

ZAMBIA



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Gender Links Zambia began operations in October 2009 with full registration in 2011. Since then, GL Zambia has been operating from the offices of the Local Government Association of Zambia (LGAZ). Through this partnership, GL managed to sustain its work during the funding crisis of 2017.

In 2018, GL Zambia:

- Reopened through support from Amplify Change. GL Zambia is now working with LGAZ and the SADC Gender Protocol Alliance to build capacity from the local level to the policy level on Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRHR).
- Conducted two SRHR training workshops with seven Local Authorities and the Alliance Cluster members. The SRHR programme has seen local government, in particular the youth, working closely with civil society to advocate for improved SRHR service delivery in the districts.

- Identified three campaigns on SRHR including ending child marriages, ending gender based violence and maternal health.
- Re-launched the Sunrise Campaign targeting five councils to roll out of the Entrepreneurship programme. These councils will assist GL Zambia, with support from LGAZ to identify GBV survivors in their localities and later provide training in entrepreneurship skills. The councils selected are: Rufunsa, Kafue, Kitwe, Luanshya and Kabwe.
- Collaborated with the Commonwealth Local Government Forum (CLGF) in its efforts to mainstream gender in Local Economic Development. In 2019, through a partnership under the Jo Cox Fund of DFID, GL Zambia and the CLGF will work to create a network of women councillors, as well as networks of participants in the Sunrise Campaign.



GFPs working on SRHR Action Plan.
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