

## CSOs and NGOs working for Women's Rights<sup>1</sup>

**Name of Organisation:** Fiji Women's Rights Movement (FWRM)

**Website of Organisation:** <http://www.fwrn.org.fj/>

**Facebook of Organisation:**

<https://www.facebook.com/FWRM1/>

**Organisation of DTP Alumni Y/N:** Yes



The Fiji Women's Rights Movement (FWRM) is a multi-ethnic, multicultural NGO. It is dedicated to promoting democracy, good governance and human rights on the basis of feminist principles. Its mission is, *to work towards the elimination of all forms of discrimination against women, promote the equality of women, and support democracy and human rights in all areas in Fiji and the Pacific Island region.*

FWRM was founded in on April 10, 1986 by a group of 56 women who wanted to take up the challenge of correcting the imbalances in women's socio-economic and political status – they saw an opportunity to “balance the scales”. They were driven by the values of feminism, human rights, the rule of law, multi-culturalism, and good governance – the same principles that still guide FWRM as an organisation and a movement today.

For International Women's Day (March 8<sup>th</sup>) 2018, FWRM organised an evening of creative art performances at the University of the South Pacific's Performance Theatre. The event , was a part of FWRM's GROW INSPIRE RELATE LEAD SUCCEED (GIRLS) programme in partnership with the Emerging Leaders Forum hosting the creative performances through songs, music, poetry and dance after undertaking six weekends of Creative Writing workshops.

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<sup>1</sup> The Diplomacy Training Program (DTP) is an NGO affiliated with the Faculty of Law at UNSW in Sydney. Since 1990, It has provided training to over 2600 human rights defenders and community advocates. These individuals work for a wide range of organisations working to promote shared values of human rights – in different ways. This profile is part of a series developed by DTP ([www.dtp.unsw.edu.au](http://www.dtp.unsw.edu.au)) to illustrate the richness and diversity of the organisations working to promote the rights of migrant workers and human rights more broadly.