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Over the past 15 years, paralegals have become an increasingly important part of the criminal justice system in developing countries. As well as providing legal information and basic legal advice to people in conflict with the law, some paralegal services also provide food and medical supplies to people in detention and a presence at police stations in order to deter ill-treatment and forced confessions. Paralegals can also play a valuable role in reducing prison overcrowding. For instance, by tracing the family members of pre-trial detainees, paralegals can facilitate successful bail applications. Equally, by identifying and locating the witnesses and evidence required for trial proceedings, paralegals can expedite lengthy court cases.

The important role of paralegal services was recognised recently at the international level with the adoption of the [United Nations Principles and Guidelines on Access to Legal Aid in Criminal Justice Systems](#) which note that 'Paralegals and law students may provide assistance at court,' provided that they are under the supervision of qualified lawyers. It is in this context that Penal Reform International (PRI) promotes the appropriate use of paralegals within criminal justice systems as a means of complementing the work of qualified and experienced criminal defence lawyers. As well as supporting paralegal programmes in Malawi and Rwanda – models which were implemented in a number of other countries – PRI has produced several practical resources including a [Case study of PRI's paralegal programme in Rwanda](#) and a [Handbook for paralegals working in prisons](#). This Index of Paralegal Services in Africa is the latest resource in PRI's paralegal series. It lists paralegal services, paralegal networks and university legal clinics in 21 African countries and, where the information was available, provides contact details, a summary of the main services offered, a list of donors and examples of important results achieved. PRI is grateful to the many organisations that took the time to provide information for the index which we have collated into this document. Please note that PRI has not been able to verify all of the information provided; however, we will endeavour to periodically update the index and would therefore be grateful to receive comments, corrections and additions at the following address: publications@penalreform.org.

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Acronyms used

CIDA	Canadian International Development Agency
DANIDA	Denmark Development Cooperation
DFID	Department for International Development (UK)
DGDC	Directorate-General for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid (Belgium)
DIHR	Danish Institute for Human Rights
EC	European Commission
EU	European Union
GIZ	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit
HIVOS	Humanist Institute for Development Cooperation
IBJ	International Bridges to Justice
IRC	International Rescue Committee
MISEREOR	German Catholic Bishops' Organisation for Development Cooperation
NCA	Norwegian Church Aid
NED	National Endowment for Democracy
NPA	Norwegian People's Aid
OSI	Open Society Institute
OSISA	Open Society Institute of Southern Africa
OSIWA	Open Society Initiative for West Africa
OSJI	Open Society Justice Initiative
SDC	Swiss Development Cooperation
Sida	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency
tiri	Making Integrity Work
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNODC	United Nations Office for Drugs and Crime
USAID	United States Agency for International Development

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Organisation	Legal workers	Areas of work (past and current)	Donors (past and current) ¹	Example of results
<p>BENIN</p> <p>State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: Some legal aid is provided by the Legal Aid Committee of the Supreme Court.</p>				
<p>Association for the Development of Villages Initiative (ASSODIV)</p> <p>Established: 1987 Target groups: rural communities are supported through a legal clinic in Cotonou and a training centre in Tango Email: assodiv@intnet.bj</p>	<p>Paralegals and lawyers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ training members of rural communities as paralegals to raise awareness of the law ○ running a legal clinic that provides free legal advice ○ litigating cases of unlawful detention ○ producing a paralegal training manual ○ training the police on human rights ○ litigating human rights cases 	<p>Catholic Relief Services</p>	
<p>Programme d'Assistance Judiciaire aux Détenus (PAJUDE)</p> <p>Established: 2002 Target groups: prisoners in 4 prisons in Benin. Tel: +229 2138 3584/+229 2138 3584 Email: contact@fraterniteprisonbenin.org</p>	<p>4 paralegals in each prison (16 in total)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ screening caseloads and liaising with the courts to expedite the case process ○ educating prisoners on the legal process ○ bringing the situation of vulnerable prisoners to the attention of the authorities 		<p>2002 – March 2004: secured the release of over 850 prisoners</p>

¹ The list of donors is intended to be illustrative rather than exhaustive.

BOTSWANA

State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: no comprehensive state provision.

<p>Ditshwanelo</p> <p>Established: 1993 Target groups: marginalised and disempowered individuals are supported by paralegals based in Gaborne and Kasane Tel: +267 390 6998 Email: admin.ditshwanelo@info.bw/edu.ditshwanelo@info.bw</p>	<p>Paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o working to reduce prison congestion o access to justice activities o providing paralegal training to other organisations 	<p>HIVOS, Finland Embassy, NCA, DANIDA, Save the Children Sweden</p>	
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BURUNDI

State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: no information on state provision. The Burundi Bar Association makes some provision for legal aid.

<p>Association Burundaise pour la Défense des Droits des Prisonniers (ABDP)</p> <p>Established: 1995 Target groups: pre-trial detainees and prisoners in prisons and detention centres Tel: 025 721 7391 Email: abddp@cbinf.com</p>	<p>NGO workers (members are former detainees)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o conducting regular visits to detention centres and central prisons o monitoring detainee case files o providing legal assistance to detainees o providing training and support to children in prison o providing medical assistance and food to prisoners o working to eliminate torture in prisons 		
<p>Association Burundaise pour la Protection des Droits Humains et des Personnes Détenues (APRODH)</p>	<p>NGO workers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o defending prisoners' rights o visiting detention facilities o investigating allegations of 	<p>La Fondation de France,</p>	<p>The project with AEDH secured the release of</p>

<p>Established: 2001 Target groups: pre-trial detainees and prisoners are assisted through an office in Bujumbura and visits to detention centres and prisons Tel: 025 792 0502 Email: aprodh@hotmail.com</p>		<p>mistreatment and torture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o organising sensitisation sessions on detainees' rights o in partnership with Agir Ensemble Pour Les Droits de l'Homme (AEDH), APRODH also organised mobile courts in prisons in 2003 	<p>Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie, Fondation Duchemin</p>	<p>approximately 50% of the detainees assisted during the project, most of whom were released on the grounds of time served.</p>
<p>Avocats sans Frontières - Belgium</p> <p>Established: 1999 (the Burundi office) Target groups: pre-trial detainees and prisoners are assisted through 3 legal clinics based in Bujumbura, Gitega and Ngozi, and visits to places of detention Tel: +257 2224 1677 Email: asf-burundi@cbinf.com</p>	<p>30 to 35 lawyers and 35 non-lawyers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal advice and assistance o running a telephone advice line and providing a presence in places of detention o providing representation in cases involving minors, sexual violence, land law, torture and illegal detention o legal awareness raising o training of community liaisons to refer people to legal services o capacity building of lawyers 	<p>DGDC SDC DFID EU</p>	
<p>CAMEROON</p> <p>State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: Some state provision for legal aid is available under the Legal Aid Act (2010). The Cameroonian Association of Female Jurists and the Bar Association provide some free services.</p>				
<p>Catholic Relief Services – Cameroon</p> <p>Established: 1961 Target groups: pre-trial detainees are assisted through a head office in Younde and legal assistance centres in Douala and Younde Tel: 888-277-7575 (US office)</p>	<p>Legal advisors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o working with court clerks and judges to improve case management systems o assisting prison officials to better understand criminal justice legislation o assisting prisoners to understand their rights 	<p>Dioceses and parishes in the USA, USAID, the EU.</p>	<p>In one 12-month period, trial procedures were arranged for 73 detainees, resulting in the release of 14</p>

Email: info@crs.org (US office)				from prison.
<p>Global Conscience Initiative (GCI)</p> <p>Established: 2004 Target groups: indigent pre-trial prisoners in Kumba Prison Tel: +237 7672508 Email: gci269@gmail.com</p>	NGO workers and lawyers. There are plans to use paralegals in the future.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o training paralegals from rural communities on the law, the justice system and the police system o collecting data on persons incarcerated in police/gendarmestations and prisons o carrying out educational activities and training for prison workers o mobilising and coordinating civil society support for prison communities o providing legal assistance and representation o working on the development of the Paralegal Advisory Service as a model for criminal legal aid o running a programme called The Prisoners' Defence Rights Project o publishing a regular newsletter titled "Behind Bars" o producing a human rights handbook for prisoners 	Membership fees and grants from law firms based in Nigeria, the UK and the USA.	In December 2008, GCI filed the first habeas corpus application in Kumba High Court which resulted in the release of 4 detainees.
<p>International Commission of Catholic Prison Pastoral Care - Cameroon</p> <p>Established: 1950 Target groups: indigent pre-trial detainees and prisoners in New Bell Prison in Douala (there are plans to extend services to 7 other prisons). Tel: (31) 302 935 552 (Netherlands office) Email: sisjacky@yahoo.com (Cameroon office) / gerard.loman@wxs.nl</p>	Paralegals and lawyers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o identifying prisoners who need legal representation o assisting prisoners to locate missing documents o assisting prisoners who have been 'lost in the system' o transferring files from the court to the prison in order to facilitate the release of prisoners o running events to sensitise prisoners to life in prison 	British Embassy	

(Netherlands office)				
Democratic Republic of Congo				
State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: No information about state provision. The Bar Association makes some provision for legal aid.				
Avocats sans Frontières (ASF) – DRC Established: 2002 Target groups: vulnerable people are assisted through a central office in Kinshasa and 3 decentralized offices in Bukavu, Kindu and Mbandaka Tel: +253 81 950 0388 Email: rdc-cmkin@asf.be	Legal advisors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o in collaboration with the Congolese Women Lawyers organisation, ASF provides advice through a number of legal clinics; it also maintains a presence in places of pre-trial detention o raising awareness of the law among vulnerable groups and/or people at risk 	DGDC, DFID, SDC, EU, USAID, Swedish Embassy	
KENYA				
State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: In practice, provision is only made for capital punishment cases (murder and treason cases) in the High Court. However, the new Constitution of 2010 requires the state to pay for legal assistance and representation in criminal cases "if substantial injustice would otherwise result" (art. 50 (2) (h)) and appears to allow paralegals to intervene in court proceedings on behalf of the accused or victims (art. 49 (1) (c) and 50 (7)).				
Catholic Justice and Peace Commission (CJPC) Contact details: can be contacted via the website http://cipc.partnershipforpeace.eu/	Includes paralegals for legal aid in prison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing legal aid services 		
Centre for Community Law and Rural Development (CECLARD) Established: Target groups:	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing legal aid services 		

<p>Tel: +254 (0)20 247 186 Email: ceclard@yahoo.com</p>				
<p>Centre for Legal Education and Aid Networks (CLEAN)</p> <p>Established: 1999 Target groups: the rural and urban poor in Marsabit and Machakos districts; Malindi, Kwale and Kilifi districts; Kakamega district; Kisumu and Siaya districts, and Transmara, Narok, Kajiado, Nakuru, Kericho, Nandi and Trans Nzoia districts Tel: +254 (0)20 573 110/573 112 Email: clean@nbnet.co.ke</p>	<p>Paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o educating members of the community o providing legal advice and information on legal and administrative procedures o drafting simple legal or official documents 		
<p>CLEAR KENYA</p> <p>Established: 1999 (by Kenyan Christian Lawyers) Target groups: prisoners in prisons throughout Kenya Tel: +254 (0)20 224 6290 Email: clearnairobi@clearkenya.org</p>	<p>NGO workers, lawyers and prisoner paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal information to approximately 300 prisoners a week o running legal clinics in prison o providing legal training to prisoners in order that they can represent themselves in court. 	<p>IBJ</p>	
<p>Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA)</p> <p>Established: 1985 Target groups: women Tel: +254 (0)20 3870 444 / +254 (0)20 3873 511 Email: info@fidakenya.org</p>	<p>Includes paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing legal aid services to indigent women o Engaging with the informal justice system 		
<p>Independent Medico-Legal Unit</p> <p>Established: 1992 Target groups: prisoners in general and torture victims in prisons in particular Tel: +254 (0)20 445 0598</p>	<p>NGO workers and lawyers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o seeking to promote the rights of torture victims o carrying out public interest litigation o advocating for legal and policy reform o coordinating the representation of 		

Email: medico@imlu.org		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ pre-trial detainees ○ running legal aid clinics staffed by volunteer lawyers in various prisons in Kenya 		
Kenya Paralegal Association (KPA) (No contact details online)	Paralegal network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Paralegal network in Nyanza Province 		
Kenya Paralegal Society (KPS) (No contact details online)	Paralegal network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Network in Western Kenya that advocates for paralegals' rights (KPS is a member of the Paralegal Support Network – see below) 		
Kenya Prison Paralegal Project (Managed by the Legal Resources Foundation - see below) Established: 2003 Target groups: prisoners and pre-trial detainees are assisted by 28 paralegals working in 22 out of the 92 prisons in Kenya in six provinces.	Paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the paralegal programme was based on the Malawi PAS programme (see below) ○ running paralegal clinics to provide legal information to prisoners ○ advising prisoners on their cases 	Trocaire	Facilitated the release of over 650 prisoners in a six-month period.
Kenyan Section - International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) Established: 1959 Tel: +254 (0)20 208 4836/8 Email: info@icj-kenya.org	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Providing legal aid services 	EU, USAID, DFID, OSI, GIZ, UNDP, tiri, Uraia	
Kituo Cha Sheria Target groups: poor and marginalised individuals and groups Tel: +254 (0)20 387 6290/3874220/3874191 Email: info@kituochasheria.or.ke	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Providing legal aid services 	EC, UNHCR, GIZ, IRC	

<p>Legal Resources Foundation</p> <p>Established: 1993 Target groups: pre-trial detainees in prisons Tel: +254 (0)2 272 0598 Email: info@lrf-kenya.org</p>	<p>Trains paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o promoting access to justice through human rights education, research and policy/advocacy initiatives o training paralegals o managing the Secretariat of the Paralegal Support Network (PASUNE) – see below. o running legal aid clinics in prisons 	<p>UNDP, Danish Embassy, OSJI, Netherlands Embassy, Kenya Human Rights Commission Women Fighting AIDS in Kenya</p>	<p>Approximately 10,000 inmates are reached monthly.</p>
<p>Muslims for Human Rights (MUHURI)</p> <p>Established: 1997 Target groups: remandees. Tel: 41 231 5607/8 Email: muhuri@muhuri.org</p>	<p>Pro bono lawyers, university clinicians, paralegals.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid services o enhancing pre-trial justice by working with relevant government institutions to advocate for the improved administration of justice o legal awareness raising o working to influence justice laws and policies that need to be reviewed under the new constitution to ensure they promote pre-trial justice o providing pre-trial legal assistance and conducting strategic litigation o advocating for the provision of quality legal aid in ordinary criminal cases o analysis of processes and decisions made by the Kenyan courts. 		<p>July 2009 – June 2011: - 170 prison warders trained - 10,000 families of accused persons traced and given legal aid - 60,899 inmates reached through paralegal aid clinics - 604 cases taken by lawyers after legal aid days in the prisons - 359 justice actors actively participating on Court Users</p>

				Committees
Paralegal Support Network (PASUNE) (No contact details online)	Paralegal network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The network has 27 paralegal organisations as members o The main activities are as follows: human rights monitoring, training of paralegals, developing common standards for paralegals 		
People's Empowerment and Development Services (PEDS) Email: peds@westernet.co.ke	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing legal aid services 		
LIBERIA				
State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: The Magistrates Sitting Programme detailed below, is stated-funded				
American Bar Association's Rule Of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) Established: 2009 Target groups: pre-trial detainees in Monrovia Central Prison Tel: +231 880 556 042 Email: georgek@staff.abanet.org	Lawyers, interns and prison monitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The ROLI provides legal aid for cases processed by the Magistrates Sitting Programme (see above). 	OSI and Prison Fellowship International	Released more than 450 detainees (as of May 2010) from Monrovia Central Prison.
Liberia Access to Justice Practicum Established: 2009 Target groups: pre-trial detainees in Monrovia Central Prison Tel: + 540 458 8400 (Washington and Lee University School of Law)	Law students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o This is joint programme of the Washington and Lee University School of Law, UNODC and the Louis Arthur Grimes School of Law at the University of Liberia o 12 students assist magistrates working on the Magistrates Sitting Programme (see above) by undertaking record-keeping, identifying detainees for hearings, strengthening communication 	UNDP	3-10 detainees are released daily.

		between the court and the prison and explaining rulings to detainees.		
Magistrate Sitting Programme (MSP) Established: 2009 Target groups: pre-trial detainees in Monrovia Central Prison.	Magistrates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o the programme is managed by the Ministry of Justice and the Liberian Supreme Court o magistrates from 6 courts in Monteserrado County visit Monrovia Central Prison to hold pre-trial hearings 6 days a week and perform pre-trial assessments to determine whether defendants should continue to be detained. 		
Prison Fellowship International (PFI) - Liberia Established: 1982 Target groups: pre-trial detainees in 4 prisons Tel: +231 664 41 08 Email: pfliberia2002@yahoo.com	Volunteers and lawyers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o collecting data on prisoners in need of assistance o identifying the necessary evidence and witnesses required for court proceedings o offering mediation services 		Facilitated the release of 117 pre-trial detainees from February to June 2009
Prison Fellowship Liberia Established: 2005 Target groups: pre-trial detainees in Monrovia Central Prison Tel: +231 651 41 61 Email: pfliberia@yahoo.com	NGO workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o monitoring cases to ensure that they go to court within 2 weeks of a complaint being filed. If the case is not assigned to court within 2 weeks, the detainee is conditionally released o advocating for the release of pre-trial detainees accused of minor offenses o paying bond fees to the courts where the prisoners are unable to afford them in order to facilitate their release 	Friends of Prisoners (Swaziland) US Embassy	Facilitated the release of 40 pre-trial detainees under one initiative.

MALAWI

State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: Legal aid is provided by the Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs' legal aid department.

Paralegal Advisory Service Institute (PASI)

Established: The Paralegal Advisory Service (PAS) was established in 2000 and became the Paralegal Advisory Service Institute in 2007.

Target groups: pre-trial detainees in 4 of Malawi's main prisons (Mzuzu, Lilongwe, Zomba and Chichin), police stations and courts

Email: pas-msiska@sdpn.org.mw

Paralegals

- o holding regular legal clinics in the prisons for pre-trial detainees. At the clinics the detainees practice role-playing bail applications, cross-examinations, and pleas for mitigation.
- o explaining the process of criminal prosecution to detainees
- o meeting with police prosecutors to review cases and facilitate the release of detainees
- o For convicted prisoners, paralegals assist with sentence appeals.

Between 2000 and 2003, PAS facilitated the release of over 1000 prisoners and reduced the remand population from a mean of 35-40% prior to 2000 to less than 25% in 2004-7 (one of the lowest in Africa)

MALI

State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: No information.

Association Deme So

Established: 1992

Target groups: local communities based in Koulikoro (Sanankoroba, Siby and Koulikoro city), Sikasso and Ségou

Tel: 20294171

Email: cjdemeso@afribonemali.net

Includes 100 paralegals

- o Providing legal aid services at the community level, in particular legal awareness/education, legal advice, mediation, orientation and referrals

Netherlands Embassy,
Denmark Embassy
Oxfam Novib,
technical support from DIHR

Thousands sensitised on legal issues at the village level. Resolving conflicts within communities, through legal advice and mediation.

<p>Association des Juristes Maliennes (AJM)</p> <p>Established: 1988 Target groups: local communities in Koulikoro (Kati) and Tombouctou Tel: +223 221 0146 Email: cabinetsoya@afribone.net.ml</p>	Includes 40 paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing legal aid services at community level, in particular legal awareness and education, legal advice, mediation and referrals 		
<p>Association for Women in Law and Development in Africa / Femmes, Droit et Développement en Afrique (WILDA/FeDDAF)</p> <p>Established: 1995 Target groups: local communities, particularly women, in the Mopti area Tel: +223 229 9182 / +223 223 6708 Email: wildafmali@cefib.com</p>	Includes 20 paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing legal aid services at community level, in particular legal awareness and education, legal advice, mediation, orientation and referral 		
<p>Association pour le Progrès et la Défense des Droits des Femmes (APDF)</p> <p>Established: 1991 Target groups: local communities, particularly women and girls in Kayes Tel: + 223 229 1028 Email: APDF@datatech.toolnet.org</p>	Includes 20 paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing legal aid services at community level, in particular legal awareness and education, legal advice, mediation, orientation and referral 		
<p>Cadre National de Pilotage du Curriculum de formation des Parajuristes (CNPCP ou 'Le Cadre')</p> <p>Established: 2006 Target groups: member NGOs and local communities</p>	Paralegal network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Membership: 5 paralegal NGOs (Deme So, AJM, APDF, CAFO and WILDA/FeDDAF) o Coordinating the provision of legal aid services by paralegals o Training paralegals according to a national curriculum 	Netherlands Embassy, Denmark Embassy, Oxfam Novib, technical support from	200 paralegals trained in the national curriculum for paralegals. Development of a paralegal

Tel: +223 229 4171 Email: info@cnpcpmali.org			DIHR	monitoring framework.
Coordination des Associations et ONG Féminines du Mali (CAFO) Established: 1991 Target groups: local communities, particularly women in Bamako district Tel: +223 671 5398 (Mme Traoré Oumou Touré), +223 683 9133 (Monsieur Maïga) Email: cafo@afribonemali.net	Includes 20 paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing legal aid services, in particular legal awareness and education, legal advice, mediation, orientation and referral 		
MOZAMBIQUE				
State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: The law provides for public defenders, based at the Mozambican Legal Aid Institute (see below)				
Legal Aid Clinic – Faculty of Law (UEM) Established: 2002 Target groups: prisoners and pre-trial detainees Tel: +258 275 703 16/ 214 907 64 Email: cpj@uem.mz / nadjadoc2004@yahoo.com.br	20 law students, 10 trained volunteers, 40 trained lawyers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing legal aid in criminal cases, especially for pre-trial detainees o running a student clinical legal programme for students of the Bar o providing legal and social counselling for vulnerable and indigent persons o running legal aid programmes for prisoners with the assistance of law students o Running education and human rights awareness courses o Disseminating legal information in the community 	OSISA, PNUD	
Mozambican Legal Aid Public Institute (IPAJ) Established: 1994 Target groups: prisoners and indigent	Law students and lawyers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o running a practical programme for students of the Bar o providing legal aid for prisoners 	National govt., OSISA	

people Tel: +258 213 093 40 Email: ipajmjustica@gmail.com				
Mozambique Human Rights League (LDH) Established: 1994 Target groups: prisoners and pre-trial detainees in prisons and police stations with a head office in Maputo Tel: +258 214 012 56 Email: liga.ldh@gmail.com	Paralegals and lawyers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing legal aid for criminal cases o Conducting prison and police station visits o Monitoring prison conditions 	Govt. of Norway, Canada, Oxfam Novib	
NAMIBIA				
State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: Some provision for legal aid is made under the Legal Aid Act (1990)				
Namibia Paralegal Association Established: 2002 Target groups: local communities are assisted by the Legal Assistance Centre (see below) Tel: +264 (0) 812 511 652 Email: info@namibiaparalegals.org	Paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o making the law accessible to disadvantaged Namibians by sending paralegals into communities to provide legal rights information o referring cases to human rights lawyers 	Mediacoop Ltd., DLA Piper, Legal Assistance Centre Windhoek, University of Maryland (Law Dept.)	
Legal Assistance Centre's Community Paralegal Volunteer Training Programme Established: 2001 Target groups: local communities at various service points Tel: +264 612 233 56 Email: info@lac.org.na	Paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o training paralegals to provide legal advice to local communities 	Finnish Embassy	

NIGERIA

State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: State and/or bar association provision for legal aid is provided by the Legal Aid Council of Nigeria (see below), the judicial legal aid scheme, the public defender's office and the Nigerian Bar Association (see below).

<p>Civil Resources Development and Documentation Centre (CIRDDOC)</p> <p>Established: 1996 Target groups: prisoners and pre-trial detainees at legal advice centres and community information centres Tel: +234 (0)803 313 2493 Email: cirddoc96@yahoo.com info@cirddoc.org,</p>	<p>100 trained paralegals and 5 lawyers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o provides free legal aid services through paralegals o works with the police to prevent illegal arrests and detentions 	<p>The Ford Foundation, Heinrich Boell Foundation, UN Women</p>	
<p>Global Rights</p> <p>Established: 1978 Target groups: poor and marginalised individuals with a focus on women in the northern states of Nigeria Tel: +234 9783 0116 Email: nigeria@globalrights.org</p>	<p>Paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o raising awareness of the complex system of <i>sharia</i>, traditional courts and common law o working to introduce a tailored paralegal training and court accompaniment programme o producing a paralegal toolkit 	<p>Atlantic Philanthropies, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Ford Foundation, OSI</p>	
<p>Human Rights Law Service (HURILAWS)</p> <p>Established: 1997 Target groups: pre-trial detainees in 2 prisons in Lagos Tel: + 234 1 474 1081 / +234 1 745 3732 Email: hurilaws@hurilaws.org</p>	<p>NGO workers, paralegals, lawyers.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o HURILAWS is a think tank that has collaborated with the Inter-African Network for Human Rights and Development (AFRONET) and the Justice Development and Peace Commission (JDPC) to reduce prison congestion in two prisons o HURILAWS has also collaborated with the British Institute of International and Comparative Law 	<p>The French Embassy, MISEREOR (Germany), EU, MacArthur Foundation, OSIWA, NED, British Council.</p>	<p>The work with the Presidential Committee led to the release of 7000 detainees in 1999. Project 1000 in late 1998 led to the release of 1000</p>

		(BIICL) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o working with the Presidential Committee on Prison Decongestion o developing and publishing a prisoner's rights manual 		prisoners.
Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law (IHRHL) Established: 1988 Target groups: rural communities through offices based in the Niger Delta region Tel: +234 084 231 716 Email: ihrhl@ihrhl.org	Paralegals and lawyers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o running an Access to Justice Unit which aims to build the capacity of individuals to access the justice system o running legal clinics o running a lawyer-to-lawyer network o training 'barefoot lawyers' on the basics of the law in order that they can assist local communities 	MacArthur Foundation	
Justice Development and Peace Centre Catholic Diocese of Ondo, Nigeria (JDPC) Established: 1980s Target groups: indigent prisoners in Ondo, Okitipupa, Owo, Akure and Akoko. Tel: +234 7 033 192 470/ +234 8 035 832 947 Email: jdpccondo@hotmail.com		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o carrying out prison monitoring, assisting detainees in need of legal aid or any other assistance, working to enhance the rule of law and promoting human rights issues. 	MacArthur Foundation	
Legal Aid Council of Nigeria (LACON) Established: 1976 (by the federal government) Target groups: pre-trial detainees and prisoners in prisons and police stations and legal advice centres	Duty solicitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid with the aim of addressing prison congestion o running the Legal Aid Fund which includes a dedicated fund for addressing criminal justice system 'bottlenecks' such as a lack of transport to bring detainees to trial. o running legal aid clinics in remote areas o running prison visitation units and the Women's and Children 	OSJI, MacArthur Foundation	

		<p>Detainees Initiative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o set up a police duty solicitors scheme in partnership with OSJI and the Nigeria Police Force. This was launched in 4 pilot states and now is running in 36 states nationwide. 		
<p>Legal Defence and Assistance Project (LEDAP)</p> <p>Established: 1997 Target groups: indigent remand prisoners through a head office in Lagos and a presence in prisons in Plateau, Imo, Anambr States and the River States Tel: +234 1 7611852 Website: www.ledapnigeria.org</p>	Lawyers (former political detainees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o running a programme called the Indigent and Human Rights Defence Programme o providing legal support such as legal representation and counselling to the poor and vulnerable, especially pre-trial detainees o providing advocacy which supplements the state and bar association provision for legal aid 		Assisting over 600 indigent clients per year pro bono.
<p>Network of University Legal Aid Institutions</p> <p>Established: 2003 Target groups: local communities and prisoners through 6 university-based law clinics Tel: +234 (9) 314 5053 Email: info@nulainigeria.org</p>	Law students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o promoting clinical legal education, legal aid and access to justice o providing legal representation, letter writing services, legal counselling, bail applications assistance, mediation services, legal advice and community outreach. o There are plans to establish prison law clinics with the aim of reducing prison decongestion 	OSI, MacArthur Foundation	Working in 30% of Nigeria's universities
<p>Nigerian Bar Association</p> <p>Tel: +234 (0)802 328 383 Email: ikejabar@yahoo.com / nba-ikeja@hotmail.com</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Some pro bono provision is made for indigent clients 		
<p>Rights Enforcement and Public Law Centre (REPLACE)</p>	Lawyers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o monitoring pre-trial detention processes o providing on-duty solicitors at 	OSJI	- Jan-Dec 2008: 2,265 people were

<p>Established: 2004 Target groups: pre-trial detainees. Tel: +234 09 623 2251 Email: kaycee_a2j@yahoo.com</p>		<p>police stations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o designed a criminal justice information system in 2006 to capture and manage criminal justice system information 		<p>released from police detention and 357 people were released through the courts. - Jan-June 2009: 1,561 people were released from police detention and 218 people were released through the courts.</p>
<p>RWANDA</p> <p>State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: A 1997 law requires the Kigali Bar Association to provide legal assistance to indigents</p>				
<p>Action pour le Développement du Peuple (ADEPE)</p> <p>Established: 2002 Target groups: women and youth in 6 districts. Tel: 078 8521872 Email: adepeu@yahoo.fr</p>	<p>Legal officers and paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o areas of interest include: legal aid in the criminal justice system and the development of a paralegal curriculum/manual. o provision of legal information, legal sensitisation, legal advice, mediation and legal representation. o 6 districts in total. Northern districts: Musanze and Burera Western districts: Rubavu, Nyabihu, Rutsiro, Ngororero. 		
<p>Association de la jeunesse pour la promotion des droits de l'homme et le développement (AJPRODHO)</p>	<p>Legal officers and paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid for young people facing criminal prosecution o undertaking daily human rights 	<p>NPA, Geneva Global,</p>	

<p>Established: 1997 Target groups: children and young people through a headquarters in Kigali and branch offices in the eastern, western and southern provinces of Rwanda Tel: 510 077 Email: info@ajprodho.org / ajprodho_jjjukirwa@yahoo.fr</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ monitoring and interventions ○ training paralegals ○ conducting legal aid sessions in prisons and police stations ○ geographical coverage: provinces of South, Central, East and West. 	<p>DIHR, Trocaire, Centre Canadien d'Etude et de Coopération Internationale, UNDP</p>	
<p>Association Maison de Droit</p> <p>Established: 2006 Target groups: women, children, youth, genocide survivors, prisoners and people living with HIV/AIDS in Rabavu (north); Muhanga (south); Kayonza (east); and Ngororero (west). Tel: 078 853 6928 / 078 853 0781 Email: assmdd@yahoo.fr / mbarusha1@yahoo.fr</p>	<p>Lawyers, legal officers, paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ areas of interest: legal aid in the criminal justice system, public interest litigation, development of a paralegal manual/curriculum, the national regulatory and policy legal aid framework, legislative analysis. 		
<p>Association of Genocide Widows (AVEGA)</p>	<p>Includes paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ providing legal aid services 		
<p>Association Rwandaise pour la Défense des Droits de l'Homme (ARDHO)</p> <p>Established: 1990 Target groups: women, children, youth, genocide survivors, prisoners and people living with HIV/AIDS. Tel: 0252 571 038 / 078 884 0607 Email: ardho@rwanda1.com</p>	<p>Legal officers and paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ areas of interest include: legal aid in the criminal justice system, development of a paralegal curriculum/manual, legislative analysis. 		<p>From 2000 to 2005, judicial defenders worked on 332 cases.</p>
<p>Association Rwandaise pour la</p>	<p>Includes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ providing legal aid services 		

Défense des Droits de la Personne et des Libertés Publiques (ADL) Established: 1991 Tel: +250 575 697 Email: adlrwanda@yahoo.fr	paralegals			
Association Rwandaise pour la Promotion et la Connaissance des Droits de l'Homme Established: 2007 Target groups: Women, children and prisoners. Tel: 078 852 7880 Email: arpcdh.rubavu@yahoo.fr	Lawyers and legal officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o areas of interest: legal aid in the criminal justice system; legislation analysis. o providing legal information, sensitisation, legal advice, mediation, and legal representation. 		
Centrale des Syndicats des Travailleurs du Rwanda (CESTRAR)	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid services 		
Collectif des Liges et Associations de Défense des Droits de l'Homme (CLADHO) Tel : +250 572 740 Email: info@cladho.org	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid services 		
Conseil National des Organisations Syndicales Libres (COSYLI)	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid services 		
Dufatanye	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid services 		
Duhozanye	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid services 		
Haguruka	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid services 		

Human Rights First Rwanda Association – Rwanda	Includes paralegals	o providing legal aid services		
Institut Laïque Adventiste de Kigali (INILAK) – Legal Aid Clinic	Includes law students	o providing legal aid services		
Judicial Defenders Corps Established: 1997 Target groups: prisoners throughout Rwanda	Judicial defenders (similar to paralegals)	o providing legal representation to people accused of genocide crimes and victims of genocide o conducting information campaigns in prisons and communities to raise awareness about trials in the domestic courts and the role of judicial defenders	DIHR	In 2009, 521 children and vulnerable young people detained in police stations were provided with legal aid services and 147 juvenile prisoners were trained to represent themselves in court.
Justice and Peace Commission (CJP) – Diocese of Nyundo Established: 1991 Target groups: women, children, youth, genocide survivors, prisoners, persons living with HIV/AIDs. Tel: 5510 3011 / 078 840 6851 Email: cdip_nyundo@yahoo.fr	Paralegals	o development of a paralegal training curriculum and manual. o providing legal advice, legal information, legal sensitisation and legal representation. o geographical coverage: 4 districts fully covered (Rubavu, Ngororero, Rutsiro, Karongi). 2 districts partly covered: Nyabihu, Nyamasheke.		
Legal Aid Forum (LAF) Established: 2006 Target groups: Civil society organisations providing legal aid services and indigent and vulnerable groups in Rwanda	Legal aid network	o membership: 34 organisations providing legal aid services, including national/international NGOs, professional bodies, trade unions and university legal aid clinics	Netherlands Embassy, Belgium Embassy, Oxfam Novib, DIHR	Capacity-building tools developed. The first nationwide legal aid

<p>Tel: +250 (0)788 307 174 Email: legalaidrwanda@gmail.com</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o strengthening the professional capacity of legal aid providers o supporting the provision of quality and accessible legal aid services o advocating and lobbying for a national legal aid policy and implementation framework in Rwanda 		<p>baseline survey and needs analysis was conducted in 2006.</p>
<p>Ligue Rwandaise pour la Promotion et la Défense des Droits de l’Homme</p> <p>Established: 1991 Target groups: women, children, youth, genocide survivors, prisoners and people living with HIV/AIDS in Musanze (north); Muhanga and Huye (South); Kayonza (East); Rusizi (West). Email: lipro@rwanda1.com</p>	<p>Lawyers and legal officers.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o areas of interest: legal aid in the criminal justice system, legislation analysis. o providing legal information, legal sensitisation, legal advice, legal representation and mediation. 		
<p>National University of Rwanda (NUR) – Legal Aid Clinic</p>	<p>Includes law students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid services 		
<p>Network of Lawyers of Home in Rwanda</p> <p>Established: 2008 Target groups: women, children, prisoners. Tel: 078 830 4440/078 848 5605 Email: Nyarugenge lawyersofhomerwanda@yahoo.co.uk</p>	<p>Lawyers, legal officers, paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o areas of interest: legal aid in the criminal justice system; public interest litigation; the national regulatory and policy legal aid framework; legislation analysis. o providing legal information, legal sensitisation, legal advice provision, mediation and legal representation. 		
<p>Network of Lawyers of Hope in Rwanda</p> <p>Established: 2006 Target groups: children, prisoners and other people in need.</p>	<p>Includes paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid services 		
<p>Rwanda Women Community</p>	<p>Includes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid services 		

Development Network / Rwanda Women's Network	paralegals			
ULK / Gisenyi – Legal Aid Clinic	Includes law students	o providing legal aid services		
ULK / Kigali – Legal Aid Clinic	Includes law students	o providing legal aid services		
Sierra Leone				
State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: A pilot national legal aid scheme was launched in 2010. In addition, the Sierra Leone Bar Association, supported by UNDP, set a legal aid scheme in 2009.				
Timap For Justice Established: 2004 Target groups: rural communities and prisoners in 5 chiefdoms in the northern and southern provinces of the country, and Freetown Tel: +232 22-229-911 Email: smkoroma@yahoo.com	26 paralegals based in 13 offices in 3 districts. There are plans to extend activities to 29 locations in 8 districts. 41 additional paralegals have been trained in preparation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o TIMAP has extended its programme to cover the criminal justice system, hiring criminal justice paralegals that are assigned full-time to criminal cases in Makeni, Magbaruka and Bo districts o monitoring police stations and prisons o community outreach o notifying sureties o providing detainees with legal advice and information about their rights o providing a presence during police interviews and statement-taking o facilitating the attendance of witnesses at trial o submitting evidence to the courts o advocating at the courts 	OSJI, World Bank, Fund for Global Human Rights, US Embassy, GTZ, Trocaire, Christian Aid	
Lawyers Centre for Legal Assistance Established: 2001 Target groups: indigent pre-trial detainees and prisoners throughout the country	Paralegals and lawyers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o launched a legal assistance project in August 2002 o collecting data on legal advice and representation o providing free legal advice and representation 	OSI, DFID	The project has secured the convictions of government officials charged with

<p>Tel: +232 22 240 440 Email: lawyers.centre@yahoo.co.uk</p>				<p>murder and rape; and secured the release of people unlawfully detained.</p>
<p>SUDAN</p> <p>State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: State and/or bar association provision for legal aid is usually limited to the capital city of Khartoum where the Department of Legal Aid employs several legal advisors.</p>				
<p>UNDP Rule of Law Programme (Darfur)</p> <p>Established: 2004 Target groups: local communities in Darfur through 7 legal aid centres. Email: noha.abdelgabar@undp.org</p>	<p>25 paralegals and 60 lawyers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o liaising with local authorities and international actors on protection-related issues o raising awareness on the rule of law and human rights o providing basic legal information and referring serious cases to lawyers from the UNDP Legal Aid Network 	<p>DFID, Sida, CHR, govt. of the Netherlands</p>	
<p>Mutawinat Group</p> <p>Established: 1990 Target groups: women and children in Khartoum Tel: +249 11 784 300 Email: Mutawinat@hotmail.com</p>	<p>7 full-time lawyers supported by volunteer lawyers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o empowering disadvantaged women and children to access the justice system o raising legal and human rights awareness through educational activities o providing legal representation 	<p>NED, Christian Aid, Save the Children, Nifiedi Group, DAL Group.</p>	
<p>UNDP Access to Justice and Confidence-Building Programme (Kassala State)</p> <p>Established: 2005 Target groups: poor and marginalised</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o facilitating access to justice for vulnerable groups, especially internally displaced persons and returnees. 	<p>EC, Embassy of Norway.</p>	

individuals in Kassal State Email: surayo.buzurukova@undp.org				
UNDP Blue Nile Paralegal Association Target groups: marginalised individuals Tel: 09 12501264 Email: osman.abdelkarim@undp.org	Paralegals and lawyers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid in collaboration with local lawyers. The centre receives several cases per day 		
SOMALIA				
State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: No information on state provision. Some provision is made by the Somali Legal Aid Project (SLAP).				
UNDP Legal Clinic, Hargeisa University Established: 2004 Target groups: communities in Hargeisa, Burao, Berbera, Erigavo, Boromo and Galibay. Tel: +252 525 657 Email: contact@hargeisauniversity.net		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o provision of free legal advice 		The project represented approx. 150 people in 2009, in many cases leading to acquittal and release due to a lack of evidence.
Puntland Legal Aid Center Established: 2008 Target groups: economically deprived and other vulnerable groups including pre-trial detainees in the Mudug, Nugaal and Bari regions of Puntland.	15 paralegals and 5 lawyers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal assistance and representation to pre-trial detainees o contributed to the release of prison inmates who were detained for minor offences o raising awareness of legal aid, access to justice and legal rights o monitoring detainees in prison and police custody 	UNDP	

SOUTH AFRICA

State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: Legal aid is provided by Legal Aid South Africa, an autonomous body established by the Legal Aid Act of 1969 (see below). South African law firms provide pro bono services and an organisation called 'probono.org' distributes cases among its members which include barristers and law firms.

<p>Lawyers for Human Rights and the Community Law and Rural Development Centre (CLRDC)</p> <p>Established: 1989 (by the University of Natal) Target groups: rural communities are assisted through 35 paralegal advice offices in the province of Kwazulu-Natal in the Eastern Cape. Tel: +27(0)31 205 8844 Email: mtshali@clrdc.org.za / nonyameko@clrdc.org.za / philani@clrdc.org.za</p>	<p>Paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o training paralegals o providing human rights and democracy education o Providing legal services 	<p>Sida</p>	
<p>Legal Aid South Africa</p> <p>Established: 1969 Target groups: detainees, women, children and the landless are assisted through a headquarters in Johannesburg, 58 justice centres and 41 satellite offices nationwide Tel: 011 877 2000 Email: communications2@legal-aid.co.za</p>	<p>Lawyers, law graduates and paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o implementing constitutional provisions related to access to legal services o established a network of 'one stop' justice centres o Legal Aid South Africa observed that 20% of prisons in South Africa hold over 80% of pre-trial detainees and consequently linked 12 of their justice centres to the prisons to encourage pre-trial detainees to apply for legal aid. 	<p>State funded</p>	
<p>Association of University Legal Aid</p>	<p>Law students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o there are legal clinics staffed by law 		

<p>Institutions (AULAI)</p> <p>Established: The first campus law clinic was established in 1972 at the University of Cape Town. As of 2003, 21 South African law schools were running independently-funded law clinics. AULAI is a voluntary association of all South African University Law Clinics Tel: 051 448 5940 Email: info@aulai.co.za</p>	<p>and paralegals</p>	<p>students and supervised by academic staff in a majority of South African Universities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o some of the legal clinics work with rural paralegal advice services 		
<p>National Community Based Paralegal Association</p> <p>Established: 1995 Target groups: individuals in Cape Town Tel: 011 403 0702/3/4 Email: ncbpa@sn.apc.org</p>	<p>Paralegals</p>			
<p>TANZANIA</p> <p>State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: The Legal Aid Jurisdiction of Courts Ordinance (1962) makes some provision for persons charged with murder or treason but coverage is not comprehensive. The Commission for Human Rights and Good Governance (CHRAGG) also makes some legal aid provision (please see: http://chragg.go.tz/)</p>				
<p>Arusha Paralegal Centre for Women and Children (AWLAHURIC)</p> <p>Established: 1992 Target groups: women and children Tel: +255 27 744 580756</p>	<p>Includes paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o based in Arusha o providing legal aid services 		
<p>Haki Organisation</p>	<p>Includes paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o based in Kasulu District o providing legal aid services 		
<p>Legal and Human Rights Centre (LHRC)</p>	<p>Includes paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o supporting paralegals in the Arusha, Manyara and Mara regions 		

Tel: +255 22 2773038/48 Email: lhrc@humanrights.or.tz		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal aid to the poor and vulnerable, particularly on land rights 		
Lindi Women Paralegal Aid Centre (LIWOPAC)	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o based in Lindi o providing legal aid services 		
Morogoro Paralegal Centre (MPL) Established: 1993 Target groups: women and children Tel: +255 754 477 928 Email: moroparalegal@yahoo.com	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o based in Morogoro o providing legal aid services 		
Mtwara Paralegal Centre Company Limited (MPCCL) Established: 2008 Target groups: women, children and other vulnerable groups. Tel: +255 23 233 4379 Email : mtwara.paralegal@hotmail.com	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o based in Mtwara o providing legal aid services 		
Mwanza Paralegal Centre (MWAPACE) Established: 2000 Target groups: women and children mwanzaparalegal2000@yahoo.co.uk	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o based in Mwanza o providing legal aid services 	Community members, services users who can afford to contribute.	
National Organisation for Legal Assistance (NOLA) Established: 2002 Target groups: indigent clients in 8 regional legal aid centres based in Dodoma, Iringa, Kigoma, Mbeya,	Lawyers and paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o established legal aid clinics o providing legal counselling o created a forum to promote paralegals o established a database of available paralegal centres o providing legal advice and court 	DANIDA, CIDA	

Mtwara, Mwanza, Ruvuma and Tabora regions. Tel: +255 22 22772547 Email: msaadawasheria@nola.or.tz		representation		
Service for Women, Orphaned and the Little One Organisation (SWOLO)	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o based in Kyela District o providing legal aid services 		
Tanzania Network of Legal Aid Providers (TANLAP)	Legal aid network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o network of legal aid providers o developed rules and policies for legal aid regulation in Tanzania, including with respect to services provided by paralegals 		
Tanzania Paralegals Network (TAPANET) Established: 2005 (TAPANET can be contact via the Women's Legal Aid Centre –see below).	Paralegal network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o newly developing paralegal network, currently hosted by WLAC (see below) o prepared a training manual and a code of conduct for paralegals, pressed for recognition of paralegals, and supports coordination between NGOs with paralegal services 		
Tanzania Women Lawyers Association (TAWLA) Established: 1989 Target groups: vulnerable women and children. Tel: +255 22 2862865	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o supporting paralegals in the Tanga, Dodoma and Dar es Salaam regions 		
Women in Law and Development (WILDAF-T) Tanzania Chapter Established: 1990 Tel: 255 022 2701995 Email: Info@wildaftanzania.org		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o civil society organisation which has developed a code of conduct for legal aid providers, including paralegals, the implementation of which is left to individual organisations. o coordinated the establishment of the Legal Aid Secretariat known as the 'Tanzania Network of Legal Aid 	Global Fund for Women, African Women Development Fund, Finland Foundation for Civil Societies	

		Providers' (TANLAP).		
Women's Legal Aid Centre (WLAC) Established: 1994 Target groups: disadvantaged women and children Tel: +255 222 664 051 Email: info@wlac.or.tz / wlac@wlac.or.tz	Includes paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o running paralegal centres in all regions of Tanzania (mainland) o providing legal aid to women and children 		
Zanzibar Legal Services Centre Established: 1992 Target groups: women, children and disadvantaged groups in Zanzibar. Tel: +255 242 233 784 Email: zlsc@hudumazasheria.or.tz	Lawyers and paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing paralegal training o providing legal aid and legal counselling services related to human rights abuses such as false imprisonment o running education and human rights awareness courses o maintaining a legal resource centre o disseminating information through a newsletter 		
UGANDA <p>State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: Provision is made for persons charged with committing capital punishment offences. The Poor Persons Defence Act spells out the procedures and criteria of eligibility for legal aid in these cases. The Uganda Law Council, a state body, is involved in developing a national paralegal policy to deal with issues such as qualification criteria, quality standards, selection criteria of clients. The Uganda Prison Service, the Uganda Police Force, the judiciary and the Directorate of Public Prosecutions employ paralegals. They often work in cooperation with the Paralegal Advisory Services (PAS).</p>				
Association of Human Rights Organisations in the Rwenzori Region (AHURIO) Tel: +256 483 221 65 Email: ahurioug@yahoo.com	Includes paralegals – also for legal aid for detainees.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o AHURIO is a network of human rights organisations in the Rwenzori Region: (Kasese, Kyenjojo, Kabarole, Kamwenge and Bundibugyo). Currently it has 16 member organisations. It is active in Western Uganda o activities including providing legal aid services in prisons 		

<p>CLEAR Uganda - Ugandan Christian Lawyers Fraternity</p> <p>Target groups: prisoners in Kigo and Luzira Prisons Email: international@lawcf.org</p>	<p>Paralegals and law students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o running legal education programmes in the community and providing legal aid for walk-in clients and prisoners o taking on cases of people who have exceeded their statutory remand period or who have been committed to the high courts o teaching minor offenders how to represent themselves and apply for bail o working with the PAS (see above) at Luzira Prison on a programme for prison decongestion o locating sureties, bail monies and witnesses, and informing the families of detainees of their location o organising mini-trials, guilty pleas and bail applications and mobilising pro-bono members for case-by-case representation in the high courts 		
<p>Foundation for Development of Needy Communities (FDNC)</p> <p>Tel: +256 4544 364 04 Email: info@fdncuganda.org</p>	<p>Includes paralegals – also for legal aid for detainees</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o activities include providing legal aid services in prisons. 		
<p>Foundation for Human Rights Initiative</p> <p>Established: 1991 Target groups: poor and vulnerable persons and groups in Gulu, Jirya, Arua, Jitgum, Mbarara, Bushenyi, Lira sites,</p>	<p>39 paralegals and 39 social workers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o hosts the Paralegal Advisory Service (PAS) Programme o paralegals are deployed in prisons and police stations to provide basic legal advice and follow-up cases o linking pre-trial detainees to their families and community members 		<p>Over 24,000 remand prisoners released including 6,131 on bail, 7,589 on bond, 2,621</p>

<p>Kampala and Mbale Tel: +256 414 510263 / 510498 / 510276 Email: fhri@spacenet.co.ug fhri@starcom.co.ug</p>		<p>for assistance.</p>		<p>on community service orders, 2,461 through mediation or diversion, and 294 on fine payments. Paralegals also traced 26,068 sureties and offered advice and counselling to 49,291 inmates. The prison remand population reduced from 63% to 58% as a result of PAS interventions.</p>
<p>Human Rights Focus Tel: +256 4714 322 59 (General line) Email: hurifo@hurifo.org</p>	<p>Includes paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o active in northern Uganda o providing legal aid services 		
<p>Legal Aid Clinic of the Law Development Centre Established: 1970 Target groups: local communities, especially children and individuals living with HIV/AIDS in Kampala Tel: +256 41 532 884</p>	<p>Lawyers and law students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o running a student clinical legal programme for students of the Bar o providing legal advice and client court representation o providing legal and social counselling for vulnerable and indigent persons o running legal aid programmes for prisoners with assistance from law students 		
<p>Legal Aid Service Providers Network</p>	<p>Legal aid</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o membership: 30 organisations that 		

<p>(LASPNET)</p> <p>Tel: +256 (0)312 513 733 Email: secretariat@laspnet.org</p>	<p>network</p>	<p>use paralegals in their work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o activities include coordination, harmonisation and standardisation of legal aid services provided by different providers especially within civil society 		
<p>Uganda Paralegals Society (UPS)</p>	<p>Paralegal network</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o profession-based civil society organisation o membership includes paralegals with diplomas in law from the Law Development Centre at Makerere University 		
<p>ZAMBIA</p> <p>State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: Legal aid is provided by the Legal Aid Board which was established by the Ministry of Justice. The Law Association of Zambia also makes some provision for legal aid.</p>				
<p>Legal Resources Foundation</p> <p>Established: 2000 Target groups: prisoners, especially children are assisted through 9 legal advice centres in Kabwe, Livingstone, Kitwe, Kasama, Chipata, Solwezi, Mansa, Mongu and Lusaka Tel: +260 211 221263/+260 211 223758 Email: lrf@zamnet.zm</p>	<p>Paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o providing legal assistance on a broad range of legal matters such as torture, unlawful detention, land and housing disputes, domestic violence and employment o monitoring prisons o produced a paralegal training manual 	<p>Norwegian Embassy, Embassy of Sweden, Finish Embassy</p>	
<p>Law and Development Association (LADA)</p> <p>Established: LADA was founded in 1994 and the paralegal programme has been running since 2002 Target groups: mostly women and children in 2 urban legal aid clinics in</p>	<p>Paralegals (mostly female community members)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o running legal aid clinics staffed by paralegals o providing basic legal advice and referring complicated cases to Monze where a senior paralegal handles the case with support from lawyers o paralegals act as a link between the community, lawyers and relevant 	<p>GOGO TGZ Development and Peace, Dan Church Aid, Plan Zambia</p>	

<p>Monze and Choma and clinics throughout the southern province's rural communities in Monze, Mazabuka, Namwala, Gwembe, Choma, and Kaloma districts</p> <p>Tel: + 260 3 250825</p> <p>Email: lada@zamtel.zm</p>		<p>stakeholders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o teaching communities about their rights and the law through public education programmes. 		
<p>Law Association of Zambia</p> <p>Established: 1973</p> <p>Tel: +260 21 1254 401/252168</p> <p>Email: zamlaw@zamnet.zm</p>	<p>Lawyers and paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o provides technical support for paralegals o provides a pro bono service for clients without the means to pay 	<p>Membership organisation</p>	
<p>ZIMBABWE</p> <p>State and/or bar association provision for legal aid: The Legal Aid Act of 1996 provides for the establishment of a Legal Aid Directorate to provide legal aid for the poor.</p>				
<p>Legal Resources Foundation</p> <p>Established: 1984</p> <p>Target groups: poor individuals are assisted through 5 provincial centres and 28 Legal Advice Centres throughout the country</p> <p>Tel: + 263 4 251 1704</p> <p>Email: admin@lrf.co.zw</p>	<p>Lawyers and Paralegals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o provides legal and civic education/ information for marginalised groups in rural and urban areas o offers legal services o trains service providers in the justice system o promotes law and policy reform o promotes citizen participation in national processes to strengthen good governance o published Zimbabwe Law Reports and legal publications. o its urban, suburban, and rural legal advice centres are staffed by trained paralegals who are monitored by lawyers 	<p>Norwegian Embassy, Sida, EU, GDF, AusAid.</p>	