

## CONTEXT ANALYSIS:



Colombia is one of the countries with the oldest conflicts of Latin America, in which violence has impacted all population differentially, in special girls, young women and women. In this context, youth and particularly young women are discriminated systematically, because of their age, gender, racial, ethnic, sexual, or religious condition, among others. In this sense we are seen by society as weak, delicate and as a promise for future that must be educated continuously,

because it is believed, that we commit mistakes constantly. These stereotypes sustain violence against women and girls, the inequality relationships and men's wanting of power over women, particularly in the armed conflict we still live in.

Besides, the main problem we aim to attack goes around the ignorance that this group has of their own rights and the consequences that this has generated, such as little or null participation, low empowerment, insecurity and the fear in relation to the appropriation and demand of the fulfillment of their rights.

### ¿WHAT IS ASOCIACIÓN COLECTIVO MUJERES AL DERECHO IN THIS CONTEXT?

Colectivo Mujeres al Derecho is a group of women, curious about the social, economical and political process that our country faces and about its effects on less favoured populations, basically those girls and women with personal conditions, situations and social necessities that expose them to a higher vulnerability in the context of conflict and humanitarian crisis that our country lives.

Our mission is to contribute in the building of a fairer and even-handed world that includes women's experiences, perspectives, citizenship, nature and development, to look for the effective exercise of their rights in the social, political and juridical grounds at national and international levels.



## COLEMAD YOUNG WOMEN LEADERS PROGRAM



It is a program that has become the intergenerational bet of Colectivo Mujeres al Derecho. From this, girls and young women develop initiatives and process in favor of the defense of women human rights (in special girls and young women), who many times, because of their sex and age are more discriminated both in private and public spaces. The work developed in the program is framed in the Colombian Caribbean region, specifically in the departments of Atlántico, Bolivar and Magdalena, where we work with urban young women living in marginalized neighborhoods, as well as young women from rural areas, young early mothers, in displacement situation ones, among others.

During the last years, we have been able to work with more than 500 adolescents and young women, between the ages of 10 and 25 years old in the departments of Atlántico, Magdalena and Bolivar. During 2011, we achieve to develop a socioeconomic characterization survey to more than 500 young women of Atlántico department, we strengthen the leadership of young women, articulated and engage 7 schools in empowering them, increase the qualification of this sector for demanding their rights, among other advances. In this sense, we will continue betting to the articulation and strengthening of the processes with young women in the frame of the departmental integration of the Caribbean region.



### **PROYECTO: Empowering Actively 160 girls and young women in Colombia.**

From Colectivo Mujeres al Derecho and its young women leader program, our bet with this Project, is to contribute to strengthen the leadership capabilities and the active participation of 160 young women in the Caribbean

Region, through training schools, advocacy, joint initiatives and through amplifying their voices and proposals for the change in their communities.



The population to which this initiative is addressed is composed by young women, between the ages of 10 and 19 years old, most of them in displacement situation, Afro and early mothers, coming from marginalized schools, urban and rural areas, who have become leaders in their schools and their vulnerable communities of the departments of Atlántico, Bolívar and Magdalena in Colombia.

This Project is addressed to strengthen, during a year, these organizative and leadership capabilities that young women have for starring experiences of change within their communities, from a girl to girl and a young women to young women focus, this will enable them to empower themselves and take autonomy, giving them the opportunity to participate and change their lives, setting an example for their communities and other girls in similar conditions.



We will know that we have achieved our objective when the participants recognize themselves as empowered, free and participative rights subjects' females, active in the raising of a world in peace. Just as Linda Rivera Marsco, young women of 17 years old, participant of COLEMAD young women leader program, tells us *“Before being part of COLEMAD young women leader program, I did not know anything about neither gender equity nor rights of women, now I think of defending the rights of more and more girls and young women, studying and living to help to change the World”*



## **BUDGET PROJECTION BY ACTIVITIES**

<i>DESCRIPCION</i>	<i>Vr. Total USD</i>
<i>Training course for the participation and advocacy of young women in the Caribbean Region.</i>	<i>14.167</i>
<i>Virtual forums for the debate and concertation for action</i>	<i>7.778</i>
<i>16 workshops in the field for the accompaniment of the process of organizational strengthening</i>	<i>6.678</i>
<i>Three meetings for the Exchange of experiences between the groups of young women leaders.</i>	<i>5.250</i>
<i>Mapping of organizations and youth expressions in the Caribbean Region.</i>	<i>1.389</i>
<i>Meetings with public institutions of municipal and departmental levels.</i>	<i>1.667</i>
<i>Participation in local, national and international events.</i>	<i>11.944</i>
<i>Monitoring and Evaluation</i>	<i>9.106</i>
<i>Auditing</i>	<i>2.222</i>
<i>Administrative Expenses</i>	<i>16.556</i>
<i>Human Resources</i>	<i>44.000</i>
<b><i>TOTAL</i></b>	<b><i>120.756</i></b>



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