PROTECTION OF CHILDREN, WOMEN **AND OTHER VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES**



(∰) HAITI

- · COLLECTIF CONTRE L'IMPUNITÉ
- · OFFICE DE LA PROTECTION DU CITOYEN (OPC)
- · SOLIDARITÉ DES FEMMES HAÏTIENNES SOFA, MOUVEMENT DES FEMMES HAÏTIENNES POUR L'ÉDUCATION ET LE DÉVELOPPEMENT KAY FANM (MOUFHED ET KAY FANM)

GUATEMALA -**Ò-**ồ:^{ờ:}

- LAWYERS WITHOUT BORDERS CANADA IN GUATEMALA (LWBC)
- BUFETE DE DERECHOS HUMANOS (BDH)
- · CENTRO PARA LA ACCIÓN LEGAL EN DERECHOS HUMANOS (CALDH)
- · FUNDACIÓN MYRNA MACK (FMM)
- MUJERES TRANSFORMANDO EL MUNDO (MTM)
- ASOCIACIÓN MIRIAM
- · COMISIÓN NACIONAL CONTRA EL MALTRATO INFANTIL (CONACMI)
- · BUFETE PARA PUEBLOS INDIGENAS
- · LA OFICINA DE DERECHOS HUMANOS DEL ARZOBISPADO DE GUATEMALA (ODHAG)

HONDURAS (∰)

- · CENTRO DE INVESTIGACIÓN Y PROMOCIÓN DE LOS **DERECHOS HUMANOS (CIPRODEH)**
- · COMITÉ DE FAMILIARES DE DETENIDOS Y DESAPARECIDOS **EN HONDURAS (COFADEH)**

-**ọ**-^{ờ:} COSTA RICA

FUNDACIÓN PANIAMOR

-**ọ**-ộ.^{ờ:} COLOMBIA (∰)

- · LAWYERS WITHOUT BORDERS CANADA IN COLOMBIA (LWBC)
- · CORPORACIÓN HUMANAS
- · COALICIÓN CONTRA LA VINCULACIÓN DE NIÑOS, NIÑAS Y JÓVENES AL CONFLICTO ARMADO EN COLOMBIA (COALICO)
 - -**Ò-**ồ.^{ờ:} PERU (∰)
- ASOCIACIÓN PRO DERECHOS HUMANOS (APRODEH)
- · CAPITAL HUMANO Y SOCIAL ALTERNATIVO (CHS ALTERNATIVO)
- · INSTITUTO PROMOVIENDO DESARROLLO SOCIAL (IPRODES)

-**ൎ-**ໍໍ TUNISIA

- ASSOCIATION AMAL POUR LA FAMILLE ET L'ENFANT
- · ADO+
- TUNISIAN FORUM FOR YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

IVORY COAST -**ċ-**ö^{:ö:}

- ASSOCIATION DES FEMMES JURISTES DE CÔTE D'IVOIRE (AFJCI)
- · ACTIONS POUR LA PROTECTION DES DROITS DE L'HOMME (APDH)
- MOUVEMENT IVOIRIEN DES DROITS HUMAINS (MIDH)



· ASSOCIATION BAYTI



INTERNATIONAL BUREAU FOR CHILDREN'S RIGHTS



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THE PROJECT



The project "Protection of children, women and other vulnerable communities" (PRODEF) befits from specific Canadian expertise and focuses on improving the protection of rights of children, women, and marginalized communities as well as on strengthening democracy and the rule of law through access to justice.

It is implemented by Lawyers Without Borders **Canada** (LWBC) in consortium with the **International** Bureau for Children's Rights (IBCR) in conjunction with Le Barreau du Québec (Quebec Bar) as part of the Volunteer Cooperation Program funded by Global Affairs Canada.

Since 2015, about **20 volunteers** carry out more than 30 cooperation missions.





OUR RESULTS

- Over 15000 women and girls have benefited from greater protection of their rights
- Over 1000 women and girls have been made aware of their rights, and prepared to go through the various stages of the judicial process
- Over 1400 victims of human rights violationsincluding 430 women and girls-benefited from enhanced legal representation services
- Over 130 cases handled by international authorities for serious human rights violations • (forced disappearances, human trafficking, genocide, and sexual abuse)
- Over 10 legislative proposals developed in favor of the rights of children, adolescents, and women
- Training of approximately 300 female staff . members within our partner organizations
- Victims have benefited from representation, providing them access to justice before international legal authorities after over 20 years since the crimes took place

SOME ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR VOLUNTEERS



- A victim of sexual violence in Colombia accepted to testify, despite her fear, because a representative from LWBC was present in the courtroom. Thanks to her testimony, the case went to appeal and the penalty was increased
- The legal support provided by a volunteer contributed to the acquittal of human rights defenders accused on illegitimate grounds in Guatemala
- A volunteer participated to the elaboration of a draft law enhancing children's protection in **Costa Rica**. Her contribution led to the increase of the age of sexual consent, to the prohibition of early marriage, and to reforms of the Criminal Code
- А volunteer contributed to the transfer of knowledge and skills in organizational management in Ivory Coast. The developed tools allowed the partner organization to put in place new internal policies for the implementation of activities related to the protection of children's, women's and vulnerable communities' rights

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