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Lipi Rahman has worked with NGOs to advance women’s and girls’ rights and end VAW since 2002. She is co-founder of Badabon Sangho, an organization that supports women, particularly vulnerable women to increase access to and control over land, property, and water-bodies; and climate justice for women and girls. Badabon Sangho has mobilized over 4,000 women and girls in 107 grassroots groups, providing legal support and training to support them to engage with local government on their rights. Lipi is an active member of national and international networks including the Feminist Humanitarian Network, and contributes to national-level advocacy campaigns.

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Winnie Tumwine is the founder and Executive Director of Hope for Single Mothers with Disabilities, a women-led NGO in Rwanda representing single mothers with disabilities. Hope for Single Mothers actively promotes inclusion and diversity, focussing on the rights and needs of young women and women with disabilities. Winnie holds a Bachelors degree in Monitoring and Evaluation from Makerere University, is an expert in disability advocacy, and a trainer on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in local communities in Rwanda. Winnie represents HSM on the Feminist Humanitarian Network, and is a member of the FHN’s Advocacy Committee.

Mmonbeydo Nadine Joah

Mmonbeydo Nadine Joah is a member of the FHN Membership Committee. Mmonbeydo is a lawyer and feminist who believes everyone should have the right to live a life free from violence, and where men and women, boys and girls enjoy equal rights and opportunities and have a say in decisions that affect them. She is the Executive Director of Organization for Women and Children (ORWOCH) in Liberia, which is a network member of the Feminist Humanitarian Network (FHN), and the President of the Network of Peace and Security Women in ECOWAS Countries (NOPSWECO).

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Naomi Tulay-Solanke is a Liberian feminist, human rights activist, humanitarian, and Founder Executive Director of Community Healthcare Initiative (CHI), a local NGO providing healthcare and social services to women and children in underserved and hard to reach communities in Liberia. Naomi has nurtured a career in female advocacy with a interest in working with underprivileged youths through the provision of advocacy, awareness and basic health and social services, especially to women and girls. She is passionate about the role local actors play at community and national levels. She holds a Master’s Degree in Public Health specialized in Community Health.
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Sandra Macías del Villar

FHN Steering Committee member, Sandra is a passionate intersectional Latinx feminist with extensive experience working in the human rights philanthropic sector. She has specialized in feminist grantmaking with women’s funds as well as resourcing social justice movements and grassroots organizations for more than a decade. Sandra is currently the Program Director, Crisis at the Global Fund for Women and has deep expertise in the crises, development, and humanitarian sectors. In these spaces Sandra has been a strong advocate with and for women, girls, trans and gender nonconforming people as well as historically marginalized populations.

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Josephine Mugishagwe is a feminist based in Tanzania, working with Fós Feminista as a Senior Program Officer. She is a catalyst and thought partner for Alliance partners across different regions. For over eight years she worked as an Evaluation and Resource Mobilization Manager at IWORDS Global creating proposals for the Harm Reduction Program in Tanzania and Uganda, training on participatory research methodologies, developed legal interpretation and application for models to expand access to safe abortion. At National level she worked with the Family Planning Association to ensure the Tanzanian Court of Appeal upholds the landmark 2016 ruling by the High Court against child marriage and the establishment of weekend Youth Friendly Services for district health centres.

Jacqueline Hart

Member of the FHN Advocacy Committee, Jacqueline Hart, PhD, is a feminist sociologist and thought leader in gender justice. Jacqueline has served as: the Senior Director for Strategy at the Women’s Refugee Commission; the VP for Strategic Learning, Research, and Evaluation at AJWS, an international human rights grant-making and advocacy organization; faculty in the health advocacy master’s program at Sarah Lawrence College; the Director of Research at Planned Parenthood of NYC; a consultant for the Solidarity Center and the World Bank; a community capacity building scholar at the Scribe Video Center.

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Akullo Betty is a lawyer, feminist and founder of Women and Rural Development Network (WORUDET), a women rights organization working in northern Uganda with a focus to end poverty and injustice against women girls especially violence against women and girls in the underserved conflict affected northern Uganda. Akullo Betty has nurtured a career in humanitarian programming, SRHR, economic empowerment and livelihoods, women peace and security, climate change and women’s leadership. Akullo Betty has worked with several organizations touching the lives of women and girls affected in pre and post conflict through supporting their recovery and advocating for their rights. She is a promoter of girls’ education, women’s leadership, and a climate change activist.
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