at National, Provincial, Local and International level. Various forums at all levels are contributing in KK’s efforts for women empowerment.

KK also acknowledges the efforts, technical and moral support of philanthropists, partner communities and many individuals who are equal partners in KK’s success and achievements.

**KK’s Future Plan**

KK’s approach is “first consolidate and then expand”.

Based upon this approach, KK intends to further expand its operation in Khyber Pukhtoonkhwa and develop KK as a resource organization, to cater for the needs of partner communities and organization in the fields of KK’s intervention.

**KK’s Honour**

On the basis of prestigious services and contribution for uplifting and empowerment of women throughout Khyber Pukhtoonkhwa and FATA areas various awards has been conferred by Govt of Pakistan and international human rights organizations includes:

- Sitara-i-Imtiaz, (A highest Civil National Award by President of Pakistan).
- UN Recognition Awards.
- Human Rights Award from the International Labor Organization (ILO).
- The Chief Executive Ms. Maryam Bibi was nominated for 2005 Nobel Prize among 1000 women.
- The Fatima Jinnah award 2003 for the Chief Executive of KK.
- IUCN outstanding women award to the Chief Executive of KK.
Introduction
Khwendo Kor (KK) (the name means ‘sisters’ Home’) is a non-partisan, non-governmental organization. It was established in the 1993, registered under Pakistan society act 1860 and works in the Province of Khyber Pukhtoonkha and FATA (Federally Administered Tribal Areas). It has successfully managed and worked consistently in FATA to promote the well-being of women and children.

The nature of KK’s work depends on the establishment of working partnerships with local people over an extended period of time. It also depends on the establishment of links with other key partners, such as government line departments, local councils and other NGOs. KK believes that there are strong reasons for continuing to work in the same areas as before and expand slowly from this base.

KK has one international Partner Organization viz UK-Friends of Khwendo Kor (UK FROK). FROK was established in 2001 and was registered as a charity in 2002. FROK is contributing towards developing the self-reliance of KK by provision of technical assistance, fund raising, establishing strategic linkages and facilitating exchange visits.

KK’s Purpose
Rights for All; Empowered communities, especially women and children; Ajust and equitable Society.

KK’s Vision
We aspire to sustain and strengthen Khwendo Kor to empower vulnerable communities, especially women and children, to effectively demand their rights and contribute to a just and equitable society.

KK’s Values
Khwendo Kor is a values-based organization and believes in practicing transparency, mutual respect, gender sensitivity, honesty & integrity, impartiality, accountability and participation.

KK’s Approach
KK’s approach is to seek the active involvement of communities and partner organizations, its development work is owned by local communities and the Partner Organizations. KK will continue to work within an international framework of human rights, gender equity, poverty alleviation and acknowledges the associated conventions, Laws & Treaties. KK believes in decentralization, which provides a conducive environment for teamwork at all levels of the organization. While at meso and micro level Khwendo Kor regional offices and community organizations including WOs (Women Organizations) and Mos (Men Organizations) are involve and takes decisions to implement KK’s programs effectively.

Khwendo Kor’s Thematic Focus.
Community Lead Social Services
Vulnerable communities, especially women and children, are capacitated to contribute to sustainable livelihoods.

Sustainable Livelihood
Vulnerable communities, especially women and children, are capacitated to contribute to sustainable livelihoods.

Relief and Rehabilitation
Provide effective and efficient responses to man-made and natural disasters.

Good Governance
Vulnerable communities - especially women and children are empowered to play an effective role in improving local, provincial and national governance.

Organizational Strengthening
Strengthen and improve KK’s governance, managerial and organizational capacity to pursue its purpose and vision on a sustainable basis.

Geographic Focus and Strengths.
At present KK has five Regional Programme Offices based in the Districts of Dir, Manshera, Karak, D.I. Khan and Peshawar. Its Head office is located at Peshawar the provincial capital of Khyber Pukhtoonkhwa. A liaison office is functioning in the national capital of the country at Islamabad. KK is working in more than 275 villages of Khyber Pukhtoonkhwa and FATA areas. It has about 300 regular employees, including female teachers, as well as technical, management, support and field staff.

These areas have already been selected because they have high needs and poor services or no services at all.

KK’s experience of the areas, track record and proven method of work make it an appropriate agency to carry out projects and programs in the remote areas of Khyber Pukhtoonkhwa and FATA areas, where development work is notoriously difficult.

KK’s Donors & Networks
KK acknowledges the financial support and guidance of all its donors for its completed and ongoing projects. About & more than 20 national & international donor agencies, philanthropist are supporting/ funding KK’s programmes. KK is also an active member of various forums and networks.