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Equality shouldn't just be an aspiration but a reality for all - This was our July.

SRHR & Climate Change



Kilifi County celebrates a significant achievement in the fight against climate change by signing the Kilifi County Climate Change Act 2023. This milestone reflects the county's strong commitment to combat the adverse effects of climate change and build

a sustainable future for its communities. The Act's comprehensive framework focuses on effective climate change mitigation strategies and mechanisms to proactively

respond to its impacts. We are proud contributors to this transformative policy through the SRHR and Climate Change project. We firmly believe that addressing climate change should be integrated with other vital aspects, such as Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR), for a holistic approach to community well-being. Kilifi County's dedication inspires other regions, highlighting the urgency of local-level action and calling for collaboration from all stakeholders. Together, we forge a path toward resilience, safeguard our environment, and secure a sustainable future for future generations.

It's a celebration for Maputo



We participated in the 3rd Annual Girls Festival in Nairobi, Kenya, celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Maputo Protocol. The event highlighted the comprehensive rights guaranteed to young women, including improved autonomy over their reproductive rights, through international human rights instruments established by the African Union (AU). We acknowledged Kenya's progress since the protocol's adoption and ratified it in the country. Advocacy for full protocol implementation and budget allocations was a central focus, with a call to remove the reservation on Article 14(2)(c) to ensure reproductive rights protection for women in cases of sexual assault, rape, incest, and health endangerment.

Universal Periodic Review



CSA actively engaged in Kenya's Universal Periodic Review (UPR) process through the We Lead program and Repositioning CSE in Kenya project (RFSU). As part of a collaborative effort led by the East African Centre for Human Rights, we contributed to developing a Simplified Advocacy tool for the UPR process. This tool empowers CSOs to assess the 3rd cycle recommendations, the Kenyan government's commitments, achievements, and outstanding actions. With our support, we are committed to ensuring that Kenya fulfills 100% of its commitments, especially in the SRHR thematic area.

Religious leaders for CSE!



CSA convened religious leaders from different faiths for a two-day workshop on Comprehensive Sexuality Education, advocacy, message, and delivery. Present in the workshop were representatives from the youth task force and a few CSOs working in the SRHR field. The workshop agenda reflected the need for SRHR and reviewed CSE's national status. Also, part of the discussions were some challenges regarding CSE (in and out of school), with religious leaders opting to refer to it as Human Sexuality Education. As a way forward from the workshop, was the need to identify potential advocacy forums to amplify CSE/ Human Sexuality Education and identify synergy areas. With support from CSA, the team is also looking forward to working on a memo for the East African

Say cheese!



Our youth task force advocates participated in a discussion on the State of the World Population on KU TV. This year's World Population Day theme was 'Unleashing the power of gender equality: Uplifting the voices of women and girls to unlock our world's infinite possibilities.' The day was commemorated to recognize the transformative power of empowering females and how this can be achieved especially by enhancing access to sexual and reproductive health services and for the females having bodily autonomy.

Noting the wins for RHRN



MTR
RHRN



The Right Here Right Now (RHRN) program, from 2021 to 2025, is undergoing an external and independent mid-term review (MTR) in 2023. This review aims to gain deeper insights into the progress made halfway through the program and guide strategic decisions for the remaining two years. As a result of this review, the RHRN partnership has identified both successes and areas for improvement, enabling a stronger focus on young people's sexual and reproductive health and rights, particularly in the context of comprehensive sexuality education (CSE), youth inclusivity, and digitalization.

Through this review, RHRN has gained valuable insights to better plan for 2024-2025, prioritizing areas that ensure sustainability and amplifying their impact on the target population. As we continue to advance, RHRN is committed to continuously learning, adapting, and innovating to empower youth and promote sexual and reproductive health for all.

RHRN at Women Deliver



Women Deliver is an exceptional platform dedicated to advancing gender equality. It fosters inclusivity and collaboration, creating a sense of solidarity. Through Women Deliver, people work together to create sustainable solutions that benefit everyone. RHRN's involvement in Women Deliver was crucial in empowering feminist movements, holding leaders accountable, creating safe spaces, and driving progress in gender equality. Through their participation in Women Deliver, RHRN reaffirmed their commitment to championing women's rights, amplifying their voices, and making a positive difference on a global scale.

She soars



Our SHE SOARS teams in Bondo and Kisumu have achieved a significant milestone in our pursuit of creating an enabling environment and fortified health systems. We collaborated with the Ministry of Health and community health committees to train community facilitators, forging a solid linkage that will fortify our community scorecard, seamlessly integrated into the Counties' scorecard. Through the Community Scorecard (CSC), we are uniting community members, service providers, and local governments with a common purpose, identifying challenges in service access, generating effective solutions, and fostering an ongoing process of improvement. Together, we are nurturing a responsive healthcare ecosystem that prioritizes the community's needs, ensuring efficient service delivery and paving the way for a healthier, more empowered society. So let's soar towards a brighter future for all!

On the Socials



Young people can make informed decisions about their health and relationships.

Comprehensive sexuality education programs help as a guide in this process.

Also, youth-friendly services are available to ensure they have access to the care they deserve.

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