



Foreword

The year 2021, marked a foundational step in the transition of SRHR Alliance Uganda since it was the first year that the Alliance operated fully as an independent institution. The dreams and aspirations that were harboured by the Alliance members since 2011, came to pass 10 years later with the establishment of a fully functional Secretariat. To this end, I would like to thank the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Rutgers, and other partners for supporting and guiding this transition process.

The year was also marked by the continued outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, especially the 2nd and 3rd waves. This significantly impacted and disrupted our operation of the Alliance like it did for many other CSOs who operate in the SRHR space. Despite the pandemic, I am happy to report that the Alliance remained very instrumental in pushing for the integration of SRHR into the COVID-19 response. We are grateful to all the partners who stood with and supported the continuity of our work amidst the pandemic.

It is therefore my pleasure to present to you the 2021 SRHR Alliance Annual Report. In this report, the SRHR Alliance will be sharing highlights from the achievements made in the year 2021, especially towards ensuring that amidst the prolonged closure of institutions of learning, young people still had access to the much-needed youth-friendly SRHR information and services. During our first year of independent operation, we managed to realize many milestones such as setting up the general structure of the SRHR Alliance, having an active Board and a fully functional Secretariat. All these activities are geared towards building a solid and well-coordinated SRHR partnership that ensures young people continue to have access to youth-friendly SRHR information and services.

On behalf of the SRHR Alliance Uganda's Board of Directors, Management and the entire member, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation to our development partners including; Simavi, Embassy of the Kingdom of Netherlands-Kampala, UNESCO, Rutgers, Cordaid, UNAIDS, IDLO, IRH GeorgeTown University and HIVOS for the technical and financial support that led to a successful year.

Finally, I wish to thank the Secretariat team led by the National Coordinator, who worked tirelessly, in various capacities and spaces, to enable the SRHR Alliance Uganda to transition to this point that we all associate with pride and joy in our hearts. I also thank the Youth Advisory Committee, Technical team, and members of the Board of Directors for their continued support and guidance towards the Alliance.

I say all this, For God and My Country!

Ms. Stella Kentutsi
*Chairperson, Board of Directors
SRHR Alliance Uganda*



Acknowledgment

One of the core values of SRHR Alliance Uganda is collaborative partnerships. Our operational and implementation experience during this year was a clear depiction of how valuable working in partnership is to the Alliance. In that regard, I would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all those that made 2021 a memorable year for the Alliance.

We are greatly indebted to all the members of our Board of Directors, who guided and provided extraordinary leadership to the SRHR Alliance Uganda during the year. Thank you for rendering your efforts, expertise, and experience to the Alliance. I would like to pay special tribute to the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson and all the Chairpersons of the Board Committees and the Board of directors at large for their leadership, support, and guidance.

I equally, acknowledge and thank our development partners for choosing to support and work with the SRHR Alliance Uganda. We specifically thank you for the support towards our advocacy for an enabling environment for young people's access to youth-friendly information and services.

We also appreciate the support and guidance of the members of the Youth Advisory Committee and Technical Team during the year 2021. Thank you for selflessly dedicating time, technical expertise, and experience to the Alliance. Lastly, my special gratitude goes to the dedicated Secretariat team that worked tirelessly to ensure that the SRHR Alliance Uganda is what it is today. We shall continue to strive to build the Alliance into a center of excellence for Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights in Uganda.

I say all this for 'What Young People Want and What Young People Need!'

Mr. Owekmeno Charles

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List of acronyms

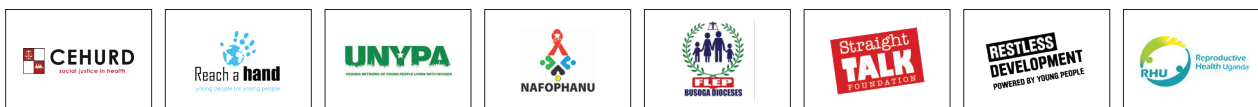
3FHI	Faith For Family Health Initiative
AGYW	Adolescent Girls and Young Women
BOD	Board of Directors
COVID19	CoronaVirus Disease of 2019
CSO	Civil Society Organization
IDLO	Intergovernmental Law Organization
IFD2	Inter-Faith Dialogue
MHM	Menstrual Health Management
MOES	Ministry of Education and Sports
MOH	Ministry of Health
NPC	National Population council
SRHR	Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights
UNAIDS	The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
YAC	Youth Advisory Committee
IEC	Information, Education and Communication

Membership

The membership of the SRHR Alliance Uganda is currently constituted by eight founding organizations and fifty-one (51) affiliate organizations which comprises organisations that are youth-led, youth-serving, young women-led, key population-led, as well as faith-based organizations.

The SRHR Alliance supports these organisations to claim and exercise their SRHR without impediment and free from violence.

Meet the founding members:



Mission

We exist to strengthen SRHR partnerships and networks that inspire young people to live healthy and productive lives



Vission

A society where ALL young people have equal access to SRHR information and services to make informed life choices



Collaborative Partnerships



Meaningful Youth Participation



Equity



Inclusiveness

Membership

1. Young people's Collective Voice on the SRHR policy Environment



March 8, 2021 International Women's Day

Commemoration, themed “Women in leadership: Achieving an equal future in a COVID-19 world.”
The virtual Celebrations voiced the supremacy of young women’s leadership in crises and how it can shape the future

#IWD2021



May 7, 2021 Menstrual Health Management Campaign 2021.

AGYW, adolescent boys and young men, parents / guardians, caretakers, and the online community, working with the MHM coalition at the MoES, reached over 1000 community members, parents, like-minded partners, health workers, teachers, and school administrators with MHM information and services for a better menstrual environment.

#HealthyPeriods4Her



June 16, 2021 Day of the African Child.

Specially commemorated in the Bukedi Sub-Region, voiced the urgency of collective ACTION to ease the vulnerability of the African Child, through creating a violence free environment, in and out of school

#EducationForAfrica



August 12, 2021 International Youth Day

Celebrated in collaboration with the Uganda National Youth Council Under the theme: **Transforming food systems: Youth innovations for Human and Planetary Health.**
re-echoed the importance of the involvement and support of adolescent boys and young men to adolescent girls and young women, especially food production.

#YouthDayUG



June 6, 2021

The 2nd National Interfaith Dialogue and its Regional series (IFD2)

In collaboration with RHRN2, UNESCO, 3FHI, MarieStopes and PSI

The national dialogue, which had over 200 participants (64 physical and over 150 virtual), saw Religious Leaders make commitments which were cascaded in the Central, Eastern, Western, and West Nile Regions to 115 other Religious Leaders.

#Faith4YouthHealth



Engaged the Members of Parliament from Rwenzori and Sebei regions to garner support for young people's SRHR

Members of Parliament committed to advocating for SRHR related legislations like; the School Healthy, Adolescent Health Policy, and the National Sexuality Education Framework. Gathered Members of Parliament, Minister of State for Primary Education, MoH Representatives, NPC Representative, Chairpersons of Committees, Legal Counsels of Committees, and Clerks to Committees, Chairperson National Youth Council, young people, and CSO representatives.

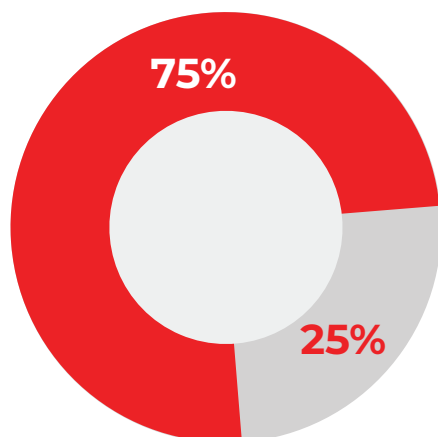


Celebration of the Alliance Week 2021

With funding from the RHRN2 project, the SRHR Alliance, together with partners, Celebrated Alliance Week 2021 in Kasese District.

#AllianceWeek21

ii. Quality SRHR information and service delivery for young people

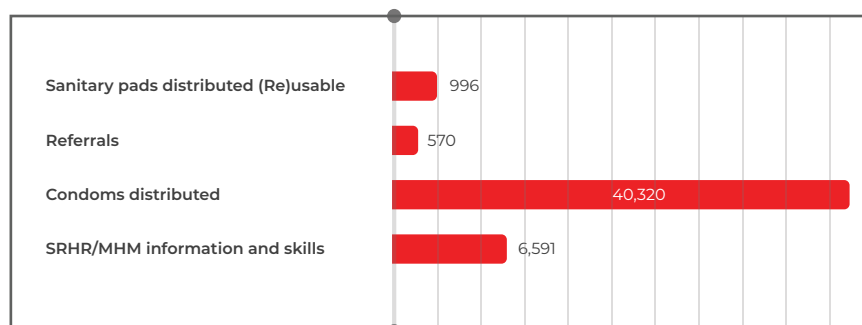


Overall reach of SRHR Integrated Information

- Online - 15 Million
- Offline - 5.1 Million

SRHR/MHM Media campaign 2021 was mainly supported by the Aga Khan Foundation. and other Integrated Community outreaches focused on 1) Integrated MHM/SRHR information and service delivery (Interactive Booths), 2) How do I Wear It? Challenge, and 3) Distribution of Sanitary Towels.

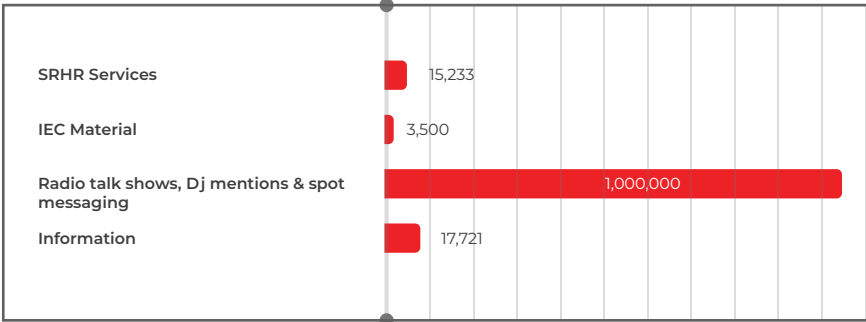
MHM Campaign Reach



2. The Integrated COVID19 Response Media campaign (SRHR, WASH, Menstrual Health, SGBV, and Mental Health) was supported by Simavi.

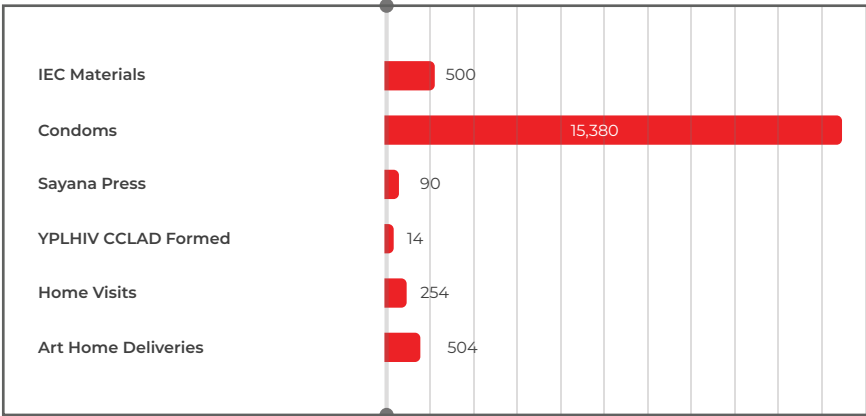
Messages on prioritizing SRHR services in COVID response were disseminated through various platforms such as the peer to peer model, mainstream media such as TV and Radio, IEC materials and social media.

Overall Reach of the SIMAVI Integrated COVID Response Media Campaigns



Also, life-saving SRHR information and services were delivered to vulnerable young people including young people living with HIV

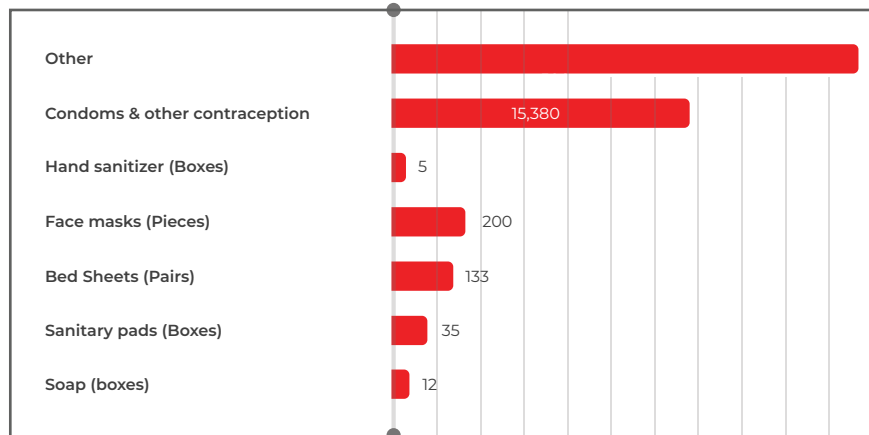
Reach for young people living with HIV



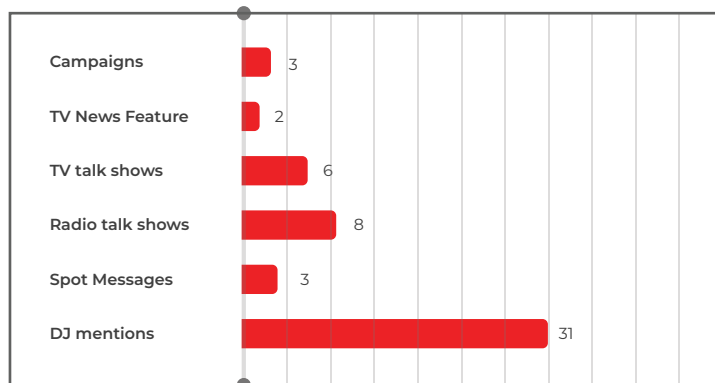
4. With support from the **RHRN2** program, **The Alliance Week 2021**, was celebrated in Kasese district, from 29th November to 3rd December 2021, under the theme: **“Action towards ending Violence against women and girls in Kasese District.”**



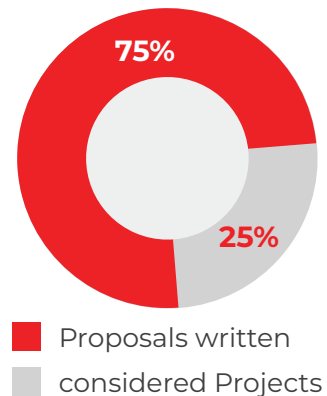
Reach during the alliance week 2021



Media Engagements



Resource Mobilization



4. We Lead Uganda Country Program

We lead is a new, inspiring, innovative and far-reaching program aiming to improve SRHR of young women with focus on four specific groups of young women:

Young women living with HIV, Young women with disabilities, key populations, and those affected by displacement by putting them in the driving seat, while supporting them to impactfully and sustainably advocate for their SRHR. The five-year program (2021 – 2025) is funded by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, under the SRHR Partnership Fund.

#WeLeadOurSRHR

The Host: SRHR ALLIANCE UGANDA

Works with and supports the community of action facilitator (CoAF) to coordinate & facilitate the We lead Program activities.

Ms. Martha Clara Nakato.
Community of action facilitator (CoAF)



Supported by:



5. Strengthening Community Led Redress for SGBV (SCR)

Implemented in the Bukedi Sub-region, together with Reach a Hand Uganda, Women Pro Bono Initiative and Restless Development and with funding from the International Development Law Organisation, the SCR project aims at Strengthening community SGBV response systems for access to justice among adolescent girls and young women. This is achieved through creating awareness on SGBV, strengthening the SGBV response mechanisms, and increasing the capacity of these mechanisms to enhance access to justice for the survivors.



6. Youth Led COVID19 Response (YCR) Project

The project is implemented with Cordaid and in the initial stages of its second phase, targets to enhance quality SRHR services and quality SRHR information through the youth ambassadors. Specifically, the project aims at strengthening of the health system and improved access to sexual reproductive health and Covid-19 information for the chronically ill and vulnerable groups in rural areas in Arua and Adjumani.



7. Youth Learning Games Project MALOZA

Funded by UNAIDS, this program is implemented in both Uganda and Malawi, to contextualise the MALOZA games, which are meant to aid in the dissemination of SRHR and HIV information in a fun way. The games were disseminated to young people living with HIV, Young people in refugee settlements, young people who are in the key population category and young people who live in slums.

Feedback from these young people's interactions with the games will further guide the contextualization and utilization of these games.



8. Passages Project

While it is important that young people keep receiving SRHR information to guide them towards healthy decision making, it is equally important that we continually innovate ways in which this information can be delivered in ways interesting and fun to the young people. Together with the Georgetown Institute for Reproductive Health and AMAZE, we are working, under the Passages Project, to produce animations that cover various topics under SRHR, providing facts, bursting myths and answering the common questions that young people have.

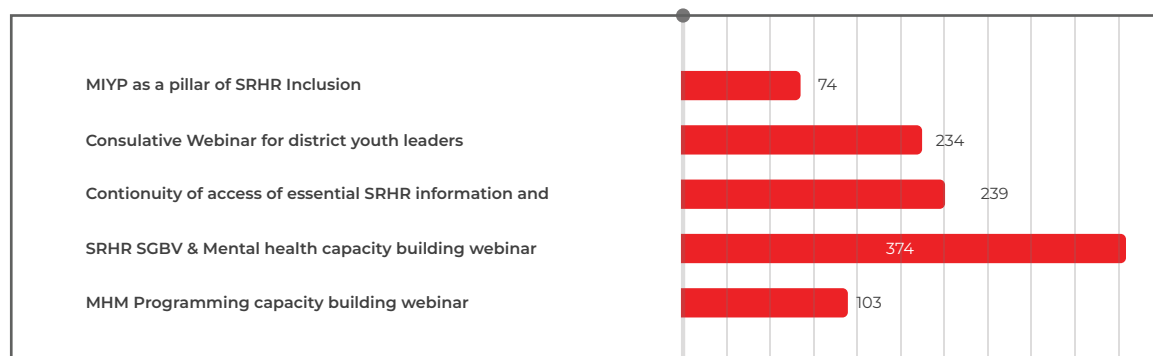


Capacity Strengthening within the SRHR Alliance

The SRHR Alliance Capacity Strengthening Program

As one of our core engagement strategies, the SRHR Alliance aims to have quarterly and needs-arising capacity building webinars, to strengthen and develop particular competencies among the members and partners of the Alliance.

Overall reach of the capacity strengthening program



iv. Collaborative and Strengthened Partnerships

Collaborative Partnerships has been the most outstanding core value of the SRHR Alliance throughout 2021. We have had many partnerships throughout the year that have smoothed programme implementation on a great scale.

Some of our partnerships, on different ventures, projects and programs from the year 2021 included:

Collaborative and Strengthened Partnerships				
MHM integrated Girls' Mentorship Outreach Camps		COVID Relief fund		
Strengthening Community-led Redress for SGBV		Youth COVID Response Project		
MHM++			The Passages Project	
We Lead		Youth Learning Games		
Right Here Right Now (RHRN2)		Technical Partners		
				

iv. Evidence Generation to inform effective services and policies for Young People in Uganda

Conferences	Youth Pre- e conference on Strengthening systems for integration of SGBV, HIV and SGBV service https://uganda.unfpa.org/en/news/young-people-demand-meaningful-involvement-integration-srh-hiv-and-gbv-services Presented three abstracts at the Strengthening systems for integration of SGBV, HIV, and SGBV services Conference.
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	Accelerating reach for SRHR-HIV information, products, and Services: The Community Health Entrepreneurship Model Meaningful Youth Participation among the SRHR Alliance Members Role of Boda-bodas in maternal health Eastern Africa Social and Gender Norms conference, July 2021. Amplifying access of information and services by addressing inequality: the role of the gender transformative approach in positive outcomes of Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR). IFSW Africa 2021 Ubuntu social work conference, November 2021. Presented paper: Demystifying parent-adolescent communication gendering to improve Sexual and reproductive health outcomes in Busoga sub-region
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Research	Strengthening Community-Led Redress Initiative for SGBV Project Baseline: A baseline study report assessing the level of awareness, knowledge, and functionality of formal and informal sexual violence response systems among adolescent girls and young women in the Bukedi sub-region. The SRHR Alliance Uganda was consulted by Cordaid in December 2021 to conduct an operations research: ‘Access to Quality SRHR and SGBV Response Services using Adolescent and Youth Focused RBF Methodology: “HEROS4GTA” and “Making Health Systems Work for Adolescents and Young People” Project’
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Mid-term evaluation of the Strategic plan

An evaluation of the SRHR strategic plan was conducted to check the relevance of the Strategic plan and how far it had moved. The context is still the same, and the Alliance had moved significant steps towards achieving each of the strategic objectives

Monitoring and Evaluation Audit Report of the SRHR Alliance Uganda

The SRHR Alliance attempted to internally evaluate her M&E systems and identified progress made to ensure the functionality of the department. It further realised the need to strengthen her compliance monitoring and has since made efforts towards seeing this through.

GOVERNANCE

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC)	- Constituted as substantive structures of the SRHR Alliance Uganda. - Held the quarterly meeting.
The Technical Team	
Board Meetings	Held the quarterly meeting
Annual General Assembly	To convene in April

Milestones:

- Constitutional amendment to clarify membership and Board of Directors Representation.
- Approval of Secretariat Organogram.
- Approval of audits for the year 2020.



The newly constituted YAC members, joining in action to deliver SRHR information and services to young people, during Alliance Week 2021 in Kasese.

Reproductive Health Uganda

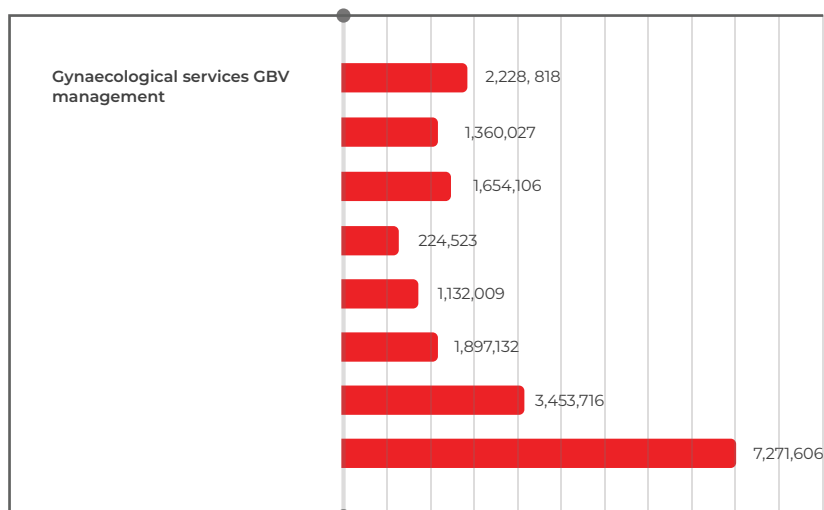


RHU launched an E-health intervention for accelerating SRHR information and services.



The Annual Inter University dialogue brought together over 1000 (200 physical and 800 virtual) participants

Service reach by Reproductive health Uganda



FINANCE PERFORMANCE 2021

DONOR	PROJECT NAME	INCOMES	EXPENSES				DEFICIT /BALANCE
		TOTAL INCOME /FUNDS	ACTIVITY COSTS	PERSONAL COSTS	ADMIN COSTS	TOTAL EXPENSES	
IDLO	SCR	349,999,993	192,493,394	103,249,338	21,408,192	317,150,923	32,849,070
HIVOS	We Lead	350,183,250	185,638,029	104,518,634	28,466,689	318,623,352	31,559,898
POSITIVE VIBES	LILLO	67,911,909	71,666,210	-	4,072,992	75,739,202	7,827,293
SIMAVI	Covid -19 Media Campaign	184,257,394	90,598,502	83,000,000	21,359,000	194,957,502	10,700,108
RUTGERS	RHRN	333,201,825	248,578,479	120,112,002	20,018,000	388,708,481	55,506,656
UNAIDS	MALOZA	17,533,139	14,183,439		-	14,183,439	3,349,700
AGAKHAN	MHM Campaign	72,118,000	61,590,480		4,743,875	66,334,355	5,783,645
CORDAID	Heros for GTA Research	39,315,500	41,160,000		-	41,160,000	1,844,500
CORDAID	YCR	32,956,828	11,429,760		15,423,320	26,853,080	6,103,748
PSI Uganda	Interfaith Dialogue	3,000,000	3,000,000		-	3,000,000	-
TOTAL		1,450,477,838	920,338,293	410,879,974	115,492,068	1,446,710,334	1,446,710,334

CHALLENGES

- The escalated spread of the second wave Covid-19; which led to a country's total lockdown affected the implementation of some activities, especially those which require physical engagements with communities
- Continued misconception and opposition to SRHR. There are continued counter campaigns to portray SRHR as a foreign agenda and a trigger for immorality among young people. This false idea has affected community perception of SRHR.
- Restrictive SRHR legal and policy environment

CHALLENGES

Digitalization is the future of project implementation

2022 PRIORITIES

African Network of SRHR Alliances (ANSA)	The Existing SRHR Alliances in Africa (Kenya, Malawi, Uganda, Ghana and Ethiopia) to operationalise the ANSA, including establishing SRHR Alliance chapters in other five (5) Countries. Uganda is the current secretariat of ANSA
SRHR Partnerships Forum	Establishing the SRHR Partnerships Forum, from the grassroots to national level. This is a movement of SRHR focused groups, CBOs, NGOs, FBOs, Coalitions and Consortiums.
Alliance Week (Youth Day) Celebrations	This is an annual event aimed at increasing young people's voices in key advocacy spaces, increasing SRHR information and services uptake, and creating linkage among stakeholders (young people, government, CSOs, and private sector)
Inter-faith dialogue Series 2022	This is an annual activity, done in series, Nationally, regionally, sub-regionally, to promote faith based promotion in young people's SRHR
Youth Symposium 2022	An annual event that brings together young people to share life experiences, that inturn promotes their life skills, for transition from youth to adulthood.
Alliance Partners' Fair 2022	An annual event where all members and partners share their linkage with the SRHR Alliance Uganda, and how that linkage uniquely changes the beneficiary.
SRHR Alliance Capacity building Program	A continuous program tailor-designed to respond to the needs of the SRHR Alliance Secretariat, members, and partners to strengthen their role in SRHR programming.

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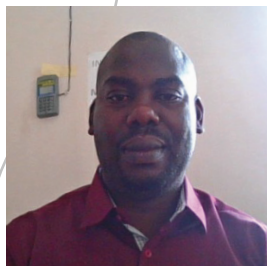
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