

It is a Somali women non-governmental humanitarian organization at a national level founded in 1992 at Mogadishu - the capital city, by a group of Somali women intellectuals from cross-section of the community. The Save Somali Women and Children (SSWC) contribute to the creation of a safe and sustainable situation by supporting women to overcome marginalization, violence and poverty in their communities. It operates as a non-profit making organization that has the right to network with a variety of organizations that share similar values and vision. In Somalia women face a range of complex challenges that require multiple solutions. We work in the belief that women through their own efforts and in collaboration with local, national and international allies are central to transforming their own lives and the lives of their communities and population of which they are part. SSWC is women-led and women-centered organization (so its programs reflect the needs of those served) that have well-functioning management, finance and programmatic structures and systems.

OUR VISION

Realize of a united Somalia that is peaceful, human-centered and genuinely democratic where all are full participants to determine their own destinies.

OUR MISSION

To have capable and committed women that could lead to affect positive impact to their human rights status as well as to the changing sociopolitical situation of Somalia in transition to peaceful constitutional democracy. Enable women to re-establish and transform their lives and their communities after one and half decades of devastating conflict and breakdown of law and order in Somalia.

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25 years of creating a positive impact for thousands of somali women and children inside Somalia



SSWC AT A GLANCE
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PROTECTION PROGRAMMING



Gender Based Violence

GBV Crisis Centre main purpose is to help in minimizing the stress, anguish, embarrassment and long reporting process to which a survivor is usually subjected. We do this through the provision of free medical treatment and psychosocial support and legal aid to survivors of gender-based violence. The aim of the crisis center is Centralizing all the support services in one location makes the experience more humane, thus, eventually overcoming the current reluctance of many to seek support when they are abused.

Child Protection

SSWC protects children from abuse, neglect, exploitation and violence in south central Somalia. We provide child protection programs including critical services in the aftermath of disasters and emergencies for children who are abused or neglected. Our program focuses on the most vulnerable children while aiming for the care and well-being of all children.

DIGNITY KIT



Mother and child

SSWC has always been supportive to promotion of health and medical services to the mother and child in south central Somalia. The organization in collaboration with the community and donors constructed three Mother and child (MCHs) centers that provide basic services to mother and children in the region. However, there is a plan to construct more in the near future.

LIVELIHOOD AND FOOD SECURITY



SSWC has been involved in livelihood programs since 1992 to cater for women, children and other vulnerable groups in Somalia. The organization implemented huge number of projects on livelihood since its establishment and supported the vulnerable groups to improve food security, cash for work and creation of small-scale business. Currently SSWC is planning to implement distribution of food voucher and agricultural inputs project in Afgooye Lower Shebelle region.

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT



The prevalence of high rate of unemployment and low income of women in Banadir region prompted SSWC to study and identify solutions to create sustainable income for the desperate groups in target areas. Through discussions and interviews conducted, SSWC developed Women income generation project in nature and women Skill Training proposal to donors. The institution intends to increase livelihood and food security of women households and their respective back loads. This encourages Somali women to enhance empowerments and attend decision-making bodies of Somalia respectively.

WATER SANITATION AND HYGIENE



Wash is a critical aspect that needs critical measures in place to successfully implement its activities. SSWC in collaboration with its donors implemented various projects across south central Somalia among them, rehabilitation of water points, garbage collection. The organization is currently implementing emergency project at Zona CAMPS 77 IDP camps in Mogadishu. The activities include construction of latrine and hand washing session, hygiene promotion through IDP household visits, radio programs, trainings and physical demonstration on latrine use and hand washing.

HEALTH



This is a package comprising the basic necessities that displaced women and girls require maintaining feminine hygiene, dignity and respect in their daily lives in spite of displacement. Dignity of displaced women and girls in IDP settlement in Mogadishu is a major concern. Furthermore, they are worst affected in the sense that they don't have dignity kits to protect them and enhance their dignity and self-esteem thereby causing them unbearable shame. When they get their periods, they end up being embarrassed since they don't have sanitary pads to stop the flow through their legs thus causing them unbearable shame.

RESILIENCE PROGRAMMING



"The ability of communities and households to manage change by maintaining or transforming living standards in the face of shocks or stresses without compromising their long-term prospects" The resilience programming SSWC implemented included

Disaster Risks Reduction (DRR)

Disaster Risks Reduction assessment measures are multi-step process, beginning with Participatory Disaster Risk Assessment (PDRA) and development and implementation of Community Managed Disaster Risk Reduction (CMDRR) plans.

Community Managed Disaster Risk Reduction (CMDRR)

This plan refers to a process in which communities are actively engaged in the identification, analysis, monitoring and evaluation of the risks, with the aim of reducing people's disaster risk and enhancing their capacities. It places the communities at the heart of decision-making processes and in the management of disaster risk reduction measures. In so doing, 10 Communities have managed to form the following local institutions.

Agriculture and Livelihood

This helps smallholder farmers to recover from natural disasters and civil strife, rebuild their farming systems and productive assets, improve their diets, and enhance their ability to engage with markets more effectively. Our Pathway to Prosperity approach helps farmers build sustainable livelihoods through a phase-by-phase process:

- Recover
- Build
- Grow

GOVERNANCE AND PEACE/ RECONCILIATION PROGRAM



SSWC engages in programs and work with partners that promote democratic change. We enlighten the grassroots community and empowering them to make governance systems more accountable and responsive to the needs and rights of citizens. SSWC adopts collective approach in contributing to the betterment of the grass root communities through consultation, information sharing and implementation of program activities in partnerships with faith-based and community-based organizations and also in collaboration with local leadership governments where program activities are run.