



JOY FOR CHILDREN JANUARY, 2023 NEWSLETTER

Greetings from JFCU

The Board of Directors and the staff of Joy For Children-Uganda wishes you a happy new year and appreciates your partnership and continued support towards promoting and protecting children's rights. This news letter gives updates on the activities we have had in the month of January.

COMMUNITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN TO SAFE GUARD AGAINST GENDER BASED VIOLENCE AND VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN IN LIRA, KOLE, DOKOLO AND OYAM DISTRICTS



With support from Uganda Roads Authority, we carried out a two days Community sensitization campaign with a purpose of creating awareness and mitigating social risks associated to GBV and VAC that may occur during the road project operation. The campaign was carried out in 7 communities in trading centers which include Lira (Jinja Camp, Juba Road, Ireda Chamber Central Park Kamswahili UTC, Angwetangwet), Kole (Corner Mowlem), Oyam (Corner Atapara, Kamudini Town Board) and Dokolo (Adwoki market).

As the road construction is underway in Dokolo, Lira, Kole And Oyam , efforts to sensitize the community is important to prevent escalation of vices exacerbated by influx of road construction workers.



DISSEMINATION OF THE 2ND NATIONAL STRATEGY TO END CHILD MARRIAGE AND TEENAGE PREGNANCY IN UGANDA

We took part in the National level dissemination of the 2nd National Strategy to End Child Marriage and Teenage Pregnancy in Uganda. We were represented by the Executive Director Mr. Ntenga Moses who doubles as the Chair of Girls Not Brides Uganda (GNBU), in a two days' workshop organized by the Ministry Of Gender Labor and Social Development and UNICEF. GNBU and JFCU have been a key partner to the Uganda government in implementing the National Strategy to End Child Marriages and Teenage Pregnancy (2014/2015 -2019/2020) and continues to adapt the new the National Strategy to End Child Marriages and Teenage Pregnancy (2022/2023-2026/2027).

CHILD JUSTICE STRATEGY

Joy For Children Uganda has been part of the process of reviewing and updating Child Justice Strategy (CJS) which was drafted by The Ministry of Gender Labor and Social Development and Justice Law and Order Sector(JLOs) .Child Justice Strategy(CJS) will provide a fair ,effective avenues and processes of justice to protect children in Uganda. The overall objective of the CJS is to bring justice nearer to children in contact and conflict with the law.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Multisectoral convening to review efforts to end child marriage and implementation of child protection related policies and strategies
- Quaterly review meetings with MGLSD and MoE give feedback on the recommendations from the actors and review of policies associated with ending child marriage in Uganda