



**CHILDRISE
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PROGRAMME**

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TUJUKUMIKE CHILD PROTECTION PROJECT



Introduction

Goal: Improved wellbeing of children through strengthening the formal and informal Child protection systems in Tharaka Nithi County.

Outcomes:

1.Increased responsiveness of the formal and informal child protection systems

Formal child protection systems often involve GOK agencies responsible for child welfare. Increased responsiveness in this context means these agencies can swiftly and efficiently investigate reports of abuse or neglect and take appropriate actions to protect the child.

Informal systems -community-based networks, neighbors, friends, and family members who play a role in observing and reporting concerns about a child's well-being.

Increased responsiveness in this context means that community members are aware of child protection issues, are willing to intervene, and can connect with formal systems when needed.

2.Increased participation of children in their own protection

Introduction

Project location: Tharaka Nithi county: Chiakariga and IgambaNgombe sub counties.

Project duration: October 2023 - December 2024

Target: Children 10,500

Teachers – 105

Schools – 105

Community members – 3000

Total Funding –Ksh17,340,606

Project Summary

- ❖ This project aims at improving protection outcomes for children and their families through supporting the establishment of a safe and secure environment free from gender-based violence (GBV) and child sexual exploitation and abuse in Tharaka Nithi County, Kenya.
- ❖ **The increasing use of the internet and digital technologies has exposed children to new and complex online risks, such as cyberbullying, grooming, and exposure to inappropriate content.**
- ❖ Combating OCSEA and strengthening victim support requires comprehensive and sustained actions from everyone who is responsible to tackle this growing problem, including government duty-bearers, law enforcement agencies, justice and social support service professionals, internet providers, communities, teachers, and caregivers.
- ❖ GBV affects most of the families in Kenya and this has negative impact to children. The major type of GBV reported are domestic violence, sexual abuse and harmful cultural practices such as early marriage.

Project Strategies

- ❖ Enhancing awareness raising and sensitization about the role of different stakeholders in the protection of children,
- ❖ Educating community members, parents, teachers, and children themselves on recognizing signs of abuse, reporting incidents, and promoting a culture of respect.
- ❖ Advocacy and policy influence, with particular focus on coordination of child protection issues and actors at various levels (family, community, Sub-County, County and National levels). The focus will be on strengthening child protection systems, enhancing education and awareness, empowering families and communities to ensure the safety, well-being, and rights of all children in the county.

Project outputs/activities

Output 1.1 School-based Child Protection Champions trained on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP

Activities

- ❖ Organize start-up meetings for 105 Head teachers 21 Community representatives and 15 Government officials in Tharaka Nithi County
- ❖ Train 105 School based child protection teacher champions on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP
- ❖ Train 210 children champions on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP

Output 1.2. School Board of Management members trained on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP

Activity

- ❖ . Train 105 Board of management on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP

Output 1.3: Children sensitized and supported on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP

Activity

- ❖ Conduct Awareness campaigns and Psychosocial support sessions for 10,500 children in schools.

Output 1.4. Community Based child Protection Resource Persons trained on OCSEA and GBVP

Activity

- ❖ Train 90 Community Based Child Protection Resource Persons on OCSEA and Gender Based Violence Prevention.

Project outputs/activities ct'd:

Output 1.5. Community members sensitized on GBVP and OCSEA

Activity

- ❖ **Support community awareness on GBVP and OCSEA**

Output 1.6 :Children Advisory Committee (CAC) members trained and supported on GBVP and OCSEA

Activity

- ❖ **Conduct training of 45 Children Advisory Committee (CAC) members on GBVP and OCSEA**

Output 1.7 Child protection actors trained on Case Management

Activity

- ❖ **Support Case Management training for 36 Child Protection actors**

Output 1.8: Charitable Children institution members trained on Child Protection Management Information System (CPIMS)

Activity

- ❖ **Train 30 members of Charitable Children institutions and NGOs/CBO/FBO on Child**

Project outputs/activities ct'd:

Output 1.9. Child-Friendly spaces established

Activity

- ❖ Train Police Officers at the Child Protection and Gender desks on comprehensive case management for child protection in Tharaka Nithi county
- ❖ Support 5 functional child protection desks in Tharaka Nithi county. The project will support 5 police stations with child protection desks in Tharaka Nithi county and ensure they are functional and manned. These help desks will be fully fitted with furniture. This will involve desks, chairs, Printers, files, cabinets, desktops

Output 2.1. Children's leaders' forums convened

Activity

- ❖ Support County Children's Assembly meetings: The County Children's assembly is a platform for children to participate in governance and decision-making at the county level. It is part of the Kenya Children's Assembly, which is a national initiative that aims to promote the rights and welfare of children in Kenya

Output 2.2 Children events supported

Activity

- ❖ Support 400 children during the day of the African child.

Project Timeline

OUTPUTS	ACTIVITIES	Year 1(2023)	Year 2(2024)			
		Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Baseline Survey conducted	Baseline survey					
Output 1.1. School-based Child Protection Champions trained on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP	Activity 1.1.1: Organize start-up meetings for 105 Head teachers 21 Community representatives and 15 Government officials in Tharaka Nithi County					
	Activity 1.1.2. Train 105 School based child protection teacher champions on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP					
	Activity 1.1.3. Train 210 children champions on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP					
Output 1.2. School Board of Management members trained on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP	Activity 1.2.1. Train 105 Board of management on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP					
Output 1.3: Children sensitized and supported on OCSEA, SBVP and GBVP	Activity 1.3.1: Conduct awareness campaigns and Psychosocial support sessions for 10500 children in schools					
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Output 1.6 Children Advisory Committee (CAC) members trained and supported on GBVP and OCSEA.	Activity 1.6.1: Conduct training of 45 Children Advisory Committee (CAC) members on GBVP and OCSEA					
Output 1.7 Children's protection actors trained.	Activity 1.7.1: Support Case Management training for 36 Child Protection actors					

Project Timeline Ctd'

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Output 1.8: Charitable Children institution members trained on Child Protection Management Information System (CPIMS)	Activity 1.8.1: Train 30 members of Charitable Children institutions and NGOs/CBO/FBO on Child Protection Management Information System (CPIMS)					
Output 1.9. Child-Friendly spaces established	Activity 1.9.1: Support 5 functional child protection desks in Tharaka Nithi county					
Output 1.10. Police from Child Protection and Gender desk trained	Activity 1.10.1: Train Police Officers at the Child Protection and Gender desks on comprehensive case management for child protection in Tharaka Nithi county					
Output 2.1 Children's leaders' forums convened	Activity 2.1.1: Support County Childrens Assembly meetings					
Output 2.2 Children events supported	Activity 2.2.1: Support 400 children during the day of the African child.					
Final evaluation						

PARTNERS AND THEIR ROLES

- ❖ Department of Children Services at Sub-Counties level: Provide technical assistance and support through training and supervision. Also Work with the VCOs and other community-based child protection champions.
- ❖ Ministry of Health and Gender Based Violence and Recovery Centers (GBVPRC): provide technical skills and treatment opportunities for abused and conduct follow up.
- ❖ Community Based Child Protection teams: Constitute the community-based child protection system that will coordinate prevention and response activities of child protection and linking to the formal child protection mechanism.
- ❖ Local NGOs, CBOs and faith- based organizations: will be peers to partner and network in CP issues. They will also participate in the CAC and LCAC and are therefore a resource on CBCP.
- ❖ Charitable Children Institutions (CCIs): will be critical collaborators for vulnerable survivors of child abuse.
- ❖ Teachers: trained as Child protection champions and oversee the implementation of child protection activities at school level.
- ❖ Children: the target group and they will also participate in their own protection; the children's club leaders will specifically play the role of CP champions and will sensitize other children. This will ensure sustainability of child protection efforts at the various community levels.
- ❖ ChildFund: Provide finances and technical support during Project implementation and monitoring.