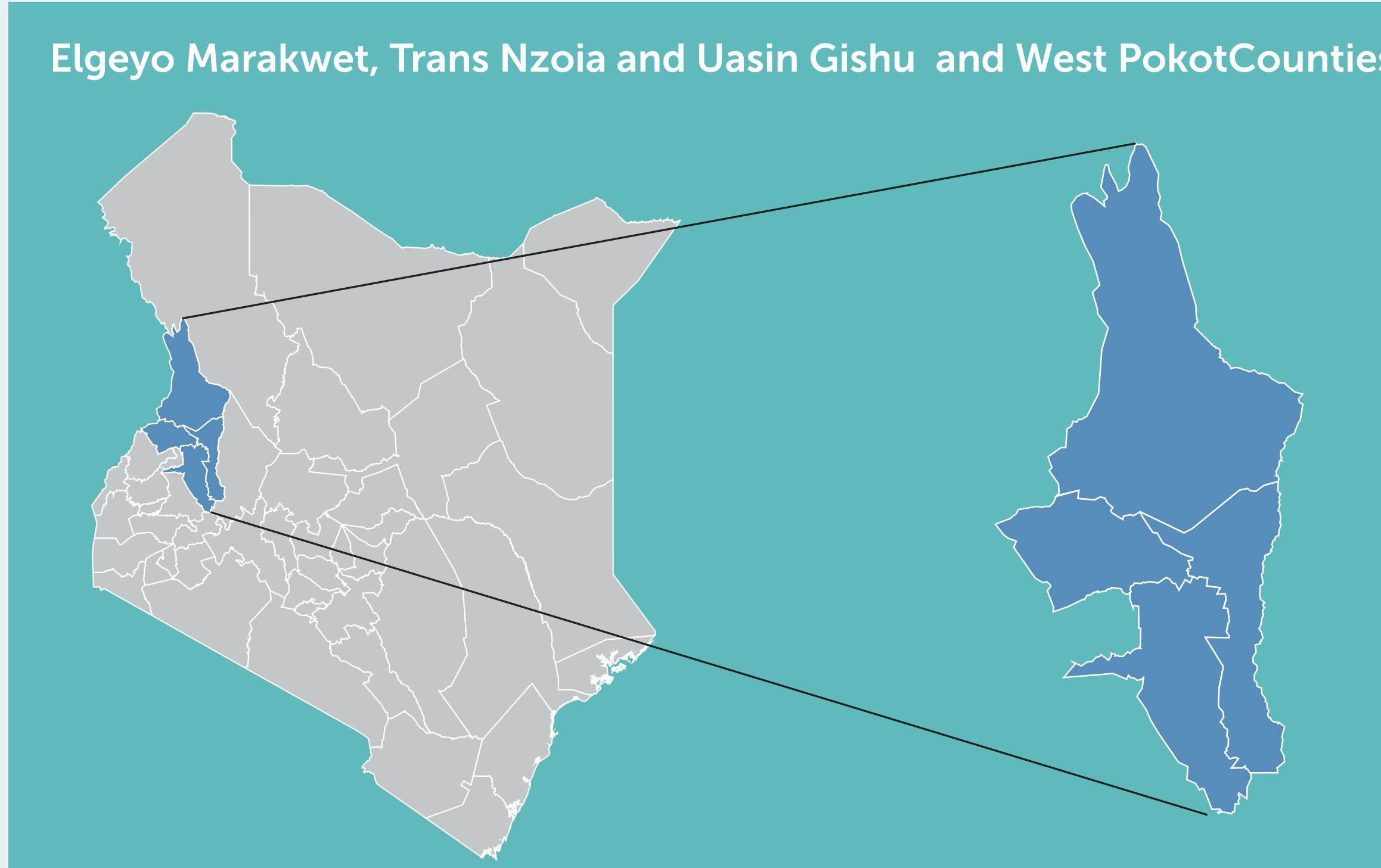
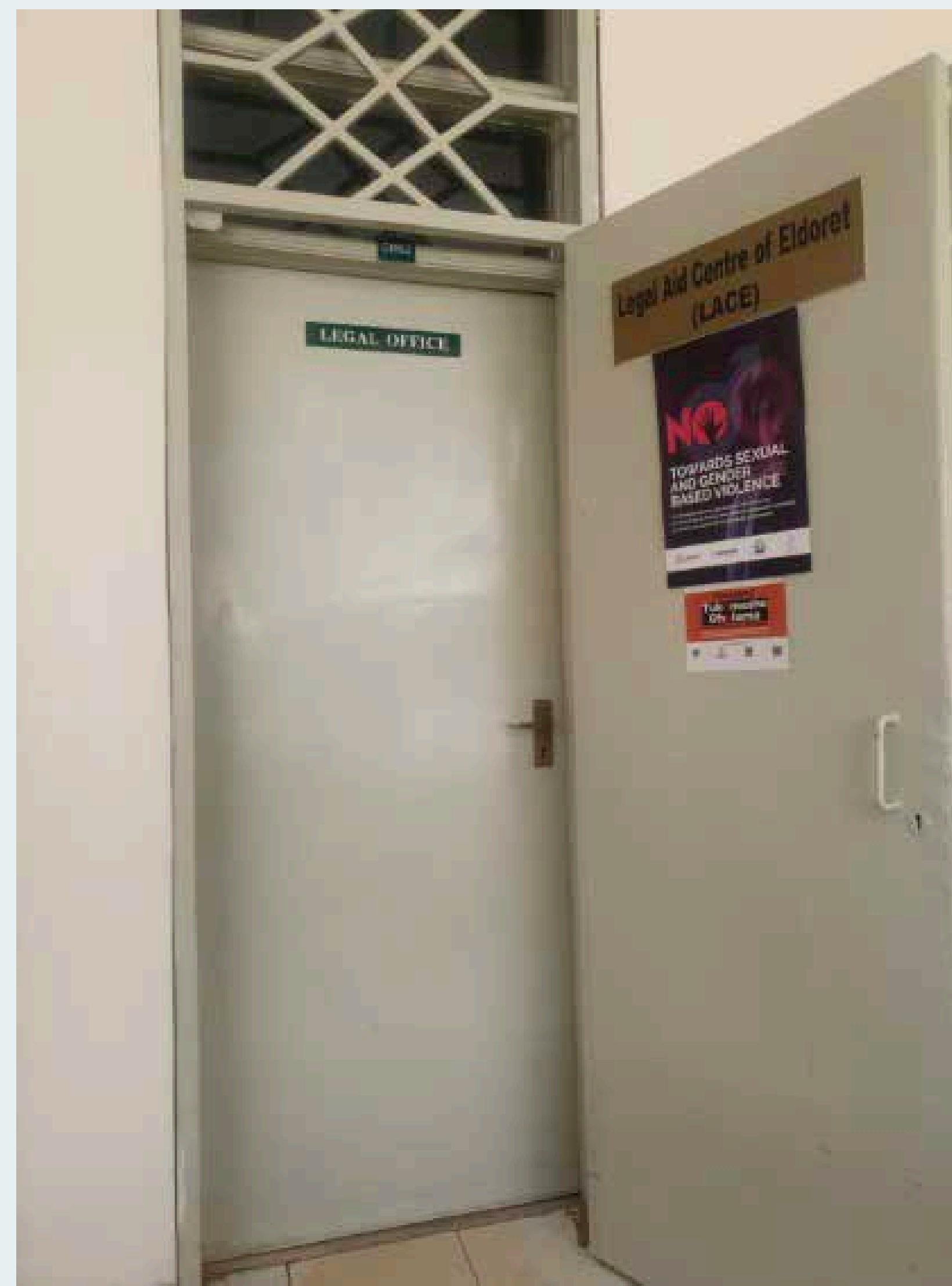


Where We Serve



Focus Area

People living with HIV face numerous challenges including psychological, social and familial, including gender-based violence. It is reported that 13% of women and 7% of men have ever experienced gender-based violence (GBV) in Kenya (KDHS 2022). High stigma index of 46% in Uasin Gishu worsens the situation. To better support clients in care, AMPATH Uzima, with support from Indiana University founded Legal Aid Centre of Eldoret (LACE) in October 2008. LACE is a model of a law firm situated within Ampath Centre for client convenience and aimed at meeting legal needs of clients on care for improved adherence to drugs and wellbeing.



The Legal Aid Centre of Eldoret (LACE) situated within AMPATH Centre

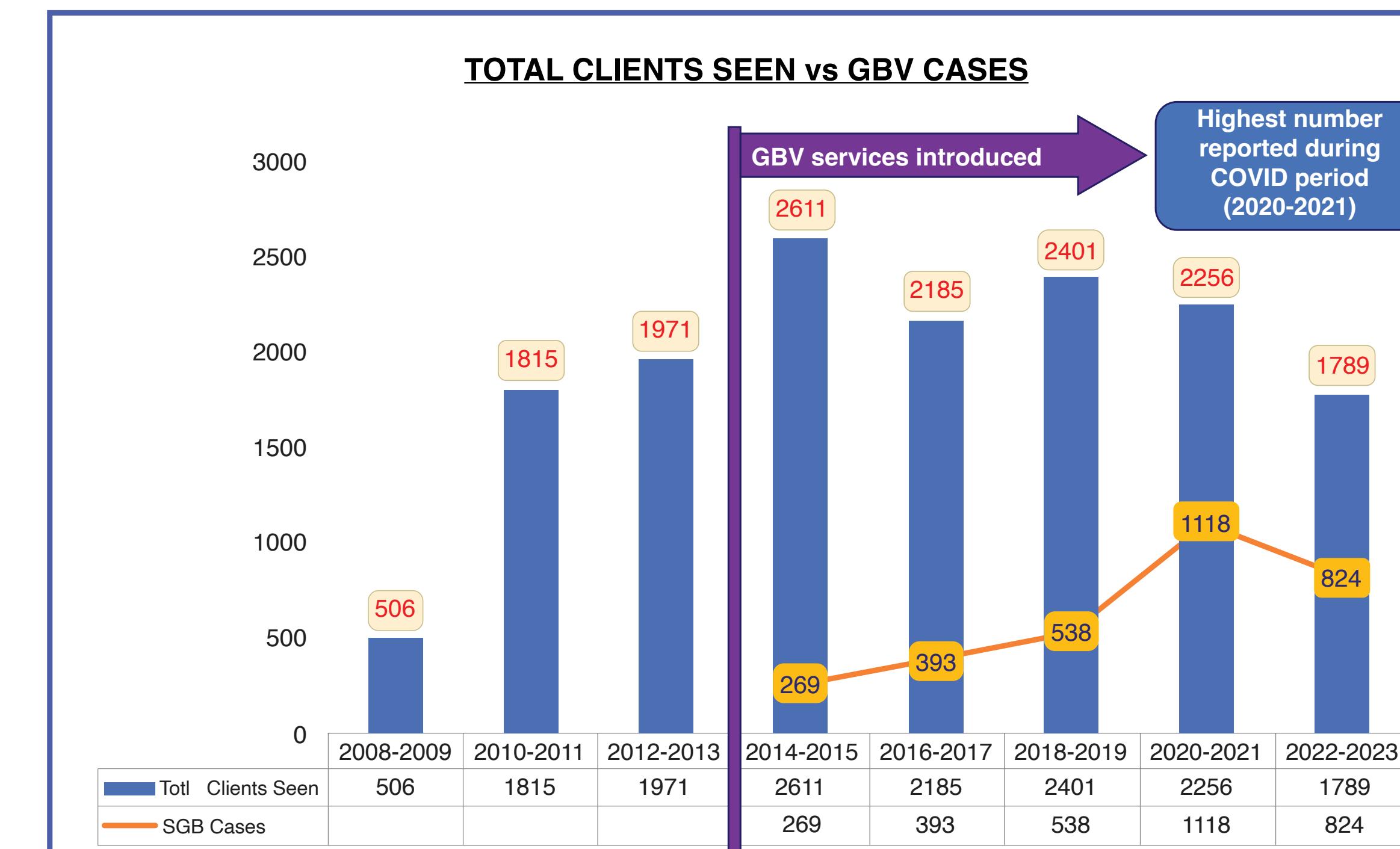
Providing Legal Aid to People Living With HIV (PLWH) and Gender-Based Violence Clients

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KEY OBJECTIVES

- Providing legal support to clients on care for their wellbeing leading to better treatment outcomes.
- Providing legal advice, alternative dispute resolution, and legal representation to clients.
- Providing legal education to health care providers to improve quality of services to clients by use of human rights approach while integrating law into health.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- LACE conducts regular health talks to clients on their rights, how to identify violations, where and how to seek help. Some of the cases received include family disputes, property rights, succession, children support and maintenance and SGBV.
- LACE has, since inception to August 2023, received 15,534 cases with 3,142 being SGBV and 1,300 going through court process.
- In FY23, the center conducted community and facility based GBV sensitization including case reporting which resulted to 579 cases reported with 60% (346) being GBV, 130 of SGBV taken to court and 3 have been concluded with convictions while the rest are ongoing.

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Vision for the Future

Clients in care need legal support in their treatment journey. There is need to therefore scale up similar services to other counties out of Uasin Gishu and MTRH through well trained health care work force by integrating law into health.

Challenges

There is a high need of legal support to clients beyond those in care hence outstretching LACE capacity. Due to 'Kangaroo' courts, some of the reported cases are never concluded and also delay in court case conclusion lead to clients giving up on follow ups.