



ACWW is the largest development organisation for Rural Women globally, working with more than 450 member societies and affiliates to represent over 9 million women in 80 countries worldwide. We engage with, and advocate for, women at local, national and international levels.

Rural Women are the backbone of families, communities, and nations, but they are worst affected by climate change and conflict, go unheard in legislation, and remain unprotected and unsupported.

Associated Country Women of the World exists to change that.

ACWW amplifies the voices of Rural Women, so that the problems they face and the solutions they raise are heard and acknowledged by national and international policy-makers and legislators.

Donate to ACWW's Rural Women in Action fund to support:

*Grassroots project funding*

*Community transformation*

*Amplifying the voices of Rural Women on the global stage*

*Strengthening awareness of Rural Women's rights*

*Global Friendship and Networking*

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## Join the network!

With over 450 member societies and 1500 individuals across 80 counties, ACWW is truly a global network of Rural Women. We learn together, share experiences, build friendships, and work toward sustainable change.

## Participate!

ACWW facilitates opportunities for our members to be involved in international policy-making and hold national governments to account. We do this through surveys and member feedback, the sharing of stories, and events in person and online.

## Donate!

For more than 90 years, ACWW has relied on donations from members exclusively. Though we are able to work strategically with partners who are aligned with our aims, we still need the generous support of our members to keep the organisation moving forward.



To join, participate, or donate, you can visit our website at [www.acww.org.uk](http://www.acww.org.uk), email Central Office at [office@acww.org.uk](mailto:office@acww.org.uk), or write to us by post at our address on the back of this leaflet.

ACWW invests in funding of grassroots development projects. These are designed in partnership with local women, many of whom are members of our global network. The projects are responsive to community needs, women-led, and informed by more than 40 years of experience with Rural communities. ACWW uses its knowledge and experience, combined with the extraordinary expertise of local women who know best what their communities need, to develop projects that lead to whole community transformation. We fund projects that address three priorities:

*Climate-Smart Agriculture*

*Rural Women's Health*

*Education and Community Development*

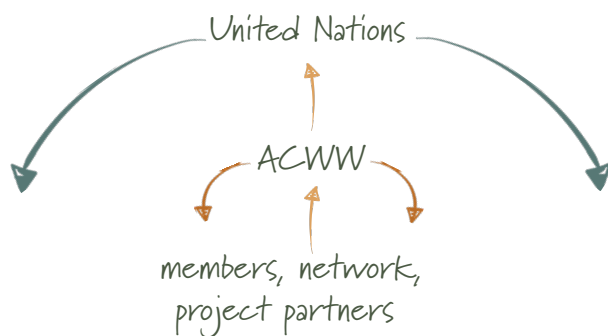
*Since 1977, ACWW has invested more than £4.5 million in grassroots, women-led projects in rural areas.*



*Advocacy at the international level allows ACWW to amplify the voices of more than 9 million Rural Women*

ACWW was founded to share the experiences of women in rural communities around the world. We hold Consultative Status with the United Nations, giving us opportunities to draw attention to the challenges faced by Rural Women and influence policy and decision-making at an international level. To be effective, we need to hear from our members about the realities of their lives.

Globally, the challenges facing Rural Women are often similar. Access to education, safe local transport, healthcare, or social protection systems like pensions, are a concern for every Rural Woman around the world.



This illustration shows how all of ACWW's work is interconnected, and shows the flow of information to and from the United Nations. It does not indicate influence or governance, but shows where ACWW is situated in this global network.

The United Nations is the table that nations sit at to discuss how to improve the lives of those for whom they are responsible.

At this table are civil society organisations like ACWW, who can act as a check and balance to the governments present, and also as partners in their positive initiatives to reach the grassroots of their nations.

