## Year 2 Reporting Annex

While we are very interested in your work, we also want to avoid this report becoming too much of a burden for you. We therefore ask you to be as precise as possible, limiting your answers to a maximum of 300 words unless a different word limit is indicated.

### Award Funding

| 1. | Please explain in 2-3 sentences how you spent the award funds in year two. | SVSG spent the award funding in accordance with the budget. The expenses were categorised under four headings of (1) Communications, Press & Marketing; (2) Development of Volunteer Network; (3) Financial Management; and (4) Rehabilitation Programs for Sheltered Girls. |
| 2. | Do you have any remaining funds? If yes, how do you plan to spend them? Note: if all funds are spent in year one, please leave this blank. | No, SVSG spent all of the funds within the 2 years of the grant award. |
| 3. | Did the budget allocation for the award change over the course of the year? | Yes | No | Don’t Know |
|     | If yes, please explain. | | | |
| 4. | Did you receive any additional funding from other sources as a result of winning the With and For Girls Award? This can be either additional funding from a member of the collective or from an external funder. | Yes | To some Extent | Not Really | No | Don’t Know |
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|     | SVSG’s nomination for one of its sheltered girls, Miss Leilua Lino went on to become one of the 3 finalists for the International Children’s Peace Prize Award 2018 coordinated by the Kids Right Foundation of Amsterdam. |
|     | During the nomination process, SVSG emphasized the changes in the nominee as a result of rehabilitation programs supported by the With and For Girls and this has added to the credibility of Miss Lino’s nomination. Miss Lino is now eligible for funding support to further her advocacy role in ending violence against women as a Changemaker under the Fund Catcher funding by the Kids Right Foundation. |

Supreme Court Justice and representative of the Pacific region on the Committee on the Rights of the Child (C.R.C), Justice Vui Clarence Nelson, has congratulated Leilua Lino.

Leilua is one of the three finalists for the International Children’s Peace Prize 2018.

Her story of hope has made her part of the change maker movement coordinated by the Kids Right Foundation of Amsterdam.

“It is certainly a reflection of the resilience and strength shown by our children,” says one of S.V.S.G. Board member.”

Samoa Victim Support Group nominated Leilua, as the Group saw how she had created a Peace Garden as a way of coping with her anger towards those who have hurt her.

With the announcement of the three finalists by the Kids Rights Foundation earlier this week, S.V.S.G. is humbled by the recognition. It speaks of the support network behind the abused children’s journey to
recovery both here and abroad.

Among such supporters is Justice Vui Clarence Nelson, whose belief, translated into fatherly advises to the Group and visitations to the children at the Campus of Hope, continues to bear positive fruits.

Justice Vui has always been vocal and expressed concerns about the high levels of abuse, domestic violence and incest due to fear of stigma in Samoa.

When Justice Vui heard of Leilua’s progress in the world of children advocacy, he sent his congratulations.

“This is excellent news, viia le Atua.”

He even took time out from Court to congratulate her in person.

The S.V.S.G. Patron, Chair and the Board, Executive Committee and the growing S.V.S.G. family therefore joins the Kids Right Foundation in congratulating Leilua for making it this far.

“We look forward to the announcement of the winner for the International Children’s Peace Prize 2018, on the 20th November, knowing that our local girl is already a winner in her recovery journey.

According to a dear friend of the children at the Campus, “I would like to remind Leilua that to win, we do not need to come first. The goal is just dream, and never ever let that dream go or let anybody tell you that you cant achieve that dream.”

Leilua’s message to the abused children in Samoa is that “if I can do it, you can too.”


### Profile Raising

5. **Have you received increased recognition or visibility as a result of winning the With and For Girls Award?** Please provide examples of how your recognition and visibility have increased

#### Outcome 1

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*If you answered yes to question 5b, Please state the number of mentions your organisation has had in the media.*

SVSG’s work has been in the local media as well as the social media nearly every week since the result of winning the With and For Girls Award was announced in 2016.

What followed through during the years 2017 and 2018 was how the WAFG Award had improved on the programs for the abused girls under the care of Samoa Victim Support Group at the Campus of Hope.

Below are just some of these stories:
Radio New Zealand

Samoa Victim Support wins international award
7:26 am on 9 November 2016
The Samoa Victim Support Group has won an international prize, the With and For Girls Award.

The organisation is run by volunteers to help eliminate violence and sexual abuse against women and girls.

Twenty groups from around the world have been recognised this year.

Samoa Victim Support Group President Siliniu Lina Change said it was the first time a Pacific country had won the award.

"Despite the frustration, the struggles that Victim Support has been facing, the accusations that have been hurled to Victim Support, we're still here and we want all the people that have confidence and been working together and supporting us, this if or them."

The award includes $US50,000 prize money.

The head of the Samoa Victim Support Group Siliniu Lina Chang Photo: RNZI/Autagavaia Tipi Autagavaia
Fatima takes chance to be great
15 June 2018
572 Hits

SURVIVOR: (right) Fatima with Justice Vui Clarence Nelson.

In 2016, U.N.,I.C.E.F. Pacific Child Protection Samoa Human Interest Stories featured one of the successfully reintegrated residents from the Campus of Hope.

This is what it said:

Ruta, 19, has found her passion in cooking and transforms from a shy and reserved teenager into an extroverted confident trainee chef as soon as she enters the kitchen.

Ruta, 19 years old, is dressed in her chef’s uniform and speaks with intense pride about being the only female graduate of her culinary training course, which she participated in via SVSG’s youth employment programme.

Ruta came to the S.V.S.G. aged 16 after being sexually abused and violently threatened.

These intense experiences shattered Ruta’s confidence, sense of identity and her ability to trust. In finding her passion for cooking however, Ruta has been able to regain these lost abilities and begin to rebuild her self-belief.

She says, “I have never returned to my home but I am stronger now and I have found support through my new colleagues who feel like family.”

Fast forward to 2018, Fatima no longer hides behind a mask, nor an alias as Ruta.
Fatima has been rescued and has her life restored to that of a strong individual. She continues to work as a chef assistant at the Tanoa Tusitala Hotel.

In her days off, she volunteers at the Campus of Hope, feeding the babies, cooking for the older children, while encouraging them through her story. It is her way of giving back to the place which rebuilt her self-belief.

And in acknowledgement of the fatherly support from Justice Vui Clarence Nelson, the Advisor for S.V.S.G’s work with the children, Fatima visited Justice Vui at his office, and sought his advise with her plans to further her studies in culinary training, after successfully completing Certificate III in Commercial Cookery at the APTC in 2017.

With Justice Vui’s blessings, Fatima is now out to empower herself further through studies. The sky is the limit as our proud survivor took to her chances of being great.

Fatima thanked all the supporters, friends and S.V.S.G. family for feeding, clothing, sheltering and protecting her with love while at the Campus that offered her so much hope.

A champion, conqueror
By Mata’aafa Keni Lesa, 10 April 2018

Samoa’s new golden girl, Feagaiga Stowers, is not just a Commonwealth Games Champion. She is an overcomer and a conqueror of unimaginable odds. But that wasn’t always the case.

Several years ago, Stowers’ young life hit a snag. The victim of abuse, she was among the survivors of sexual violence who sought refuge and given a second chance at life at the Samoa Victim Support Group (S.V.S.G.).

She entered the Campus of Hope “shy and hopeless.”

Well that girl was not the one the world saw at Carrara Sports and Leisure Centre at the Gold Coast on Monday night. When she stepped up to the competition platform in front of thousands at the stadium and millions watching from around the world, 17-year-old was smiling and confident, nailing the performance of a lifetime.

Stowers was up against the heavy favourite, New Zealand transgender athlete Laurel Hubbard. But the blessings were on her side.

When Hubbard bowed out with an injury, victory was for Stowers to take.

She went on to manage 140kg in the clean and jerk, giving her a total of 253kg. And the rest is history.
During the medal presentation, she cried as the “Samoa tula’i” national anthem rang out loud and proud inside the stadium. Those tears came from a deep place, she knows what she has been through to get to where she is today.

Yesterday, the President of the Samoa Victim Support Group, Siliniu Lina Chang, congratulated Stowers.

“Congratulations and best wishes Feagaiga. We are so proud of you,” Siliniu said in a statement.

“When the news of Samoa’s Commonwealth Golden girl Feagaiga reached us, we were humbled by the extent of her determination to rise up, by her resilience to see hope in her talent, by her successful reintegration.”

“Fegaiga has come a long way from a shy and hopeless survivor to a champion that she is today. And this is the practicality of the rehabilitation programmes at the Campus of Hope, home to Feagaiga for the last five years where she was nurtured to recovery.”

Siliniu said Stowers is a very unique individual.

“At the Campus of Hope, Feagaiga was not into singing, dancing, sewing or cooking, but through weightlifting, she found a way to release her anger and her sense of hopelessness.”

“Under a partnership with the Samoa Weightlifting Federation in 2015, some of our girl survivors of violence took up weightlifting as part of their rehabilitation programme, included in them was Feagaiga. Thank you Tuaopepe Jerry Wallwork, President of the S.W.F. for your commitment to develop the talents of the girls in weightlifting.”

“From the 2015 Commonwealth Youth Games in Apia to the 2016 Oceania Weightlifting Championship in Fiji to the Oceania Training Camp in New Caledonia, Feagaiga’s story of rehabilitation culminates with the Gold Medal at the 2018 Commonwealth Games.”

“With confidence and determination, the once shy teenage girl is now a Champion in her own right; a survivor living life to the fullest outside of the Campus of Hope.”

When Stowers first took up weightlifting, she was offered a scholarship to attend a Training camp in New Caledonia.

“God has been so good to me,” she told the Samoa Observer at the time.

“This sport gave me a second chance in life and for that I am so grateful to the man who gave me hope and made me the person I am today Tuaopepe Jerry Wallwork.”

“Before I was just this girl at the S.V.S.G searching of where to start from again but our coach gave me hope. “I am now known to the world and I am now going to places and travelling the world, it’s something that I thought would never happen to me.”

Well she’s more than that of course.

She is a Commonwealth Games Champion, who will continue to beam as a ray of hope for young girls and women who might be going through what she had to overcome to get to where she is today.
As she kissed her Gold Medal yesterday at the 2018 Commonwealth Games in Australia, SUGA Feagaiga Stowers reflects on a life that was anything but.

Years ago the teenage survivor, who has claimed the second Gold Medal for Samoa at the games, arrived at the Samoa Victim Support Shelters shy, scared and bruised. Feagaiga was a victim of domestic violence.

Today Ms Stowers now beams proudly. "I was rescued and now I know there is hope," she says.

With the help of Samoa Victim Support’s rehabilitation programs at the Campus of Hope,
home to Feagaiga for the last five years, it was there where she would start her road to recovery.

Unbeknown to the program’s co-ordinators and her SVSG family, did the organisation realise that they were actually nurturing a champion.

Samoas’s Golden Girl Feagaiga Stowers Pic: Zimbio

At the Campus of Hope, Feagaiga was not into singing, dancing, sewing or cooking like the other kids were – but instead she found her love in weightlifting where she was able to release her anger and frustrations.

SVSG’s partnership with the Samoa Weightlifting Federation in 2015 meant that some of their female survivors of violence pursued weightlifting under the guidance of President Tuapepe Jerry Wallwork, as part of their rehabilitation program.
SVSG Campus of Hope Shelter – Feagaiga’s home for the last 5 years, and home to Samoa’s young victims of Sexual and Domestic Abuse

When news of Feagaiga’s Gold Medal win last night reached SVSG, the only organisation in Samoa who shelter child victims of sexual and domestic abuse, SVSG staff and survivors were humbled and emotional.

From the 2015 Commonwealth Youth Games in Apia to the 2016 Oceania Weightlifting Championship in Fiji to the Oceania Training Camp in New Caledonia, Feagaiga’s story of rehabilitation culminates with the Gold Medal at the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

“We are so proud of her,” says SVSG President Siliniu Lina Chang. “SVSG’s vision is to ensure that victims of crime and those in need are well supported to be safe and in control of restoring their lives. Feagaiga’s journey attests to the caring nature of SVSG’s work for our children, and our aspiration for them to be successful. From victims to survivors, each child’s transformation is a success story.

“Feagaiga is now a champion in her own right and a true survivor living life to the fullest outside of the Campus of Hope.”

If you answered yes to question 5c, Please state the number of conferences you have been invited to, and specify if you had a speaking role in these conferences.

6. Have you participated in meetings/events/conferences in your region sponsored or suggested by the With and For Girls Collective?
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SVSG applied to the Girls Visibility Fund by the WAFG and managed to receive funding support for the SVSG President Lina Chang and one of the abused girls to attend the 16th Hawaii International Summit on Preventing, Assessing and Treating Trauma Across the Lifespan.

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**Please provide examples:**

**SAVE the DATE!**

16th Hawai‘i International Summit on Preventing, Assessing and Treating Trauma Across the Lifespan

**April 23 - 26, 2019**


1. Adolescent Trauma/Youth Violence
2. Adult Child-Related Trauma
3. Child Trauma and Child Well-being
4. Complex Trauma & Traumatic Stress
5. Criminal Justice & Legal Systems
6. Educational Systems
7. Prevention/Diagnostic Intervention
8. Sex & Sexual Violence
9. Sexual Assault/Abuse
10. Sexually Transmitted Infections
11. Trauma in Military Personnel, Veterans, & Their Families
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**Girl Leadership**

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**Please provide additional details:**

SVSG was set up in 2005 to support girl survivor of incest rape. Despite the expansion of SVSG’s work to cover a wider range of support services, winning the award has revived once again why SVSG was originally set up, and that was to support young abused girls.

With winning the award, SVSG’s work with the girls has taken a whole new perspective. Gone were the days when SVSG was reactive in its responses to abuse of young girls. In its place is more of a proactive SVSG through the leadership role of the girl survivors of abuse, who are taking ownership of their roles as advocates for an end to the sexual abuse of girls from within their homes. We have the likes of:

- Miss Leilua Lino, a finalist for the International Children’s Peace Prize 2018 and now rolling out the ‘We Can, You Can’ Campaign to encourage abused girls to speak out;
- Miss Fatima the renowned local chef who is making a name for herself in the hotel industry; and
- Miss Feagaiga Stowers who has lifted the weights in the Commonwealth Games earlier this year and claimed gold medal for Samoa.

All these achievements were from girls who are now ambassadors for an end to the sexual abuse of girls.
8. Could you provide some examples of how this award has strengthened your organization’s ability to support the needs, rights, and capacities of adolescent girls in the past 12 months? Please also detail if and how girls have been involved in using the award funding.

Outcome 3

These examples can provided by way of photos, videos, blogs, case studies or any other format that is appropriate to your work - please provide a link to a relevant dropbox folder/youtube channel that contains these examples.

SVSG's ability to support the needs, rights and capacities of adolescent girls in the past 24 months has been strengthened by the award through:

- a highly motivated Board and Executive Committee who had underwent relevant capacity building during the course of the award in 2017 and 2018;
- an improved financial management system following a review in 2017;
- an effective communication strategy in place using a multi-media approach to raise awareness not only on SVSG and the services it provides, but also on issues affecting our community; and
- a highly recognized support services locally, regionally and internationally as SVSG’s work continues to speak for itself.

Examples of the strengthening of SVSG’s ability to support the needs and rights of adolescent girls are as follows:

Reconsider law to use ‘reasonable force’

By Joyetter Feagaimaali'i-Luamanu, 01 August 2018

243 Hits

Mulipola Anarosa Molio'o and Georgina Lui. (Photo: Samoa Observer)

The Samoa Victim Support Group (S.V.S.G.) has appealed to the Government to reconsider amending the bill to allow teachers to use ‘reasonable force’ in schools.

The S.V.S.G. board chair Georgina Lui and colleague board member Mulipola Anarosa Molio'o made the call recently and added that they had a mandate to protect victims and the amendments will see the re-introduction of corporation punishment.

“Our mandate is to protect the victims and what we are looking at here are potential victims from children who will be subjected to violence from teachers who will believe that this proposed amendment justifies the
use of corporal punishment and that is a huge concern," Lui said in an interview with Samoa Observer.

“We are bringing back the law that was repealed. This is being brought back in disguised as a reasonable force, but it is corporal punishment.”

As a parent Lui said she will not take the risk of sending her children to school with this amendment in place.

“Our position is that we want to support those who are against to allow reasonable force into the schools. I am not so sure the Government has conducted a consultation on this issue, whether parents agree that their children would be subjected to this once the law is passed,” she added.

The amendments to the law will give teachers ‘the license to assault’ children and they will not be held criminally responsible for their conduct, she added.

Lui has recommended that the Government consider training the teachers on how to best handle situations when they arise in schools.

“Instead of reacting they should be proactive in preventing them from happening in the first place. The way it looks here is like the teacher can use reasonable force to prevent one child from harming another child or from committing a criminal offense or from using threatening and offensive behavior and in is pretty wide ranging,” she added.

The S.V.S.G. will embark on an advocacy program targeting communities to advise them of the implications of the proposed amendments and its impact on school children.

www.samoaobserver.ws/en/01_08.../Reconsider-law-to-use-‘reasonable-force’.htm

Innovation award for S.V.S.G.

03 October 2017

WELL DESERVED S.V.S.G.: Siliniu Lina Chang accepts on behalf of the S.V.S.G. the Samoa Public Service Innovation & Excellence Team Award for 'Most Effective Collaborative Partnership' during the Public Service Day.

The Samoa Victim Support Group has been awarded the Samoa Public Service Innovation & Excellence Team Award for 'Most Effective Collaborative Partnership', during the celebration of the Public Service Day.

The award was in recognition of S.V.S.G’s work with the Courts, nominated by the Ministry of Justice and Courts Administration.

S.V.S.G. President Siliniu Lina Chang accepted the award on behalf of the Group.

S.V.S.G’s work with the Court dates back 12 years ago when the Group was just set up. This was specifically in supporting children survivors of sexual abuse standing trial against their own family
members. This support for victims of sexual abuse continues to date, and is one of the focused area for S.V.S.G’s support services, as highlighted by the children’s shelter facilities, the Campus of Hope.

With the setting up of the Family and Youth Courts in 2013, S.V.S.G’s work with the Ministry of Justice extended to include rehabilitation programs for the offenders of violence through S.V.S.G’s Advocacy Program, offering anger management, alcohol abuse and other counseling support.

Support services for the victims and the offenders continued to be self-funded by S.V.S.G. through donations.

The Innovation and Excellence Team Award received today is therefore an achievement for the Group, as it struggles to source out secured funding for its Advocacy Program for the Courts.

In receiving the award, S.V.S.G. President Siliniu Lina Chang acknowledges the support from the Chief Executive Officer of the Ministry of Justice and Courts Administration, Papali’i John Taimalelagi Afelé as highlighted by the Ministry’s nomination of S.V.S.G. for the award.

“Thank you so much Papaliii and staff for recognizing the Ministry’s partnership with S.V.S.G. as effective and collaborative in achieving justice. S.V.S.G. will continue being the voice of the voiceless and we look forward to continue working in partnership with the Ministry,” said Siliniu.


18 November 2018

Ministry of Women, Community and Social Development Hosts its First Community Development Sector Review Forum

The Samoa Victim Support Group received the award for Community Social Protection in recognition of outstanding performance and commitment through inclusive Community Social Protection Programs targeting vulnerable populations.
### Meetings and Collaborative Projects

**9. As a result of winning the award, have you been in touch with any of your peer awardees?**

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*Please provide examples, stating why and in what capacity you have been in touch with other awardees*

In 2017, colleagues at Civicus reached out to SVSG regarding an event held in Fiji from 4 – 8 December 2017 on the theme ‘Our Planet. Our Struggles. Our Future.’ The event was organised by Civicus and the Pacific Islands Association of NGOs. Unfortunately, SVSG was not able to attend due to funding constraints.

In August 2018, one of the award winners for 2017, the Young Women’s Freedom Centre based in Oakland California, through its Director Jessica Nowlan reached out to SVSG, through the Global Awards.

The Young Women’s Freedom Centre works with young girls and women who have been incarcerated or are currently in the system to break the cycle of violence and poverty that affects them. The interest to connect with SVSG is with regards to the Freedom Centre working some of the girls who are from Samoa or of Samoan heritage and how SVSG can help out.

**10. Has your organisation taken part in exchange visits or any other convening with other With and For Girls Award Winners?**

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*If yes, please provide additional details*

**11. As a result of winning the With and For Girls Award, have you increased your collaboration with other girl-centred organisations or networks/coalitions?**

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In addition to the collaboration with the Young Women’s Freedom Centre of Oakland California, locally, SVSG has increased collaboration with the Women in Business Development group to encourage young and unemployed women to take on livelihood skills as means of income generating.

For SVSG’s work on ending violence against women and girls, SVSG continues to be a strong advocate, joining the UN Women in Apia’s EViS (Ending Violence in Samoa) Roundtable events, held regularly to discuss violence against women and girls, and strategies to eliminate and prevent it.
12. **As a result of winning the With and For Girls Award, has your organisation engaged in joint projects with other With and For Girls Award Winners? Please answer Yes or No and provide additional details.**

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If yes, please write the number of joint projects you have engaged in:

With the WAFG’s new funding opportunities made available in August 2018, there were 2 funding options:

1. Opportunity 1: Visibility Fund; and
2. Opportunity 2: Collaboration Fund

SVSG applied for the Visibility Fund which now secures funding for the SVSG President and one of the girl survivors of sexual abuse to attend a conference in Hawaii in 2019, on sexual violence.

Should these funding opportunities continue to be made available, SVSG will no doubt be able to engage with other award winners in future joint projects.

**Capacity Building**

13. **What area/theme(s) did your organisation prioritize to work on as part of the capacity building component of the With and For Girls Award?**

Please provide details

SVSG’s capacity building priority needs were:

- Fundraising;
- Financial management;
- Board development and management, and
- Organisational strategy, planning, and communications

13a. To this date, what has been the progress toward this improvement?

The capacity building component of the WAFG’s Award has made huge progress in areas it prioritises (as noted above) and as evidence by:

- a highly motivated Board and Executive Committee who had underwent relevant capacity building during the course of the award in 2017 and 2018;
- an improved financial management system following a review in 2017;
- an effective communication strategy in place using a multi-media approach to raise awareness not only on SVSG and the services it provides, but also on issues affecting our community; and
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<td>13b. Are there other areas where your organisation has improved thanks to this award?</td>
<td>Yes, in the areas of grant proposal writing because with the credibility that came with winning the WAFG’s Award, SVSG has in turn went on to win other awards which continues to build its name locally and internationally. This has impressed potential donors and it also highlights SVSG’s capacity to handle and account for grant funding being awarded to assist with various areas of its work.</td>
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<td>13c. What have been the challenges in the implementation of your capacity building funds?</td>
<td>The main challenge was finding time to conduct the trainings especially or the Board and the Executive Committee given their very busy schedule. However, the members commitment to the improvement of SVSG’s work through their capacity building requirement as per the award funding, enabled the trainings to be rolled out after hours and even during the weekends.</td>
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### Award Relationship and Final Feedback

**14. What are the future plans of your organisation? Which key areas will you be working on in the new few years?**

SVSG’s work with and for the abused adolescent girls in Samoa will take on a new approach with the coming on board of the reintegrated girls to take up part of the rehabilitation programs for the girls still in residence at the shelter.

In addition, the girls are now more involved as advocates and as ambassadors for ending violence and sexual abuse of girls in Samoa.

For sustainability of SVSG and its work, these young advocates and ambassadors are now becoming youth members of the SVSG (Junior), the succession plan for SVSG.

So overall, we can see the future plans for SVSG being in line with how its work is progressing, in particular, working with and for girls.

**15. Do you have any feedback on the Award Relationship Management? Were you satisfied with the level of support and the communications you had with your Award Manager?**

SVSG would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge with gratitude and appreciation the support from the Award Relationship Management for always reaching out to update us on funding, capacity building and other opportunities available, to remind us on reporting requirements, to link us to other award winners and to acknowledge the success stories we have been sharing.

It has been a rewarding experience for SVSG working with and being supported by the Award Manager, Ramatu Bangura and the Team at the NoVo Foundation. Thank you for keeping us updated on NoVo’s initiative to advance Adolescent Girls’ Rights and also on the changes in support staff throughout the award duration. We greatly appreciate all your support.

**16. Can you describe any issues you have had throughout the With and For Girls funding relationship? Do you have any areas where you would have appreciated additional support from the With and For Girls Collective?**

No, SVSG has no issues throughout the With and For Girls funding relationship. We were well supported from the beginning of the funding relationship up to the end. Thank you very much.
### 17. Can you share the main successes you reached thanks to the With and For Girls Award Funding?

*Please include any links to media content which might be relevant*

- SVSG is now in an improved and better position to fundraise and to secure grant funding to support its work further;
- SVSG’s financial management system has been reviewed and it now provides for better control of SVSG’s finances;
- The SVSG Board and management now have a much improved understanding of the linkage between SVSGs’ work, its mandate as per its constitution and how each relate to the Strategic Plan which directs our work on an annual basis;
- SVSG’s communication strategy has improved a lot since 2016 as we have looked at it as a platform to engage supporters and be engaged with our supporters not only within Samoa, but globally; and
- The adolescent girls under SVSG’s programs are now taking on a leadership role in the work of SVSG, specifically, on how SVSG helps other young and abused girls like them.

Please refer media content and links noted above for reference.

### 18. Do you have any additional feedback on the With and For Girls Collective general offer?

Thank you for the confidence to award SVSG as a With and For Girls Award Winner 2016.

We have experience a lot of changes within SVSG because of the Award, and no doubt, the ripple effects will continued to benefit the adolescent girls of Samoa long after the award funding.

**Thank you!**