



PREVENTION OF VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS (PVAC)

THE GOAL

Children and adolescents live in a secure and enabling environment free from violence in homes, schools, and communities.

PROGRAM HISTORY

Children's Rights and Violence Prevention Fund (CRVPF) initiated the Prevention of Violence against Children and Adolescents Program (PVAC) in 2015. CRVPF believes that violence against children and adolescents is preventable. Violence against children and adolescents takes place at home, in schools and in the community. In homes, violence against children and adolescents is due to lack of parenting skills and negative practices such as the use of corporal punishment and verbal abuse. Poor spousal relationships such as intimate partner conflicts, especially in the presence of children also aggravate violence in the households. Low income aggravated violence against children in the households. Violence in schools limits children to stay, transit and complete their education. Violence such as sexual harassment by teachers, and bullying among children increases sexual violence. In the community, there are limited safe spaces for out-of-school adolescents to share experiences and learn from each other, and the girls experience sexual violence and exploitation.

This has been worsened by the breakdown in the community structures and the persistent norms and values.

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WHAT WE ARE DOING



Improving parenting skills, practices
and spousal relationships



Increasing household income



Creating safe school
environment



Establishing safe spaces for out of school Adolescents



Strengthening informal and formal structures

OUR APPROACH

Our approach and mandate are achieved through grant making which includes providing planning and learning grants to 2-4 cluster partners for a period of 4-6 months. The process assist the cluster partners to build cluster relationships hence making an MOU that guides their future cluster partnership. During this period the cluster members also conduct situational analysis and listen to children, adolescents, families and teachers, and formal and informal community leaders. The cluster partners also will have the opportunity to know about members' capacities and challenges. They will further conduct organizational self-assessments to identify gaps in the organization and shared areas of capacity support. Finally, the cluster partners will develop a long-term proposal for CRVPF financial support. The program also supports the capacity development of partners through training workshops, organizing reflection learning meetings, and developing monitoring and support supervision visits.

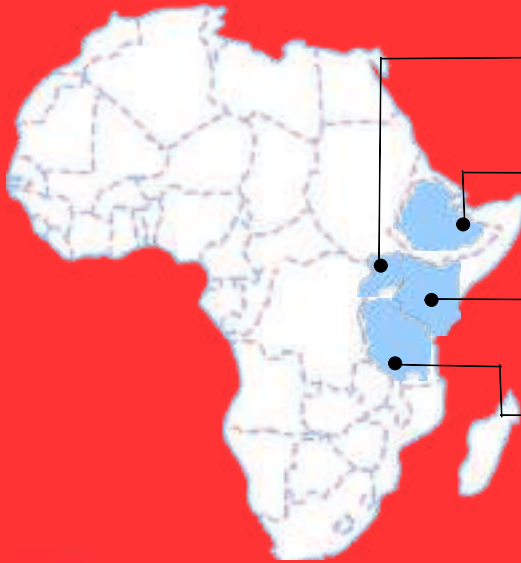
PROGRAM OUTCOMES

To achieve the goals, the program is guided by the following outcomes

- ▶ **Strengthened families' capabilities through positive parenting and improved spousal relationships to support safe and nurturing environment for children and adolescents.**
- ▶ **Increased access to financial services to reduce family financial stress that accelerates violence against children and adolescents.**
- ▶ **Children and adolescents have a safe school environment and skills that enable them to complete their education**
- ▶ **Strengthened capacity of partners to design, implement and monitor children and adolescents' programs**
- ▶ **Strengthen the formal and informal structures' capabilities to develop safe and supportive environments for children and adolescents**



OUR FOOTPRINT AND PARTNERS SINCE INCEPTION



36 partners in Uganda

5 partners in Ethiopia

13 partners in Kenya

15 partners in Tanzania

VOICES OF CHANGE

“
As a family, we have learned how to work together and most importantly make decisions together. This has helped us to save money and increase household income
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I would never help my wife including carrying my child. After gardening, she would carry both hoes, firewood, and the child. I appreciate every effort put in place to ensure that this program reaches each one of us
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“
We could never move together. I could spend a lot of time outside the family and be less concerned about what happens at home. I now see many positive changes in my family just because I changed
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NUMBERS REACHED



3089 males and 549 females are participating in Village Savings and Loans Associations (VSLA)



Out of the 22331 pupils involved in good schools' activities, 13298 are females and 9033 are males



3937 male and 7356 female parents have been trained in parenting skills/practices, and spousal relationships



1140 males and 1995 females participating in safe space activities for out of school adolescents



Advancing the safety and rights of children and adolescents