



Rise Up Launches Nigeria Leadership and Advocacy Program

OVERVIEW

Global nonprofit Rise Up will select a group of visionary local leaders from Nigeria to participate in our intensive Leadership and Advocacy Accelerator training to strengthen gender equity and justice in 2024. Through Rise Up's program, these local leaders will advance transformational change in their organizations and communities, and champion improved national and local laws, programs, and funding for women, girls, and gender-nonconforming people.

With support from Cummins Inc., Rise Up will select, train, and invest in 25 local civil society leaders to make progress on gender equity by advancing health, education, and economic opportunity in Abuja Federal Capital Territory, Kaduna, Nasarawa, Rivers, and Anambra states. The newly selected leaders in Nigeria will become part of Rise Up's global network of leaders in Africa, Latin America, South Asia, and the United States who are creating a future where all people can thrive. Rise Up builds power with women, girls, and their allies by providing training, funding, and connection to a global network to help them achieve meaningful, lasting change. Since 2009, Rise Up's powerful network of 800 leaders has successfully advocated for over 185 new and improved laws and policies, positively impacting more than 160 million people around the world.

Call for Applications

For more information, email Theresa Effa, Nigeria Country Director, at NigeriaRep@riseuptogether.org

To learn more about Rise Up and apply, visit our website: www.riseuptogether.org

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STRATEGIES

Rise Up partners with women, girls, and allies to expand their impact by providing the training, funding, and resources they need to achieve large-scale change at local and national levels. Rise Up Leaders go on to train fellow community members and apply their new knowledge to launch their own strategies to advance gender equity and justice and improve the lives of women, girls, and all people in their communities.

- **Strengthen Leaders:** Following a rigorous selection process, Rise Up Leaders will participate in a week-long Leadership and Advocacy Accelerator training between March 3-9, 2024. During this intensive training, participants learn how to strengthen the following skills: leadership, team building, resilience, goal-setting, strategic planning, messaging, proposal and budget development, political mapping, policy change, and more to improve the lives of women, girls, and gender-nonconforming people in their communities by expanding access to education, health, and economic opportunity.
- **Invest in Local Solutions:** Following the Leadership and Advocacy Accelerator, Rise Up Leaders can apply for competitive grant funding to launch their advocacy strategies to advance health, education, and economic opportunity in Nigeria. We encourage projects focusing on economic opportunities, such as advocating for financial inclusion for women and girls through access to credit, job and leadership training, land rights and ownership, and inheritance rights.
- **Build Movements with Women, Girls, and Allies:** Rise Up supports leaders to build relationships with peers, funders, decisionmakers, and partner organizations. Expanding their networks with partners and funders is essential for Rise Up Leaders' ability to grow and create change – and is integral for the movement we are building together. Rise Up also provides access to speaking opportunities, conferences, and ongoing coaching to amplify leaders' voices.