

RESURJ ANNUAL REPORT 2017



CONNECTING MOVEMENTS
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A LETTER FROM THE ALLIANCE

Dear friends, allies, accomplices, supporters:

We are pleased to share with you RESURJ's work and activities in 2017. It was an active and exciting year for us, as we moved forward collectively to fight for sexual and reproductive justice, but also with membership transitions, new areas of work, new spaces, new opportunities, and challenges.

The increased backlash on bodily autonomy and freedoms, in every corner of the world, has proven again and again the need to transform our ways of working, thinking, and relating to each other within and across social movements. Women and girls living with disabilities, black, indigenous, adolescents, LGBTQI+, migrant women and girls, amongst others, pushed into marginalization, continue to face stigma and discrimination, violence, sexual and reproductive rights violations and threats to their livelihoods. Globally, economic austerity, deepening inequalities, ecological degradation, militarization and conflict, and growing intolerance toward women's rights including conservative attacks on education policies, gender equality, and bodily autonomy and freedoms, to name a few, are alarming trends. The intersections of these systems of oppression make our work extremely pertinent and urgent.

In 2017, RESURJ continued to support members and allies to examine their own understanding of the multiple crises affecting our different contexts, political values, and what it means to be connected in struggle to each other, and with other movements. There is a critical consciousness that we seek in our members and accomplices: one that is helping us to shape and grow collectively and has informed and deepened our analysis in 2017. From RESURJ's inception until now, we have made strides to intentionally build the political consciousness of RESURJ as a collective and of other younger feminists, and we remain committed to elevating the power, leadership and political voice of Global South younger feminists in the halls of power. As such, we have developed a multi-pronged approach to fuel what we consider to be an act of political re-imagining.

We have done this through mobilizing and engaging with younger feminists nationally, regionally and globally by hosting intersectional feminists dialogues that put a critical justice perspective at the center. We do this by co-creating spaces for and with younger South feminists to explore and strategize around the political, social, environmental and economic contexts that impact our work to advance sexual and reproductive justice; and through an interlinkages analysis that informs our political advocacy in different intergovernmental spaces both regionally and globally. Our act of political re-imagining, calls for the platforming of women and adolescents lived experiences, on their own terms, while also challenging the dominant narrative of what is considered evidence in assessing how different social, economic and environmental conditions provide them or hinder them from enjoying their sexual and reproductive rights.

RESURJ strengthens its political advocacy through an understanding that our lives are deeply intersectional and the issues we advocate for and the lived-experiences we have are complex, woven, and indivisible. Complex problems require complex solutions. In 2017, we continued to work on issues and take positions and share perspectives that other feminists, collectives, and women's rights organizations have yet to broach; such as the critical interrogation of the shortcomings and challenges of penal policies in addressing sexual and reproductive rights violations. We have continued to explore and seek alliances to analyze, discuss and draw a comprehensive strategy that reaches beyond criminal measures when it comes to combating sexual and reproductive rights violations.

A LETTER FROM THE ALLIANCE CONTINUED

The implementation and monitoring of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda, particularly at the national and regional levels is essential to ensuring that these new global commitments are translated into reality on the ground. In order to do so, and while continuing to engage in international advocacy, our work in 2017 has focused on regional and cross-regional South feminist organizing and national advocacy for accountability related to the SDGs. To this end, we have supported several younger south feminists to advocate for accountability with their governments in hopes to contribute towards realizing justice for all young women and adolescents at all levels.

Internally, we have put into practice key aspects of our advocacy demands by developing a care leave policy that includes healthcare support for members of the secretariat, parental leave and a travel child support policy for members with young children. These measures are integral to our feminist accountability practice and are actions that allow for members to fully contribute to the alliance and the movement we are part of. In 2017, RESURJ's secretariat underwent a transition as Soha Abdelaty, RESURJ founding member and Operations Coordinator, finalized her term as part of the secretariat. During her two years as secretariat member, Soha coordinated the programmatic and monitoring and evaluation work of the alliance. In particular, Soha, along with members, conceptualized and gave life to one of RESURJ's key areas of work around the shortcomings of penal policies in addressing rights violations.

In 2017 we also said goodbye to another founding member, Alexandra Garita, whose vision, passion and commitment alongside other founding members, laid the foundation for RESURJ to continue to be a powerful force. In addition, May-i Fabros, member from the Philippines, also transitioned out of the alliance and joined the Foreign Service where she will continue to use her skills as a tireless advocate, and avid negotiator to fight for women's rights. We wish them well in all their future work for justice and gender equality, and they are greatly missed.

In recognizing the wealth of skills, expertise, leadership and passion of all members within RESURJ, we didn't have to go far to identify a new Operations Coordinator. We welcomed Mari-Claire Price as the new Operations Coordinator in August of 2017. Mari-Claire's commitment to feminist accountability, justice, and challenging neoliberalism in all shapes and forms, has continuously contributed to RESURJ's growth in as a collective. In 2017, we were pleased to have welcomed two new members from Asia, Sachini Perera from Sri Lanka and Jasmine George from India. They have brought new energy, ways of thinking and commitment to the collective efforts for sexual and reproductive justice.

The beauty and strength of RESURJ as a collective lies in its ability to adapt and transform alongside our members, our work at the local level, our personalities, the movements we are part of, our feminist politics, passion for justice, and our commitment to speak truth to power. In 2017, RESURJ continued to make efforts to ensure that the discussion around self and collective care, central to feminist organizing, was addressed as larger movement strategies rather than individual and organizational approaches alone. As a collective, we are dedicated to a continuous revisiting, renewal, and revival of our feminist accountability practices, including our collective care. We have also worked diligently to document the collective memories of how we make decisions about our work, structures and alliances we are part of.

Whether at the UN in New York, at intergovernmental spaces at the regional level, or on the streets in each of our countries and communities, in 2017, RESURJ members have continued to commit to practice resistance in the face of backlashes, inequalities, violations and injustices. RESURJ will continue to bring our feminist organizing to the halls of power, to fight the co-optation and silencing of our voices, the threats to women human rights defenders, and the attacks on civil society spaces globally.

In resistance, solidarity and gratitude,
RESURJ

A BRIEF HERSTORY



We are a transnational alliance of feminists under the age of 40 primarily from the Global South. RESURJ was founded in 2010 and is grounded in national and regional social justice movements working across movements, generations, constituencies, and identities who seek to realize sexual and reproductive justice for all. We support and advocate for the leadership of younger feminists in shaping and advocating for transparent, accountable and sustainable development policies and programs. Our justice approach encompasses an understanding of and a commitment to addressing the inter-linkages between our bodies, our health, and our human rights in the context of the ecological, economic, political and social crises of our times.

We lead our work with strong South feminist politics and work to mobilize other constituencies in the health, economic, environmental and human rights fields, to join our cause for sexual and reproductive justice. As an alliance of younger and South-led feminists, RESURJ is also unique in that it mobilizes spaces at global policy-making tables to bring new voices, experiences and ideas, and have them heard at the United Nations and other halls of power globally. Further, RESURJ brings a unique capacity to speak truth to power about the lived-realities that younger women and adolescents face, often challenging the status quo in international policy advocacy.

RESURJ members work within national organizations to influence political processes, population and development policies and programs in Africa, Asia, Pacific, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Middle East and North Africa for issues as diverse as access to safe abortion, adolescents' and young people's sexual and reproductive health and rights, comprehensive sexuality education, gender justice recognition and value of care and domestic work, violence against women and girls, and the leadership of women and young people in all their diversity in decision-making processes.

[See the RESURJ vision](#)
[See the RESURJ action agenda](#)

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Exploring Rights and Justice in the Context of Criminalization

Building on a cross-regional meeting and webinar hosted by RESURJ in 2016, we have continued to identify allies across movements working on different approaches to criminalization; engaging with feminist allies on the topic, exploring alternatives, and deepening our collective analysis. This was done with the goal of solidifying our position on criminalization within our advocacy, including when calling for comprehensive policies to address key issues identified in the SDGs under goal 5 such as violence against women, FGM, and child marriage. Our work in 2017 continued to expand the debate around sexual and reproductive rights violations, in order to analyze, discuss and draw a comprehensive strategy that does not rely solely on criminalization in combating sexual and reproductive rights violations and protecting gender justice. As a result of this initial work, we also participated in an Expert Group meeting organized by Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) on the Use of Criminal Law from a Human Rights, Women’s Rights and Gender Equality Perspective, in Geneva, in March 2017.



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Amplifying women's and adolescents' voices and lived realities

AS PART OF RESURJ'S ongoing advocacy within the 2030 Agenda process we have over the past two years focused on how we leverage evidence based on people's realities for a justice approach to the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and its targets as well as other key global processes. In particular, we wanted to share examples of the interlinkages within the SDGs, and the ways in which people, in particular women and girls, experience those interlinkages. This evidence could be used to inform policy advocacy, resource allocation, and interventions. RESURJ's Our Lived Realities: Evidence for Justice in Sustainable Development project, launched in 2017, uses a feminist and justice approach to create the space for women and adolescents to voice what they need and want, and to identify what conditions enable power, agency, choice, wellbeing, autonomy and pleasure. In 2017, Our Lived Realities first series of evidence in the forms of narratives and stories, looked at the interlinkages between inequalities, sanitation and the Zika virus in Brazil; access to education and the experience of young women and girls in pastoralist and farming communities in Nigeria; and the experiences of migrant domestic workers in Lebanon in the context of care work, economic justice and bodily integrity. Using a feminist and justice approach to building evidence, the project thoroughly examines individual's experiences, contexts, and conditions when discussing these interlinkages, to challenge the mainstream narrative of what is really needed to improve the lives of women and adolescents in all their diversity. The project highlights how lived realities are linked to the 2030 Agenda goals and targets for implementation and identifies existing or potential policy interventions, or structural changes, that can address these interlinkages, and contribute to reaching the targets and goals of the SDGs.

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Supporting stronger, independent South feminist voices, across diverse interlinked movements - Africa and LAC

RESURJ continued to support the organizing of 14 young feminists from 10 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean, who now collectively identify as the Vecinas Feministas por la Justicia Sexual y Reproductiva en América Latina y Caribe. The #VecinasFeministas are active in political advocacy at the national and regional levels and aim to position sexual and reproductive justice as an approach to advance their priorities. RESURJ supported a similar cohort in Africa called the Young African Feminists Dialogues (YAFD), a dynamic movement of self-identifying young African feminist activists. In 2017, RESURJ hosted a follow-up YAFD meeting in Kigali, Rwanda, with 27 participants from 18 countries, where YAFD members met face-to-face to review achievements and challenges of the work to date. Since the meeting, RESURJ has supported YAFD to develop guidelines, principles and priorities documents, a logo and communications strategy. Members from #Vecinas Feministas and the YAFD, as well as allies from Asia Pacific and MENA, have regularly engaged with RESURJ in communications outputs, analysis, and global spaces, building on their regional advocacy and strategy, including at the 61st Commission on the Status of Women, the 50th Commission on Population and Development, and the High Level Political Forum in 2017.

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Supporting stronger, independent South feminist voices, across diverse interlinked movements - Asia, Pacific and MENA

In late 2016, RESURJ brought together 15 activists from the Middle East and North Africa region, from both the women’s rights and gender justice fields, as well as labor laws activists, union members, domestic workers and other stakeholders, to collectively explore the crucial interlinkage between sexual and reproductive justice, domestic work and mobility. The dialogue was a first concrete step towards strengthening cross-movement collaboration to advocate for accountability of the SDGs in regional and national contexts as well as exploring the indivisible nature of the 2030 Agenda. Additionally, in Asia and the Pacific, RESURJ collaborated with regional allies in a number of spaces, including the regional sustainable development forum.



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Global Advocacy - SDGs

RESURJ members from Fiji, Nigeria, Mexico, Brazil, and UK, and allies from #Vecinas Feministas, participated in the second High Level Political Forum in July 2017. RESURJ led and participated in a number of advocacy activities, including through the UN Women’s Major Group (WMG). RESURJ’s focus on interlinkages work in recent years has laid the foundation of the perspective and analysis that RESURJ members bring to this international advocacy space. Through a side-event platforming the RESURJ project “Our Lived Realities: Evidence for Justice in Sustainable Development”, we led the conversation and discussion on interlinkages amongst feminist civil society engaging in the HLPF, where RESURJ members from Nigeria and Brazil shared their projects centered around interlinkages related to the SDGs, and stories and narratives of women in their countries showing the realities of why the interlinkages in the SDGs must be addressed. Post- the HLPF, RESURJ published a political analysis on the HLPF itself, in particular the challenges and opportunities in the process such as the Voluntary National Review process and the Ministerial Declaration, but also the failure of member states to address issues around the indivisibility and universality of the agenda; and the interlinked nature of the goals and targets. RESURJ also submitted to the UN Foundation annual stakeholder survey on the mechanism and recommendations for the HLPF. RESURJ continued to monitor the work of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs).

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Global Advocacy - Other

RESURJ members – including two on official government delegations (Rwanda and the Philippines) attended the 61st session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) in March 2017, and Vecinas Feministas Por La Justicia Sexual y Reproductiva en America Latina y Caribe also served as experts on their government delegations (Argentina, Mexico and the Dominican Republic). RESURJ took advantage of the CSW to strategically organize and contribute to securing progressive language on climate change and just transition, gender-responsive climate change strategies; migrant domestic workers’ contributions to development; language on quality health services and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights; comprehensive language on education linked to changing world structure; and distribution of care work.

Three RESURJ members (including on official delegations for Nigeria, Brazil and Mexico) attended the 50th sessions of the Commission on Population and Development in April 2017 under the theme: Changing population, age structures and sustainable development. Unlike the CSW, there was no outcome document. This is disappointing considering that, for the second time, such an important commission, that has previously advanced groundbreaking language on adolescent health and rights, was not able to reach consensus.

Since May 2017, RESURJ has engaged with a new space created by the economic formation of the BRICS countries (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa), the New Development Bank for south-south cooperation, collaborating with the BRICS Feminist Watch, a South feminist platform established to influence the bank and demand accountability for gender justice as it develops its internal and external policies for its projects at the national level.

In November 2017, RESURJ made a submission to the the UNSpecial Rapporteur on violence against women following their call for input on practices of law regulating violence against women and sexual harassment online. The analysis included recommendations as to how criminalization and regulation through civil law, should be just one strategy of a multi-pronged approach towards addressing technology-related and online violence against women. RESURJ’s submission featured specific cases from members in India, Mexico, Brazil, Nigeria, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and the UK.

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Regional Advocacy - #VECINASFEMINISTAS and YAFD

RESURJ has supported both the #VecinasFeministas and Young African Feminists Dialogues' regional strategy and activities including participation in the Regional Sustainable Development Forum in 2017, as well as other regional spaces linked to global agreements. The #VecinasFeministas and RESURJ members have played a key role in advocating for a transparent and coordinated mechanism for civil society participation in the follow up and review of the 2030 Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean. They closely monitor the landmark regional agreement, the Montevideo Consensus, at national and regional levels, as well as engage with regional processes related to the Beijing Platform of Action such as the 13th Regional Conference on Women. At the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development, RESURJ members and YAFD mobilized to protect sexual and reproductive health and rights in the final outcome document. In 2017, RESURJ members shared reflections from the Regional Sustainable Development Forum in Africa through a video reflection (see below). In Asia and the Pacific, our RESURJ member from Fiji worked with a diverse group of allies to continuously link ecological and gender justice as a key aspect of the sustainable development agenda.

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Regional Advocacy - RESURJ

RESURJ members were actively engaged across multiple civil society spaces and expert meetings related the regionalization of the SDGs. This includes: the 1st Eastern African Sub-Regional Colloquium on the SDGs in Uganda; the 2nd Global South Women’s Forum on Sustainable Development in Rwanda; the African Union Gender Pre-Summit and the Pre-CSW61 ministerial meeting. RESURJ alongside Regions Refocus and DIVA for Equality, Fiji hosted an intersectional strategy meeting with 27 Global South feminists from 25 countries, who are leading on SDG advocacy at national and regional levels. This strategy meeting assessed the experiences and challenges of implementing the SDGs from national, regional, and global levels, took stock of the 2016 HLPF and developed a collective political analysis of the value of the HLPF as a space for accountability. RESURJ presented at the UN Women Expert Meeting in May 2017, on the implementation of Goal 5 at the national level and highlighted best practices and challenges in relation to targets on discrimination and access to sexual and reproductive health and rights. Members also engaged in the Africa Leadership Summit on Abortion, the Asia Pacific Conference on Reproductive and Sexual Health and Rights, the Global Internet Governance Forum, and Asia Pacific Regional Internet Governance Forum.

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Creating alternatives feminist organizing spaces for resistance

In 2017, on the sidelines of the 61st Commission on the Status of Women, RESURJ and DIVA for Equality organized the 2nd convening of The Space, a South feminist alternative space for 20 younger and newcomer feminists attending the CSW, following a similar feminist co-learning session in 2016. The Space was established to provide feminist newcomers support and solidarity in navigating the political spaces within the UN and supporting political and intersectional voices and action at the CSW. It aimed to build room for feminist activists to collectively affirm shared politics, intersectionality and maintain and strengthen a spirit of solidarity, co-responsibility, and resistance. The Space, which will continue beyond 2017, provided a platform from which to discuss and engage in healthy, alternative, creative ways of working, and to deepen discussion, build collective knowledge and share analysis from a South feminist perspective, as well as enable activists to better navigate and integrate their various caucus work at CSW in 2017. See videos and voices from The Space 2017 below. RESURJ members also participated in various regional and global South Feminist organizing spaces such as the Encuentro Feminista in Latin America, the Gender is My Agenda Campaign in Africa, the Global South Women's Forum, and the Pacific Feminist Forum.

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Considering critically the interlinkages

In 2017, RESURJ continued to use its communications platforms such as the South Feminist Voices Blog to platform young South feminist voices to speak out about sexual and reproductive justice (SRJ), and our interlinkages approach with economic, ecological, social justice and racial justice issues. Through our monthly RESURJ Reflections on Our Countries, we have produced pieces that consider critically the interlinkages, providing a platform to position analysis from the ground, by younger South feminists, on how we are seeing these issues affecting women and adolescents in our countries. These reflections grapple with compounding and colliding privileges and oppressions - that is, how women and young people relate to, are situated in, are affected by, and resist systems of ableism, colonialism, white supremacy, capitalism, patriarchy, hetero- and cis-normativity, and ageism. In 2017, the monthly RESURJ reflections have included analysis from members on SRJ and online and offline gender-based violence, austerity and neoliberal fiscal policy, racial justice, the rise of conservatism and the right wing, gender ideology as an impediment to rights-based advocacy, food justice, climate justice, financing for development, and disability justice. In September 2017, we launched a special edition commemorating the Global Day of Action for Safe Abortion, focusing on human rights defenders' tireless work to uphold the right to bodily autonomy and freedoms including access to safe abortion. See the areas of analysis in RESURJ's 2017 monthly reflections below.

In March 2017, RESURJ co-hosted a side event with AWID and the International Domestic Workers Federation entitled "Cross-Movement Solidarity with Domestic Workers: Economic, Racial and Gender Justice." The event examined hierarchies in the changing world of work, more particularly changes for women entering formal sector of the economy, and how this transforms the structure of the household between paid and unpaid care and domestic work and what is meant by women's economic empowerment.

MAKING WAVES

Shifts

- Members successfully advocated for the inclusion of language on just transition, overuse of criminal laws, and care and domestic work as key priorities in our advocacy activities
- We engaged more diverse actors in exploring the interlinkages approach to sustainable development at national and regional levels
- We co-created spaces for younger feminists from Africa to discuss how to develop a collective vision, priorities, as well as develop a clear workplan as a collective of like minded feminists, to better advance the rights, wellbeing and participation of women and girls on the continent
- We deepened our collective understanding and articulation of the linkages between gender, economic and environmental justice and engaged in dialogues with colleagues and allies from the care economy and ecological justice fields
- Young South Feminists gained a better understanding of the Sexual Reproductive Justice landscape in various national contexts, have taken leadership of the regional groups that they have founded and developed alongside RESURJ members, identified regional opportunities and strategized towards future regional opportunities

Milestones

- Members of RESURJ and allies supported by the alliance served as experts in their governments delegations at global and regional intergovernmental forums (Brazil, Mexico, Argentina, the Dominican Republic, Rwanda, Nigeria and the Philippines), and worked closely with government delegates of South Africa, Mozambique, Zambia, Fiji, Uruguay and Peru, to propose language related to adolescent health and rights, climate justice, recognition of unpaid and paid care work
- RESURJ contributed to and led on advocacy and positions papers of the Women's Major Group and actively participated in the Civil Society Coordinating Mechanism for the HLPF as part of the follow up and review of the 2030 Agenda
- Global South younger feminists were supported to mobilize and power a dynamic movement of self-identified younger regional feminist activists through the regional groups in Africa and Latin America and the Caribbean

Innovation

- Our interlinkages perspectives through the RESURJ Monthly Reflections, continued to call on feminist, racial justice, reproductive justice, disability justice, food justice, ecological justice and LGBTQI+ movements to build better coalitions that center the lives of peoples who live at the intersections of multiple systems of oppression in order to re-center the margins
- The reflections have highlighted the interlinkages between SRJ and economic, environmental and ecological justice, and social justice and racial justice issues and kept ourselves, our allies and our supporters up-to-date on trends and news, highlighting news or issues that have little space in mainstream media/news/ analysis
- RESURJ secretariat members participated in a collective feminist management workshop to improve ways of working within the alliance
- We actively engaged with new actors and allies monitoring funding and development priorities in BRICS New Development Bank activities including by participating in the civil society meeting of the New Development Bank advocating for the intersection of gender and development
- We developed Feminist Principles for sharing narratives and stories

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Transformation

- YAFD meeting participants described the organizing efforts through the YAFD as 'catalytic and inspirational', an 'entry point for collective organizing on the continent, an opportunity to start reaching out to other young women across the continent to discuss issues that affect them, and an enabling opportunity to push for issues that affect young women', and 'an opportunity to strategize, reaffirm and bring hope to the movement'.
- RESURJ was described by partners as 'a leading voice' on criminalization, as our analysis and partnership continues towards the concrete next steps of this initiative to look into a more comprehensive way to respond to rights violations
- We facilitated cross-regional dialogues and sharing/learning, with a renewed sense of solidarity, increased advocacy skills and strengthened intergenerational working with Global South feminists in the region.
- Along with the #Vecinas Feministas and YAFD members, RESURJ members have become stronger independent feminist voices across diverse interlinked movements in the Global South, in regional and global feminist and intergovernmental processes, where we continue to work to ensure progressive commitments on the human rights of women, young people and adolescents.

Disruption

- RESURJ's analysis and communications continued to challenge the mainstream narrative, language and siloed approach to talking about Sexual and Reproductive Justice
- We increased the political education on language and advocacy for regional allies and for young women who had the opportunity to participate in intergovernmental spaces for the first time and hold governments to account

MAKING WAVES

RESURJ 2017 in numbers

- 27 young African feminists from 18 countries participated in regional feminist dialogue and strategic planning
- 13 member from the #VecinasFeministas from 10 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean have consistently engaged in advocacy for sexual and reproductive justice in development and population policies at the national, regional and global levels
- Collaboration with over 20 members of the YAFD and #VecinasFeministas in regional and global spaces, including advocacy, analysis and communications
- 15 activists including migrant domestic workers participated in RESURJ organized workshop on the intersection of gender, sexual and reproductive justice, migration and domestic work
- 2 RESURJ members & 4 #VecinasFeministas attended the Latin America and the Caribbean SDG Forum
- 5 RESURJ members & YAFD members attended the Africa Regional Forum on SDGs
- 1 RESURJ member attended the AU Gender Pre-Summit and the Pre-CSW61 ministerial meeting
- 1 RESURJ member attended the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
- 1 member attended the Asia Pacific Conference on Reproductive and Sexual Health and Rights
- 1 member attended Montevideo Indicators Follow up meeting
- 6 RESURJ members attended the CSW61
- 4 members and allies on government delegations (Rwanda, Philippines, Mexico, Argentina, Dominican Republic)
- 28 participants at The Space
- RESURJ members lead/engaged in language and advocacy within the Women's Caucus at CSW61, CPD and the HLPF 2017
- 3 RESURJ members and 2 allies attended CPD50 including 2 in government delegations (Nigeria and Mexico)
- 6 RESURJ members attend the High Level Political Forum 2017 including two in delegations (Brazil and Mexico)
- RESURJ hosted a side event on evidence for justice at HLPF
- RESURJ co-hosted a side event on cross-movement solidarity with domestic workers: economic, racial & gender justice at CSW
- Intersectional strategy meeting in preparation for HLPF, 27 participants from 25 countries
- United Nations Foundation's annual stakeholders' survey on the HLPF 2017
- Submission on Technology Related and Online Violence Against Women to Special Rapporteur on VAW
- Submission to WHO on the Global Accelerated Action for the Health of Adolescents
- Presentation at UN Women Expert Meeting on Goal 5
- 28 young feminist newcomers to CSW attended the alternative organizing space 'The Space' 4 evening feminist learning circle
- 5 blogs and articles produced by YAFD and #VecinasFeministas members and published on the RESURJ website
- Online webinar on the shortcomings of penal policy in Sexual and Reductive Justice violations, viewed over 200 times on Youtube
- 20 RESURJ blogs, analysis and political statements by RESURJ members and allies
- New RESURJ website launched
- 8 Editions of Reflections from our Countries Jan - November 2017
- 1 Video analysis on the African Sustainable Development Forum
- 1 In depth analysis on the HLPF
- 1 journal article (Feminist Foreign Policy Journal) by RESURJ members

MEET THE RESURJISTAS

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LOVELY GEORGE
INDIA

JASMINE

HIPPIE ON A LOOKOUT FOR AN ALTERNATIVE WORLD. BUSY NURTURING HIDDEN POCKETS. HOPE AND LOVE.

MARISA

RIVER BORN, RAIN LOVER, TREE CLIMBER, IMAGINATIVE STORYTELLER, FULL-TIME FEMINIST, BELIEVER IN ADOLESCENTS AUTONOMY EC OF RESURJ



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BRAZIL



NANA ABUELSOUD
EGYPT



VIVA TATAWAQA
FIJI

VIVA

PACIFIC GIRL, FIERCE HEART, MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER, LESBIAN, INTERSECTIONAL FEMINIST WORKING ON GENDER AND CLIMATE JUSTICE

ORIANA

ED OF BALANCE, FEMINIST, ABORTION, ENTHUSIAST, UPCOMING STAND UP COMEDIAN, INEXPLICABLY GENTLE, CARING, SARCASTIC, NOISY, AND OWNER OF CONTAGIOUS LAUGHTER



ORIANA LOPEZ
MEXICO



FADEKEMI
AKINFADERIN
NIGERIA



SACHINI PERERA
SRI LANKA

SACHINI

LOVER OF BOOKS, GIN, ELEPHANTS, RICE AND CURRY, AND MAKING A FEMINIST INTERNET

MARI-CLAIRE

CELTIC-ESSEX HYBRID, HEREDITARY WITCH, BIBLIOPHILE, ROUGH EDGES SOFT MIDDLE, EMPATH TO A FAULT, HATER OF AUSTERITY, FUR CHILDREN, DJ MOLLY MAYHEM



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UK



DIAKHOUMBA
GASSAMA
SENEGAL



SINARA GUMIERI
BRAZIL

SINARA

A BIG HEARTED MOODY DOG LOVER WHO WANTS TREES TO TAKE OVER THE WORLD. AN ASPIRING SINGER AND ANALYTICAL RESEARCHER SEEKING TO BUILD A MORE GENEROUS WORLD... WHERE CRIMINALIZATION IS ABOLISHED

UMBA

AFRICAN INTERSECTIONAL FEMINIST WORKING TOWARDS DISRUPTING SPACES AND SMASHING PATRIARCHY, LOVER OF RED WINE & OUTDOOR WORKOUTS



UMBA ZALORA
MALAWI



SHEENA HADI
PAKISTAN

SHEENA

THE VOICE OF REASON, CONSTANT TRAVELER, ADOLESCENTS RIGHTS, BIOLOGY GEEK, FEMINIST, FORMER TEACHER, CALM AND COLLECTED, SMILE THAT LIGHTS UP THE ROOM.

CHIWA

ANARCHA-FEMINIST, QUEER ARCHIVIST, OWNED BY CATS, BOOKWORM, DIPPED RED HAIR

NANA

LOVES TREKKING AND FORESTS YET SHE LIVES IN THE LEAST GREEN CITY. A FEMINIST PART OF IKHTYAR COLLECTIVE, FAVORITE GENRE IS AUTOBIOGRAPHIES

FADEKEMI

PASSIONATE ABOUT AND LIFE REVOLVES AROUND 3 Fs AND AN N (FEMINISM, FOOD, FASHION AND NIGERIA). ENTREPRENEUR, WORKING TRAVELER, FOUNDER OF EVA NIGERIA.

DIAKHOUMBA

PANAFROPOLITAN FEMINIST, WAR RESISTER, FIERCE BELIEVER IN CHOICE, FREEDOM AND JUSTICE, PLANET LOVER

IN GRATITUDE AND HOW TO SUPPORT

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The Praxis Project

A New Fiscal Sponsor

RESURJ's political decision to remain an unregistered feminist alliance is possible because of our fiscal sponsors and the finance teams within their organizations who allow us the freedom of time for the political advocacy work. From 2015 - 2018 JASS - Just Associates served as our fiscal sponsor. We thank them for taking on this role and hope the collaboration between RESURJ and JASS continues beyond fiscal sponsorship. As of 2017, RESURJ found in Praxis Project an ally and we are pleased to announce they are serving as RESURJ's new fiscal sponsor.

Thank you and Goodbye to Terry McGovern

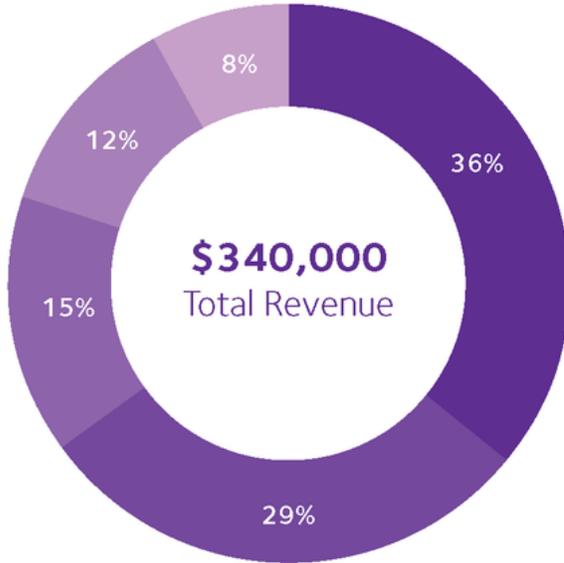
RESURJ relies on a very small network of advisors that provide us with vital support, champion our work, and uplift us in uncertain moments. We are grateful for all the support Terry provided to RESURJ during her two years as an advisor and we look forward to collaborating with her in other ways.

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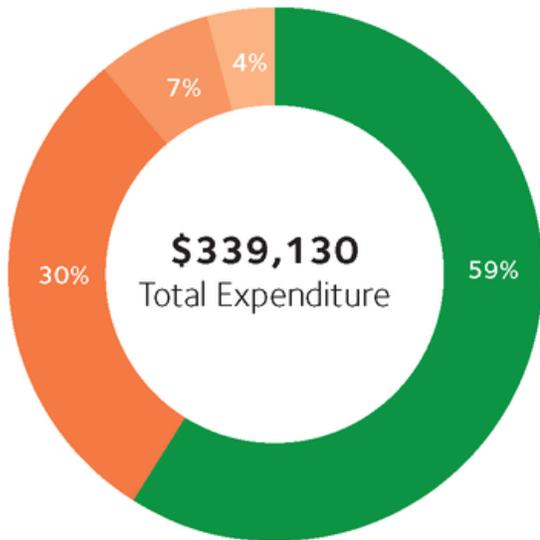
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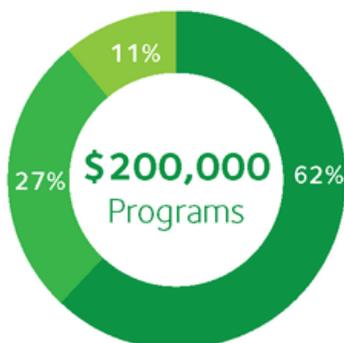
Total Revenue

- Anonymous \$125,000
- Ford Foundation \$100,000
- Kendeda Fund \$50,000
- MacArthur Foundation \$40,000
- Channel Foundation \$25,000



Expenses by Area

- Total Programs \$200,000
- Total Personnel and Consultants \$100,730
- Total Administrative and overhead \$25,620
- Total Communications \$12,780



Program Areas

- Regional Dialogues and Young Feminist Leadership \$124,000
- Global Advocacy \$54,000
- Regional Advocacy \$22,000