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Gender Agenda in Social Equity Debates in Kenya

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Flone Initiative is a women-led organization, working towards the creation of safe, sustainable and accessible public transportation spaces for women and vulnerable groups in Africa, by influencing behavioral change, generating knowledge and movement-building.

We envision a world where everyone is able to experience all freedoms of mobility.





Moving Barriers Program

Movement Building:

➤ Moving Barrier Working Group consisting of government agencies, organisations for and of people with disabilities

1. Sub working group 1 A: disability inclusion practices among the PSV owners, operators and staff.
2. Sub working group 2 : Address policy gaps
3. Sub working group 3 : advocacy campaigns
4. Sub working group 4: Users with disabilities



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Knowledge generation:

- Study report: Accessibility of public transport for persons with disability in Nairobi metropolitan Area
- Policy Brief: the need for inclusive transport.
- Guidebook for Supporting and Interacting with Persons with Disabilities (English and Swahili version)
- Study report: Moving Barriers, Increasing Access: An Assessment of the Mobility of Women with Disabilities and Elderly Women



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Influencing Behavioural Change:

- Advocacy campaigns: Billboards, matatu stickers, TV interviews, online campaigns
- Self advocacy trainings with persons with disabilities
- Community dialogues between SACCOs and persons with disabilities
- Training public transport operators on how to interact and support persons with disabilities
- Sign language classes for Women in Transport professionals



Recommendations to Engineers

Legal – Acts clear, all Sectors need to comply since Human Rights require access be availed to everyone in society

Technical – Data must drive our actions, collect, collate, understand, synthesize and use for decisions that are made

Social – Transport is an enabler for participation in society and hence all should access everywhere

Operational – Matatu support Frameworks, Enforcement, Education of the teams

Policy – National/County and Institutional level policies must be developed and respected

Barrier Removal – must be a collaborative effort



Way Forward

- Collaborations are the solutions to modern day challenges
- Flone is available to partner with KeNHA and all Road Authorities in Advocacy, lobbying, research, public engagements and other studies
- We request Engineers to participate in our organized activities



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