

2019 Annual Report



African Population and
Health Research Center

Partnering to transform lives in Africa

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Word from the Board Chair and the Executive Director



Tamara Fox
Board Chair



Catherine Kyobutungi
Executive Director

As a Center, we have remained steadfast in our commitment to drive the continent's health and population policy agenda backed by research evidence. However, to do so alone would be impossible, and so we have come to rely on one of our guiding principles; that of collaboration with partners to achieve our objectives.

That's why in 2019 we celebrate the partnerships that have shaped our work. Partnerships that have set us on the path to impact, partnerships for mutual learning, for growth and for driving change.

We thank you, our supporters and partners for walking with us in 2019 and hope that you enjoy seeing what we have achieved together.

Achievements in 2019



Opened our West Africa Regional Office in Dakar, Senegal. The office will anchor our research, capacity strengthening and advocacy work in the West and Central Africa region.



Officially launched our residential training facility 'Ulwazi Place.' The new facility will be a place where knowledge is sought, created and shared.



Deepened our partnerships with regional bodies with a focus on getting research evidence into decision-making spaces including regional parliamentary bodies in East, West and Southern Africa.



Started 28 new projects. Among them is one that explores girls' education in Senegal which will be the first to be run from the West Africa Regional Office.



Co-hosted the first Kenya Sanitation Conference where the government committed to invest Ksh. 80 billion in the next three years towards the rehabilitation and expansion of sewage infrastructure in the country.



Hosted our first-ever cancer symposium which served as a precursor for launching a multi-stakeholder partnership for cancer prevention and control in Kenya.

Partnerships for Impact

The Center has stayed abreast of discourses on population health and well-being at the global, regional and national levels with the intent to embrace emerging development priorities. Prior to the 25th International Conference on Population and Development, APHRC led a consortium of global advocacy and technical agencies in convening over 300 young activists from 50 countries across the globe for a boot camp-style skills-building workshop aimed to provide a grounding not only in the ICPD agenda but also in the advocacy skills needed to accelerate the promise of achieving the targets in the agenda. We remain committed to giving a voice to the young people - in a bid to make sure that decision-making about their health and wellbeing takes their needs and interests into consideration.

From inception to execution, our work is nurturing collaboration and cooperation with civil society, government agencies, and regional bodies to ensure that policy-relevant evidence helps identify constraints to implementation of existing policies. In 2019, we began to carve out a path as knowledge partners for the Southern Africa Development Community (SADC) and East African Community (EAC). We contributed to dialogue on new regional policies on Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights providing insights into the barriers faced by young people and, sexual and gender minorities in their quest to access sexual reproductive health services. Through this process, we worked hand in hand to develop the SADC scorecard and contributed to the guidance for the EAC- SRHR policy.

By embracing our core value of collaboration, we are showing that we can achieve more together than we ever could working alone. We see evidence of our impact at national, regional and continental levels. Our research was used in Kenya's High Court ruling on access to safe abortion; by the African Union to inform their common position on aging; within regional economic communities, and in country-level decision-making. Our work in the Immunization Advocacy Initiative (IAI) is supporting civil society networks to advocate for increased domestic financing for immunization programmes in three countries.



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Partnerships for Learning

Through our Immunization Advocacy Initiative (IAI), we have weaved a pan-African web of advocates committed to universal access to immunization as a fundamental requirement for stronger, more resilient health systems and, by extension, societies. This year, not only did we co-create a research agenda with these civil society networks, but with our support, they finally embarked on implementing their advocacy strategies to push for more domestic resources for immunization programs.

As our flagship fellowship program, the Consortium for the Advancement of Research Training in Africa (CARTA) approaches its 10th anniversary, we embarked on a process to document the program's impact and learnings. This evaluation, complemented by empirical research will be pivotal for the program as we evaluate its success and prepare for the next 10 years. Stay tuned for the results!

Through our expertise, we are not only sharing what we do, but how we do it. This year alone, we had over 115 publications, facilitated 20 workshops and trainings across the continent and beyond, to enhance the skills of African scholars, not only in research but also in policy engagement.

Our team of African researchers also began to make headway into national, regional and global forums in line with our belief that knowledge that is translated is more widely disseminated. From facilitating trainings at the Mawazo Institute to being selected as panelists at the International Conference on Population and Development, we seized every opportunity to participate in invaluable knowledge exchange experiences.



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Partnerships for Growth

2019 was a year of monumental infrastructural growth for the Center. November marked a milestone for the institution as we launched the Ulwazi Place, our new residential training facility.

However, our growth not only extended within Kenya, but beyond. We officially cemented our presence in West Africa, through a new regional office in Dakar, Senegal marking the culmination of our expansion efforts into the region after nearly two decades of research across the continent.

Through the Policy Engagement and Communications Division, we approached new terrain as we began to forge new partnerships with a growing network of collaborators in media outlets, both local and international. From lending our expertise to discussion panels at the Kusi Ideas Festival alongside three African presidents, to Kenya's first National Leadership Forum on Sanitation - we are expanding not only the Center's areas of operations, but also the types of engagements that are expected from a truly African institution.

Partnerships with outlets such as The Conversation Africa made us realize that it is not enough to simply publish but to define our research impact broadly. Our researchers have a platform to translate their knowledge into journalistic material that can be consumed by different audiences.

In the last year alone, over 40 articles were published garnering over 100,000 readers globally. Such growth is allowing us to position ourselves as the continent's go-to resource hub for all things population and wellbeing.

THE NEXT
YEARS IN
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Partnerships for Change

Central to the Center's work is our vision to transform lives in Africa through research. The only way to do so is through inspiring change. APHRC remains committed to maintaining our strong roots in communities not only in the slums of Nairobi but across the continent. As part of our holistic approach to improving learning outcomes for the urban poor, we began expanding the scope of an initiative for adolescent girls to transition to secondary school, to include boys for the first time. Though the project was initially targeted at young girls, engagements with community members, schools, and community-based organizations pointed to the need for the inclusion of boys hence the shift to encompass both.

In 2019, we also delved deeper into understanding the challenges faced by adolescent girls in informal settlements. Through our Maternal and Child Wellbeing Unit, we consulted adolescent mothers, parents, community leaders, representatives and organizations to develop an information toolkit to effectively shield and protect adolescent mothers and their peers against mental health-related risks during pregnancy and early motherhood. Emerging evidence from the project will bring to fore adolescent maternal mental health that could help inform revisions of Kenya's policies.

Harnessing the power of local media to amplify community voices on issues affecting them is another way we are achieving change. Within the Urbanization and Wellbeing unit, we partnered with Slums Information Development and Resource Centers (SIDAREC) and Slum TV to inspire dialogue on best sanitation and hygiene practices within communities.



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Income

2019 Income- \$8,560,531



■ Restricted Income- \$14,264,182
■ Unrestricted Income- \$4,296,349

INCOME IN 2018

\$16,400,472



13.2% increase in income

INCOME IN 2019

\$18,560,531

	Restricted	Unrestricted	2019	2018
Grant Income	\$14,264,182	\$3,107,497	\$17,371,679	\$15,251,044
Other Income	-	\$1,012,067	\$1,012,067	\$950,847
Total Income	\$14,264,182	\$4,119,564	\$18,383,746	\$16,201,891

Expenditure

2019 Expenditure - \$18,421,779



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EXPENDITURE 2018
\$15,176,393

21.4% increase in expenditure

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Sources of Expenditure	Restricted	Unrestricted	2019	2018
Direct Programme Expenses	\$14,64,182	\$1,008,292	\$15,72,474	\$12,890,493
Administration & Support Costs	-	\$3,149,305	\$3,149,305	\$2,285,900
Total Expenditure	\$14,264,182	\$4,157,597	\$18,421,779	\$15,176,393
Surplus	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total 2019	Total 2018
Net Operating Income	-	\$38,033	\$38,033	\$1,025,498
Finance Income	-	\$176,785	\$176,785	\$198,581
Total Surplus	-	\$138,752	\$138,752	\$1,224,079
Other Comprehensive Income, Net of Tax	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total 2019	Total 2018
Total Comprehensive Income	-	\$138,752	\$138,752	\$1,224,079

Assets

2019 Assets - \$28,819,798



Non Current Assets	2019	2018
Property and Equipment	\$13,146,771	\$8,569,330
Intangible Assets	\$147,955	\$1,616
Total Non Current Assets	\$13,294,726	\$8,570,946

Current Assets	2019	2018
Cash and Bank Balances	\$13,030,647	\$11,395,452
Debtors and Deposits	\$1,029,593	\$909,303
Grant Receivable	\$1,464,832	\$1,449,341
Total Current Assets	\$15,525,072	\$13,754,096
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Fund Balances and Liabilities

	2019	2018
Fund Balances	\$14,394,430	\$11,559,767

	2019	2018
Non-Current Liabilities		
Development Bank Loan	\$1,250,000	-

	2019	2018
Current Liabilities		
Deferred Grants	\$11,802,200	\$9,880,712
Creditors and Accruals	\$1,373,168	\$884,563
Total Liabilities	\$14,425,368	\$10,765,275

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