

# **STRENGTHENING SAFE AND PROTECTIVE SPACES FOR WOMEN, GIRLS AND CHILDREN IN KENYA**

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Gender-based violence is a global issue. GBV is a life-threatening health and human rights issue that can have a devastating impact on women, men, boys, and girls, as well as families and communities. Although GBV affects women, girls, men, and boys, women and girls are disproportionately affected. There is a direct correlation between women's and girl's subordinate status in society and their greater vulnerability to violence.

This resource pack seeks to contribute to building the capacity and commitment of duty bearers and other actors to effectively prevent and respond to GBV at all levels of society. The resource pack is based on the understanding that GBV is a cross-cutting issue affecting the lives of children, young people (girls and boys), women, and men in diverse dimensions, including health, economy, culture, psychology, education, livelihoods, and politics.

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