

# 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER VIOLENCE

November 25 – December 10, 2008

## COUNTRY NAME

**Organization:**

**Location:**

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:**

## International Calendar of Events and Activities

### International

**Organization:** Association for Progressive Communications, Women's Networking Support Programme (APC WNSP)

**Location:** International

**Date:** 25 November - 10 December

**Description:** Take Back the Tech! is a collaborative campaign to reclaim information and communication technologies (ICT) to end violence against women (VAW). The campaign calls on all ICT users – especially women and girls – to take control of technology and strategically use any ICT platform at hand – (mobile phones, instant messengers, blogs, websites, digital cameras, email, podcasts and more) – for activism against gender-based violence. Take Back the Tech! accompanies the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence (November 25 – December 10 each year) with daily actions that explore different aspects of violence against women and ICT tools; See attached leaflet for more details

**Contact:** [ideas@takebackthetech.net](mailto:ideas@takebackthetech.net)

**Website:** <http://www.takebackthetech.net/>

**Organization:** The United Nations

**Location:** International

**Date:** December 10, 2008

**Description:** Marking the 60 Years of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights around the World; Please see attached information

**Website:** <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/UDHR/Pages/60UDHRIntroduction.aspx>

**Organization:** OpenDemocracy

**Location:** Online

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Over 16 days, openDemocracy is running an editorial project in support of the annual activism against gender violence campaign. We are publishing articles and podcasts and running a dedicated blog on our front page. Guest blogger Zohra Moosa of the Fawcett Society is leading the dialogue. Themes we are addressing include: security masculinities and the state, rape and impunity, healthy bodies, coercion and control, and women as trade.

**Contact:** Jane Gabriel; [jane.gabriel@opendemocracy.net](mailto:jane.gabriel@opendemocracy.net) or +44 (0)20 7608 2000

**Website:** [http://www.opendemocracy.net/editorial\\_tags/16\\_days](http://www.opendemocracy.net/editorial_tags/16_days)

**Organization:** Every Human Has Rights

**Location:** Online, International

**Date:** December 10, 2008

**Description:** If you are online or have your mobile phone in hand, join us for a digital Every Human Has Rights Rally! Whether by text message, Facebook, Flickr, Twitter, your blog, or even email, show your support by declaring that Every Human Has Rights! You can join in by sending this simple message to your family, friends, and colleagues by text, twitter or email: "Today is the Universal Declaration of Human Rights' 60th anniversary. I believe that Every Human Has Rights! [www.everyhumanhasrights.org](http://www.everyhumanhasrights.org)" Join us on Facebook and other social networks by adding a picture of yourself with the message 'Every Human Has Rights' or the campaign badge as your profile picture; or you can join by blogging, write about the Universal Declaration at 60 and what it means to you. We can realize the dream of the visionaries who drafted the Universal Declaration 60 years ago, and all of the women and men that have dedicated their lives to standing up for that dream since.

**Contact:** [info@everyhumanhasrights.org](mailto:info@everyhumanhasrights.org)

**Website:** [www.everyhumanhasrights.org](http://www.everyhumanhasrights.org) or

<http://www.facebook.com/inbox/?ref=mb#/event.php?eid=47609553409>

**Organization:** International Action Network on Small Arms (IANSA)

**Local Organization Partners:** Benin: YWCA, Botswana: Amnesty Botswana, Burundi: Femmes Unies pour la Paix dans la Région des grands Lacs (FUP/GL), Cameroon: Women in Alternative Action, DRC: Association Féminine pour la Lutte contre les Violences faites à la Femme (AFLVF), DRC: Réseau d'Organisations des Droits Humains et d'Education Civique d'Inspiration Chrétienne (RODHECIC), DRC: SOS Femmes En Danger (SOS FED), Guinea Conakry: Association des Femmes pour les Initiatives de Paix (AFIP), Ghana: Women Peace and Security Network - Africa (WIPSEN-Africa), Kenya: Fellowship of Christian Councils in the Great Lakes & Horn of Africa (FECCLAHA) and Home Again Self Help Group, Liberia: Liberians United to Expose Hidden Weapons (LUEHW), Malawi: Centre for Conflict Management and Women Development Affairs (CECOWDA), Mali: Association des Femmes pour les Initiatives de Paix (AFIP), Namibia: Breaking the Wall of Silence and NANGOF, Nigeria: Women Information Network (WINET), Senegal: Mouvement contre les Armes Légères en Afrique de l'Ouest (MALAO), Sierra Leone: Gender and Children's Affairs, South Africa: Gun Free South Africa and YWCA, Sudan: Sudanese Women's Voice for Peace, Togo: Amnesty International, West Africa: West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP), Uganda: Isis WICCE and Uganda Joint Christian Council, Bangladesh: Latifa Gono Sohay Angan, Bangladesh Coalition for Child Rights (BCCR), and Bangladesh Development Partnership Centre (BDPC), India: Manipuri Women Gun Survivors Network with Control Arms Foundation of India and Women's League of Burma, Nepal: Rural Women's Network Nepal, Pakistan: Blue Veins of North West Frontier Province, Human Friends Organization, Organization for Peace and Development (OPD), South Asia: SANGAT (Network of South Asian Feminist Activists) - Afghanistan, Burma, Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka: SASA-NET South Asia Small Arms Network, Thailand: Women's League of Burma, Serbia: Women in Black - Belgrade, and Women in Black - Network Serbia, Switzerland: PeaceWomen Across the Globe, UK: Women in Black, Bolivia: YWCA, Colombia: Centro Popular para America Latina de Comunicaciones (CEPALC), Corporación PUNTO DE EQUILIBRIO, and Colectivo Dignidad Humana, Bogota y Cali, Costa Rica: Comisión Interinstitucional para Prevenir la Violencia Armada, El Salvador: CEMUJER, Paraguay: Coordinadora para Asentamientos Espontaneos (CAES), Algeria: Collectif Bnet Fatma Nsoumer, Morocco: L'Association Démocratique des Femmes (ADFM), Rabat, and Fiji: Pacific Concerns Resource Centre and Fiji Women's Rights Movement

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Efforts to raise attention to the issue of armed violence against women and armed domestic violence, especially involving gun violence

**Contact:** [contact@iansa.org](mailto:contact@iansa.org)

**Website:** <http://www.iansa.org/women/index.php>

**Organization:** The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

**Locations:** Geneva and other field offices

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** UNHCR offices around the world organized a wide range of events and activities to raise awareness and demonstrate their commitment to the elimination of sexual gender-based violence. In Geneva, Deputy High Commissioner L. Craig Johnstone launched an initiative entitled "Hands United Against Harm," which involved staff making a personal commitment against GBV by putting their handprints on banners. Other activities in Geneva included a panel discussion and art exhibition on FGM. UNHCR staff were encouraged to wear white ribbons. Staff offices in Kenya, Mozambique, Botswana, Angola, South Africa, and the DRC also organized programs during the 16 Days Campaign, including cultural activities, discussions, essay competitions, drama contests, and donation drives.  
**Website:** <http://www.unhcr.org/news/NEWS/492c1eb74.html>

**Organization:** Women's International Network of the World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters (AMARC-WIN)

**Location:** International

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Media campaign and radio broadcasting by community radio producers from Asia-Pacific, Middle East, Africa, Europe, North America and Latin America and the Caribbean. The audio files of some of the participating community radios and production groups are available at [www.amarc.org/16jours](http://www.amarc.org/16jours). The multilingual broadcasts featured include documentaries, interviews, debates, poetry, music, etc.

**Website:** [http://www.amarc.org/index.php?p=16\\_Days\\_Against\\_Violence\\_on\\_Women\\_2008](http://www.amarc.org/index.php?p=16_Days_Against_Violence_on_Women_2008) or [www.amarc.org/16jours](http://www.amarc.org/16jours)

**Organizations:** World Organisation Against Torture (OMCT), ACAT Littoral and Chrysalides du Nkam - Cameroon, ASADHO – Democratic Republic of Congo, ODHIKAR – Bangladesh, MASUM and Jeevan Rekha Parishad – India, WOREC – Nepal, and Georgian Women's Employment Supporting Association "Amagdari" with UNFPA - Georgia

**Location:** International

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Public information and outreach; Capacity building; Advocacy; Networking; Peace rallies; art exhibitions; see attached calendar

**Contact:** Mariana Duarte (Coordinator, Violence against Women); [md@omct.org](mailto:md@omct.org)

**Website:** <http://www.omct.org/index.php?id=&lang=eng&articleId=8185>

**Organization:** MADRE

**Location:** Online blog

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** "16 Days, 16 Entries" web blog on a series of violence against women-related topics

**Contact:** [madre@madre.org](mailto:madre@madre.org)

**Website:** <http://www.madre.org/index.php?s=4&news=127>

## Africa

### BURUNDI

**Organization:** Femmes Unies pour la Paix dans la Région des grands Lacs (FUPGL)

**Location:** Bujumbura, Burundi and other provinces of Burundi

**Date of Event:** November 22 – December 10

**Activities include:** Contact and mobilize Women Human Rights Defenders, convene strategic planning meeting, and create awareness around the importance of defenders; see attached calendar and report of events

**Contact:** [femmesuniespourelapaix@yahoo.fr](mailto:femmesuniespourelapaix@yahoo.fr), Téléphone: +257 77 744 704; Address: 22, 15ème Avenue, Mutakura, Commune de CIBITOKÉ, Boite Postale:19, Bujumbura/BURUNDI

**Organization:** United Nations Information Centre for Burundi with the Ministry of National Solidarity, Human Rights and Gender, UN Integrated Office in Burundi (BINUB), UN Population Fund (UNFPA), UN Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM), international and national NGOs

**Location:** Rutana Province, Burundi

**Date:** November 25, 2008

**Description:** Ceremonies with the national theme “Stop violence on women and children, dignity and justice for all,” beginning with a march against Violence Against Women and Children in which approximately 1,000 people participated. Other activities included speeches by Deputy Executive Representative of the Secretary-General in Burundi, Ms. Bintou Keita and the Minister of National Solidarity, Human Rights and Gender, cultural performances with traditional dances, poetry, and songs, testimonies of men who had once been perpetrators of domestic violence, and distribution of promotional campaign materials.

**Contact:** [unic.bujumbura@unic.org](mailto:unic.bujumbura@unic.org)

**Website:** <http://bujumbura.unic.org/>

## CAMEROON

**Organization:** Women in Action Against Gender Based Violence (WAcameroon)

**Location:** Bamenda, North West Province, Cameroon

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Radio talk shows, distribution of white and red ribbons, production and distribution of leaflets on gender based violence, women’s rights, and HIV/AIDS; see attached information and flyer

**Contact:** [woact2000@yahoo.com](mailto:woact2000@yahoo.com)

**Organization:** Gender and Human Right Development Action (GHDA)

**Location:** Yaoundé, Cameroon

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** [genderandhumanrights@yahoo.fr](mailto:genderandhumanrights@yahoo.fr)

**Website:**

**Organization:** Global Welfare Association (GLOWA)

**Location:**

**Date:**

**Description:** The goal of GLOWA is to improve on the situation of neglect, underdevelopment and abuse of the Cameroonian child especially in the rural communities where customs and tradition dominates. Cameroon appears to shrink as child development is concentrated in the cities, at the detriment of rural children who are the most exploited and abused through traditional practices and customs.

**Contact:** Jamils Richard Achunji Anguaseh; [glowa\\_cameroon@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:glowa_cameroon@yahoo.co.uk)

**Website:** <http://www.freetocharities.org.uk/glowa/aboutus.html>

**Organization:** Peace Makers Society

**Location:**

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** [peacems96@yahoo.ca](mailto:peacems96@yahoo.ca)

**Website:**

**Organization:** Community Education and Development Services (CEDS)

**Location:**

**Date:**

**Description:** In addition to providing leadership training for grassroots women's groups, village councils, and national and regional organizations, CEDS carries out HIV/AIDS sensitization in prisons, post-primary institutions and rural communities. CEDS also conducts information communication technology (ICT) training for women at the WLP-CEDS Information Technology (IT) Center in Bamenda, Cameroon.

**Contact:** Verdze Kov Divine; [verdze kovdivine@yahoo.com](mailto:verdze kovdivine@yahoo.com)

**Website:** <http://www.learningpartnership.org/partners/cameroon>

## DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

**Organization:** UNHCR Branch Office Democratic Republic of Congo

**Co-Sponsors:** MONUC, Radio Okapi, MAMA AFRICA, other local NGOs

**Location:** Kinshasa, DRC

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Press conference, radio show, conferences, debates, briefings, White Ribbon campaign, art and photo exhibitions; see attached calendar

**Contact:** [fontanin@unhcr.org](mailto:fontanin@unhcr.org)

**Organization:** Fondation Orphelinat au Congo (FOC)

**Location:** Goma, DRC

**Date:** December 1, 2008

**Description:** More than 300 women of Goma met with men (husbands, brothers, sons, etc.) for a day to encourage an end to violence against women and an end to armed combat. Out of the meeting, a committee of 15 women was established to reach out to armed groups, the CNDP, the government, and the Maï Maï to lobby for peace. This committee will also put pressure on the government to find solutions in the battle against HIV/AIDS and work to end to all forms of violence against women and girls.

**Contact:** [ursuladjem@yahoo.fr](mailto:ursuladjem@yahoo.fr)

**Organization:** l'Association Congolaise de Lutte contre les Violences à l'égard des Femmes et Filles (ACOLVF) en partenariat avec le Haut Commissariat à l'Instruction Civique et l'Éducation Morale

**Location:** Brazzaville, DRC

**Dates:** November 25 & 26, December 4-10

**Description:** Discussions with police, journalists, and students about women's rights, human rights, and violence against women; see attached calendar

**Contact:** Micheline Ngoulou; [acolvf1@yahoo.fr](mailto:acolvf1@yahoo.fr) or [michelinengoulou@hotmail.com](mailto:michelinengoulou@hotmail.com)

**Organization:** Initiatives Femmes Enfants et Développements – IFED-WCDI

**Location:** Bukavu, République Démocratique du Congo

**Date:** December 10, 2008

**Description:** Public rally and march for an end to violence against women, urging the government to take immediate steps to provide survivors of rape and other human rights abuses with medical care, ratify the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Rights of Women in Africa, and take action to end impunity for perpetrators of rape and sexual violence; for more information, see attached report

**Contact:** Mr. Aaron KAMONDO BYEMBA; ifedwcdi@yahoo.com

## **ETHIOPIA**

**Organization:** HUNDEE, Oromo Self Reliance Association (OSRA), FCE, Forum for Oromo Studies (WaQO), and RCWD, with financial support from the European Union

**Location:** Taji town of Ilu District, Ethiopia

**Date:** December 6, 2008

**Description:** Day-long sensitization workshop with presentations by partner organizations, discussions with participants, and other activities to raise community awareness about women's empowerment. See attached report for more information.

**Contact:** tadele\_teferra@yahoo.com

## **The GAMBIA**

**Organization:** Pro-Hope International

**Location:** Serekunda, The Gambia

**Dates:** November 25, 27 and December 1 & 3

**Description:** Press conference, rally by women's groups, one day sensitization seminar on gender sensitivity for law enforcement agents, and national symposium; see attached calendar for more information

**Contact:** phin@pro-hope.kabissa.org

**Website:** www.pro-hope.kabissa.org

## **GHANA**

**Organization:** Initiatives for Sustainable Human Empowerment (i-she)

**Location:** Accra, Ghana

**Date:** November 24, 28, and 29

**Description:** Focus group discussion on Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> on the campus of the Institute of Professional Studies Madina Accra to speak with students about gender based violence and raise awareness with statistics and facts. On the 28<sup>th</sup> there would be an outreach program at the Madina market, Accra. Resource persons would be invited to talk to the Madina market community about the effects of DV. There would also be the distribution of flyers, posters and copies of the Domestic Violence Act booklet. Finally there would be a musical concert on the campus of the University of Ghana Legon on Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>. Hiplife musicians, whose music has a message against domestic violence, would be invited to sing. There would be a short presentation on GBV as well as the distribution of flyers.

**Contact:** Selorm Agbele; i.ishe@yahoo.com

**Organization:** ATWWAR

**Location:** Takoradi, Ghana

**Description:** Under the slogan "Keep the Girl Child in School – Stop the Violence!!" ATWWAR organized a drama competition among four schools and invited parents and teachers' associations as

well as women's groups affiliated with ATWWAR and children from the schools. There was also a performance of choral music about stopping violence against women.

**Contact:** attwwar@yahoo.com

**Organization:** Foundation for Security and Development in Africa

**Location:**

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** Afi Yakubu

**Website:**

## **KENYA**

**Organization:** Coast Women in Development (CWID)

**Location:** Coastal region, Kenya

**Date of Event:** November 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>; December 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>

**Activities include:** Creating awareness around gender based violence, sensitization programs, and outreach to involve men; see attached calendar

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**Website:** <http://www.coastwomen.org/>

**Organization:** Womans Hope

**Location:** Nairobi, Kenya

**Date of Event:** December 6, 2008

**Activities include:** Walk/rally, printing of special edition magazine to be distributed to as many people as possible, printing of flyers with the 16 Days Theme message (to be displayed on the buses, matatus, and personal vehicles), printing of banners to be displayed along major highways

**Contact:** [info@womanshope.org](mailto:info@womanshope.org)

**Website:** [www.womanshope.org](http://www.womanshope.org)

**Organization:** FEMNET

**Co-sponsoring organizations:** The Men for Gender Equality Now (MEGEN Kenya) drama group, Malawi Human Rights Resource Centre, The Zambia Women's Lobby, the Nairobi Women's Hospital, The Centre for Domestic Violence Prevention (CEDOVIP) from Uganda, UNCHR, and the Coalition on Violence Against Women (COVAW)

**Location:** Nairobi, Kenya

**Dates:** November 25 - December 10

**Description:** Launch of "We Can" campaign, cyber dialogues, radio and TV interviews, Men's Travelling Conference, community outreach; see attached calendar or read about the Men's Travelling Conference here: <http://www.pambazuka.org/en/category/comment/52572>

**Contact:** Carlyn Hambuba; [communication@femnet.or.ke](mailto:communication@femnet.or.ke)

**Website:** [www.femnet.or.ke](http://www.femnet.or.ke)

**Organization:** The WE CAN Alliance

**Location:** Mathare and Kibera, Kenya

**Date:** November 25 – 27, 2008

**Description:** Launch of the WE CAN campaign in Kenya; 11/25/08 Pre Launch event at Mathare, 11/26/08 Pre Launch event in Kibera, and 11/27/08 The National Launch at KICC Chief Guest Minister for Gender

**Contact:** Jane Anyango, Kibera Women for Peace and Fairness; nyakodong@yahoo.com

**Website:** <http://www.wecanendvaw.org/>

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**Organization:** Regional Gender-based Violence Task Force

**Location:** Nairobi, Kenya

**Date:** December 4, 2008

**Description:** Donor Forum on Current Strategies, Prevention and Response to GBV. The donor forum will take place during the upcoming 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence: Human Rights for Women <-> Human Rights for All UDHR60, and will provide an opportunity to profile a number of priority concerns in addressing GBV in the region including the International Conferences on the Great Lakes (IC GLR) Protocol on the Suppression of Sexual Violence Against Children and Women; engaging young boys and men in preventing GBV, ensuring that comprehensive services to respond to child survivors are in place, and lastly, the work of the Regional GBV Task Force. The forum will generate awareness among donors working in the region on key issues related to GBV, and it will provide them with an opportunity to learn about the protocol's importance in addressing sexual violence in the Great Lakes Region.

The meeting, hosted by the Regional GBV Task Force, including UNICEF, UNFPA, UNIFEM, UNHCR, OCHA, and NGOs, will start at 3.00pm and will be followed by a cocktail at 5.00pm at the Fairmont Norfolk Hotel in Nairobi.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mendy Marsh, GBV Consultant, UNICEF East and South Africa Regional Office 0728602510 or 0713957842.

## **LIBERIA**

**Organizations:** The Ministry of Gender and Development, Women's Network Group, the Justice and Peace Commission, and the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

**Location:** Monrovia, Liberia

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Launch of the campaign by the government, beginning with an official kick-off event with speeches by President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Gender Minister Vabah Gayflor, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General, Ellen Loj, and former Interim President of the Liberia Marketing Association (LMA), Comfort Bedell Marshall. Community outreach throughout the country, marches and rallies, workshops on gender-based violence and human rights

**Website:** <http://allafrica.com/stories/200811260034.html> or <http://www.unv.org/en/volunteer-voices/doc/a-human-rights-diary.html>

## **MALAWI**

**Organization:** GOAL Malawi

**Locations:** Nsanje, Blantyre and Balaka districts, Malawi

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Community-level awareness raising events in partnership with the District Assemblies and Victim Support Units to bring the recently introduced Prevention of Domestic Violence Act, 2006 and district-level support structures to rural communities. In addition, in Nsanje district on December 10<sup>th</sup>, there will be a district-level event involving a range of government, INGO and NGO stakeholders to mark the end of the 16 Days campaign.



**Contact:** [sinead.murray@goalmalawi.org](mailto:sinead.murray@goalmalawi.org)

## NIGER

**Organization:** U.S. Embassy Niamey

**Location:** Niamey, Niger

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Series of programs to raise awareness about gender-based violence and women's rights in Niger. On December 4, 2008, the Embassy hosted a presentation by respected Muslim cleric Cheikh Harouna Fodi who spoke about women's rights within the context of the Islamic faith.

**Website:** [http://niamey.usembassy.gov/pr\\_gender-basedviolence.html](http://niamey.usembassy.gov/pr_gender-basedviolence.html)

## NIGERIA

**Organization:** Women Development Initiative

**Location:** Enugu, Nigeria

**Date:** December 10, 2008

**Description:** Walk and awareness workshop

**Contact:** Joy A. Onyesoh, [womendevlopmentinitiative@yahoo.com](mailto:womendevlopmentinitiative@yahoo.com)

**Organization:** BAOBAB for Women's Human Rights

**Location:** various locations throughout Nigeria

**Date of Event:** November 26, 29 - December 10

**Activities include:** Launch of the Network of Journalist Against Violence Against Women on November 26<sup>th</sup>, Men Defending Women's Human Rights Defenders Walk November 29<sup>th</sup>, Volunteer Outreach Campaign to stop violence against women November 29<sup>th</sup> to December 10<sup>th</sup>; see attached flyer

**Contact:** [baobab@baobabwomen.org](mailto:baobab@baobabwomen.org)

**Website:** <http://baobabwomen.blogspot.com/> or <http://www.baobabwomen.org>

**Organization:** Connecting Gender for Development (COGEN)

**Location:** Kaduna, North West Nigeria

**Date:** November 27, 2008

**Description:** A one hour live phone programme that will discuss the state of women's rights, issues of gender violence against the background of this year's 16days of activism theme---human rights for women-human rights for all UDHR60. This will be on air between 4.30-5.30pm on RAYPOWER 105.6 FM, Kaduna

**Contact:** [cogen03@gmail.com](mailto:cogen03@gmail.com), [cogen03@yahoo.com](mailto:cogen03@yahoo.com)

**Website:** [www.connectinggender.org](http://www.connectinggender.org)

**Organization:** SKOL Nigeria Enterprises

**Location:** Lagos State, Nigeria

**Dates:** November, 25 – December 10

**Description:** Multi-Stakeholders' Media Campaign (Nov.25:-16 Days Begin; Dec.1:- World AIDS Day; Dec.5:-International Volunteer Day and Dec.10:-UDHR 60); see attached flyer for more information

**Contact:** [skol\\_nigeria@yahoo.com](mailto:skol_nigeria@yahoo.com); 102A BrickField Road, Ebute-Metta (West), Lagos State, Nigeria  
Tel: +234 8027091145, 07025377395 and +233 (0) 207024444

**Organization:** Civil Resource Development and Documentation Centre (CIRDDOC)

**Location:** Enugu State, Nigeria

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Tribunal on the Violations of the Reproductive Rights of Women and the Rights of Widows, distribution of annual planner/calendar with statements and information about violence against women, Moot Court competition on Reproductive Rights of Women at the University of Lagos, (Yaba, Lagos), Policy Dialogue and Advocacy Forum with government officials in Anambra state towards introducing and integrating gender perspectives in the 2009 budget as well as allocating resources to deal with VAW and HIV/AIDS, training workshops for Service Providers (Police, healthcare providers) to increase access of women living with HIV/AIDS to healthcare and legal aid, and distribution of publication on Violence Against Women.

**Contact:** cirddoc@aol.com, cirddoc@rbow.net, nwankwooby@yahoo.com

**Organization:** Women Education and Children Awareness Network (WECAN)

**Location:** Makurdi, Benue State, Nigeria

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Focus group discussions and rally: One Million March for Women

**Contact:** mneabuku@yahoo.com

**Organization:** Project Alert on Violence Against Women

**Location:** Abuja, Nigeria

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** Oby Oraka; rakasbabie@yahoo.com

**Website:**

## RWANDA

**Organization:** MIGEPROF (Ministry Of Gender and Family Promotion), Pro-femmes (an Umbrella Network for Women's Associations) & the UN

**Location:** Kigali, Karongi, Huye, Gicumbi & Rwamagana

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** The campaign aims to raise awareness about GBV issues and compel communities, governments and other stakeholders to act to prevent GBV. Furthermore the objectives are to show the relationship between GBV and violation of fundamental human rights and to serve as a capacity building opportunity for women, encouraging them to speak out against GBV and demand accountability for the protection of their human rights. The program includes: discussions about the legal framework concerning women's rights, presentation of the GBV coalition project, presentation of the gender desk of MINADEF (Ministry of Defence), mass media campaign and advocacy (billboards, SMS campaign, leaflets, t-shirts, banners & TV- & Radio programs), community sensitization through Umuganda (community work), a raise awareness tour by MINADEF's Army Jazz Band, solidarity visits to GBV survivors, a documentary on the 16 days of activism campaign, advocacy for free medical treatment for GBV victims & testimonies from model couples that have overcome GBV.

**Contact:** Donatha Gihana; gihana1980@yahoo.co.uk

**Organization:** Twubakane - Decentralization and Health Program, USAID

**Location:** Gikomero, Gasabo District, Rwanda

**Date:** December 5, 2008

**Description:** Celebration of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence, music and drama performances, community awareness-raising and education on gender-based violence, working with and providing training for health facilities

**Website:** [http://rwanda.usembassy.gov/16\\_days\\_of\\_activism\\_against\\_gender\\_based\\_violence.html](http://rwanda.usembassy.gov/16_days_of_activism_against_gender_based_violence.html)

**Organization:** Achieving a Better Life

**Location:** Kigali, Rwanda

**Date:** December 5, 2008

**Description:** Theater performance to educate people about gender-based violence as part of the 16 Days Campaign.

**Website:** <http://www.worldpulse.com/node/4229>

## SIERRA LEONE

**Organization:** Women's Partnership for Justice and Peace

**Location:** Sierra Leone

**Date:** November 29, 2008

**Description:** Brainstorming sessions to look at women's human rights situation locally and nationally, key successes made within the year, challenges encountered and possible strategies to overcome them. The session will end with a celebration and reunion dance. The dance is intended to appreciate the efforts of women's rights defenders across the southern region of Sierra Leone and in particular to celebrate the successes made and to generate strength for on-going activism. In particular, it will bring women politicians for the 2008 local council elections to celebrate and reunite with each other.

## SOUTH AFRICA

**Organization:** Return to Roots Foundation

**Location:** Johannesburg, South Africa

**Dates:** 24-26 Oct and 25 Nov 2008

**Description:** Raffle tickets to win 2 nights stay for two guests at a game lodge, sold at R30, supporting 5 organizations, (Namely: Race Against Extinction - awareness of wildlife conservation with special interest in the abuse of tiger parts being used for medicinal purposes Hughs Haven, day care centre for street children, Sebokeng AIDS orphans, Edenvale Community Care Centre, Return to Roots Foundation, dealing with rape prevention and child abuse) and receive a gift voucher valued at R500 from Yves Saint Laurent. We are exhibiting at the BABA INDABA expo, with expected 35 000 visitors, and the attraction at the stand is in support of the 16 Days of Activism campaign. We have included various constitutions, so that the public or corporate sector have an opportunity to support many causes at the same time, while benefiting from receiving a gift voucher - so this is NOT charity, it is awareness, and a win-win for all.

**Contact:** Return to Roots Foundation - Addi Lang (founder member dealing with rape prevention and child abuse); [addi@netactive.co.za](mailto:addi@netactive.co.za)

**Website:** [www.return2rootsfoundation.co.za](http://www.return2rootsfoundation.co.za); [www.RaceAgainstExtinction.co.za](http://www.RaceAgainstExtinction.co.za)

**Organization:** Wala-Wala Entertainment, a division of Wala-Wala Trading

**Location:** KwaMashu, South Africa (outside of Durban)

**Dates:** November 29, 2008

**Description:** Mothers & Daughters of the Year Award Event; As part 16 Days of Activism, corporate women, celebrity women and women of all social classes and their daughters will get an opportunity to walk on the red carpet as they come from all walks of life to share tips on raising a girl child. They will

contend for the prize of a Parent of the Year Award, while on the other side the young ladies would be parading for a Daughter of the Year award. Mothers will share what they teach their girls and girls will also share among themselves their mother's teachings. See attached information

**Contact:** Spha Mzobe, Wala-Wala Trading Managing Director; Phone: 0732208458; Email: [walawalaproductions@gmail.com](mailto:walawalaproductions@gmail.com)

**Website:** <http://www.freewebs.com/walawalaproductions/>

**Organization:** Department of Provincial & Local Government (dplg)

**Location:** South Africa

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Community outreach and awareness-raising; white ribbon campaign; Events related to the Campaign will be taking place around the country. These events are hosted by government departments, faith-based organizations, business and non-governmental organizations. Events highlight the various aspects of violence against women and children and emphasize the importance of prevention. See attached information, the dplg's kit, or the website for more details.

**Contact:** Marilyn Hamilton; [marilynh@dplg.gov.za](mailto:marilynh@dplg.gov.za) or Neo Tsele; [Neot@dplg.gov.za](mailto:Neot@dplg.gov.za)

**Website:** <http://www.womensnet.org.za/campaign/16-days-activism-against-gender-violence>

**Organization:** Absa

**Location:** Johannesburg, South Africa

**Description:** Absa Quilt Project – Supporting the 16 Days of Activism for 'No Violence against Women and Children' campaign: Employees of South Africa's leading retail bank pledged their support to the 16 Days of No Violence against Women and Children, by giving of their time and talents through the Absa Quilt project. The employee volunteerism quilt project was unveiled by the Deputy Minister of Provincial and Local Government, Ms Nomatyala Hangana, at the Absa Atrium, in Johannesburg.

Objectives of the Quilt project

- To provide Absa employees with an opportunity to actively engage and show their support for those affected by domestic violence.
- To provide a creative, visual and symbolic memento, while commiserating with those whose lives have been affected by any form of violence.
- To show our respect towards colleagues or the community and those who have been crippled or have died because of domestic violence.
- To showcase the collective caring nature of Absa employees nationally in making a difference.

Quilts in support of Orphans and Vulnerable children

The quilts will be auctioned to raise funds for Absa's 'Orphans and Vulnerable Children' (OVC) flagship program. This money will be used to provide blankets for the child-headed households supported by Absa.

**Contact:** [thando.nxumalo@absa.co.za](mailto:thando.nxumalo@absa.co.za)

**Organization:** Wendywood Sports Club Tennis Section

**Location:** Johannesburg, South Africa

**Date:** November 30, 2008 at 10:00-11:30am

**Description:** Free tennis clinic for juniors aged 6-16: In honour of the 16 Days of Activism, the clinic aims to promote awareness & encourage nonviolence against women, children, the elderly, & handicapped through participation in sport.

**Contact:** For more information on registration, contact Louis Bolling at [bolling.louis@gmail.com](mailto:bolling.louis@gmail.com), 079.061.4900

**Website:** [www.wsctennis.webs.com](http://www.wsctennis.webs.com)

**Organization:** 1 in 9 Campaign / People Opposing Women Abuse (POWA)

**Location:** Constitution Hill, Johannesburg, South Africa

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Exhibition “Wildfire: Frontiers of Women’s Resistance.” The exhibition explores the role of women’s resistance in the struggle for social justice and gender equality, and it focuses on key rape cases in South Africa, providing insight into the strategies and actions undertaken by the campaign to enhance women rape survivors’ rights when dealing with the criminal justice system.

**Contact:** [1in9@powa.co.za](mailto:1in9@powa.co.za)

**Website:** <http://www.oneinnine.org.za/> or

<http://www.mask.org.za/article.php?cat=southafrica&id=2009>

**Organizations:** The Diakonia Council of Churches, the KZN Network on Violence Against Women, Centre for HIV/AIDS Networking (HIV-911 / HIVAN) and the World Conference on Religion and Peace (WCRP)

**Location:** Durban, South Africa

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** SMS and e-mail messaging campaign, “Thursdays in Black” to mourn for those killed at the hands of their partners and to stand in solidarity with those who continue to be abused, prayer service at Emmanuel Cathedral followed by a Prayer March through the streets of Durban, and a t-shirt painting campaign at City Hall, where leaders spoke and celebrity entertainers performed to promote the campaign; see attached information.

**Contact:** [jenny.sprong@diakonia.org.za](mailto:jenny.sprong@diakonia.org.za)

**Organization:** Radio 702/Cape Talk

**Location:** Cape Town, South Africa

**Date:** November 20, 2008

**Description:** Radio call-in show about the 16 Days Campaign and violence against women

**Contact:** Dr. Eve; [dreve@worldonline.co.za](mailto:dreve@worldonline.co.za)

**Website:** <http://www.dreve.co.za/>

**Organization:** Sonke Gender Justice Network

**Location:** South Africa and 8 other Southern African countries

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Awareness-raising activities and training sessions through the ‘One Man Can’ Campaign, encouraging men and boys to take action to end domestic and sexual violence, to reduce the spread and impact of HIV/AIDS, and to promote healthy, equitable relationships that men and women can enjoy; Public murals on displacement, reintegration, and men and care in the context of HIV and AIDS, soccer tournaments in Guguletu, Cape Town, and Qumbu, Men marching in Limpopo, talking about gender-based violence in Nairobi and Dakar, condom distribution in Qumbu, door-to-door campaign in Mvumelwano, and activities in Nkandla, KwaZulu-Natal

**Website:** <http://www.genderjustice.org.za/onemancan/home/index.php> or

<http://www.genderjustice.org.za/issue-1-december-2008/sonkes-16-days-of-activism-against-gender-vio-2.html#2>

**Organization:** Vista Clinic

**Location:** Centurion, South Africa

**Date:** November 25, 2008

**Description:** Presentation about the 16 Days of Activism and its history, discussion of gender-based violence, participatory activities with patients and staff – anti-abuse messages written on handprints

**Contact:** info@vistaclinic.co.za

**Website:** <http://www.vistaclinic.co.za/home.html>

**Organization:** University of Kwazulu-Natal Student Counseling Centre

**Location:**

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** Sibulelo Matrose; [Matrose@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:Matrose@ukzn.ac.za)

**Website:**

## SUDAN

**Organization:** Upper Nile Youth Mobilization for Peace and Development Agency (UNYMPDA)

**Location:** Jonglei State, Southern Sudan

**Dates:** November 25, December 1, 3, & 10

**Description:** Campaign against Gender Based Violence, weekly radio show, trainings and workshops, press conferences, production of campaign materials, Celebration of International AIDS Day, International Day of Disabled Persons, and International Human Rights Day; see attached information to learn more about this organization's work

**Contact:** [francisogola@yahoo.com](mailto:francisogola@yahoo.com)

**Organization:** UNMIS, The Wali Office, The Wali Advisor Office on Women and Child Affairs including VAW Unit, the Ministry of Social Welfare & Information, The State Committee on Combating Violence Against Women, the Ministry of Education, the Religious Irshad and Efta'a

**Location:** Khartoum, Sudan

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Opening ceremony with government and UN bodies, recognition of women's efforts, dialogues and discussions with imams, workshop on the "Role of the Imams in Ending Violence Against Women & Women Protection and Rights In Islam," outreach to school children, distribution of pamphlets, theater performances, 2-day training on the Interagency Standing committee (IASC) on Guidelines for Prevention and Response to SGBV in Humanitarian setting

**Website:** <http://www.sudanvisiondaily.com/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=41745>

## SWAZILAND

**Organizations:** Swaziland Action Group Against Abuse (SWAGAA) and Gender Consortium

**Location:** Manzini, Swaziland

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Public awareness-raising campaign, kick-off event, media outreach, youth education, service provision, etc.

**Contact:** [swagaa@realnet.co.sz](mailto:swagaa@realnet.co.sz)

**Website:** <http://www.swagaa.org.sz/>

## TIMOR LESTE

**Organization:** Women's Justice Unit, Judicial System Monitoring Programme

**Location:** Dili, Timor-Leste

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** Rachel Hackwill; [rachel@jsmp.minihub.org](mailto:rachel@jsmp.minihub.org)

**Website:** [www.jsmp.minihub.org](http://www.jsmp.minihub.org)

## TOGO

**Organization:** Réseau des Organisations Féminines d'Afrique Francophone (ROFAF)

**Location:** Lomé, Togo

**Dates:** deadline October 26, 2008 for funding of events November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Funded the activities of several member organizations during the 16 Days Campaign

**Contact:** [rofaf@rofaf.org](mailto:rofaf@rofaf.org) or [projets@rofaf.org](mailto:projets@rofaf.org)

**Website:** [www.rofaf.org](http://www.rofaf.org) or

[http://www.rofaf.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=100:appel-a-projets-&catid=40:accueil](http://www.rofaf.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=100:appel-a-projets-&catid=40:accueil)

## UGANDA

**Organization:** GBV Prevention Network with the Women of Uganda Network (WOUGNET) and EASSI (East African Sub-regional Support Initiative for advancement of women)

**Sponsored organizations:** African Women's Development and Communications Network (FEMNET) – Kenya, AIDS Legal Network (ALN) – South Africa, Apfemme Organization – Tanzania/DRC, Bay Women Development Network – Somalia, Center for Domestic Violence Prevention – Uganda, Centre for Rights Education and Awareness (CREAW) – Kenya, Coalition on Violence against Women (COVAW) – Kenya, Ethiopian Women Lawyers Association (EWLA) – Ethiopia, Famsa Pietermaritzburg – South Africa, Forum for Activists against Torture and Violence in Rwanda (FACT) – Rwanda, Gender Equality Support Project (GESP) – Malawi, Good Hope Foundation – Uganda, Isha Human Rights Organization (IHRO) – Somalia, Karimojong Community Child Welfare Initiatives (KACOICI) – Uganda, Kenya Female Advisory Organization (KEFEADO), Kivulini Women's Rights Organization – Tanzania, Men for Gender Equality Now (MEGEN) – Kenya, Namibian Voices for Development – Namibia, Oxfam GB – Uganda, Rozaria Memorial Trust – Zimbabwe, Rwanda Men's Resource Centre – Rwanda, Sean Deveroux Human Rights Organization – Somalia, SHARE Project, Rakai Health Sciences Program – Uganda, Sisters Beyond Boundaries (SBB) – Kenya, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) – Sudan, White Ribbon Campaign – Namibia, Women Against Rape – Botswana, Women in Law and Development in Africa (WiLDAF) – Tanzania, Women's Information Services and Networks Organization (WINO) – Ethiopia, Zambia Association for Research and Development (ZARD) – Zambia

**Location:** Kampala, Uganda

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Provide full color posters, "prevent violence against women" purple ribbons, and Pledge Cards with information about the purple ribbons asking for individual commitment to prevent GBV; Please see attached press release about sexual violence and community organizing seminar guide with activities and information for your organization.

**Contact:** [inquiries@preventgbvafrica.org](mailto:inquiries@preventgbvafrica.org)

**Website:** [www.preventgbvafrica.org](http://www.preventgbvafrica.org)

**Organization:** Women for Dignity and Development Foundation-WODIDEF

**Location:** Kampala, Uganda and various refugee settlements

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Rally, drama presentations, discussions about sexual violence against refugee women in Uganda, writing petitions to the Ugandan Government requesting the ratification of the Protocol to the

African Charter on the Rights of Women in Africa and the implementation of a comprehensive program of emergency medical and psychological care for refugee rape survivors in Uganda. Please see attached memo, press release, general report, and UDHR report.

**Contact:** [wodidef@yahoo.com](mailto:wodidef@yahoo.com) or [wodidefuganda@gmail.com](mailto:wodidefuganda@gmail.com)

## ZAMBIA

**Organization:** Zambia Association for Research & Development (ZARD), YWCA

**Location:** Kalinigalinga and Lusaka, Zambia

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Public march from Kalinigalinga clinic to the Mulungushi International Conference Centre, distribution of car bumper stickers with anti-violence against women slogans, donation of cleaning materials to the Kalinigalinga hospice, organized seminars about 16 Days of Activism with local women's clubs in Chisamba's Kamaila area and The Garden Women's Progressive Club

**Contact:** [zard@microlink.zm](mailto:zard@microlink.zm)

**Website:** <http://www.widnet.org.zm/news.php?id=56>

**Organization:** Women and Law in Southern Africa (WLSA)

**Location:** Lusaka, Zambia

**Date:**

**Description:** WLSA will be launching the Campaign Against Trafficking and the Exploitation of Women and Girls

**Contact:** Matriline B Chuulu; [wlsazam@zamnet.zm](mailto:wlsazam@zamnet.zm)

**Website:**

## ZIMBABWE

**Organization:** Pamberi Trust and FLAME (Female Literary, Arts, Music & Enterprise)

**Location:** Harare, Zimbabwe

**Date:** November 29, 2008

**Description:** Women artists of Zimbabwe join the global campaign against violence against women with the '16 DAYS CONCERT', featuring an exciting line-up of established and emerging singers, musicians, poets and dancers, at The Book Café & Mannenberg Jazz Club, Harare, Zimbabwe, from 2-7pm. The concert will join the world in marking the 16 Days of Activism Against Violence Against Women with a strong message against violence, and calling for peace and respect for human rights. We welcome messages of solidarity from around the world, which will be conveyed to artists and audiences during the course of the concert!

**Contact:** Penny Yon; [pamberit@gmail.com](mailto:pamberit@gmail.com)

**Website:** [www.zimbabwearts.co.zw](http://www.zimbabwearts.co.zw)

**Organization:** Community Action for Development

**Location:** Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

**Date:** November 25- December 10

**Description:** film screenings, festivals, and workshops; please see attached calendar

**Contact:** [cad\\_communication@yahoo.com](mailto:cad_communication@yahoo.com)

**Organization:** The Sexual Rights Centre (SRC)

**Location:** Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

**Date:** November 25 – December 10



**Description:** Film screenings, awareness-raising in the community, development of 16 Rights, 16 Messages for the 16 Days; see attached information

**Contact:** [info@kubatana.org.zw](mailto:info@kubatana.org.zw)

**Organization:** Women and Law in Southern Africa (WLSA)

**Locations:** Gwanda and Makoni districts, Zimbabwe

**Dates:** November 28, December 3-5

**Description:** Domestic Violence gala event (Nov. 28) and establishment of satellite centers with trained peer educators for domestic violence victims in Makoni

**Contact:** [wlsazimbabwe@africaonline.co.zw](mailto:wlsazimbabwe@africaonline.co.zw)

**Organization:** Women Film Makers of Zimbabwe (WFOZ)

**Location:** Harare and Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

**Dates:** November 21 – 29, December 6, 2008

**Description:** International Images Film Festival for Women, including screenings of *Iron Ladies of Liberia*, *Taking Root: The Vision of Wangari Maathai*, and a variety of films about women's lives from different countries and regions by known and new directors.

**Contact:** [tsitsi@earth.co.zw](mailto:tsitsi@earth.co.zw)

**Website:**

[http://www.kubatana.net/html/archive/women/081121veritas.asp?sector=women&year=2008&range\\_start=1](http://www.kubatana.net/html/archive/women/081121veritas.asp?sector=women&year=2008&range_start=1)

## REGIONAL

**Organization:** The International Rescue Committee (IRC)

**Locations:** Uganda, Liberia, Burundi, Rwanda, South Sudan, and Jordan

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Radio shows, workshops, grand parade, honoring survivors of gender violence exhibit, writing and drawing contests, music competitions with songs with messages about gender based violence, film screenings and discussions, women's football matches, community dialogues, awareness-raising among men, conference with religious leaders, distribution of campaign materials; see attached calendar and pamphlet (from Rwanda)

**Contact:** [Eliane.Ndererimana@rwanda.theirc.org](mailto:Eliane.Ndererimana@rwanda.theirc.org)

**Website:** [www.theirc.org](http://www.theirc.org)

**Organization:** Gender Links, Gender and Media Southern Africa (GEMSA) Network, DPLG, CSVSR, IOM, Ekurhuleni Metro, Sangonet, and Women's Net

**Location:** Southern Africa

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Collection of "I" stories - a series of first hand accounts of gender violence from across Southern Africa produced by the GL Opinion and Commentary Service for Sixteen Days of Activism, online CyberDialogues (see attached information for details about online dialogues; summaries of dialogues available from GenderLinks website), Take Back the Night program, distribution of a CD mix of audio pieces, including spots (PSAs), personal testimonies, music, reports, etc. to raise awareness about gender violence, human trafficking, xenophobia, men as partners, etc., distribution of special e-newsletters, film screenings, seminars, SMS campaign, and more; for detailed calendar, please visit: [http://www.genderlinks.org.za/page.php?p\\_id=456](http://www.genderlinks.org.za/page.php?p_id=456)

**Contact:** [editor@genderlinks.org.za](mailto:editor@genderlinks.org.za) or [admin@genderlinks.org.za](mailto:admin@genderlinks.org.za)

**Website:** [http://www.genderlinks.org.za/page.php?p\\_id=452](http://www.genderlinks.org.za/page.php?p_id=452)

## Asia and the Pacific

### REGIONAL

**Organization:** Innabuyog - Philippines, Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact (AIPP) Foundation, Asian Indigenous Women's Network (AIWN) Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (FORUM-ASIA), and Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development

**Location:** Regional - Asia/Pacific

**Date:** November 25, 2008

**Description:** Issued statement: "Indigenous Women Speak out to End Violence against Women"; see attached statement or read the statement here:

[http://www.asianindigenouswomen.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=51&Itemid=2](http://www.asianindigenouswomen.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=51&Itemid=2)

**Contact:** [Innabuyog@gmail.com](mailto:Innabuyog@gmail.com) or [icolt@aippfoundation.org](mailto:icolt@aippfoundation.org)

**Website:** <http://www.aippfoundation.org/>

### (Central Asia)

#### KAZAKHSTAN

**Organization:** UNIFEM Regional Office for CIS

**Location:**

**Date:**

**Description:** mass media campaign?

**Contact:** Bakhyt Mukanova; [bakhyt.mukanova@unifem.org](mailto:bakhyt.mukanova@unifem.org)

**Website:** [www.unifemcis.org](http://www.unifemcis.org)

**Organization:** The Legal Center for Women's Initiatives "Sana Sezim"

**Location:** Southern Region, Kazakhstan

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Gender-sensitivity training for judges and law enforcement, workshops for youth, provision of qualified legal, psychological and social assistance to women victims of violence through individual counseling at the office, telephone hotline, press conference.

**Contact:** [ngosanasezim@rambler.ru](mailto:ngosanasezim@rambler.ru)

**Website:** <http://www.sanasezim.freenet.kz/eng.htm>

#### TAJIKISTAN

**Organization:** Najoti Kudakon, Safobakhsh Crisis Center

**Location:** Kulyab region, Tajikistan

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Distribution of campaign materials, petition signature drive, report on the realization of the international Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), public hearings, awareness-raising about family violence; see attached information about the Safobakhsh Crisis Center's work

**Contact:** [farzona52@mail.ru](mailto:farzona52@mail.ru)

### (East Asia)

## MONGOLIA

**Organization:** National Center Against Violence

**Location:** Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** Kate Duplessis; [katelynn.duplessis@gmail.com](mailto:katelynn.duplessis@gmail.com) or Celeste Shankland

**Website:** [www.againstviolence.org](http://www.againstviolence.org)

## SOUTH KOREA

**Organization:** House of Sharing

**Location:** Seoul, South Korea

**Dates:** December 7 & 10, 2008

**Description:** (Sunday, Dec 7<sup>th</sup>) Screening of "63 Years On", documentary on WWII Japanese Military Sexual Slavery; time and location TBA, info can be found on website (Wednesday, Dec 10<sup>th</sup>) Massive protest in support of former Korean "comfort women," survivors of Japanese Military Sexual Slavery, outside the Japanese Embassy in Seoul. The embassy is in Jongno, just east of Anguk Subway station. The international protest will be held from 2 pm- 5 pm on that day, with speeches, performances, and support for the approximately 9 survivors who form the core of the protest.

**Contact:** Angela Lytle 82-10-2618-8119; [angela.firefly@gmail.com](mailto:angela.firefly@gmail.com)

**Website:** [www.houseofsharing.org](http://www.houseofsharing.org)

**Organization:** Korea Women's Hotline

**Location:**

**Date:**

**Description:** Debate on "The Right to Safety – Progress and Setbacks on Protection Against Domestic Violence"

**Contact:**

## (Eurasia/Caucasus)

### ARMENIA

**Organization:** United Nations Population Fund

**Co-sponsoring Organizations:** Ajakits, All-Armenian Women Union, American Councils for International Education/ACCELS, American University of Armenia (Turpnjian Research Center), Apaga, Armavir Development Center, Armenian Assembly of America, Armenian National Public Television, Association of Women with University Education, British Council, Caritas, Charentsavan Community Center, Democracy Today, Family and the New World, Fund Against Law Arbitrariness, Future is Yours, Hope and Help (Vanadzor Branch), International Center of Human Development, Internews, IREX Office in Armenia, Kapan Farmers Regional Association, League of Women Voters, Legal Clinique at the Armenian Open University, Meghvik, National Institute of Labour and Social Researches - MLSI, NGO Center/Civil Society Development Organization, OSCE Yerevan Office, Promedia Gender, RoA Ministry of Health, RoA Ministry of Labor and Social Issues, Russian Community of Gavar, SAMSA, Shant TV, Siunik Peace Club, Tatev 95, UMCOR/Armenia, UNAIDS, UNDP, UNHCR, USAID NOVA Project, Vivacell, Women for Development, Women Resource Center, Women's Rights Center, World Vision/Armenia, Yerevan Center for Gender Awareness Raising Dialogue

**Location:** Various locations, Armenia

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Women's march against violence, radio programs, film screenings and discussions, gender sensitization programs, press conferences, award ceremonies, concerts, public hearings, round-table discussions, lectures, etc.; please see attached calendar and report of events

**Contact:** Aida Ghazaryan; [ghazaryan@unfpa.org](mailto:ghazaryan@unfpa.org)

**Organization:** American Councils, Armenia

**Location:** Yerevan, Armenia; IREX office at 16 Vardanants Street

**Date:** November 30, 2008 at 2:00

**Description:** Walkathon for a Violence-Free Future for Women; Please RSVP by November 28<sup>th</sup>; see attached flyer with registration form

**Contact:** [e\\_dana@americancouncils.am](mailto:e_dana@americancouncils.am)

**Website:** <http://americancouncils.am/>

**Organization:** Women's Rights Center

**Location:** Various locations, Armenia

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Presentations, press conference, trainings, round-table discussion, Meetings with Armenian and Georgian NGO Youth groups, etc.; please see attached calendar

**Contact:** [wrcarm@arminco.com](mailto:wrcarm@arminco.com)

**Website:** [www.wrcorg.am](http://www.wrcorg.am) (under re-construction)

## AZERBAIJAN

**Organization:** Women and Modern World Center

**Location:** Shamakhi, Azerbaijan

**Date of Event:** December 2, 2008

**Activities include:** We shall make a round table with the young woman representatives and the governments members in Shamakhi

**Contact:** Sudaba Shiraliyeva; [sudaba\\_shiraliyeva@yahoo.com](mailto:sudaba_shiraliyeva@yahoo.com) or [womenmw@hotmail.com](mailto:womenmw@hotmail.com)

**Organization:** Combating Gender Based Violence Project in Azerbaijan, UNFPA Country Office, UNHCR, the State Committee on Family, Women and Children's Affairs (SCFWCA), the XXI Century without Violence Against Women Project

**Location:** Azerbaijan

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Conference on Combating Violence Against Women, with significant media attention, launch of two new PSAs on domestic violence, academic lectures, and a series of town-hall meetings throughout the country about combating violence against women; see attached newsletter for more information

**Contact:** [vazirova@unfpa.org](mailto:vazirova@unfpa.org)

## GEORGIA

**Organization:** UNFPA

**Location:** Georgia

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** UNFPA set up a national steering committee in order to coordinate "16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence." They coordinated a large-scale public awareness raising

campaign.

**Contact:** [vashakidze@unfpa.org](mailto:vashakidze@unfpa.org); Tamar Vashakidze

**Website:**

**Organization:** Women Information Center; The Internet Conference has been organized by five NGOs that with the support of UN Fund for Eradication of Violence towards Women (UNIFEM) are implementing joint project “Interdepartmental and Social Measures to Cease Domestic Violence in Georgia: Joint Effort to Implement the Violence Combat Law in Georgia”

**Location:** Online

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Internet Conference “Say NO to Violence against Women.” You are kindly invited to take an active part in the work of the Internet Conference and address your questions to its participants; please see attached information for more details

**Contact:** [info@ginsc.net](mailto:info@ginsc.net); [office@ginsc.net](mailto:office@ginsc.net)

**Website:** [www.conference.ginsc.net](http://www.conference.ginsc.net)

### (Southeast Asia)

#### INDONESIA

**Organization:** UNIFEM Project Office in Aceh with local NGO partners

**Location:** Aceh, Indonesia

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Speeches, performances, radio broadcasts, movie screening, free social services for women, creative expressions and talents by disabled persons, long march, panel discussion, media outreach; please see attached calendar for more details

**Contact:** Gemala Puti Seruni; [gemala.seruni@unifem.org](mailto:gemala.seruni@unifem.org)

#### MALAYSIA

**Organizations:** Women's Aid Organisation (WAO), Amnesty International Malaysia (AI), Sisters in Islam (SIS), All Women's Action Society (AWAM) and Persatuan Kesedaran Komuniti Selangor (EMPOWER)

**Location:** Petaling Jaya, Malaysia and online

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Press conference, NGO fair, distribution of campaign materials, and Facebook online activism to reach out to younger generations and raise awareness about gender-based violence.

**Contact:** [wao@po.jaring.my](mailto:wao@po.jaring.my)

**Website:** <http://www.wao.org.my/news/20081129PressConferenceOn16Days.htm> and <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=45899991833>

#### PHILIPPINES

**Organizations:** National Commission on the Role of Filipina Women (NCRFW), Men Opposed to VAW Everywhere (MOVE), Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking (IACAT), Inter-Agency Council on Violence Against Women and Children (IACVAWC), Violence Against Women Coordinating Committee (VAWCC)

**Locations:** Manila, Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao, Philippines

**Dates:** November 25 – December 12 (“In the Philippines, Presidential Proclamation 1172 extended the Campaign to 18 days to include December 12, a historic date that marked the adoption in Palermo, Italy of the United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime, which is supplemented by the Protocol to Prevent and Punish Trafficking in Persons, especially Women and Children.”)

**Description:** National campaign activities and media coverage, launch of “Search for Outstanding VAW-Responsive LGUs” and the Gender Justice Awards II, First national congress on December 5 organized by Men Opposed to VAW Everywhere (MOVE) to encourage men from all over the Philippines to pro-actively campaign and work towards putting an end to VAW.

**Contact:** Ms. Louie Alonso Belmonte, NCRFW, Information Officer, 735-8509; 0917-8454814

**Website:** <http://www.ncrfw.gov.ph/index.php/ncrfw-press-releases/27-ncrfw-news-18-day-campaign-end-violence-against-women-kick-off>

## **THAILAND, INDONESIA, and PHILIPPINES**

**Organization:** International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission (IGLHRC)

**Location:** All Asia (focus on Thailand, Indonesia, and Philippines – meeting in Yogyakarta, Indonesia)

**Date of Events:** Present – December 10

**Title:** “Our Sexualities, Our Genders, Our Bodies ~ Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender RIGHTS!”

**Activities Include:** Create a banner with patches from all different groups and individuals, Gather video and stills footage of launches of the Yogyakarta Principles (YyP) in your countries, Gather in Yogyakarta on December 10<sup>th</sup>; see attached announcement

**Contact:** Grace Poore, [gpoores@iglhrc.org](mailto:gpoores@iglhrc.org); Ging Cristobal, [gcrisobal@iglhrc.org](mailto:gcrisobal@iglhrc.org)

**Website:** <http://www.iglhrc.org/site/iglhrc/>

### **(South Asia)**

## **BANGLADESH**

**Organization:** Promoting Human Rights and Education in Bangladesh (PHREB)

**Location:** Chittagong, Moheshkhali, and other districts, Bangladesh

**Date of Event:** November 25 - December 10

**Activities include:** Community Mobilization, Youth Seminars, Advocacy & Leadership Trainings; see attached calendar

**Contact:** Faridul Alam ([faridul.phreb@gmail.com](mailto:faridul.phreb@gmail.com))

## **INDIA**

**Organization:** The Prajnya Trust in partnership with other organizations, commercial, educational and non-profit

**Location:** Chennai, India

**Date:** Dates: November 25-December 10, 2008

**Description:** A campaign to raise awareness of the different ways in which women in particular are vulnerable to violence, from their homes to zones of conflict. The Prajnya Trust’s work focuses on a broad, inclusive, structural and human rights approach to gender-based violence, Partnerships that forge a network for action, Diversity of audiences, from the campus to corporates to civil society organizations, Multiple media and program formats, from campus contests, to workshops, to rallies, closed policy-focused events, and open, public events.

**Contact:** [prajnyatrust@gmail.com](mailto:prajnyatrust@gmail.com), [prajnya.16days@gmail.com](mailto:prajnya.16days@gmail.com) or [askabout.16days@gmail.com](mailto:askabout.16days@gmail.com)  
**Website:** <http://www.prajnya.in>, <http://www.prajnya.in/16days.htm> and  
<http://prajnya16days.blogspot.com>

**Organization:** Swadhina - A Voluntary Organisation for Women and Children

**Location:** West Bengal, Jharkhand, and Tamil Nadu, India

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Women's rallies, public meetings, essay contest, wearing ribbon for solidarity, women's health camp; please see attached flyer

**Contact:** [mainoffice@swadhina.org.in](mailto:mainoffice@swadhina.org.in), [mainoffice.swadhina@gmail.com](mailto:mainoffice.swadhina@gmail.com), [swadhina\\_org@yahoo.com](mailto:swadhina_org@yahoo.com)

**Website:** <http://www.swadhina.org.in>

**Organization:** Swayam

**Location:** Kolkata, India

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Mass media campaign, community outreach and awareness raising, a meeting of men to end Violence against Women (December 6, 2-6pm at 9/2B Deodar Street, Kolkata 700 019); see attached information

**Contact:** [swayam@cal.vsnl.net.in](mailto:swayam@cal.vsnl.net.in)

**Website:** [www.swayam.info](http://www.swayam.info)

**Organizations:** FEM, SAMYAK, MASUM, Nari Samata Manch, Swissaid India

**Location:** 11 districts in western Maharashtra, (including Pune, Satara, Nagpur, Ratnagiri, Beed, Parabhani, Osmanabad, Amarawati, Chandrapur, Solapur and Gadchiroli), India

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Various activities to reach out to men to address issues linked with PWDVA (Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act – 2005) are being carried out in more than 500 villages and towns of Maharashtra by over 20 participating organizations. Activities include: Public meetings in villages to address men, Dialogue with Protection Officers appointed under PWDVA, Awareness activities, rallies, road shows, lectures and smaller meetings with men, Street plays and other cultural activities, Dissemination of communication materials, Programmes with schools and colleges, Screening of documentary films and discussions, Women painters painting in public spaces and road shows, and Seminars and policy dialogue with concern government offices including district and block level Women and Child Development (WCD) departments; see attached information (in Marathi)

**Contact:** [samyak.pune@gmail.com](mailto:samyak.pune@gmail.com) or B 3/14, Damodar Nagar; Hingne, Singhgad Road; Pune, Maharashtra, India 411051; Tel. No. +91-9850516237

**Organization:** Men's Action for Stopping Violence Against Women (MASVAW) Network

**Location:** 21 districts of Uttar Pradesh, India (Banda, Jalaun, Jhansi, Maharajgang, Sant Kabirnagar, Basti, Lalitpur, Gorakhpur, Devoriya, Hamirpur, Jaunpur, Allahabad, Baliya, Gajipur, Mirzapur, Kaushmbi, Pratapgarh, Chitrakoot, Aazamgarh, Fathehpur, Lucknow)

**Date:** November 25 – December 10 (and continued through March 8, 2009)

**Description:** "Ab to Jago" ("Wake Up Now!") Campaign, local level awareness-raising including: Rally, Candle March, Padyatra, Dialogue with members of local elected councils (Panchayats), Community meetings, Meeting with Media, Poster Exhibition, Puppet show, Signature campaign, Use of local electronic media (TV channel), Case documentation on domestic violence incidents that have not received redress, and School level programs - Debate, Workshop, Competition, Dialogue, Poster Exhibition; district-level work including: District dialogues with media, district government representatives, protection officers, police, panchayat representatives, press conference with local

media attention, and a collective hunger strike on December 10<sup>th</sup> to demand the implementation of the Domestic Violence Act; for more information in Hindi, see attached poster, pamphlet, brochure, and sticker

**Contact:** [amit@sahayogindia.org](mailto:amit@sahayogindia.org)

## NEPAL

**Organization:** WOREC Nepal and National Alliance of Women Human Rights Defenders (NAWHRDs)

**Location:** Kathmandu and other districts throughout Nepal

**Date of Event:** November 25 – December 10

**Activities include:** Press conference, community outreach and rallies, trainings and workshops, report launch; see attached calendar and concept paper

**Contact:** Dr. Renu Rajbhandari, Chairperson, WOREC Nepal; [worec.vaw@gmail.com](mailto:worec.vaw@gmail.com) or [worec.whrd@gmail.com](mailto:worec.whrd@gmail.com)

**Website:** [www.worecnepal.org](http://www.worecnepal.org)

**Organization:** CARE Nepal, Rural Women Service Center (RWSC), Bal Samrchan Sanstha (BSS), Kaliaka Community Women Development Center (KCWDC)

**Location:** Bharatpur, various locations, Nepal

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Rallies, talk programs, street performances, workshops, folk song competitions, candle lighting for peace, essay contest; see attached calendar for details

**Contact:** [care@carenepal.org](mailto:care@carenepal.org)

**Website:** <http://www.carenepal.org/>

**Organization:** Jagaran Nepal

**Location:** 14 districts of Nepal namely Kathmandu, Bhaktapur, Lalitpur, Morang, Sunsari, Khotang, Sindhupalchok, Kavre, Kaski, Tanahu, Surkhet, Dailekh, Doti, Dadeldhura

**Date:** November 25- December 10 2008

**Description:** Candle lighting, assorted interactions and meetings, Drama and Art competitions, see attached calendar

**Contact:** [info@jagarannepal.org](mailto:info@jagarannepal.org), Tel:977-1-4219439

**Website:** [www.jagarannepal.org](http://www.jagarannepal.org)

**Organization:** Aawaaj

**Location:** Surkhet, Nepal

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Mass rally, radio broadcasting, workshops, conference with community decision-makers, social mobilization against gender based violence, mobilizing men against violence against women, white ribbon campaign participation

**Contact:** [aawaaj@ntc.net.np](mailto:aawaaj@ntc.net.np) or [aawaaj@mail.com.np](mailto:aawaaj@mail.com.np)

**Website:** [www.aawaaj.org](http://www.aawaaj.org)

**Organization:** Rural Women's Network Nepal (RUWON Nepal)

**Location:** Kathmandu, Nepal

**Dates:** November 25, December 3, 5, & 8



**Description:** Awareness rally with over 300 participants, drawing competition for students, interschool Nepali Writing Competition to create awareness about women's rights at the school level, and a one day training program for men from different communities

**Contact:** [ruwonnepal@yahoo.com](mailto:ruwonnepal@yahoo.com)

**Organizations:** Karnali Integrated Rural Development & Research Center (KIRDARC) with local Peace Promotion Centres, Youth Clubs, and women's networks and support from CARE Nepal and Save the Children Norway

**Location:** Manma Kalikot, Nepal

**Date:** December 4, 2008

**Description:** Rally, stage performance, and music/cultural performance with messages about women's rights; see attached report for description

**Contact:** [kirdarc@kirdarc.org](mailto:kirdarc@kirdarc.org)

**Website:** <http://www.kirdarc.org/>

## PAKISTAN

**Organization:** Taangh Wasaib Organization (TWO)

**Location:** Sargodha and other locations, Pakistan

**Dates:** November 25 - December 10

**Description:** Radio broadcasts, film screenings, inauguration of Skill Development Centre, South Asian Women's Day for Peace, Justice, Human Rights and Democracy, seminar, training session, etc.; please see attached calendar and organization information for more details

**Contact:** Rubina Feroze Bhatti, [rubinaferoze\\_bhatti@yahoo.com](mailto:rubinaferoze_bhatti@yahoo.com)

**Organization:** Tahafuz Welfare Organization

**Location:** Peshawar, Pakistan

**Date:** December 1, 2008 at 10:00am-5:00pm

**Description:** To provide educational facilities and vocational training for women with the help of concerned departments, agencies and organization; Women development and skill enhancement, Organization training/seminars/workshop and symposium on different topics for advancement of women in different fields

**Contact:** Bakht Muhammad; Office Ph: 0092 91 5513344

**Organization:** Soofi Sachal Sarmast Welfare Association (SSSWA- NGO)

**Location:** District Kashmore, Sindh, Pakistan

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Distribution of informational materials, advocacy workshops, awareness-raising, celebration of international dates during campaign, meetings with media and local government officials; see attached information

**Contact:** [sofisachal@hotmail.com](mailto:sofisachal@hotmail.com)

**Organization:** Struggle for Change (SACH) and UNHCR

**Location:** Losar Sharfu, Pakistan

**Date:** November 27, 2008

**Description:** Drama performance about domestic violence staged for Afghan refugees in Losar Sharfu village of Pakistan's Punjab province

**Contact:** [Pakis@unhcr.ch](mailto:Pakis@unhcr.ch)

**Website:** <http://www.unhcr.org/news/NEWS/4936a6d84.html>

**Organization:** Nomad Gallery and UNIFEM-Pakistan

**Location:** Islamabad, Pakistan

**Dates:** November 25 - December 10

**Description:** Exhibition of Graphics and Photography by K. B. Abro & Altamash Kamal, inauguration of exhibition on November 25, 2008 by Ms. Kishwar Naheed, eminent poet and activist

**Contact:** anhyat@hotmail.com

**Website:** [www.nomadartgallery.net](http://www.nomadartgallery.net)

## **SRI LANKA**

**Organization:** The Gender Based Violence (GBV) Forum

**Location:** Sri Lanka

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Public campaign using advertisements on public transportation, media campaign on local television and radio stations, participation in the White Ribbon campaign, workshops with bus drivers and conductors; see attached information and report

**Contact:** [bimali\\_a@sltnet.lk](mailto:bimali_a@sltnet.lk); For more information please contact: 2580840 / HELP LINE: 4718585

**Organization:** Institute of Social Development, Working Women's Forum (WWF)

**Location:** Kandy, Sri Lanka

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Various programs and activities on Gender-Based Violence, focus on issues of marginalization of Sri Lankan plantation community, awareness-raising programs with women plantation laborers, teachers, and garment factory employees on domestic violence, discrimination at the work place, human rights, labor rights, and women's rights, publication of special bulletin for the 16 Days campaign describing actions to be taken individually and collectively, see attached poster

**Contact:** [kandyisd@sltnet.lk](mailto:kandyisd@sltnet.lk)

**Website:** <http://www.isdsrilanka.org/>

## **(Pacific)**

## **AUSTRALIA**

**Organization:** The Women's Council for Domestic and Family Violence Services (WA), Amnesty International (WA)

**Location:** Western Australia

**Dates:** November 24 – December 10

**Description:** Awareness raising events, celebratory dinner, silent vigil, white ribbon campaign, community outreach, etc.; see attached calendar for detailed list of events, times, and locations

**Contact:** [info@womenscouncil.com.au](mailto:info@womenscouncil.com.au)

**Website:** [www.womenscouncil.com.au](http://www.womenscouncil.com.au)

**Organization:** Violence Prevention Coordination Unit, NSW Government

**Location:** Statewide, New South Wales (NSW) Australia

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Please see website for most up-to-date information; community outreach, Stop Domestic Violence Day, participation in white ribbon campaign, music performances, film screenings, seminars,

silhouette displays, Reclaim the Night March, etc.; see attached calendar, newspaper article, and newsletter

**Contact:** susan.lindsay@dpc.nsw.gov.au

**Website:** <http://www.dpc.nsw.gov.au/vpcu/campaigns>

## **FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA**

**Organization:** Federated States of Micronesia Women Action Network (FSMWAN)

**Location:** National campaign

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Keep a light burning, white ribbon campaign, public forum and speaking campaigns, drumming campaign and march; see attached information

**Contact:** fsmfrc@mail.fm

## **FIJI**

**Organization:** Fiji Women's Crisis Centre (FWCC)

**Location:** Suva and other locations, Fiji

**Date:** November 24 – December 10

**Description:** Rural outreach program, distribution of campaign materials focusing on messages "Stop Rape" and "Respect Women," media campaign, workshops; see attached information for more details

**Contact:** [fwcc@connect.com.fj](mailto:fwcc@connect.com.fj); For more information of the program for 2008, contact FWCC by telephone at 3313 300.

**Organization:** femLINKPACIFIC, femTALK 89.2FM

**Location:** Fiji

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Radio show by young women's broadcast team "Generation Next"; see attached information

**Contact:** [sharon@femlinkpacific.org.fj](mailto:sharon@femlinkpacific.org.fj)

**Website:** [www.femlinkpacific.org.fj](http://www.femlinkpacific.org.fj)

## **NEW ZEALAND**

**Organization:** Families Commission, Social Development Ministry, Justice Ministry

**Co-sponsoring organizations:** Hamilton Abuse Intervention Project, Waikato Migrant Resource Centre, Te Manawa Services, Wellington Living Free from Violence, The Kapiti Safer Community Trust, Living Without Violence Waiheke, The Nelson Tasman Te Rito Network, The Peace Foundation, Family Violence Network – Masterton, Te Roopu Whiriwhiri, Waitakere Anti-Violence Essential Services (WAVES) Network, Violence Free Waitakere, Whanganui Family Violence Intervention Network, Katikati Cares Campaign, Zonta International Club of Tauranga, Challenge Violence Trust, Dunedin Collaborative Against Family Violence, Local Initiative for Violence Elimination in Hawke's Bay (LIVE HB), Hindu Social Services Foundation, Auckland Coalition for the Safety of Women and Children, Auckland District Health Board and Preventing Violence in the Home (ADHB/PVH), The New Plymouth Family Violence Focus Group, Taupo Women's Refuge, Lower Hutt City Council, Upper Hutt City Council, Open Home Foundation, Kokiri Marae Hauora Services, Kokiri Marae Maori Womens Refuge, Hutt City Womens Refuge, Lower Hutt Stopping Violence Services, Hutt Valley District Health Board

**Location:** Throughout New Zealand

**Date:** November 25, 2008

**Description:** Participation in the White Ribbon Campaign, public marches/rallies against domestic violence, art exhibitions, presentations for school children, family programs and awareness-raising events, sports events, 1000 PeaceWomen exhibit, distribution of white ribbons in public spaces,

**Contact:** enquiries@nzfamilies.org.nz

**Website:** <http://www.familiescommission.govt.nz/white-ribbon-2008-events.php>

**Organization:** Roundtable on Violence Against Women

**Location:** Te Whanga-nui-a-Tara / Wellington, New Zealand

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** The action: “16 Emails, 16 Days” – to highlight the fact that violence against women is a serious issue in New Zealand, take action by sending 16 emails over 16 days to key Ministers of the new coalition government. For more details, see instructions at

[http://www.roundtablevaw.org.nz/16Days2008.html#2008\\_Aotearoa\\_Action\\_-\\_16\\_Emails\\_16](http://www.roundtablevaw.org.nz/16Days2008.html#2008_Aotearoa_Action_-_16_Emails_16)

**Contact:** contactbyweb@roundtablevaw.org.nz

**Website:** <http://www.roundtablevaw.org.nz/index.html>

## Europe

### AUSTRIA

**Organization:** AÖF - Verein Autonome Österreichische Frauenhäuser (Austrian Women’s Shelter Network) / Informationsstelle gegen Gewalt

**Location:** Events throughout Austria

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Flag day “Live freely – without violence” on November 25th all over the country. Approximately 250 flags were hoisted all over the country. On December 10<sup>th</sup>, the Austrian Women’s Shelter Network invited the local press to a joint media event with the Austrian National Committee for UNIFEM to highlight the lack of women’s rights in Austria and across the world. AÖF also compiled an online calendar of events for 16 Days activities in Austria (see link below); see attached report of activities

**Contact:** informationsstelle@aof.at

**Website:** <http://www.aof.at/tagegegenGewalt/index.htm>

### BELGIUM

**Organization:** The International Rescue Committee (IRC)

**Location:** Brussels, Belgium

**Date:**

**Description:** In Brussels, roundtables will be focused on issues such as the role of donors in Gender-Based Violence activities.

**Contact:** Kara Piccirilli; [Kara.Piccirilli@theirc.org](mailto:Kara.Piccirilli@theirc.org)

**Website:** [http://www.theirc.org/where/g\\_belgium/international\\_rescue\\_committee\\_belgium.html](http://www.theirc.org/where/g_belgium/international_rescue_committee_belgium.html)

### BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA

**Organization:** Fondacija CURE

**Location:** Sarajevo and Srebrenica, Bosnia & Herzegovina

**Date:** November 25, 28 and December 2, 5, & 6

**Description:** Street Action, Public Lecture and Discussion, Film Screening, and Workshop; please see website for more detailed information about dates, locations, and times; also please see attached information and theme announcement

**Contact:** [info@fondacijacure.org](mailto:info@fondacijacure.org)

**Website:**

[http://humanrightshouse.org/noop/page.php?p=Network/Bosnia\\_and\\_Herzegovina/Calendar/index.html&d=1](http://humanrightshouse.org/noop/page.php?p=Network/Bosnia_and_Herzegovina/Calendar/index.html&d=1)

**Organizations:** NGO Women to Women, Association of Women “Derventa,” Association “Woman and Family,” Association “Woman BIH,” United Women, Helsinki Citizens, Foundation of Local Democracy, Association of Women MOST (Eng. Bridge), Center for Legal Assistance for Women, Association “Women from Una,” Foundation for Education, Development, and Social Protection of Children (FORSZD), Citizens’ Association “Future,” Medica, Foundation CURE (Eng. GIRLS), Informal Group "Klinke" (Eng. Girls), and Radio Television of Republika Srpska (RTRS)

**Location:** Various locations, Bosnia & Herzegovina

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Street actions, radio and television shows, surveys, workshops, rallies, round tables, discussions, press conferences, training session, distribution of promotional materials, film screenings, exhibitions, performances, etc.; see attached calendar for more details about date/time/location/contact information for each event

**Contact:** [office@unitedwomenbl.org](mailto:office@unitedwomenbl.org)

**Website:** [www.unitedwomenbl.org](http://www.unitedwomenbl.org)

## HUNGARY

**Organization:** Amnesty International Hungary, NANE Women's Rights Association, Hungarian Women's Lobby, MONA Foundation for the Women of Hungary, PATENT Association, Stop Male Violence Project, Association for the Sanctity of Pregnancy and Motherhood (TAVAM), The Union for Mother- and Child-friendly Birth, Budapest Equal Opportunity Coordinating Office - House of Opportunities, Union of Parents for Freedom in Birth, Inter Alia Foundation, HRSI (Human RightS Initiative)

**Location:** Budapest, Hungary

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Press conferences, march, film screenings, information fair, photo exhibition, presentations, book launch, panel discussions, performances, etc.; please see attached calendar

**Contact:** [info@nane.hu](mailto:info@nane.hu)

**Website:** [www.16akcionap.org](http://www.16akcionap.org)

## IRELAND

**Organization:** Women’s Aid and partner NGOs

**Co-sponsoring organizations:** Amnesty International in Galway, Aoibneas Women and Children's Refuge, Aonad Family Resource Centre – Galway, Arklow Community Development Project, Ballyspillane Family Resource Centre - Co. Mayo, Castlerea Women’s Group, Clara Women's Group-Co. Offaly, Claremorris Family Resource Centre, Clondalkin Women's Network, Clonmel Community Partnership in Co. Tipperary, Cobh Family Resource Centre, Cope Galway - Waterside House, Cork Inter-Agency Group on Domestic Violence, Domestic Violence Advocacy Service (Sligo, Leitrim and West Cavan), Domestic Violence Response - Galway, Donegal Women's Domestic Violence Service, Doras Buí - Dublin 5, FAB Women's Group - Co. Wexford, Freedom from Pornography Campaign (FfPC), Galway Rape Crisis Centre, Inchicore Outreach Centre - Dublin,

Inishowen Women's Outreach, Ireland's Steering Committee to Address FGM Action Plan, Laois Branch of Amnesty International Irish Section, Laois Support Service against Domestic Abuse, Longford Women's Link, Mayo Rape Crisis Centre, Mayo Women's Support Services, Nascadh Community Development Programme-Dublin, National Women's Council of Ireland, Newbridge Family Resource Centre's, Newpark Close Family Resource Centre-Kilkenny, Nicole Jagusch, North West Inner City Women's Network, Northwest Roscommon Community Development Project, Offaly Domestic Violence Support Service, Open Door Network - Co. Kerry, Ringsend Action Project - Dublin 4, Ronanstown Community Development Project, Roscommon Women's Network Community Development Project, Sinn Féin, Solas Family Resource Centre – Headford, Sonas Housing Association, South West Kerry Women's Association/Eist Linn, Southill Domestic Abuse Project – Limerick, St Munchin's Women's Group – Limerick, St. Fergal's Family Resource Centre – Bray, St. Mary's Community Development Project – Limerick, Suir Community Development Project - Carrick on Suir, Tacú Family Resource Centre, Tearmann Domestic Violence Service, Co. Monaghan, Tuam Community Development Resource Centre, Union of Students of Ireland, Vista Community Development Project, W.O.V.E (Women Overcoming Violence Effectively), Waterford Local Area Network, Waterford Women's Centre, WEB Women's Group, Co. Wicklow, West Cork Women's Project, Westport Family Resource Centre, Wexford Local Area Network on Violence Against Women, Women's Aid Dundalk, YANA, The North Cork Domestic Violence Project

**Location:** Throughout Ireland

**Date of Event:** November 21 – December 10

**Activities include:** See web blog ([www.ireland16days.blogspot.com](http://www.ireland16days.blogspot.com)) or Women's Aid's campaign kit for details

**Contact:** [info@womensaid.ie](mailto:info@womensaid.ie) or [christina.sherlock@womensaid.ie](mailto:christina.sherlock@womensaid.ie)

**Website:** [www.ireland16days.blogspot.com](http://www.ireland16days.blogspot.com) or [www.womensaid.ie](http://www.womensaid.ie)

## ITALY

**Organization:** Unione Donne In Italia (UDI)

**Location:** Starting point: Niscemi, where Lorena was assassinated; End point: Brescia, where Hiina had her throat cut

**Date of Event:** November 25, 2008

**Activities include:** Relay of Women Against Violence

**Contact:** [udinazionale@gmail.com](mailto:udinazionale@gmail.com)

**Website:** <http://www.udinazionale.org/documentostaffettainglese.htm>

**Organization:** Donne In Quota

**Location:** Italy

**Date:** November 25, 2008

**Description:** Public awareness campaign on various forms of violence against women, remembering women victims of violence, "PANNI SPORCHI" initiative, see attached information

**Contact:** [info@donneinquota.org](mailto:info@donneinquota.org)

**Website:** [www.donneinquota.org](http://www.donneinquota.org)

**Organization:** Delt@

**Location:** Italy

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Activities include:** distribution of a special number of Delt@ daily press agency on the subject of VAW, with updated data, interviews to professionals working to end VAW and supporting victims, national and international information about VAW and femicides, bibliography, etc.; see attached information

**Contact:** [elga.salvador@gmail.com](mailto:elga.salvador@gmail.com)

**Website or link:** [www.deltanews.it](http://www.deltanews.it)

## **MOLDOVA**

**Organization:** Refugiul Casa Marioarei

**Location:** Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

**Dates:** November 25 - December 10, 2008

**Description:** Roundtables and seminars on gender violence in Media Center, in educational resource centers, in schools and high schools in Chisinau. Distribution of informative materials about 'Casa Marioarei' in public places, in Chisinau and in the countryside, in schools and high schools. Poster and drawing competitions in schools on anti-gender violence themes; see attached article for more details on Casa Marioarei activities

**Contact:** caps@mail.md

**Organization:** OSCE Mission to Moldova, Winrock International, the Ministry of Social Protection of Family and Child, UNIFEM

**Co-sponsors:** The United Nations, UNICEF, the International Organization for Migration's Mission in Moldova, UNFPA, Gender Centre, Casa Marioara, the Institute of Training and Social Research of FIUM (ULIM), Amnesty International, ABA/ROLI, Women Forum, La Strada, Peace Corps, Red Cross, and other local organizations and public administrations.

**Location:** Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Roundtable meetings, seminars, training courses, TV programs, broadcasting of TV, radio spots, and, on December 7, a Day of Worship dedicated to the victims of human trafficking; see attached calendar

**Contact:** lcatlabuga@winrock.org.md

**Website:** <http://www.atnet.md/annonceview.php?l=en&id=75>

## **MONTENEGRO**

**Organizations:** Family Violence Prevention Fund, the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR), the Montenegrin government, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), the Fund for an Open Society, and several sports associations

**Location:** Throughout Montenegro

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Media and advertisement campaign to encourage fathers and father figures (e.g. teachers, mentors, uncles, brothers, coaches, etc.) to lead by example and teach boys that all forms of violence against women are wrong. Campaign posters were distributed to schools, health centers and social welfare centers around the country.

**Website:** <http://www.unhcr.org/news/NEWS/493805812.html>

## **POLAND**

**Organization:** Autonomy Foundation

**Location:** Kraków, Poland

**Dates:** November 25, 26, 27 and December 3, 4, 10, 11

**Description:** Conference on "Prevention of Aggression and Violence Against Girls and Young Women" for those who are involved in education, work with children and young people, or are responsible for introducing and financing prevention programs. The aim of conference is to focus on

importance of prevention activities that includes gender perspective and involvement of different parties: educators, social workers, law enforcement professionals etc. Other activities include “WenDo” self-defense training for girls and young women (26.11, 3.12 i 10.12 – Secondary School, Kraków, ul. Millana or 27.11, 4.12 i 11.12 – Grammar School, Trzebinia, os. Gaj) and distribution of pamphlets and information around 16 Days campaign theme; see attached info and flyer

**Contact:** [fundacja@autonomia.org.pl](mailto:fundacja@autonomia.org.pl) ; [monika.serkowska@wendo.org.pl](mailto:monika.serkowska@wendo.org.pl)

**Website:** <http://bezuprzedzen.org/aktualnosci/art.php?art=285>

## ROMANIA

**Organization:** FSM – Foundation for Family and Community Health

**Location:** Iasi, Romania

**Date of Event:** November 25 - December 10

**Activities include:**

Activity 1 – Street campaign (Iasi City, billboards exhibition)

Activity 2 – Films Campaign Urban / Rural Area (North East of Romania)

Activity 3 – Workshops with youth and women about the topic

**Contact:** Iulia Tencariu, [fsm@fsm.org.ro](mailto:fsm@fsm.org.ro); [iulia\\_tencariu@fsm.org.ro](mailto:iulia_tencariu@fsm.org.ro)

## SERBIA

**Organization:** HORA

**Location:** Valjevo, West Serbia

**Dates:** December 1 & 9, 2008

**Description:** Organized meeting with representative of local institution, Tribune in auditory of local parliament, two street actions, radio and television broadcasts; see attached flyer

**Contact:** [ghoravaljevo@hotmail.com](mailto:ghoravaljevo@hotmail.com)

**Website:** Television broadcasts can be found at

[http://tv-valjevo.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=2317&Itemid=50](http://tv-valjevo.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2317&Itemid=50) and

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fdH0F1CcnmI>

**Organization:** Women in Action or “Women at Work,” in cooperation with the Autonomous Women Centre, Women Fund Reconstruction and REX Cultural Centre

**Location:** 10 cities and towns in Serbia, including Užice, Backa Topola, Novi Becej, Novi Sad, Velika Plana, Smederevo, and Kruševac.

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** For the fifth year in a row, Woman in Action organized traveling, socially engaging performances that toured Serbia, in cooperation with local women’s organization, to raise public awareness about violence against women and to promote different ways to overcome it.

**Contact:** [zenenadelu@gmail.com](mailto:zenenadelu@gmail.com)

**Website:** <http://www.zenergija.org/> or <http://see.oneworldsee.org/article/view/150393/1>

## SPAIN

**Organization:** Asociación de Mujeres de Orihuela Clara Campoamor

**Location:** Orihuela, Alicante, Spain

**Dates:** November around the 25<sup>th</sup>

**Description of Events:** Exhibition: “Trata y derechos humanos” Photograph display in the public library showing problems about the trade of women and children around the world. At the opening of



the exhibition a manifesto was read. Workshops: “Gender Violence and Human Rights” Secondary school I.E.S. Thader: After the visit to the exhibition students will choose a poster and will modify it with different techniques in art lessons. In literature they will create a story from the poster chosen. All works produced will be shown at the entrance of the secondary school IES Thader. Poems and novels from women writers will be studied in groups and performed in front of the rest of students. Primary school C.P.V de Monserrate. Torremendo: Make a large poster with hands and the different ways to use them for nice purposes, and showing those proposes denied. In the play ground exhibition of copies of the photographs and the explanation of them with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights written below the pictures, for the parents and rest of the inhabitants to watch; see attached information

**Contact:** A. Belchi and V.Martínez; [sogorbver66@hotmail.com](mailto:sogorbver66@hotmail.com)

**Website:** <http://claracampoamororihuela.blogspot.com/>

## SWITZERLAND

**Organization:** cfd - Christlicher Friedensdienst with partner NGOs

**Location:** Throughout Switzerland

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Over 50 events; see attached calendar and flyer

**Contact:** Amanda Weibel; [16tage@cfd-ch.org](mailto:16tage@cfd-ch.org)

**Website:** [www.16tage.ch](http://www.16tage.ch)

**Organization:** PeaceWomen Across the Globe

**Location:** Bern Cathedral, Bern, Switzerland

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** (Tuesday, 25th November 2008, 6 pm) Opening session: Exhibition of PeaceWomen Across the Globe “1000 Faces of Peace”; (Thursday, 27th November 2008, 7.30 pm) Peace work between Discretion and Orovocation: PeaceWomen discuss; (Thursday, 4th December 2008, 7.30 pm) The Peace Policy of Switzerland, demonstrated on Sudan; (Monday, 8th December 2008, 7.30 pm) Honour Killings and Justice State; (Wednesday, 10th December 2008, 12 am) Closing session: “Man does not live by bread alone” – reading and music

**Contact:** Ellen Bernhard; [ellen.bernhard@1000peacewomen.org](mailto:ellen.bernhard@1000peacewomen.org)

**Website:** [www.1000peacewomen.org](http://www.1000peacewomen.org)

## UNITED KINGDOM

**Organization:** Leeds Interagency Project (LIAP), Crockett & Co Solicitors, Leeds Metropolitan University, Gipsil’s DV Education & Support Group, St Anne’s Resource Centre, NE Police Division, Carr-Gomm & Chiva, Object Leeds, Young Parents Group at Halton Moor, Jewish Women’s Aid, Refugee Council, Women’s Health Matters, The West Indian Family Counseling Service, Fuzion Arts Academy

**Location:** Leeds, UK

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Lectures, discussions, distribution of campaign materials, awareness raising, domestic violence drop-in services, counseling, creative displays, bingo evening, mass media campaign, launch of “No Recourse” hardship fund, etc.; see attached information

**Contact:** [liap@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:liap@leeds.gov.uk)

**Website:** [www.saferleeds.org.uk](http://www.saferleeds.org.uk); [www.liap.org.uk](http://www.liap.org.uk)

**Organization:** Nottinghamshire Domestic Violence Forum

**Co-sponsors:** Nottingham Area 4 DV working group, Bassetlaw, Newark and Sherwood Community Safety Partnership, Nottinghamshire Women's Aid, Broxtowe Women's Project, Midlands Women's Aid, Mansfield & Ashfield Women's Aid, Nottingham Health Action and Parentline, Rushcliffe Borough Council, Gedling Borough Council, Nottingham City PCT, Rushcliffe Borough Council/Dayncourt and Candlebury School

**Location:** Nottinghamshire, England, United Kingdom

**Dates:** November 11 – December 10

**Description:** Awareness workshops on domestic violence, theater performance, white ribbon campaign, film screenings with discussions, distribution of campaign materials, public advertisement campaigns, workshops on healthy relationships, art exhibits, and radio program; see attached calendar

**Contact:** 0115 9623 237

**Website:** <http://www.ndvf.org.uk/>

**Organizations:** Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership (GVAWP) coalition of: Glasgow City Council, Glasgow Community and Safety Services (GCSS), Glasgow Community Planning Plc (GCPL), Say Women, Women's Support Project, Strathclyde Police, and Greater Glasgow Training Consortium

**Location:** Glasgow, Scotland, United Kingdom

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Theater and music performances, art exhibitions, photography and dance workshops, information stalls, child sexual abuse workshops, Reclaim the Night march/rally, presentations, etc.; see attached calendar

**Website:** [www.gvawp.org.uk](http://www.gvawp.org.uk) or [www.glasgow.gov.uk](http://www.glasgow.gov.uk)

## Latin American and the Caribbean

### REGIONAL

**Organization:** Red de Salud de las Mujeres Latinoamericanas y del Caribe (RSMLAC) / Latin American and Caribbean Women's Health Network

**Location:** Regional

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Provide resources to organizations within the Latin American and Caribbean region to participate in the 2008 campaign. Actividades sugeridas: 1. En el marco de los derechos humanos fundamentales, difundir a través de talleres, capacitaciones, foros públicos, conversatorios y otros medios, el derecho de las mujeres y niñas a una vida sin violencias y con plena justicia social y de género 2. Difundir los distintos instrumentos nacionales e internacionales que protegen los derechos de las mujeres y las niñas, y cómo utilizarlos en su defensa 3. Articular alianzas con sectores clave tales como profesionales y proveedores de salud, sector judicial y policial, docentes, medios de comunicación, etc., para elaborar propuestas conjuntas hacia la erradicación y prevención de la violencia contra mujeres y niñas, y para erradicar la aceptación social de la misma 4. Poner en evidencia, a partir de las realidades de cada país y comunidad, cómo el aborto inducido, embarazos forzados, muertes maternas, adquisición de ITS/VIH/SIDA, daños a la salud mental, y otras problemáticas de salud de las mujeres y niñas, constituyen una expresión y a la vez una consecuencia de la violencia basada en el género 5. Enfatizar, a partir de las realidades de cada país y comunidad, que los modelos económicos neoliberales han reforzado distintas expresiones de violencia contra mujeres y niñas, y han hecho surgir otras formas de abuso especialmente graves (explotación y tráfico sexual, pornografía, violencia en Internet, trabajo esclavo en maquilas y otros espacios laborales, etc.); see attached information

**Contact:** [publicaciones@reddesalud.org](mailto:publicaciones@reddesalud.org)

**Website:** <http://www.reddesalud.org/espanol/>

## ARGENTINA

**Organization:** Asociación del Personal Legislativo (APL) - Comisión de Igualdad de Oportunidades y Trato en el Ámbito Laboral de APL que depende de la Secretaria de la Mujer de APL

**Location:** México 1835 - Capital Federal- Buenos Aires Argentina

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** La misma consiste en una Campaña de concientización dentro de los 16 días, sobre Violencia Doméstica, cuyo nombre es PARA LA MANO! CONTRA LA VIOLENCIA DOMESTICA, esta campaña se desarrolla en nuestro ámbito laboral, que es el H. Congreso de la Nación. Estamos entregando un folleto informativo, y una cinta bicolor blanca y violeta con el texto Lucha por la no Violencia Doméstica, que se coloca en la muñeca de la mano. Nuestro objetivo es concientizar a todos los trabajadores y trabajadoras de nuestro ámbito laboral, y así poder ayudar a quienes lo padezcan, ofreciéndoles asesoramiento jurídico gratuito en nuestro gremio, después cada trabajador o trabajadora decidirá personalmente actuar o no. También vamos a realizar un acto el día 09 de diciembre sobre Violencia Social; Please see attached information and flyer

**Contact:** Licenciada Elina Elisabet Temporetti Pta. Comisión de Igualdad de Oportunidades y Trato en el Ámbito Laboral de APL; [elinazari@hotmail.com](mailto:elinazari@hotmail.com) o [igualdad\\_oportunidades@apldigital.org.ar](mailto:igualdad_oportunidades@apldigital.org.ar) y Sra. Francisca Córdoba- Secretaria de la Mujer de APL; [mujer@apldigital.org.ar](mailto:mujer@apldigital.org.ar)

**Website:** [www.apldigital.org.ar](http://www.apldigital.org.ar)

**Organization:** Asociación Mutual de Comerciantes Bartolomé Mitre (« Red de Mujeres que tienen algo para Contar »)

**Location:** Cine Teatro San Pedro, Bermúdez 2052 – Buenos Aires, Argentina

**Date:** December 9, 2008 - 9:30pm

**Description:** “Que queremos las mujeres? Una pregunta... Muchas respuestas...” Responden: Chati Calvo (España), Mayerlis Beltrán (Colombia), Ana Hidalgo (Venezuela), Inés Grimland, Laura Dippólito, and Giselle Rataus (Argentina); see attached flyer

**Contact:** [bmmutual@hotmail.com](mailto:bmmutual@hotmail.com) Tel - 63790114

**Organizations:** Centro de Estudiantes de Derecho (Center for Law Students) de la Universidad Nacional de Mar Del Plata, Franja Morada Psicología, el Programa de Voluntariado Social « Nunca es Tarde » FUA

**Location:** Mar Del Plata, Argentina

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Campus outreach, awareness-raising linking the 16 Days Campaign and key international dates to legal and psychology studies, movie screening of “En el Tiempo de las Mariposas”; see attached calendar

**Contact:** [ced\\_responde@hotmail.com](mailto:ced_responde@hotmail.com)

## BELIZE

**Organization:** The Women’s Department

**Locations:** Belize City, Corozal, Toledo, San Ignacio, Dangriga, Belmopan, Punta Gorda, Orange Walk, Hattieville, San Pedro and other locations, Belize

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Workshops, lectures, support group discussions, HIV workshop, film screenings, domestic violence forum, distribution of ribbons, public march, free HIV testing, WIN Belize Torch Run, candlelight vigil, debates, performances, essay contests, etc; see attached calendar

**Contact:** [icildahumes@yahoo.com](mailto:icildahumes@yahoo.com)

## **BRAZIL**

**Organization:** AGENDE

**Location:** National campaign - Brazil

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** See website for more details

**Contact:** [16diascomunica@agende.org.br](mailto:16diascomunica@agende.org.br) or [agende@agende.org.br](mailto:agende@agende.org.br)

**Website:** <http://www.agende.org.br/16dias/>

## **CAYMAN ISLANDS**

**Organizations:** Business and Professional Women's Club, the Women's Resource Centre and the Department of Children and Family Services

**Location:** George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Opening ceremony, legal clinics, clothesline project, children speak quilt, distribution of campaign materials, Healthy Relationships Workshop; see attached information

**Contact:** Women's Resource Centre; [Miriam.Foster@gov.ky](mailto:Miriam.Foster@gov.ky)

**Website:**

[http://www.wrc.gov.ky/portal/page?\\_pageid=1119,3469726&\\_dad=portal&\\_schema=PORTAL](http://www.wrc.gov.ky/portal/page?_pageid=1119,3469726&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL) or  
[http://www.humanrights.ky/portal/page?\\_pageid=1548,3466995&\\_dad=portal&\\_schema=PORTAL](http://www.humanrights.ky/portal/page?_pageid=1548,3466995&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL)

## **CHILE**

**Organization:** EME -Masculinidades y Equidad de Género, CulturaSalud, Chile

**Location:** Chile

**Date:** sent on November 26, 2008

**Description:** Mass outreach and awareness-raising, sending postcards out to men with the White Ribbon campaign message

**Contact:** [faguayo@culturasalud.cl](mailto:faguayo@culturasalud.cl)

**Website:** <http://eme.cl/2008/11/campaa-del-lazo-blanco-hombres.html> and [www.culturasalud.cl](http://www.culturasalud.cl)

## **COLOMBIA**

**Organizations:** Grupo de Varones por una Nueva Masculinidad, Grupo de Mujeres de la Quinta Edad y Colectivo RESUCITANDO, Grupo Tierra de Mujeres Jóvenes en Bogotá, Fundación Diálogo Mujer

**Location:** Bogotá, Colombia

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** « INCIDENCIA, SENSIBILIZACION y DIFUSION » Awareness-raising activities through radio and television broadcasts, distribution of campaign materials, workshops with men

**Contact:** [nuevamasculinidad@gmail.com](mailto:nuevamasculinidad@gmail.com), [dialogomujer@gmail.com](mailto:dialogomujer@gmail.com), [mujerquintaedad@hotmail.com](mailto:mujerquintaedad@hotmail.com), [mujerestierra13@hotmail.com](mailto:mujerestierra13@hotmail.com)

## **EL SALVADOR**

**Organization:** La Asociacion de Mujeres de Santa Ana "Amanecer," PNC (National Civil Police), ISNA (Instituto Salvadoreño para el Desarrollo Integral de la Niñez y la Adolescencia), ISDEMU (Instituto Salvadoreño para el Desarrollo de la Mujer)

**Location:** Santa Ana, El Salvador

**Date:** November 25, 2008

**Description:** Public march to denounce Violence Against Women

**Contact:** [camtherinemelicha@yahoo.es](mailto:camtherinemelicha@yahoo.es)

**Organization:** Equipo Foro Permanente de Estudios sobre Masculinidades

**Location:** San Salvador, El Salvador

**Date:** November 27-29, 2008

**Description:** Encuentro Nacional de Masculinidades 2008

**Contact:** [foromasculinidades@gmail.com](mailto:foromasculinidades@gmail.com)

**Website:** <http://foro-masculinidades.blogspot.com/2008/11/inscripcion-abierta-encuentro-nacional.html>

## GRENADA

**Organization:** Grenada National Organisation of Women (GNOW)

**Location:** Grenada, various locations

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Workshop, displays, public forums, march to end Violence Against Women and HIV; see attached calendar

**Contact:** [gnow\\_grenada@hotmail.com](mailto:gnow_grenada@hotmail.com)

**Websites:** Audio address by Prime Minister Tillman Thomas about 16 Days events:

<http://www.grenadabroadcast.com/content/view/3894/1/> and article

<http://www.grenadabroadcast.com/content/view/3895/1/>

## MEXICO

**Organization:** Oasis of Daisies (Oasis de margaritas)

**Location:** Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Film viewing, lectures by various local NGOs to raise awareness and invite to take part in such campaigns, debate, and informative festivals where local artists will perform songs that talk about the situation of women living in violent situations; please see attached calendar

**Contact:** Cynthia Cristina Orendain; [cynthia.orendain@gmail.com](mailto:cynthia.orendain@gmail.com)

**Organization:** Defensa Jurídica y Educación para Mujeres S.C

**Location:** México, Distrito Federal

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Cursos, talleres, charlas y conferencias sobre perspectiva de género, violencia, derechos y acceso a la justicia para las mujeres dirigido al funcionariado público tanto del nivel local como federal. Además un folleto alusivo a reivindicar y promover los derechos humanos de las mujeres.

**Contact:** Elizabeth Ferreras Blanco; [veredathemis@yahoo.com.mx](mailto:veredathemis@yahoo.com.mx)

**Organizations:** La Marcha Mundial de las Mujeres (the World March of Women) en México; COFEMO, Mafaldas, Colem, CIAM, CODIMUJ

**Locations:** Ciudad Juárez el 24 de Noviembre 2008, Chihuahua (24 y 25 nov), Saltillo (26 nov), Torreón (27 nov), Ciudad Gómez Palacios (27 nov), DF (29 nov), Oaxaca (30 nov), llegando a San Cristóbal de Las Casas, Chiapas el 1 de diciembre.

**Dates:** November 24 – December 2

**Description:** La Marcha Mundial de las Mujeres es un movimiento internacional que surgió desde 1998 con el objetivo de luchar por los derechos de las mujeres. Sus ejes estratégicos desde su inicio han sido: CONTRA LA POBREZA Y CONTRA LA VIOLENCIA HACIA LAS MUJERES. Por lo anterior, decidimos realizar la Campaña Un Millón de Firmas para exigir la Seguridad de la Vida de las Mujeres que se inició en Septiembre 2007 y se concluirá con la realización de la Marcha Caravana Contra la Violencia hacia las Mujeres. Las demandas centrales de la Marcha Caravana son: Alto a los Femicidios, No a la Militarización, Libertad a presas políticas, Declaratoria de alerta violencia de género, y Alto a la represión de los movimientos sociales. Les invitamos a acompañarnos en la conferencia de prensa que llevaremos a cabo el lunes 24 de noviembre a las 9:30 a.m. en Tierradentro ubicado en Real de Guadalupe No. 24, San Cristóbal de Las Casas para informarles de todas las actividades a realizar el 1 y 2 de diciembre. Algunas de las actividades a realizar son el Tribunal contra la impunidad y la violencia hacia las Mujeres, el Cierre de la Campaña Un Millón de Firmas y la Conferencia de Prensa con los resultados del Tribunal y el Observatorio de Femicidios en México.

**Contact:** [mmmmexico@gmail.com](mailto:mmmmexico@gmail.com)

**Website:** <http://mmmchiapas.wordpress.com/> or <http://mafaldaslibres.blogspot.com/>

**Organization:** Circulo de Estudios y Acciones Juridicias y de Género

**Location:** Chiapas, Mexico

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Asistencia jurídica a mujeres de bajos recursos, un foro con mujeres indígenas y jóvenes estudiantes de derecho, talleres de seguimiento en las comunidades, que es importante para articular los movimientos de mujeres indígenas con jóvenes que se sensibilicen en la problemática desarrollando sus habilidades para la defensa de los derechos de las mujeres.

**Contact:** [lupitaelizalde@prodigy.net.mx](mailto:lupitaelizalde@prodigy.net.mx)

**Organization:** Instituto Nacional de las Mujeres (INMUJERES)

**Location:** Throughout Mexico

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Launch of national campaign « Hombres contra la violencia » (Men Against Violence), radio and television broadcasts, public posters, website with information about violent relationships, etc.; see attached statement

**Contact:** [contacto@inmujeres.gob.mx](mailto:contacto@inmujeres.gob.mx)

**Website:** <http://www.inmujeres.gob.mx/dgpe/vidasinviolencia/>

**Organization:** Cihuatan, Lugar de Mujeres

**Location:** Nezahualcoyotl, Mexico

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** [ana.t.tb@hotmail.com](mailto:ana.t.tb@hotmail.com)

## PARAGUAY

**Organization:** Amnistía Internacional Paraguay, Asistencia para la Rehabilitación de la Violencia Masculina (APREVIM) Base Educativa y Comunitaria de Apoyo (BECA), Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir-Py, Centro de Documentación y Estudios (CDE), Centro de Educación, Capacitación y

Tecnología Campesina (CECTEC), Comité de América Latina y el Caribe para la Defensa de los Derechos de la Mujer (CLADEM-Py), Coordinadora de Derechos Humanos del Paraguay (CODEHUPY), Colectivo de Mujeres "25 de Noviembre", Decidamos, Dirección de Políticas de Género de la Municipalidad de Asunción, Grupo Luna Nueva, India Juliana, Las Ramonas Organización de Feministas Jóvenes, PARES/Altervida, Radio Viva, Servicios de Formación y Estudios de la Mujer (SEFEM), Servicio Ecuménico de Promoción Alternativa - Programa Mujer (SEPA)

**Location:** National - Paraguay

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** See attached calendar for full details

**Contact:** [16diasdeactivismo.py@gmail.com](mailto:16diasdeactivismo.py@gmail.com)

**Website:** <http://www.16diasdeactivismoparaguay.wordpress.com/>

## TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

**Organization:** Caribbean Association for Feminist Research and Action/Trinidad & Tobago (CAFRA T&T)

**Location:** Saith Park, Manick Street, Chaguanas, Trinidad & Tobago

**Date:** November 29, 2008 at 8:00a.m.

**Description:** Walk through the borough of Chaguanas to commemorate the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women; please see attached flyer and press release

**Contact:** [taratnt@tstt.net.tt](mailto:taratnt@tstt.net.tt)

## Middle East and North Africa

### IRAQ

**Organization:** Asuda for Combating Violence Against Women

**Location:** Sulaymaniyah, in the Kurdistan region of Iraq

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Seminars in schools with girls and boys, distribution of campaign materials, radio broadcasting programs on gender-based violence, public awareness campaign, information about international conventions and resolutions related to GBV; see attached report

**Contact:** [manager@asuda.org](mailto:manager@asuda.org)

**Website:** [www.asuda.org](http://www.asuda.org)

### JORDAN

**Organization:** The International Rescue Committee (IRC)

**Location:** Amman, Jordan

**Date:** November 24, 2008

**Description:** "No to Violence Against Women" Session - Half day session to talk about VAW, share thoughts, experiences and program ideas liable to improve our efficiency in our work, to be able to respond better to and make a difference for those with no voice. It will be a light interactive session, a film, some drama, and a colorful PP presentation

**Contact:** [advocacy@theIRC.org](mailto:advocacy@theIRC.org)

## PALESTINE

**Organizations:** UNIFEM, the UN Development Programme (UNDP), UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), UN Population Fund (UNFPA), World Health Organization (WHO), High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), three Palestinian Authority ministries and 15 local non-governmental organizations (NGOs)

**Location:** Ramallah and Gaza, West Bank

**Date:** December 5, 2008

**Description:** Festival to combat violence against women, with a focus on the issues of "honor killings," breaking the silence around domestic violence, and involving youth (especially young men) in ending violence against women and girls.

**Contact:** admin.jordan@unifem.org

## North America

### CANADA

**Organization:** University of Toronto, Status of Women Office

**Location:** Great Hall, Hart House (7 Hart House Circle, Toronto, ON)

**Date:** Friday, December 5, 2008; 12:00pm-1:00pm

**Description:** December 6th marks Canada's National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women. Join students, staff and faculty as we reflect on gender-based violence, honour the women killed in the Montreal Massacre, and consider concrete actions to eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls. All are welcome.

The satellite campuses are holding memorials as well:

University of Toronto at Mississauga: Friday, December 5, 2008, 12:00pm-1:00pm,  
Student Centre; Presentation Room

University of Toronto at Scarborough: TBA

**Contact:** status.women@utoronto.ca or (416) 978-2196

**Website:** [www.status-women.utoronto.ca](http://www.status-women.utoronto.ca)

**Organizations:** Tech Sans Violence (Take Back the Tech) Campaign, PARF d'APC, Alternatives, CDÉACF, Communautaire, Cybersolidaires, L'R des centres de femmes du Québec, Parole citoyenne de l'ONF, Réseau international des femmes de l'Association mondiale des radiodiffuseurs communautaires (AMARC-RIF), and Stella, l'amie de Maimie

**Location:** Montréal, Canada (3720 avenue Du Parc, bureau 300)

**Date:** December 2, 2008 at 7:00-9:00pm

**Description:** « La soirée violence 2.0 » À l'initiative de plusieurs groupes de femmes, d'organisations communautaires et de militant-es des droits de la personne, la soirée violence 2.0 suivra le modèle d'une émission d'affaires publiques sur le thème « violence à l'égard des femmes et technologie ».

L'événement sera filmé et diffusé par Parole citoyenne; See attached flyer

**Contact:** [kmo@cdeacf.ca](mailto:kmo@cdeacf.ca)

**Website:** [www.techsansviolence.net](http://www.techsansviolence.net)

**Organization:** Sandgate Women's Shelter of Georgina Inc. with United Way of York Region

**Location:** Newmarket, Ontario (Regional Municipality of York, Seminar Room 17250 Yonge St.)

**Date:** December 5, 2008 at 5:30 – 8:30p.m.



**Description:** “Soraya’s Story” – A Documentary on violence against women, testimonies of women survivors of abuse, awareness and prevention of violence against women, commemoration of the Montreal Massacre, a social and educational evening open to the community; please see attached flyer  
**Contact:** Jehan A. Chaudhry; [Jchaudhry@sandgate.ca](mailto:Jchaudhry@sandgate.ca) or Reem Ali (905) 887-0346 / 1-888-698-8986x206

**Organization:** Gender and Peacebuilding Working Group, Peacebuild

**Location:** Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

**Description:** Evening panel presentation at Carleton University, “Crisis in the Congo,” with two presentations on sexual violence in the Congo and public statements by two MPs on the issue in Parliament. Lunchtime presentation at the Canadian International Development Agency (Govt. of Canada) on GBV in DRC; part of an ongoing effort to include civil society input into the UNFPA program for victims of sexual violence in eastern Congo.

**Contact:** [gender@peacebuild.ca](mailto:gender@peacebuild.ca)

**Website:** <http://www.peacebuild.ca/work-groups-gender-pb-e.php>

**Organizations:** Oxfam Canada, Voices of Positive Women, Business and Professional Women, and the Coalition for a Blueprint for Action on Women and Girls and HIV/AIDS

**Location:** Toronto, Ontario

**Date:** December 1, 2008

**Description:** Fifth annual World AIDS Day breakfast with speakers Kerri Sakamoto, award-winning author, Louise Binder, co-founder of the Blueprint for Action on Women and Girls and HIV/AIDS, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, David Caplan, Councillor Kyle Rae, and Chair of Voices of Positive Women, Irene Masinde. The breakfast was attended by politicians, bureaucrats, healthcare providers, researchers, AIDS community members, business people, non-governmental organizations and youth, and speakers addressed the needs and issues faced by women and girls in the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

**Contact:** Khatundi-Irene Masinde; [khatundi@ladyirene.org](mailto:khatundi@ladyirene.org)

**Website:** <http://www.ladyirene.org>

## UNITED STATES

**Organization:** Family Violence Prevention Fund

**Location:** National, USA

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Help Pass the International Violence Against Women Act (I-VAWA)

Reach out to your Representative to encourage her/him to pass the International Violence Against Women Act (I-VAWA) during this year's 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence. I-VAWA is groundbreaking legislation that would, for the first time, systematically integrate efforts to end gender-based violence into foreign assistance programs, applying the force of U.S. diplomacy and foreign aid to prevent the abuse and exploitation that affects up to one in three women worldwide. It was introduced in the House of Representatives this year, and the Senate in 2007. We expect it to be re-introduced in the 111th Congress.

**Contact:** [info@endabuse.org](mailto:info@endabuse.org)

**Website:** <http://action.endabuse.org/fvpf/issues/alert/?alertid=12239571&PROCESS=Take+Action>

**Organization:** The ENOUGH Project of the Center for American Progress - RAISE Hope for Congo Campaign

**Location:** National, USA

**Dates:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** The Enough Project is calling on the public to sign a petition asking the U.S. government to act immediately to end the violence against women and children in the eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo.

**Contact:** [congocampaign@enoughproject.org](mailto:congocampaign@enoughproject.org)

**Website:** [www.raisehopeforcongo.org](http://www.raisehopeforcongo.org)

## **ARKANSAS (AK)**

**Organization:** Zonta Club of Fort Smith

**Location:** Fort Smith, Arkansas

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Library display, Daily email updates. On Dec 10, our club is sponsoring a forum and reception to discuss 16 Days and celebrate UDHR60. Open to the public, all women's organizations in the area will be specifically invited. One of the women speaking is a state representative who continues to fight for passage of the Equal Rights Amendment. In addition, our mayor will make a proclamation honoring December 10 as the 60th anniversary of the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; see attached flyer

**Contact:** Sheryl Flanagin, Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Chairman; [Sherylflan@aol.com](mailto:Sherylflan@aol.com)

## **CALIFORNIA (CA)**

**Organization:** Survivors International

**Co-sponsors:** Amnesty International USA Western Region, UC Hastings Center for Gender and Refugee Studies, United Nations Association of San Francisco, and United Nations Association of the East Bay.

**Location:** 7-10 pm Freedom Archives <<http://www.freedomarchives.org/>>

522 Valencia @ 16th (SF)

**Date:** December 10, 2008

**Description:** Join us for the screening of two documentary films on Asylum and Gender-Based Violence: "Dangerous Living: Coming out in the Developing World" and "Asylum". Guest speaker Kim Seelinger of UC Hastings Center for Gender and Refugee Studies will discuss their important work on Gender-Based Asylum in San Francisco. Screenings and Presentation will be followed by a Write-A-Thon to take action on these important issues for women worldwide.

**Contact:** Cecilia Lipp, Survivors International, [cecilialipp@survivorsintl.org](mailto:cecilialipp@survivorsintl.org)

**Organization:** Amnesty International USA, Western Region

**Co-sponsor:** Survivors International

**Location:** 5-7 pm 111 Minna Gallery <<http://www.111minnagallery.com/>>, 111 Minna @ 2nd (SF)

**Date:** WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10th

**Description:** "Qoöl: Happy Hour to write letters around the world"

Bring your colleagues and join us after work for a Write-A-Thon and Cocktail Hour at 111 Minna, a premiere gallery and bar in San Francisco. Drinks are not included, admission is free with AIUSA membership card, or with your RSVP.

**Contact:** Walesa Kanarek, Amnesty International USA West, [wkanarek@aiusa.org](mailto:wkanarek@aiusa.org)

**Organization:** United Nations Association of the East Bay

**Co-sponsors:** Survivors International, Human Rights Center, International House, Human Rights Advocates, Amnesty International USA Western Region, Human Rights Watch San Francisco, UC Berkeley Interdisciplinary Studies Field.

**Location:** 12-2 pm UC Berkeley I House <<http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/>>  
Homerroom ~ 2299

Piedmont Avenue (Berkeley)

**Date:** December 10, 2008

**Description:** "PANEL DISCUSSION: 60th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights"

Five expert panelist discuss the human rights implications of their work, the impact of global crises and our recommitment to human rights priorities after 60 years since the drafting of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

**Contact:** Cecilia Lipp, Survivors International, [cecilialipp@survivorsintl.org](mailto:cecilialipp@survivorsintl.org)

**Organization:** UNA's Women's Equity Council, UCSD--Women's Center, USD--Women's Center

**Location:** University of San Diego, IPJ Room 215; 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego, CA 92110

**Date:** December 3, 2008 at 7:00pm

**Description:** Please join us for a constructive dialogue on: "A Culture of Violence? Encouraging a Dialogue between Men & Women"; Panelists: David B. Wexler, Ph.D.—Executive Director, Relationship Training Institute & Author of "When Good Men Behave Badly," Emelyn dela Peña—Director, UCSD Women's Center, Dilkhwaz Ahmed—Director, License to Freedom & Azadi Center, Crystal Green, Ph.D.—Associate Clinical Director, Survivors of Torture, Anne Hoiberg--Moderator

**Contact:** Bettina.Hausmann@gmail.com or 805.403.4773

Previous post:

UNA's Women's Equity Council, American Association of University Women, and League of Women Voters

707 Broadway, 9th Floor, San Diego, CA 92101

November 25, 2008 at 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Tour of San Diego Family Justice Center; International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women is commemorated with a tour of the San Diego Family Justice Center where professionals and services are housed "together under one roof to help victims of family violence." We will meet first in the office of the National Family Justice Center Alliance at 707 Broadway (corner of 8th and Broadway; metered parking on 7th or 8th Avenues), 9th Floor. Casey Gwinn, President of the FJC Alliance Board of Directors and Capt. Guy Swanger, Interim Director of the San Diego Family Justice Center, will discuss the FJC model, a brief history, and the international FJC movement. Then, we tour the San Diego FJC on the 2nd floor. There is no charge for this event.

Please RSVP to Anne at [ahoiberg@aol.com](mailto:ahoiberg@aol.com) or 619.223.8074

**Location:** University of California, Riverside

**Date:** December 3, 2008

**Description:** Candlelight vigil in honor of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence campaign to speak about the goals of the campaign and ask the attendees to commit themselves to a single act that will bring awareness to the campaign's cause.

**Contact:** [nho001@student.ucr.edu](mailto:nho001@student.ucr.edu)

**Organization:** Women's Wisdom Work

**Location:** San Francisco, CA

**Date:** November 25, 28 & 29, 2008

**Description:** Kick off ceremony/press conference at City Hall (25<sup>th</sup> at noon), musical and poetic testimony in the path of recovery from violence “Despues de la Tormenta” at Dance Mission Theater (28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm), First ever Indigenous Wisdom Block Party/Community Barbeque at Capp St. (29<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am – 6:00pm)

**Contact:** mamacoatl@yahoo.com.mx

**Website:** <http://sites.google.com/site/womenswisdomwork/Home/16-days-of-activism-for-women-and-girls>

## NEVADA

**Organization:** Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence (Affiliated Agencies: Advocates to End Domestic Violence of Hawthorne, ALIVE of Yerington, Committee Against Domestic Violence of Elko, Committee to Aid Abused Women of Reno, Domestic Violence Intervention of Fallon, Domestic Violence Intervention of Lovelock, Safe Embrace of Reno, S.A.F.E. House of Henderson, Safe Nest of Las Vegas, Tahoe Women’s Services of Incline Village, and Winnemucca Domestic Violence Shelter, Inc.)

**Location:** Statewide coalition

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Support of the 16 Days Campaign; see attached press release

**Contact:** mariak@nnadv.org

## NEW JERSEY (NJ)

**Organization:** Family Success Center-East of Ironbound Community Corporation, American Friends Service Committee, and St. Stephen’s Grace Community Lutheran Church

**Location:** Newark, NJ

**Date:** November 25, 2008 & December 10, 2008

**Description:** (November 25) Screenings of film *In the Time of the Butterflies* and media advisory; see attached calendar for more details about the location of screenings; (December 10) Candlelight vigil to commemorate the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and to focus on housing rights as a human right. Meet at Family Success Center-East (29-31 Cortland St., Newark, NJ 07105) and walk to Hyatt Court; see attached flyers in English and Spanish

**Contact:** Cyndi Mellon; 973-344-5949

**Organization:** Zonta Club of Northern Valley, NJ (northern Bergen County)

**Location:**

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** Mary Ann Tarantula;

**Website:**

**Organization:** Radigals, Men for an End, Department of Sexual Assault Services & Crime Victim Assistance, Rutgers Health Services, SCREAM Theater, Amnesty International, Douglass Black Student Congress, Omega Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated, NAACP, Office of Social Justice Education and LGBT Communities, BiGLARU, LLEGO, Center for Women’s Global Leadership

**Location:** Rutgers University, New Brunswick Campuses

**Date:** December 1 – 10

**Description:** Free HIV testing, Movie screenings, student outreach with tabling, Street theater performances, lectures, white ribbon campaign pledge, library exhibit; please see attached calendar for more details

**Contact:** 16days@cwgl.rutgers.edu

## **NEW YORK (NY)**

**Organization:** Undergraduate Student Government - Hunter College, CUNY

**Co-sponsors:** Women's Rights Coalition and Mu Sigma Upsilon Sorority, Inc

**Location:** 695 Park Ave New York City, Thomas Hunter Building Room 105

**Date:** November 25 – December 10

**Description:** Workshops and Presentations by: The Mayor's Office to Combat Domestic Violence and the Puerto Rican Family Institute Health Education. Film Screening *In the Time of the Butterflies*. Sustained campus outreach and distribution of campaign materials.

**Contact:** Tina Galvez; [tgalve@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:tgalve@hunter.cuny.edu)

**Organization:** UNIFEM Say NO to Violence

**Location:** ECOSOC Chamber, United Nations, New York

**Date:** November 25, 2008

**Time:** 13:15 – 14:45

**Description:** Join UNIFEM and UNIFEM's Goodwill Ambassador, Nicole Kidman, for a high-level event on advocacy and action to end violence against women, featuring the presentation of all signatures to UNIFEM's Say NO campaign to United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon.

**Contact:** RSVP by 19 November 2008 @ <http://www.unifem.org/rsvp/event/2>

**Website:** <http://www.unifem.org/>

**Organization:** Sarah Lawrence College

**Location:** Bronxville, New York

**Date:** December 10, 2008

**Description:** Celebration of International Human Rights Day. This is a campus and community-wide event that will be held at Sarah Lawrence from 9AM to 10 PM.

**Contact:** Jasmine Rivera; [jmrivera@gm.slc.edu](mailto:jmrivera@gm.slc.edu)

**Organization:** International Rescue Committee (IRC)

**Location:** IRC Headquarters, New York, NY

**Date:** November 25, 2008, 1:00-2:00 pm

**Description:** Panel discussion highlighting how the IRC is working to help realize the human rights of women and girls in Thailand; see attached flyer

**Contact:** Karrin Smoley; [karrin.smoley@theirc.org](mailto:karrin.smoley@theirc.org)

**Website:** [theIRC.org](http://theIRC.org)

**Organization:** The Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children

**Co-sponsors:** ARC Relief, CARE, the Global Fund for Women, Crisis Group, IMC Worldwide, the IRC, Mercy Corps, UNFPA

**Location:** Marymount Manhattan College, Theresa Lang Theatre, 221 East 71<sup>st</sup> St, NYC

**Date:** December 8, 2008 at 7:00pm

**Description:** Join us for our inaugural Julia Taft lecture on "Beyond Firewood: Stopping Violence against Women in the Developing World," with speaker Stephen Lewis

The Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children is proud to present the first annual lecture in memory of Julia Taft. Julia Taft worked tirelessly as a forceful advocate of programs to protect women and girls in developing countries, ensuring their full participation in their communities. She served as assistant secretary of state, the head of InterAction and director of the United Nations Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery.

Stephen Lewis, co-director of AIDS-Free World, a new international AIDS advocacy organization, will address the issue of violence against women in the developing world. He is a former Special Envoy to UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan and Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF.

**Contact:** Seating is limited. RSVP to [events@womenscommission.org](mailto:events@womenscommission.org)

**Website:** [http://www.womenscommission.org/special/taft\\_08.php](http://www.womenscommission.org/special/taft_08.php)

**Organization:** Zonta Club of New Rochelle

**Location:** New Rochelle, NY

**Date:** December 2, 2008; 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM

**Description:** Listen in to our Radio Broadcast on gender violence world-wide: [www.wvox.com](http://www.wvox.com). Hear last year's broadcast or download a podcast: [www.zontanewrochelle.blogspot.com](http://www.zontanewrochelle.blogspot.com)

**Contact:** (914) 637-1020 tel. (914) 637 1021 fax

**Website:** [www.wvox.com](http://www.wvox.com)

**Organization:** Amnesty International – Stop Violence Against Women Campaign

**Location:** New York, NY (1199 SEIU Conference Center –33<sup>rd</sup> Floor; 330 West 42<sup>nd</sup> St)

**Date:** November 25, 2008; 6:00 – 9:00 PM

**Description:** Women Human Rights Defenders Raising their Voices Against Violence and Poverty Worldwide; see flyer

**Contact:** Please RSVP to [SVAWteamCP@amnesty.org](mailto:SVAWteamCP@amnesty.org)

**Website:** [www.amnestyusa.org/ivawa](http://www.amnestyusa.org/ivawa)

**Organization:** Bahá'í International Community, co-sponsored by the United Nations Population Fund

**Location:** United Nations Conference Room 6, New York City

**Date:** December 4, 2008 at 1:15-2:30pm

**Description:** "The Role and Value of Faith-Based Organizations in Combating Violence Against Women and Girls" Speakers: Dr. Azza Karam (Cultural Adviser, UNFPA), Marc-André Dorel (Program Officer, DESA), Lisa Locke (Director of Institutional Support, WFDA), Vasu Mohan (Deputy Director, Europe and Asia, IFES); see attached flyer

**Contact:** [oaw-nyc@bic.org](mailto:oaw-nyc@bic.org)

**Organization:** CUNY

**Location:** Proshansky Auditorium, CUNY, New York City

**Date:** December 10, 2008 at 7:30pm

**Description:** A Concert Celebration: 60th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; Thiago de Mello and Amazon Special Guest Ithamara Koorax, World Premiere: A Flame in the Dark Speakers will include: William Kelly (President, The Graduate Center, CUNY), Charlotte Bunch (Center for Women's Global Leadership, Rutgers University), Monica Aleman (International Indigenous Women's Forum), Hossein Alizadeh (International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission - IGLHRC), Catherine Albisa (National Economic and Social Rights Initiative - NESRI), Host Blanche Wiesen Cook (Distinguished Professor of History, The Graduate Center, CUNY) FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

**Contact:** No registration necessary; 212-817-2005

**Organization:** Out Against Abuse and CONNECT

**Location:** New York City, NY

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** Sabrin Chowdhury; [sabrin@outagainstabuse.com](mailto:sabrin@outagainstabuse.com)

**Website:**

## **WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**Organization:** Physicians for Human Rights & \_\_\_\_\_

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Date:**

**Description:**

**Contact:** Olga Khazan; [okhazan@phrusa.org](mailto:okhazan@phrusa.org)