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Promoting access to justice, safeguarding communities, and amplifying voices.



MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Partners, Friends, and Supporters,

This month has been a meaningful one for us at WRAHP. Through legal clinics held in Edo and Lagos, we brought access to justice and support services directly to survivors and communities. Our advocacy visits to key institutions in Edo State, as well as our engagement with traditional leaders, have opened new pathways for collaboration and grassroots impact.

We were also honoured to host delegates from 12 African countries as part of the SUN CSA Regional Meeting, a reminder that our work is part of a broader, continental movement for justice, health, and equity. And in a deeply humbling moment, I was awarded the Africa Beijing+30 Solidarity Award by the African Women's Development and Communications Network (FEMNET), a recognition I proudly share with the WRAHP team and every community we serve.

Each step we take from community halls to policy tables brings us closer to a society where women, girls and communities can live free from violence and empowered to thrive.

As always, we remain grateful for your continued support to build a society where every woman and girl can live free from violence and with the full promise of her rights.

Bose Ironsi

Executive Director,

WRAHP, Managers of Ireti Resource Centre

**Local Affiliate Partner, Safeguarding Resource and Support
Hub (RSH), Nigeria.**

INSIDE, WE ALSO TALK ABOUT:

- Ireti's Data Board
- Success story
- Engagements
- Youth Corner
- Partnership
- Upcoming activities
- Others

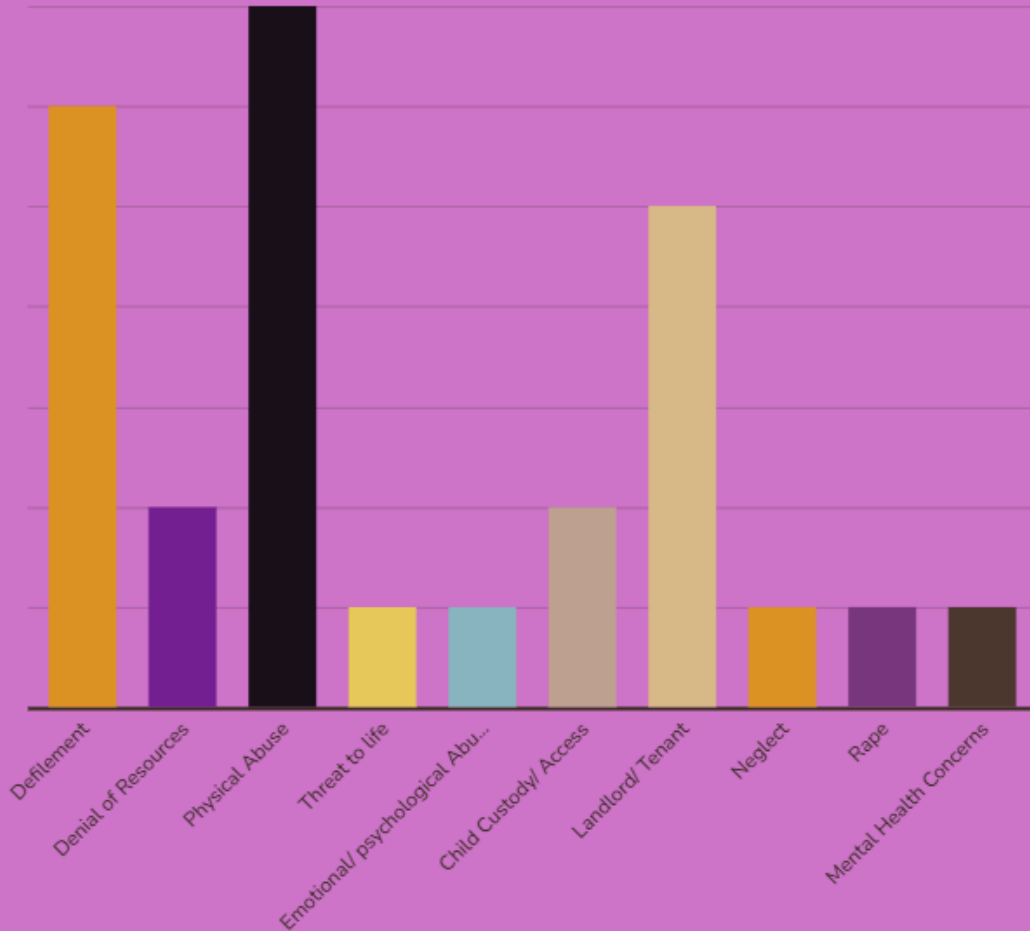
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Cases received at Ireti Resource Centre in June 2025

Total Walk-in:  = 23  = 27

CASE BOARD

A total of 27 new cases were
received in the month of June
2025.



SUCCESS STORY

Ireti Resource Centre received a report about the assault of an 8-year-old autistic girl, Sarah (pseudonym), at a church. Her mother discovered the abuse after briefly leaving Sarah alone while cleaning the premises. She immediately sought help from the Centre, which responded swiftly, facilitating the arrest of the perpetrator, initiating legal action with support from AWDF, and providing trauma-focused therapy for Sarah and her family.

The Centre also offered psychosocial and mental health support tailored to Sarah's neurodiverse needs. This case underscores Ireti Resource Centre's dedication to justice for vulnerable children and has encouraged other families of children with disabilities to seek support and justice.

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ENGAGMENTS

LEGAL CLINIC EMPOWERS SURVIVORS AND COMMUNITY IN ALIMOSHO LGA

WRAHP, with support from the African Women's Development Fund (AWDF), held a Community Legal Clinic on sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) at Akitan Community Town Hall, Alimosho LGA, Lagos State.

The session brought together 53 participants, including artisans, market traders, and religious leaders, and provided a confidential and supportive space for survivors to access legal and psychosocial support. Participants received one-on-one legal consultations, as well as counselling on human rights, SGBV laws, and safety planning.

The event further affirmed WRAHP's commitment to building safe, informed, and resilient communities where women and girls are empowered and their rights upheld.



SUPPORTING SURVIVORS, SHAPING SAFER COMMUNITIES



As part of our ongoing project on “Protecting Women and Girls from Sexual Violence through Changes in Behaviour, Practices, and Attitudes of Community Members” in three LGAs across Lagos State, WRAHP, with support from the African Women's Development Fund (AWDF), hosted two Safe Space sessions at the Irete Resource Centre.

The session provided psychosocial support and a confidential healing environment for 17 survivors of sexual violence, reinforcing our commitment to survivor-centred care and community transformation.

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PARTNERSHIP

CROSS-BORDER LEARNING AT WRAHP: HOSTING SUN CSA DELEGATES FROM 12 AFRICAN COUNTRIES



As part of the SUN CSA Regional Meeting in Lagos, WRAHP was honored to host regional representatives of the Civil Society Scaling Up Nutrition Alliance (SUN CSA) from 12 African countries, including Gabon, Mauritania, Rwanda, DRC, Burkina Faso, Mali, Ghana, Burundi, Congo, Liberia, Niger, and the Central African Republic.



The courtesy visit provided a valuable platform for peer-to-peer learning and mutual exchange, highlighting WRAHP's approach to Program implementation, Community-driven impact, Resource mobilization and addressing the intersection of malnutrition and gender-based violence (GBV).



The session was rich with shared insights, reflections, and renewed commitment to inclusive development across Africa. We are deeply grateful for the opportunity to connect with fellow changemakers and amplify collective efforts for a healthier, more just continent. Together, we are building a just Africa for all.

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EDO STATE

COMMUNITY LEGAL CLINIC DEEPENS ACCESS TO JUSTICE IN IKPOBA-OKHA, EDO STATE

WRAHP, with support from RoLAC II and International IDEA, held a Community Legal Clinic at Evboligun Community Palace in Ikpoba-Okha LGA, Edo State. The clinic aimed to promote access to justice for survivors of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) and build community knowledge around legal frameworks and support services.

Welcoming over 90 participants, the featured key presentations on SGBV concepts, referral pathways, and the VAPP Law, using real-life examples. The clinic concluded with one-on-one legal consultations for community members seeking guidance. The community also expressed readiness to work with relevant stakeholders to address SGBV more effectively.

The event reaffirmed the importance of legal empowerment at grassroots level and the ongoing need for trained local advocates.



STRENGTHENING GOVERNMENT COLLABORATION: ADVOCACY VISIT TO EDO STATE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AFFAIRS



As part of our strategic efforts to deepen collaboration with government institutions in Edo State, WRAHP's team paid an advocacy visit to the Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development. The visit was part of activities to strengthen the implementation of a 4-month intervention project on FGM elimination in Edo State, supported by UNICEF.

The discussion yielded key outcomes that will enhance coordination and joint implementation of our activities in the state to drive gender-responsive programming and social development outcomes across Edo State.

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ROYAL WELCOME FOR WRAHP'S FGM ADVOCACY IN EDO STATE

As part of our ongoing community engagement efforts in Edo State, WRAHP paid a courtesy visit to His Royal Majesty, Ehizogie Eluojierior, the Onojie of Igueben Kingdom. The meeting, which took place in June 2025, marked a promising start to our work in the region.

The progressive-minded monarch welcomed the initiative on addressing female genital mutilation (FGM) through advocacy and community mobilization with enthusiasm and offered his formal endorsement of the project. This engagement reflects our commitment to working with traditional institutions to drive grassroots change and protect the rights and dignity of women and girls.



WRAHP AND CONGOS VISIT EDO STATE MINISTRY OF HEALTH TO STRENGTHEN CIVIL SOCIETY COLLABORATION



WRAHP, in collaboration with the Congress of Non-Governmental Organizations (CONGOS), visited the Edo State Ministry of Health to formally introduce CONGOS and explore opportunities for collaboration on public health interventions.

The meeting ended with a mutual agreement to strengthen collaboration, maintain open communication, and work toward joint action on community health initiatives. The exchange marked an important step in bridging government, civil society partnerships for better health outcomes across Edo State.

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WRAHP'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECEIVES AFRICA BEIJING+30 SOLIDARITY AWARD

We are proud to share that our founder and executive director, Mrs. Bose Ironsi, has been honored with the Africa Beijing+30 Solidarity Award by the African Women's Development and Communications Network (FEMNET).

This prestigious continental award recognizes her outstanding contributions to gender equality and women's rights in West Africa, marking over three decades of unwavering feminist leadership, community impact, and advocacy for justice.

The award presentation took place during FEMNET's Programming Conference and General Assembly (PC&GA) on Saturday, 21 June 2025, in Nairobi, Kenya.

This recognition is not only a celebration of her work, but also a testament to the collective power of grassroots activism. We are deeply grateful to everyone who continues to support the vision of justice, dignity, and equality for all.

Indeed, this is not just her win, it's a win for all. ❤️



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STRENGTHEN YOUR SAFEGUARDING KNOWLEDGE: ONE MODULE AT A TIME

We're inviting all partners, donors, CSOs, stakeholders, and public/private sector actors to take the free "Safeguarding Matters" online course by RSH Nigeria.

This 5-module training is:

- ✓ Flexible & self-paced
- ✓ Certificate-awarding
- ✓ Practical and locally relevant

Whether you're just starting or building on existing efforts, , this course is for you.

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JOIN OUR DONATION DRIVE!

Give What You Can – Someone Needs It

We're still collecting gently used items for our upcoming Opportunity Market, and your donation can make a big difference in someone's life.

We welcome:

👕 Clothes | 👟 Shoes | 🛍️ Bags | 📖 Books
🍴 Kitchenware | 🪑 Furniture | 🧸 Kids' items

Drop-off: The PENT House, 196 Ejigbo-Egbe Rd, Ile-Epo Bus Stop, Ejigbo, Lagos.

📞 Contact: 09135205119 | 07011948577

Let's spread hope – one item at a time.

Do you know that your donation as little as #500 can help rebuild and restore hope to Survivor of SGBV?

Kindly go to any of our social media platforms @wrahp Nigeria or click on this link www.wrahp.com to donate. Thank you as you support this dream of restoring hope in our communities.



Report cases of SGBV via the Enacre App using www.encare.ng

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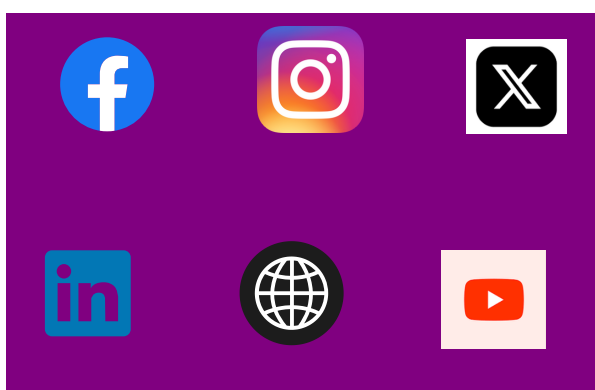
Upcoming Events



Stay tuned for our upcoming events, including:

- Breakfast Meeting
- Opportunity Market
- Community Legal Clinics
- Community sensitization sessions
- Safe Space Sessions
- Training of CSOs on Safeguarding
- Psychosocial support therapy for survivors' fathers.
- Sensitization for Secondary School Boys on Menstrual Health
- Establishment of Anti-Sexual Violence clubs in schools

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SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS**



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