

Confident and Empowered to face the future



Mercy sharing and inspiring girls

WHO ARE WE!

- We are a Youth Community Based Organization in Trans-nzoia County whose vision is to mould a Responsible, Informed and Active Citizen by inspiring and empowering marginalized and vulnerable young people through value based sports.
 - Our beneficiaries are both boys and girls majority from families characterized by: single parenting, landless, alcoholic, orphans, poverty and those experiencing difficulty parental relationships.
 - We serve 112 direct beneficiaries per year and reach out to another 5000 annually.
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Wasichana Tunaweza Project

In the community where we work, many girls are faced with the challenge of school drop-out as a result of:

- ❑ Early pregnancies and marriages
 - ❑ lack/ inadequate family and community support
 - ❑ Poverty- where girls have to work in the farms/homes/bars to get money
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Project Impact

- It is true that as the project comes to an end, we can authoritatively say: The girls/young women are Confident and Empowered to face the future.
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Community & Institutions Now Prioritizing Girls

- Inclusion of girls needs in the family, school, TYSA budget
 - Families trying to meet basic needs e.g. school fees, clothings
 - Some schools/ organizations/Families providing sanitary towels
 - Health Education at personal and group level being offered
 - Regular Reproductive Health Clinics organized by TYSA
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Increased Access to education and livelihood opportunities

- Increased number of girls in schools
 - Retention in school is improved
 - Schools are offering scholarship through sports program
 - More girls pursuing higher education e.g college, university
 - Young women initiating Income Generating Projects e.g horticulture, dress making, computer (IT)
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Project Impact Recognized

- MDG Trust Fund Kenya recognized the project for its great impact at the community level
 - The Wasichana Tunaweza project was voted overall winner under the MDG No. 3 Promoting Women Empowerment
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The Story of Atieno

- *A first born daughter of a single mother. A mother who is hands on and demands perfection.*
 - *She dropped out of school in form 3 when she got pregnant at her first attempt of sex and then got married. Their marriage was short-lived as life was unbearable. She got baby boy. She decided to go back home to her mother and while at home she joined TYSA became one of the beneficiaries. She perfected her football prowess and finally got back to school. She is the captain-cum coach of her school football team.*
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The Story of Mercy

- *A daughter of teen mother who has lived with her grandmother most of the time. Had very little exposure in the community and the outside world till joined TYSA*
 - *In 2008, Mercy's desire to go for higher education grew day by day. With her O level grades, she could not access university education in Kenya. Through TYSA network in East Africa, She enrolled in Mashariki High School in the out skirts of Kampala. It is here that she worked hard and got 2 principals and 3 pass of 13 points end of last year. Mercy is now a student at Moi University pursuing a degree in Human Resource*
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The Story of Rose

- She is a naturally a quiet girl, though it is generated from harsh domestic up bring. She still remember the day her sister was beaten and disappeared away from home after form four and she has never seen her to date.
 - After completing her form four education, Rose was frustrated at home and didn't know what to do. Her exposure to the world was limited.
 - Through the project, Rose discovered her potential after series of consultations and interactions with other girls in the project. Today, Rose is pursuing her Secretarial course at St. Kizito Secretarial College in Kitale.
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The Story of Monica

- After finishing her secondary education Monica spent most of her time doing domestic chores in their home. Her contact with the community was limited. She took a course in computer proficiency and another one in art and design. When she joined TYSA, she opened up and started utilizing her skills especially in design. It is here where she pursued her desire to access university education. She joined Kenyatta university this year undertaking Arts and Design .
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The Story Pascilia

- At Form three, Pascilia dropped out of school due to lack of school fees when her dad died. She came back to the village where she joined TYSA. She perfected her football prowess and after one year got a scholarship to continue with her secondary education where she sat for Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education. This year 2011, she was elected as the first 'President' of the TYSA Youth Assembly. She is currently preparing to travel to Canada late in the year for an environmental exchange program under the network of Kijabe Environmental Volunteer Organization - KENVO
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Focusing into the Future

- Enhancing Sexual Reproductive Health for education in schools.
 - Construction of model sanitariums where girls can access Reproductive Health and Sanitary services
 - Increase educational scholarships for the girls to access higher education
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