

SURVIVOR

WARIF
WOMEN AT RISK
INTERNATIONAL FUNDING

PROGRESS REPORT



496
BENEFICIARIES

either called our 24-hour confidential toll-free help line or visited the centre.

REPORTED CASES



VISITORS TO THE CENTRE **23%**



HELPLINE CALLERS **77%**

TREATMENT LANDSCAPE FOR SURVIVORS



FORENSIC EXAMINATIONS **24%**



LAB TEST **24%**



COUNSELLING ONLY **27%**



WELFARE **26%**

CASES MANAGED



DEFILEMENT **75%**



RAPE **6%**



SEXUAL ASSAULT **6%**



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE **11%**

CATEGORY OF SURVIVORS

MINORS **76%**

ADULTS **24%**

OUR 24HR CONFIDENTIAL TOLL-FREE HELPLINE - 0800-9210-0009



Our 3rd quarter of 2024 kicked off with the WARIF, in collaboration with M.A.C Viva Glam, expanding the Women Empowerment Program (W.E.P) to new local government areas across Lagos and Oyo State. 150 incredible women participated in this impactful program promoting financial autonomy among survivors through vocational training and financial literacy.

The **WARIF Rape Crisis Centre** continues to see and record more cases daily at the facility with our trained forensic medical examiners also participating in capacity-building training programs by the Centre for Integrated Health Programs addressing the multifaceted aspects of responding to gender-based violence and facilitating survivors' journeys towards their recovery.

The Educational Pillar: The WARIF Educational School Program, supported by Sony Music Global Social Justice Fund, empowers 600 girls aged 14 to 16 with vital knowledge on preventing and responding to gender-based violence.

The **Community Service pillar** commenced with a 5th Cycle of the WARIF Gatekeepers' project in partnership with the Act Foundation with 100 additional Traditional Birth Attendants (TBAs) in Ogun State. By expanding the program to more areas in the southwestern region of the country, the Gatekeeper's project continues to empower the girls and women in these communities as more and more traditional birth attendants effectively respond to cases of rape and sexual violence.

At this year's UN General Assembly meetings held in New York, WARIF participated in a series of high-level meetings and events with a primary focus on the critical role that non-profit organizations like WARIF play in the nexus of health, climate change, and gender. We thank our partners, friends of WARIF, and allies in the cause once again, for another impactful quarter with your continued support.

We are stronger together!

MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER



KEMI DA SILVA IBRU

MAJOR STORY:

M.A.C VIVA GLAM PARTNERS WITH WARIF TO EMPOWER FEMALE SURVIVORS OF GBV IN LAGOS AND OYO STATES



WARIF, in collaboration with M.A.C Viva Glam, expanded the Women Empowerment Program (W.E.P) to new local government areas across Lagos and Oyo State. This significant development underscores WARIF's commitment to empowering disenfranchised women, girls, and survivors by providing them with crucial skills necessary for achieving economic independence. The expanded program will enhance opportunities and support for survivors of gender-based violence, furthering our mission to foster transformational change and empowerment in the lives of women and girls in these communities.

The W.E.P. initiative focuses on promoting financial autonomy and independence among survivors through vocational training and the provision of financial literacy skills. This community-based program was designed to raise awareness about sexual violence, empower survivors with financial literacy skills to achieve self-reliance, and offer vocational skills through trained entrepreneurs to ensure financial independence and economic empowerment is within the reach of all women and girls in these rural communities. By tackling the economic factors contributing to GBV and gender inequality, WARIF aims to create pathways for survivors to break free from cycles of dependency and abuse.

A total of 150 incredible women from various communities were trained in Lagos and Oyo, equipping them with skills for financial independence and self-reliance.

INITIATIVES AND PARTNERSHIPS

WARIF PARTNERS with PSHAN on the WARIF FORENSIC MEDICAL TRAINING (FMET) PROGRAM



Women At Risk International Foundation (WARIF) and the Private Sector Health Alliance of Nigeria (PSHAN) signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) in Lagos recently. The WARIF Forensic Medical Examination Training Program will be provided to all personnel at selected primary healthcare centres (PHCs) under PSHAN's Adopt-A-Healthcare-Facility Programme (ADHFP). Collaborating on the partnership, will ensure that survivors of GBV will receive adequate care and justice.

WARIF SPEAKS AT THE "ADOPT-A-HEALTHCARE FACILITY PROGRAMME (ADHFP)"

The Private Sector Health Alliance of Nigeria (PSHAN) and the World Health Organization (WHO) officially signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the "Adopt-A-Healthcare Facility Programme (ADHFP)." This took place at the Civic Centre in Lagos with PSHAN's partners in attendance. This collaboration marks another important step in the collective effort to accelerate access to quality primary healthcare in Nigeria and aligns with the ongoing implementation of the Health Sector Renewal Investment Program (HSRIP) and the Sector Wide Approach (SWAP).



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Women At Risk International Foundation (WARIF)

At the start of the **Warif Education School Program (WESP)**, 600 of the 1000 young girls were coming from the 1000 schools in the project. At the conclusion of the program, 600 girls were able to attend the program. The **Warif Education School Program (WESP)** is a program that provides girls with knowledge on preventing and responding to gender-based violence (GBV) and human trafficking through a comprehensive curriculum and peer-to-peer education. The program also includes a peer-to-peer mentorship, where each participating girl reaches out to ten peers over six months to share their training. "For the **Warif Education School Program (WESP)**, 600 girls reached out to over 4,000 girls through their peer education activities," reports DaSilva-Ibru. "As a result, 600 girls benefited and 4,000 indirect beneficiaries as a result of the program implementation."

600 direct beneficiaries
4000 indirect beneficiaries

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The Sony Global Social Justice Fund supported the WARIF Education School Program (WESP), designed for girls aged 14 to 16 to access secondary schools in Nigeria and one of WARIF's key programs. "The goal of the program is to empower young girls with knowledge on preventing and appropriate responses to sexual and gender-based violence," says Dr. Kemi DaSilva-Ibru, WARIF's Visionary and Founder. "This was implemented on a budget of \$100 million to reach 600 girls in eight secondary schools in the states of Lagos and Oyo."

WARIF uses a curriculum called the **WESP Manual**, which is comprised of five modules that address various aspects of sexual violence, from understanding it and its consequences to seeking help and reporting it.

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SONY x WARIF: TRANSFORMING THE FUTURE THROUGH EDUCATION

The WESP, supported by Sony Music Global Social Justice Fund, empowers girls aged 14 to 16 with vital knowledge on preventing and responding to gender-based violence. Through a comprehensive curriculum and peer-to-peer education, the program has reached over 4,000 girls, extending its impact far beyond the initial 600 participants. At the start of the WARIF Education School Program (WESP), 466 out of 600 young girls scored below the 50th percentile. By the end of the program, 544 had achieved scores above 85%, highlighting the

program's profound impact. Dr. Kemi DaSilva-Ibru, WARIF's Visionary, and Founder, stated that the significant change in these girls is not just in their academic performance but also in their self-esteem, attitude, and mindset. Together, WARIF x SONY are making strides toward a safer and more informed future.

ACT FOUNDATION PARTNERS WITH WARIF ON FIFTH CYCLE OF THE WARIF GATE KEEPERS PROJECT

With the support of ACT Foundation, the WARIF Gatekeepers WARIF Gatekeepers Project program once more has expanded to include 100 additional Traditional Birth Attendants (TBAs) in the Ado Odo Ota Local Government Area of Ogun State. These TBAs received specialized training and resources to raise awareness, support survivors of rape and gender-based violence (GBV), and continue the vital tradition of providing first responder care and services to survivors within their local communities.



WARIF CLOSES OUT THE WARIF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GIRL OPPORTUNITY ALLIANCE – OBAMA FOUNDATION

At the close-out ceremony of the WARIF Education School Program in partnership with the Girls Opportunity Alliance. WARIF successfully implemented the WARIF Educational School program in three senior girls' secondary schools across in Oyo state, Nigeria. These senior secondary school girls were equipped with the knowledge and

the tools to assist in the prevention of gender-based violence, highlighting the prevalence of cases of sexual violence and rape in the society. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Girls Opportunity Alliance and all those who have contributed in various ways to our partnership, which is dedicated to safeguarding the well-being of young girls and striving to create a haven for all within our society.

WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

WARIF team members, led by the Head of General Services, Ms. Bridget Taremotimi, joined NAP TIP and other state CSOs in Ikeja LGA, Lagos State, to commemorate the World Day against Trafficking in Persons. As we observe the World Day against Trafficking in Persons with the theme "Leave No Child Behind in the Fight Against Trafficking in Persons," let us remember that children have rights, including the right to protection from violent crimes and exploitation, the right to education, and the right to life.



AWARDS AND EVENTS

THE 79TH EDITION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY (UNGA24)

The 79th United Nations General Assembly kicked off with a dynamic week of meetings and events gathering global leaders, governments, private sector entities, and influential philanthropic organizations like WARIF. Our founder, Dr. Kemi Dasilva Ibru, had the privilege to engage in high-level discussions focusing on gender issues, the intersection of health, climate, and gender, and the pivotal role of non-profit organizations such as WARIF in advancing these critical areas. Highlights included: United Nations HQ Summit of the Future 2024, launch of the Civil Society Steering Committee Meeting, GoalKeepers2024, Concordia Summit 2024, Africa Philanthropy's #UNGA-APF: The Road to Marrakech event. Global Citizen's Health & Climate Financing Sessions, where Dr. DaSilva was a panelist - highlighting the nexus of health, gender, and climate change, the Global Africa Business Initiative (GABI)'s Unstoppable Africa 2024 Nigeria Governors Spouses Forum & Destination2030 Nigeria and Goal House's: impactful Women in Philanthropy and Impact Africa Launch session spotlighted growth and social development across Africa. Key discussions on Women's Leadership and African youth navigating a changing world underscored the event's significance. Notably, the Nigerian Governors Spouses Stakeholders Session highlighted cultural importance and emphasized the creative industry's role. WARIF remains steadfast in its commitment to the #2030agenda and achieving #SDG5 on Gender Equality.



WARIF ATTENDS THE 2024 AFRICA SOCIAL IMPACT SUMMIT (ASIS)

Team WARIF attended the two-day 2024 Africa Social Impact Summit (ASIS), co-convened by Sterling Foundation and the United Nations Nigeria. The summit, themed “Reimagining Progress: A New Blueprint for Sustainable Growth in Africa,” sparked vital discussions on sustainable development across the continent. Our founder Dr. Kemi Dasilva Ibru, joined other distinguished speakers at a strategic, high-level roundtable of key players in the public and private healthcare sector in an insightful



discussion on “Achieving Goal 3: Health and Wellbeing for all by 2030 – A Panacea to Africa’s Health Economy and Sustainable Prosperity.” Africa Social Impact Summit’s (ASIS) mission is to inspire investors to support existing African solutions addressing critical issues such as climate change, circular economy, education, health, WASH, renewable energy, and agriculture.



ADVANCING GENDER EQUALITY AND COMBATING VIOLENCE: INSIGHTS FROM THE #16DAYSOFACTIVISM ROUNDTABLE IN NIGERIA

In anticipation of **#16DaysOfActivism**, Deputy High Commissioner Mr. Jonny Baxter in partnership with Live Abundantly convened a roundtable with key stakeholders in the gender space to share insights and advance efforts in combating sexual and gender-based violence, promoting a safer and more equitable future for women and girls in Nigeria.

The event, themed “From Awareness to Action: Driving Change Against Sexual and Gender-Based Violence,” centered on the opportunities and challenges in enhancing responses to GBV Nigeria, while highlighting the importance of collaboration between the British Deputy High Commission and Civil Society groups in addressing these issues. Our founder, Dr. DaSilva-Ibru emphasized the impact of school-based intervention programs like the **#warifboysconvocafe** on changing the narrative and driving social change against gender-based violence.

WARIF SPEAKS AT THE 3RD EDITION OF THE ALPHA CARE EARLY YEARS CHILDCARE CONFERENCE

Ms. Gloria Joacquim, WARIF’s Head of the Counselling Unit, represented WARIF at the 3rd edition of the Alpha Care Early Years Childcare Conference in Lagos. The conference, themed “Roots of Resilience: Nurturing Strong Foundations,” attracted over 1500 participants, comprising educators, childcare practitioners, caregivers, parents of young children, and key



stakeholders. Ms. Joacquim spoke on “From Awareness to Action: Educators’ Role in Safeguarding Against Gender-Based Violence,” detailing WARIF’s services: medical examination and treatment, forensic medical examination, HIV/STD/pregnancy tests, drug administration (post-exposure HIV prophylaxis, morning-after pill), psycho-social counseling, social welfare (shelter, legal aid, vocational referrals), and our 24hr confidential helpline (0800-9210-0009). The presentation also highlighted WARIF’s impact and the referral pathway for survivors of rape and sexual violence to access services at the WARIF Rape Crisis Centre, significantly increasing awareness.



THE ROLE OF MEDIA IN ADVOCATING FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND POLITICAL LEADERSHIP IN NIGERIA

Our founder, Dr. Kemi DaSilva-Ibru was invited to attend the *Roundtable with Media Executives in Nigeria*, organized by UN Women. The discussion focused on critical issues like the repeal of the VAPP Act, women's political leadership, and the essential role of media in raising awareness about gender-based violence. Key discussions included: Emphasizing women's leadership in media, Engaging national and global stakeholders, and Unified media support for women's empowerment.

STRENGTHENING COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS TO COMBAT SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN LAGOS STATE

The Lagos State Domestic Violence Agency reaffirms its commitment to preventing sexual violence in the state at its 10th anniversary summit where our founder, Dr. Kemi Dasilva Ibru, was invited to give a goodwill message at the recent symposium, supported by ROLAC Nigeria and the European Union Nigeria.



Present at the event were Chief Judge of Lagos State, Hon. Justice Kazeem Alogba, who Hon Justice H.O. Oshodi represented. The AIG Adegoke Fayoade Assistant Inspector General of Police Zone 2 and Mrs. Ajibola Ijimakinwa of Rolac/Idea.

THE ROLE OF TRADITIONAL AND RELIGIOUS LEADERS IN SHAPING GENDER NORMS AND PROMOTING SOCIAL INCLUSION

The Policy Innovation Centre held its annual Gender Inclusion Summit, focused on how Traditional and Religious Leaders play critical roles in addressing harmful gender norms leveraging enablers such as a supportive legislative framework as policy advocates to build inclusive transformative societies



Present at the event were, Her Majesty Queen Adenuga, Her Majesty Queen Adenuga (Queen Consort of Warri Kingdom), Fr. Atta Barkindo, PhD, Sheikh M. Nurudeen Lemu (Director, Development Initiative of West Africa), WARIF's founder Dr. Kemi DaSilva-Ibru.

COURTESY VISITS

WARIF PAYS A FAMILIARIZATION VISIT TO THE NATIONAL AGENCY FOR THE PROHIBITION OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS (NAPTIP) ZONAL HEAD OFFICE

The WARIF Team, led by Ms. Bridget Taremotimi, visited NAPTIP's Zonal Head Office in Lagos, meeting with Zonal Commandant Ms. Comfort Agboko and other officials. We shared WARIF's mission and services for survivors of sexual violence, discussed our "WARIF Approach," and explored collaboration to combat gender-based violence and support trafficked persons.



WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION VISITS THE WARIF RAPE CRISIS CENTRE

Members of the World Health Organization (W. H. O) led by Ms. Opinia Sylvia, PRS coordinator and her team members Ms. Inigbehe Oyinloye PRS Technical Officer, and Ms. Uchechi Ekezie Program Assistant, paid a courtesy visit to the WARIF Rape Crisis Centre. The WARIF Team, led by Head, of General Services, Ms. Bridget Taremotimi warmly welcomed the W.H.O team and guided them on a tour of the centre. During the visit, they learned about the distinctive "WARIF Approach" and the impactful initiatives we have implemented to address Gender-Based Violence in Nigeria.



PROVIDUS BANK TEAM VISIT THE WARIF RAPE CRISIS CENTRE

At the WARIF rape crisis centre, we were honored to host Ms. Olufunke Jones, Divisional Head of Corporate Banking at Providus Bank, and her team. Our founder, Dr. Kemi DaSilva Ibru, extended a warm welcome and provided a comprehensive tour of our facility.

During the visit, Ms. Jones learned about the "WARIF Approach" and engaged in discussions about strategies for reaching more survivors of rape and sexual assault. The Providus team also explored potential partnership opportunities to advance the fight against Gender-Based Violence in Nigeria.





COLLABORATIVE STRATEGIES FOR SUPPORTING SURVIVORS OF GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE: INSIGHTS FROM THE WARIF RAPE CRISIS CENTRE AND MCKINSEY LAGOS

We recently had the privilege of hosting Mr. Peter Gaius-Obaseki, Partner at McKinsey Lagos, at the WARIF Rape Crisis Centre. Our founder, Dr. Kemi DaSilva Ibru, gave him a warm welcome and a thorough tour of our facility. During his visit, Mr. Gaius-Obaseki learned about our unique "WARIF Approach" and engaged in insightful discussions on strategies to reach and support more survivors of rape and sexual assault. We are grateful for the support and collaboration as we continue our mission to create a safer world for women and girls.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS VICE CHANCELLOR AND TEAM MEMBERS VISIT THE WARIF RAPE CRISIS CENTRE

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Folasade Tolulope Ogunsola (F.A.S), alongside her team members, recently paid a courtesy visit to the WARIF Rape Crisis Centre. Our founder, Dr. Kemi DaSilva Ibru, warmly welcomed the team. During the visit, the Vice-Chancellor learned about our unique "WARIF Approach" and engaged in meaningful discussions on strategies to better reach and support survivors of rape and sexual assault. We are grateful for their support and collaboration as

we continue our mission to create a safer world for women and girls. Also discussed were areas of collaboration and better ways to raise awareness to the issues around gender-based violence.



STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS FOR IMPACT: IMPLEMENTING THE UN WOMEN LEAP PROJECT IN NIGERIA

The UN Women Representative to Nigeria and ECOWAS, Ms. Beatrice Eyong, paid a courtesy visit to the WARIF Rape Crisis Centre. As new partners in implementing the UN Women Leap Project, key WARIF Program leads in executing the project were summoned and discussed in this meeting areas and ways of implementation across the selected state in Nigeria.



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE NEXT QUARTER

1. 2024 WARIF No Tolerance March.
2. WARIF x H.P – WARIF's Girl Project
3. WARIF Educational School Program, Boys Conversation Café x Tulsi Chanrai Foundation (T.C.F)
4. WARIF X UN WOMEN – The Leap Project (Gatekeepers)

SPECIAL THANKS

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Health Program

Aliko Dangote
Foundation



SUPPORT US

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₦92,000

With **NGN 92,000** a survivor can get access to treatment and 2 follow-up visits over 6 months. Financial and other forms of support can be made as one-off, monthly, quarterly, or annual donation. Any contribution you make is greatly appreciated.

Donate to the **WESP Initiative**. It costs **NGN 55,000** to educate each student being introduced to the WARIF Education School Program

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