Women’s Fund in Georgia has Allocated 63 Grants in 2017

September - December 2017

New Winner of Kato Mikeladze Award

The winner of 2017 Kato Mikeladze Award became Ketevan Khidasheli from Guria region.

In 2008 Ketevan established Dzvabu’s Women’s Center in her village Dzvabu and Women for Region’s Development in 2010. Since then, she has been trying to protect and support domestic violence victims.

This year Women’s Fund in Georgia decided to slightly change the Kato Mikeladze Award format and consider only those women rights defenders who live and work in the regions of Georgia in order to make their activities more visible for broader society. 15 nominees shortly introduced their work and main challenges in their regions to the audience.

2016 award winner Ekaterine Skhiladze named new owner of the Kato Mikeladze Award.

International women’s fund Mama Cash provided cash award for Ketevan Khidasheli and UNDP will ensure her participation in the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) session in New York, USA, in March 2018.

New Grants Competitions

In September-December period Women's Fund in Georgia announced two grants competitions:

- Supporting Feminist Movement Building in Georgia - financially supported by Issues Affecting Women Program of the Oak Foundation, which aims to support women’s empowerment and feminist movement.
- Women’s Rights and Environmental Justice - financially supported by Global Alliance for Green and Gender Action (GAGGA) which aims to promote non governmental organizations and informal groups of women working on social and environmental justice.
Feminist in Dialogue - Bridging the Gaps

On November 24-25 representatives of German, Ukrainian and Georgian women’s funds, who have recently implemented the joint program named Feminist Dialogues between Generations gathered in Kiev, Ukraine to share their findings, discuss the reasons of lack of communication between feminists of different generations and the ways to fill the gap.

Overcoming Hidden Forms of Violence - Summarizing 3-Year Results

WFG allocated 36 grants within the frames of the program Overcoming Hidden Forms of Violence against Women in 2015-2017.

On December 20th grantees of the program gathered to share their experience and summarize achieved results.

Prospera - International Network of Women’s Funds have organized a meeting in Colombo, Sri Lanka, which was focused on Supporting the Enabling Environment Women's Girls' and Trans People's Human Rights: Building Resilience and Resistance From the Local to the Global.

Representatives of WFG participated in the panel discussion “Strategies of Resistance and Mobilization in Eurasia”

Choufthounna: The Feminist Art Festival was held. The festival was organized for the third time in Tunisia.

Artwork of Georgian artist Lia Ukleba Mother of God with Toy Gyn was selected for the exhibition held within the frames of the festival.

Women’s Fund in Georgia and Gloval Women’s Fund covered Lia Ukleba’s travel costs so that artist could attend the festival.

With collaboration of Women’s Fund in Georgia and Heinrich Boell Foundation South Caucasus Regional Office 6 podcasts of FeminStream was recorded.

With financial support of Women’s Fund in Georgia first Georgian sexual education website All About You was created.