



APPLY NOW

Rise Up Together Launches Leadership & Advocacy Accelerator Program in Kenya

OVERVIEW

Global nonprofit Rise Up Together will select a group of visionary local leaders from Kenya to participate in our intensive Leadership and Advocacy Accelerator training from November 2-7, 2026, equipping them with the skills and tools to strengthen gender equity and justice. Through Rise Up Together'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 Echidna Giving, Rise Up Together will select, train, and invest in 25 local civil society leaders to make progress on gender equity by advancing girls' education in Kajiado, Narok, Machakos, Makueni, Kiambu, and Nairobi Counties. The newly selected leaders in Kenya will become part of Rise Up Together'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. We improve education, health, economic opportunity, and climate outcomes by building power with local leaders to create a better future for all. Since 2009, Rise Up Together's powerful network of 1,080 leaders has successfully advocated for 246 new and improved laws, policies, and programs positively impacting more than 251 million people around the world (as of 2025).

STRATEGIES

Rise Up Together partners with women, girls, and their allies to expand their impact by providing the training, funding, and resources they need to achieve large-scale systems-change at local, county, and national levels. Rise Up Leaders go on to train fellow leaders within their communities and apply their new knowledge to launch their own strategies to advance gender equity and justice.

■ Leadership and Advocacy Accelerator

Following a rigorous selection process, Rise Up Leaders will participate in a week-long Leadership and Advocacy Accelerator training between November 2-7, 2026. During this intensive training, participants learn how to strengthen the following skills: leadership, team building, resilience, goal setting, strategic planning, messaging, political mapping, policy change, proposal and budget development, and more to improve the lives of women, girls, and gender-nonconforming people in their communities by expanding access to education for girls in Kenya.

■ Invest in Local Solutions

Following the Accelerator, Rise Up Leaders have the opportunity to apply for competitive seed funding to launch their strategies to advance gender equity in education.

■ Build Movements with Women, Girls, and Allies

Rise Up Together helps leaders foster relationships with peers, funders, decision-makers, 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 Together also provides access to speaking opportunities, conferences, funders, grants, and ongoing coaching to amplify leaders' voices.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: July 19, 2026

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