

- in Suriname, 1,500 women were screened for cervical cancer;
- in Paraguay, 1,457 children under 15 years of age were screened for Chagas disease; and
- in Guyana and Paraguay, over 305,200 people received de-worming treatment.

The Public Health Agency of Canada is funding the Pan American Health Organization for a four-year project to assess and strengthen capacity on non-communicable diseases and risk factor surveillance in eastern Caribbean countries. The project is using a social-determinants-of-health lens, which focuses on factors such as income, education and employment. It is also focusing on the World Health Organization's Global Monitoring Framework indicators. The project's ultimate goal is to build institutional capacity on non-communicable diseases and risk factor surveillance. This would increase the effectiveness of national non-communicable disease and risk factor surveillance programs. It would also reduce premature mortality stemming from non-communicable diseases in eastern Caribbean countries.

CANADA'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION

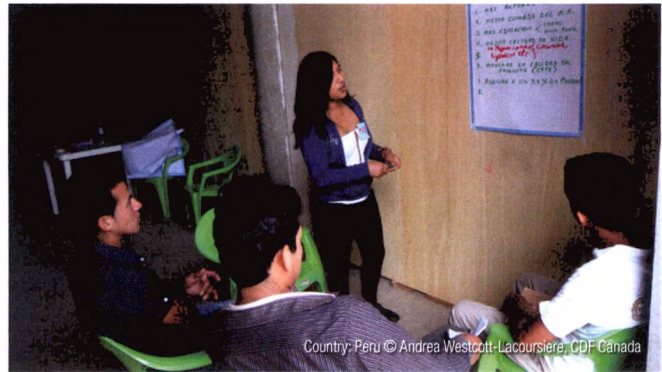
Canada supports the Inter-Parliamentary Union Gender Equality Program. The program helps increase the political empowerment of women parliamentarians by facilitating their access to parliaments and strengthening their capacity to participate in decision making. The program also enhances the ability of parliaments to address women's rights and implement gender-sensitive reforms and legislation. In 2017, Canada contributed approximately \$750,000 to the union. Among other activities, the union conducted gender capacity-building workshops in Côte d'Ivoire and Kenya and supported the Tanzania Women Parliamentary Group in its effort to develop a mentorship program. It also engaged with the Mauritania women's parliamentary caucus to empower its members to intervene on gender-based violence and draft reproductive health laws.

ENGAGING WITH CANADIAN PARTNERS

Canadian partners play a critical role in Canada's international development efforts.

In 2017-2018, Global Affairs Canada leveraged expertise, networks and resources by funding over 270 Canadian civil society organizations (CSOs) in the six action areas of Canada's Feminist International Assistance Policy. Partners include:

- civil society organizations;
- colleges and universities;



CO-OPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION OF CANADA

"A lot of youth dream about leaving to go to other cities in Peru or abroad and don't see the opportunities that cooperatives like INPROCAFE can offer small farmers here in Jaén. Even though I grew up farming coffee, since my parents gave me a hectare of land to farm myself and I joined the INPROCAFE, I have learned so much through the training offered by the organization about how to manage my plot using organic techniques, harvesting of rainwater, preserving the soil through agro-forestry and incorporating small animals into the farm for natural fertilizer. The cooperative brings the community together to work for a more prosperous future and can provide good economic opportunities for youth, even if many people don't see it like this. Through the income I have made in the cooperative, I have been able to pay my university tuition. Even though I want to work as a lawyer when I finish my degree, my goal is to find a job in Jaén so that I can keep farming and invest money in my farm. Farming will provide me with an additional income and a place to be in nature, grow my own produce, raise animals for meat free of chemicals and hormones and allow me to be close to my family as my parents get older. I want to pass on the values that my parents have taught me as small farmers, like being a good steward of the land, preserving it for future generations and growing fruits and vegetables on my own plot so that we can be more self-sufficient."

—Marly, 23-year-old university law student and second-generation organic coffee farmer, Peru

- municipalities;
- cooperatives;
- professional associations;
- private sector organizations; and
- others, such as foundations and think tanks.

These diverse partners participate in a range of development and public engagement activities. They also lend their expertise to Global Affairs