

Allow us to introduce GRAN

GRAN is a dynamic network of volunteers across Canada advocating at local, national, and international levels. We work to engage Canadian and international support for measures that will significantly improve the quality of life for Africa's grandmothers as they strive to hold their families and communities together in the face of the AIDS pandemic.



Join us to make a difference

We warmly welcome all who share our passion for social justice, equality and human rights.

While our organization is indeed proudly powered by the passion, experience and expertise of a strong core of older women who happen to be grandmothers, we also number many dedicated women, men and young people who are not grandmothers among our volunteers. The partnership and efforts of all are valued in our work.

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grandmothers
Advocacy Network
Mouvement de soutien des
grands-mères

Advocating for grandmothers, vulnerable children and youth in Africa
Soutien aux grands-mères, enfants et jeunes vulnérables en Afrique

Sub-Saharan Africa

Sub-Saharan Africa is the most heavily affected region in the global HIV/AIDS pandemic. It is home to 69% of all people living with HIV and 90% of the world's HIV-infected children. AIDS has cut a devastating swath through a whole generation, resulting in 15 million orphaned children, the luckiest of whom are being raised by their grandmothers.

The Grandmothers

African grandmothers are heroes on the frontlines of the HIV/AIDS pandemic.

After burying their adult children, they have stepped up to provide for their grandchildren and sustain their communities.

In doing so, many suffer hardships they should not have to face: poverty, age and gender discrimination, and violence.

Our Focus

GRAN's advocacy work is grounded on a firm commitment to social justice, equality and human rights.

Our current efforts focus on:

- ensuring access to affordable medicines
- improving access to education
- ending violence against women and girls



*if you want to go fast, go alone;
if you want to go far, go together.*

Ugandan Proverb

Advocacy...

Because we are convinced that together we can make a difference, we speak up. We speak out. We act.

GRAN actions take many forms. We write letters, circulate petitions, and meet with MPs. We speak in our communities and use various media to spread awareness and call others to action. We work with like-minded organizations on campaigns that correspond with our goals.

Through actions large and small, innovative or tried-and-true, we work to ensure that Canada does all that it can to alleviate the devastating impact of AIDS on the grandmothers, vulnerable children and youth of Sub-Saharan Africa.

the work we do together.

