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# PROGRESS REPORT FOR JUNE 2020:



## **ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS:**

At Hope Mugumu safe house; We now have a total of **121 girls** staying at the centre, up from 118 in May.

### NUMBER OF GIRLS AT THE CENTER AND TYPE OF CASES:

NO	TYPE OF CASE	TOTAL	
1	FGM	92	
2	CHILD MARRIAGE	17	
3	RAPE	3	
4	BATTERY	9	
	TOTAL	121	

## Girls Rescuing and Police gender desks and Reconciliation.

Sijali and other police gender desk officers working in collaboration with Hope Mugumu Safe house to rescue girls from FGM in Serengeti. The cutting started Early April after school close because of COVID 19. Most of the cases are child Marriage and FGM. Most of parents/ relatives increases violence to their daughters. Police vehicle and Hope vehicle work to rescue. Total of 58 girls were rescued, 6 girls found cut already. After the announcement of school reopening, we did the reconciliation between parents and their daughters in Serengeti, Tarime and Butiama. 46 New

families were reconciled and girls were taken back home. The team of three groups went in the villages and did girls follow up to girls whom were taken back, most of girls were safe in Serengeti.



Police gender desk and social welfare officer during reconciliation in the village.

## **HEALTH CHECK UP FOR GIRLS:**

Health check-ups were conducted to new arrival girls during the seasonal cutting in COVID 19 School holiday, this conducted in collaboration with police gender desk and social welfare. Also before the reconciliation all girls had health check too before taken back home.



WP Sijali, Doctor and a girl during health check-up at hospital.

### FGM SITUATION:

Serengeti started the cutting after the COVID 19 School holiday, the cutting stopped as school are open now and all students has to report to their schools.

Butiama Safe house: We have the total number of 60 girls, up from 58 in May

NUMBER OF GIRLS AT BUTIAMA SAFE HOUSE:

NO	Girls at vocational class		at Secondary	Children not going to school	Total
1	20	20	13	7	60

### **UPDATES ON EDUCATION:**

Universities, college, High school, Primary and secondary school are open, girls whom staying to the safe house are now going to school. Girls were distributed with educational materials, school uniforms, hostel costs etc.



Students from Hope Mugumu in their uniforms ready for school

### SAFE HOUSE DEVELOPMENT.

Through safe houses, we made maintenance for chairs broken, and purchase of 50 chairs to each safe house. The plastic chairs most broked and the need for replacement was important. 5 sewing machines tables purchased to install the sewing machines to be used at VTC class. Replacement of mosquito nets and bed sheets to all centers.



Red chairs repaired

New chairs purchased.

## **GARDENING AND AGRICULTURE:**

Gardening activities continuing in our garden, we have grown different vegetables, such as spinach, mchicha, onions, tomatoes and watermelon using organic farming. We have grown 2 acres of cassava, sweet potatoes.



Photo showing girls working at our garden

### **IT DEPARTMENT:**

The IT department worked on one film subtitles and make sure the ODK registration forms are filled and updated. ODK follow up form to Digital champion, where 40 Digital Champions were reached and only 20 Digital Champion received bundle, Other Digital Champion have got problems with their

phones. Phones problems are 10 Whas App expire needs to be updated, 6 phones don't have Maps. Me, 1 problem with speaker, 4 problems with Whats App and ODK.

## **Research and Data collection:**

15 phones and memory cards purchased to replace to Digital Champions.

**Video conferencing** teaching English lesson to [STD V, VI and VII] with our Volunteer teacher from UK – Mina Patel was conducted to Hope Mugumu Safe house two times in June 2020. Topics taught during English class video conferencing.



## VISITORS VISITED HGWT:

We had visitors from Kiabakari, who visited Butiama Safe house, they encourage girls, they promised to visit again.

# **COVID 19 EDUCATION:**

COVID 19 education provided to girls at safe houses Mugumu Hope safe house and Butiama Safe house. Girls were insisted to wash their hands every time, also care about 1-meter distance from one girl to another. Sanitizer, soap and water containers procured. Girls were insisted to wash their hands and use of masks while at school. All girls were distributed with 3 masks each Also washing containers.

## WAY FORWARD/FUTURE PLANS:

- To fund raise for our permanent building construction
- To develop staff training strategy
- Support and protect girls flee from FGM 2020
- Conduct COVID 19 education in Butiama and Serengeti
- Request for Mattresses support from friends, good people

### SUGGESTIONS/RECOMMENDATION:

• Welcoming ideas for fundraising to support construction of permanent buildings and VTC from friends, companies, Donors etc.

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