

Fighting the highest HIV/AIDS rate in the world

Project title

Capacity Building for Adolescents: Integrated Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights Education and HIV Prevention

About the project

Compassionate Swaziland is a young NGO and a new partner to sahee. Compassionate Swaziland was founded by concerned HIV+ mothers and fathers in January 2010. The HIV+ mothers and fathers were concerned about their children who are adolescents. There are no organizations in Swaziland providing integrated HIV prevention and SRH services to HIV+ and HIV- adolescents, despite the precarious situation in Swaziland: The HIV/AIDS pandemic continues to be a major obstacle to economic and social progress. With an overall HIV prevalence rate of 25.9 per cent (Demographic and Health Survey 2006-2007), Swaziland has the highest HIV/AIDS rate in the world.

To combat HIV/AIDS the project aims at promoting positive health seeking behaviors among adolescents. In order to reach this objective the following activities are planned:

1. Train HIV+ adolescents on treatment literacy
2. Train adolescents on STIs and HIV prevention
3. Train adolescents on implications for Gender Based Violence
4. Conduct debates/with in school adolescents on stigma and discrimination against HIV+ children and teachers.
5. Train HIV+ adolescents on HIV and Human Rights
6. Provide information on contraceptives to HIV+ adolescent teenage mothers.
7. Train HIV+ adolescents on peer counseling

Project site

Eswatini:

Districts of Shiselweni and Lubombo

Beneficiaries

Women – 30 (school teachers)

Men – 30 (school teachers)

Parents (women 90, men 60)

Children below 16 years- 750

Project costs

CHF 17'500.–

Project costs and assistance by sahee

whereas sahee takes over CHF 15'000.–.

Sahee contributes CHF 15'000.- to the project. CHF 2'500 is covered by Compassionate Swaziland's own contributions. Sahee stays in regular contact with the project leaders and visits the project on site.

Duration of assistance

1st of July 2012 to 30th of June 2013

Local counterpart

Compassionate Swaziland



Those children are the primary beneficiaries of the project



Sentenjani Marziya animating the children