



Siiqqee Women's Development Association

“To see disadvantaged and marginalized women; girls and children in Ethiopia live with dignity and security”

Siiqqee Women's Development Association (SWDA) was founded by a committed Ethiopian woman with a strong conviction that poor women can control their livelihoods and their futures when assisted in their self-help efforts and ultimately empowered. In time, other men and women sharing the same vision joined the Association voluntarily. Siiqqee Women's Development Association (SWDA) works to enable disadvantaged women, girls and children in Ethiopia to improve their social and economic well-being and develop their capacity as active, productive and respected members of their communities. The organization has implemented different development projects in Sebeta Awas and Guto Gida Woreda, Woliso and Nekemte towns of Oromia region in the thematic areas of education, women empowerment and child development. Support for Orphan and Vulnerable Children, girls' education and adolescent girls support are some of the core program areas of SWDA.

Through its Social Accountability project, the organization partners with Good Samaritan Association (GSA) and Walal Development Association (WALDA) to increase the awareness of women and women groups about their rights, entitlements and responsibilities to contribute to and demand better quality public basic service delivery.

Siiqqee Women's Development Association (SWDA) received a \$242,095.11 grant to implement Social Accountability projects that focus on education, health and water and sanitation. The Social Accountability tools used by SWDA are Community Score Card and Participatory Planning and Budgeting. The organization works in four woredas in Benishangul Gumuz and Oromia regional states. The woredas are Bambasi (Benishangul Gumuz) and Nekemte, Sayo, and Jimma Arjoon Oromia region.

The project implemented by SWDA will benefit 75,945 people directly and 305,914 indirectly. The main beneficiaries of the project are elderly, women, orphans and vulnerable children, people with disabilities and people living with HIV/AIDS.

The outcomes of the implemented Social Accountability projects by SWDA will include the involvement of women, vulnerable people and community based organizations in planning, implementing and monitoring basic services delivery increased by 70%, enhanced level of awareness on SA among the target communities and local government officials and documentation as well as information dissemination on SA.

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