

Women's make history everyday

Core program of "Useful to Albanian Women" Organisation



Short History

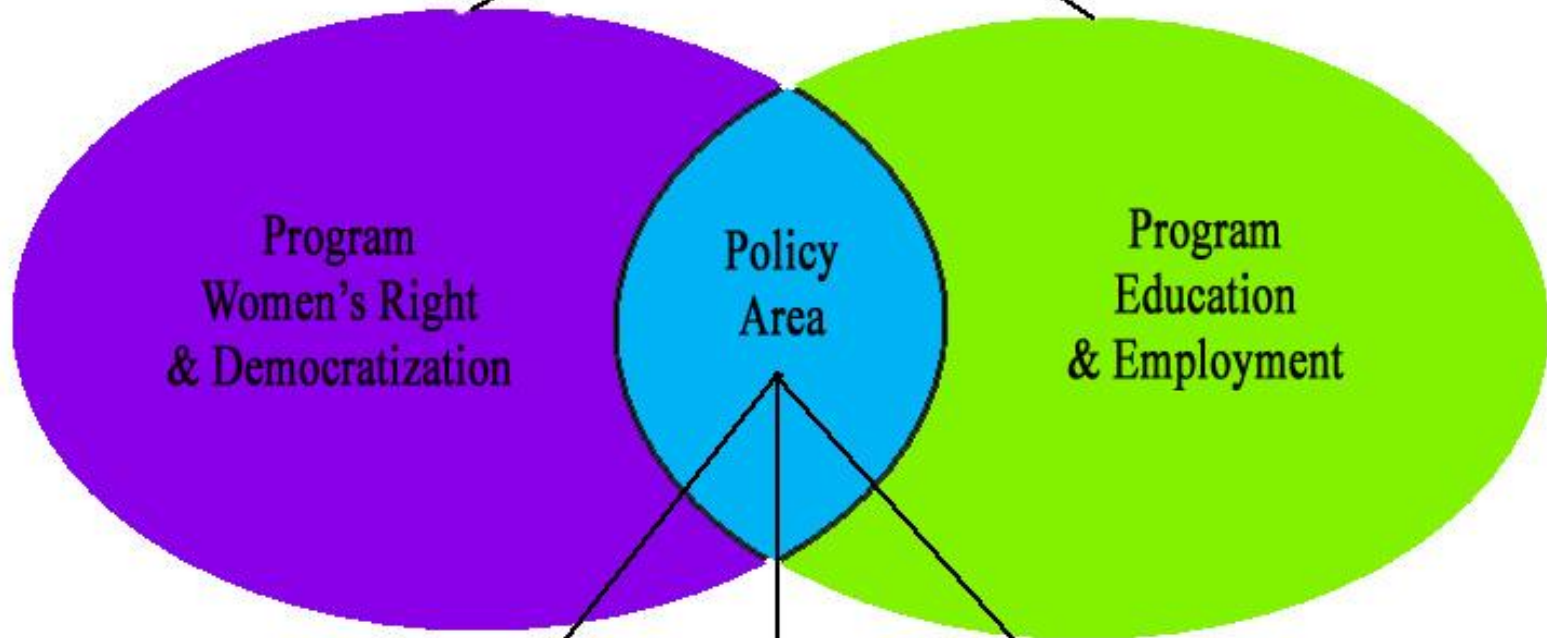
Founded in March 1993 as a non-governmental and non-profit organization, **USEFUL to ALBANIAN WOMEN (UAW)** is one of the pioneering associations in the field of social and humanitarian service, in Albania.,based in Tirana, dedicated to empower women and children by advancing their basic human rights and promoting equality

UAW is one of the oldest NGO's founded by a group of independently minded women who were eager to provide some kind of practical assistance to disadvantaged Albanian women and children (B.Sterland)

During years,
UAW has grown in size , quantity and quality, and made significant efforts to build management and administrative capacities. The whole activity of UAW has been re-conceptualized within a longer-term nationally oriented framework



UAW
Women's Right & Development Organization



Promoting Women's
& Children Rights

Accesses To Basic Services

Lobbying & Advocacy

Why Women's make history everyday ?

- The growing process helped the organization to focus from the ideology and idealism to measurable results and achievements
- The slogan of UAW became the face and the core program

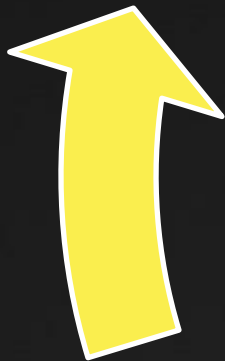


**Influencing and affecting
decision making**



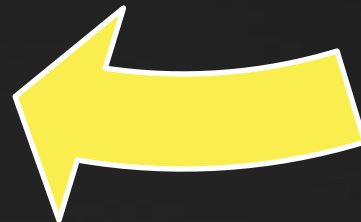
Raise Awareness

**Building up leadership toward
Gender Equality
Conflict Transformation
Social progress and sustainable
NGO sector**



**Strengthening internal and
external capacities**

Empower and Educate



Cross sectional Topics

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- This program is focused **to women** as main target group, as they are not only the most marginalized society strata affected by phenomena such as poverty, trafficking, domestic violence, but they are a big potential as progressive change agent in the family and society and in decision making of the society
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- On the other side, addressed by this action, the program exposes also the **organization's Managerial and Financial Capacities**, which need to be adjusted and improved based on the new strategy, vision.
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Who is involve as beneficiary, actor and decision maker

Vulnerable Women (divorced women, violated women, women in a difficult economic situation, widows and abandoned women, migrated women, jobless women etc., that will increase self confidence, skills)

- **The staff of UAW** through developing the pilot model of self-sustainability and adopting new management concepts;
- **8 Albanian NGOs**, which are UAW's partners and affiliates;
- **10 UAW trainers** and lecturers that will be prepared to train on the TOT
- **The civil society** community in Albania, of which UAW is an active actor;
- **The general public**, especially women's movement which is interested for professional experts, organization and a vivid civil society.



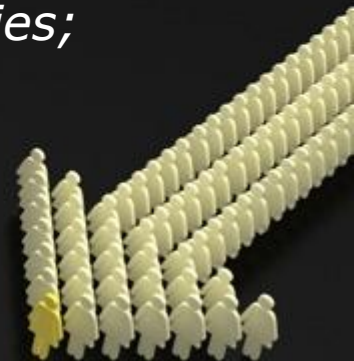
Which are the purposes?

Raise awareness concerning women's rights emphasizing domestic violence; *Institutionalization of the Awareness Campaigns*

Building up capacities and protecting mechanisms necessary to manage successfully the challenges offered by the Albanian society

Empower and educate the target group, so they are able to understand, claim and stand up for women's and children's rights;

Strengthening internal (organizational, managerial and financial) and *external* (support to other NGOs and to the society) capacities;



Where we are?

The geographical expansion of the building up women's leadership, through different ways as establishing women's clubs in other Albanian cities reinforcing youth initiatives etc

*Women's club "Teuta e re" Tirana
women's club "Respekt for Puka women"*

Seeds in Durres, Elbasan, Burrel

Employment Agencies Tirana, Elbasan , Durres

New Organisations born "Alunmi, Youth org. etc



Challenges for the short/medium /long term future:

Building up a study Strategic plan with clear strategic objectives , well articulated in the paper, readable as a guide to the programme development of UAW as a national organization within membership of international and regional nets.

Carry out more lobbying and advocacy activities that will launch the grassroots work at the national level ,

institutionalize and standardize the services becoming competitive and efficient in poverty alleviation,

reducing feminizing poverty, achieving gender equality, ending violence against women and children, stop the black work of minors through education and empoweringg

