



AJWS GRANTMAKING: 2025

What We Do and Who We Support

WHO WE ARE

American Jewish World Service (AJWS) is the leading Jewish organization working to promote human rights and end poverty in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean.

WHAT WE DO

AJWS uses its **grants-multiplier model** to make demonstrable human rights progress. Through this one-of-a-kind strategy, our donors are helping AJWS make change in three unique ways: We **fund** nearly 500 social change organizations around the globe; we **accompany** our grantees through local staff who share knowledge and bring grantees together, enriching and emboldening social movements; and we **advocate** in Washington, D.C., and internationally to educate legislators and shift laws and policies that promote human rights and strengthen grassroots efforts to combat poverty, oppression, and injustice worldwide.

At right: Carmela Curup, a lawyer from grantee Bufete para Pueblos Indígenas, a legal aid organization in Guatemala, speaks with community members. Photo by James Rodriguez.

\$33.4 million invested in grantmaking, accompaniment and advocacy to advance human rights and strengthen social movements in 2025.



AJWS mobilized more than 206,800 supporters including 35,900 donors* and 4,500 rabbis, cantors and other Jewish leaders.

**Made a donation between 2022-2024.*

GRANTMAKING BY ISSUE



SEXUAL HEALTH AND RIGHTS

We support organizations empowering women, girls and LGBTQI+ people to stop violence and discrimination and live with dignity, safety, and health.

219 grants
160 grantees
\$5,908,116

34.3%
of
funding



LAND, WATER AND CLIMATE JUSTICE

We support grassroots groups fighting the climate crisis and protecting the land, water, and natural resources that rural and Indigenous people depend on for survival.

210 grants
177 grantees
\$5,745,358

33.4%



CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS

We support activist organizations advancing civil and political rights around the globe—promoting justice under the law for all and the right to be heard, vote, and participate in political life.

188 grants
168 grantees
\$5,022,205

29.2%



DISASTER AND HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

In the wake of earthquakes, hurricanes, droughts, epidemics, and other crises, we support grassroots organizations to provide relief, save lives, and build resilience for the future.

39 grants
36 grantees
\$525,400

3.1%

AJWS supports 498 organizations.

AJWS uplifts groups that, regardless of the issue they address, respond to the unique needs of women and girls, and are often led by women—**92% of our partners have women in leadership roles**. We focus on communities that are most marginalized, including women, ethnic minorities, indigenous communities, and LGBTQI+ people, as well as support partners that serve these populations, advocate on their behalf and strengthen their capacity.

Grantees serving...

	Number of Organizations
Women	299
Adolescent Girls and Young Women	104
Indigenous Peoples	81
Intersex, Trans, Queer and Gender non-conforming	80
Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual	76

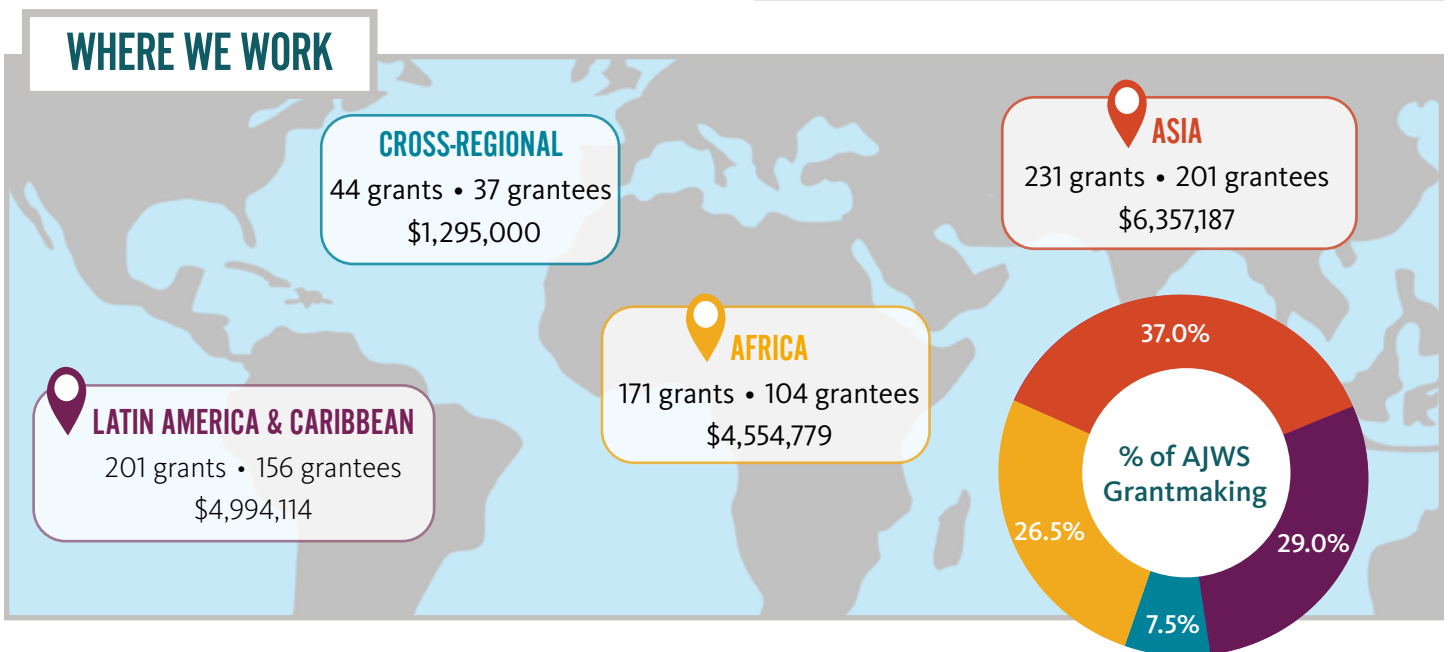
Above totals are not mutually exclusive.



Methawee Pannon (Sai), a leader of IGDN, whose participation in the long-time fight for LGBTQI+ rights helped Thailand become the first Southeast Asian country to legalize same-sex marriage. Photo by Luke Duggleby.

Nearly 10% of the organizations we support are between one and five years old. Those crucial early years can determine long-term organizational health and effectiveness. AJWS makes sustained investments in our partners, standing with them every step of the way.

WHERE WE WORK



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