CRVPF ORGANIZATION PROFILE

CHILDREN’S RIGHTS AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION FUND

Kenya / Tanzania / Uganda / Ethiopia
OUR MISSION

We are advancing the safety and rights of children and adolescents by creating safe and empowering environments for children and adolescent girls.

Children’s Rights and Violence Prevention Fund (CRVPF) is a regional child rights and social justice organization supporting community action to prevent violence against children and adolescents. We work to ensure that children and adolescents are safe and empowered where they live, play, learn, and work.

We believe we can build safe and secure families, communities, and schools when community organizations and local NGOs interact, are accountable, and engage in inclusive participation for change. We collaborate with a diverse range of community organizations, local NGOs, media organizations, training, and research institutions working at community levels to prevent violence and advance the rights of children and youth. These partners reflect our values through local ownership of change, using funds responsibly and working with long-term sustainability.

CRVPF believes proximity is critical when working with communities and thus it partners with organizations where the majority of the founders and workers of partner organizations reside in the same communities were they work.
OUR THEORY OF CHANGE

Creating a safe and nurturing environment for children and adolescents results from interactions between three sub-systems: family and community; deep social norms and power and policy. We achieve this change through:

Building agency of individuals and change in the relationships and patterns of interaction among children, adolescents and adults within families, the community, and local institutions like schools.

A shift in the social norms that legitimize and perpetuate violence.

An enabling policy and power environment which provides access to resources and opportunities.
OUR PROGRAMS

Prevention of violence against children and adolescents
We focus on prevention of violence against children by enhancing parenting skills and practices, improving spousal relationships and increasing household incomes through interventions in schools and communities.

Adolescent Girls Power Building Program
We support partners to build platforms where adolescent girls can interact with and engage in dialogue with actors that influence the structures that deny them choice and power. With agency and advocacy skills, girls are equipped to make life decisions that help them reach their full potential.

Youth and Capacity Development Program
By building the capacity of community organisations led by female and youth CRVPF is able to provide a more effective response to the challenges of communities in refugee settlements and host communities.

Emergency grant Program
In response to the economic challenges of COVID-19, CRVPF developed an emergency grant program in October 2021 to reach 2,500 of the most vulnerable low-income families and 750 young people and young mothers to restore and build their small businesses that were affected by the pandemic. The program also strengthens community formal and informal structures to prevent sexual violence and exploitation of children, adolescents, and women including support to Village Health Team to provide essential services in the communities.
WHERE WE WORK

ETHIOPIA
KENYA
TANZANIA
UGANDA
“Safe spaces allow us to share personal, developmental and family issues. In the monthly meeting, the adolescent girls use the space to advise each other, share experiences and do activities together.”
Marjorie, 16 years, Kilifi, Kenya
HOW WE WORK

The Cluster Approach for sustainable interventions

We provide grants and capacity development support to community organisations and local Non-Government Organizations in Uganda, Tanzania, Kenya and Ethiopia.

Our principles of partnership rotate around the cluster approach to ensure clear and transparent working relationships that are inclusive and mutually beneficial, based on equity, respect and passion.

CRVPF encourages two to five community organizations to work jointly on one project with one funding grant. A single organization is selected by the cluster members to sign the contract and manages the grant jointly with the other member organizations. Clustering is a philosophy based on the core principles of integration (of activities) and collaboration (of members) for mutual benefit.

This collaboration captures the potential of diverse actors for deeper impact. We believe the cluster approach takes full advantage of the knowledge, skills, reach, and experience that partners offer each other and together they can have greater impact than working in isolation.
The Cluster Approach

Clusters are at the heart of the work of CRVPF. A cluster comprises 2-5 partner organizations working in the same geographical area with focus areas that are likely to complement each other.

We learn with our partners and leverage our insights and the growing evidence base to influence policy and practice on violence prevention and investments to support children, adolescent girls and families.

Clusters connect across the region to create a network of networks to work on the root causes of violence.

Cluster partnerships develop intervention activities in one selected project area.
BY 2021

OUR RESULTS...

152 community organizations and local NGOs partnerships

5,025 parents participating in weekly parents’ meetings using the Parenting for Respectability Model

8,525 adolescent children and girls in slum areas reached

4,352 youth in refugee settlements and host communities supported
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