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## Femili PNG receive support from Australia's New Regional Initiative to assist survivors

Femili PNG received additional funding support on January 14, 2026, through Australia's new commitment to strengthen crisis centres across the Pacific to respond to violence against women and girls.

The initiative, Pacific Strong: Amplifying Action to End Violence Against Women and Girls (PAVE), was announced by the Australian Government on 25 November — International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.

Australian Foreign Minister Penny Wong highlighted the importance of the initiative, stating:

*"Violence against women and girls undermines communities, economies and long-term security. By strengthening frontline services through PAVE, Australia is helping build safer families and more resilient societies across our region."*

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She further emphasized that:

*“This investment reflects our commitment to Pacific-led solution supporting women’s safety is not only the right thing to do, but in Australia’s national interest.”*

In Papua New Guinea, funding will be delivered through Australia’s PNG Women Lead Program and will strengthen the crisis response services of Femili PNG’s Goroka Case Management Centre, helping the organisation deliver better support for survivors of child abuse and Gender Based Violence (GBV).

In welcoming the support, Femili PNG CEO, Ms Daisy Plana stated that it would help response to family and sexual violence.

*“This support enables us to respond more effectively to gender-based violence and child abuse, ensuring survivors can access counselling, safe accommodation, medical care, and justice.”*

The PAVE Program is a five-year regional program (2025–26 to 2029–30) designed to improve the access, quality, and reach of services for survivors of GBV across nine Pacific Island countries: Fiji, Federated States of Micronesia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Republic of Marshall Islands, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu.

*Violence against women and girls is everyone’s concern. If you or someone you know needs help, contact Femili PNG’s Case Management Centres in Goroka, Port Moresby, or Lae, or visit [www.femilipng.org](http://www.femilipng.org) for more information.*

## Femili PNG CEO meets the UN Secretary General: CSOs gathered to meet with the UN Secretary



Femili PNG was amongst other Civil Society Organisations (CSO’s) and NGO groups to meet with the UN Secretariate General, His Excellency, Antonio Guterres in Mt Hagen on 24 September 2025. Femili PNG’s participation followed invitation from the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). Though time did not allow for Femili PNG CEO, Ms Daisy Plana and other CSO to present about program activities and services—it was a

special moment hearing from the UN General speaking about Peace Building and reaffirmed the UN support to

Papua New Guinea Peace Building response. The Papua New Guinea Prime Minister, Hon. James Marape accompanied the UN General and took the opportunity to respond to concerns and challenges CSOs raised.

## Ok Tedi supports fight against domestic violence through Femili PNG

Ok Tedi Mining Limited (Ok Tedi) has reinforced its commitment to addressing domestic and family violence in Papua New Guinea by supporting Femili PNG, a leading NGO providing essential support services to survivors across the country.

As part of this partnership, Ok Tedi purchased FemiliPNG Australia's coffee, which is sourced from the Western Highlands of PNG, and distributed them as complimentary gifts to delegates at the recent PNG Investment Week conference, hosted by the PNG Chamber of Resources and Energy in Sydney, Australia.

The initiative not only showcased high quality PNG coffee but also amplified awareness of the critical work Femili PNG undertakes in supporting survivors of violence.

Proceeds from the coffee support Femili PNG's case management services, safe accommodation support, outreach programs, and advocacy efforts nationwide.

"Domestic violence continues to affect far too many families in Papua New Guinea, and we all have a responsibility to be part of the solution," said Ms Ruth Waram, Manager Media and Public Relations for Ok Tedi.

"By supporting Femili PNG through this initiative, Ok Tedi is helping to shine a light on the vital services that Femili PNG provide to survivors. Our purchase of these coffee packs is more than a gesture — it is a statement of solidarity and a commitment to promoting safer, stronger communities across PNG."

"We are grateful for Ok Tedi's support in showcasing our award-winning Femili PNG coffee via this initiative. The support we receive contributes to Femili PNG's work to end family and sexual violence in PNG." said Jocelyn Condon, Executive Director, FemiliPNG Australia.

"Every purchase of coffee directly supports the services Femili PNG provide to survivors who need safety, care, and a pathway to rebuild their lives. Ok Tedi's support in this initiative, and hopefully into the future, give us all great hope for the potential of business to step forward and resource the movement for positive change for survivors of family and sexual violence in Papua New Guinea."



## High-Level Meeting Strengthens GBV Partnerships in Eastern Highlands



The Ambassador of the European Union and representatives of the United Nations recently visited the Eastern Highlands Province (EHP) to reaffirm their commitment to supporting and strengthening collaboration with the provincial government and local stakeholders in addressing gender-based violence (GBV).

Femili PNG joined other stakeholders at the high-level meeting with EU Ambassador H.E. Ms. Erika Hasznos, accompanied by represent-

atives from UN Women, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), and the United Nations Office for Projects (UNOP). Also present were the Governor of Eastern Highlands Province, Hon. Simon Sia, the CEO of Goroka General Hospital and his directors, senior police representatives, the Community Development Advisor, Family Support Centre, Juvenile Criminal Justice Unit, Deputy Administrator, Family & Sexual Violence Unit, KUSWA, and other key partners.

The meeting focused on the “Soim Wokabout Program”, a new initiative designed to strengthen service providers and government stakeholders in tackling the alarming GBV situation in the province. Delegates also engaged directly with service providers to learn more about their work.

Femili PNG CEO, Ms. Daisy Plana, shared updates on the organisation’s programs and activities in EHP. She acknowledged the support received from UN Women under the Spotlight Initiative and expressed gratitude to EHP Community Development and the Provincial Administration for their recognition through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

In his remarks, Governor Simon Sia thanked Femili PNG for its collaboration with government services, NGOs, and CSOs, noting the importance of demonstrating evidence of impact. He also challenged male officers to reflect on their roles in addressing GBV and sorcery accusation-related violence (SARV), reaffirming his personal commitment: *“This issue is important to me.”*

A strong call to action was made by the UNFPA representative, urging the Governor to take immediate steps to address challenges faced by both survivors and service providers. Key concerns raised included:

- Ensuring confidentiality for survivors, as medical reports are currently accessed through payment despite being intended as free.
- Improving medical access for survivors.

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- Increasing the number of female officers trained in Family and Sexual Violence Units (FSVU) to strengthen survivor-centred responses.

UNFPA is currently supporting Femili PNG to localise case management approach in Eastern Highlands Province since 2024. This initiative included: consultations, case management trainings, develop case management standardise forms and enabled selected GBV partners to undergo placement with Femili PNG to up-skill their knowledge on case management.

Hence, UNFPA representative, Edith Akiror used this opportunity to challenge and encourage Eastern Highlands Provincial Government to consider taking immediate actions.

The meeting underscored the urgency of coordinated action and reinforced the collective commitment of government, civil society, and international partners to address GBV in Eastern Highlands Province.

## Community and Outreach Impact

In March 2025, during an information session conducted to villagers of Zifasing in Lae, a male participant reflected on his behaviour and attitude towards his wife and children. He openly admitted to being abusive towards his wife and children after attending “Forms of Abuse” session with Femili PNG. He pledged in front of everyone to work on becoming a better version of himself. On the 9th of December 2025, Femili PNG was engaged by Huon Gulf District office to provide support during awareness in Wampar LLG as part of the 20-Days of Activism. He took the lead in mobilizing men, women and children in his community at Zifasing, 41-Mile to attend awareness session, with aim to have them listen and learn and make a difference in their lives. He even took the opportunity to challenge his community members to take note of shared information on family and sexual violence, child abuse, referral pathways and types of abuse. His action demonstrated what he had pledged early to improve on his personal life and help his community.

Femili PNG is proud to see male individuals pledged to making a difference both in their personal lives and community as a whole.



## External Engagement

### Femili PNG first meet with Mt Hagen GESI

Western Highlands Provincial Administration Administration (WHPA) under the leadership of Governor Hon. Wai Rapa has taken on board Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) Unit under their wing to address rising gender-based violence (GBV) issues in the province. After establishing planned activities, they identified need to collaborate with existing GBV frontliners to working together to respond to GBV—where Femili PNG was called for collaboration.



*L-R: Femili PNG CEO Ms Plana, Gender & Social Inclusion Officer Mr Reinhardt Kerowa, Mr. Steven Moka, Ms Edith Akor and Mrs Carolyn Kop.*

Femili PNG was delighted to see how best to collaborate with the WHP Administration as this is the first official engagement in the province to support the GESI Unit program activities on GBV.

On 4 September 2025, Femili PNG CEO and Communications Manager were delighted to meet with the Mt Hagen Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) Manager, Mrs. Carolyn Kop and the Executive Officer to the Administrator, Mr Steven Moka at the administration building. Femili PNG's key supporter and partner, United Nations Populations Fund (UNFPA) representative also joined the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss how Femili PNG could collaborate with the provincial administration to support the GESI Unit Programs.

“We are happy to see government reaching out to FPNG to work together in addressing GBV in the province,” Femili PNG CEO, Ms Daisy Plana said.

Whilst having the opportunity, UNFPA representative and FPNG supporter, Edith Akor shared about UNFPA's partnership with FPNG and said that: “Through the partnership we have with Femili PNG, we are happy to support Femili PNG to extend to Mt Hagen next year, 2026.” She urged the officers to look at impacts of their planned activities.

As strategic discussion progressed, Ms Carolyn outlined that the GESI Unit is aimed at addressing safeguarding issues in the workplace, empowering women and addressing gender-based violence (GBV). She added that GBV continues to be a critical concern in the Western Highlands Province, with many women and children subjected to various forms of abuse. Carolyn further highlighted urgent need for both protective interventions and stronger preventive strategies as recent data illustrates the urgency of this issue.

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Coming from a vast experience and working in areas related to GBV work, the Executive Officer to the Administrator, Mr Steven Moka shared similar sentiment that Mt Hagen holds a strong patrilineal society – men see themselves as more important than women where most times mothers and daughters are subjected to abuse and violence. He thanked Femili PNG and the UNFPA representative for showing interest to collaborate and support WHP GESI Unit Programs.

Meanwhile, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is expected between Femili PNG and the WHP Administration for GESI Unit Programs in 2026.

## GBV front liners in Popondetta underwent training to improve essential serves to survivors

Femili PNG continued its partnership with Kokoda Track Foundation under *Project Zero*, an initiative aimed at addressing gender-based violence (GBV), family and sexual violence (FSV), and violence against children. The project focuses on raising awareness and strengthening the capacity of front-line service providers to respond effectively and prevent violence. Through targeted activities, Project Zero seeks to empower stakeholders to collaborate and strengthen referral pathways across the province.

Recently, following a signed agreement, Femili PNG delivered a week-long standard case management training to frontline responders working in the GBV/FSV space. The training aimed to enhance participants' knowledge, skills, and confidence in applying survivor-centred case management practices.

The initial sessions of the case management training revealed a significant learning shift amongst the participants. It served as an eye-opener, helping participants identify gaps in their practice and understand the importance of applying case management principles in a more systematic and survivor-centred way – many stated that they have been informally practising aspects of case management without recognising it as a structured approach.

*“Listening is an important aspect of the case management approach. I learnt today that we must give time to survivors and listen to them first to provide the right interventions,”* says Michael Siluwedi, HEO Northern Provincial Hospital.

Another participant states that he had gained new insight on understanding trauma.

*“The breakdown of trauma today changed my gen-*

*eral perspective. Thank you.”*

These reflections demonstrate a growing awareness of ethical responsibilities, trauma-informed practice, and the importance of survivor agency. Participants are beginning to integrate these principles into their daily work, strengthening the foundation for more effective and rights-based case management.

Participants expressed deep appreciation for the training facilitated by Femili PNG and supported by KTF. Many noted that the sessions clarified the structured nature of case management and highlighted the importance of survivor-centred, holistic support. The training was especially impactful for frontline staff who had been practicing elements of case management informally.

Femili PNG acknowledges Kododa Track Foundation (KTF) for the collaboration to see frontliners receiving vital training on case management.



*Training participants after the presentation of certificates.*

**Centered:** Training facilitator, Ms Daisy Plana—Femili PNG CEO

## Training and Partnerships

### Counselling Training Extended to GBV Referral Network Members

Femili PNG continues to work in close partnership with government service providers and civil society organizations to respond to family and sexual violence (FSV) across Papua New Guinea. As part of this collaboration, Femili PNG invests in the professional development of frontline partners who work directly with survivors.

In 2024, with support from FemiliPNG Australia and in partnership with Palladium and the Cairnmillar Institute, Femili PNG delivered an *Introduction to Counselling* course for staff in Lae, Port Moresby, and Goroka. This year, the training was extended to members of the GBV referral network to strengthen their understanding of basic counselling skills and enhance service delivery in often challenging and traumatic environments.

Frontline workers from Lae, Goroka, and Port Moresby — including representatives from the Family Support Centre, Family Sexual Violence Unit, Sexual Offence Squad, Safe Houses, Morobe Disability Agency, Community Development, Welfare, the Morobe Provincial Health Authority, the Public Prosecutor's Office, and the courts — participated in the training. The course incorporated foundational counselling concepts from the Harvard Institution, equipping participants with essential knowledge to support survivors more effectively.

The training focused on helping participants to:

- Understand the counselling process and how it differs from coaching
- Explore core emotions and emotional suppression
- Learn how to work at an emotional level with clients
- Assess crisis situations and provide initial support
- Develop greater self-awareness in counselling practice

Participants expressed deep appreciation for the opportunity. One clinical staff member from the Family Support Centre shared: "If I was given a chance to change profession, it would be counselling. This training really taught me how to support people who need counselling, and I'm grateful for this opportunity. Thank you Femili PNG and Dr. Renzo."

Many participants noted that the training not only strengthened their professional skills but also empowered them personally. They reported feeling more confident in applying counselling techniques in their daily work and committed to improving the quality of care provided to survivors.

Femili PNG gratefully acknowledges the support of the Kyeema Foundation, the Cairnmillar Institute, and FemiliPNG Australia in successfully delivering this training to government institutions and NGOs. This initiative reflects Femili PNG's ongoing commitment to strengthening survivor-centred services through capacity building and collaboration.

## Femili PNG Strengthens Staff Capacity through Strategic Partnerships

Since its establishment in 2014, Femili PNG has supported over 7,000 survivors of family and sexual violence (FSV), reflecting significant growth in both reach and impact. With expanding operations across Lae, Port Moresby, and Goroka, the organization has steadily increased its workforce and launched new projects to meet growing demand.

As the organization evolves, so too does its commitment to staff development. Recognizing that its greatest strength lies in its people, Femili PNG continues to invest in upskilling and professional growth through partnerships with leading institutions.

“Staff development and upskilling matter to Femili PNG because they strengthen impact and adaptability, boost morale and retention, align skills with strategic goals, elevate service quality and donor confidence, and foster a learning culture within the organisation,” said CEO Ms. Daisy Plana.

In 2024 and 2025, Femili PNG partnered with the Cairnmillar Institute, The Voice Inc. (TVI), and the Australian High Commission to support staff undertaking professional training while on duty. Highlights include:

- **Three clinical staff** currently enrolled in a Diploma in Mental Health with the Cairnmillar Institute, receiving comprehensive clinical supervision
- **Executive Management Committee (EMC) members** completed a 12-week Problem Driven Iterative Adaptation (PDIA) course with Harvard University

**Administrative and logistics staff** participating in short courses on Gender-Based Violence, supported by the Australian High Commission

Dr. Renzo Vittorino, training facilitator from the Cairnmillar Institute, noted: “The advantage Cairnmillar Institute had was progressively having three Femili PNG clinical staff undergoing a diploma course on Mental Health with comprehensive clinical supervision.”

An EMC participant reflected on the PDIA course: “It helped me understand how to analyse problems deeply identifying root causes and navigating toward sustainable solutions. This training not only equips us to address challenges within the organisation but also in our personal lives. I feel valued, supported, and empowered to continue serving humanity. Thank you TVI and Femili PNG.”

The EMC team is expected to complete the PDIA course in November 2025 and graduate with a diploma in 2026.

Femili PNG acknowledges the collaborative efforts of the Cairnmillar Institute (supported by the Kyeema Foundation and FemiliPNG Australia), the Australian High Commission, and The Voice Inc. for their meaningful contributions to staff development—an organizational priority that underpins Femili PNG’s long-term impact and sustainability.



*Femili PNG Executive Committee Members with two board members (back row) at the launching of PDIA 12-week course in Port Moresby.*

# Client Success stories

## A Story of Strength and Survival: Michell's Journey

*\*Names and sensitive information have been changed to protect the identity and safety of the client.*

Michell\* is a 41-year-old woman who endured years of severe violence at the hands of her husband — a cycle of abuse that almost claimed her life.

After losing her mother, Michell believed the man she loved would provide comfort and support—something she desperately needed. Instead, her hopes turned bitter. She described the abusive environment as feeling like a “prison camp”.

*“At one point, I felt hopeless and decided to use the same power cord used against me to commit suicide. I thought this was the only option to end all the pain I suffered,” says Michell.*

With support from Femili PNG, along with other service providers such as the Family Sexual Violence Unit (FSVU), Family Support Centre (FSC), and the courts, Michelle began her journey out of what she called a prison camp and onto the road to recovery, healing, and freedom.

Michell recounted her painful experience.

I moved in with Samuel\* three months after meeting him, longing for emotional support after my mother's death. I thought he would be my source of comfort. Instead, my life changed from companionship to control. He made unfounded accusations, physically assaulted me, and even harassed me at work. I lost my voice, my courage, and eventually my job.

Despite the pain, Michell hoped he would change. But the cycle of violence only intensified. She faced constant threats, financial control, and false accusations. Coming from a Christian background, she even gave up her offerings under pressure.

Months passed, and the abuse escalated. Michell felt trapped and hopeless. At her lowest point, she contemplated ending her life. She thought this was the only way to stop the pain. *“This is it; I am dying.”* She recalls.

Her turning point came when she escaped and sought help from the Family and Sexual Violence Unit (FSVU) where she received medical care and was referred to Femili PNG for further support. Today, Michell is rebuilding her life and shares her story to encourage others to seek help and break free from violence.

### Family PNG's Intervention

Michelle's case highlights the devastating impact of prolonged physical and psychological abuse, ongoing threats to her safety, and her urgent need for legal protection and justice to break free from this cycle of violence.

In November 2024, Femili PNG intervened to provide critical support. Michell was assisted with safe accommodation, essential items such as clothing and food, medical care, and legal assistance through the police. An interim protection order was issued the following month, and by March 2025, a permanent protection order was successfully served to the perpetrator. Femili PNG acknowledges the vital collaboration of the police, courts, Family Support Center, and family health services in delivering these outcomes.

Michell\* has lost everything — her job, her income, and connection to family in her home province. Recognising this, Femili PNG provided her with safe accommodation and a sewing kit to make meri blouses, enabling her to earn an income while awaiting progress of her case. By June 2025, Michell proudly reported earning K300 from sewing and sales.

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At Michell's request, Femili PNG case officers conducted a successful family tracing exercise, reconnecting her with her immediate family and preparing for her safe return home. This client-centered approach reflects Femili PNG's commitment to restoring dignity and hope for survivors.

Michell expressed her heartfelt gratitude to Femili PNG and partner service providers for saving her life and urged other survivors to seek help:

*"If you are someone experiencing violence behind closed doors and living in fears like me, come out and seek help—we can protect more women. No matter how bad it is, there is a way. I have experienced extreme sexual violence nearly ended my life, but I received support and help, and you can too. Thank you, Femili PNG and my case officer, for your incredible support. From feeling hopeless to seeing hope and healing is a real change in my life. Thank you."*

Femili PNG gratefully acknowledges the support of the Australian Government through the PNGAus Partnership, whose backing makes it possible to help survivors like Michell escape violence and embrace life anew—with strength, dignity, and hope.

**\*Not her real name**

## client FEEDBACK

“

I am a survivor, someone with a disability but Femili PNG assisted me well. Case officers and safe house staff took good care of me. **I did not feel left out.** Thank you for all the support.

– Femili PNG client with a disability

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International Day of Persons with Disabilities  
3 December 2025

# Client Success stories

## From Pain to Strength: Jane Rises Above

*\*Names and sensitive information have been changed to protect the identity and safety of the client.*

Marriage should have been a partnership of love, respect and safety instead became a cycle of control, humiliation and violence to Jane\*, a 36-year-old woman, a mother to three beautiful daughters. She faced challenges in seeking services she needed and continued to experience violence but with support from Femili PNG and partners, Jane found courage, strength and hope she longed.

### Her story

For 14 years Jane walked through an abusive marriage perpetrated from her partner. The greatest wound all through the years in her marriage has been the breaking of trust – trust that her partner will love her, protect her and respect her. Jane did not only lose trust in her husband but to the systems that should have protected her – a difficult moment to her in the process of seeking justice.

*“When the police failed to act, when the court delayed, even the community allowed violence against me, my trust was broken repeatedly,” Jane said.*

Jane needed immediate intervention and support, but the road to justice was not easy, she continued to suffer from the hands of the perpetrator whilst waiting for justice. The violence became more severe and affected both her personal and professional life including children. It reached every corner of her life – her home, her work, her friendships.

The pain of being a survivor grew even worse. Children were affected. They lived in fear, watching their father perpetrating violence to their mother, Jane.

*“As a mother, the greatest pain is knowing that their childhood was stolen in this way. Trust, safety and security were taken from them,” Jane said.*

More recently, her daughters were taken away from her. As any other mother would feel, Jane’s heart was torn. She could not bare the pain of losing her children; it was too much.

*“The violence is not only against me - but it has also now torn my children from their mother, separating us and leaving me powerless to protect them.”*

### Femili PNG’s intervention

It was in her darkest moment, Jane learned about Femili PNG. Femili PNG started working on her case to progress interventions in coordination with police and court after identifying her needs and challenges. Despite facing ongoing challenges in seeking justice, Femili PNG case officer continued to advocate and successfully lodged her IPO in June. However, the IPO court hearing did not eventuate as the court kept on adjourning it.

An opportunity arose when the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) invited Femili PNG to present a challenging case before a panel of judges. Jane’s case was identified as a case with ongoing challenges. Her presentation moved senior judges to quickly intervene and advocate at their level to have Jane’s case progressed. With their intervention, an interim protection order (IPO) was served to the perpetrator with orders issued successfully. Furthermore, Jane received support to pursue a case for her daughters.

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Jane's courage to continue to pursue her case and reached this milestone not only captured her personal experience and success but shined Femili PNG to a higher level, promoting strong partnerships with government institutions to encourage effective responses to family and sexual violence (FSV) across Papua New Guinea.

Thank you to the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs, and Trade (DFAT) for the unwavering commitment and support to Femili PNG in partnership with FemiliPNG Australia through the Australian NGO Corporation Program (ANCP) to assist survivors like Jane getting the best outcome they need and at same time promoting Femili PNG's work to help improve response to FSV.

*\*Not her real name.*

client FEEDBACK

“With Femili PNG’s support, my husband went to jail. I felt safe from violence and abuse even after my husband was released from the jail.”

– Femili PNG client with disability

The graphic features a dark blue background with intricate white line art patterns. The text 'client FEEDBACK' is at the top, with 'client' in a white script font and 'FEEDBACK' in a white sans-serif font. A quote is enclosed in a dark green rounded rectangle with white quotation marks. The quote text is white, with 'I felt safe from violence and abuse' highlighted in orange. The attribution at the bottom is in a white italicized font.

## Community Outreach Activities

### Femili PNG backs community to observe Human Rights Day: Dignity, Freedom, Equality

Human Rights Day is observed every year on December 10 to emphasize and highlight importance of the rights men, women and children have. Every person deserves to live freely - survivors deserve to live free from fear, intimidation, humiliation and from any other forms of violence - everyone is entitled to safety, dignity and connections. No one should take that away.

This year, Femili PNG hosted this special event in partnership with Phaoba Community, Ward 14 in Lae on Wednesday, 10 December. Phaoba Community is a pioneer community Femili PNG outreach department is partnering with to focus delivery of awareness activities to community leaders, schools, health centres, youths and churches to see lasting impacts.

Over a hundred community members, including persons living with disabilities gathered with enthusiasm to learn about human rights and gender-based violence. The Ahi LLG women's representatives, Phaoba youth representatives, Marie Stopes PNG team, police officers from Bumayong under Morobe Command, Femili PNG staff and landowners were present, making this event extra special.

In his opening remarks, Femili PNG Training and Outreach Coordinator, Mr Paul Kunump emphasized on the Human Rights and why it is commemorated each year across the globe. He challenged parents, youths and children to practice their rights and must know related laws that govern their rights.



*Male youths paying attention to awareness messages*

Police Officer from Bumayong Police Station under Morobe Command, RC CC1 Chairman Charlie Konam, made a strong call to the community on the rights and freedom of movement at the same time warn them not to violate this right. He said: "You have the freedom to move around but do not cause harm to others or abuse your family members and break the law." Officer Konam strongly urged Phaoba community to take human rights messages seriously and make a change.

The Human Rights Day was a first of its kind in the community. According to community leaders, they never had such event observed at their doorstep where youth representatives, women's representatives and landowners organise and lead the program successfully with support from the organisation.

"We never had such event like this. This is an eye-opening gathering for us where we heard the privilege to

learn about human rights, gender-based violence, the government laws and where to seek help. We want our community to be a role model in addressing GBV in Morobe Province.” Said Jenny Boea, a community leader in Phoaba.

In marking the event more special and memorable, community volunteers presented two role plays, depicting violence and abuse in marriage. It generally delivered strong message against intermate partner violence and child abuse.

The day ended on a high note with representatives from the community acknowledging Femili PNG and their leaders including landowners in accepting organisations like Femili PNG to become part of their community. They were excited and pledged to see change in their community going forward.

Thank you, Australian Government, for the continued aid through the PNGAus Partnership program in seeing occasions like this with positive outcome.



*Femili PNG Outreach and Training Coordinator, Mr Paul Kunump giving an introductory remarks.*



*Community members putting up a role play on child abuse during the event.*



*Community leaders stepping in to lead the day's program*

# UPDATES IN PICS



Femili PNG community and outreach team carried out successful consultation meetings with community leaders, landowner, teachers and health workers at Poaba Community, Ward 14, in Lae. The purpose of the meeting was to gather insights of Poaba community to help the team to plan and schedule awareness activities targeting this community for impact and tangible change.



Femili PNG through the partnership with United Nations Populations Fund (UNFPA) successfully conducted basic case management training to GBV service providers for Bulolo and Huon Gulf Districts late last year in Lae.



Following invite from the Harmony Gold Mine, the outreach team joined the Community Affairs Department of the Harmony Hidden Valley Mine (MCGL) for a two-day Gender Based Awareness to employees and communities in Bulolo and Wau Waria Districts to commemorate 20 Days of Human Rights Activism from 1st-2nd December 2025. Pictured: General public visiting Femili PNG information booth.

# Get help at Femili PNG

## How we can help:

We provide help to anyone who has experienced

- Violence from an intimate partner – such as marriage or boy/girl relationship/
- Sexual violence from anyone – such as rape or sexual assault
- Any form of child abuse – physical, emotional, neglect, sexual, and child labour.
- Sorcery accusation related violence – such as being accused of sanguma or using sorcery.

You can contact us from Monday to Friday, between 9 am to 4 pm.

### Lae office

7091 4027 or 472 8904

### Port Moresby office

7916 9063 or 325 1018

### Goroka office

7217 9445

You can also request us to contact you. Email [info@femilipng.org](mailto:info@femilipng.org), or complete the contact form on Femili PNG Website to request help: [Get help - Femili PNG](#)



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Employees of the companies who subscribed to Bel isi PNG requiring assistance are encouraged to contact Bel isi PNG Case Management Centre on:

 7055 4401



## Be part of us by donating today

### How your donation will help:

Your donation will help us continue to support survivors of family and sexual violence in PNG.

We provide our case management services free of charge to all survivors. Your donation can help us make a difference.

Here are some ways that your donation can help:

- Provide case management services to survivors of family and sexual violence.
- Fund business start-up kits that financially empower survivors to make a living and escape the cycle of violence.
- Run outreach and awareness sessions, helping more people understand that they too can escape violence
- Support service providers, to ensure survivors receive the best help possible.

Build the long-term organisational sustainability of Femili PNG, to ensure that this local PNG NGO can continue operations into the future.

*Please contact us at [info@femilipng.org](mailto:info@femilipng.org) if you are willing to donate to Femili PNG*

## Social Media Statistics

Our social statistics as of February 2026



10,236 Followers



15, 154 Followers



1, 476 Followers

# Femili PNG Coffee

Femili PNG Coffee Delicious Papua New Guinean coffee that empowers Papua New Guinean women. Every bag sold supports services for survivors of family and sexual violence in PNG. Scan the code below for more information.

- A full-bodied Papua New Guinean coffee, with delicious chocolate and citrus undertones.
- Free Australia wide shipping on subscriptions, or \$5 flat-rate shipping on one-time orders.



**FemiliPNG**

**Coffee with a cause**

Every sip supports services for survivors of family and sexual violence in PNG.

For more details, scan the QR code or visit [shop.femilipng.org/products/coffee](http://shop.femilipng.org/products/coffee)



Family and sexual violence stops with me.

Break the cycle!!!

Yumi ken kamapim senis. Stop violence.

## Getting help;

# 7150 8000

Call the free hotline for help!

The 1-Tok Kaunselin Helpim lain is a toll-free confidential phone counselling service providing information and support for anyone experiencing family and sexual violence in PNG.

This service is operated by ChildFund and is a partnership between ChildFund and CIMC (FSVA) funded by the New Zealand Aid Program.



### About us:

Femili PNG is a local NGO that operates Case Management Centres in Lae, Port Moresby and Goroka to assist survivors of family and sexual violence to access the services they need. Our target population are women, men and children who are survivors of intimate partner violence, sexual violence and/or child abuse. We work closely with partners, such as the police, courts, Welfare, Family Support Centres, safe houses, the government and other NGOs to ensure that survivors access the available services and positive outcomes are achieved.

Femili PNG is supported by the Australian Government through the PNGAUS Partnership.

## Femili PNG CMC contacts

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All phones are answered Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm

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### Femili PNG Goroka Case Management Outpost

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