

Foundation Visions of Social Justice

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What does Social Justice mean to us?

A world in which men and women can live in peace and with integrity, where there is respect for the fundamental human rights of all, equitable distribution of resources, and equal voices in decision-making.

OUR VISION

For African women to live in a transformed world in peace and with integrity.

How AWDF ACTS ON THIS VISION

- We believe that the process of engagement with social change is a fluid and complex one. We therefore use our programs to target diverse groups of women, working on a variety of strategies.
- Our constituents shape our priorities and are involved in our decision-making structures
- We communicate the achievements and experiences of African women's initiatives in various contexts

How AWDF ACTS ON THIS VISION

- **We invest in women's leadership at individual and organisational level**
- **We promote a culture of partnerships and collaboration within the African Women's Movement**
- **We invest in our own organisational capacity**

AWDF's Grant Making Strategy

- **Main Grants Program (Africa-Wide)**
- **Capacity Building Unit**
- **Solidarity Fund**
- **Small Grants Program (Ghana)**

**Between October 2001 and May 2003,
AWDF has awarded US\$1,008,000 to 130
women's organisations in 31 African
countries.**

Values and Principles

**We work with women who are
creating new identities for
themselves**

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**We work with women to rebuild
fractured lives and communities**

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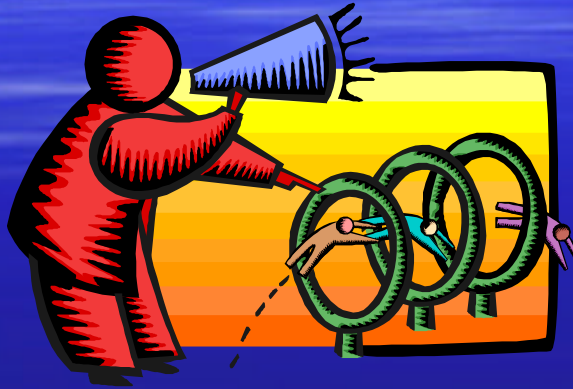
- **We enable women influence political, economic and social structures for transformatory change.**

Values and Principles

We Listen

How do we do this?

Voice



Space



Our definition of Social Justice Philanthropy

**Mobilising and distributing financial,
human and material resources to
enable marginalised people take
control over their own destinies.**

Engaging in Social Justice Philanthropy entails

- **A focus on values and people**
- **Developing tools to negotiate hostile structures and systems**
- **Nurturing diverse relationships**
- **Sticking around for the long haul**
- **Being flexible, taking risks and being realistic**