



#### COVER PHOTO:

In Belize, **BFLA** is the leading civil society provider of sexual and reproductive health care, offering comprehensive services in clinics while sustaining a commitment to reaching the most marginalized women and girls, including families migrating to Belize fleeing violence in El Salvador.

Photo: Esperança Dias - Fòs Feminista, 2022



MAP & ILLUSTRATIONS

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▶ In Colombia, Fundación Mujer y Futuro works to expand women's and girls' access to sexual and reproductive health, rights, education and information through service provision, advocacy, capacity-sharing and communications. They offer a variety of contraceptive methods, including long-lasting subdermal implants that are placed under the skin of the upper arm, to marginalized communities living along the Colombian-Venezuelan border. Photo: David Estrada Larrañeta - Fundación Mujer y Futuro, 2025.



# **Building Bridges**

Around the world, sexual and reproductive health and rights are under threat – yet philanthropic funding is not keeping pace with the scale of the challenges. The needs of women and girls are urgent, immediate, and undeniable.

This is not a moment to step back or narrow our scope. Instead, we are doubling down on our commitments.

We are expanding access to sexual and reproductive health care. We are raising our voices for reproductive justice. We are investing in the long-term sustainability of the feminist movement. Because we know this truth: without a movement, there can be no progress.

Throughout this report, you will see what our commitments look like in action. You will see bridges being built – bridges that connect communities, causes, and ideas; bridges that dismantle silos and open new pathways for solidarity. You will see a field of actors that is wider and stronger because of our collective effort.

Bridging, for us, is not a metaphor alone. It is our way of working. It is the way we close the gaps between need and care, between rights on paper and rights in practice. It is the way we integrate issues and organizations to move from fragmented responses to comprehensive solutions. It is the way we

connect stories across movements and across borders, so that individual struggles become part of a collective force. And it is the way we bring new and sometimes unlikely allies to the table – governments, philanthropists, corporations, investors – because systemic change cannot be won in isolation.

For Fòs Feminista, **bridging is also an act of imagination**. It asks us to envision what is possible when we choose connection over division, resilience over resignation. It calls us to design structures that can endure even in turbulent times, and to dream of futures where the bridges we build today become the foundations for justice tomorrow.

This is where you come in. As you read this annual report, I hope you will celebrate what we have accomplished together – and also allow your imagination to wander toward what more can be done. My wish is that every page sparks new possibilities for transformation, and that together we keep imagining and acting to build the just and equitable world that we know is possible for women and girls.



Giselle Carino CEO

▲ In Bolivia, CIES has established a nationwide network of self-sustainable clinics and health centers that provide comprehensive sexual and reproductive health services, from contraceptive care and cancer screening to HIV prevention and specialized care. Each year, they serve more than 300,000 people and provide an estimated 3 million sexual and reproductive health services, with a strong focus on young people and access for vulnerable communities. Photo: Ariana Zabalaga - CIES, 2025.

# **Courage** and Resilience

As I look back on a year of upheaval and uncertainty in the field of sexual and reproductive health and rights, I am deeply proud of the courage and resilience shown by Fòs Feminista and our partners around the world.

When global contraceptive supply chains were disrupted, we found ways to keep services going – and to reach women and girls who are too often pushed to the margins. We refused to let challenges become an excuse for inaction.

As anti-rights agendas spread across borders, we stood strong and united. We took to the streets, to the courts, and to decision-making spaces around the world to raise our voices for reproductive justice and to defend the fundamental right of every person to make choices about their body and their future.

And when international funding for sexual and reproductive health was slashed, we adapted and innovated. We took bold, strategic steps to build sustainable systems of care – rooted in solidarity, equity, and feminist leadership – to protect our mission and expand our impact for generations to come.

This work demands persistence, imagination, and the collective strength of our global community. As we look to the future, I am filled with hope. Together, we will continue to challenge injustice, create new possibilities for care, and build a world where sexual and reproductive health and rights are a lived reality for all.

Thank you for standing with us, for believing in this movement, and for helping to make our shared vision possible.



Pamela Barnes CHAIRWOMAN

■ 21-year-old Mel Guachalla (left) and 16-year-old Gabriela Silvestre (right) are members of **Red Tú Decides**, a national network of youth leaders that is supported by Fòs Feminista's Bolivian partner CIES. Through comprehensive sexuality peer education, Mel and Gabriela help create safe spaces where other young people can share their experiences and access information and care. This includes access to contraceptive methods and information on the prevention of unwanted pregnancies and sexually transmitted infections, as well as support for gender-based violence. Photo: Ariana Zabalaga - CIES, 2025.



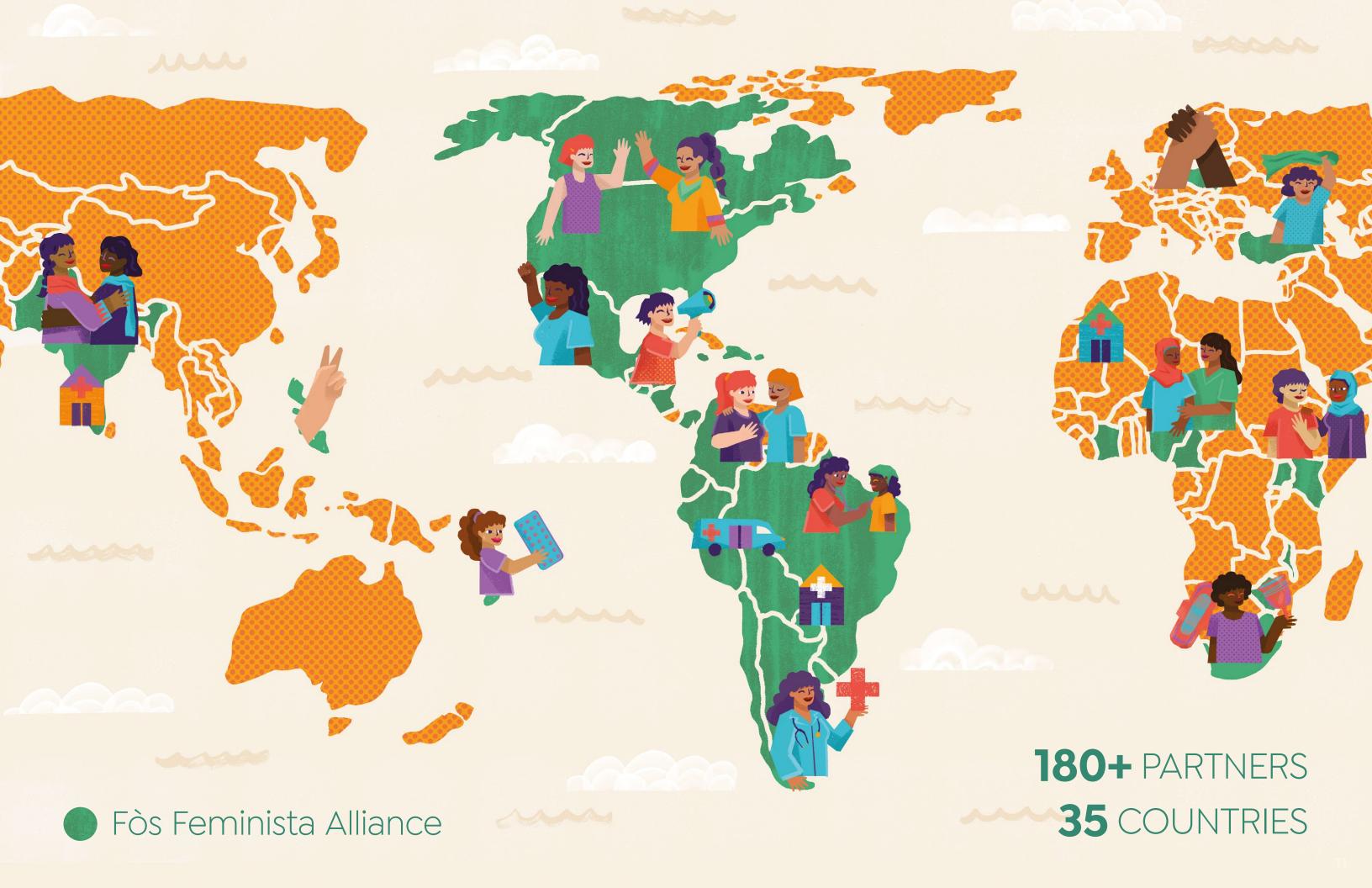
#### **VISION**

All women, girls, and gender-diverse people have the resources, power, and safety to exercise their sexual and reproductive health and rights and to fulfill their life projects.

#### MISSION

To ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health care, including abortion care, particularly for the most marginalized women, girls, and gender-diverse people, to advance comprehensive sexuality education, and to advocate for sexual and reproductive rights and justice, in partnership and solidarity with feminist organizations and movements worldwide.

◄ In Pakistan, **Aahung** is integrating its Life Skills Based Education curriculum into the education system through partnerships with public and private schools, and recently launched a new digital, play-based version in 150 schools in two provinces. In 2024, they reached more than 62,000 young people in and out of schools with critical information on sexual and reproductive health and other life skills. Photo: Esperança Dias - Fòs Feminista, 2023.





#### **SERVICE DELIVERY**

**IMPACT - 2024** 

# 21.3 million

sexual and reproductive health services provided

6.3 M contraceptives distributed

585K

unintended pregnancies prevented

8in10

people reached were women and girls, and 3 in 10 were young people under the age of 25 609K

young people under 25 years old participated in sex ed programs





# We expand access to sexual and reproductive health care and services

# **Building bridges to overcome** barriers to access

Access to sexual and reproductive health care is essential to achieving gender equity and reproductive justice. But millions of women and girls face compounded barriers to accessing the care they need, from a lack of information and widespread stigma, to geographic isolation and poverty, to public health services that are beyond reach. With an Alliance of local partners that are focused on reaching the most marginalized women and girls, Fòs Feminista is overcoming these barriers by building bridges across communities, care providers, and sectors.





Connecting information and care

**COLOMBIA** 

PODEROSAS, FUNDACIÓN UNIMÉDICOS

**HONDURAS**ASHONPLAFA

NIGERIA GIWYN

▲ **Poderosas**' director Mariana Sanz de Santamaría greets a young participant at a joint event with Fundación Unimédicos. Photo: Poderosas, 2025.



#### Sex Ed and Youth-Friendly Services

COLOMBIA

Fòs Feminista partner **Poderosas** is dedicated to creating safe spaces for young people to learn about their sexual and reproductive health and rights. Their comprehensive sexuality education program offers a 15-session curriculum focused on health, gender, identity, and bodily autonomy, followed by leadership sessions that encourage and prepare young participants to create their own strategies to support sexual and reproductive rights and education in their schools and communities.



▲ Young women accessing free contraceptive implants provided by **Fundación Unimédicos**. Photo: Fundación Unimédicos, 2025.

"An education like Poderosas' should be a fundamental human right, not a luxury, because it saves lives, reduces inequalities and protects young people from disinformation, discrimination and violence."

17-year-old Juan José Oquendo Cartagena, Poderosas participant

But comprehensive sex ed is not complete without real access to the services that support young people to make decisions about their health and exercise their rights.

To bridge this gap, Poderosas teamed up with Fòs Feminista's partner **Fundación Unimédicos**, a leading national provider of sexual and reproductive health services, to strengthen their collective

impact for meeting the needs of young people in Colombia.

In 2025, they launched their joint work in the region of Urabá, where local governmental resistance to sex ed, compounded by the presence of antirights and paramilitary groups, limits young people's opportunities for accessing information and care. Bridging their capacities, the two organizations have been hosting contraceptive access events, where Poderosas' youth leaders offer information to people seeking care and Unimédicos provides contraceptive services, including implants and pills. "We learn a lot from each other. Unimédicos offers services that make autonomous decisions a reality," says Poderosas' Director Mariana Sanz de Santamaría. "And we strengthen a sensitive approach to meeting young people's needs."



#### **Emergency** Contraception

O HONDURAS

After Honduras lifted its 14-year ban on emergency contraception, in 2023, our partner **ASHONPLAFA** launched a grassroots effort to make sure that people across the country knew about emergency contraception and had access to the pills.

Emergency contraception - which can prevent a pregnancy after unprotected sex – is a key resource for young people and for survivors of sexual violence. especially in places like Honduras that have a total abortion ban. Yet the widespread misinformation about emergency contraception, along with systemic health inequalities for rural and marginalized communities, created significant barriers to accessing this method.

ASHONPLAFA works with a network of community health promoters who are raising awareness about emergency

contraception and working to reduce stigma associated with this method. A leading provider of contraceptives in Honduras, ASHONPLAFA has 1,500 community access points nationwide, and the promoters play a key role in supporting access by holding informational sessions in schools, community spaces, and health centers and distributing the pills, along with other contraceptive methods.

In 2024, they reached young people, leaders, and health workers with information about emergency contraception and supported the distribution of more than 15,000 emergency contraception pills.

"These issues are still taboo in our country today. I decided to become a promoter and share sexual and reproductive health information with other women. so that they can advocate for their rights wherever they are."

Anneth Cruz, 29-year-old community health promoter with ASHONPLAFA





▲ ASHONPLAFA volunteer Anneth Cruz (wearing a black vest) leading communitybased activities on sexual and reproductive health. Photos: ASHONPLAFA, 2025.





▲ GIWYN's team members sporting promotional T-shirts for the Ms. Rosy Hotline. Photos: Esperança Dias - Fòs Feminista, 2022.



#### Safe abortion

NIGERIA

In Nigeria, Fòs Feminista partner **GIWYN** has pioneered digital and communitydriven innovations to provide safe spaces for women and girls to ask questions, receive guidance, and access referrals in their homes and communities. Through its Ms. Rosy Hotline and digital chat-based platforms, GIWYN provides information on contraception, pregnancy options, abortion medications, and post-abortion care in English, Igbo, and Yoruba, and is currently expanding access in other local languages.

Unsafe abortion is a leading cause of maternal deaths in Nigeria – and GIWYN is helping to reduce these risks by offering comprehensive, evidence-based information about how to safely selfmanage abortion using pills.

"I have learnt a lot from the Ms. Rosy Hotline. I did not know misoprostol could be used for other things, and this information saved my life. Thank you to the Ms. Rosy team for checking up on me."

Feedback from a Ms. Rosy Hotline user

Since January 2024, GIWYN's platforms have reached more than 154,600 people with rights-based information about sexual and reproductive health. GIWYN has also trained a network of more than 2,400 activists from 68 organizations – as well as more than 435 pharmacists and community health workers - on sexual and reproductive health and rights. equipping them with knowledge and skills to support women who are in need of post-abortion care.

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# Expanding providers' capacities to meet community needs

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC CIMUDIS

#### **MEXICO**

INCODESI, ASOCIACIÓN DE PARTERAS PROFESIONALES

▲ Capacity-sharing workshop with traditional midwives led by **INCODESI**. Photo: INCODESI, 2024.



## **Expanding work** with midwives

MEXICO

With the right information and support, abortion is safe, simple healthcare that in most cases can be self-managed using pills provided by diverse health care professionals, as recommended by the World Health Organization's guidelines. But in some contexts, regulations that authorize only medical doctors to provide abortion create unnecessary barriers to access – especially for women and girls who live in underserved communities or face stigma when seeking care.

In Mexico, Fòs Feminista partners **INCODESI** and the **Asociación de Parteras Profesionales** have worked closely with local authorities to ensure that midwives are officially recognized and authorized to provide support for legal abortion. Partnering with state clinics in Chiapas,

in 2024 INCODESI provided this training for traditional midwives serving Indigenous Tseltal and Tsotsil women. Their inclusion into public health channels contributes to overcoming longstanding barriers such as language, cultural misunderstanding, and geographic isolation.

This work is key for expanding access to safe abortion care for Indigenous women, and its impact doesn't stop there. "The inclusion of traditional Indigenous midwives in abortion care gives recognition to Indigenous knowledge in health care," says Sonia Norma Díaz Gómez, INCODESI's Executive Director.



#### Disabilityfriendly services

O DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Women with disabilities have the right to access sexual and reproductive health services that are responsive to their needs, but they often face barriers when they seek care. These can range from physical barriers, like exam tables that are too high and doors that are too narrow for people with mobility disabilities, to systemic barriers, like inaccessible communication for the deaf and hard of hearing, to outright

mistreatment that constitutes a violation of their rights and dignity.

**CIMUDIS**, a Fòs Feminista partner focused on the rights of women and girls with disabilities, is changing this experience by conducting sensitivity training with health professionals that challenges stigma and promotes their accountability. To improve understanding of the impact of accessibility barriers, the training engages health professionals in activities that simulate the challenges experienced by women with disabilities. CIMUDIS also directly involved 180 women with disabilities in the trainings, inviting them to share their perspectives, propose solutions, and monitor efforts to reduce attitudinal and physical barriers in services.

"As a wheelchair user, I was once told to go back home and bring a family member to help me get on a high exam table, despite being in pain. But I have also seen doctors learn and treat us with respect for our rights and bodily autonomy. Raising awareness and promoting sensitivity is really important."

Deisy Segui Fransua, CIMUDIS participant in the training





▲ Health professionals at one of **CIMUDIS**' disability rights training sessions. Photos: CIMUDIS, 2024.



# Creating cross-sector solutions

**GUYANA** GRPA

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC PROFAMILIA



## **Cervical cancer** prevention

GUYANA

Cervical cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths among women in Guyana, yet only one in ten women have access to screening for this preventable and treatable disease. When the government launched an ambitious national program to end cervical cancer, in 2024, Fòs Feminista partner **GRPA** stepped up to help fill the critical gap in screening for women.

With seed funding from Fòs Feminista, GRPA purchased the laboratory equipment needed to become a provider for the government program. Building on longstanding relationships in marginalized rural and Indigenous communities, GRPA has trained dozens of community health care workers to conduct the tests and has made close to 2,000 door-to-door visits to raise awareness

about the program. GRPA also trained its network of youth peer educators to support educational outreach on cervical cancer.

"I try my best to alleviate people's fears of taking the test, because the sooner we detect cervical cancer, the sooner we can begin treatment"

Tamika Joseph, GRPA

To expand the reach of this service, GRPA has established partnerships with local businesses that are funding GRPA to provide additional screenings in the most underserved Indigenous and migrant communities of Guyana. With these public, private, and community partnerships, GRPA is now part of a coordinated network of care for women in need of cervical cancer screening and treatment – and is poised to reach around 3,500 women each year.





▲ (above and left) **GRPA**'s team members share materials from their HPV and cervical cancer prevention program. Photos: GRPA, 2025.



#### **Subsidized care**

O DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

PROFAMILIA has a longstanding commitment to providing sexual and reproductive health care to the most marginalized women and girls, offering a range of services free of charge to those who cannot afford to pay. To sustain this commitment, PROFAMILIA has built partnerships with different donors – most significantly, with the Ministry of Public Health, which for years has allocated funding to subsidize PROFAMILIA's services for yulnerable communities.

This agreement with the government supports PROFAMILIA to operate mobile health units

that travel to rural communities impacted by extreme poverty to deliver free primary and reproductive health care – including gynecological consultations, Pap smears, and contraception. Through a pre-paid referral system and partnerships at public hospitals, PROFAMILIA is also able to extend free services to people who need more complex care, such as treatment for cervical cancer.

By leveraging PROFAMILIA's technical expertise, community outreach, and service delivery infrastructure, the partnership is embedding sexual and reproductive health access within the national health system, bringing publicly-funded care to people and places that government services do not reach.



# We transform laws, policies, and social norms

Bridging stories and strategies across organizations and movements to achieve reproductive justice

We mobilize communities and build coalitions across issues and sectors to demand that sexual and reproductive health, rights, and justice be protected in laws, policies, and practice.



# **Protecting** all families

KENYA TICAH

PARAGUAY CEPEP

CÔTE D'IVOIRE
ACTUELLES



#### Young mothers

KENYA

In Kenya, our partner **TICAH** supports young mothers aged 15-19, who are often isolated from other resources and support networks, in their Resilient Futures program. Through group sessions and workshops focused on information about child nutrition and sexual and reproductive health and rights, including contraception and access to youth-friendly services, TICAH empowers young mothers to make informed choices that support their futures and families.

The program also supports participants to advocate for their rights, talk openly with health care providers about the barriers they face, and take part in decision-making spaces like a Ministry of Health working group on reproductive health.



◀ Young mothers at a Resilient Futures soapmaking workshop. Photos: **TICAH**, 2025.

Recognizing that resilience requires economic empowerment, in 2024 TICAH began offering training to young mothers in soap-making, yogurt-making, and other income-generating skills to promote participants' financial independence.

"When I got pregnant at 18, my life took a dramatic turn. My family and my community judged me, and I even lacked basic needs. The knowledge, care, and encouragement I got from TICAH's program gave me strength. My life still has ups and downs, but I'm more confident in creating a better future for my child and me."

Lynnette Achieng , 19-year-old Resilient Futures participant



#### **Fatherhood**

PARAGUAY

In Paraguay, **CEPEP**'s Che Ru program encourages fathers to participate in childcare and household tasks as a way to strengthen family bonds and promote positive examples of masculinity. Over the course of 15 sessions, men with pregnant partners and/or with young children – including first-time parents – develop skills for forming more equitable family relationships founded on shared respect, affection, and non-violence.

Che Ru (which means "My dad" in Guarani) sessions include guided discussions, role-playing and hands-on activities that address topics such as responsible and affectionate fatherhood, caring for a newborn baby, sharing responsibilities in the home, and breaking cycles of violence.

Denilson Krauer, a father of three who participated in the program, said that what he learned in Che Ru is changing his relationships. "I realized that the way I was behaving before with my partner was not ok. The sessions helped me very much in day-to-day communications with her, to value more what she does as a housewife... and also to improve my attitude. It helps me a lot to be able to share with my children."



▲ Young families at a Che Ru session focused on responsible fatherhood. Photo: **CEPEP**, 2024.











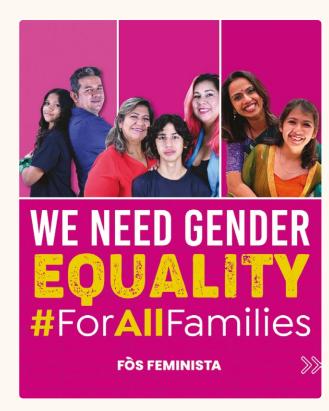
For All Families

Global and côte d'Ivoire

In 2024, when a conference promoting an anti-rights agenda came to Côte D'Ivoire, Fòs Feminista collaborated with the Ivorian feminist organization **Actuelles**, along with other regional and national organizations, to tactfully counter this threat. The result was the Portrait de Famille Campaign, which featured diverse Ivorian families and incorporated references to popular culture in its promotion of an inclusive notion of family. The campaign not only shifted public conversation toward celebrating diverse family realities, but also limited the visibility and reach of anti-rights actors in Abidjan.

Recognizing that anti-rights groups are increasingly weaponizing rigid ideas of "family" across different contexts, Fòs Feminista created the For All Families campaign in 2025 to advance affirming, inclusive, and rights-based visions of families. Launched on the International Day of Families, the campaign emphasizes that when families openly discuss gender equality and sexual and reproductive health and rights, they foster safer, more connected homes for all. #ForAllFamilies

continues to build momentum through events, visibility actions, and advocacy initiatives, with a strong presence in UN spaces, to shape more inclusive policy debates on families.



▲ Illustrations and promotional materials from the **#ForAllFamilies** campaign. Illustrations by Althea Roa.



# Transregional movement building

**ASIA** ASAP

**FIJI** DIVA

**COLOMBIA**CAUSA JUSTA

ECUADOR

CEPAM-G, SURKUNA

▲ **ASAP** Academy participants gathered in an in-person meeting (left). Participant Geilee Skandakumar and ASAP's coordinator Dr. Suchitra Dalvie (right). Photos: personal archive, 2024.



# Abortion rights advocacy

GLOBAL

Fòs Feminista partner **ASAP** hosts the ASAP Academy, a rights-based online training designed to facilitate peer exchange, connection, and solidarity among abortion rights activists from all over the world. Through self-paced modules and live sessions with ASAP trainers, participants learn about subjects like reproductive rights, patriarchal power structures, and safe abortion methods, while building community with other activists.

Through her participation in the ASAP Academy, 24-year-old Sri Lankan activist Geilee Skandakumar found inspiration and resources to improve the sex ed sessions she provides to young people in her country.

"I didn't talk about abortion in my work before ASAP Academy because it's very taboo here. But now I have found a way to integrate it into my trainings and my writing for newspaper articles. I can do it by discussing unsafe abortion-related maternal mortality, evidence-based information about abortion care, and equitable access to safe abortion from a social justice perspective."

Geilee Skandakumar, Sri Lankan activist

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Created during the COVID-19 pandemic, when ASAP's long-running in-person workshops had to be put on pause, the ASAP Academy is now a successful and sustainable strategy for transnational movement building. Through our capacity-sharing community, Fòs

Feminista is now also supporting **DIVA**, our partner in Fiji focused on gender and climate justice, to participate in the Academy to strengthen their competencies around sexual and reproductive health and rights and the intersections with their work.



#### **Abortion decriminalization**

OCOLOMBIA, ECUADOR, PHILIPPINES

In 2022, Colombia broadly decriminalized abortion in a landmark Constitutional Court case that had been filed by Fòs Feminista partner Causa Justa. Arguing that the criminalization of abortion violates women's and girls' rights and disproportionately harms the most marginalized women and girls, Causa Justa led social mobilization around the idea that abortion is essential health care and should not be regulated by criminal law. This "just cause" approach to advancing abortion rights has since gained traction in other countries, and Causa Justa is sharing strategies and legal arguments with other Fòs Feminista partners to support them in creating change through similar pathways.

For example, Causa Justa worked with the civil society organizations leading the Justa Libertad movement in Ecuador, including Fòs Feminista partners **CEPAM-G** and **Surkuna**, as they were developing their legal strategy for abortion decriminalization. In March 2024, Justa Libertad filed a lawsuit denouncing the criminalization of abortion as unconstitutional with the Ecuadoran Constitutional Court, and CEPAM-G has since filed two *amicus curiae* briefs in support of the case.

Causa Justa is also supporting feminist organizations in the Philippines to build momentum for abortion law reform there. On a visit to the Philippines in 2025, Causa Justa met with local decision makers, strengthened their understanding of abortion rights, and helped to map local champions for sexual and reproductive health and rights.



▲ Instagram post announcing the launch of the **Justa Libertad** campaign. Photo: Justa Libertad, 2024.



### Fòs Feminista in Global Advocacy Spaces

### Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)

In the lead-up to the 2024 Commission on the Status of Women, Fòs Feminista partnered with UN Women to train more than 85 young feminist activists from the Global South to advocate at the UN. Before and during the event, we co-convened the Women's Rights Caucus, a coalition of over 800 organizations. These efforts resulted in stronger outcomes on gender-based violence, sexual and reproductive health, and the contributions of women and girls of African descent to sustainable development. Building on this, for the 2025 CSW, we organized a virtual training series with UN Women as well as a regional training with West African feminist activists. Through side events and collective advocacy, we helped secure the first-ever reference to sexual and gender-based violence in a Political Declaration.

### **Cross-movement organizing** and collaboration

Recognizing the links among rights-based agendas, Fòs Feminista has deepened its engagement in advocacy spaces that address intersecting issues with sexual and reproductive health and rights. In 2024, we participated in the ILGA World **Conference**—the largest global convening on the human rights of LGBTIQ+ peoplewhere we shared what we've learned from tracking the actions of anti-rights groups at the UN. We also engaged in the first global Conference on Violence **Against Children**, which rallied nearly 50 governments to a call for action. Since then, we have strategized to advance this agenda at CSW, the World Health Assembly, and the African Convention on Ending Violence Against Women and Girls.



▲ (above) At the 2024 UN Civil Society Conference in Nairobi, Kenya – part of the Summit for the Future process – Fòs Feminista led a feminist protest action that criticized the lack of feminist principles in the Pact for the Future. Photo: Fòs Feminista, 2024. (top) Photo: Grissel Lorenzo – Mano Vuelta, 2024

#### **Summit of the Future**

The UN Summit of the Future was a key multilateral meeting aimed at accelerating progress on human rights and sustainable development frameworks. At the Summit's concluding conference in September 2024, Fòs Feminista co-hosted a panel with allies to strengthen feminist global accountability mechanisms within UN processes and convened feminist advocates and organizations to strategize on advancing the Summit's agenda in line with feminist priorities. Our advocacy contributed to securing strong commitments in the final Pact for the Future, including language on gender equality and human rights, ending gender-based violence, and ensuring universal access to sexual and reproductive health and rights.



2024 - 2025

# Advocacy **Impact**

In 2024, our advocacy efforts contributed to creating real change for women and girls.

## 151 million

women and girls of reproductive age live in countries that have stronger sexual and reproductive health laws and policies as a result of our advocacy efforts

▲ In 2024, our Brazilian partner, **Redes da Maré**, launched a local study on the sexual and reproductive health of women living in Maré, the largest group of favelas in Rio de Janeiro. The study provides valuable insights for advocacy focused on improving health access. Photo: Redes da Maré, 2024.

> **REFORMS INTRODUCED** New laws, policies, or

court cases proposed by public decision makers

**REFORMS ADVANCED** Key reforms formally progressed through legislative or judicial action

**REFORMS APPROVED** Policies, laws, or rulings officially enacted

**REFORMS IMPLEMENTED** Approved measures put into practice, such as budgets allocated or care guidelines approved

LAWS AND POLICIES DEFENDED Efforts that successfully blocked rollbacks to sexual and reproductive health, rights, and justice



MEXICO

#### **Aligning local abortion laws** to national mandate

**APPROVED** 2024 - 2025

Fòs Feminista partners GIRE, Equidad de Género, Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir (CDD) - Mexico, and Linea Aborto Chiapas have worked to change local laws and regulations to affirm and protect the right to abortion. Through advocacy with the judicial branch, providing evidence to legislators, and engaging other key stakeholders, these partners contributed to the approval of laws and judicial decisions that codified abortion decriminalization in 11 states between 2024 and the first half of 2025. With these wins, 24 of 32 Mexican states now have laws that are aligned with the 2021 Supreme Court decision declaring the criminalization of abortion to be unconstitutional - making safe and legal abortion care more accessible for women across the country.

#### • POLAND

#### **Advancing reproductive** autonomy

INTRODUCED

IMPLEMENTED 2024

In a highly restrictive legal context for sexual and reproductive health and rights, Fòs Feminista partner **FEDERA** has been leading a multi-pronged approach to affirming reproductive autonomy and removing barriers to abortion access. FEDERA supported the Parliament to draft a new bill to liberalize the abortion law, which was endorsed by a parliamentary commission - a first in Poland. FEDERA also partnered with the Ministry of Health to develop new technical guidelines on the provision of legal abortion and to mandate medical training based on WHO standards.

To promote compliance, FEDERA is documenting the denial of care at public hospitals, supporting the enforcement of a new penalty system rolled out by the Ministry of Health to ensure that legal rights are upheld in practice. By dismantling bureaucratic hurdles and reinforcing standards-based care, FEDERA has helped safeguard legal abortion access and reduce harm from delays and misinformation.



▲ FEDERA President Krystyna Kacpura (second from the right) and team member Antonina Lewandowska (second from the left) attended a meeting with Polish members of parliament to discuss a draft bill on abortion rights. Photo: FEDERA, 2024.



▲ Members of **PROFAMILIAS**' staff at a public demonstration for reproductive justice. Photo: PROFAMILIAS. 2024

#### • PUERTO RICO

#### **Protecting access** to abortion care

**DEFENDED** 2024 - 2025

In 2024, Puerto Rico's legislature considered several bills to restrict abortion rights. In response, Fòs Feminista partner **PROFAMILIAS** joined with other civil society organizations to demand the elimination of bills that violated women's right to choose. These bills were not passed, protecting abortion rights at the time. However, the Department of Health imposed restrictions on abortion clinics. In 2025, the Senate passed a bill that attempts to enact the Department of Health's regulations requiring minors under 15 to obtain a guardian's consent to access abortion. In this context, PROFAMILIAS took steps to strengthen its clinical care processes, protocols, staff training, and forms to shield against the possibility of persecution for providing legal abortion in cases involving minors.

#### • ARGENTINA AND ECUADOR

#### **Getting abortion medications** to the market

IMPLEMENTED 2025

Working with INNOVA Health Supplies and local partners in Argentina and Ecuador, **Fòs Feminista** is ensuring that abortion medications are accessible in local markets. In Argentina, massive budget cuts across the public sector led to dwindling supplies and stockouts of abortion medications. To fill the gap, Fòs Feminista donated abortion medications through local pharmaceutical companies, securing their commitment to distribute them to Ministries of Health in seven provinces. By connecting the public and private sectors, Fòs Feminista's donation helped to catalyze public procurement at the subnational level at a reduced price.

In Ecuador, the joint advocacy efforts of Fòs Feminista, INNOVA Health Supplies, and **CEPAM-G** with the Ministry of Health resulted in the approval of the first batch of mifepristone to be imported into the country. Fòs Feminista donated more than 7,500 pills through INNOVA, which channeled the donation to the Ministry. In September 2025, the Ministry launched new abortion guidelines that allow the prescription of mifepristone. Having an in-country stock of this key medication for self-managed abortion reduces barriers to access and improves the quality of abortion care in Ecuador.



#### BOLIVIA

#### **Breaking the cycle** of violence

ADVANCED 2024

In a country with one of the highest rates of femicide in South America. CIES led advocacy efforts and public awareness campaigns to support the passage of a bill aimed at protecting children orphaned by femicide. The bill establishes the allocation of monthly financial assistance, provides for psychosocial support, and guarantees guardianship supervision, responding to the urgent needs for care and economic security of children who lose their mothers to genderbased violence. The bill is now under review as the government seeks to secure public and private funding for its implementation. At the same time, CIES contributed to the development of a new model to incorporate issues related to gender and rights into the national educational system, with a curriculum focused on preventing violence, providing comprehensive sexuality education, and preventing teen pregnancy.

#### BRAZIL

#### From law to implementation: a public-private partnership

IMPLEMENTED 2025

In response to a national uproar about highly publicized cases of sexual and gender-based violence in Brazil, the national Congress passed a law requiring that all nightlife and leisure spaces - including bars, clubs, and concert venues- train their employees to recognize and prevent violence. However, there was no system in place for providing this training to millions of workers or for certifying businesses as safe spaces.

To address this gap, Fòs Feminista collaborated with our partner Anis Instituto de Bioética, the University of Brasília, the Brazilian Ministry of Women, and the Brazilian Network of the UN Global **Compact** to create a free online training course on violence and harassment prevention for staff in commercial spaces where alcohol is served. The course is now being promoted as part of the preparation for Brazil hosting the COP30 Climate Change Conference in Belém do Pará in November 2025. We are also supporting the Ministry of Women to develop a seal that businesses can display so women and others know about safe spaces where "No Means No."



▲ Márcia Lopes (right), Brazil's Minister of Women, and Rozana Naves, University of Brasília's Dean, at the launch of the "No Means No" course. Photo: Luis Gustavo Prado - Secom UnB, 2025.

#### • CHILE

#### A comprehensive approach to preventing sexual and gender-based violence

APPROVED DEFENDED 2024

In March 2024, the Chilean Congress unanimously approved a comprehensive law against violence toward women that includes content on sexual and reproductive health and rights and sex ed pushed forward by Fòs Feminista partner **Miles** over many years. As the law was being considered, Miles provided political and technical support to governmental officials, particularly within the Ministry of Women and Gender Equality and the Ministry of Health, to strengthen support for the bill and to shield it from anti-rights attacks. Just after the law's approval, a group of congressmen filed an appeal against the provisions related to sex ed.

By providing evidence on international standards for comprehensive sexuality education, Miles contributed to the Constitutional Court's rejection of the appeal and, ultimately, to the full approval of the law.



▲ Protest against gender-based violence held in Santiago, Chile. Photo: Denisse Tramolao, 2022.



#### BRAZIL

#### **Overcoming menstrual** poverty

APPROVED 2024

Fòs Feminista partner **Grupo Curumim** supported the development and rollout of a new Ministry of Health ordinance to distribute free sanitary pads in public pharmacies, promoting menstrual dignity for marginalized women and girls. Grupo Curumim provided key policy input, technical advocacy, and stakeholder coordination to shape the ordinance. Since its release in early 2024, public pharmacies in select municipalities have begun offering free pads, with a national rollout planned in phases. Moving forward, this will ensure consistent, nationwide access to menstrual hygiene products, shifting menstrual care to a permanent public health benefit.



▲ **ASVIOL** team members at a menstrual dignity event. Photo: ASVIOL, 2025.

#### NIGERIA

#### **Shaping Nigeria's first** menstrual health policy

APPROVED 2025

In August 2025, Nigeria approved a new policy that recognizes menstrual health as a matter of dignity, equity, and rights - a first for the country. This milestone is the result of the leadership and tenacity of Fòs Feminista partner EVA, which successfully advocated with the Federal Ministry of Women Affairs to revitalize and expand the Technical Working Group on menstrual dignity. By broadening its scope to include cross-sectoral ministries and bringing other Fòs Feminista partners into the process, EVA ensured that diverse perspectives shaped the discussions and built strong political support for a comprehensive national approach to menstrual health.

Among these partners was **ASVIOL**, which contributed its expertise on menstrual health in the workplace during the Technical Working Group sessions. By highlighting the links between menstrual dignity and workplace conditions, ASVIOL enriched the policy dialogue and sparked commitments from private sector actors to explore measures such as access to menstrual products, improved workplace WASH facilities, and supportive leave policies.

#### • PHILIPPINES

#### **Reshaping narratives** on menstruation

ADVANCED 2025

Two Fòs Feminista partners in the Philippines - PANTAY and WGNRR - are weaving together complementary strategies for advancing menstrual dignity in schools and in public discourse. In 2025, PANTAY partnered with a national high school to integrate menstrual health and rights into its programming as a way to tackle stigma and exclusion. They developed training modules for teachers to engage students in rights-based conversations about sexual and reproductive health - including bodily autonomy and consent as well as menstrual health, hygiene, and justice.

In parallel, WGNRR convened young people, gender-diverse participants, and local stakeholders in Batangas City for a public event to dismantle menstrual stigma and envision a future rooted in dignity and justice. As outcomes of the event, WGNRR secured commitments from the City Councilor and the Department of Education to create menstrual inclusive policies and integrate menstrual health discussions into school curricula.



▲ PANTAY's event on menstrual dignity with high school students. Photo: PANTAY, 2025.



# We strengthen feminist organizations and movements

# **Building bridges to a sustainable future**

Fòs Feminista recognizes that our partners know best what their communities need and how to meet those needs. We support partners with funding and accompaniment, creating bridges for them to put their solutions into practice: from stable, flexible grantmaking that enables partners' creativity and agility; to project-based funding for strategic initiatives; to institutional capacity-building in financial leadership and incomegenerating strategies; to patient, repayable loans that support partners' business models.





**KENYA** KMET MEXICO MANO VUELTA **BELIZE** BLFA ▲ **KMET** senior loans officer (right) visits Gedian Pharmacy. Photo: Gedian Family Healthcare, 2025.

# **Creating sustainable solutions**

In a landscape of declining funding, the need for civil society organizations to create innovative ways to sustain their work is urgent. Fòs Feminista has more than a decade of experience supporting partners to diversify their income through our Innovation and Social Enterprise Lab.

We also provide flexible loans to support partners' business models through our Feminist Impact Fund, a gender-lens investing mechanism.



#### **Micro-finance**

KENYA

Fòs Feminista partnered with **KMET**, in Kenya, providing innovative financing and accompaniment to scale their innovative Tiba Mashinani Initiative – a micro-lending model designed to bring health care to remote areas. Through this initiative, KMET provides micro loans ranging from \$400 to \$4,000 to a network of private health care providers nationwide, empowering them to invest in infrastructure, equipment, and human resources and thereby elevating the quality of care.

KMET prioritizes supporting communitybased providers – like pharmacies, dispensaries, and small health centers - which serve as the first point of care for rural and underserved women and girls. With ongoing technical assistance, quality monitoring, and de-risking strategies, KMET enhances the creditworthiness of these providers and boosts the likelihood of their success.

For example, Gedian Family Healthcare in Kisumu used a microloan from KMET to upgrade its infrastructure with a private counseling room and to purchase additional stock for sexual and reproductive health supplies. These improvements allowed them to meet partnership requirements and join a platform connecting private pharmacies with contraceptive and other services for adolescent girls and young women.

With a loan from the Feminist Impact Fund, KMET aims to double the number of facilities in its loan portfolio. In the first six months, KMET distributed 33 microloans, enabling its partners to increase their service provision by 37%. These early successes highlight the transformative potential of the Tiba Mashinani Initiative in strengthening health care access across Kenya's underserved regions.



#### Communitybased clinic

MEXICO

In 2024, we launched an Idea Exploration Program, supporting partners to design and launch income-generating business models that are aligned with their mission.

Mano Vuelta, a grassroots feminist organization in Mexico focused on accompanying and strengthening the sexual and reproductive rights of Afro-Mexican and Indigenous women and girls, participated in the Idea Exploration Program's first cohort. Through internal discussions on how social enterprise could enable them to further their impact, Mano Vuelta identified an opportunity to address gaps in health care access while also generating income.

Their social enterprise model is a small, community-based clinic that integrates traditional medicine in providing comprehensive sexual and reproductive health services and information, including in Indigenous languages. Mano Vuelta is in





▲ Mano Vuelta's team members at the entrance of their new community-based clinic. Photo: Mano Vuelta, 2025.

the process of securing permits needed, with plans to open the clinic in the next few months. As Mano Vuelta's co-Executive Director Ángeles Leyva explained, "This proposal aims to offer a possibility of comprehensive access to sexual and reproductive health to the people in Oaxaca with a human rights, intercultural, intersectional, and anti-racist focus."



## One-stop health care

BELIZE

Fòs Feminista partner **BFLA** is the only civil society organization in Belize that provides high quality sexual and reproductive health care. But between 2019 and 2022, the end of several donor-restricted projects compounded by the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic led to a decline in revenue that threatened the continuity of care. To address this gap, and with a vision for long-term sustainability, BFLA reinvented its business strategy to expand its role as a service provider for the National Health Insurance – the government program that provides free health care.



▲ Outside **BFLA**'s renovated clinic. Photo: BFLA, 2024.

With a loan from Fòs Feminista's Feminist Impact Fund, in 2022 BFLA expanded its headquarters to provide comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care along with general medical services. The renovation of the clinic allowed BFLA to increase the number of people it served through the public health system while generating additional income so the organization could close its revenue gap and pay off the loan by mid-2025.

The success of this model created opportunities to add three new services through public and private partnerships: an in-house pharmacy for distributing contraceptives and other medications; imaging services; and a laboratory. To make this next expansion possible, in 2024 Fòs Feminista provided a second loan, which covered the purchase of a six-month stock of medications for the pharmacy and needed renovations.

BFLA is now positioned to offer comprehensive care in a one-stop shop, better meeting the needs of people seeking care while increasing its annual revenue by a third. At the same time, BFLA has committed to channeling 40% of the surplus from these income streams to its programming to bring care and services to migrant populations, who are excluded from the public health system, and marginalized Indigenous communities.

"Many times I didn't do the lab tests because the laboratories are too far away. Now with everything here, I get to see the doctor, I get all my meds and labs, and pay just the ten percent co-pay."

Woman who accessed care at BFLA's clinic





## Flexible funding

Our flexible grantmaking provides partners with the reliability and autonomy they need to sustain their organizations, adapt to change, and pursue their priorities with agility and confidence.

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#### Rapid response

TURKEY

Fòs Feminista's Turkish partner, **WWHR**, uses the flexible support it receives from Fòs Feminista to fund advocacy in response to unexpected political shifts that threaten women's and gender-diverse peoples' rights. For example, WWHR sprang into action when it learned about a proposed provision in a 2024 judicial reform package that would reduce women's equality in their marriages by requiring them to adopt their husbands' surnames. The provision is part of larger anti-rights policy efforts to restrict sexual and reproductive health and rights under the pretense of reinforcing the family structure and reversing declining fertility rates in the country. WWHR immediately launched a campaign to stop the bill's passage, gaining over 10,000 signatures on their petition in the first week. The campaign generated a feminist outcry that contributed to the provision being removed from the final proposal.



#### **Communications**

O INDIA

For Sama Resource Group for Women and Health, a Fòs Feminista partner in India, flexible funding is a feminist resource that is essential to building an organization's independent agency and sustainability. In 2024, flexible funding from Fòs Feminista supported Sama to deepen their work on abortion rights messaging, which had not been a prior focus of the organization. Recently they have been responding to attacks on abortion rights in India, demanding reproductive autonomy for all. Sama also works internally and with local community organizations to build capacity and create spaces for open dialogue on safe abortion and other stigmatized subjects related to sexual and reproductive health.

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# Connecting donors to causes

# A champion for women and girls

Our deepest gratitude to **Susan Nitze** for her commitment to advancing gender equality and reproductive rights. For more than three decades, her philanthropy has been rooted in the belief that real change happens when feminist movements are sustained, connected, and trusted to lead the way. With a passion for ensuring that all girls have equal opportunities, resources, and autonomy to make decisions about their bodies and lives, Susan has sought to build bridges across issues, movements, stories, and even unlikely allies in new ways.

Her service as co-chair of the Fòs Feminista Leadership Council – alongside Alexander Sanger – is an invitation to join the collective generosity of philanthropists that are boldly accelerating support for women, girls, and gender-expansive people on the front lines.



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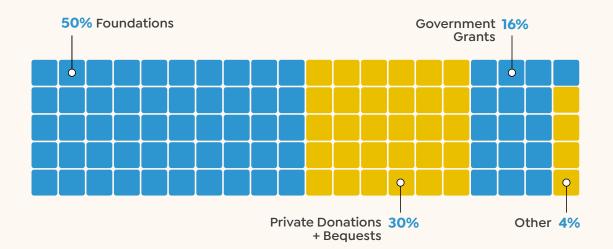
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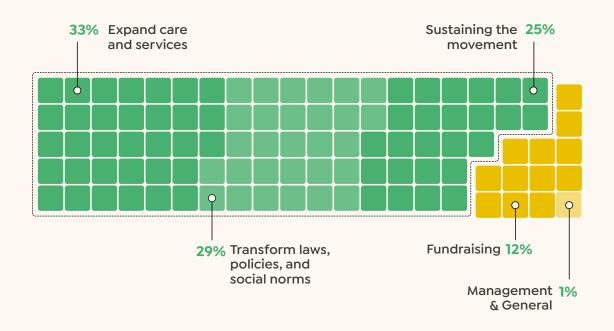
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#### **2024 Financial Snapshot**

#### January 1 to December 31, 2024

Complete 2024 Financial statement available at www.fosfeminista.org





#### **Total Net Assets**

as of December 31st, 2024

\$86,302,197

**Total Operating Support and Revenue** 

\$36,660,687

#### **Total Expenses**

\$33,470,193

#### **Our Efficiency**

You can be sure that your gift will help achieve justice and equity for women, girls, and gender-diverse people.



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We also wish to thank **Alexander Sanger** for his unwavering commitment to Fòs Feminista, including as Co-Chair of the Leadership Council.



# Join us in protecting reproductive choice for generations to come.

◆ Jersiuska (left) and Yeriuska (right) Aguilar, sisters from Venezuela, migrated to Colombia seeking a better life, but accessing basic health care proved difficult.

For more than a year, they struggled to find the right contraceptive method—until they met Fòs Feminista partner **Fundación Mujer y Futuro**, which provided access to free contraceptive pills. This gave them the peace of mind and confidence to make their own choices about their future, including deciding not to have more children.

"I feel like I have my life back. Fundación Mujer y Futuro even covered transportation costs for us to get to their clinic. I'm very grateful for their work," says Jersiuska.



Every gift helps protect hard-won reproductive rights and expand access to contraception and care. Be part of what's next.

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