

Potential of a shared island approach from a community perspective



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Who We Are

WCI is a national women's community development organisation and the feminist voice of grassroots women in 17 communities, both urban and rural.

- With a reach of over 36,000 women nationwide.
- Our focus is on the empowerment of women and in building the capacity of women.



To us, GRASSROOTS WOMEN is a term used for women living in often working-class, marginalised, rural and urban communities, who experience exclusion for whatever reasons including economic, cultural, social and political exclusion.



Commonalities - Feminist Issues

- Poverty/Economic issues, women homelessness, health and well-being
- · Reproductive rights, period poverty, free contraception
- · Sexuality: freedom and consent
- Gender based violence against women
- Equal pay & conditions
- Child & other care responsibilities
- Power & representation: Politics, Policy, Media, Business, Education
- Intersectionality: overlapping of discrimination of gender, race, class, sexuality, disability
- Climate change
- · Mobilising, organising, connecting
- · Sustaining women's community sector





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Building Trust

Supporting Participation

Expanding Horizons