

# Addis Ababa Women's Association

*“Addis Ababa Women's Association envisages a society whereby the values and rights of women are recognized and exercised, gender equality is enjoyed and quality of life is improved.”*

Addis Ababa Women's Association (AAWA) focuses on the social, political and economic empowerment of women in Ethiopia's capital city Addis Ababa, and especially on girls' education, adult literacy and reproductive health services.

The organization received a \$204,276.53 grant to accomplish their Social Accountability projects in the fields of Agriculture, Education, Health, Rural Roads and Water and Sanitation. The specific Social Accountability tools used by VECOD over the next two years are the Community Score Card and Citizens' Reports Card.

VECOD works in 5 woredas in Gambella Regional State (Gambella Zuria, Wantwa, Godere, Itang, Gambella Town) and is the first organization to ever implement Social Accountability projects in this region of Ethiopia. They work closely together with regional administrative offices and the Regional Ombudsman Office.

The organization is establishing vibrant interaction between communities, local governments and other service providers to improve the adequacy of basic services.

Producing and distributing 50,000 pocket size booklets in different languages with guidelines for participation in development, is just one of the methods used to institutionalize and mainstream demand-driven Social Accountability mechanisms. Over 125,000 members of the community will benefit from the two-year long projects that are implemented.

VECOD has been a player in the field of bridging the gap between the public and local administrations since 2003. The organization provided over 10,000 citizens with three-month intensive trainings on the fundamentals of leadership, civic education and management fields. It has also educated over 100,000 Ethiopians on election processes and human rights and reached out to more than 70,000 community members by conducting awareness creation workshops.

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# Amhara Development Association

*“To alleviate poverty by supporting participatory community developments in collaboration with governmental and non-governmental organizations.”*

**A**mhara Development Association’s (ADA) mission is to support the development endeavors of the Amhara people in the area’s of health, education, basic skills training and other development activities through community participation and by mobilizing recourses from members, supports, donors and other sources.

With a grant of \$299,996.42 , the Amhara Development Association will be able to implement Social Accountability programs in five woredas in the Amhara region (Debre-Markos Ketema, Fogera, Wegera, Ebinat, Kalu), together with its partner organization Organization for Rehabilitation and Development (ORDA). ORDA’s goal is to empower poor communities to achieve livelihoods and environmental security.

The Social Accountability tools of Community Score Card, Participatory Planning and Budgeting, and Gender Responsive Budgeting will be used to implement projects in the target sectors of Agriculture, Education, Health, Rural Roads, Water and Sanitation.

Trainings will be undertaken in all woredas to familiarize communities with the Social Accountability tools.

For each project, a woreda level project advisory committee will be established to oversee the project performance to ensure long lasting impact. After two years, the quality of basic services in the target sectors will have improved and citizens will be more aware of their rights, entitlements and responsibilities to contribute to and demand better public basic services.

ADA was established in 1992 and has considerable experience in implanting interventions that meet the large demand for reproductive health and family planning services in the Amhara region via the use of community based approaches such as trained volunteer community health workers.

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