

Organization Name: Women's Declaration International - Bahamas Chapter

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Date of appointment: October 3rd, 2020.

Due date of Report: (Quarterly) April 30th, 2022

***Description: The WDI represents the Women's Declaration on Human Rights. The Declaration re-affirms women and girls' sex-based rights, and challenges the discrimination we experience from the replacement of the category of sex with that of 'gender identity.'***

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As of January 2022 Bahamas Chapter adopted the new name of Women's Declaration International Bahamas.

### **WHRC Resource Pool**

Currently no cash requests were made.

***To date we have used specified funds for disbursements and general administrative supplies as needed.***

- 1. Training certificates***
- 2. Computer Supplies***
- 3. Paper***
- 4. Local regulatory fees***

### **Country Position due to Covid 19 Environment**

Country experienced change in public health policies due to elections and change in administration.

Country currently open and gradually beginning economic uptick.

### **Next Steps**

It is with that view that I will allow the extension to serve as a benchmark for activity as I compile the list of attendees to the Masterclass and further introduce the campaign to key stakeholders in the Bahamas. ONGOING

WDI Bahamas will also apply for the NPO Registration which will make the organization an official NGO in the country and require financial reporting.

### **Projects**

WDI Bahamas has consulted a media firm to facilitate the develop of its website and social media strategy. A quote with deliverables has been submitted to the campaigns leadership team in the small grant request proposal. ONGOING

### **Measurable Projections**

It is projected that upon sending out a formal introduction in November 2020 we will see an increase in signatories and further compile our complete list of one hundred (100) attendees to the Masterclass. (Impacted by COVID 19.)

### **Advocacy**

Curating local clusters to recommence MasterClasses.

Recruitment of committed volunteers.

### **Global Advocacy-Speaking**

Bahamas Chapter spoke at FQT on August 28th, 2021 on promoting the declaration using CEDAW and how that applies to duality and the term gender. (Language)

Bahamas Chapter spoke at FiLiA 2021 on November 13th, 2021 on the Effective Protection of Women's Rights.

Also the presentation was published on the FiLiA website.

See attached:

<https://www.filia.org.uk/latest-news/2022/01/13/effective-protection-of-women-rights-in-an-ever-changing-world>

Bahamas Chapter spoke at FQT on March 21st, 2022 on the MasterClasses as the primary advocacy option available in the country.

Bahamas Chapter also engaged and spoke at CSW66 on March 19th, 2022 on Article 9 of the WDI declaration which reaffirms the need for the protection of the rights of the child.

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