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SADC PROTOCOL SUMMIT

LOCATION : CHEGUTU MUNICIPALITY ZIMBAMBWE

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CATEGORY : GBV

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BACKGROUND



Chegutu Municipality Women Clubs started with 246 women, primarily aimed at combating gender-based violence (GBV) within the Chegutu community.

objectives

- self-employment opportunities for victims of gender-based violence,
- Formation of Support Groups to victims of GBV.

OBJECTIVES

SHORT TERM OBJECTIVES

Establish	Raise	Organize	Resource
Establish Support Networks: Create a minimum of 10 women clubs within the Chegutu community to provide immediate emotional and psychological support for survivors of gender-based violence (GBV).	Conduct awareness campaigns to educate the community about GBV, its impacts, and available resources, aiming to reach at least 500 community members.	Skills Development: Organize initial workshops focusing on basic entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and self-care for at least 100 women within the first six months.	Resource Access: Facilitate access to microloans or small grants for club members to kickstart small businesses, aiming to support at least 50 women in the first year.



LONG TERM OBJECTIVES

- Economic Empowerment: Achieve sustainable economic independence for women in the clubs
- Reduction of GBV Incidents:.
- Community Engagement: aimed at reducing GBV.
- Sustainable Support System: to women affected by GBV while promoting broader societal change



TARGET GROUPS

targets

The Primary target group

- survivors of gender-based violence (GBV) or are at risk of experiencing GBV
- Women from marginalized backgrounds, single mothers, and those with limited access to economic resources and support systems

Reasons for selecting victims of GBV



ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Capacity building twice a month meetings
- ❖ Legal rights and protection against GBV. •
- ❖ Health education, including reproductive health and mental well-being.
- ❖ Support Groups for GBV Survivors: • Create safe spaces within the clubs for survivors of GBV to share their experiences and receive emotional support. •
- ❖ Awareness Campaigns: • Organize community outreach events to raise awareness about GBV, its impacts, and available resources. • Utilize various media (e.g., posters, social media, local radio) to disseminate information and engage the wider community.



STRATEGIES EMPLOYED BY THE PROJECT

- Community Engagement: Strategy: Actively involved community members in the planning and implementation of activities to ensure cultural relevance.
- Success Evaluation: High levels of participation and ownership among women in clubs indicated strong community buy-in.
- Establishing safe spaces for survivors to share experiences and access counseling
- Success Evaluation: Many participants successfully launched small businesses or improved existing ones. Economic assessments indicated a positive impact on household incomes, contributing to women's financial independence



PARTNERS

We collaborate with various partners

- ❖ Nyaradzo,
- ❖ DOVES
- ❖ NAC
- ❖ Victim friendly unit

ROLE OF PARTNERS

- ❖ Expanding our network
- ❖ Sharing of expertise
- ❖ Support during activities

BUDGET

	AMOUNT IN \$
Gender specific allocation	2000
Gender mainstream projects	4000
Amount contributed in cash of kind by partner	20 000
Other source	3000
Total	29 000

PARTICIPANTS

Category	women	men	total	% women
Direct participants	100	N/A	100	100
Indirect participants	N/A	N/A	00	
Online participants	N/A	N/A	00	
Total	100	N/A	00	

CHALLENGES

- We do not have a safe house for victims of GBV
- The challenges have been overcome through collaboration with stakeholders such as NAC, ZRP Victim friendly unit, Nyaradzo, Doves

LESSONS LEARNT

- Women empowerment
- Fostering a sense of togetherness as community
 - Learning will be applied through sharing of information
 - Capacity building
 - Peer learning visits

RESULTS

Long term impacts :victims of Gbv are now into

Farming



Events management



Detergents



- Apart from conducting various projects as groups , these women are now empowered to look after their families instead of looking up to men for their sustenance.

Results

- In terms of public participation these women are now confident to attend budget consultation meetings and to meet on their own celebrating their own achievements



MONITORING AND EVALUATION

- Tour of projects
- Clubs submit monthly reports to council
- Meetings twice a month to track progress
- Stakeholder engagement involving beneficiaries who are willing to assist us in how to make products
- Annual show to evaluate projects we have been doing through the year



Sustainability and Replication

- The work can be sustained through training of other groups
- Continuous improvement of products
- Capacity building
- Peer learning

NEXT STEPS

- Improved marketing skill through social media and media coverage
- Improved standards of living for victims of GBV
- Marketing of products beyond chegutu town

