

Advancing the gender agenda in mainstream services

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***Is the local government in your area
addressing the social determinant of gender?***

If not, how can they?

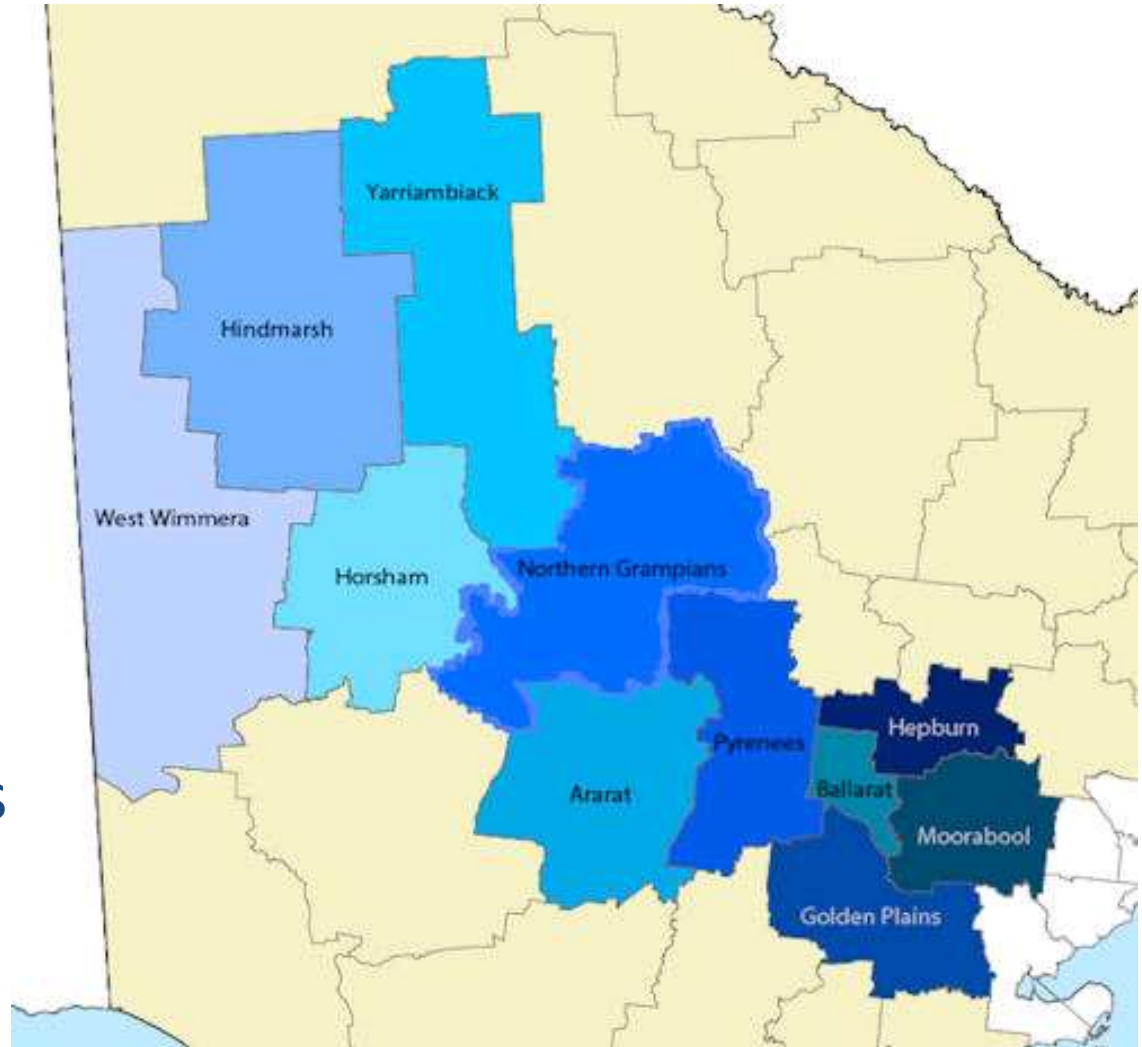
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1 of 12 Regional
Victorian Women's
Health Services

Funded by
Department of Health

11 Local Governments
Areas



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Engagement with 8 of 11 local governments

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Contributed to 6 of 11 local government municipal public health and wellbeing plans

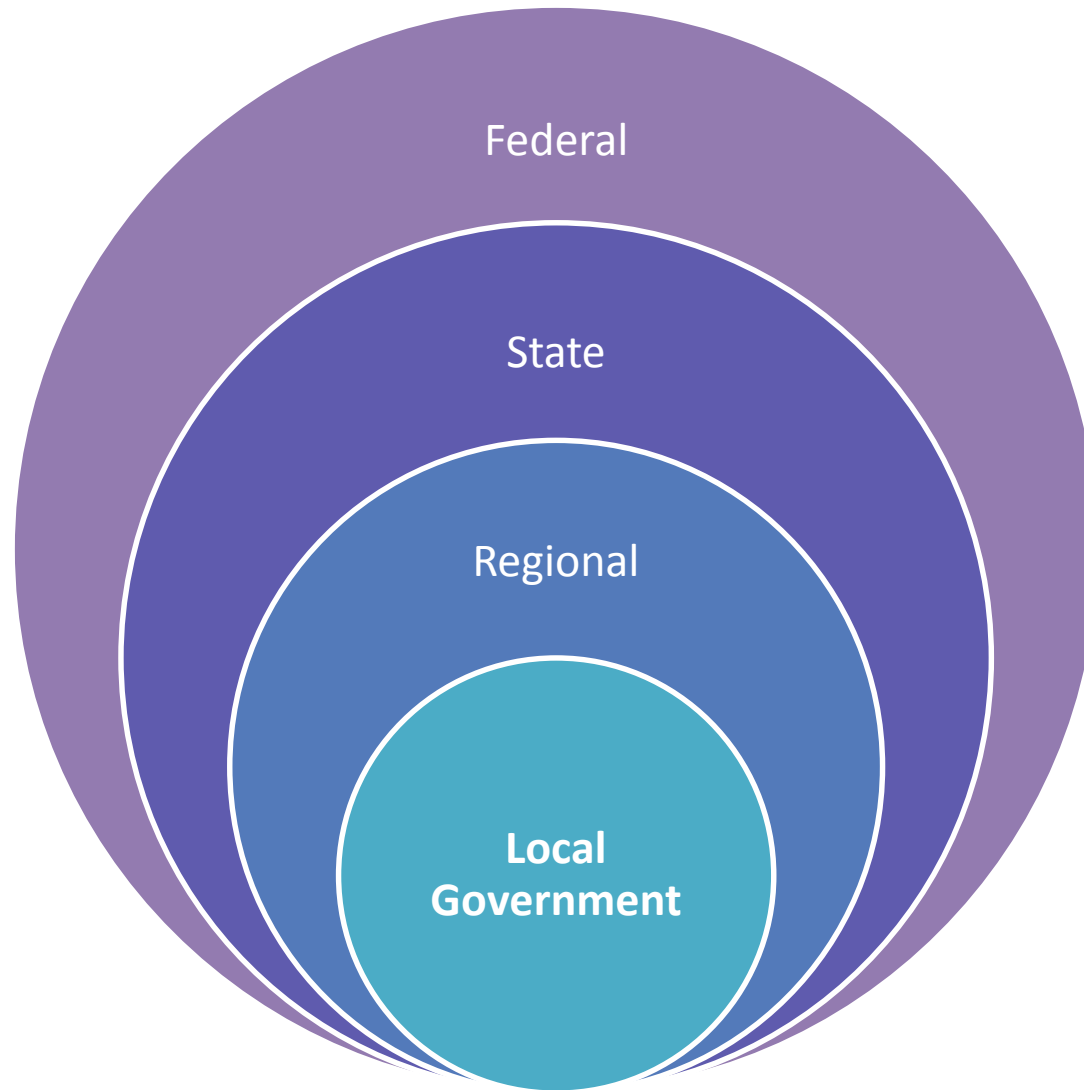
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Ongoing commitment with 5 of 11 local governments in relation to developing their municipal public health and wellbeing plan

20%

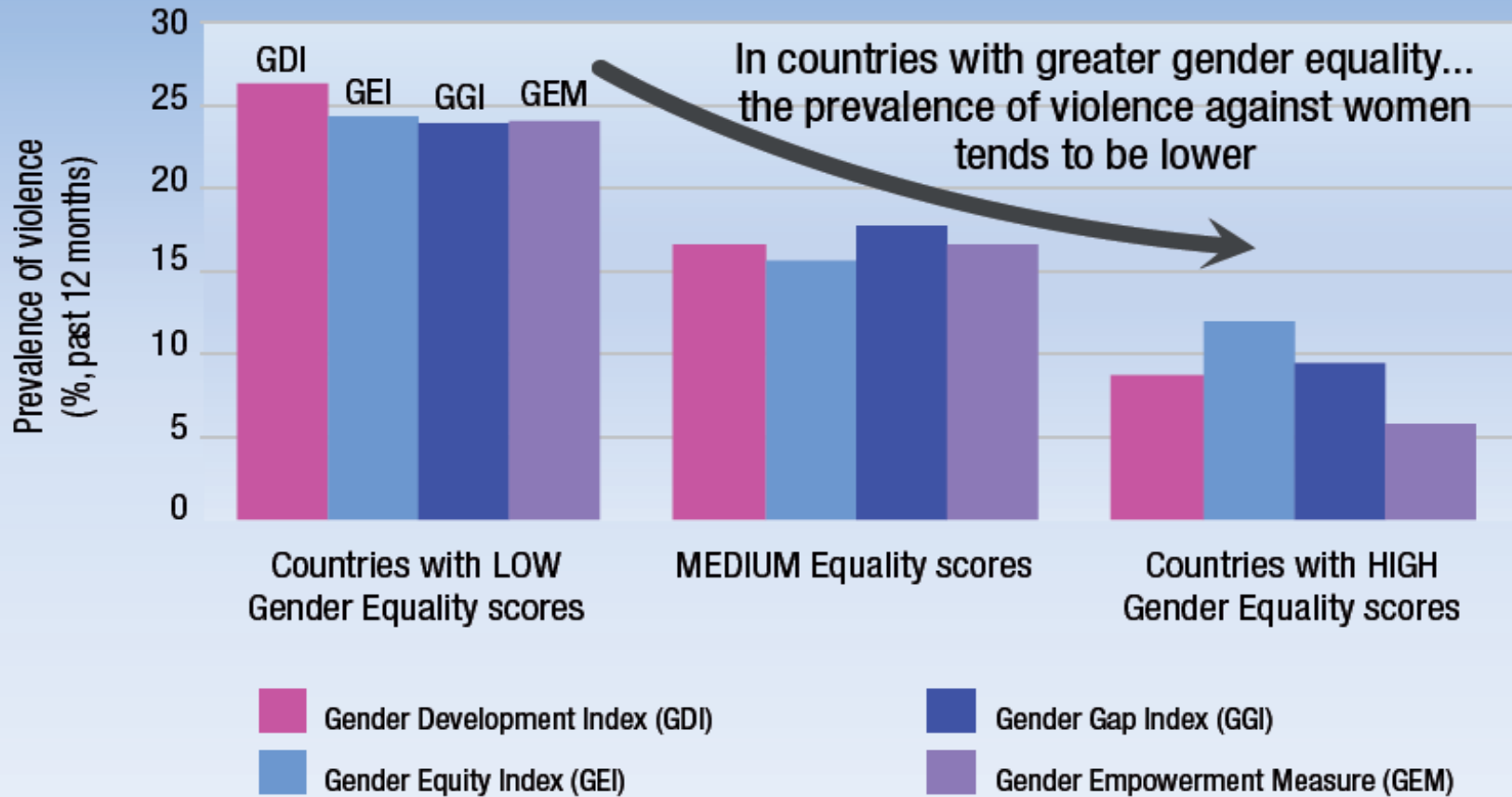
Engagement with 20% of councillors

Political and Policy Context



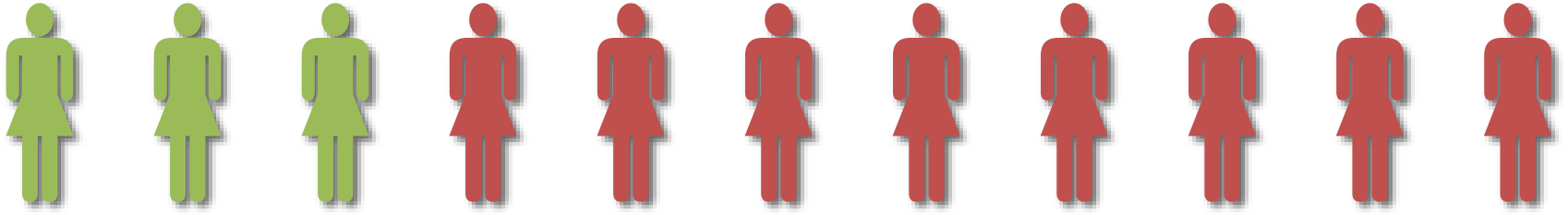


Physical and/or Sexual Intimate Partner Violence & Measures of Gender Equality (56 countries)



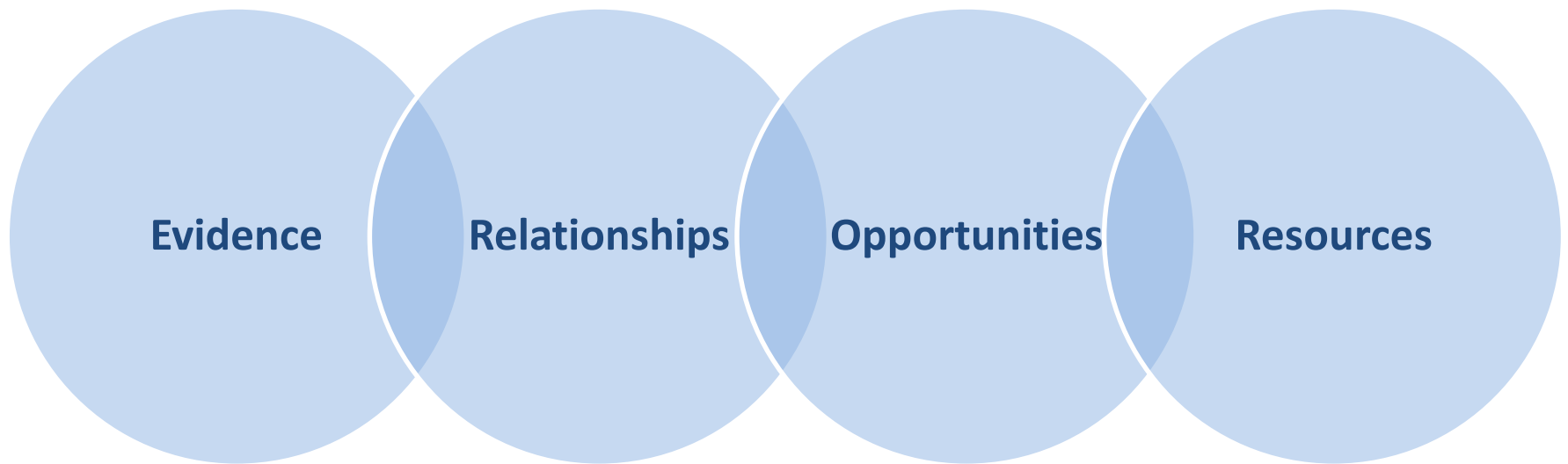
As the arm of government closest to the community
local government *are in a unique position*
to change gender inequality by
adopting gender equity *practices*

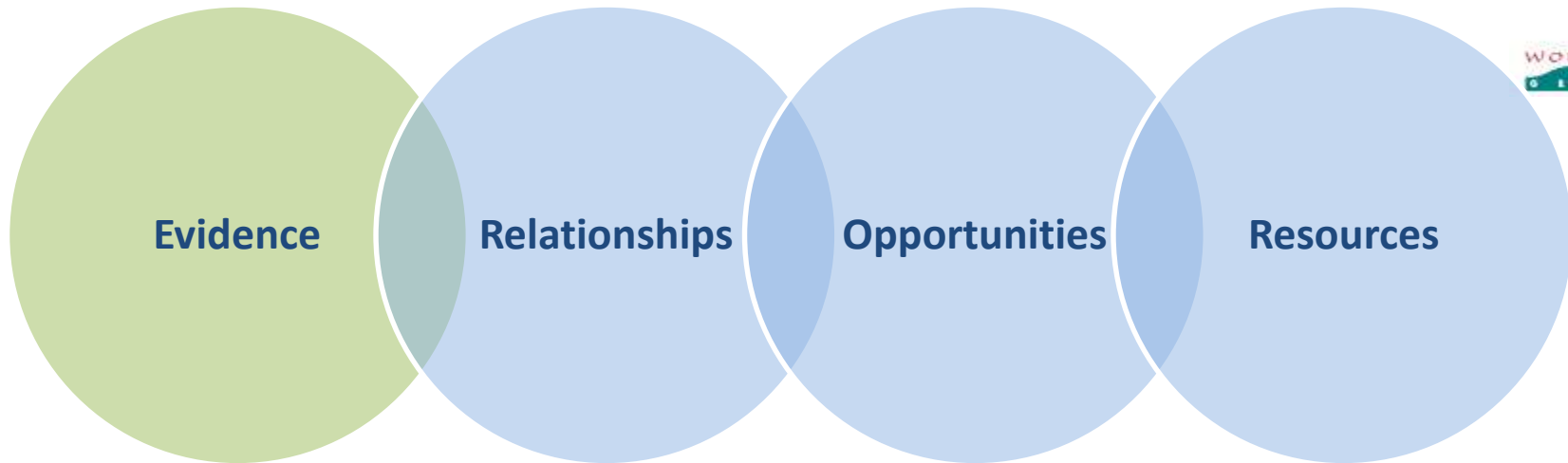
Consideration of Gender



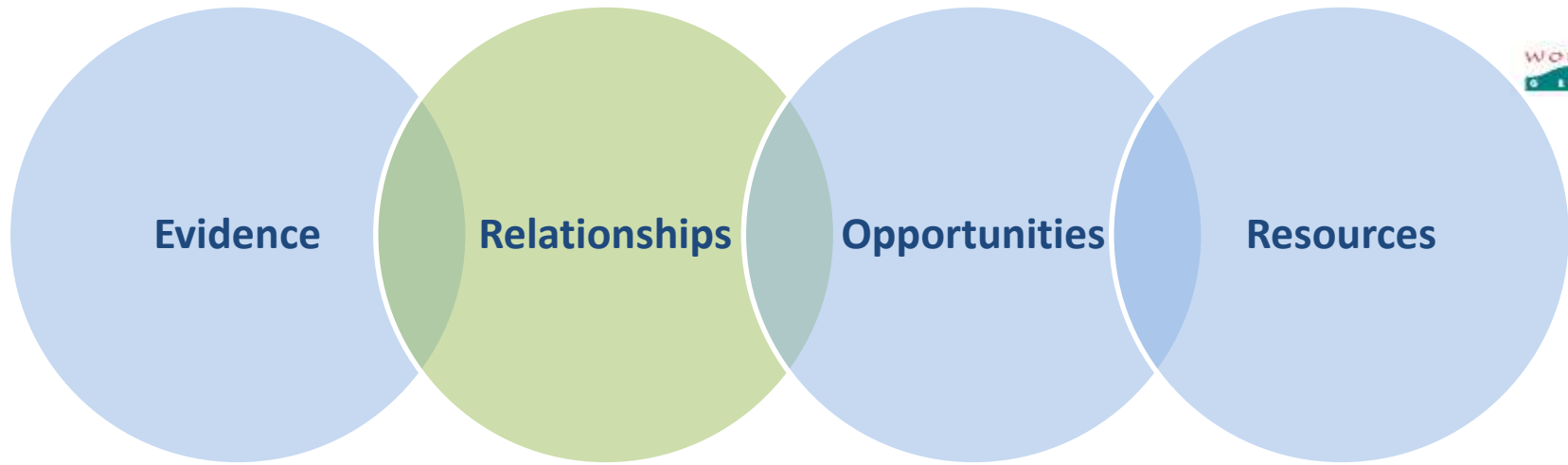
3 of 11 local governments in the Grampians region considered gender and/or women's health in their last Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan

Engaging Local Government

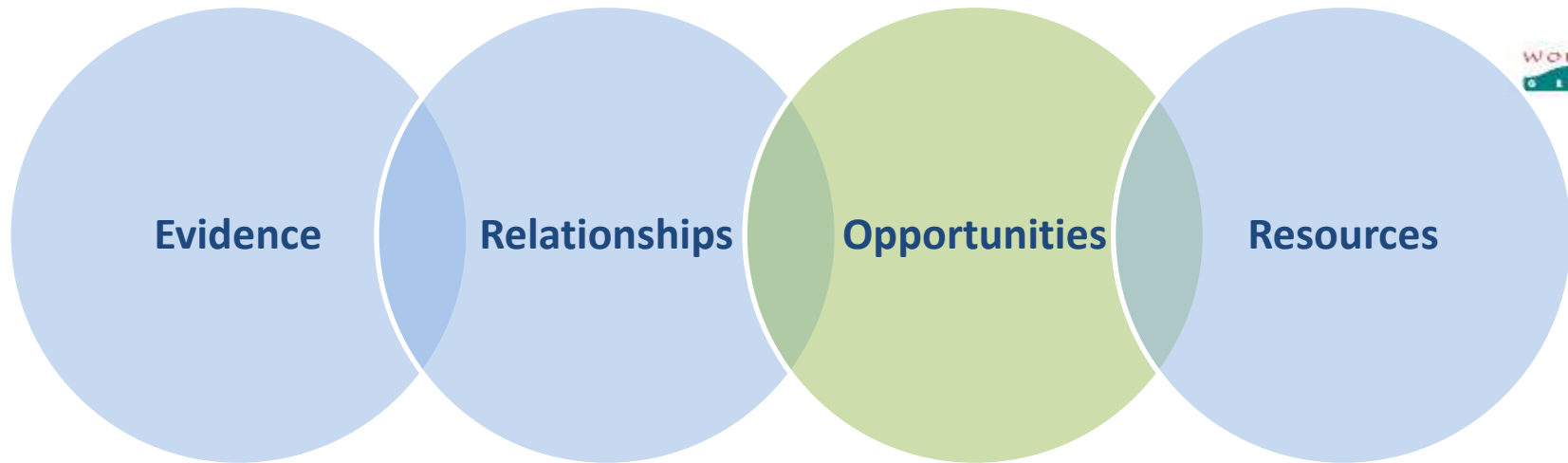




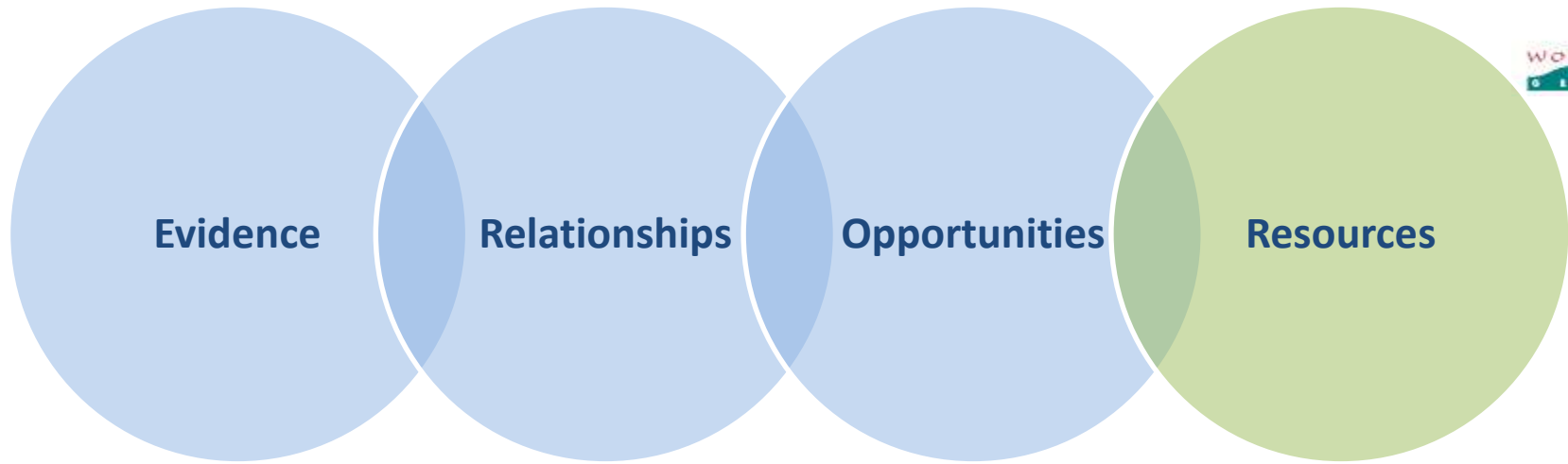
- Provide evidence relevant to local government
- WHG gendered data resource
 - Sex disaggregated fact sheets
 - WHG family violence data document
 - Distributed to local government CEO's



- Find a key contact
 - to progress gender within local government
 - to increase your organisation's knowledge of local government
- WHG dual strategy
 - Internal officer
 - Councillors

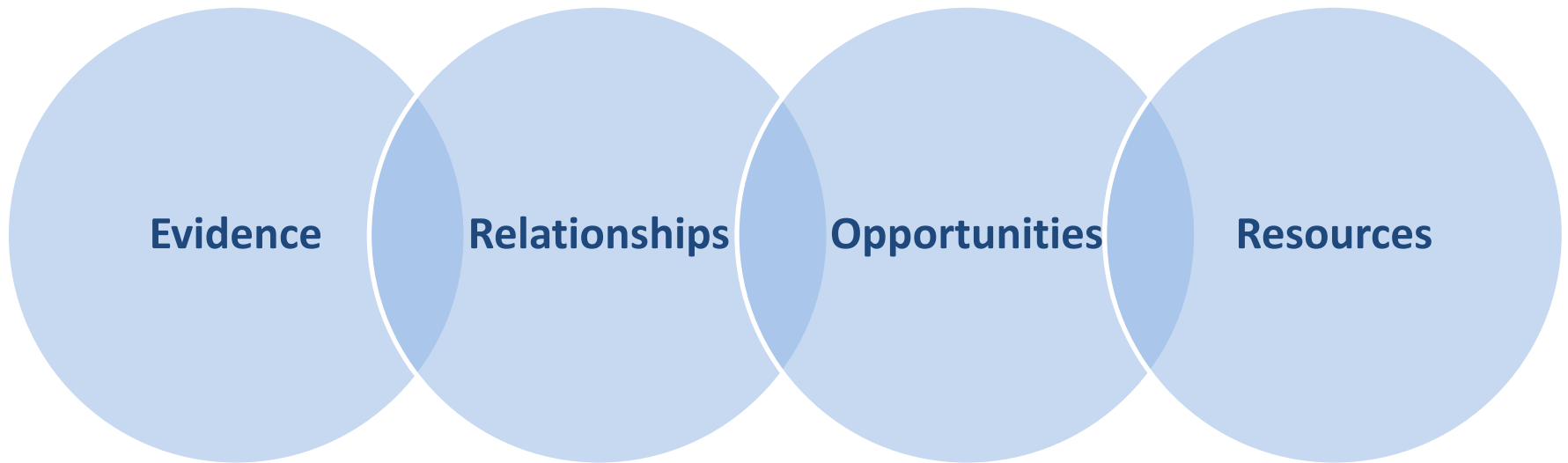


- Seize opportunities as they arise
- Opportunities to work with local governments who are 'engaged'
- Opportunities to participate in sessions to highlight the importance of gender



- **Resources: time, people, funding, skills and/or knowledge available**
 - For both the organisation you wish to influence and
 - Your own

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