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My work is to develop programs and implement policies passed by the board and coordinate the day to day activities of the organization.

We have been able to provide leadership training to these women and a good number of them are now participating in their local development committees, making their issues known and even allocating resources to specific projects.

“Quote ‘If a woman is educated the whole nation is educated’. I will increase my leadership skills by coming to the Coady Institute as it offers the best courses in community leadership and development. I hope to transfer these newly acquired skills to other leaders and inspire them to become more competent within their communities.”

The goals of WCC include uniting women with disabilities, empower women with disabilities through capacity building programs, lobbying and advocating for the inclusion of women with disabilities in all development programs, and seeking adequate representation of women with disabilities at international and local forums.

African women with disabilities have continued to be marginalized and discriminated against due to stereotypical beliefs. Many of these women have been denied opportunities in education, employment, health services, housing and even been denied the right to start families. Since inception of the WCC, massive awareness campaigns have been undertaken giving more visibility to women with disabilities. Parents are no longer hiding their children with disabilities.

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