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The Center for Women's Resources (CWR) is a non-governmental, non-profit, research and training institute for women established in 1982. As a resource center with nationwide partners, CWR’s mission is to empower women, help them assert their rights, and develop their fullest potential. CWR envisions that as women become empowered, they will unite and strive to fight for their rights and improve their situation by changing structures that hinder their full development. It primarily caters to marginalized women and girls such as workers, peasant, IPs (indigenous), and urban poor. Its programs or regular activities are capacity building/ education and training, awareness building/ advocacy work, and research and databank.

General Assembly Binding Women for Reforms, Integrity, Equality, Leadership, and Action (GABRIELA) is a national grassroots-based alliance of more than 200 organizations, institutions, desks and programs of women all over the Philippines seeking to wage a struggle for the liberation of all oppressed Filipino women and the rest of the Filipino people. Established in 1984, GABRIELA organizes grassroots women and campaign on women-specific issues such as women’s rights, gender discrimination, violence against women, and reproductive rights. GABRIELA is also at the forefront of national and international economic and political issues that affects women. At the same time, GABRIELA provides actual direct services for marginalized women through its National Office, provincial and regional centers and member institutions.

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