

# A Journey of Hope



## SOME OF KEY PROJECT INTERVENTIONS

### Sexual and Reproductive Health Empowerment among youths

- 163 in school and 200 out of school girl clubs established to promote girls health issues
- 80622 in-school and 33999 out-of-school girls have received sex and sexuality related education messages
- 256 school matrons and 583 teachers trained in comprehensive life skills
- 893 mother groups members trained in comprehensive Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH)
- 652 schools health days conducted
- GBV, HTC and Sexuality messages disseminated in 163 schools during school health days for three times.
- 7598 in school tested positivity rate is 0.58% for in school
- 3743 out of school tested Positivity rate is 3.3 for out of school
- young students tested for HIV and .... tested positive
- 825 Peer Educators for out of school girls clubs trained in life skills.

While there have been achievements in tackling HIV/AIDS for adolescent girls and young women, there are still challenges to be addressed. HIV remains one of the leading causes of death worldwide for women aged between 15 and 44.

It is in view of the above that World Vision Malawi, with funding from Action Aid, is implementing an Adolescent Girls and Young Women project aimed at reducing the incidences of HIV among adolescent girls and young women aged 15 to 24 in Mangochi.

According to the Demographic Health Survey Report (2015), 8.8% of women aged 15-49 and men aged 15-49 in Malawi are infected with HIV; HIV prevalence is higher among women than men (10.8% versus 6.4%). HIV prevalence is highest in the Southern region (12.8%), where it is more than twice as high as is in the Central (5.6%) and Northern (5.1%) regions.

### PROJECT DURATION

The project runs from January to December 2017 covering Seven Traditional Authorities namely: Chilipa, Chimwala, Mponda, Nankumba, Chowe, Bwananyambi and Jalasi. The project further covers 13 Education zones of Boma, Koche, Nkope, Monkey Bay, Chimwala, Chilipa, Masongola, Mkumba, Khungwa, Malombe, Namisi, Chiponde and Thema.

### PROJECT INTERVENTIONS

Among other things, the project is implementing the following initiatives

- Capacity building of School and Community Structures, such as, In and Out of school youths clubs, Mother Groups, School Matrons, School Management Committees and Parents-Teachers Associations in School related Gender Based Violence,
- Reinforcement of Teachers Code of Conduct Compliance
- Menstrual hygiene management including production of sanitary pads
- Village Saving Loan and Vocational Skills.
- Dissemination of Health and HIV Messages using various strategies including airing of jingles at local radio stations including

Location	Total Number of Education Zones	Total Number of Schools	Targeted T/As	Total Girls Population	Total Girls Targeted	Total In School Girls Targeted	Total Out of School Girls Targeted	Expected indirect Beneficiaries
Mangochi	13	163	7	179,163	117,502	72,996	36,673	450,000

## Economic Empowerment of Young Women

- 329 Savings Groups for out school established and 707 Out-of-school girls trained in Savings Groups
- So far, 8,063 out of school girls are participating in Savings Groups
- 86 Sampled Savings Groups (1,690 members) have accumulated savings of 23,387,810.00 Malawi Kwacha
- 1690 out-of-school girls trained in local production of sanitary pads
- 231 out of school girls trained in vocational skills including embroidery, baking and cooking among others

## Prevention of School Related Gender Based Violence

- 10,108 girls club members oriented on the importance of life skills, readmission policy and teachers code of conduct
- 321 teachers, 2,804 Parent Teachers Association (PTA) and School Management Committee (SMC) members and 13 Primary Education Advisors (PEA) trained in Teachers Code of conduct and Gender Based Violence (GBV)
- 1043 Girls Clubs members oriented in legal rights to improve reporting of GBV cases

## Community Strengthening to prevent Gender Based Violence

- 174 male champions oriented in women's rights and GBV
- 402 Angalibas (initiators), Counselors, Religious and Traditional leaders oriented in behavior change.
- 148 couples attended group counseling sessions
- Establishment and enforcement of community Bylaws on girl education in 200 VDCs

World Vision	- Resource Mobilization - Coordinating Planning and Implementation of project Interventions - Networking at district and community level - Reporting and Monitoring of project activities
Action AID	- Financial Support - Supervisory Support
District Council	- Overseer of the grant at district level - Coordinating partners at district level
District Health Office	- Capacity building on health related interventions - Supporting referrals
District Education Office	- Capacity building on education related interventions - Mobilization of students on school related interventions
District Youth Office	- Capacity building on youth related activities - Coordinating referrals
Community leaders	- Community mobilization of partners - Resource mobilization at community level - Reinforcing community bye laws
District Community Development Office	- Capacity Building on Village Saving Loans - Community mobilization

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