



Fundasaun Alola

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Women Resource Centre has provide Monthly Discussion to young people



WRC Alola Foundation is a sub-program of the Advocacy program with the aim to increase women and youth capacity through Basic Computer Training, CV and Application Letter Training. The WRC also provides monthly discussion and dissemination of information on Gender, Human rights, Human Trafficking, Socialization of the Domestic Violence Law, Reproductive and Sexual Health. The topics for monthly discussion are selected by the participants according to their needs identified in the needs assessment form that prepared by the WRC Program Officer.

The WRC provides 5 computers and a mini library in order to develop and increase the women and youth capacity . The WRC objective is to provide opportunity for women to increase Women’s capacity and provide information through Internet and

library access such as Health, Education, Economic, Human Rights and Gender Based Violence. The WRC provides information such as bulletins, brochures, pamphlet, booklets and reports from Alola’s NGO’s partners , so that everyone can access information about other referral NGO and distribute to the community in the rural areas.

The WRC also prepares Humanitarian Assistance packages for Gender based violence victims and also attends the Domestic Violence victim, sexual violence, sexual abuse victims and the natural disaster The WRC also uses a referral system with the work partners such as Fokupers, Casa Vida, PRADET, MSS, VPU and other relevant NGO that working on supporting the victim, so that the victim can access the better assistance.



Point Special Interesting:

- FUNDASAUN ALOLA CONDUCTED STAKEHOLDER MEETING AND FOCUS TO COUNTER HUMAN TRAFFICKING DRAFT LAW.
- FUNDASAUN ALOLA CONDUCTED TRAINING TO INCREASE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE, SMALL BUSINESS SKILL FOR VICTIMS' WOMEN
- JOINT COLLABORATION BETWEEN MINISTRY OF HEALTH, UNICEF, UNFPA WITH FUNDASAUN ALOLA TO IMPLEMENT BIRTH PREPAREDNESS PLAN (BPP) PROGRAM IN ERMERA DISTRICT

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ADVOCACY PROGRAM

Draft Law of Counter Human Trafficking Consultation



First Human Trafficking stakeholder's meeting and consultation on Counter Human Trafficking Draft Law by Legal Department of Ministry of Justice

“Counter Human Trafficking Stakeholders submit recommendations Outline for Counter Human Trafficking Law to the Ministry of Justice”

The Counter Human Trafficking Stakeholders that lead by Alola Foundation from 2009 up to now, this program support by International Organization of Migration (IOM) with the Milenium Goal Development fund. The objective of the stakeholders is to strengthen the coordination link with other organization in order to counter and prevent the danger/risks of Human Trafficking in our country.

The organizations that take a part in this group are strong and work in the areas of Human rights, Children's Rights, Women's Rights, Security, Justice and Law and are composed from NGOs and State Institutions.

The Counter Human Trafficking Law outlines that at this moment it is lead by the Ministry of Justice to realize public consultation in order to get a recommendations to complete the law. With this opportunity, the Civil Society through the Counter Human Trafficking Stakeholders group that is lead by Alola Foundation to realize a meeting to explore and learn about Counter Human Trafficking Law summary that was prepared by the Ministry of Justice. The stakeholders conducted public consultation towards National and International NGOs, Government Institutions and Community Leaders to strengthen the important recommendations that are relevant with the content of Human Trafficking Law .

Generally, the law provides positive aspects and shows the contribution of civil society through the mechanisms and the different assistance, but needs to include the important points that have been “decided by the institutions or a ministry to coordinate and responsible fo this issue or Human Trafficking”. Because the law proposes to regulate the commission but doesnt define any ministry that needs to coordinate the

issues. Another part reads “share responsibilities for each competent ministries to support human trafficking victims based on support that have mention in the Counter Human Trafficking Law outline in the article 28 and 38”. In this case each relevant ministry, know and understand their own responsibility and easily adapted with the program Annual Plan and Ministry finances for the law implementation. The thinking of civil society part that “need to include in the law outline an article that oriented in relation with the public entity and Civil society”. the civil society as an implementation partner from the government in the development and to strengthen the justice in the part of assistance and support victims, need to assume the responsibility of the civil society on law implementation. Hopefully the recommendations that have been submitted to the Ministry of Justice, can be considered and as a cravat/ necktie for the Ministry of Justice to improve the Counter Human Trafficking Law outline to strengthen the court/tribunal assessment.

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

Economic empowerment to reduce Gender-based violence and Human Traffic Risk



Delivery grant to victim women's group in Uma Mahon Maria Tapo in Maliana, Bobonaro district

Fundasaun Alola through the Economic Empowerment Program implement its "Cooperative" activities in three districts for a

period of three months from July-September 2013 held in Covalima, Oe-Cusse and Maliana districts. These activities are supported by the MSS-DNRS. The specific activity that has undertaken in three districts has mentioned above were delivery of training on gender-based violence, human trafficking, and finance management training.

The objective of this training is to increase knowledge about gender-based violence, small business skill for women victims in three districts, and minimize the number of domestic violence and human trafficking cases in Timor-Leste.

After delivery of the training in each district, Fundasaun Alola delivered small grants to cooperative members with amount USD 3,000.00 per

group, which Fundasaun Alola has provide training on finance management training. This grant divided into two type: USD 1,000.00 for "micro credit" activities and USD 2,000.00 for establishing a cooperative center in their home village. The support grants for cooperative center is used to display group's products, saving and loans activities and meeting.

This fund was delivered by the representative of MSS-DNRS in district and witnessed by the local authority such as Chefe do Suku (head of village) and Chefe Aldeia (head of hamlet). This program is beneficial to female victims of domestic violence and human trafficking.

EDUCATION PROGRAM

Three Alola Foundation Staff visit Bendigo, Victoria- Australia



The team photos with the officer of the Mobile Library Rod Moore

From August 24, 2013 until 8 of September 2013, the Education Department of Alola Foundation in collaboration with Education Department Loddon Mallee-Bendigo facilitate 3 Alola Foundation staff:

Ema de Sousa (Education Program Manager), Lindalva Isa B.Belo (Mobile Library Coordinator) and Joaninha Candida Quintão (Program Officer of Mobile Library) visit to Bendigo, Victoria-Australia.

The objective of this visit are to improve their skills and ability in education area and directly observe how effective methods of teaching in classrooms, establishing good strategy of Library in classrooms and Mobile Library and also developing resources for teaching. The other objective is to increase staff ability in speaking English. Not only visit to schools in Bendigo but the team also visited school libraries and Mobile Library that go

around Bendigo to facilitate community in reading and access to the books. Through this visit the team gained more experiences and also found some differences between Australia and Timor-Leste, especially in teaching methodology, classroom management and also the establishments inside of Mobile Library. There are different story books that they offer to children, adults and also aged people. The teams will adapt and share the experiences that they learned and share to all the Alola Foundation programs together to improve the methods used.

"This visit helps us to improve our capacity and ability in methodology and strategy of teaching in the classroom." said by Nina and Lily

MATERNAL AND CHAILD HEALTH PROGRAM

Implementation and Expansion of the Birth Preparedness Plan (BPP) Program in Ermera District

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Antes – Periodu Jan 2012 ba Abril 2012
Depois – Periodu June 2012 ba Septembru 2012

No.	Sukus	Fasilidade Saude			
		Centru da Saude		Postu Sanitariu	
		Antes	Depois	Antes	Depois
1.	Coliate Letelo	0	3	0	2
2.	Asulau-Sare	0	0	0	13
3.	Ailelo	3	4	0	0
4.	Leimea Kraik	0	5	0	0
5.	Samara	2	2	0	0
6.	Manusae	0	4	0	0
7.	Hatolia Villa	4	4	0	0
	Total	9	22	0	15

In June 2012, a joint collaboration between the Ministry of Health, UNICEF, UNFPA and Fundasaun Alola's Maternal Child Health (MCH) Program saw the initial implementation of the Birth Preparedness Plan (BPP) program. The BPP program was piloted in Hatolia sub-district in Ermera district, which consists of seven villages.

The aims of the BPP program are to support pregnant women to have a birth plan and involve community participation in

helping and supporting women to be able to reach professional childbirth care when labour begins with identified and/or pre-arranged transport to a health facility.

Implementation of the BPP program over a period of four months has shown significant achievement by the 7 villages in Hatolia sub-district with a total of 22 mothers birthing at the Community Health Centre (CHC) and

15 mothers birthing at a Health Post (HP).

Comparing this data with data before implementation of the BPP program over a four month period from January to April 2012 shows only 9 mothers accessed at CHC and none accessed a HP to give birth. The Birth Preparedness Plan was successfully implemented because it received maximum support from community members, the Heads of village and hamlets as well as pregnant women through both development of their birth plans and action undertaken to implement their birth plans making sure pregnant women had access to health facilities facilitated by community members.

Looking at the results of the implementation of the BPP program it was successful in increasing the number of births conducted by a medically skilled attendant at health facilities, both CHC and HP, in Hatolia sub-district. Therefore, in 2013 Fundasaun Alola's MCH program will scale up the BPP program to Letefoho sub-district which is also in the Ermera district and consists of 8 villages.

Implementation of the BPP program by Fundasaun Alola's MCH program continues with support from UNICEF working together with the Ministry of Health.

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The Alola Foundation is a not for profit non-governmental organization operating in Timor-Leste to improve the lives of women and children. Founded in 2001 the organization seeks to nurture women leaders and advocate for the rights of women by addressing problems relating to education, economic development, maternal and child health and advocating women's rights.

Our Motto : Feto Forte Nasaun Forte - Strong Women Strong Nation

Vision : Women of Timor-Leste have equal status in ALL aspects of life (access, participation, role in decision making, enjoyment of benefits of development) through education, economic development, health and community leadership.

Mission: To improve maternal and child health, create employment, promote human rights, strengthen community development, and improve the status of women.

The Alola Foundation programs are:

- **Advocacy Programs** - To promote women's rights and increase women's leadership capacity
- **Maternal and Children Health Programs** - To improve health status of women and children
- **Education and Literacy Programs**-To increase access and quality of education for women and children
- **Economy Development Programs** - To strengthen women's small enterprise at grassroots level

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