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The purpose of this report is to inform you about the activities and different programs that our organization is carrying out in various parts of Uganda most especially in rural areas and in the outskirts of the city of Kampala.

COVID-19 COMMUNITY AWARENESS

One of the most effective ways we can help combat the spread of COVID-19, and limit its impact on fragile health systems, is by building people's knowledge and awareness. We're promoting preventative action in communities, including practicing good hygiene and physical distancing measures, in line with national government guidelines and recognized best practice.

From posters to podcasts, we're using a range of channels to reach people with the information they need to stay safe and healthy. In Uganda, for example, we're working closely with the government to share advice, encouraging people to

follow the latest guidelines and raising awareness through community announcements and poster campaigns.



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The smiling youth were present in the Covid Awareness Campaign Oct 25th

REACHING THE MOST MARGINALIZED

Our work is always focused on supporting the most vulnerable people in society – but now, more than ever, it’s critical that we take steps to ensure that no one is left behind.

We know that crises like this have a disproportionate impact on the most marginalized groups – including people with disabilities, women, children, people living with HIV, and those in prisons, refugee camps and hard to reach areas. We are committed to ensuring social inclusion and gender equality as part of all our interventions.

We’re ensuring that all the messages we share are not only accurate, but also culturally appropriate, gender responsive, available in local languages, and accessible. In Rwanda, for example, we’re working with volunteers, community representatives and partner organizations to support Deaf people across the country, by adapting accurate information into sign language videos and establishing a video call hotline.



HOW COVID-19 HAS IMPACTED THE COMMUNITY IN UGANDA

ECONOMIC IMPACT

The pandemic has been affecting the entire food system and has laid bare its fragility. Border closures, trade restrictions and confinement measures have been preventing farmers from accessing markets, including for buying inputs and selling their produce, and agricultural workers from harvesting crops, thus disrupting domestic and international food supply chains and reducing access to healthy, safe and diverse diets. The pandemic has decimated jobs and placed millions of livelihoods at risk. As breadwinners lose jobs, fall ill and die, the food security and nutrition of millions of women and men are under threat, with those in low-income countries, particularly the most marginalized populations, which include small-scale farmers and indigenous peoples, being hardest hit. We're supporting small business owners, young entrepreneurs and apprentices to reach customers, find alternative incomes, and provide their products safely, in order to confront the impacts of Covid-19 to our community we also want to train and support the youth and widows to create cross root projected that will enable to recover and be self-reliant.

SOCIAL IMPACT

Our study found that overall households are experiencing increased risk of household violence. This may be related to forced time spent in the home.

A widespread and sudden loss of employment has led to increased tension and Multiple studies have found that intimate partner violence risk increases when employment is lost, including when women earn more than their partners or during socioeconomic hardship due to conflict. This supports our finding that men surveyed reported more household tension, arguing and household violence risk if they had lost employment due to COVID-19.

HEALTH IMPACT

In addition to food insecurity, there is concern that COVID-19 will lead to adverse secondary health effects if routine care including immunization, nutrition, sexual and reproductive health and antenatal care is not used. More women than men reported that they had forgone health services due to the pandemic, potentially reflecting that women are responsible for seeking care for themselves and for their children. The main reason respondents gave for skipping a necessary health service was that they could not afford the service. People may not be able to afford necessary care due to unemployment and rising costs of food and other basic necessities.

OTHER DEADLY DISEASES THAT ARE HEAVILY AFFECTING OUR COMMUNITY

Apart from this current epidemic (covid-19) our community has been constantly struggling to cope with various devastating diseases such as Infant cancer, diabetes and blood pressure.

CANCER IN INFANTS: The most common forms of childhood cancer in Africa are leukemia, lymphomas and tumors of the central nervous system. In most African countries with high instances of childhood HIV/AIDS, AIDS-related cancers like Kaposi's sarcoma (a cancer of the blood vessels) are common. In countries with high rates of malaria infections, Burkitt's lymphoma is the most common childhood cancer

DIABETES: Diabetes was previously thought to be rare in Uganda; however, as a result of changes in the lifestyle, feeding patterns, and levels of physical activity among other factors, the prevalence has increased in many parts of the country especially in urban areas over the past few decades.

BLOOD PRESSURE: According to Uganda's Health Ministry, the disease accounts for an estimated half a million deaths every year. The ministry blamed the deaths on bad eating habits and poor lifestyles and those numbers are certainly saddening, because they could have been easily much lower if the population took necessary steps.

OUR RECOMMENDATION

To combat the negative economic, social and health-related impacts of COVID-19 on our community, we need to provide an emergency assistance to the people in need the assistance includes food distribution among heavily impacted people such as Orphans, people with disabilities and widows.

In order to fight home based conflicts due to the loss of income in household members we want your assistance in training and equipping the youth and women to create grass root projects that will help them gain an income to meet their basic needs. We would also like to partner with you in training and equipping health mobilization volunteers in order to raise awareness on Covid-19 in order to be fully prepared in case of any other new wave of the virus.

Apart from medications our community needs trained medical doctors, nurses and other medical supplies such as Covid-19 kits, Test kits and First aid equipment:

TEST KITS: Pregnancy test, male/female/stress hormone test, cholesterol test, Allergy test, bladder infection test, HIV test, Hepatitis C test, Drug nicotine test.

FIRST AID EQUIPMENT: Bandages Ace bandage, compression stocking, Snakebite kit, heating pad, traction, ostomy care, tracheotomy care, and defibrillator.

In addition to these medical supplies we need to carry out various training among our community on how to treat each other in case of any medical emergency, we need to focus on the youth, they shall be taught how to use all those test kits and first aid equipment in order to treat the elder



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