# **Burkina Faso**







# THE SITUATION TODAY

In Burkina Faso, many efforts are being made to protect women and girls' human rights. However, some realities indicate obstacles to their fulfillment.



**52%** of young women are married before 18



**13%** of women in Parliament



**95%** of girls in primary school, **40%** in secondary, **4%** in tertiary

# THE GOAL FOR TOMORROW

Increased empowerment of women and girls to advance gender equality in their communities



Strengthened leadership for women and men to promote equality



Enhanced collaboration among organizations



Improved efforts of women's organizations to engage with decision-makers

## **HOW TO GET THERE**





The ultimate goal of the Advancing Equality project is to increase the empowerment of women and girls to advance gender equality. In Burkina Faso, reaching this goal implies promoting women's inclusion and participation in decision-making processes. The project focuses on strategies to address social norms and deconstruct gender stereotypes that enable practices that harm women and girls and limit their empowerment. The Project adopts a participatory approach to advance gender equality that includes:



### **KNOWLEDGE AND CAPACITY-BUILDING**

- Training on human rights and gender equality
- Community initiatives and forums



### **COLLABORATION**

- Awareness-raising campaigns
- Support to networks and coalitions



### **ENGAGEMENT WITH DECISION-MAKERS**

• joint actions on human rights and gender equality

Koudougou

Dialogues and forums

# REGIONAL FOCUS

Houndé

### THEMATIC FOCUS



Promoting women's participation in decision-making

### **OUR PARTNER IN BURKINA FASO**

MBDHP's national office as well as its local branches in Koudougou and Houndé. The MBDHP is a civil society organisation that has been engaged in the promotion and protection of human rights in Burkina Faso for more than 30 years.



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