

Life skills changing futures

UGA-WCL-LSF-P01



Mbale, Uganda



Education

Year 1 Budget \$23,500

Project Timeline

FULLY FUNDED

OCT 19

OCT 21

Overview

This project addresses issues such as health literacy, life skills development, family and reproductive health – key elements needed to make wise choices about life. The training is conducted with young people in schools, prison inmates and church communities where ignorance and poverty, together with cultural “myths”, results in school drop-outs, crime, street children, HIV/AIDS, unwanted pregnancies and births, unsafe abortions etc. Our partners adapted their program to work within COVID-19 restrictions, strategically incorporating radio programs and a street kids program. The Year 2 budget is \$23,000.

Impact for April - October 2020

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Over 4 million listeners



tuned into radio programs run by our partners; an incredible opportunity to reach a wide audience. Positive feedback ensured our partners spoke about relevant topics related to health, families, domestic violence etc

Our partners reached 26 different areas

around the Mbale region via radio programs - reaching an ever-expanding area. Good relationships with government and word-of-mouth reputation has allowed the program to expand and pivot to radio during lockdowns.

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Empowering of communities continued



when possible and with restrictions to 5 prison communities, a women's group, 2 youth groups and a men's group. 110 village health trainers in 5 regions also received training.

24 training sessions with 120 street kids

were held with children who were rounded up to stay in a primary school during lockdown - a wonderful opportunity to build into their lives with many positive behavioural changes.

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- with multiple and strict lockdowns our partners successfully looked for other opportunities to reach their audiences - transport lockdowns added to complexities
- more face-to-face gatherings are planned for 2021 with distancing protocols as these were curtailed this year
- COVID-19 has allowed more exposure of the programs



Joseph's Story

My name is Joseph and I am in Mutufu Prison. I am so grateful for the training brought to me. It has taught me to think critically and to make better decisions. I may not have ended up in jail if I'd had this training previously. We need this training in Uganda. Parents do not know how to be good parents, for example. We need this to be good role models to others. I am committing myself to think critically at all times to avoid making mistakes; so are my other prison inmates. This is very important and enlightening and I am grateful for this input to my life!

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Thank you
for making
a difference