

NEW WOMEN'S SHELTER IN THE REPUBLIC OF CONGO



New Age has recently partnered with the Ministry of Hydrocarbons in the construction of a women's shelter in the city of Madingou, in the southern part of the Republic of Congo. The shelter will assist women who have suffered abuse and sexual violence at the hands of militia during the civil wars of the 1990s. The shelter aims to provide advice, assistance and training to promote social integration.

A fundamental part of our investment strategy is that local communities benefit from our presence and our decision to invest in community projects is based upon direct consultation with local governments and communities, focussing on addressing their most pressing needs.



Our shelter in Madingou targets a population of circa 15,000 women and covers an area of 2,500 m² comprising a multi-purpose building with a sewing room and a library, an office annex and a covered recreational area. It was completed in 2018 using local contractors at a cost of US\$450,000 with a NewAge project manager overseeing the construction project.

The construction of women's shelters across the Republic of Congo is part of the Government's post-civil war programme, undertaken together with oil operators. Now that the building is finished, the running of the shelter will be the responsibility of the Government.



The opening ceremony was held on 25th October 2018 with His Excellency Jean Marc Thystere Tchicaya, Minister of Hydrocarbon and representatives from NewAge in attendance.