



ANNUAL REPORT 2025



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FOREWORD

Djaffar Moussa-Elkadhum Chair of the Board

Across Africa and globally, 2025 marked a significant year for the Africa Albinism Network (AAN), with growing recognition that the rights and dignity of persons with albinism must be advanced through sustained advocacy, collaboration, and evidence-based action.

A key milestone was the successful global campaign that secured the inclusion of broad-spectrum sunscreen on the World Health Organization's Essential Medicines Lists. Driven by a broad worldwide collective voice and nearly 4,300 signatures from 99 countries, this decision affirms the rights to health and has the potential to save countless lives across the continent. It also showed that united advocacy can drive meaningful systemic change.

AAN's work spans global advocacy and national action. In Zambia, we supported partners as the Parliament passed a historic motion to strengthen protections for persons with albinism, an important step toward the adoption of a National Action Plan. Internationally, we engaged with key human rights mechanisms, delivering statements at the Human Rights Council and submitting evidence to United Nations treaty bodies to ensure that the specific challenges facing women and children with albinism are recognised and addressed.

Strengthening the capacity of human rights defenders and organizations of persons with albinism across Africa remained central to our mission. Through learning forums held in Zambia, Ghana, and online, human rights defenders and advocates came together to share best practices, refine advocacy strategies, build a joint voice and advance collective action on issues including climate change, health, education, employment and human rights.

We also advocated to ensure that persons with albinism are meaningfully represented in global and regional policy dialogues. At COP30 and the Africa Climate Summit, AAN underscored that climate justice cannot be achieved without disability inclusion. Additionally, by joining the Africa Disability

Forum and the WHO Disability Health Equity Network, we helped ensure that the voices and experiences of persons with albinism are represented within broader continental and global movements for disability rights, health equity and human rights.

Our 2025–2030 Strategic Plan provides a strong foundation for the years ahead, a roadmap grounded in the lived experiences, priorities and aspirations of persons with albinism across Africa.

I extend my sincere appreciation to our staff, Board and senior advisers for their commitment and leadership; to our partners and funders, whose trust and collaboration empowers us; and most importantly, to the human rights defenders and organisations of persons with albinism across Africa who are the beating heart of this movement. To all, I say thank you. The milestones of 2025 show what is possible when we centre human rights, invest in capacity, and work collaboratively as we move forward in building a future of dignity, safety, and inclusion.



LIST OF ACRONYMS

AAN	Africa Albinism Network
ACERWC	African Committee of Experts on Rights and Welfare of the Child
ACHPR	African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights
AU	African Union
CEDAW	Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women
CESCR	Committee on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights
CHSZ	Cheshire Homes Society of Zambia
CRC	Committee on the Rights of the Child
CRPD	Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
COP	Conference of Parties
EML	Essential Medicines List
EMLC	Essential Medicines for Children
GAPA	Ghana Association of Persons with Albinism
HRC	Human Rights Council
HRDS	Human Rights Defenders
IAAD	International Albinism Awareness Day
ICJ	International Commission of Jurists
NAP	National Action Plan
NGOS	Non-Governmental Organizations
OHCHR	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
PAP	Pan African Parliament
UN	United Nations
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
WADR	West Africa Democracy Radio
WHO	World Health Organization
WIA	Women impacted by Albinism
WLF	Women's Learning Forum

AFRICA ALBINISM NETWORK

The Africa Albinism Network (AAN) has deep expertise in addressing the issues affecting persons with albinism. AAN was founded in February 2021 by the inaugural UN Independent Expert on the rights of persons with albinism Ikponwosa Ero, after laying almost two decades of groundwork that has seen successful engagements and policy commitments globally to protect persons with albinism.

Vision

Toward an Inclusive World, Free from Brutality and Discrimination

Thematic Areas

- Human Rights Defenders
- Women Impacted by Albinism
- Climate Change and Albinism

Strategic Pillars

- Human Rights-Based Advocacy (HRBA)
- Capacity Development of Albinism Groups and Human Rights Defenders (HRDs)
- Collaboration and Partnerships
- Research and Data
- Sustained Organizational Growth

Mission

To promote the rights, well-being, and inclusion of people with albinism in Africa through advocacy, capacity development, and collaboration.

Values

- A Culture of Accountability & Integrity
- Center the Voices of People with Albinism
- Prioritize Collaboration and Partnerships
- Equity and Inclusion
- Justice & Human Rights

TEAM

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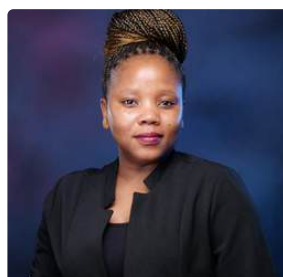
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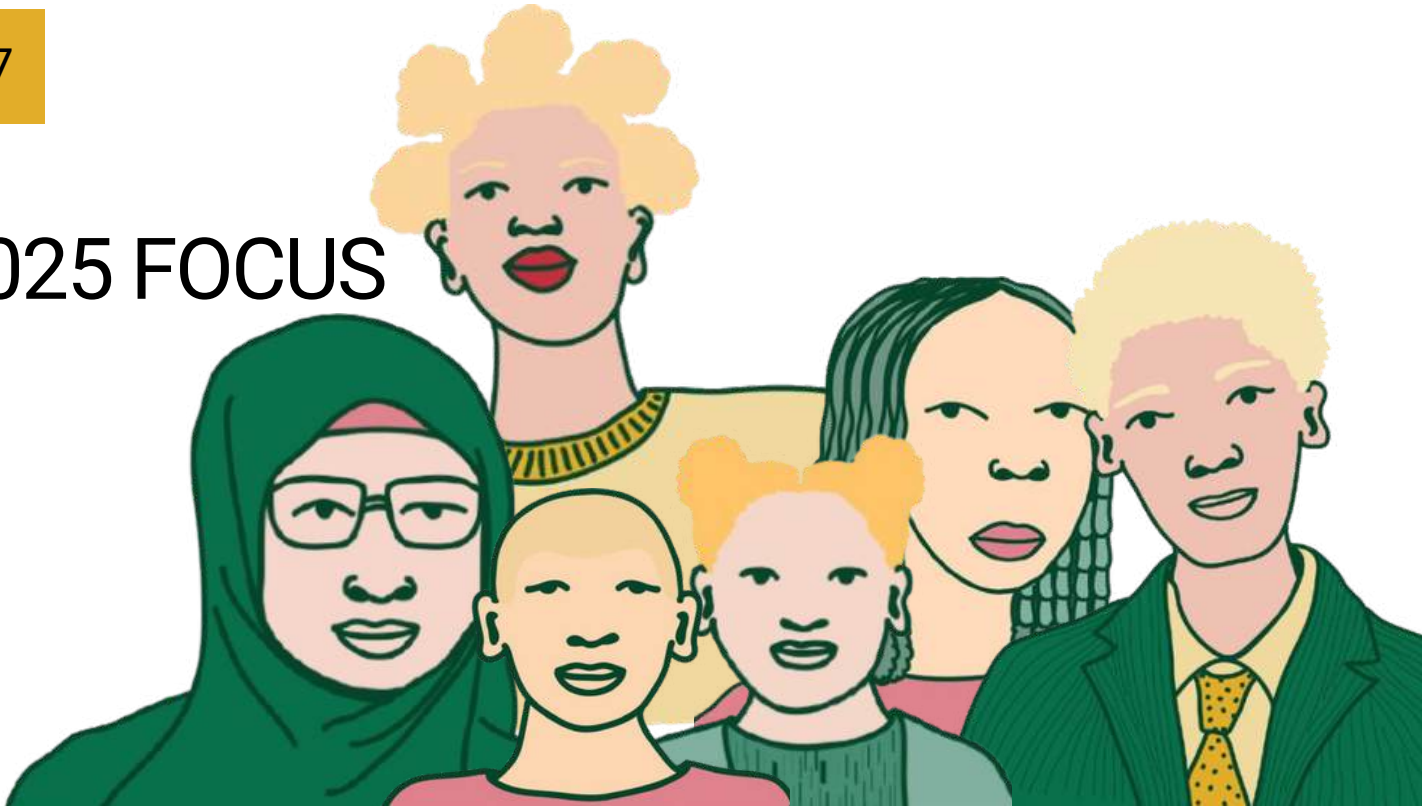
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2025 MILESTONES

- AAN's 2024/2025 campaign, together with key partners and stakeholders, secured WHO's inclusion of broad-spectrum sunscreen on its Essential Medicines Lists, affirming health and human rights for persons with albinism after gathering 4,282 signatures from 99 countries across all WHO regions.
- In December 2025, Zambia achieved two key milestones for rights of persons with albinism: Parliament unanimously passed a motion strengthening protections for persons with albinism, and the Government accepted the final draft of the National Action Plan (NAP) for the protection of persons with albinism, signalling readiness for its adoption.
- AAN collaborated with the Disability Climate Action Caucus at COP30, engaging in panels on disability-inclusive climate policy and reinforcing the need for intersectional approaches, while strengthening global advocacy and partnerships.
- AAN joins the Africa Disability Forum (ADF), strengthening its visibility and positioning within continental disability advocacy.
- AAN hosted three learning forums in Zambia, Ghana, and virtually, equipping advocates with skills to engage UN mechanisms, advance Zambia's NAP, and address climate impacts on persons with albinism. These forums fostered actionable commitments and regional collaboration, strengthening advocacy across Africa.
- AAN launched its 2025–2030 Strategic Plan, a five-pillar roadmap transitioning from reactive advocacy to sustainable impact. Shaped by inclusive pan-African consultations, the plan centers the lived experiences of persons with albinism to tackle systemic discrimination and emerging threats, ensuring a resilient and unified force for dignity..



2025 FOCUS



The [2025–2030 Strategic Plan](#) marks a deliberate step forward for the Africa Albinism Network, translating years of learning, advocacy, and partnership into a clear roadmap for the future. Developed through an inclusive and consultative process that centred the voices and experiences of persons with albinism and key stakeholders, the plan responds to both longstanding and emerging challenges affecting the community across Africa. It reflects AAN’s commitment to rights-based action, collaboration across sectors, and sustainable organisational strengthening as the foundation for lasting change.

The plan is anchored in five strategic pillars that define AAN’s priorities for the next five years:

1. Human Rights-Based Advocacy
2. Capacity Development for Albinism Groups and Human Rights Defenders
3. Collaboration and Partnerships
4. Becoming a Resource Hub for Research, Data, and Dissemination
5. Sustainable Organizational Growth.

These pillars offer a focused approach to driving meaningful change and strengthening AAN’s impact across local, regional, and continental levels.

HUMAN RIGHTS-BASED ADVOCACY

This pillar advances the human rights of persons with albinism through strategic advocacy, institutional engagement, and policy influence at national, regional, and global levels. It leverages research and reporting to engage UN and AU mechanisms, ensures participation in key platforms, and targets multilateral organisations. Nationally, it promotes integrating albinism rights into laws and policies while strengthening groups' capacity to engage governments and drive evidence-based advocacy.

Sunscreen Added to WHO Essential Medicines Lists

In 2025, AAN played a key role in a global campaign that secured the inclusion of broad-spectrum sunscreen on WHO's Model EML and EMLc. Announced on 5 September 2025 this milestone followed an evidence-based effort with the UN Independent Expert on Albinism, the Global Albinism Alliance, and partners. Launched in 2024, the campaign gathered 4,282 signatures from 99 countries. The decision affirms health and human rights for persons with albinism, especially in Africa, and has since contributed to ongoing WHO efforts to identify an appropriate sunscreen formulation, while AAN is working with IARC to conduct research into skin cancer deaths among persons with albinism to strengthen evidence on the importance of sunscreen in Africa. [Explore the blog post](#)

“Ensuring sunscreen's recognition as an essential medicine is not only a step towards protecting the lives of people with albinism but also a tangible example of our Federation's pledge to dismantle barriers to health, dignity, and inclusion.”

CBM Global

Joint Alternative Report on the Rights of Persons with Albinism in Nigeria

In February 2025, AAN and Nigerian albinism organisations submitted a Joint Alternative Report to the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, examining the human rights situation of persons with albinism in Nigeria. The report highlighted discrimination, limited access to education and healthcare, and

HUMAN RIGHTS-BASED ADVOCACY

socio-economic marginalisation, and noted delays in implementing the National Policy on Albinism. Developed with input from key Nigerian albinism groups, it received legal editing and feedback from the International Commission of Jurists before its submission on 28 February 2025. [View the full report.](#)

Participation in the 58th Regular Session of the Human Rights Council

In March 2025, AAN's Executive Director participated in the 58th Session of the Human Rights Council (HRC), delivering a joint statement with the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) during the Interactive Dialogue with the Independent Expert on Albinism. The statement underscored urgent human rights concerns facing persons with albinism and urged stronger protections, policy reforms, and greater international cooperation. The Executive Director also held strategic meetings with the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and other stakeholders to advance global advocacy efforts. [Read the full statement](#)

Joint Alternative Report on the human rights situations of children with albinism in Tanzania

March 2025, AAN and the Tanzania Albinism Society (TAS) submitted a Joint Alternative Report to the Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC) on children with albinism in Tanzania. The report highlighted discrimination, violence, limited healthcare access, and barriers to education. While noting Tanzania's first NAP on Albinism in December 2024, it identified gaps in implementation and recommended stronger policy enforcement to protect children. [View the full report.](#)

Report on Skin Health and Skin Cancer among Persons with Albinism.

18 April, 2025 AAN submitted a country-specific report on Ghana to the UN Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights by persons with albinism for the 80th UN General Assembly report, focusing on skin health and skin cancer. AAN led the preparation in collaboration with Engage Now Africa and the Ghana Association of Persons with Albinism, ensuring the report reflected lived experiences and ongoing interventions. [View the full report.](#)



HUMAN RIGHTS-BASED ADVOCACY

Submission to CEDAW on the Human Rights Situation of Women with Albinism in Angola.

In May 2025, AAN, in collaboration with Fundação Joel Tchombosi, submitted a report to the 93rd Pre-Session of CEDAW on women with albinism in Angola. The submission highlighted intersecting discrimination based on gender, disability, and harmful cultural stigma, and noted that Angola's State Party report lacked meaningful data on this group. AAN's report outlined key concerns and proposed questions for CEDAW's review to strengthen international accountability on the rights of women with albinism. [View the report](#)

Global Disability Summit 2025

From 1–3 April 2025, AAN participated in the Global Disability Summit in Berlin. The delegation, including Executive Director, Advocacy Manager, and Strategic Advisor, engaged in advocacy, dialogue, and partnership-building. AAN highlighted inclusive climate action, access to sunscreen, and intersectional barriers faced by persons with albinism. The team's presence elevated

AAN's voice, reinforced leadership and unity, and amplified calls for climate justice and health equity for persons with albinism within global disability agendas, reaching audiences across networks and social mediawhile also strengthening AAN's visibility, credibility, and strategic partnerships, contributing to tangible outcomes including the securing of the DRF project. [Explore the blog](#)

Shadow Report on the Rights of Children with Albinism in Uganda

AAN, with the Albinism Umbrella and WACWAU, submitted a shadow report to the 100th session of the CRC on children with albinism in Uganda. The report highlighted systemic discrimination, violence, neglect, limited access to education and healthcare, and gaps in Uganda's NAP on Albinism (2020–2025). Key recommendations included amending laws, implementing child-specific NAP measures, developing protection protocols, expanding inclusive services, and improving data collection to ensure children with albinism are recognised and protected.

[View the report](#)



Africa Climate Summit

In September, AAN participated in the Africa Climate Summit in Addis Ababa, ensuring persons with albinism were represented in climate policy discussions. A representative with albinism shared experiences highlighting climate-related health and economic vulnerabilities, while the representative of AAN urged disability and albinism-inclusive solutions and financing. Through panels and advocacy, AAN stressed that Africa's climate policies must address unique challenges and adopt inclusive, locally relevant strategies to protect rights and livelihoods, strengthening visibility of persons with albinism within climate justice spaces and positioning AAN as a key actor in advancing inclusive climate action through expanded partnerships and collaboration.

Advancing Reparative Justice: AAN's Engagement at NGOs Forum and African Commission on Human and Peoples Rights (ACHPR) Session

From October 17 to 31, 2025, AAN engaged with African human rights mechanisms in Banjul, The Gambia, first at the NGOs Forum, held under the theme [Year of Reparations](#), and subsequently at the 85th Ordinary Session of the ACHPR. At the NGOs Forum, AAN convened the first-ever [panel](#) on inclusive reparations, titled *Inclusive Reparations for Persons with Albinism: Healing, Justice, and Social Cohesion*, ensuring that the voices and experiences of persons with albinism were recognised within Africa's broader reparative justice agenda. At the Commission's session, AAN delivered a powerful statement on behalf of Under the Same Sun and over 200 albinism groups, urging holistic reparations and the integration of albinism into ACHPR and AU processes, contributing to increased recognition of albinism within regional human rights discourse and strengthening collective advocacy efforts. [View the statement.](#)



CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT OF ALBINISM GROUPS & HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS

Through targeted capacity-building, mentoring, and technical support, this pillar strengthens the leadership and advocacy of persons with albinism while promoting inclusive engagement across national, regional, and global platforms. It includes learning forums, “train the trainers” initiatives, and leadership programmes with a focus on women leaders. The pillar also provides guidance for NAP fosters multi-sectoral partnerships, and equips groups and defenders with tools to advance rights and influence policy

Zambia learning forum

On April 8–9, 2025, AAN and Cheshire Homes Society of Zambia hosted a Learning Forum in Lusaka with 72 participants, including 13 albinism groups from eight countries. The Forum aimed to advance Zambia’s NAP on albinism, addressing systemic discrimination and rights protection. Key sessions covered justice gaps, AU Plan of Action, best practices from African nations, and strategies for inclusive education, healthcare, and legal reform, culminating in actionable resolutions.

[Explore the blog](#)

Anglophone: Virtual learning forum

On August 27, 2025, AAN hosted a Virtual Learning Forum featuring the UN Independent Expert on Albinism and participants from ten African countries. The session built participants’ skills to engage UN human rights

mechanisms and introduced plans for targeted advocacy clinics and online resources to support their ongoing work.

Ghana learning forum

On 23–24 September 2025, AAN, with support from the Disability Rights Fund (DRF) and in partnership with GAPA, hosted the first Anglophone West Africa Regional Learning Forum in Accra, Ghana, on “Climate Change, Human Rights, and Albinism.” The forum led to increased understanding of the intersection between albinism, climate change, and human rights, translating into follow-up actions including school-based sensitisation in Nigeria, youth engagement initiatives in Lagos, and individual advocacy efforts such as participant-led storytelling. [Explore the blog](#)

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Zambia National Action Plan Development

AAN, working with Cheshire Homes Society of Zambia (CHSZ), Liliane Fonds, and NAP Technical Committee, advanced key milestones toward Zambia's NAP for Persons with Albinism. In collaboration with organisations of persons with albinism and government ministries, AAN and CHSZ provided technical support, coordinated multistakeholder meetings, and strengthened civil society capacity to ensure the NAP was evidence-driven and grounded in lived experiences. On 10 December, Zambia's National Assembly unanimously passed a motion to strengthen protections for persons with albinism. On 19 December, partners submitted the final NAP draft, accepted by the Government for adoption.



COLLABORATION & PARTNERSHIPS

Collaboration and partnerships form the foundation to advance the rights of persons with albinism through joint advocacy, research, and coordinated action. This pillar focuses on building strategic relationships with albinism groups, civil society, government stakeholders, and research institutions to strengthen evidence-based advocacy, support strategic litigation, and advance the development and implementation of NAP. It also fosters networking across countries and thematic areas, promoting collective impact, visibility, and alignment within the wider disability movement.

COP30

Participating as part of the Disability Climate Action Caucus, AAN engaged in panels and dialogues on disability-inclusive climate policy, emphasising the link between climate change and human rights. Gwen Mushonga, founder of the Alive Albinism Initiative, showcased artwork illustrating resilience and impacts on women and girls with albinism, while Bonface Massah advocated for disability representation within UNFCCC mechanisms. The engagement reinforced the need for inclusive, intersectional approaches to climate action and strengthened AAN's global advocacy and partnerships, including contributing to the recognition of the Disability and Climate Action Caucus as an informal constituency within UNFCCC processes. It also created space to elevate lived experiences of persons with albinism within global climate discussions.s. [Explore the Blog](#)

Albinism Beyond 2030 Conference by University of the Free State

On 22–24 October 2025, AAN Executive Director Bonface Massah participated in the “Albinism Beyond 2030, Legal and Healthcare Pathways to Inclusion” conference at the University of the Free State. Ahead of the main event, he held an interactive session with students, providing a platform to discuss challenges and rights of persons with albinism. The conference featured panel discussions on disability rights and advocacy, artistic performances by persons with albinism, and community-building activities. It fostered dialogue, challenged stereotypes, strengthened networks, and raised awareness, advancing education, inclusion, and support for the albinism community while inspiring future advocates.

COLLABORATION & PARTNERSHIPS

International Albinism Conference – Lancaster, UK

AAN participated in the International Albinism Conference at Lancaster University, an event marking 10 years of the UN Independent Expert's mandate and bringing together a global network of advocates, researchers, and human rights defenders. Representing Kwame Andrews Daklo, AAN's Advocacy Manager, on a panel focused on Holistic Advocacy, Kwame shared our strategic approaches and pan-African impact with a diverse international audience. This engagement was instrumental in generating key recommendations to enhance the coordination of the Global Albinism Alliance, fostering deeper collaboration and collective impact across the global albinism movement.

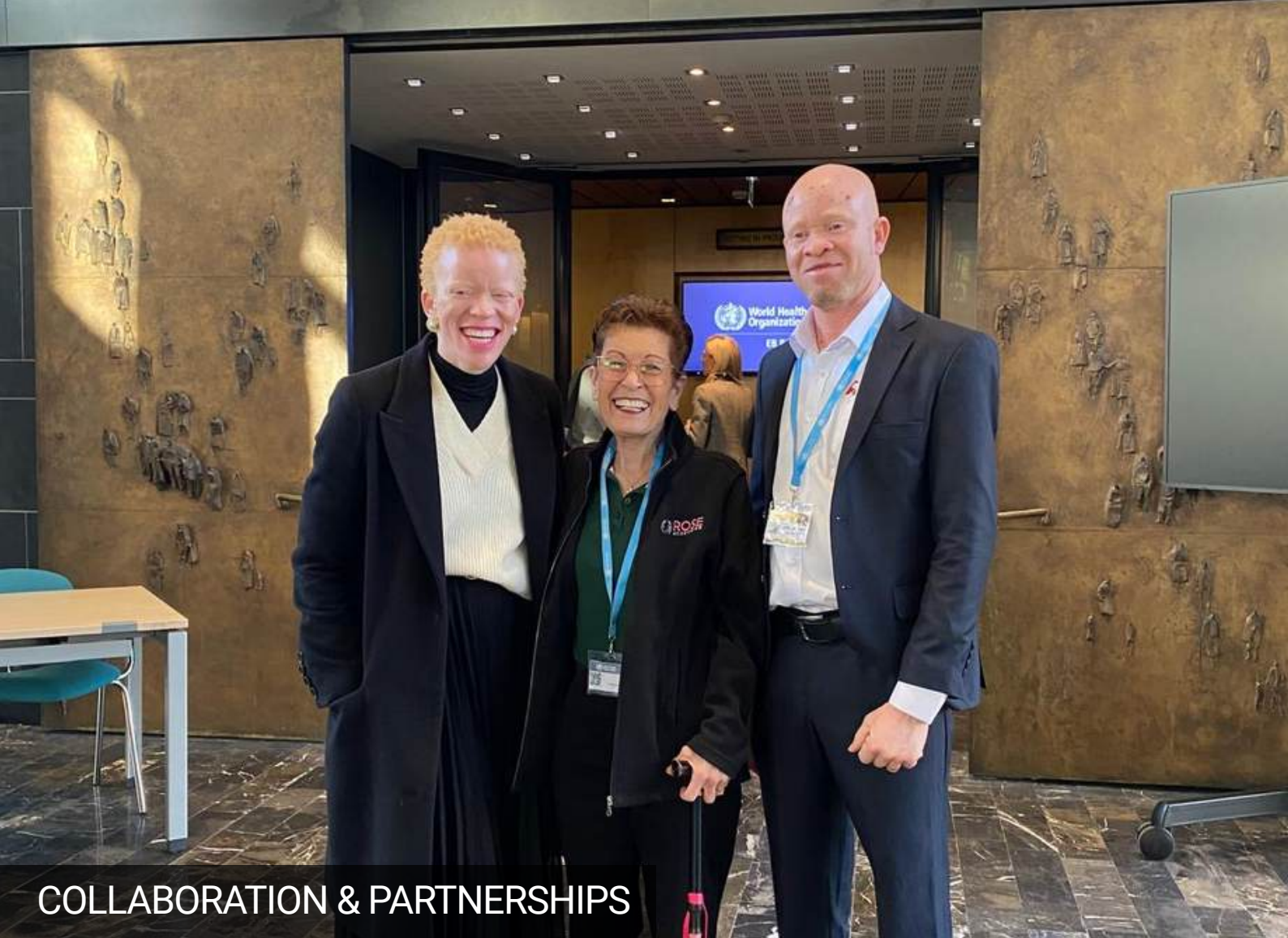
CAN Africa Annual General Assembly

On 20–21 August 2025, AAN participated in the CAN Africa Annual General Assembly in Nairobi, engaging in discussions on renewable energy, just transition, and climate justice. AAN was admitted as a full CAN Africa member with voting rights, ensuring representation of albinism issues at the network's highest level. The AGM enhances

AAN's partnerships with regional and national CAN nodes, expanded its advocacy reach, and created opportunities to link disability-inclusive perspectives to climate policy and connect climate justice with the broader human rights agenda for persons with albinism, while also strengthening AAN's influence and visibility within climate justice spaces and supporting greater integration of albinism issues into regional advocacy and policy discussions.

Africa Albinism Network Joins the Africa Disability Forum

In this reporting period, AAN became a certified member of the Africa Disability Forum (ADF) following approval by its Executive Committee and completion of all membership requirements. This milestone strengthens AAN's visibility and engagement within the African disability rights movement. As an ADF member, AAN aims to deepen partnerships, contribute to joint advocacy, and ensure the experiences of persons with albinism are represented in regional disability dialogues and initiatives, reinforcing its role in advancing inclusion, rights, and recognition across the continent.



COLLABORATION & PARTNERSHIPS

Inaugural Meeting of the WHO Disability Health Equity Network

AAN joined a monumental global coalition by participating in the inaugural meeting of the WHO Disability Health Equity Network in Geneva. Launched to address the health inequities facing 1.3 billion persons with disabilities, this network unites over 140 global stakeholders to influence international health agendas. By securing a seat in this initiative, AAN ensures the unique health priorities of persons with albinism are integrated into foundational strategies, transforming health equity investments into life-saving outcomes across Africa. [Watch the inaugural meeting](#)

RESEARCH & DATA

By serving as a resource hub, this pillar supports advocacy, policy influence, and engagement with stakeholders across Africa. It conducts multi-country research, promotes standardised data collection, and compiles country-specific statistics to guide evidence-based decisions. The pillar also strengthens digital platforms to share findings accessibly, while monitoring National Action Plans and the AU Plan of Action on Albinism. Through robust data and storytelling, AAN ensures evidence drives policy change and amplifies voices.

Situation Analysis of Persons with Albinism Report in Ghana

We officially launched the Human Rights Situation Analysis Report in Ghana, uncovering the gap between national human rights commitments and the lived realities of persons with albinism. The report documents how stigma and policy gaps hinder access to health, education, and employment. It calls for a National Action Plan aligned with African Union frameworks, legislative reforms, and public awareness to ensure persons with albinism lead protected, dignified lives. [Read the report](#)

The launch of this report on the human rights situation of persons with albinism is a crucial step in addressing the challenges confronting persons with albinism in Ghana.

Michael Sumaila, representing the Chief of Staff, Office of the President, Government of Ghana.

Access To Justice for Persons with Albinism: Challenges and Solutions in Zambia

The report Access to Justice for Persons with Albinism: Challenges and Solutions in Zambia was launched at the Zambia Learning Forum. It examines the barriers persons with albinism face in Zambia's justice system, including harmful beliefs, physical attacks, and gaps in health and education. Despite existing human rights frameworks, law enforcement and legislative shortcomings persist. The report calls for stronger national laws, comprehensive action plans, and improved data collection to strengthen the justice sector and safeguard the rights and safety of persons with albinism. [View the report.](#)



RESEARCH & DATA

Bridging Research and Rights: The 1st World Forum on Skin Cancer

In October 2025, the 1st World Forum on Skin Cancer bridged global research with health policy. Following the WHO's historic inclusion of sunscreen on the Essential Medicines List, AAN helped translate this milestone into a prioritized action plan. Executive Director Bonface Massah emphasized using National Action Plans (NAPs) as evidence-based frameworks to guide policy, ensuring global health achievements are integrated into national legislation to save lives across Africa.



SUSTAINED ORGANIZATIONAL GROWTH

Focused on organisational resilience and long-term sustainability, this pillar strengthens AAN's operations, funding base, and leadership capacity to ensure lasting impact for persons with albinism across Africa. It diversifies funding streams, expands budgets, and explores social enterprise opportunities for multi-year growth. The pillar also builds a skilled team, enhances systems and structures, and ensures inclusive representation across languages and regions, positioning AAN as a credible, capable advocate and thought leader.

Growing Our Team and Board Leadership

In 2025, AAN continued to strengthen its organisational capacity through the addition of two new personnel members, Achileus Tardzenyuy Dzevernuy (Human Rights Officer) and Namcheja Maghembe (Communications Officer), as well as two new Board members, Thandi Chuma and Judith Rovers. This expansion brought in additional skills, perspectives, and experience that strengthen the organisation's ability to deliver its work and respond to evolving priorities. It also supports more effective oversight and decision-making as AAN continues to grow its reach and influence across Africa. Further details about our team and leadership are available on the [Our Team page](#).



We are grateful for the generous financial contributions of our funding partners and our partnerships with various organizations and human rights defenders with albinism who have supported our work in 2025.

Funding Partners

- Disability Rights Fund
- Ford Foundation
- Global Greengrants Fund
- Liliane Fonds
- Under the Same Sun

Partner Organizations and Entities

- Adonai Studios
- CBM Global Disability Inclusion
- Center for Human Rights – University of Pretoria
- Cheshire Homes Society of Zambia
- Climate Action Network (CAN)
- Human Rights Watch
- International Commission of Jurists (ICJ)
- International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)
- KanariMagik
- Lumen East Africa
- O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law
- Prime Progress Nigeria
- Smile Child Organization
- Tamarind Language Services
- UNESCO Namibia
- University of Free State
- UN Independent Expert on Albinism
- UN Women East and Southern Africa Regional Office
- Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
- West Africa Democracy Radio (WADR)

Human Rights Defenders with Albinism

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- Grace Wabanhu
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- Maseka Lumayi
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- Nonstikelelo Loteni
- Souradji Ouro-Yandou
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Organizations of Persons with Albinism

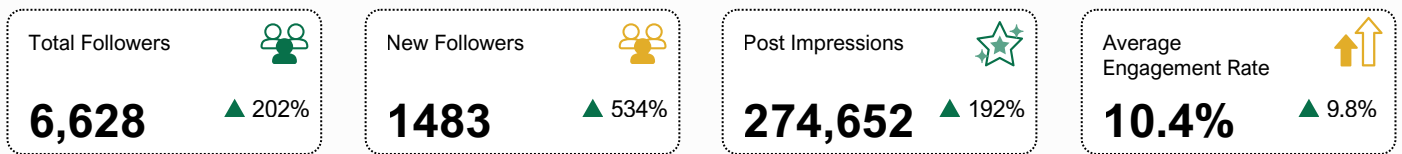
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- Albinism Association of Nigeria
- Albinism Foundation of Zambia (AFZ)
- Albinism Royal Foundation
- Albinism Umbrella
- Association of Persons with Albinism in Malawi (APAM)
- Advocacy for Persons with Albinism Network (APAN)
- Engage Now Africa
- Fundação Joel Tchombosi
- Ghana Association of Persons with Albinism (GAPA)
- Mothering & Albinism
- National Albinism Organizations Network of Zimbabwe (NAONZ)
- National Albinism Taskforce of South Africa (NATF)
- Standing Voice
- Same As You Foundation
- L'Association Nationale des Albinos du Togo (ANAT)
- Tanzania Albinism Society (TAS)

Individual Collaborators

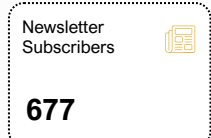
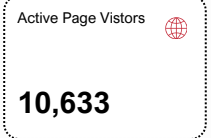
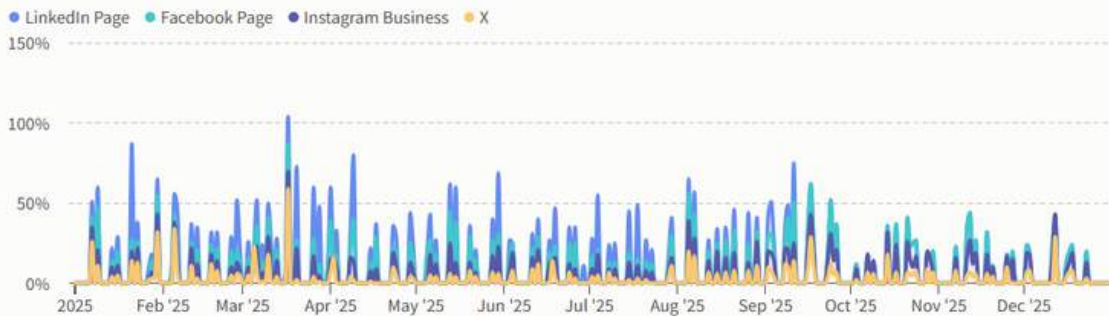
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SOCIAL MEDIA

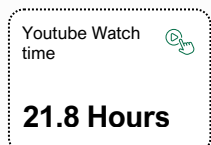
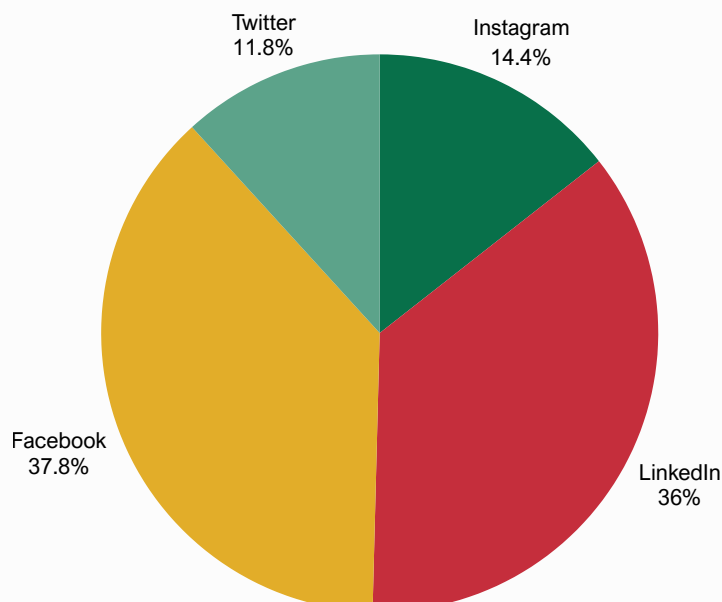
This year, our digital platforms saw strong growth. Through consistent content and strategic storytelling, we expanded our online community and increased our visibility. Audience numbers and reach grew across all channels, and despite a decline in reactions, engagement rates improved, showing that our content is resonating with our audiences. Beyond social media, our wider digital presence also strengthened, with sustained website traffic, growing newsletter subscribers and continued video engagement.



Average Post Engagement



Follower Distribution by Platform



FINANCIAL

EXPENSES (\$ US)	2025
Human Rights Advocacy	84,597.88
Capacity Development	113,707.00
Research & Data	28,199.29
Sustainable and Organisational Growth	55,381.99
Administration & Governance	85,078.09
Total Expenditure	366,964.42

Breakdown of Expenses

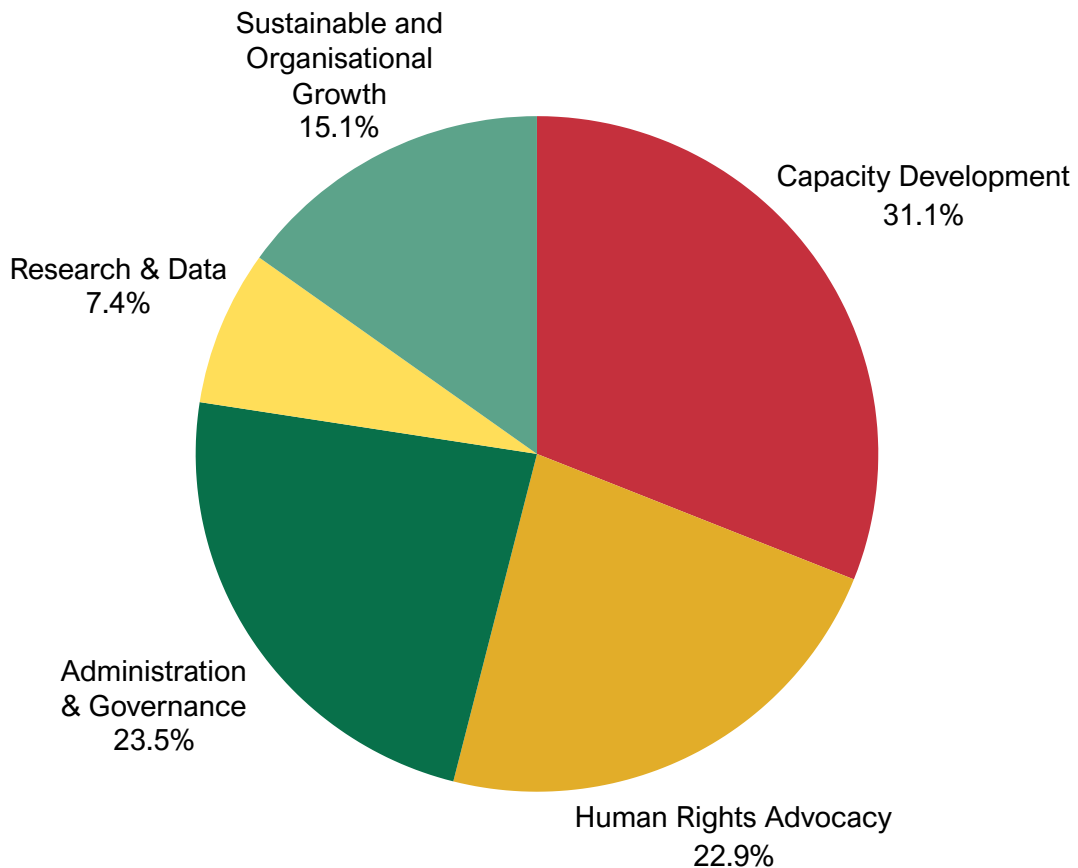


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