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Project on Gender-Based Violence Prevention and Socio-Economic Inclusion in Indigenous Territories Cleared of Anti-Personnel Mines and Other Explosive Devices

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About the project

Where? Putumayo, Colombia

When? 2021–2024

Phase 1: Gender-Based Violence (GBV) prevention in the Resguardo Siona Buenavista.

Phase 2: GBV Prevention in Resguardo Santa Cruz de Piñuña Blanco and Gallinas Ancestrales: Women’s Income-Generating Project in Resguardo Buenavista



Origin of the Initiative

- 2018: CCCM strengthens gender work, integrating gender workshops in NTS and Clearance team trainings.
- Siona community members from Resguardo Buenavista, Dany Piaguaje and Adiela Mera, request a similar workshop for their community due to concerns about discrimination and GBV.
- With support from COSUDE:
  - Creation of Ethnic Gender Focal Points, including Siona members.
  - Immersive research: participation in community life, cultural events, and ancestral practices to understand worldview, social roles, and territorial authority.



Project Proposal



Presentation of the project idea to the political authorities of the Resguardo



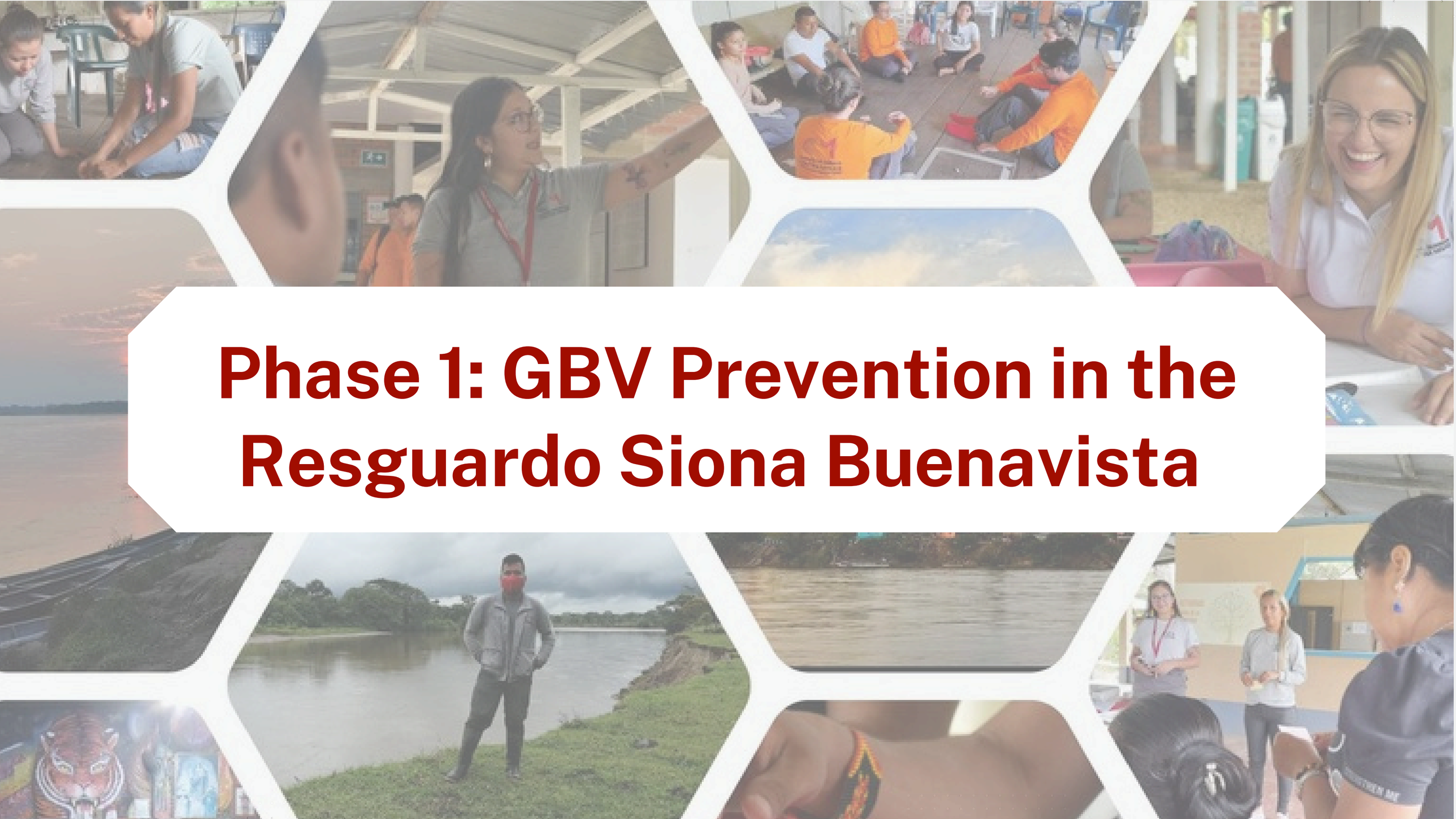
Co-creation and drafting of the proposal with the Siona Gender Focal Points (PFGs) and the CCCM team



Submission of the final proposal to the Resguardo authorities for approval



Spiritual ceremony, including the yagé ritual, to seek guidance and authorization from the community's spiritual authority



Phase 1: GBV Prevention in the Resguardo Siona Buenavista

The main objective was to strengthen community capacities to prevent gender-based violence (GBV) through a process aligned with the Siona worldview and local social dynamics. From the outset, it was essential to establish that the project would be community-led, with the Colombian Campaign to Ban Landmines (CCCM) providing technical support only.

Gender Focal Points (PFGs)

Target groups & focus:

Women: GBV knowledge, rights, prevention, and response.

School community: Promote gender equality and violence prevention.

Indigenous Guard: Identify/respond to GBV, integrate protocols into local statutes.



The Project



Knowledge Exchange



Collaborative Design Workshops



Implementation of Workshops



Community Closure & Resource Delivery

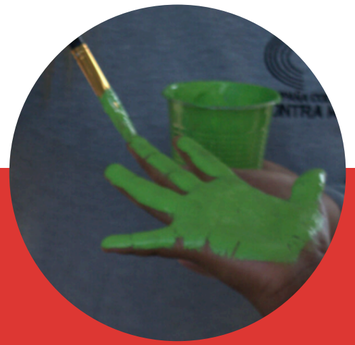
Results



WORKSHOPS:
4 WORKSHOPS CONDUCTED WITH EACH POPULATION GROUP.



BENEFICIARIES
WOMEN: 32 INDIGENOUS GUARD: 52 (35 MEN, 17 WOMEN)
SCHOOL COMMUNITY: 114 (STUDENTS AND TEACHERS



7 MATERIALS DEVELOPED



And now, where do we go from here?

PHASE 2: GBV PREVENTION IN RESGUARDO SANTA CRUZ DE PIÑUÑA BLANCO AND GALLINAS ANCESTRALES: WOMEN'S INCOME-GENERATING PROJECT IN RESGUARDO BUENAVISTA





Santa Cruz de Piñuña Blanco

GBV Prevention



Proposal

Presentation and approval of the proposal



Ceremony

Spiritual ceremony



Agreements

Focal Points (PFGs) and population groups



Implementation

Knowledge exchange; Workshop design; Workshop implementation; Delivery of materials.

Gallinas Ancestrales: Women's Income-Generating Project in Resguardo Buenavista

- Selection of the Project and Groups
- The women chose the type of project and its location. Four points within the resguardo were selected, each with its own group of women beneficiaries.
- Women's Circles facilitated sessions to strengthen sorority, trust, and collective work, essential for a group-led productive initiative.
- Technical Training - Practical and theoretical trainings in poultry management.
- Delivery of Productive Assets - Each group received 45 ancestral hens, along with feed and the necessary supplies to begin the activity.



Results

Piñuña Blanco

92 beneficiaries (47 women. 45 men)

2 Gender Focal Points (PFGs) selected and trained

8 workshops conducted

4 educational materials designed and produced



Buena Vista

68 beneficiaries

45 ancestral hens, supplies, and feed delivered to the four groups of women.

1 technical training led by a specialist on poultry care, feeding, health, and reproduction.

2 Women’s Circles conducted to strengthen sorority and collective work.

Impact Evaluation

- Buenavista: The women’s poultry project generated 56% profit, covering urgent needs and giving older women their own resources for the first time. Eggs improved household food security, and families reinvested earnings. One group created a network of single mothers to expand production.

- Piñuña Blanco: Workshops increased awareness of gender roles and collective care: 90% of participants recognized women’s roles at home and in the community, 100% improved understanding of sorority, and 75% of students valued lessons on bullying and discrimination.











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