



Pacific Women Shaping Pacific Development

Pacific Women activities complementing Australia's Gender Equality Plan for Solomon Islands 2020-2022

Table 1: Activities under the First and Second *Pacific Women* Solomon Islands Country Plans (2013–2017 and 2017–2021)

PROJECT NAME AND PARTNER	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET
Outcome: Leadership and Decision Making		
Emerging Leaders Training (Australia Pacific Technical Coalition)	Provided training to develop the competency of individuals working as emerging leaders in a range of contexts, with an emphasis on developing effective relationships in the workplace and managing operational plans.	\$159,303 (2018)
Strengthening the Electoral Cycle in Solomon Islands (SECSIP) Phase II (UNDP)	Funded dedicated activities to support women candidates in the 2019 National elections.	\$460,000 (2018)
Leadership Skills for Women (Australia Pacific Technical Coalition)	Provided leadership and management training to female mid-level Solomon Islands managers to enhance their leadership, decision making and management skills, for women working in civil society organisations in Malaita Province, Western Province and Honiara.	\$245,000 (2017–2018)
Outcome: Economic Empowerment		
Empowering Women is Smart Business (Waka Mere) (International Finance Corporation)	Engaged with the private sector to address gender inequalities in the labour market. Improved business performance and employment outcomes by creating more gender-responsive workplaces for women in the private sector.	\$2,445,074 (2016-2019)
Innovative Approaches to Increasing Women's Access to Markets (World Bank Group)	Researched the constraints to, and effective measures for, increasing women's participation and productivity in agricultural value chains.	\$200,100 (2016–2018)



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Do No Harm: Understanding the Relationship between Women's Economic Empowerment and Violence against Women in Melanesia (Australian National University and IWDA)	Researched how to support women's economic advancement without increasing their exposure to violence in Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands. Developed guidelines for women's economic empowerment programs.	\$170,532 (2016–2018) ¹
Markets for Change (UN Women)	Improving market governance, management, infrastructure and access to financial services to increase women's economic empowerment. Ensuring markets are more sustainable, accessible and safe for women vendors in Honiara, Auki and Gizo in Solomon Islands.	\$1,280,946 ² (2014–2019)
Support to Solomon Islands Women in Business Association (Solomon Islands Women in Business Association)	Supported the Solomon Islands Women in Business Association, as the key representative organisation for women in formal and informal business, to promote, develop and empower women's participation in the private sector.	\$719,552 (2014–2018)
Outcome: Ending Violence against Women		
Pacific Partnership to End Violence Against Women and Girls – Solomon Islands (UN Women)	Funding for key projects under the Pacific Partnership to End Violence Against Women including SAFENET Network (Ministry of Women, Youth, Children and Family Affairs)	\$3,000,000 (2019–2022) ³
Community Channels of Hope Phase 3 (World Vision Solomon Islands)	Working with churches and community leaders to positively transform people's beliefs, attitudes and behaviours regarding gender relations to reduce violence against women.	\$3,106,000 (2018–2022)
Responding to violence against women in Solomon Islands (IWDA)	Providing core funding, technical support and capacity building to the Christian Care Centre and Family Support Centre, two key organisations providing emergency shelter, first aid, counselling and legal advice services to survivors of violence.	\$2,950,000 (2017–2020)
Red Cardim Vaelens (Live & Learn Solomon Islands)	Worked with selected sports clubs in Honiara and Auki to address gender-based violence through sports.	\$557,810 (2015–2017)

¹ This project was supported by the regional program (2013–2016) (\$8,239), Solomon Islands bilateral program (2016–2018) (\$170,532) and PNG bilateral program (2014–2019) (\$362,619).

² This project was supported by the regional program (\$11,289,510), Solomon Islands bilateral program (\$1,280,946), Fiji bilateral program (\$4,200,000) and Vanuatu bilateral program (\$3,429,077).

³ This specific project was fully funded by the Solomon Islands bilateral program; other activities undertaken in Solomon Islands through UN Women's Pacific Partnership to End Violence Against Women and Girls are funded through the regional program – see Annex 3 for more details.



PROJECT NAME AND PARTNER	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET
Youth alcohol and violence reduction against women and children (Save the Children)	Worked with young people to address causes of gender-based violence.	\$800,000 (2015–2017)
Let's Make our Families Safe (Oxfam Solomon Islands)	Supporting existing and new community level action to prevent violence from happening in the home. Helping to establish coalitions between the civil society groups, services providers, churches and government agencies that are working to prevent family violence.	\$3,000,000 (2019–2022)
Let's Make our Families Safe (Solomon Islands National Council of Women, Vois Blong Mere, International Women's Development Agency, Pacific Leadership Program, Oxfam Australia, IOD PARC)	Supported existing and new community level action to prevent violence from happening in the home. Helped to establish coalitions between the civil society groups, services providers, churches and government agencies that are working to prevent family violence.	\$5,536,137 (2014–2018)
Channels of Hope for Gender (World Vision Solomon Islands)	Worked with churches and community leaders to positively transform people's beliefs, attitudes and behaviours regarding gender relations to reduce violence against women in 30 communities across two provinces.	\$2,880,000 (2013–2018)
Christian Care Centre (Christian Care Centre)	Supported a workshop to develop a five-year strategic plan.	\$8,575 (2013)
Outcome: Enhancing Agency		
Gender Equality Program Support (Solomon Islands Resource Facility)	Supporting the Women's Development Division in the Ministry of Women, Youth, Children and Family Affairs to progress outcomes in accordance with its Gender Equality and Women's Development Policy, Eliminating Violence Against Women and Girls Policy and the National Action Plan in Women, Peace and Security.	\$1,837,558 (2016–2020)
Social Development Adviser (Consultant)	Provided technical assistance through a Social Development Adviser who worked with DFAT staff to improve gender considerations in planning, programming, monitoring and learning of all Australian-funded aid programs in Solomon Islands.	\$200,000 (2014)



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Recognising shared interests of Australia and Solomon Islands in the advancement of gender equality (Ministry of Women, Youth, Children and Family Affairs)	Strengthened the capacity of Ministry of Women, Youth, Children and Family Affairs to progress priority outcomes in accordance with its Gender Equality and Women's Development Policy, the Ending Violence Against Women Policy and the Women, Peace and Security National Action Plan.	\$450,827 (2013–2016)

Table 2: Regional *Pacific Women* programs with activities in Solomon Islands

PROJECT NAME AND PARTNER	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET ⁴
Outcome: Leadership and Decision Making		
Strengthening Diverse Women's Leadership in Humanitarian Action (Shifting the Power Coalition: ActionAid Australia, femLINKpacific, Pacific Disability Forum, Nazareth Centre, Transcend Oceania, Talitha Project, YWCA PNG, YWCA Samoa, Vanuatu Young Women for Change, Vois Blong Mere, ActionAid Vanuatu)	Ensuring diverse Pacific women's voices provide leadership in disaster planning and response through a coalition approach. Supporting diverse women leaders to engage in disaster coordination mechanisms and influence decision making. Documenting needs and capacities in crises. Establishing platforms to strengthen diverse Pacific women's voices to influence policy and decision making.	\$895,000 (2018–2021)

⁴ Unless stated, allocations listed here are not for Solomon Islands alone but for multiple countries under *Pacific Women*.



PROJECT NAME AND PARTNER	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET ⁴
Support for Women's Groups and Coalitions (Pacific Leadership Program)	Supported adaptive leadership training for women leaders and coalition members supported them to develop new skills and perspectives to progress initiatives, build a support base and overcome barriers to change. Contributed to research in Samoa and Solomon Islands and a CEDAW campaign in Tonga.	\$433,963 (2015–2017)
Outcome: Ending Violence against Women		
Pacific Women Parliamentary Partnerships (Australian International and Community Relations Office, Department of the House of Representatives)	Supported building the capacity of Pacific women parliamentarians and their staff to ensure gender equality issues are better addressed in parliament.	\$2,850,037 (2013–2018)
Pacific Partnership to End Violence Against Women and Girls (UN Women)	Promoting gender equality and reducing violence against women and girls across communities and nations in the Pacific, while producing promising practices. Focusing on three essential intervention areas: formal and informal education; contextualised, community-based prevention approaches; and civil society organisations' capacity to engage with national and regional institutions and authorities.	\$7,627,948 (2018–2022) ⁵
Gender Equality Theology – Institutional Transformation (GET-IT) (UnitingWorld)	Supporting institutional transformation within churches and participating organisations by challenging and shifting traditional gender theologies, then reviewing church polices to align them with new gender equality theologies. Establishing procedures and response mechanisms for situations of violence that respect the rights of women and that act in accordance with protection laws.	\$1,895,451 (2018–2021)
Fiji Women's Crisis Centre Programs to Eliminate Violence against Women in Fiji and the Pacific (Fiji Women's Crisis Centre)	Funding the Fiji Women's Crisis Centre's regional activities, including: the Regional Training Program; the Male Advocates Program; and the Pacific Women's Network Against Violence Against Women.	\$2,250,000 (2016–2021)

⁵ This is the full allocation for the project's work across multiple countries, which includes activities in Solomon Islands. An additional project with UN Women's Pacific partnership to End Violence Against Women that is fully funded by the Solomon Islands bilateral program is also listed in Annex 2.



PROJECT NAME AND PARTNER	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET ⁴
Support to the Pacific Community Regional Rights Resource Team (The Pacific Community (SPC))	Supporting work on ending violence against women, human rights and good governance with Pacific Island governments and civil society organisations. Providing technical assistance and training. Advocating for women and girls to have increased access to justice for domestic violence and to promote and protect human rights commitments.	\$5,750,000 (2015–2020)
Partnering Women for Change (Uniting World)	Supported work with churches to ensure that women, girls and people living with disabilities have increased safety and well-being in their homes, communities and churches.	\$370,000 (2015–2018)
UNICEF Pacific Child Protection Program (UNICEF)	Phase one (completed) worked across 14 Pacific Island Countries to strengthening protection of children from violence, abuse and exploitation. Phase two focusing on Kiribati, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu and has three components: strengthening child protection laws, policies and implementation plans; strengthening services; and promoting social behaviour change.	\$7,000,000 (2014–2018) \$5,000,000 (2019–2022)
Pacific Fund to End Violence against Women (UN Women)	Supported civil society organisations and governments to prevent violence and provide services for survivors of violence, including for counselling, paralegal aid, shelter and referral services. Strengthened the capacity of organisations working to end violence against women through training in advocacy, law reform, women's human rights, community education and counselling services.	\$1,500,000 (2014–2017)
Outcome: Enhancing Agency		
Pacific Girl In Solomon Islands, Pacific Girl supports Girls Rise Up! (Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) of Solomon Islands in partnership with CARE International)	<i>Pacific Women's</i> dedicated program to support adolescent girls. Working with Pacific-based organisations to support change in the social norms that underpin gender inequality and perpetuate discrimination against adolescent girls aged 10–19 years in the Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Vanuatu. In Solomon Islands, Girls Rise Up! is developing the confidence, skills and knowledge of at-risk girls and establishing supportive peer networks in Solomon Islands. Educating service providers to better support the target groups of girls, including girls with disabilities, sex workers and girls living on the street.	\$4,500,000 (2018–2022) (full program) Including: \$588,855 (2019–2022) (Girls Rise Up!)



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Last Taboo: Research on managing menstruation in the Pacific (Burnet Institute, Water Aid, the International Women's Development Agency)	Researched barriers to women's and girls' effective menstrual management and potential impacts on their participation in education and income generation in Fiji, Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands.	\$500,000 (2016–2017)
Partnerships for Health and Rights: Working for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights for all in the Pacific (International Planned Parenthood Federation)	Supporting the expansion of access to sexual and reproductive health services in the Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu and, from phase two, Papua New Guinea.	\$3,000,000 (2015–2022)
Gender Equality and Climate Change in the Pacific (The Protection and Pacific (ProPa) Network)	Raised awareness of the nexus between gender equality and climate change. Generated more informed decision making in this space to ensure women's voices influence decision making, and that climate agreements are implemented in a gender-responsive way in the Pacific.	\$500,000 (2015–2017)
Progressing Gender Equality in the Pacific (The Pacific Community (SPC))	Phase one (completed) conducted stock takes of Pacific Island governments' capacity to integrate gender equality and women's empowerment into policies, legislation and programs and strengthened the collection and analysis of data to better track outcomes. Phase two is supporting Pacific Island countries to adopt evidence-informed policies and legislation that promote gender equality and women's human rights.	\$3,941,712 (2013–2018) \$5,494,203 (2019-2023)

