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Grounded in Values, Driven by Action

A YEAR OF GROWTH, REACH, AND INFLUENCE

Over the past several years, I have had the privilege of leading Accountability Lab Liberia as it has grown into one of the country's leading civil society organizations working at the intersection of democratic governance, accountability, and inclusive development.

With the guidance of a committed Board of Directors and the dedication of a capable team, we have expanded our national footprint and strengthened partnerships across government institutions, development partners, civil society organizations, and communities throughout Liberia.

A significant milestone this year was my election as Chairperson of the National Civil Society Council of Liberia (NCSCL) for a two-year term. This role places AL Liberia at the center of national civil society coordination and leadership, reinforcing our commitment to collective action, policy dialogue, and coordinated advocacy.

In 2025, our work focused on translating this commitment into practical, community-driven initiatives:

1. Expanding digital inclusion and youth engagement

With support from UN Women, we successfully implemented a youth-focused initiative on Digital Literacy and Policy Development. Through this project, we strengthened digital literacy among women and grassroots youth-led CSOs while advancing forward-looking digital policy frameworks. The initiative enhanced local actors' capacity to

engage safely and effectively in digital spaces. It ensured that women's voices and civil society perspectives were included in national discussions on technology and governance.

2. Advancing women's leadership in governance

With funding from the National Endowment for Democracy (NED), we led a program to strengthen women's leadership and political and civic participation in Liberia's Western Region, covering Bomi, Gbarpolu, and Grand Cape Mount Counties. This initiative equipped emerging women leaders with practical skills in advocacy, governance engagement, and community mobilization, helping to reduce gender gaps in political participation and decision-making at local and regional levels.

3. Strengthening accountability systems nationwide

In partnership with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), we implemented a nationwide National Social Accountability initiative focused on public procurement and anti-corruption across all fifteen counties of Liberia. Through this project, citizens, community groups, and CSOs were empowered to monitor public procurement processes, engage constructively with local authorities, and promote transparency in the use of public resources. The initiative strengthened dialogue between citizens and government institutions and reinforced accountability mechanisms at both subnational and national levels.

4. Expanding access to community-based justice

Additionally, with support from the Legal Empowerment Fund through the Grassroots Justice Network, we implemented a community justice initiative in 12 slum communities in Logan Town and Bushrod Island. This project strengthened access to justice for underserved residents

by training and supporting community mediators who helped resolve disputes, address rights violations, and connect community members to formal justice and social service institutions when necessary. These mediators became trusted local resource persons, promoting peaceful coexistence through conflict resolution, legal awareness, and improved relationships between residents and local authorities.

Beyond project implementation, I have ensured that AL Liberia remains actively engaged in national policy advocacy and governance reform. We have been strong advocates for open government, the rule of law, transparency, anti-corruption, and accountability, particularly in public procurement and public financial management. Notably, AL Liberia contributed technical expertise and civil society perspectives to the development of Liberia's first Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Policy, working closely with the Ministry of Finance and Development Planning, other government agencies, and the private sector to promote transparency, public interest, and responsible investment.

Institutional governance remains a core priority for me. I work closely with the Board of Directors to ensure strong oversight, strategic direction, and compliance with AL Liberia's mission and values. At the sectoral level, we actively collaborate with other civil society organizations and networks to protect and expand civic space, recognizing that a vibrant, independent civil society is essential to Liberia's democratic development.

- AL Liberia Country Director, Lawrence Yealue

VISION AND MISSION

At Accountability Lab Liberia, our mission is to help Liberians build a country where leaders are responsible, public services work, and citizens have the power and confidence to demand better. Our mission and vision encompass;

- Supporting honest leaders and integrity champions who want to do the right thing.
- Giving young people and communities the tools, skills, and platforms to speak up and shape decisions that affect their lives.
- Work with the government and local leaders, civil society, and the media to turn accountability from an idea into everyday practice.
- Create safe spaces where citizens and leaders can talk openly, solve problems together, and rebuild trust, so that citizens/residents can lead secure and productive lives.

CORE VALUES

Accountability Lab Liberia has six core values. Together, these values shape the work with Liberians, strengthen accountability, and build a more just and responsive society.

Integrity

At Accountability Lab Liberia, integrity is not just a principle; it is a daily practice. The organization models honesty, transparency, and ethical leadership in all of its engagements, whether working with government institutions, civil society, or local communities. In a context where trust in public systems has often been fragile, Accountability Lab Liberia earns credibility by keeping its word, managing resources responsibly, and holding itself to the same standards of accountability it advocates for others.

Innovation

Accountability Lab Liberia embraces innovation as a tool for solving Liberia's most persistent governance and development challenges. It means listening carefully to communities, testing new ideas, learning from failure, and adapting quickly. This flexible mindset allows Accountability Lab Liberia to respond to emerging issues while empowering Liberians to become problem-solvers in their own communities.

Humility

Humility guides how Accountability Lab Liberia shows up in communities. It recognizes that lasting change does not come from imposing solutions, but from learning alongside the people most affected by the problems. Staff approach their work with respect, openness, and a willingness to listen, valuing local knowledge, lived experience, and cultural context. By staying humble, Accountability Lab Liberia builds genuine partnerships and ensures that its programs reflect the real priorities and aspirations of Liberians.

Practicality

Accountability Lab Liberia is deeply committed to practical action. Ideas and values are translated into tangible programs that improve everyday life, whether by strengthening public service delivery, supporting integrity champions, or equipping young people with leadership skills. It focuses on what works on the ground, within existing constraints, and with available resources. Practicality ensures that accountability is not just discussed, but experienced through visible, measurable improvements that communities can feel and trust.

Collaboration

At the heart of Accountability Lab Liberia's approach is collaboration. We understand that complex challenges require collective effort. It actively brings together government actors, other civil society organizations, media, youth groups, and community leaders to co-create solutions. By fostering inclusive partnerships and shared ownership, Accountability Lab Liberia amplifies impact and builds networks of reformers who can sustain change beyond individual projects.

From Community Voice to System Change



MEETING COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY ARE

Across Liberia, radio remains one of the most trusted and widely accessed sources of information.

Through the Hip-Co Accountability Voice2Rep Network, Accountability Lab Liberia brought conversations on digital literacy and youth participation directly into communities through locally produced radio jingles.

Broadcast in Liberian Pidgin English, Lorma, Kpelleh, Mandingo, and Gbandi, the jingles reached audiences across Lofa and Montserrado Counties.

According to [ReliefWeb](#), approximately 86% of Liberians rely on radio for news, entertainment, and civic information. Recognizing this, the initiative ensured that messaging extended beyond formal workshops and into everyday community life.

The jingles were aired on:

- Radio Kingtoma (Lofa County)
- Voice of Liberia (Monrovia)

Community radio stations reach hundreds of thousands daily, while national broadcasters like Voice of Liberia command significant audience share. According to [GeoPoll](#), leading stations in Montserrado often reach over 20% of radio listeners.

The broadcasts helped to:

- Raise awareness of national youth dialogue activities
- Reinforce safe and ethical digital engagement
- Encourage participation across communities
- Anchor digital literacy within everyday civic discourse

By combining creative storytelling with trusted platforms, the initiative strengthened both reach and relevance.



SHAPING POLICY FROM THE INSIDE OUT

Accountability Lab Liberia, other governance CSOs, private sector actors, and government representatives participated in a series of consultative meetings to craft and contribute to the Liberian Public-Private Policy (PPP) policy framework. These collaborative processes ensured that the policy framework reflected a balance of interests and practical considerations. The government, particularly through the Public Procurement and Concessions Commission (PPCC) and the National Investment Commission, engaged stakeholders to establish clear and transparent rules for how PPP projects would be identified, procured, and monitored. These consultations emphasized the importance of accountability, fair bidding practices, inclusive access for qualified contractors, and safeguards to protect the public interest. The PPP framework is anchored in the Public Procurement and Concessions Act (PPCA) of 2005, which was amended in

2010 to strengthen the legal and regulatory environment for PPPs and concessions and to enhance transparency and competitiveness in procurement.

The PPP policy framework provides a blueprint for mobilizing private investment into critical areas such as energy generation, transportation networks, clean water systems, and social services like healthcare and education, areas where the public sector has historically struggled to keep pace with demand. By enabling private-sector participation, these partnerships help reduce the state's financing burden, accelerate project delivery, improve service quality, and create jobs and economic opportunities for Liberians. The overall goal of Liberia's PPP policy is to create a reliable, transparent, and predictable environment that encourages long-term private investment while ensuring that infrastructure and public services are delivered efficiently, equitably, and in line with national development objectives. It seeks to:

“To all of us here in this meeting, the reason sometimes we find it difficult to fight wrongdoing is because people with good character sit back, we don't communicate, coordinate, and collaborate; but criminals do... whatever we do, let's do it open-mindedly, with passion, believing that it is towards the greater good of all Liberians. The issues of accountability go beyond just spending money and gathering receipts; anyone can corrupt himself/herself socially- for example, if you drink excessively and fall down in the streets, people who used to respect you will not do so again.”

– Francis Egu Lessana,
Lofa County Development Superintendent

- Leverage private investment to fill financing gaps in infrastructure and essential services.
- Promote competition and fair access for qualified private partners.
- Strengthen governance and transparency in project selection, procurement, and implementation.
- Support job creation, economic growth, and community development by expanding service delivery and infrastructure capacity in ways that contribute to broader sustainable development goals.

Through this policy framework, Liberia is striving to build a public-private collaboration that is not only financially viable but socially responsible and inclusive, laying the groundwork for a more resilient economy underpinned by shared responsibility between government and private enterprise.

Building Coalitions for Accountability

Over 300 national stakeholders – including local government officials, CSOs and media institutions, community leaders, elders, and chiefs – were convened by Accountability Lab Liberia between July 17 and August 4, 2025, across all 15 counties.

These meetings focused on strengthening collaboration in the fight against corruption, particularly through tracking corruption cases in courts and monitoring public procurement and contract delivery at the county level.

Funded by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) under the National Social Accountability Project, the initiative was led by Accountability Lab Liberia in partnership with 15 local organizations. Approximately 20 participants attended each county-level meeting.

The overall objective was to strengthen collaboration among Accountability Lab Liberia, CSOs, media partners, and local authorities to address corruption at the county level. The meetings also aimed to identify practical engagement pathways to support CSOs and media partners in accessing information to track, investigate, and report corruption cases and public contract or project mismanagement across all 15 counties.

The specific objectives included:

- Ensuring that county stakeholders have a clear understanding of the National Social Accountability Project’s purpose, goals, and activities
- Promoting collaboration and building strong networks among county-level stakeholders and project implementers to support monitoring, tracking, and investigation of corruption cases and public contracts



- Strengthening the social contract between citizens and government through improved accountability

As planned, the meetings in each county were well attended. Participants included superintendents (alongside Development and Finance Officers), commissioners, Project Planners, Engineers, WASH Leads, Police Commanders and Deputies, Clerks of Court, County Attorneys, County Health Officers, County Education Officers, and community leaders and chiefs, among others.

Through these engagements, Accountability Lab Liberia and local authorities developed joint engagement strategies, including awareness-raising activities and monthly coordination meetings. Participating stakeholders and their representatives expressed strong commitment to continued collaboration and sustained engagement.

“This meeting is an eye opener, and by just inviting us (stakeholders) to this gathering, explaining the project at this level of detail is the first concrete step in promoting acceptance and collaboration. The next important step, which you also got right, is about having these discussions about our individual offices’ procedures and strategies around engagements and working together.”

– **Byron W. Zahmuae, Superintendent, Rivercess County**

STRENGTHENING THE ECOSYSTEM FOR LASTING CHANGE

Accelerating Digital Opportunities for Youth Civic Participation and Peacebuilding in Liberia



A total of twenty-four (24) participants, comprising 14 females and 10 males, were engaged in a Refresher Training of Trainers (TOT) workshop conducted on the 2nd and 3rd of April, 2025. Two participants were selected from each of the twelve (12) youth, women-led, and persons living with disabilities (PLWD) organizations in Lofa and Montserrado Counties for the pilot project named above, funded by UN Women. The refresher training was designed to strengthen participants' capacity to deliver digital literacy and advocacy training effectively to youth within their respective organizations and communities.

The participants demonstrated measurable improvement in their understanding of the digital literacy and advocacy materials, as well as increased confidence in applying the training content. To measure learning outcomes and skills acquired, a pre/post-training assessments were administered to all participants. The pre-test scores ranged from 17 to 36 out of a possible 39 points, yielding an average of 74.71%. The post-test results showed improved performance, with scores ranging from 18 to 38 points and an average of 79.81%.

The training covered a comprehensive set of modules tailored to strengthen both technical and facilitation competencies. The key topics included:

- Facilitation skills and participatory training techniques
- Basic computer skills
- Digital literacy and internet fundamentals
- Introduction to social media and online safety
- Effective media and digital communication
- Digital advocacy planning and campaign launching

Overall, the refresher TOT strengthened participants' technical knowledge, facilitation capacity, and readiness to deliver digital literacy and advocacy training within their organizations. This contributes to the project's sustainability and multiplier effect, as knowledge is shared more widely across communities.

"Many thanks to Accountability Lab for this impactful training we have acquired over the past two days, and we will also utilize what we have learned here. We also want to thank the donors who provided financial support for the project and all of our trainers; they were so great, and we are always open to learning new things."

– Melvin M. Tennie, Capacity4Youth, Bomi County



Strengthening Social Accountability Through Local Partnerships

Accountability Lab Liberia worked with 15 CSOs and media organizations – one per county – each of which sent two representatives (30 participants in total, comprising 14 women and 16 men) to a refresher capacity development training. Participants were drawn from across all 15 counties in Liberia.

The training was held in two locations: Ganta, Nimba County (where eight organizations convened), and Tubmanburg, Bomi County (where seven organizations were hosted). Four Accountability Lab Liberia staff members (two per location) facilitated and led the activities.

The refresher training focused on strengthening partners’ understanding of the National Social Accountability Project and its intended activities. Sessions began with a review of key achievements and challenges from phase one of the project, alongside discussions on safety and security considerations.

Key topics included:

- Anti-corruption principles and practices
- National procurement procedures and policies (delivered in collaboration with the Public Procurement and Concessions Commission)
- Partnership management and networking
- Monitoring and reporting

Practical group discussions enabled participating organizations to identify key stakeholders for upcoming county-level meetings. A gender-specific participatory exercise was also conducted, allowing partners to reflect on the impacts of corruption from both policy and project implementation perspectives.

These discussions generated meaningful dialogue around real-world barriers, while reinforcing the importance of joint action, transparency, and citizen engagement in improving service delivery and strengthening trust in public institutions.



Advancing Women’s Leadership in Governance

Funded by the National Endowment for Democracy (NED) and implemented by Accountability Lab Liberia, the Enhancing Women’s Participation in Leadership and Governance initiative addresses persistent gender disparities in leadership and representation at both the national and local levels.

The project works closely with women-led and women-focused organizations in Bomi, Grand Cape Mount, and Gbarpolu Counties — areas where women face significant structural, social, and economic barriers to leadership.

The initiative adopts a strategic approach centered on sustainable capacity development, addressing both immediate and long-term challenges affecting women’s participation. These include limited access to leadership training, low confidence, gaps in public speaking and advocacy skills, and constraints in fundraising and organizational development.

Five local CSOs were selected to participate in and lead the initiative in supporting young women, girls, and aspiring leaders. These organizations were invited to a two-day capacity-building boot camp held in Tubmanburg, Bomi County. Each organization nominated two female mentors to participate in the training, with a focus on strengthening their leadership skills, confidence, and ability to provide

sustained support to emerging women leaders.

The participating organizations included: Grand Cape Mount Women Network, Working Effectively Together, Kukatornor Women Peace Building Initiative, Capacity for Youth, and Yeapugama Women for Community Empowerment and Development.

The boot camp was delivered through expert-led facilitation, with an interactive, participatory approach. Sessions included group discussions, experience sharing, small-group work, presentations, and role-play exercises, allowing participants to apply concepts in practical and context-relevant ways.



TURNING EVIDENCE INTO ACCOUNTABILITY

Monitoring Public Contracts and Strengthening Oversight

Accountability Lab Liberia, in collaboration with 15 local partners (one per county), implemented the National Social Accountability Project to track public procurement and project implementation across all 15 counties.

In 2025, this work generated critical evidence on service delivery, public spending, and procurement compliance – offering a detailed picture of how public resources are managed in practice.

1. Scope and Financial Significance of Monitoring

A total of 86 public contracts and projects were tracked across key government sectors, representing a combined contract value of USD 41,947,162.20. These contracts were implemented by major public institutions, including the Ministries of Internal Affairs, Health, Education, Finance, Public Works, Agriculture (Research), and the Liberia Land Authority. The breadth of sectors covered underscores the scale and relevance of the monitoring exercise, as these institutions are central to delivering essential public services and infrastructure nationwide. Monitoring across all 15 counties also reflects a deliberate effort to ensure geographic inclusivity and capture both national and sub-national implementation realities.

2. Project Implementation Performance

Analysis of project implementation status reveals significant performance gaps:

- 20 projects (23%) were completed
- 10 projects (12%) were ongoing at the time of monitoring
- 50 projects (58%) were uncompleted
- 6 projects (7%) were abandoned

While completing 20 projects indicates some level of delivery, the high number of incomplete and abandoned projects (56 out of 86) points to systemic challenges in project planning, execution, contractor oversight, and institutional follow-through. These gaps directly affect communities that rely on the timely delivery of public services and infrastructure, and they raise concerns about value for money and effective use of public resources.

3. Procurement Compliance and Transparency Gaps

The procurement compliance review highlights notable weaknesses in adherence to national procurement standards:

- Only 16 contracts (19%) followed Public Procurement and Concessions Commission (PPCC) procedures
- 60 contracts (70%) had incomplete procurement documentation
- Just 26 contractors (30%) had legal documents properly filed at the county level

These findings suggest widespread non-compliance with procurement regulations, limited transparency, and weak documentation practices. Incomplete procurement records significantly undermine accountability, making it difficult for citizens, CSOs, and oversight institutions to track decision-making, assess fairness, or detect potential misuse of public funds. The low rate of contractor legal documentation at the county level further exposes risks related to contractor legitimacy and enforcement of contractual obligations.

4. What This Means for Accountability and Reform

Collectively, these findings point to critical governance and accountability challenges in Liberia’s public procurement and project management systems. While substantial financial resources are allocated to public contracts, weak compliance, delayed implementation, and high rates of incomplete projects limit their intended development impact.

“Key stakeholders in Margibi County have shown strong support for our project, recognizing its importance for the citizens. While we face challenges with documentation, the project is helping local officials become more accountable and aware of corruption. We urge continued support for training on transparency and accountability.”
 – Roseline Cassell, WEDOL, Margibi County

The findings reinforce the importance of sustained citizen-led monitoring, stronger enforcement of procurement laws, and improved institutional capacity at both national and county levels.

Through this work, Accountability Lab Liberia and its partners are generating actionable evidence to inform policy dialogue, strengthen oversight mechanisms, and support communities in demanding better service delivery and responsible use of public funds.





Tracking Corruption Cases to Strengthen Transparency in Justice

By systematically tracking corruption cases across counties and courts, Accountability Lab Liberia and partners are helping to generate credible evidence for policy dialogue, media engagement, and citizen advocacy. This work contributes to strengthening demand-side accountability and supports broader reforms to ensure that corruption cases are handled transparently, fairly, and in the public interest.

1. Scope and Scale of Cases Monitored

A total of 11 corruption cases involving 50 government officials were actively monitored nationwide. These cases, currently pending adjudication in courts across the country, are being handled by 10 courts, highlighting the national scope and institutional significance of the monitoring effort. The combined alleged stolen amount totals approximately USD 47.2 million, underscoring the substantial financial impact of corruption on public resources and service delivery. The magnitude of the alleged losses reinforces the importance of sustained oversight and public scrutiny of

corruption cases, particularly those involving senior public officials and large sums of public funds.

2. Case Progress and Judicial Concerns

While all monitored cases remain before the courts, a notable finding is the dismissal of major corruption cases valued at approximately USD 38.8 million through 'Nolle Prosequi'. The use of this prosecutorial mechanism, while legally permissible, raises public concern regarding transparency, consistency, and accountability in the handling of high-value corruption cases.

These dismissals represent a significant proportion of the total alleged stolen amount and have implications for public trust in the justice system. From a social accountability perspective, they highlight the need for clearer communication, stronger prosecutorial safeguards, and enhanced citizen engagement in monitoring judicial outcomes.

3. Nature of Alleged Offenses

The cases monitored span a wide range of serious alleged offenses, including: Economic sabotage, Misappropriation of entrusted property and public funds, Tax evasion, Forgery, and Violations of public procurement laws. The diversity and severity of these allegations point to systemic weaknesses in public financial management, procurement oversight, and enforcement of integrity standards within public institutions.

4. Why This Matters

The findings from the case-tracking exercise highlight both the scale of corruption challenges in Liberia and the critical role of civil society in promoting transparency within the justice system.

While the presence of cases in court reflects some level of institutional response, prolonged adjudication timelines and the dismissal of high-value cases risk undermining deterrence and public confidence.

Amplifying Accountability in Liberia

MEDIA COVERAGE AND THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

As Accountability Lab Liberia continues its work to promote transparency, civic engagement, and ethical leadership, 2025 has seen a range of programmatic milestones reflected across national and international media platforms.

From strengthening digital literacy and advocacy among grassroots youth groups to convening CSOs, women’s rights organizations, media institutions, and local authorities across all 15 counties, these efforts have contributed to broader public conversations on accountability and governance in Liberia.

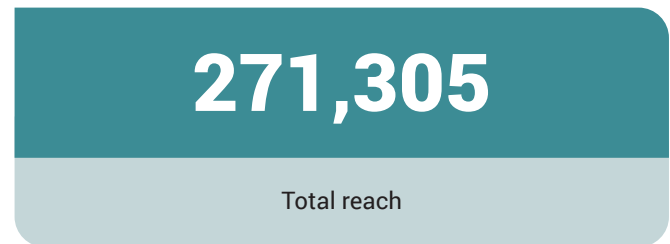
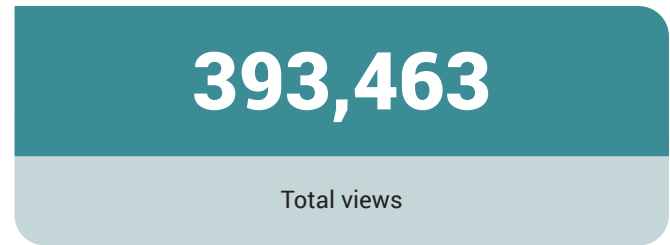
The articles below highlight key moments from the year – offering insight into how these initiatives are shaping Liberia’s accountability landscape and supporting more inclusive and responsive governance.

Explore the coverage:

- <https://www.thenewdawnliberia.com/accountability-lab-liberia-launches-phase-2-of-its-social-accountability-project/>
- <https://www.thenewdawnliberia.com/accountability-lab-liberia-moves-to-boost-womens-participation-in-leadership/>
- <https://frontpageafricaonline.com/news/liberia-national-integrity-forum-takes-anti-corruption-message-to-montserrado-communities/>
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SOCIAL MEDIA REACH AND HIGHLIGHTS

In 2025, our online community has shown remarkable interest in Accountability Lab Liberia’s work, with our program bulletins, activity articles, and updates reaching far and wide. Across our social media platforms, we’ve recorded 393,463 views and a reach of 271,305, reflecting not just numbers but meaningful engagement with our mission to promote transparency and civic participation. These insights highlight how our stories and updates are resonating with audiences, sparking conversations, and strengthening connections with people who care about accountability and positive change in Liberia.



Staff and Board Members

KEY STAFF UPDATE

In 2025, Accountability Lab Liberia made a key addition to its team. Mr. Alphan Kabba was appointed as a full-time Program/MEL Coordinator following his strong performance and contributions in a part-time capacity under the USAID/DAI Civil Society Activity project.

This transition reflects his demonstrated commitment, alignment with organizational values, leadership, initiative, and technical expertise in monitoring, evaluation, and learning.

The role strengthens Accountability Lab Liberia’s internal capacity by bridging program coordination and MEL functions, supporting:

- Stronger planning, tracking, and timely execution of program activities
- Improved collection, management, and use of program data
- More consistent documentation and reporting across projects
- Structured learning and adaptation processes to strengthen program outcomes
- Enhanced readiness for partner and donor compliance requirements

This position builds on Mr. Kabba’s proven strengths while addressing a critical organizational need.

Below outlines current staff and roles.



W. Lawrence Yealue II
Country Director



Nyema J. Richards
Program and Learning Director



Allanko Wennie
Finance & Operations Director



Yassah E S Baysah
Finance Officer



Parnneh T. Mallobe
Communications Officer



Famatta J David
Program Officer



Alphan T. Kabba
Program/MEL Coordinator



Emmet Barkolleh Kollie
Intern



Strengthening Governance Through Board Renewal

BOARD RESTRUCTURING AND NEW APPOINTMENTS

Over the past year, Accountability Lab Liberia undertook a strategic restructuring of its Board of Directors to strengthen engagement, accountability, and alignment with its mission.

The board was streamlined from nine to six members, reflecting a deliberate shift toward a more active, responsive, and engaged leadership structure.

This process included the transition of four board members whose past contributions were highly valued but who were no longer able to participate consistently due to studies abroad and competing personal and professional commitments. Their reduced availability made it increasingly difficult for the board to effectively meet its governance responsibilities.

At the same time, the restructuring created an opportunity to bring in leadership with strong practical experience and a deep connection to community-centered work.

As part of this renewal, the organization welcomed a new board member, Assistant Police Commissioner Samuel Ford, Head of Community Policing at the Liberia National Police. His appointment brings valuable expertise in community engagement, public safety, and collaborative leadership – strengthening the board’s role in supporting inclusive governance and community-driven impact.

The current board members are listed below.

NAME	POSITION
Dr. Tanya Garnett	Chairperson
Mr. William Dennis, III	Co-Chairperson
Mr. Abdulai Nyei	Lead on Finance
Att. Charles Lawrence	Board Member
APC Samuel Ford	Board Member
Mr. Lawrence Yealue	Secretary

Supporters

NAME OF DONOR PARTNER	LOGO	PROJECT TITLE
<p>Grassroots Justice Network / Legal Empowerment Fund</p>		<p>Community Justice Teams (CJT)</p>
<p>United Nations Development Programme</p>		<p>Empowering citizens and communities to foster social accountability and transparency in governance and public service</p>
<p>UN Women</p>		<p>Accelerating Digital Opportunities for Youth Civic Participation as a lever to building and sustaining Peace in Liberia</p>
<p>National Endowment for Democracy</p>		<p>Enhancing Women's Participation in Leadership and Governance</p>

DONOR: UNWOMEN

PROJECT TITLE: Accelerating Digital Opportunities for Women and Youth-led organizations' Civic Participation

PARTNER	LOGO	COUNTY
African Youth Fellowship		Montserrado
Books Before Boys		Montserrado
Border Community Defender Forum		Lofa
Center for the Exchange of Intellectual Opinions		Montserrado
Fish Market Peace Hut		Montserrado
Federation of Liberian Youth		Montserrado

PARTNER	LOGO	COUNTY
Girls Tech Club		Montserrado
Konia Peace Hut		Lofa
Liberia National Student Union		Montserrado
Mano River Union Youth Parliament		Montserrado
National Union Organization of the Disabled		Montserrado
Yeala Peace Hut		Lofa

DONOR: UNDP

PROJECT TITLE: Empowering Citizens and Communities to Foster Social Accountability and Transparency in Governance and Public Service Delivery In Liberia

PARTNER	LOGO	COUNTY
Women Education Development Organization of Liberia (WEDOL)		Margibi
Peace Engagement and Alternative Center for Empowerment		Maryland
Women In Media Development		Montserrado
Supporting Citizen Initiative for Development in Africa (SCIDA)		Nimba
Rural Integrated Center for Community Empowerment		River Cess
Rivergee Women Platform		River Gee
Youth Intellectual Forum		Sinoe
Youth Positive Transformation Initiative		Bong

PARTNER	LOGO	COUNTY
Capacity for Youth		Bomi
Voice of Gbarpolu		Gbarpolu
Children Rescue Africa		Grand Bassa
Community Development Initiative		Grand Cape Mount
Girls and Women Foundation Liberia		Grand Gedeh
Vision Special Liberia		Grand Kru
Progressive Youth for Community Safety Initiative		Lofa

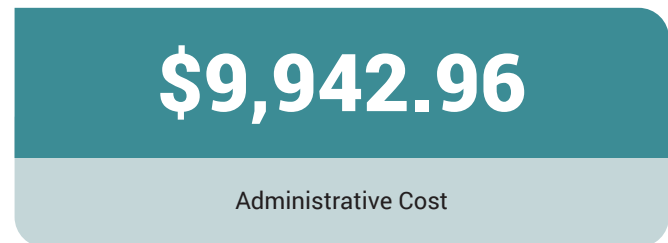
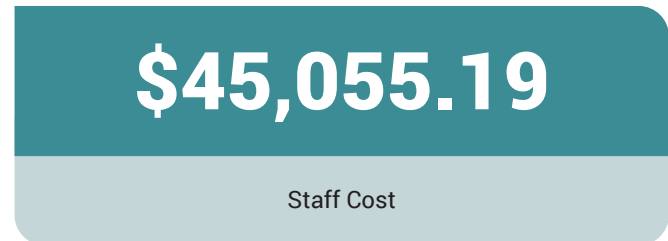
DONOR: NED

PROJECT TITLE: Enhancing Women’s Participation in Leadership and Governance.

PARTNER	LOGO	COUNTY
Kukatornor Women Peace Building Initiative		Gbarpolu
Grand Cape Mount Women Network		Grand Cape Mount
Working Effectively Together Inc		Bomi

Budget Highlights

AL Liberia’s total annual budget for 2025 was US\$219,702.15. Of this amount, US\$45,055.19 was allocated to staffing costs, and an additional US\$9,942.96 to administrative costs.



UNDP Project Engagement Activities

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Many thanks to Accountability Lab for this impactful training we have acquired over the past two days, and we will also utilize what we have learned here. We also want to be grateful to the donors who provided the financial support to the project and to all of our trainers; they were so great, and we are always open to learning new things.

Byron W. Zahmae, Superintendent, Rivercess County

This meeting is an eye opener, and by just inviting us (stakeholders) to this gathering, explaining the project at this level of detail is the first concrete step in promoting acceptance and collaboration. The next important step which you also got right is about having these discussions about our individual offices' procedures and strategies around engagements and working together

Roseline Cassell, WEDOL, Margibi County

Key stakeholders in Margibi County have shown strong support for our project, recognizing its importance for the citizens. While we face challenges with documentation, the project is helping local officials become more accountable and aware of corruption. We urge continued support for training on transparency and accountability.