



Session 8: What is advocacy?



UNSW Forced Migration Research Network

Refugee women in leadership: Power through participation

What is advocacy?

Advocacy is about working to bring about positive change, for ourselves or others.

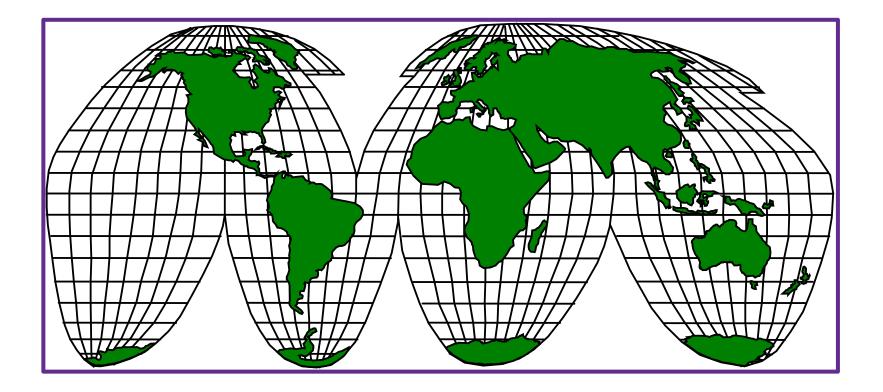
Lobbying is part of advocacy – it is about persuading people who have the power to bring about change.





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Advocacy can be local, national or international.





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Types of advocacy

- Seeking meetings with people in power
- Writing letters to people who may be able to help
- Speaking out about injustice whenever it is safe to do so
- Attending meetings and having your voice heard
- Community education
- Suggesting achievable solutions
- Taking opportunities to go outside the community to present your case or the case of those you are advocating for and with
- Documenting human rights violations



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