



PREVENT VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN

THE ISSUE

Violence against women, children and youth in the home and in public spaces is a major barrier to their participation in decision-making that affects their lives. Most cases of violence are not reported, since violence is widely accepted as a reality of the culture.



1 in 2 women experience emotional, physical and/or sexual violence at the hands of a spouse.



Almost 75% of children under the age of 18 have been subjected to physical and/or sexual violence.

Our work in Tanzania focuses on promoting inclusion, equipping communities to address gender-based violence and allow for a better protection of the rights of children and youth.

OUR SOLUTIONS



EQUIP COMMUNITIES TO ADDRESS GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE



PROMOTE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH



BUILD PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN CIVIL SOCIETY, LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND COMMUNITY LEADERS



STRENGTHEN EXISTING NETWORKS WHICH ADDRESS VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, CHILDREN AND YOUTH



OUR APPROACH

We work for the advancement of equality, social justice and respect for human dignity through transformative education programs. We empower people to challenge inequality and discrimination and take action to make their communities safer and better places to be.

OUR IMPACT

Addressing these challenges through human rights education, we have:

- As part of the Equitas approach to **involve participants at every step**, Gallery walks displaying the results of the baseline studies were undertaken in each of the three communities and attracted hundreds of community members.
- Helped women of Msaranga who participated in trainings and community initiatives **increase their confidence** and ability to lead in their communities.
- Similarly, men involved in the trainings also reported **shifts in attitudes** and behaviour in the home towards the traditional roles of men and women
- Reached **over 1,800 community members** in 2015-2016, tripling our outreach from the previous year.

PARTNERS

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"When you empower women in decision-making, you empower the whole."

– Community member, 2015

"I feel empowered. This is capacity building."

– Michael Reuben, a local leader and Equitas alumnus

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