

About the project

Among many projects we are running, Girl 4 girls is an initiative aims at extending sexual health services to villages and as well calls for women and girls in seemingly elevated positions to use their resources, wealth, positions, voices and influence to help alleviate the sexual and reproductive health statuses of destitute village girls

Problem statement

Sexual ignorance, lack of sexual consent, and menstrual poverty are reproductive issues hindering community development in Uganda for generations. The spread of these problems however, vary from region to region. While an uptown girl can freely consent to sex, a village girl's likeliness to succumb to sexual traps is higher, and their chances of contracting and spreading HIV/AIDS stand at higher levels in society. Consequently, surging levels of school dropouts, teenage pregnancies, child neglect, and failure to break through the poverty cycles remain obvious. Society with no exception of parents has neglected their roles in nurturing adolescents in sexual and reproductive health and have left their innate role to teachers and preachers. This has however resulted into increasing levels of poverty and the spread of AIDS as if efforts haven't been made.

Justification of the need for the project

The current status of the sexual and reproductive health lives of village adolescents is a prelude for future misery if intervention continues to be modest. This however, will not remain in the village settings as troubled village youth and adolescents will seek to shift to urban and peri-urban centers for survival thus, what blindly seems a one-edged sword will visibly be double edged. The perception of sexual health and interventions in the sight of village dwellers seems as though we aim at teaching them how to have sex, the messages spread across media don't sink with the intensity it does in urban settings. Poverty levels and accessibility to necessities in urban centers is a level higher compared to rural adolescents. Other than pleading to the universe whose entire population of the two genders is not equally and directly affected. The "girls" can be Samaritans to fellow girls through inspiration, donation, and role model actress.

Profiling the target beneficiaries

Mubende District is in Uganda -Africa-East Africa in Buwekula county, in the western part of the Buganda region. It has an approximate population of about 04 million people the largest percentage being youth and adolescents. Predominantly, people depend on subsistence farming, the ultra-poor students who are a target, come from families which can't spend at least 1.90 US dollars a day. They are daughters to single mothers, widows, unemployed women, disabled women, and they originate from families affected by HIV/AIDS. While some community members in here are semi-literate, the greatest percentage of the population is completely illiterate, access to proper health care is still a day dream, most of them come from landless families because the region is affected by rampant land grabbing so they can't afford good schools. The foes have poor housing facilities

with mud and grass thatched houses, they are geographically isolated, and low esteemed. They have little or no capital assets at their disposal, this community has high rates of teenage pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, and school dropouts, the factors attributed to menstrual poverty. They are rarely covered by social programming, and besides, they can't sustain the use of menstrual pads. Had they had access to sexual health information and supplies, they would absolutely stay focused in schools and ultimately stand to break poverty cycles in their families.

Objectives

Overall objective

To nurture a generation of empowered adolescent females through advocacy, entertainment and talent to realise safer sex.

Specific objectives

To solicit 5000 packets of menstrual towels from 10 urban school girls to be gifted to 2500 village school girls in 5 village schools by August 2022

To host periodical camps in different parts of the country where sexual and moral health sessions flourish

To host female celebrities, women in positions of power, and popular women figures as role model inspirational figures to inspire village destitute girls.