

WRITE FOR RIGHTS

ZIMBABWE

WOZA

'THE POWER OF LOVE CAN CONQUER THE LOVE OF POWER'

Women of Zimbabwe Arise (WOZA) was formed in 2003 to provide women with a united voice against the social, economic and human rights conditions in Zimbabwe. Since then WOZA members have been arrested, harassed and severely beaten by the police on many occasions simply for exercising their right to peaceful protest.

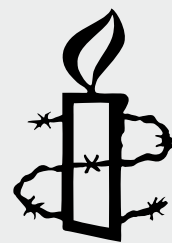
Pregnant women and mothers with babies and young children have been among those detained. Jenni Williams, WOZA's founder and national coordinator, has been arrested over 50 times.

Despite the risks, WOZA members continue to stand up for human rights. Every Valentine's Day they hand out roses with a message that sums up their ethos: 'The power of love can conquer the love of power'

■ www.amnesty.org.uk/woza



WOZA National Coordinator, Jenni Williams demonstrates the 'L is for Love' sign



SEND A SOLIDARITY CARD TO:

Families of WOZA Activists

c/o WOZA
PO Box FM701
Famona
Bulawayo
Zimbabwe

- **Preferred language** English, Shona or Ndebele
- **Salutation** Dear family members of a WOZA activist
- **Suggested message** I stand in solidarity with WOZA's human rights work.
- **Additional information** 29 November is Women Human Rights Defenders Day.

CAN I

- ✓ Send a religious card or message?
- ✓ Send an Amnesty card or mention Amnesty?
- ✓ Include my name and address?

'Amnesty is our big sister. When I'm in prison, if I know that someone, my big sister, is shouting for me, telling people about me, then I feel less distressed, less frightened, less alone.' **Jenni Williams**

SEND AN APPEAL LETTER TO:

Raise your concerns with Ambassador Gabriel Mharadze Machinga about the arbitrary arrest, intimidation, harassment and ill-treatment of WOZA activists.

Write to: Gabriel Mharadze Machinga
Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary
Embassy of the Republic of Zimbabwe
Zimbabwe House
429 Strand
London WC2E 0JE

Fax: 020 7379 1167
Email: zimlondon@yahoo.co.uk

Salutation: Your Excellency

In your letter:

- Express concern at the repeated arbitrary arrest, intimidation, harassment and ill-treatment of WOZA activists.
- Urge the authorities to respect the right to freedom of expression, association and assembly.
- Urge the authorities to open investigations into all reports of harassment of human rights defenders.