

# ANNUAL REPORT



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**NETWORK OF KEY POPULATION  
SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS LTD**

**2023 / 24**

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## ACRONYMS

<b>AGM</b>	Annual General Meeting
<b>BODs</b>	Board of Directors
<b>CMI</b>	CountMeIn
<b>CBO</b>	Community Based Organizations
<b>CSO</b>	Civil society Organizations
<b>CEHURD</b>	Centre for Human Rights and Development
<b>DIC</b>	Drop-in Centers
<b>FAL</b>	Functional Adult Literacy
<b>GBV</b>	Gender Based Violence
<b>HRAPF</b>	Human Rights Awareness and Promotion Forum
<b>JAS</b>	Joint Advocacy for Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights Advocacy program
<b>MARPI</b>	Most At Risk Population Initiative
<b>NGOs</b>	Non-Governmental Organizations
<b>OCA</b>	Organizational Capacity Assessment
<b>PrEP</b>	Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis
<b>PEP</b>	Post Exposure Prophylaxis
<b>SIDA</b>	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency
<b>STI</b>	Sexual transmitted Infections.

## **INTRODUCTION**

The annual report of the Network of Key Population service Organizations LTD is a testament of commitment, action, and impact. It serves to account for the organization's activities over the past year 2023/2024, highlighting the strategic interventions, lessons learned, opportunities and the outcomes achieved. This report is designed to provide transparency and accountability to Network members, stakeholders, partners, and government line ministries showcasing the value and changes brought about by the Networks' work.

## WORD FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS' CHAIRPERSON



**Ms. Shamilah Batte - Chairperson,  
Board of Directors.**

Dear Friends and Colleagues.

On behalf of the BODs, the Network wishes to acknowledge the role played by different partners, and other CSOs in supporting our work. The work that the Network did in the year 2023/24 would not have been possible without your support.

We greatly appreciate the Network members for selfless support, collaboration and commitment towards serving the movement throughout the year 2023/24. Their tremendous efforts in this struggle geared towards promoting community members' rights makes the cause worthwhile.

We thank our donors and development partners for making our work possible through their financial and technical support. Their continued support for flexible solutions to the changing contexts is deeply appreciated.

Finally, we thank all government agencies that we worked with during the year to promote, protect, and respect human rights for all. The Network is very committed and will continue to maximize its efforts towards the realization of its desired mandate.

*Thank  
you*

## WORD FROM THE NATIONAL COORDINATOR



**Ms. Namakula Daisy Nakato**

The year 2024 was pivotal for the Network as it marked the end of its first five-year strategic plan (2020- 2024).

In this report, we share the Network's work during the final year of the implementation of its first strategic plan. We highlight the organization's activities, programs, accomplishments, and financial position for the year 2024.

The Network continued to operate as a going concern during 2023/24. The Network held its 4th AGM on 8th December 2023. Currently, with a membership of 62 organizations/ groups. The BOD continues to be fully constituted with five members.

At the secretariat, a total of six staff continue to work for the organization during the year, the Network continues to operate under the six core programmatic areas as laid down in the strategic plan, these are Governance and management development, Coordination and capacity enhancement, Knowledge development, Advocacy, and partnership, Resource mobilization and sub-granting of member organizations, Advance the wellbeing and wellness of its members, and Emergency response mechanism.

A total of six projects were implemented in 2023/24 supported by various donors.

In 2023, the Network secured its own office space but was still incomplete being under construction, and we are happy to report that, by 2024, the office space/house has been fully fledged providing a good working environment for its staff and member Organizations / groups.

The Network is undergoing a process of evaluating the performance of the previous strategic plan and formulating a new strategic plan for the next five years 2025 - 2029.

The year has had both achievements and challenges. The Network together with members and partners continued to serve the most marginalized communities in Uganda. More less like other previous years, this year has also been a challenging one for Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) as civic space continued to shrink.

We thank all staff, the BOD and members for working so hard for the Network to thrive. We are indebted to our donors, partners, and well-wishers whose generosity, commitment, and confidence made our work possible.

Wishing you good luck as you indulge in reading to comprehend much more about our activities, programs, accomplishments and financial position for the year 2023/ 2024.

## PROGRAMMES KEY HIGHLIGHTS

### A. STRATEGIC THEMES AND THEIR MILESTONES

#### Strategic Theme 1: Governance and Management Development.

The objective of this program is to strengthen the Network's institutional capacity, financial independence, and operational efficiency to deliver on its mandate. The overall goal of this program is to ensure an efficient, effective, and sustainable Network.

To achieve this goal, the following governance and management priorities were pursued in 2023/24:

- Strengthened resource mobilization
- Exploring the sustainability of the Network
- Strengthened human resource and wellness
- Strengthened governance systems.

1. The Network held its 4th Annual General Meetings (AGM) for members. AGMs are key decision-making platforms for members to plan, strategize, and make key decisions that govern the organization. During the 4th AGM, new BODs were elected to serve for the next 3-year term. We appreciate the outgoing Board of Directors for their selfless service and great contribution to the growth of the Network. In the same spirit, we warmly welcome and congratulate our newly elected Board of Directors, Mr. Bruce Luswata, Ms. Batte Shamila, Ms. Lydia Akello, and Joseph Ssemanda.



*During 4<sup>th</sup> AGM 2023*

*New elected BODs*

2. At the beginning of the year 2024, the Network held a two-day Board and staff retreat to provide a

platform for both staff and Board members to reflect on the strategic plan, and annual work plan for 2023, re-energize and plan strategies on how to deliver ahead of 2024. During the meeting, the secretariat presented the previously implemented activities of 2023 and the proposed 2024 Annual work plan and budget to the Board members for review and approval. The retreat further helped to strengthen the working

relationship between the Board and staff.



*Board and staff retreat session.*

3. Successfully held four quarterly BOD meetings. The current Board of Directors has been at the helm of the Network's operations. The Chairperson of the Board is Ms Shamila Batte, who currently serves with other four members namely; Ms. Akello Lydia, Bruce Kafuruma Luswata, Joseph Semanda, and Ms. Namakula Daisy Nakato as ex-officio. In the year, the Board of Directors remained operational and continued to guide the organization.
4. As part of institutional capacity development, the Network invests in its staff to enhance their capacity development to serve the organization effectively. The Network provided an opportunity to one of its staff to attend the Feminist Leadership and Movement Building Institute (FLMBaRI) 2024, Climate Change Capacity Building, and Safety and Security workshops.
5. Fundraising efforts continued for project activities and

bringing on board new donors. The Network implemented a total of six projects during the year, seven proposals were also developed and submitted. Two new projects were secured during the year.

6. To evaluate our performance, the Network carried out an independent Annual Evaluation for the year 2023 to generate evidence, and lessons and inform decision-making in channeling efforts toward critical priority interventions for the coming year, as well as using evidence generated, to guide the general delivery of its program for better results. You can find the Report [HERE](#).
7. Also to monitor and track the organization's performance and progress under its various programs, monthly staff meetings, management meetings and activity planning meetings were held where specific program units reported on their work.

8. During the year, the Network has undergone two programs that are intended for institutional capacity development, these include 1, the organizational Capacity Assessment (OCA), this has facilitated the Networks' self-assessment informing action planning for the capacity improvement in key areas including governance,

organizational management, program management, human resources management, and financial management and among others. 2. Also the Network is currently undergoing Human Resource Function Enhancement Program that is intended to enhancing human resource functioning and performance.

9. The Network has undergone a total of four financial audits including three project audits offered by its partners and one overall institutional audit for the FY 2023/24. The four audits have earned the Network unqualified reports.

10. In 2023, the Network secured its own office space but was still incomplete being under construction, and we are happy to report that, by 2024, the office space/house has been fully fledged providing a good working environment for its staff and safe space for member Organizations/groups.



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## **Strategic theme 2: Coordination and Membership Capacity Enhancement**

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The program goal of the Coordination and membership Capacity Enhancement Program is to ensure member organizations / groups participate effectively in serving their communities. The program strategies include:

- ◆ Training members in key areas of advocacy, leadership, movement building, finance and project management, resource mobilization among others.

1. We conducted five regional trainings on policy analysis and advocacy, reaching a total of 135 leaders. The training aimed at enhancing the capacities of leaders to engage in law and policy reform so that they can effectively influence policy design and development of policies that promote sexual reproductive health and rights, bodily autonomy and access to justice.



2. Conducted four trainings on SRHR and human rights for leaders, in total 100 leaders were trained as community SRHR champions to influence the grassroots level by creating awareness on SRHR of community members among peers and other community stakeholders.





3. Conducted one training on mental health for Leaders, a total of 20 leaders from Kampala and neighboring districts were trained as trainers on mental health, equipping them with knowledge on causes and effects of mental issues, early detection of mental problems, how to prevent and referral linkage/referral pathway for mental health issues.



4. Conducted one virtual capacity-building training on social protection schemes for member organizations. The training reached to 32 leaders and aimed to enhance the knowledge on social protection among marginalized communities, to inform advocacy initiatives for increased accessibility to social protection.

protection.

#### ❖ Information sharing and coordination.

The Network conducted three Update and Check-in virtual meetings for members to share trending situations across regions. The space gave the Network and its member organizations a platform to identify key issues affecting the movement and made recommendations on how best to solve them.

ORGANIZATION NAME	
Organization for Gender Empowerment & Rights Advocacy	1
Women's Organisation Network for Human Rights Advocacy	2
Voice for Community Empowerment Gulu	3
Masaka KP HIV Prevention & Support Organization	4
Lady Mermaids Empowerment Center	5
Men of the Night Uganda Limited	6
Transgender Equality Uganda	7
Service Workers In Group Foundation Uganda	8

Below is the list of Member organizations.

◆ Membership mobilization and movement building. This strategy aims at facilitating movement building and growth. The Network has grown to a membership of 62 member organizations/groups across the country.



9	Platform for vulnerable youth and adults
10	Scarlet Initiative Uganda
11	Kabarole Women health support initiative
12	Empowered at Dusk Womens Association
13	Kasese Women health support initiative
14	Action for improved health and Wealth
15	Women Positive Empowement Initiative Uganda
16	Justice and Empowement for Women & Girls Foundation
17	Come Out Post Test Club-Uganda
18	Women's Initiative for Emancipation & Renaissance Organization
19	Women with a Mission
20	Serving Lives Under Marginalization
21	Soroti Women Health Support initiative
22	Kibaale Womens Group
23	Kabale Neighbors
24	Focused Youth Empowerment Organization
25	Bundibungyo young Mothers
26	Malaba Out Fits
27	Trans Advocacy Initiative Uganda
28	Give a hand foundation
29	Organization For Women Empowerment Center
30	Dreams Center for Women
31	Female Youth Development Initiative
32	Women of Power Health Group
33	Maluku Women Association to Prevent HIV/AIDS
34	Sharpshooters
35	Mbarara Ruti Nekos
36	Rubaare Raise Health Foundation
37	Voices of Community Empowerment
38	Hodari youth southwest
39	Step Inn Salon training association
40	Kacwampale Girls together we can fight on the stage.
41	Marach Women support group
42	Ama ECORA Initiative Arua
43	New life star women's group

44	Blue Star Women Yumbe
45	Moon Light Boys Mbale
46	Senior group
47	Bagaga Kwagalana Neko Group
48	Moon Stars
49	Savanah Tweekemba Women's group
50	Bundimasoni Womens group Association
51	Nyahuka Girls and Women Living with HIV
52	Amuria Ladies
53	Bagaga Kwagalana Neko Group Masaka
54	KUMI SharpShooter
55	Susan Njeri
56	Street Knowledge Moyo
57	Women of Power Health Group
58	Kamuli Ladies
59	Hope & Life Foundation Kitugum
60	Rural Development Initiative Uganda Sillonko
61	Young Women
62	KWAK Thrive Youth Center Empowerment

**Strategic theme 3: Knowledge development, advocacy and partnership.**

The objective of the knowledge development, advocacy, and partnership program is to enhance research, networking, and advocacy for a just and fair legal and socio-cultural environment that promotes the human rights of our community members. The goal is to achieve systemic changes toward the realization of the rights informed by evidence-based advocacy. Through the program, the Network works to contribute towards creating an enabling environment that upholds, promotes and respect their rights.

The program employs the following strategies to achieve its objectives

❖ Knowledge generation and dissemination

a). Under this area, the Network conducted a National Case study on how laws are implemented. The study provided a pragmatic assessment of Uganda's legislative framework concerning marginalized communities, especially considering its recent evolutions. The objective of this research was to bridge theoretical legal discourse with the tangible realities faced by marginalized communities, thereby informing a more effective and grounded policy dialogue in Uganda. This study stands at the intersection of applied research and policy advocacy, striving to translate empirical insights into actionable policy recommendations. You can find the Report [HERE](#)



b). The Network conducted an assessment study on the level of legal compliance among its member organizations with the intent of devising strategies to ensure that member organizations /groups comply with legal frameworks governing NGOs and CBOs in the country. The study feeds into the broader quest for freedom of association, which has increasingly come under attack as civic space in Uganda continues to shrink. You can find the Report [HERE](#)



c). The Network developed and disseminated a report on the Human Rights Situation of marginalized communities in Uganda. This report offered an in-depth analysis of the systemic abuses endured by marginalized communities across Uganda between January 2023 to June 2024. The report highlights the intersection of legal frameworks and societal attitudes that exacerbate these violations, particularly focusing on the impact of the punitive laws

and policies.

You can find the Report [HERE](#)

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◆ **Advocacy**



*Dialogue in Busia*

*Dialogue in Gulu*

Under this area, The Network conducted four district stakeholders' engagement meetings to discuss ways of promoting marginalized community rights in districts. The meetings provided a platform for communities to share their experiences and needs with stakeholders for better change and influence the promotion of sexual reproductive health and rights (SRHR) at district levels. The meetings targeted 100 stakeholders including; health practitioners, district local council leadership and civil society Organizations (CSOs) found in the district.

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The Network convened two SRHR TWG meetings aimed at reviewing the set SRHR priorities for the year, making reflections, and coming up with a way forward on the implementation of the SRHR priorities.



*Group Photo for the participants during the 2nd national sex worker's SRHR symposium*

1. The Network in partnership with MARPI held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Sex workers' sexual reproductive health rights (SRHR) Symposium.

That provided a platform for SRHR stakeholders, actors, champions, and sex workers in all their diversity to share experiences and learn new information on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights experts.

This year's symposium brought together eighty-four (84) government officials, civil society, academia, the private sector, faith-based organizations, grassroots organizations and

development partners; policymakers from government agencies; line ministries as key partners and sex workers in all their diversity interested in the pursuit of sexual and reproductive health and rights in Uganda to share experiences in advocating for

comprehensive access to SRH information and services. The conference theme was *"Tackling the dynamics of young people and adolescents engaged in sex work for HIV prevention and SRHR promotion"*.



### Media Engagements and advocacy events

The Network held two press conferences in commemoration of the International Day to End Violence Against Sex Workers which calls for hate crimes committed towards sex

workers.

Here is the Statement for the EVASW [HERE](#)

Here is a [LINK](#) to a Local Blogger about the day.

In commemoration of the International Women's Day, the Network held a press release to address the Femicide in Uganda. There is an increased reporting on women being massacred and living under a constant threat of femicide across the country.

You can find the IWD press statement [HERE](#)



In a campaign to promote access to legal and safe abortion, the Network joined the rest of the world to commemorate International Safe Abortion Day held annually on 28th September. The Network brought together 30 community leaders across the nation for a candlelight vigil in remembrance of all lost due to



**Media Posts**

**UNESO Happy LABOR DAY**  
1 May 2024

The day we honor and appreciate the hard work, dedication and commitment of the most essential workers in our society. In recognition of the International Day of Labor, UNESO is pleased to announce that we have been awarded the 'Happy Labor Day' award for our commitment to the rights of workers and their families.

**UNESO 16 DAYS OF ACTION**

16 Days of Action is a global campaign to raise awareness of violence against women and girls. It is a time to stand in solidarity with women and girls who have experienced violence and to demand that governments take action to prevent such violence.

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**UNESO Our Bodily Autonomy is Not Negotiable**

CALL FOR ACTION: THE HEROES MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST ABORTION

**38%**

See workers worldwide lack information on fundamental social protection benefits

unsafe abortion practices. During the event, leaders made pluck cards with call-for-action messages to promote safe abortion services in health facilities.

Here is the [link](#)

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## Partnerships and Networking

Under this strategy, the Network aims to strengthen partnerships and linkages for improved human rights for marginalized communities across the country. Through this strategy, the Network participated in different engagements at local, national, and international platforms to ensure massive support promoting rights.





#### **Strategic them 4: Resource mobilization and sub-granting of membership.**

The Network acknowledges that, Strong movements are made of strong organizations with capacities, skills, and knowledge to influence social, Legal and policy change. The Network is recognized for playing a significant role in enhancing capacities of member organizations especially in advocacy efforts. However, most of the member organizations are unable to implement the advocacy capacities, skills and knowledge acquired due to rampant limitation in accessing funds. Therefore, the program objective is to provide simple access to funds directly to member organizations, and support member organizations to be able to compete for funds. The program strategies include;

1. Developing joint proposals with member organizations and partners. The Network developed and submitted 3 joint proposals with partners.
2. Providing funding recommendations for members seeking funding from various donor agencies. Under this strategy, the Network provided 17 funding support letters to its members and some partners for projects that intend to promote rights of the marginalized communities.
3. Provision of technical guidance and support to members on proposal development. The Network offered technical support to nine member organizations in proposal development.
4. Sub-granting member organizations. Under the project to strengthen the advocacy capacities of member organizations, the

Network sub-granted eight member organizations with a seed grant.



### Strategic Theme 5: Advancing Wellness for Leaders

One of the key thematic areas for the Network is to advance the wellness and well-being of leaders for Member organizations. This unique program targets team leaders/executive directors of organizations/groups. The program aims at building dynamic, self-driven, and passionate leaders with unique physical, mental health, and practical experiences that can ably shape the overall vision of their organization through providing that platform for leaders to access psychosocial support, access mental health information, learn to plan for their future/life after leadership, have leisure time and share with each other.



As part of the program, the Network conducted four quarterly Executive Forum meetings/ sessions that involved having physical fitness sessions like Zumba dance, indoor games, group counseling sessions, leadership motivational talks, sessions on planning for the movement sustainability, succession plans

and retirement plans for leaders and among other closed sensitive talks for only leaders.

- b) Conducted a two-day wellness and wellbeing retreat for leaders. The retreat was attended by twenty-five aimed at creating a safe space for

The year 2023/24 has had both achievements and challenges. The challenges have been as follows:

- I. The continuous existence and attempt to bring in more punitive laws that criminalize sex workers continue to pose a hazard to the existence of human rights defenders, human rights advocacy organizations, and their partners.
- II. The continuously shrinking civic space.
- III. The dwindling of funding towards advocacy to promote the human rights and limited emergency funding/support for human rights defenders.
- IV. Mpox infection as a new global threat affecting community members.
- V. Human rights violations are on increase, femicide reported highly.

### B. PROGRAMMATIC CHALLENGES EXPERIENCED.

Under this program, the Network works with its members to respond to emergency and challenging human rights violations. This has been done through different strategies including Giving recommendations to members seeking for emergency support, making referrals for emergency support, establishing and strengthening collaborations with partners that provide emergency support to marginalized communities, Lobbying and advocating for improved emergency funding for marginalized communities and we continue to fundraise for emergency support.

Over the year, the Network has provided recommendations for emergency support to twenty-three members.

Strategic Theme 6: Emergency response mechanism.



leaders to care for their mental wellness, re-energize, and support collective healing.

### **C. KEY LESSONS LEARNED**

Through the Network efforts to coordinate and promote sustainable development for the movement, we've learned:

- ★ The importance of Collaboration and Partnership with local communities, government bodies, national, regional, and international partners, and for amplifying impact and ensuring sustainability.
- ★ Adaptability and Flexibility to changing circumstances are crucial for maintaining operations and meeting objectives amidst evolving government policies and donor priorities.
- ★ Deep Community Engagement is essential for program sustainability, fostering ownership, and empowering community members.
- ★ Embracing Innovation and Technology to enhance program delivery, monitoring, and evaluation, and learning the benefits and challenges of technology integration.
- ★ Sustainability strategies are critical for ensuring that our programs and initiatives continue beyond specific projects or funding periods.

These lessons have prepared the Network for greater effectiveness and impact in the future. They reinforce the importance of continuous learning, adaptability, and commitment to our core values and mission.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND AUDIT REPORT 2023/24

NETWORK KEY POPULATION SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS LTD. STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2024			
	Note	2024 Shs	2023 Shs
Revenue	6	945,855,225	1,154,027,360
Other Income		5,163,001	4,247,461
Administration costs	(APP II)	(77,677,265)	(80,543,515)
Employment costs	(APP II)	(204,600,000)	(236,830,000)
Program/operating costs	(APP II)	(330,775,370)	(646,894,030)
Net Surplus/Deficit		337,965,591	194,007,276

**NETWORK OF KEY POPULATION SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS LTD.**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT 30TH JUNE, 2024**

	Notes	2024 Shs	2023 Shs
<b>TANGIBLE NON CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, Plant and Equipment	5	306,161,968	255,590,903
<b>Total Non Current Assets</b>		<b>306,161,968</b>	<b>255,590,903</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Advance Payments	7	-	8,091,404
Cash and Bank	8	496,606,460	200,320,530
		<b>496,606,460</b>	<b>208,411,934</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>802,768,428</b>	<b>464,002,837</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>			
<b>OWNERS' EQUITY</b>			
General Fund		797,468,428	459,502,837
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>797,468,428</b>	<b>459,502,837</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Accruals	9	5,300,000	4,500,000
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>5,300,000</b>	<b>4,500,000</b>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		<b>802,768,428</b>	<b>464,002,837</b>

The notes set out on pages 10-16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

These Financial Statements were approved by the Board on 30/10 2024 and were signed by

 Batte Shamilah

Batte Shamilah  
 Board Chairperson  
 2024



Ssemanda Joseph  
 Treasurer  
 2024



Namakula Daisy Nakato  
 National Coordinator  
 2024

NETWORK OF KEY POPULATION SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS LTD.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE, 2024

	Notes	2024 Shs	2023 Shs
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Surplus/ Deficit		337,965,591	194,007,276
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	5	13,411,435	12,754,778
Operating Surplus/ Deficit		351,377,026	206,762,054
Trade & other Receivable		8,091,404	10,641,600
Trade & other payables		800,000	(18,120,988)
Net cash generated from operations		360,268,430	199,282,666
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Purchase of fixed assets		(63,982,500)	(230,780,000)
Net cash generated from investing activities		(63,982,500)	(230,780,000)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Share capital		-	-
Loans		-	-
Net Cash flow from financing activities		-	-
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		296,285,930	(31,497,334)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		200,320,530	231,817,864
Cash and cash equivalents as at 30 June of the year.		496,606,460	200,320,530
<b>Statement of Reconciliation of Cash &amp; Cash equivalents</b>			
		2024 Ushs	2023 Ushs
Bank and cash balances		496,606,460	200,320,530
Total		496,606,460	200,320,530

**NETWORK OF KEY POPULATION SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS LTD.  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2024**

	Capital Fund Shs	General Fund Shs	Total Shs
As 1st July, 2022	-	265,495,560	265,495,560
Surplus/ Deficit	-	194,007,276	194,007,276
<b>At 30th June, 2023</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>459,502,837</b>	<b>459,502,837</b>
As 1st July, 2023	-	459,502,837	459,502,837
Surplus/ Deficit	-	337,965,591	337,965,591
<b>At 30th June 2024</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>797,468,428</b>	<b>797,468,428</b>

# 2023/2024 AUDIT REPORT

## KIRANGWA KIWANUKA & CO Certified Public Accountants Firm No. AF 0118

THE FIRM IS LICENSED AND REGULATED BY ICPAU

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### REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE DIRECTORS OF NETWORK OF KEY POPULATION SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS LTD.

We have audited the financial statements of Network of Key Population Service Organizations Ltd., as set out on pages 8-16. These financial statements include the statement of financial position as at 30th June 2024 and the related statement of comprehensive income statement of changes in equity and the cashflow for the year then ended and summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the organisation as at 30th June 2024 and the results of its operation and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### Auditors responsibility and basis of opinion

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. These standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting

estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

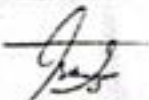
#### Management responsibility for the financial statements

The management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). This responsibility includes the designing, implementing and maintaining of the internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether fraud or error.

#### Report on Other Legal Requirements

As required by the Accountants Act, 2013, we report to you based on our audit that:

- (i) All information and explanations which were necessary for the purposes of the audit were obtained;
- (ii) In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the directors/management so far as appears from the examination of those books; and
- (iii) The director's Balance Sheet and Income Statement are in agreement with the books of account.

  
Kirangwa Kivanuka & Company  
Certified Public Accountants  
Kampala

Dated 30/10 2024



## WORKS OF NETWORK MEMBER ORGANISATIONS

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The Network recognizes and greatly appreciates the work of its member organizations in their different capacities/levels of contribution to ensure that the marginalized communities in all their diversities have access to justice, enjoy and exercise their human rights.

**Name of Organization:** Women's Organization Network for Human Rights Advocacy (WONETHA)

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** WONETHA operates in the 16 districts of Wakiso, Mpigi, Kalungu, Kalangala, Kasese, Kamwenge, Bundibugyo, Ntororo, Kabarole, Bunyangabu, Kitagwenda, Kampala, Mukono, Buikwe, Masaka, Kitagwenda

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024:**

- Reached a total of 4892 with comprehensive HIV services including HIV test, treatment, PrEP & PEP, psychosocial support, STI screening, TB screening and condom distribution.
- Conducted Community scorecard on 10 health facilities
- Held 5 dialogue meetings with Health workers on the provision of inclusion and non-discrimination.
- Introduced ACASI (Audio Computer Assisted Self Interview) at Bukasa-Wakiso DIC.
- 40 members supported client relief in the form of medical and nutrition.
- 120 received Functional Adult Literacy Trainings (FAL),
- 10 groups of members reached Economic empowerment
- 35 WONETHA staff and peer educators trained in Leadership development.
- 100 members sensitized on Behavioral change communication.
- Held 1 Breakfast meeting with members of Parliament and other key stakeholders,
- Sensitized 100 members on Human Rights and existing and currently punitive laws that negatively affect marginalized communities.

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**Name of Organization:** Men of the Night

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Mukono, Wakiso, Kampala

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- Increased membership base: our membership has increased from 1,528 to 1,876
- Increased funding base that has enabled us to deliver our mandate.
- Led and Coordinated the refugee network in Uganda.
- Establish a mobile clinic mainly considering our members in the far-to-reach areas that find it hard to access free and friendly health services.
- Conduct five health camps in far districts.
- Conducted research on access to government development programs among the community members.
- Sensitization of the government development programs that can be accessed by every citizen in Uganda.
- Acquired our office premises.

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**Name of Organization:** VoiCE of Community Empowerment.

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Gulu and Oyam District.

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024**

- Appointment to the District AIDS Committee.
- Trained Community Paralegal.
- Registered with the City Authority Gulu city/district.
- Diversifying services offered and introduced monthly cervical cancer screening.
- Trained members on financial literacy.
- Secured funding from Global Fund, UPMB and CEHURD.
- Conducted an annual audit on the JAS program, earning us an unqualified report.
- Establishment of a fully functioning DIC.
- Strong collaboration with implementing partners to meet the growing need of members

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**Name of Organization:** Organization for Women Empowerment Centre(OWEC)

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Isingiro

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- OWEC was able to receive a seed grant from the Network to help facilitate grassroots advocacy activities.
- Conducted community basic advocacy training for peer leaders and empowered them with basic effective advocacy skills which included effective communication, networking, and public speaking skills.

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**Name of Organization:** KWAK Thrive Youth Center Empowerment

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Mubende, Mityana, Kasandha

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- trained five paralegals and equipped them with the knowledge to address the unique legal and health needs.
- Successfully registered the organization with URSB.
- Attended seven partner engagements to discuss further and strengthen our work relationship in advancing the rights.

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**Name of Organization:** Serving Lives Under Marginalization (SLUM)

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Wakiso

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- Received support for HIV Epidemic Control Efforts from IDI.
- Identification of 87 new HIV cases, with 75% of these cases among members.
- Enrolled 2439 clients on Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP).
- Increased funding base.

- Successful 2023 financial audit.
  - Improved Staff development and capacity enhancement.
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**Name of Organization:** Malaba Outfits

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Tororo and Busia

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- Increased funding.
  - Trained 13 members on human rights awareness.
  - 5 peers trained as peer Educators.
  - Continued to build good working relationships with strategic partners.
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**Name of Organization:** Platform for vulnerable youth and adults

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Lira

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- Increased Awareness and knowledge about specific human rights issues among members.
  - Empowered individuals to advocate for themselves and others, leading to grassroots movements addressing local human rights concerns.
  - Fostered stronger relationships between community members and local organizations, enhancing collaboration on human rights initiatives.
  - Initiated constructive dialogues with local policy-makers, resulting in recommendations for policy changes based directly on community needs.
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**Name of Organization:** Justice and economic empowerment for women and girls foundation Uganda (JEEWAG)

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Mukono, Buikwe, and Buvuma island and landing sites of Katosi, Ssenyi, Kiyindi, Kaazi, Kwasi, Mpatta and Kibanga.

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

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- Increased working relation with the District Local Government and the District Health Officials.
- JEEWAG equipped its Drop In Center which has provided members a platform where they can easily access information on HIV/TB and Gender Based Violence response.

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**Name of Organization:** Bundibugyo Young Mothers and Adolescents Initiative (BYMI)

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Bundibugyo

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- BYMI reached 136 members and distributed 46,080 male condoms and 4300 water-based lubricants.
- A total of 280 were screened for STI and 29 were referred, 179 were screened for TB and 13 were referred to Health Facilities for STI Treatment.
- Screened a total of 244 members for GBV, referred 26 for post-GBV clinical care to Health Facilities and referred 37 for Psychosocial service to Community Development officers.
- Supported 49 members to access Legal Aid.
- Supported 17 members to access PEP at Health Facilities.
- BYMI Executive Director attended Paralegal training.
- 9 Peer Educators were trained on Human Rights.
- Secured funding.
- 10 Peer Educators were given VHTs Carrier Bags and one power megaphone with a handheld microphone by the District Health Officer.

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**Name of Organization:** Women's positive empowerment initiative

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Kampala, Wakiso & Luwero

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- WOPEIN won a grant under the national KPCSO mechanism funded by PEPFAR. The Project aims to Strengthen and promote WOPEIN Drop-in Center to render comprehensive friendly HIV Services to members in Wakiso.
- Through SNS WOPEIN identified 52 new HIV positives. 45 members and linked into care.
- WOPEIN enrolled 1203 members for PrEP who were all initiated on PrEP to their respective facilities.

- Distributed 1760 STKs ,1203 kits were distributed and 502 to clients.
- 1500 people were refilled on PrEP.
- Trained 80 members in liquid soap and candle making.
- 60 members supported in saving groups.
- Documented eight cases of GBV.

**Name of Organization:** Scarlet Initiative Uganda (SIU)

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Kampala and Wakiso

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- Conducted and produced a report of a baseline study on prevalence of different types of security breaches in the domain of access to e-health care service among MSWs for evidenced advocacy.
- Conducted 4 quarterly human rights stakeholder dialogue meetings with law influencers and enforcers to influence change in policies, attitude, and practices.
- conducted an AGM for SIU members
- conducted two Peer Educators' partners and stakeholders follow up & update virtual meetings.
- Conducted Training of peer leaders on documentation of human rights violations . trained 15 members.

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**Name of Organization:** Trans Advocacy Initiative.

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Greater Kampala, Jinja and Tororo districts.

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- Conducted the staff transformational leadership training
- Conducted a human rights training for our rights holders and sister partner organizations
- Conducted the Healing and resilience after trauma conversations with our rights holders and trans sisters to support collective healing, and solidarity among ourselves

**Name of Organization:** Dream Centre for Women-Uganda

**Area of Operation / Coverage:** Luwero ,Nakasongola and Kayunga

**Key achievements over the year from October 2023 to October 2024.**

- In collaboration with HRAPF conducted a community security awareness meeting for community members in Luwero district.
- Documented and reported ten human rights violation cases faced by women.
- Conducted 13 community sensitizations on correct and consistent use of condoms.
- Have created partnerships and collaborations with partners and stakeholders that support promotion of human rights and gender equality.