Selected Strategic Plan: 2022–2025

Year Selected: 2023

More women and girls have equitable access to high-quality public goods, services, and resources that are responsive to their needs.

Contributes to achieving SDGs
Our result highlights

Sri Lanka: Women’s Shelters

“In our society, there is a belief that domestic violence should be kept behind closed doors and not discussed openly”, says Anoja Makawita, a social worker and counsellor with the Sri Lankan group Women in Need (WIN).

“Violence within families has far-reaching consequences, and it is women and girls who suffer the most”, she said. “It is not just an issue within individual households; it has an impact on entire communities.”

Moldova: Specialized Service

The first Specialised service for victims of sexual violence in the Republic of Moldova was inaugurated in Ungheni. The service is funded by the European Union and has been created with the support of UN Women in partnership with the central and local authorities. The service provides any adult, victim of sexual violence, with the possibility to benefit from medical, legal, psychological and social assistance in one place.

Uganda: Mental Health Support

At every stage of their displacement journey, refugees experience high levels of trauma and stress. Forced from their homes, at high risk of violence, and faced with separation from family, loss of livelihood and deep uncertainty about the future, the severe mental distress caused by displacement often long outlasts the journey itself.

According to a 2021 World Bank study amongst refugees in Uganda, refugees are ten times more prone to experience depression symptoms compared to native Ugandans, with incidence much higher among female refugees and the elderly.

Brazil: Training For Venezuelan Women

El 12 de agosto es el Día Internacional de la Juventud, etapa comprendida entre los 15 y los 24 años, según la Organización Mundial de la Salud. En 2022, este fue el tercer grupo de edad con mayor número de personas que solicitaron el reconocimiento de la condición de refugiados en Brasil, por detrás del grupo de 25 a 40 años y de los menores de 15 años. A medida que más jóvenes llegan a Brasil, muchas de ellas acaban teniendo su primera experiencia laboral o instalando su
DRC: Services For Congolese Women Vendors

UN Women and a Congolese women's civil society organization are helping women market vendors register their businesses, obtain key market support and access state services.

More than 99 per cent of businesses in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) are unregistered. For decades, women vendors have managed their stands informally, exposing themselves to notorious risks, ranging from adverse weather to high transportation costs, complications with the supply of raw materials and even violence when travelling to their stands in the early morning.

Malawi: Women And Youth Financial Inclusion

Women and girls in Mzimba district like most parts of Malawi’s rural areas do not have access to financial services, due to persistent barriers in access to identification documents, mobile phones, digital skills, formal education, financial capability, as well as inappropriate products. This is changing with the EU-funded Spotlight Initiative that seeks to use model digital financial products and services to accelerate financial inclusion of women and youth.
Key achievements

>9.5M WOMEN
across 79 countries, including many survivors of violence and internally-displaced women and refugees, accessed information, goods, resources and/or services with support from UN Women.

49 COUNTRIES
have implemented systems, strategies and/or programmes to advance women’s equal access to and use of services, goods and/or resources (including social protection).

60 COUNTRIES
have strengthened protocols, guidelines and initiatives to prevent and respond to violence against women.

>6600 ORGANIZATIONS
across 87 countries have enhanced capacities to deliver and/or monitor essential services, goods and resources for women and girls in humanitarian and development settings.