

OHCHR: Support to the Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights in Liberia

	Implementing partner(s)	Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights (OHCHR) in Liberia
	Location	Nationwide
	Agreement period	2018 - 2021
	Budget total	46 000 000 SEK

Overview and objectives

OHCHR-Liberia supports the INCHR to engage in advocacy and public awareness activities, to help reverse negative human rights trends as well as to promote a positive message of the work of human rights defenders. OHCHR-Liberia provides technical assistance to the INCHR and government partners to promote a human rights agenda, with a gender approach and on a wide range of human rights issues. The Office is rolling out activities aimed at building the capacity of the INCHR to monitor and advocate for legal and other reforms in order to ensure an independent, impartial and transparent justice system that meets international human rights standards. INCHR will contribute to the promotion of legal and institutional reforms to ensure increased compliance with international human rights standards.



Figure 1: Protesters demanding peace.

The programme outcomes targeted are:

- **Increase the capacity of INCHR** to fulfil its mandate to monitor and report human rights and enhance accountability of duty bearers and access to remedy for right holders.
- **Enhance INCHR capacity** to engage and collaborate with CSOs so that the voices of marginalized and discriminated groups are heard and with relevant government departments to facilitate cooperation with and among them **to ensure greater opportunities for designing interventions and strategies** to improve the protection of human rights.
- **Increase county level presence** with qualified, trained and well-resourced field staff to ensure the protection of human rights across the country.
- **Increase the capacity to mainstream gender** and to ensure greater visibility to the rights of women and girls in its advocacy, policies, operations, and activities.
- **Increase the internal institutional capacity** to improve accountability and transparency to enhance good governance.

Activities

OHCHR will use its expertise to enhance INCHR's technical capacity to monitor, report and advocate human rights, conduct human rights promotion and protection activities, engage with civil society organizations and relevant government departments, mainstream gender and considerably improve its accountability and transparency mechanisms. Activities will include: training national and county staff on monitoring human rights, including on data collection and interpretation; joint monitoring exercises; supporting joint fact-finding missions and training/supporting teams in the production of the reports.