



KEEPING GIRLS IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA SAFE AND IN SCHOOL

Fifty million girls in sub-Saharan Africa are not in school. As a result, they are robbed of the chance to reach their potential and become more vulnerable to early marriage, gender-based violence, unwanted pregnancy, depression, and HIV. World Vision believes that when girls are given opportunity and rights, families, communities, and entire countries win. And we have an innovative solution that is already making a dramatic difference. **Our evidence-based Early Warning System identifies at-risk girls before they drop out, keeping them safe and in school through interventions that unite the whole community.**

THE PROBLEM

The root cause of these problems is gender inequity: a lack of fairness in the way that women and girls are treated compared to boys and men. To change social norms, it is essential to change perceptions about what others believe and do. Evidence shows that girls' education will not improve unless harmful gender norms are addressed. Unless we act now, today's adolescents will become adults who perpetuate the same harmful beliefs and practices that limit girls' futures.

THE SOLUTION

Our Early Warning System transforms harmful gender norms and keeps girls in school, empowering them to reclaim their futures. We will use evidence-based interventions, like **SASA!** and **Coaching Boys into Men**, to shift harmful gender norms. In schools, we will track indicators like attendance, behavior, and course performance, cultivate skills, provide connections with peers and trusted adults, and disrupt the cycle of violence. As a faith-based organization with a staff that is 95% local, we are uniquely positioned to address harmful gender norms by engaging religious institutions, and by building on existing relationships at the national, community, school, and interpersonal level.



Your support will help scale the Early Warning System to reach hundreds more schools in Uganda and tens of thousands of additional girls.

OUR SUCCESS IS EVIDENT



Early Warning System has achieved a **99% school retention rate** in Uganda (151 schools, 10 districts) compared to the national rate of 22%.

Children who rated **school as a safe place** that protects from violence against children **increased from 54.5% to 93.5%.**

TARGET OUTCOMES

95%

school retention rate for adolescent girls

90%

of girls and boys who rate school as a safe place that protects from violence

90%

of adolescent boys who do not accept any forms of violence



\$1 million

Positive discipline teacher trainings and Coaching Boys Into Men will be implemented in **75 schools** in Uganda (5 districts) for 2.5 years.



\$5 million

EWS will be implemented in **180 schools** in Uganda (12 districts, 15 schools each), for 4 years.



\$10 million

EWS will be implemented in **225 secondary schools** in Uganda (15 districts, 15 schools each), for 4 years.



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