetrators were given strong warning and family court are monitoring them Two reconciliation are done and two commitment letter written
Omeo Family court	20	Domestic violence(2) Child neglect(8) Thief(1) Rape(1) Assault(4) Gossiping (1) Theft (2) Early marriage (1)	18	0	1	0	1	Two commitment letter were written and looking forward to handling one remaining case Five commitment letters were written and looking forward to handle one remaining cases Parties happy with the decision of family court
Obbo, Alia family court	17	Land dispute(4) Child neglect(5) Idleness(2) Grievous hurt (1) Domestic violence (1) Rape(1) Force marriage (1) Adultery (1) Thief (1)	14	0	0	0	3	The family court are monitoring the client and perpetrator closely The family court did follow up and they found the communities have changed positively. Two family court members are tasked to monitor the perpetrators
Obbo, Loudo Family Court	15	Theft(1) Assault(6) Child neglect(3) Gossiping(1) Land dispute (3) Early marriage (1)	13	0	1	0	1	The perpetrator wrote a commitment Perpetrators change with immediate effects One assault perpetrator was arrogant we referred to police and he is serving two month in prison Family court is appreciated by the community
Abara family court	4	Divorce Family neglect Land dispute Child abuse	3	-	-	-	1	Two commitment letters were written
Total	76	All the above	64	-	2	-	10	All the above



A divorce case hearing is in progress by Mgwí Boma Family court.

2.14 Four (4) Live Media Interviews

S/N	Date	Person interviewed	Topic	Comments	Radio Station
1	24 th April, 2016	Program Coordinator	Comment on why teenage pregnancy is on the rise in Yambio and advice the authorities accordingly	The perpetrators have to be prosecuted under section 247 of the Penal Code Act, 2008 laws of South Sudan. Parents taking bride wealth of their girls are denying them the right to education. Girls faced with this violence are exposed to reproductive health risks such as fistula among others. Educate girls on their sexual and reproductive health rights. Police needs to be trained on handling and supporting victims of GBV. Community needs to be educated on the dangers of early and forced marriages	Juba Monitor The same interview appeared on Juba Monitor newspaper on the 27 th April 2016, page 5.
2	6 th May	Program	The importance of ratifying the	It guarantees protection of women and	Radio

	2016	Coordinator	protocol to South Sudanese women	girls by the government of South Sudan	Miraya
3	18 th May 2016	Executive Director	The perspectives of STEWARDWOMEN as a woman NNGO on the use of phones, TV and radio to support girls' education and maternal health in South Sudan	TV and radio are regularly used but phones are rarely used to support education and maternal health in South Sudan	BBC media action, Denmark
4	16 th June 2016	Program Coordinator	Comment on slow progress of the implementation of the peace agreement on the resolution of conflict in South Sudan	Government priorities are divided between implantation and other issues	Eye Radio

2.15 Eleven cluster/coordination meetings attended;

S/N	Date	Meeting	Purpose of Meeting	Important comments to note	Location
01	21 st January 2016	GBV sub-cluster	Evaluation of the 2015 GBV cluster action plan and discussing drafting of the 2016 action plan. UNOCHA updated the meeting on the presence of armed activities visible in Western Equatoria and Uppernile states	Partners were to check for the NGO Bill on the NGO Forum website. Janoubia re-usable sanitary pads where a full pack comprising of 3 pads, 3 pants, a bag, a wrapper and a detergent costs \$5-\$6. info@janoubia-ss.com . Tel 0956 480 515.	Juba Regency Hotel
02	24 th March 2016	GBV sub-cluster	Discussing the launch of the Guidelines on the Women Friendly Space in South Sudan by UNICEF.	A report by IRC indicated high GBV trends in Bentiu with women who are cohabiting being more vulnerable than other women.	Juba Regency Hotel
03	12 th April 2016	Protection cluster	UNFPA presentation of the "HCT Protection Strategy Baseline Survey in covering the 5 POCs in South Sudan	The IDP demography indicates 78% are female households; 52.4% are Nuer IDPs; only Dinka are found in Mingkaman POC; 79% of perpetrators of violence to IDPs were SPLA; 29% IDPs felt safe in POCs; 49% felt unsafe; Juba and Mingkaman IDPs want to remain in POCs; Malakal and Bentiu IDPs want to move out of the country; those that remain behind say they are waiting for the implementation of the Peace Agreement; legal aid support is needed in Juba POC; 72% reported to have been raped by police or soldiers and only 80% sought help from health care, social service organization and protection by presence.	UNHCR-Juba
04	20 th April	Governance	Meetings are held once every	Submission of a one pager of their profile	National

	2016	Working Group	month for all partners working on governance issues..	summarizing its programs, geographic coverage, duration of work, contact information etc. STEWARDWOMEN has submitted its one pager to Democracy International that is hosting the monthly meetings.	Peace Center in Juba
05	21 st April 2016	Monthly Coordination Meeting	In the meeting all organizations working in Pageri Administrative Area were requested to share their strategic plans, information about their donors and the money they received per project with the authorities.	The commissioner encouraged all the organizations to lobby for developmental projects and avoid doing the same activities in the same area.	Pageri Payam HQs
06	19 th May 2016	Governance Working Group	Update from Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission (JMEC) on the implementation of the peace agreement in South Sudan.	Members of civil society who sit in the JMEC came and provided updates in the meeting.	National Peace Center in Juba
07	16 th June 2016	Governance Working Group	The guidelines for RFA #005 on nationhood and national identity were shared and included risk assessment. The civil society voluntary task force on the implementation of the peace agreement on the resolution of conflict in South Sudan presented their implementation monitoring report since the agreement was signed.	Some of the highlights of the report include violation of the security arrangements such as the Kajo Keji, Wau and Raja incidences of conflict; the lack of reconstitution of the national legislative assembly which would likely affect the passing of the national budget; the disagreement about the existence of the hybrid court as a setback to the implementation and replacement of the emergency police patrols (777) with the Joint Integrated Police.	National Peace Center in Juba
08	23 rd June 2016	Monthly Coordination Meeting	Partners to give their activity reports, plans and share the challenges they are facing.	STEWARDWOMEN informed the meeting about the on-going activities at the Legal Aid clinic that is being run without money. The meeting was also informed of the grant that has been received from NPA worth 25,000USD for implementing a project in Magwi County.	Pageri Payam HQ
09	9 th August 2016	Protection cluster	Relocation of 330 IDPS from Tongping POC to POC 3 UNMISS site; 20 cases of GBV had been recorded in the IMS since July 2016, of which 7 cases were treated;	A common messaging on safety of women living in POCs has been developed; The 217 cases of GBV reported by the media is not clear whether they are human rights abuses or GBV.	UNHCR office in Juba
10	20 th	Protection	The headcount exercise in	Juba security was fairly stable compared	UNHCR

	September 2016	cluster	UNMISS Tongping revealed that 3000 IDPs are present at that time at Tongping even though the area is not conducive for civilian situations. Tongping was therefore to close by the end of September 2016 etc.	to the earlier months	office in Juba
11	29 th /09/2016	GBV sub-cluster	Updates from Juba and field locations were discussed focusing majorly on gaps, challenges, advocacy areas, successes and planned assessments	Preparation for the upcoming 16 days of Activism and members were asked to brainstorm on the key messages to be used on the ICE materials	Juba Regency Hotel

2.16 Three high-level dialogues attended;

S/N	Date	Dialogue	Important comments to note	Organizer	Location
01	6 th and 8 th April 2016	To discuss the findings of a research titled "Promoting state accountability on SGBV in South Sudan, Nigeria and Egypt" and validate it with action points. There were several papers presented during the workshop in addition to the research findings	Engage communities to identify interventions to respond to their problems; work in coalitions; replicate Rwanda's one stop center, allow victims to speak about their issues directly to the decision makers; make use of the media to engage communities; ensure women leaders at whatever levels must start providing services to survivors in addition to their official responsibilities; target communities to ensure that women speak for themselves; work in a multi stakeholder collaboration including governments and other influential agencies such as the AU, political organizations etc and work with the traditional chiefs such employing the family court initiative.	SOAWR, Equality Now and Oxfam	Nairobi, Kenya
02	27 th -28 th Sept 2016	Dialogue on the National Action Plan on UNSCR 1325 on women, peace and Security under the theme "Addressing impunity on SGBV in South Sudan to outline responses by the government to address impunity of SGBV in conflict and support survivors To develop a common perspective on SGBV-related challenges, consequences and explore how best to address them and three to	Providing the national leadership with a platform to highlight strategic messaging on addressing impunity of SGBV in South Sudan.	Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare	Juba Regency Hotel

		sensitize key government ministries on the need to comprehensively integrate measures to protect women and girls against SGBV/CRSV during conflict and peace time.			
03	10 th Oct 2016	Forging joint effort to respond to the GBV situation in South Sudan	UNFPA conducted the workshop with aim of getting expertise contribution on the project from all partners.	UNFPA	Juba Regency hotel

2.17 Four public events organised;

S/N	Date	Event	Important to Note	Donor	Location
01	8 th March 2016	International Women's Day (IWD)	Six representatives from CORDAID and two from STEWARDWOMEN attended the occasion that brought together over 1200 people in Obbo Payam. In Kerepi Payam, over 800 people attended the event. The commemoration of the IWD started with a number of activities including preparatory meetings from both locations, organizing children to hold school debates, a live radio talk show on ending early and forced marriage that took place on the 7 th March 2016 at Voice of Freedom FM in Magwi and NTC Borongole FM in Kerepi Payam and a dialogue on ending early and forced marriage in Kerepi Payam on the 9 th March 2016.	Cordaid	Obbo Kerepi
02	8 th March 2016	Market exhibition	Market women brought all their to the venue of the IWD celebrations. One woman appreciated the short time allocated for the market exhibition because she was able to sell more than if she had remained in the market the whole day. The women each sold over 100ssp and since they had made their sale of the day, it gave them time to join the rest in the celebrations of the IWD.	Cordaid	Obbo Payam
03	10 th June 2016	African Child Day	The Commissioner for Pageri County requested every stakeholder to take responsibility in protecting children's rights because they are the future leaders of South Sudan.	BOD contribution	Nimule youth center
04	21 st December 2016	End of year party	The end of year party is usually an annual family gathering of STEWARDWOMEN which	BOD contribution	Nimule Field

			event brings together all BoD members and all staff. The party brought together about 60 guests some of who expressed gratitude to STEWARDWOMEN for organizing for them 2016 Christmas.		office
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2.18 Other activities planned and implemented;

S/N	Date	Activity	Purpose and achievement	No. of people reached		Donor	Location
				M	F		
01	9 th March 2016	Dialogue on ending early forced marriage	To identify the causes and solutions to the problem of early forced marriage using a problem tree approach where the stem of the tree signifies the problem, the roots are the causes and the branches and leaves are the solution to the problem	15	75	Cordaid	Kerepi Payam
02	10 th Dec 2016	Community dialogues on the property and inheritance rights of women	The women were able to demand for their property and inheritance rights from their chiefs saying whatever the chiefs agree with shall be agreed by the entire community	30	70	Cordaid	Amika Boma
03	14 th Dec 2016	Women leaders round table meeting	The meeting brought together 15 participants including the Executive office Magwi County, Relief and Rehabilitation Commission coordinator and representative from the office of the commissioner Magwi County among others and 8 crucial issues were presented to the leaders by the women	8	9	Cordaid	Magwi Payam
04	5 th Dec 2016	Monthly GBV cluster meeting	Regular awareness to be done in villages and weekly live radio talk show on GBV issues; SGBV referral pathway should be established; Boda boda riders are to be involved during awareness; Gender Desk should be established at the police station; GBV hot-line (24 hrs. access through telephone) should be established; SGBV should be mainstreamed in all programs in Magwi County 7. Discos should be regulated	19	6		Magwi County HQ

05	12 th May 2016	Human rights workshop	To build participants' knowledge and understanding of the human rights of girls and women and also explore the challenges which girls face in their communities. This activity was appreciated by the school authorities who encouraged STEWARDWOMEN to conduct more of such activities	0	56	IRC	Nimule
06	11 th March 2016	School debate	To step up gender equality in the community with a specific topic on "By 2030 girls will be equally respected with boys". The best school during this debate was supported with scholastic materials that include 3 dozens of exercise books, 1 box of pens, 4 pieces of counter books, 2 pieces of box files, 1 ream of ruled paper and 4 boxes of chalk.	38	42	Cordaid	Obbo Payam
07	29 th -30 th Nov 2016	Transitional Justice seminar	To increase the level of knowledge of women leaders on the 2015 ARCISS; To make use of lessons learned in preparation for future transitional justice mechanisms.	0	15	NPA	Magwi
08	9 th Dec 2016	Pass-out ceremony	Assorted items were distributed ranging from food to non-food items as well as cash money for the vegetable group and payment of rental for each group namely hair dressing restaurant, food store, tea/coffee and vegetable sellers' women groups. The event brought together over 150 participants including the donor agency, two NGOs, community leaders, beneficiaries and also children.	0	70	NPA	Juba
09	20 th Sept 2016	Police visit	The public prosecutor who encouraged STEWARDWOMEN to continue collaborating with them.	-	-	NPA	Nimule
10		Public lecture	One public lecture was conducted to the college of law students of Juba University on the right to fair hearing. This was at the invitation of the International Development Law Organization (IDLO). He right to fair hearing is provided for under Article 19 of the Transitional Constitution of South	17	13	IDLO	Juba



The Program Officer, Access to Justice facilitating the seminar on transitional Justice for women leaders in Magwi County.



Participants for Monthly GBV cluster meeting turn-up in big numbers in Magwi County Headquarters

2.19 Face book messages posted;

These messages on facebook and other social media accounts are meant to popularise the organization, mobilise support and inform the general public about what the organisation is doing or has been doing.

S/N	Date	Topic posted	# of people reached	Likes	Comments	Share	Donor
01	21 st March 2016	Information on a paper on "Violence against women in humanitarian context: the case of South Sudan" was posted	213	10	0	1	UNFPA
02	23 rd March 2016	Cordaid and STEWARDWOMEN commit to ending violence against women by 2030	62	5	0	0	Cordaid
03	4 th April 2016	Community dialogue on ending early and forced marriage in Kerepi Payam	46	4	0	0	Cordaid
04	11 th June 2016	Training on women's property and land rights organised by Institute of Strategic	40	3	0	0	ISLA

		litigation in South Africa					
05	12 th Nov 2016	Training in negotiation and mediation for African women mediators in the Hague	224	12	7	0	Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs & AU
Total							

3.0 Achievements (16);

3.1 Increased level of awareness on women human rights and gender justice issues;

The level of awareness on human rights, justice and gender issues increased greatly in Pageri Administrative Area through the awareness campaigns, radio talk shows and services provided by the paralegals and the legal aid clinic. Some areas such as Loa, Kerepi, and Pageri that were not targeted initially were able to be reached in December 2015 and January 2016. Increased women engagement on issues affecting the community as seen during the community dialogues. Increased awareness on gender based violence, transitional justice and issues of gender disparity.

3.2 Appreciation by Mama Cash Foundation;

On the 20th January 2016, STEWARDWOMEN had a skype interview with Mama Cash's Vanina Serra. The Mama Cash Program Officer for Africa was excited with the work STEWARDWOMEN has been doing for the last three years in providing access to justice for vulnerable women and girls in the country. In brief, she said that the narrative and the financial reports for the last activities were both excellent without any queries and Mama Cash congratulates STEWARDWOMEN for completing her grant period with much success. She said that the financial reports are now approved and hence the grant making relationship has been officially closed under the Closing Letter Reference No: 289173.

3.3 Appreciation of STEWARDWOMEN work by community leaders;

The community leaders through the knowledge gained from the awareness campaigns have appreciated the work of STEWARDWOMEN in simplifying their work. The local leaders such as the women leaders, youth leaders and village leaders are able to handle cases better now as most of them have learnt a few laws that are essential in the implementation of their activities.

3.4 Increment in the participation of women in public gatherings;

The participation of women in public gathering has also increased, this shows women now know and enjoy their freedoms. In all the activities conducted the numbers of women participation outweighed that of the men. During the Loa awareness campaign 16 women were able to voice their concerns and the same was in Bilinya as 11 women were able to challenge men openly on their rights.

3.5 STEWARDWOMEN gained government recognition including MOGCSW³;

STEWARDWOMEN has been fully recognized by the government of South Sudan as one of the partners supporting the implementation of the Peace Agreement as our logo appears on the dissemination manual.

³ MOGCSW-Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare

STEARWARDWOMEN was again officially recognized by the national Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare for fully supporting the historical development of the women's movement in South Sudan. The Ministry then put STEARWARDWOMEN logo on the banner for the general elections for the South Sudan Women General Association.

In the monthly coordination meeting, the Executive Officer of Kerepi Payam commended the work done by STEARWARDWOMEN in Kerepi Payam, more specially organizing the international women's day. He encouraged other organizations to follow the example of STEARWARDWOMEN and work hand in hand with the communities in Pageri Administrative Area.

Nimule police have recognized STEARWARDWOMEN as the only organization who are protecting children and women's rights in the corridor.

The RRC of Magwi County recommended STEARWARDWOMEN to Global Communities (international organization) as the organization to partner with on GBV related work in Magwi.

3.6 Recognition by Equality Now/SOAWR;

In their December 2015 Newsletter sent to STEARWARDWOMEN on the 19th January 2016, SOAWR recognized the work of STEARWARDWOMEN in forming the national coalition of 15 civil society organizations for the ratification of Maputo Protocol by South Sudan. SOAWR also congratulated STEARWARDWOMEN and asked other members to do the same for securing its first conviction in a rape case in the High Court of Torit.

3.7 Community contribution towards IWD;

The amount of 1,215SSP and 300 Kilograms of sorghum community contribution towards IWD is applauded.

3.8 Mama Cash continues to support STEARWARDWOMEN;

Mama Cash is ready to fully support STEARWARDWOMEN with references for any funding opportunity that we may need.

3.9 Recognition by other partners;

STEARWARDWOMEN was recognized and appreciated by the team of NNGOS that went to Mugali Payam for a survey. Joseph Malish who works with SPEDA in Nimule and who was among the team that conducted the survey in Mugali visited STEARWARDWOMEN field office on the 22/04/2015 to share the information from the survey and according to him STEARWARDWOMEN's name ranked higher than all the other organizations in Mugali and he appreciated the level of awareness on gender based violence created among the people of Mugali by the organization.

3.10 Successful mediation of cases;

64 cases were successfully mediated out of 76 cases registered.

3.11 Increased knowledge and understanding of gender based violence emergency response and preparedness;

Increased knowledge and understanding of gender based violence emergency response and preparedness among the people. The consultative meetings and awareness campaigns on gender based violence

increase the awareness of the people on such issues and the provision of hotline emergency services has made it simpler for the people to reach or get the services they require.

3.12 More family court members and paralegals trained;

STEARAWOMEN trained 36 family court members in the two payams of Obbo and Magwi and formed four family courts in Omeo, Magwi, Loudo and Alia respectively and 3 New community paralegals successfully trained.

3.13 GBV Monitoring Committees formed;

Committees have been formed in all Bomas in Magwi and Obbo to monitor GBV incidences.

3.14 Women present a petition to local authorities;

One petition drafted by the women leaders of Magwi for presentation to the local authorities. This has brought women closer to government authorities.

3.15 Two SACCOs were formed;

Two SACCOs were formed; one in Juba Way Station and another in Don Bosco IDP camps in Juba.

3.16 One bye-law was developed;

One bye-law was developed on SACCO management.

4.0 Challenges (11)

4.1 Insecurity; the political crises that broke in Juba on the 8/7/2016 not only ended in Juba but spread out through most parts of the country. The Madi region suffered the consequences of the war forcing women and children to flee their homes and caused panic to the women at the friendly space, hence less attendance.

4.2 Decline in SACCO contributions; there has been decline in the SACCO as many women left the country.

Due to insecurity, STEARAWOMEN staffs could not access some areas in time as planned and some participants who were supposed to come from some parts of the county were unable to attend the trainings due to insecure roads.

4.3 Dormancy of the Women Friendly Space; the women friendly space became dormant as a result of the insecurity which saw most of population of Nimule gone to refugee camps.

4.4 The timeframe for the implementation of the activities was too limited, these affected effective mobilization and other preparations for such activities.

4.5 Poor network in Borongole FM affected the reception of call during the live radio talk show on women's rights over NTC FM as many people tried to call but failed to get through.

4.6 The strict rules put in place by NTC FM management on what can be aired on their radio interfered with the program. The management did not want issues of women's human rights discussed as according to them was against the teachings of the church. This limited the host in the discussions.

4.7 Provision of financial support to vulnerable clients who had cases in court proved to be a big challenge as there were no funds for such support..

4.8 Limited funding; much as funds were given for the day, it was hardly enough to cater for all the activities mainly because of the inflation in the market.

4.9 Difficulty in repayment of loans at the SACCO; members of STEWARDWOMEN SACCO faced a challenge of locating some of their fellow members who had taken loan and were supposed to repay before the end of the May. Some of the members had relocated to other places such as Juba and camps in Uganda.

4.10 Poor selection of beneficiaries; selecting the right beneficiary for the economic empowerment project in Juba was very hard since most women claimed they fit in the selection criteria.

4.11 Others challenges are;

- a) Dishonest, quarrelling and group breakage among project beneficiaries.
- b) Delays in release of funds by donors.
- c) Insecurity in the field locations affecting project implementation.
- d) Short periods of donor contracts.
- e) Meager and sometimes no project contribution to a single staff salary.
- f) Scarcity of dollars for withdrawal in the bank; and
- g) The pending court case giving a bad reputation to the organization.
- h) The long distance between police stations and the neighboring communities hinders reporting of cases.
- i) Insecurity led to the loss of organization assets such as cameras and money and staff items such as phones, clothes and money.
- j) Closure of banks in Magwi affected timely implementation of activities as there was limited access to money in Eden Bank which eventually closed in the mid of November 2016.
- k) The laptops received from Pact Sudan have no chargers, antivirus and windows. One camera also does not work.

5.0 Recommendations (30);

5.1 The GBV monitoring committee is the eye of the paralegal in the community so they should work together with the paralegals in order to ease the work.

5.2 Young people should be encouraged to attend the neighborhood assemblies since they are influential people in the community.

5.3 STEWARDWOMEN should provide ID for GBV monitoring committees.

5.4 There is need for provision of cameras to the field staffs (community paralegals).

5.5 There is need for a legal aid clinic in Magwi and an office for STEWARDWOMEN to support the work.

5.6 There is need for refresher trainings for all family court and paralegals.

5.7 There is need for provision of law books to family court members and the Peace Agreement hand book to the community leaders.

5.8 There is need for more training on lobby and advocacy for women leaders in Magwi.

5.9 Government leaders should be more involved in all activities.

5.10 STEWARDWOMEN should open a GBV desk at the health centre in Obbo.

5.11 STEWARDWOMEN to think of livelihood projects for women in Magwi.

- 5.12 There is need for regular radio talk shows on SGBV and gender disparity.
- 5.13 Scope of selection for beneficiaries of livelihood should be extended to sick women, school drop outs and poor women.
- 5.14 In future funds should be released early to allow adequate preparation.
- 5.15 CORDAID team should be distributed across the project locations to witness the event.
- 5.16 Scholastic materials have to be given to participants during debate that will make pupils to put more effort in debates.
- 5.17 STEWARDWOMEN should take lead in protection cluster as they are the leading NGO in protection at Pageri County. This has been suggested by partners in the area.
- 5.18 STEWARDWOMEN should establish a referral pathway for easy handling of GBV cases and popularize the emergency hot line which is 24 hours open.
- 5.19 There is need for use of music systems during market awareness campaigns and use of ICE materials such as T-shirts to draw the attentions of the listeners as they do their work. This is because we realized that when people are motivated, they participation is vivid.
- 5.20 There is also need for more awareness campaigns in both primary and secondary Schools as this was requested by both students and teachers.
- 5.21 There is need to campaign for the African Charter as well as the Protocol to the African Charter to be ratified at the same time. Remember that on October 2013, the parliament of South Sudan voted to ratify the African Charter but no action has been taken to date.
- 5.22 STEWARDWOMEN should lobby CSOs to make a request to the government of South Sudan to make a declaration in the African Charter indicating individuals and NGOs can have a direct access to the Commission or the court. This declaration should be made the same time when ratification is being done. If this is not possible, then CSOs need to obtain observer status from the Commission to appear before the Commission.
- 5.23 STEWARDWOMEN should increase other activities at the women friendly space like neatening, tailoring, drama and adult education.
- 5.24 There is need for a protection unit in Nimule especially for the women and children in times of crises.
- 5.25 Family court should be formed in every Boma to reduce cases of GBV in the community of Obbo and Magwi.
- 5.26 The constitution should be translated in Acholi language for easy understanding of the constitution.
- 5.27 Police should be trained on their role.
- 5.28 There is need for recruitment of more community paralegals.
- 5.29 There is need for continuous police and prison visits.
- 5.30 The Executive Director of Ayachi County calls on STEWARDWOMEN to extend her services to Ayachi County.

6.0 Conclusion

The year 2016 has been a very difficult year in the history of STEWARDWOMEN particularly in as far as mobilization of funds and insecurity was concerned. It was also a year that saw the biggest staff turn-over and no salaries for the remaining staff until June 2016. We also learned to spend the available funds with serious caution. Nonetheless, we have been able to register tremendous achievements like never before and stakeholders made 30 recommendations as outlined above to improve our work in 2017.

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