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**WAAPO SAFE HOUSE ADMISSION GUIDELINE**

**Date: 05/01/2022**

**Overview**

WAAPO Shelter is the only safe house exists in Somaliland. We provide critical care and support for the survivors of Gender-based violence with real security concerns and child protection. The Safe House provides both direct assistance and multi-sectorial responses such as safety and security, psychosocial support and counseling, medical-legal assistances through referrals and case management support.

The safe house also provide three time meals, NFIs, temporary housing (3-months maximum), hygiene supplies, child recreation material, family mediation and a reintegration program to assist survivors of GBV as well as short-term business skills and education program for the women survivors in the centers.

WAAPO, for instance, runs three operational Safe houses in Somaliland in three main cities Incl. Borama, Hargeisa, and Burco.

**The purpose of a Safe house.**

The ultimate purpose of a safe house is to be an alternative temporary shelter for survivor of GBV who are feeling from abuse exploitation, and unsafe in their communities, particularly women and children faced with violent or abusive conditions, such as domestic violence, rape, physical and emotional abuse, child abuse and other forms of GBV.

**Safe house direct services:**

* 1. **Accommodation and Basic Needs**
* WAAPO Safe Houses prioritize the safety and well-being of survivors ensures a conducive living environment with private rooms, clean facilities, and round-the-clock security. In addition, survivors receive three nutritious meals a day, ensuring their physical well-being is adequately cared for during their stay.
  1. **Comprehensive Support Services**
* **Psychosocial counseling** for emotional healing, to express their feelings, process trauma, and regain their confidence.
* **Medical support** to receive clinical management of rape (CMR) examinations, treatment of injuries, and access to necessary medications for pregnant and lactating mother.
* **Legal support** by professionals guiding through legal rights to justice and protection.
* **Emergency referrals** for all forms of immediate assistance.
* **Family mediation** to facilitate open dialogue, conflict resolution, and reintegration processes to foster understanding and rebuild trust.
  1. **Empowerment and Skill-Building**
* **Life skill classes**, including literature, tailoring, baking, and art..etc. to enhance their personal growth and empower them to live independently

**Admission requirement:**

* We do accept all forms of Sexual-Gender based violence (SGBV) individual cases Including women, girls and children.
* We do accept SGBV women survivors and child abuse cases who feel unsafe, and seeking for temporary accommodation.
* We do not accept anyone who has a history of violence offense(s) or criminal act.
* We do not accept persons under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs.
* We do not accept persons who have obvious mental health needs beyond the scope of our services.
* We do not accept SGBV male survivors; The Shelter is for women –safe house.
* Shelter is for short term stays only; up to 49 days, sever cases may be approved for extended stays up to 120 days, justified by the progress towards self-sufficiency.
* The acceptance of the pregnant women it could only justified when the special care being assessed, monitored and arranged by the referral agencies and other relevant partners, and it should be accepted when we receive special care latter.
* All eligible survivors seeking shelter in a safe home shall be housed regardless of their race, color, religion, belief, clan, custom, tribe or culture.

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