

Kvinna till Kvinna: The Promotion of Women's Empowerment and Rights in Liberia (POWER)

	Implementing partner(s)	Kvinna till Kvinna
m2	Location	Montserrado, Bong, Grand Bassa, Nimba, Sinoe, River Gee, Grand Gedeh
	Agreement period	November 2021 – September 2026
(<u>•</u>	Budget total (Sweden)	59 021 588 SEK

Overview and objectives

The POWER programme takes an integrated approach to contribute to a stronger, more inclusive women rights movement in Liberia working more effectively, strategically and sustainably to push for girls and women's rights and empowerment, which includes, *inter alia*, the opportunity and capacity to participate qualitatively in decision-making at different levels and in different spaces, decrease gender-based violence, improve access to SRHR services and information, and strengthen their economic empowerment. The program prioritises SRHR as crucial to women's health and security, as well as youth and LGBTIQ+ organizations to achieve the following objectives:



Community Rights Committee members holding a community constitution recognized by city officials covering issues like domestic violence, women's rights; and SRHR rights.

- KtK's partner organisations make effective use of the capacity strengthening provided, and the advocacy and networking opportunities among them and key actors, to develop a more effective, resilient, visible, and more inclusive women's movement in Liberia.
- KtK's partner organisations make effective use of the provided knowledge and skills to support rightsholders' increased political participation and effective peacebuilding.
- KtK's partner organisations make effective use of the provided knowledge and skills to both support
 rightsholders in accessing, and advocate for better functioning structures, for improved protection,
 prevention, and response to GBV and access to SRHR information.
- KtK's partner organisations make effective use of the provided knowledge and skills to support women's economic empowerment as means to gender equality.

Activities

Kvinna till Kvinna has continued to grow its partnerships to reach diverse groups and geographical areas. KtK has provided project support and collaborations to further highlight the work of the WROs and networks with a focus on increased collaboration among partners to foster learning. Partners have: facilitated trainings for 250 women rights holders to gain skills for political participation; advocated at national level against the current proliferation of substance abuse as linked to occurrences of GBV; supported women survivors of GBV with services such as psychosocial counselling, shelter, medical support, material, transportation and made referral to seek legal redress; and supported 250 women organised in groups (VSLAs, small businesses or production of goods) to support their economic empowerment