LEGAL RESPONSES TO FAMILY & SEXUAL VIOLENCE

SPC RRRT
Judicial Strengthening & Access to Justice Projects
Home-grown Pacific program
Established in 1995
Pioneer of human rights and gender equality capacity building in the Pacific.

- Capacity building – technical assistance, training etc.
- Policy and legislative compliance
- Publications, tools and resources

to embed a culture of human rights, gender equality, and social inclusion in the Pacific.
Ending violence against women and children and increasing access to justice for survivors of violence.
THEORY OF CHANGE

ending violence against women & girls

- POLICY/ LAW
- NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT
- INSTITUTIONAL
- COMMUNITY
- FAMILY INTERPERSONAL
- INDIVIDUAL

- MARCO-level
- ENABLING ENVIRONMENT
- MEZZO – level
- INSTITUTIONS & ORGANISATIONS
- MICRO – level
- ATTITUDE, CULTURE BEHAVIOUR CHANGE
RRRT support to Family Protection legislation

- Tonga Family Protection Act (2013)
- Palau Family Protection Act (2012)
- Samoa Family Safety Act (2013)
- Vanuatu Family Protection Act (2008)
- Fiji DV Decree (2009)
- PNG Family Protection Act (2013)
- RMI Domestic Violence and Prevention Act (2011)
- Kosrae State FSM Family Protection Act (2014)
- Samoa Family Safety Act (2013)
- Solomon Islands Family Protection Act (2014)
- Kiribati Family Peace Act (2014)
- Tuvalu Family Protection and Domestic Violence Act (2014)
- Nauru Domestic Violence and Family Protection Act (2017)

Moving from Act to Action... implementation
Challenges ... to full implementation

• Political will
• Resources
• Justice sector capacity
• Judicial attitudes
• Social norms
RRRT Program Components

- Regional Working Group
- Justice sector strengthening
- Costed Implementation Plans
- MPs Dialogues
- Demand creation
JUSTICE SECTOR STRENGTHENING

• Judges
• Magistrates
• Police Prosecutors
• Public Solicitors
• Legal Aid Centres
• Police
• Correctional Services
JUSTICE SECTOR STRENGTHENING

CONTENT

• Legislation
• Rules of Evidence
• Duties & Rights
• GE & GBV
• **Attitude Change**
• Referral

METHODS

• **PEER training**
• Mentoring
• Drama & Role Plays
• Scenario-based learning
• Reference Guide
• Checklist
• Law Digest Vol. 5 & 6
LEGAL AID SERVICES

SAFENET

VILLAGES

NGOS

HEALTH

SCHOOLS

CHURCHES

GOVERNMENT

COURTS & POLICE

LEGISLATION

COMMITTEE

SOURCE: PPDVP, 2014
AGENCY ... & ... ACCESS
ACCESS – LEGAL AID CENTRE (Tonga)

- Free legal services
- Only for survivors
- Bi-monthly outreach
- Court circuits
- +600 cases in Year 1
- Referrals to Crisis Centre
- Integrated into MoJ
ACCESS
AUTHORISED JUSTICES

- Local Court officials
- Selection & Training
- Competency Testing
- Mentoring & Monitoring
- NEW AJ’s
- Prescribed Persons
AGENCY - COMMUNITY FACILITATORS (Sols)

- Referrals
- Outreach
- **Experiential activities**
- BCC materials
Helpem Blong Stopem Famili Vaelens
Wan Kaet blong frens, families mo ci communiti blong mekem wan change.

STRONG MAN
hem lukafta gud famili

HAPI AN SEIF HAUS
fo iu an olketa pikanini blo iu

Domestic Vaelens
hem, I wa Kraem

Hao jumi save protektim famili
blo jumi from domestik vaelens

Iu save stap lo laef wea no garem domestik vaelens.
Famili, frens and olketa nara pipoi save helpem iu.
EARLY PROMISING RESULTS

• AJs and CFs active 37 communities
• 72 Authorised Justices trained
• 40 Community Facilitators
• 33 IPOs issued
• 211 justice sector officials trained
• 15,000 BCC materials distributed
THANK YOU

QUESTIONS?
Baseline SURVEY

- Digital survey using new technology- KoBo Collect
- Peer reviewed survey instrument
- 6 trained data collectors
- Highly valuable data to inform IEC materials & outreach activities.
- 98% response rate - 312 surveys, 16 FDGs (target 12) – 182 women
- Pilot sites covered Guadalcanal: Titinge, Tanasali, Vatupulei (67 women)
- Pilot sites covered Malaita: Ialofo, Radefasu, Afutara (115 women)