

ST. MARK'S MOTHERS UNION

Date established	1952
Date and type of registration	2003 Name of Hyacinth Stuart
Primary contact person	Hyacinth Stuart, Leader of the organisation
Address, telephone and email	Hogstye Farm, Corentyne, Berbice 624-2142
Secondary contact person	Claudette Glasgow, Secretary
Address, telephone and email	Manchester Village, Corentyne, Berbice 625-2010
Number of active members	12
Number of paid staff	1 part time
Number of regular volunteers	4
Estimated annual budget	\$850,000.00
Main sources of funding	Catering
Geographic scope of activity	Region

Mission or primary goal of your organization:

For almost 50 years St. Mark's Mothers Union has worked toward the vision of a community where strong families are nourished with the support services they need for physical and spiritual well-being. Our committed team offers a variety of services for all kinds of families – and for each member of the family – including practical action, education and training, support during adversity and access to modern technology.

Main subject areas of activity or programmes

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x HIV/AIDS x Disabled x Poverty reduction | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x Welfare and relief x Women's issues |
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Major projects in last two years, including current projects

Project #1 Name/Goal

Legal Aid for underprivileged women

1. By the year 2003 all the women in Region #6 must know their legal rights.
2. The Minister of Human Services & Social Security must put some systems in place whereby underprivileged women can have free or subsidised legal representation.

Start date

February 1, 2003

End date

December 31, 2003

Main activities

1. Met with decision makers and explain the project

2. Collected names for petition to Minister.
3. Used media to sensitise public of the project
4. Facilitated conference with Minister to meet with women of 30 different organizations.
5. With the help of the Guyana Women Lawyers Association, 100 legal source books were printed and distributed to police stations, N.D.C., schools, libraries, women's groups and other interested persons.
6. Sessions were held in various communities, P.T.A. and church gatherings to explain the book.
7. Met with the Berbice Bar and received a signed agreement for a pay later system in case of letters of administration.

Main source(s) of funding The Carter Center

Project theme or sector

Project partners Networked with the following groups

1. Corentyne CBR
2. Friends of St Francis
3. GAWL
4. Berbice Bar Association
5. Georgetown Legal Aid

Geographic scope Region # 6

Results of Project

1. 40% of the women in Region #6 are more aware of their legal rights.
2. Underprivileged women with cases of letters of administration can now have their case processed and pay later for lawyer.
3. A legal aid clinic will be set up in the region in the future.

Major projects planned for at least next two years

Project #1 Name/Goal

THE JOINER SHOP PROJECT

To establish a joiner shop, to train 20 youths annually, to make wooden furniture to supply schools and residents of this District.

Main activities

Main source(s) of funding

Not yet funded

Project theme or sector

Project #2 Name/Goal

Wellness clinic for the children + elderly.

Main activities

Main source(s) of funding

Project theme or sector

Networking

What other NGOs would you like to share information with or collaborate with in your activities?

1. The friends of St. Francis.