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



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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Partners, Friends, and Community Members,

November has been a month of renewed strength, deeper collaboration, and meaningful impact at WRAHP. From our stakeholder dialogues and media advocacy visits, to important case victories and community engagements, each activity reminded us of the power of collective action in protecting the rights and dignity of women and girls.

As we move into the final month of the year, I extend my heartfelt appreciation to all our partners, supporters, and the dedicated WRAHP team. Thank you for standing with us, learning with us, and advancing this work alongside us.

Together, we will continue to protect, empower, and uphold the rights of every woman and girl.

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Executive Director,
WRAHP, Managers of Irete Resource Centre
Local Affiliate Partner, Safeguarding Resource and Support
Hub (RSH), Nigeria.

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Cases received at Ireti Resource Centre in November 2025

Total Walk-in: 72



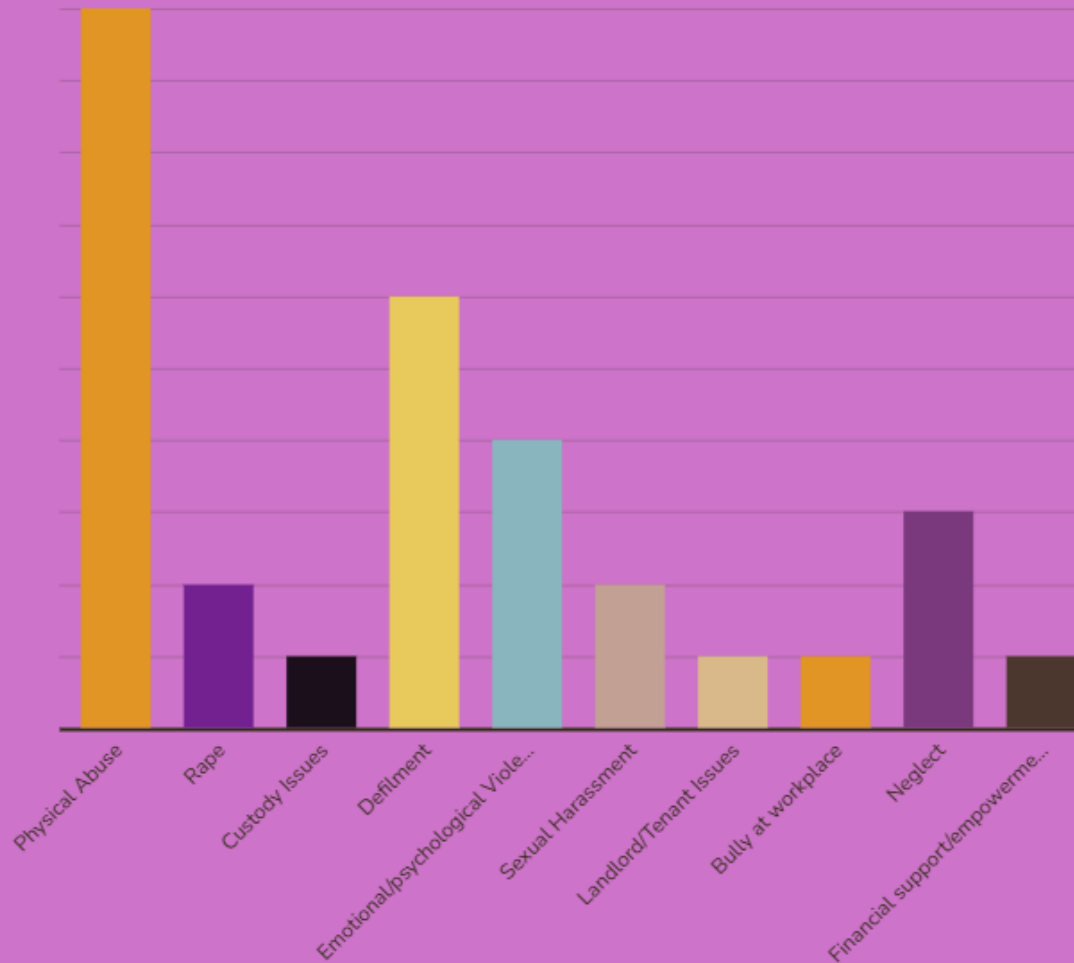
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CASE BOARD

A total of 33 new cases were
received in the month of
November, 2025.



In November, WRAHP received 33 new cases, reflecting the ongoing need for responsive and survivor-centered support services.

Physical abuse and defilement accounted for the highest number of reported cases, followed by emotional/psychological violence, neglect, and rape.

These figures continue to guide our interventions, advocacy, and community sensitization efforts as we work to ensure that survivors receive timely support and that prevention remains a collective priority.

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SUCCESS STORY: JUSTICE DELIVERED, RIGHTS PROTECTED

Our civil case team secured a meaningful victory this month, one that reinforces accountability and safeguards the rights of vulnerable women and children.

Eight years ago, a young mother was abandoned by a man who deceived her, rejected his own child, and left her to face emotional and financial hardship alone. With courage and resilience, she rebuilt her life and later found stability in a loving marriage.

Years later, the man resurfaced, seeking custody only after discovering he could not father a child. With support from WRAHP through the ROLAC Case Management project, the mother received legal representation and psychosocial assistance to challenge this attempt at convenience-based parenting.

The Magistrate Court upheld justice, refusing to grant him custody and affirming the mother's rights while prioritizing the child's best interest.

This outcome stands as a powerful reminder that parental responsibility cannot be abandoned and reclaimed at will and that every child deserves protection, stability, and care.

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ENGAGEMENTS

SHAPING THE FUTURE OF SAFEGUARDING IN NIGERIA

As the Local Affiliate Partner for the Safeguarding Resource and Support Hub (RSH) Nigeria, WRAHP recently concluded a comprehensive PSEAH Country Assessment, laying the foundation for the next phase of RSH Nigeria (2025-2030).

The assessment spanned Lagos and Abuja, capturing voices from communities, government agencies, CSOs, youth groups, and safeguarding experts. Through focus group discussions, key informant interviews, and a detailed desk review, WRAHP explored the current safeguarding landscape, identified gaps, and uncovered practical, community-driven solutions.



To validate the findings, WRAHP convened workshops where stakeholders reviewed insights, prioritized gaps, and co-designed strategies tailored to Nigeria's unique context. These sessions strengthened ownership and ensured that local realities guide future safeguarding initiatives.

The assessment confirms one vital truth: safeguarding is not just a requirement; it is a culture. The insights gathered will shape the RSH Nigeria Phase 2 strategy, inform policy engagement, and guide capacity-strengthening efforts for organizations and communities across the country.

With evidence, collaboration, and collective action, WRAHP is committed to building a Nigeria where every system, community, and organization is equipped to prevent, respond to, and eliminate sexual exploitation, abuse, and harassment.



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STAKEHOLDERS UNITE TO STRENGTHEN SEXUAL VIOLENCE PREVENTION IN LAGOS.

WRAHP convened a Stakeholders' Dialogue, bringing together representatives from government agencies, CSOs, community leaders, and survivors to strengthen sexual violence prevention and response in Lagos. The dialogue, supported by AWDF, highlighted key project gains including improved community reporting systems, increased male ally engagement, and stronger coordination across three target LGAs.

Stakeholders from NAPTIP, DSWA, OPD, and the Ministry of Youth and Social Development shared practical insights on enhancing psychosocial support, strengthening documentation, and expanding interventions to more communities. The session provided a unified platform to assess progress, address emerging gaps, and reinforce multi-sector collaboration.

WRAHP reaffirmed commitment & dedication to advancing collective efforts that protect women and girls and sustain momentum toward ending sexual violence in Lagos State.



WRAHP MEDIA CAMPAIGN ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE

As part of the AWDF project, WRAHP is running a 4-month media campaign on sexual violence, leveraging both social media (Facebook & Instagram) and radio platforms (Bond FM & Radio Lagos) to raise awareness and drive community engagement.

So far in November 2025, the campaign has reached 329,160 people on social media, amplifying messages on prevention, reporting mechanisms, and survivor support. By combining digital and traditional media channels, WRAHP continues to strengthen public understanding, promote dialogue, and encourage community action against sexual violence.



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STRENGTHENING SAFEGUARDING SYSTEMS THROUGH COLLABORATION

The first week of November was marked by powerful conversations and renewed commitment to safeguarding as WRAHP, in its role as the Local Affiliate Partner for the Safeguarding Resource and Support Hub (RSH) Nigeria, hosted Alketa Lasku (Peer Network Lead) and Pierrot Lee (Deputy Team Leader) during their mission to strengthen Protection from Sexual Exploitation, Abuse, and Harassment (PSEAH) systems for the next phase of RSH Nigeria.

Their visit provided an invaluable opportunity for strategic alignment, learning, and shared reflection on what effective safeguarding looks like within Nigeria's development space. The engagements highlighted the progress made so far and emphasized the need for stronger, more people-centered safeguarding structures across organisations.

WRAHP also held a collaborative visit to the Mastercard Foundation, where discussions further deepened around organisational resilience, accountability, and embedding safeguarding in everyday practice. Across all interactions, one message stood firm: safeguarding is more than a policy, it is a culture. And together with our partners, WRAHP continues to build a culture that protects people, strengthens institutions, and upholds dignity at every level.



MEDIA ADVOCACY VISITS IN LAGOS & EDO STATE

WRAHP, with support from RoLAC II and International IDEA, conducted media advocacy visits to 9 media stations including the News Agency of Nigeria (Lagos & Edo), First News, Radio Lagos, Daily Trust, Rainbow FM, Edo Broadcasting Service (EBS), Super FM, and Observer Newspaper, to promote survivor-centred reporting on SGBV.

The visits strengthened collaboration with journalists, highlighted the media's role in shaping public perception, and emphasized the need for responsible, data-driven storytelling that protects survivor dignity.

These engagements deepened partnerships and reinforced the media as key allies in advancing justice, accountability, and safer communities for women and girls in Edo and Lagos State.



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EMPOWERING YOUNG MINDS: PROMOTING MENSTRUAL HEALTH AWARENESS AMONG YOUNG STUDENTS

WRAHP, through the Ireti Young Leadership Program (IYLP) and with support from the Ishk Tolaram Foundation, implemented The Period Comic menstrual health initiative across six secondary schools in Lagos. The programme strengthened adolescents' understanding of puberty, menstruation, hygiene management, and body confidence in safe and stigma-free spaces.

Across all schools, a total of 1,512 students were reached 902 girls and 610 boys ensuring that both genders gained accurate information, empathy, and awareness."

Sessions covered key areas such as menstrual hygiene, puberty changes, pad-use demonstrations, and myth-busting conversations. Teachers also affirmed the relevance of the sessions and expressed commitment to sustaining menstrual health education in their schools.

WRAHP appreciates the continued partnership of the Ishk Tolaram Foundation and participating schools in making this impact possible.



SAFE SPACE SUPPORT FOR SURVIVORS

As part of the project supported by RoLAC II and International IDEA, WRAHP hosted dedicated safe space sessions that provided psychosocial support to 13 survivors of sexual and gender-based violence. The safe spaces offered survivors a confidential and supportive environment to share their experiences, access trauma-informed care, and receive guidance on available protection and referral pathways. This intervention reinforced WRAHP's survivor-centred approach, ensuring dignity, safety, and access to holistic support while strengthening community-level response to SGBV.



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EMPOWERING THE COMMUNITY THROUGH LEGAL AWARENESS ON SGBV

WRAHP held a Community Legal Clinic on Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) in Alimosho LGA, reaching 55 community members with vital legal information and on-the-spot support. The clinic was implemented with support from the Rule of as part of efforts to improve access to justice and promote survivor protection.

Participants were guided on what constitutes domestic and sexual violence, reporting pathways, and legal consequences for perpetrators (Protection Against Domestic Violence Law (PADVL), Child Protection Laws, disability rights, and sexual offences under the Lagos State Criminal Law (2015).

The clinic also provided confidential one-on-one legal consultations, during which survivors received direct legal advice and guidance on next steps. Community members expressed increased confidence in seeking help and a clearer understanding of their rights under the law.

Through this intervention, WRAHP continues to strengthen community-level knowledge, promote accountability, and ensure that survivors of violence are not left without support.



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PARTNERSHIP

WRAHP AT THE 2025 NNNGO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

WRAHP Communications & Partnership Officer, Ayomide Okeleye, participated in the 2025 Annual Conference of the Nigeria Network of NGOs (NNNGO) on November 12, joining nonprofit leaders, philanthropists, and development experts to discuss practical solutions for strengthening Nigeria's civil society. The event, themed "Advancing Solutions and New Institutional Support for the Non-Profit Sector," highlighted the growing importance of local philanthropy, sustainability, and volunteerism in fueling nonprofit growth.

For WRAHP, the conference reinforced the importance of strengthening internal systems, enhancing sustainability approaches, and expanding collaboration with local partners and philanthropic actors. The event offered valuable insights that will support the organization's ongoing efforts to deepen resilience, improve compliance, and position itself for long-term institutional growth.



STAKEHOLDERS' CO-CREATION WORKSHOP ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE AGAINST YOUNG PEOPLE

WRAHP's Monitoring & Evaluation Officer, Queensley Okojie participated in a stakeholders' co-creation workshop organized by the Sustainable Growth and Wellness Initiative (SGWI) at the WAVE Centre, Yaba, Lagos. The workshop brought together participants from organizations including Child Protection Network, Domestic and Sexual Violence Agency (DSVA), Youth-Friendly Centre, and school counselling services, to enhance understanding and collaboration on preventing and responding to child sexual violence in Lagos State.

The workshop reinforced the importance of multi-stakeholder collaboration, survivor-centered approaches, and context-specific messaging in addressing child sexual violence. Overall, the workshop created a safe, collaborative space for dialogue and strategy co-creation, advancing Lagos State's child protection systems and survivor-centered response efforts.

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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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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 @wrahpnigeria or click on this link www.wrahp.com to donate. Thank you as you support this dream of restoring hope in our communities.



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Are you seeking support, therapy or counselling for yourself or someone you know?
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You can reach out to us on the **ENCARE Response App**

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Kindly note that all cases are treated with confidentiality. For more information, kindly call: 070 0333 3111 | 091 3220 5119

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

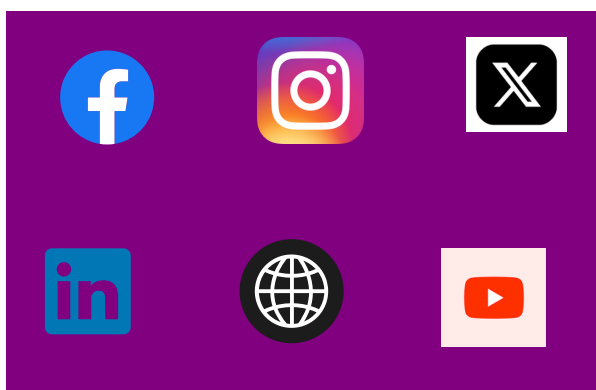
Upcoming Events



Stay tuned for our upcoming events, including:

- Celebration of Survivors - Opportunity Market
- Community Legal Clinics
- Community sensitization sessions
- Safe Space Sessions
- Training of CSOs on Safeguarding
- Sensitization on Menstrual Health Management for Adolescents
- Establishment of Anti-Sexual Violence clubs in schools
- Media training on SGBV Reporting
- 16 Days of Activism.

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