

HEALTH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY ORGANIZATION  
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*Promoting healthy and economically developed communities*



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## APPRECIATION

All the work and what we achieved in 2022 was made possible by the dedication of our partners, collaborators, networks, and the communities that we serve .We would like to take this opportunity to thank the county government of Kisumu department of youth ,gender ,sports and department of Health for the support they have given us during this year and enabling us to achieve the milestones .we would also like to appreciate our partners Tinada youth organization ,Access to medicine platform ,Network for adolescent and youth of Africa, organization of Africa youth Kenya ,youth alive Kenya ,dream girl youth group, Green world initiative Kenya ,young women Christian association -Kisumu ,gifted hands ,citizen voice of action initiative ,community agenda support ,Blue cross Kisumu ,YESAM CBO,plan international Kenya -Kisumu office ,manyatta development is power CBO,chemelil social justice center .We would also like to thank our network members of MeTA Kenya CSOs alliance ,Homabay civil society organization network, charter for change Kenya working group .we cant forget to appreciate our communities and support groups that we have worked with the entire year .We look forward to working with you all in the coming years.

## FOREWORD

### MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR.



Greetings,

As they say two or more heads are better than one, At HEDSO we can attest to this .In the year 2022 we have seen the fruits of strategic partnership with stakeholders .Our partners have supported a number of our activities throughout last year to ensure we achieve our goals .we value partners and we are looking forward to more partnership come 2023.Let always work together as we serve humanity within the communities .

Joseph ojuki. Executive director HEDSO

### Message from Board of directors chair



I am deeply appreciative of the efforts that all of us have concerted in the growth and development of HEDSO as an Organization in all aspect to become one of the leading youth organizations in the region. 2022 has been an exciting and successful of continuing growth and implementation. In this regard am honored to present this report on behalf of Board of Directors. I would like to thank everyone for their participation in their various levels and fields and pledge my continued support to the course of our professionalism development as practitioners of the art of changing lives of individuals and communities for the better. I also wish to thank our partners in the development process, my colleagues on the Executive Committee, the CEO and his staff, with a special mention of our enthusiastic volunteers, and each of you for continued interest and support of our important work. HEDSO recognizes from inception that effective coordination can be realized through functional structures and linkages between policies, programs and resources. This is more integrated approach with more impact if we really want to achieve our goals.

## BACKGROUND OF HEALTH AND HECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATERGY ORGANIZATION

The Health and Economic Development Strategy Organization (HEDSO) is a Community Based Organization registered in 2021 august. HEDSO to focus on development of young people and vulnerable community members living in Western Kenya. We strive to make positive difference in the lives of youth, women and vulnerable community by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, improving their health standard, economic development, ecosystem conservation and career success.

*Vision: A healthy and economically empowered Society free from social injustices.*

*Mission: To promote integrated health, skills and knowledge development, human rights advocacy, climate change action, and economic empowerment among the marginalized youth and families*

### Core Values

- Professionalism
- Team Work
- Integrity
- Accountability
- Innovation

### Strategic Objective/Goal

To enhance Health and Wellbeing, Economic empowerment of young people and the vulnerable in the society through supporting young people to be more aware of their health rights towards being more involved in policy, investment and service delivery matters within the health sector under the auspices of Universal Health Coverage (UHC) and Harnessing of Demographic Dividends

### Program areas

**Health and Well Being:** HEDSO focuses on improving the services and information on Reproductive, Maternal, New-born, and Child and Adolescent Health (RMNCAH). HEDSO also focuses on mental health community case identification and referrals. HEDSO focuses on social accountability and budget advocacy to ensure improved health services. we also focus on community based integrated mental health management

**Economic Empowerment and Livelihood:** HEDSO focuses on equal access to economic opportunities, employability and entrepreneurship. HEDSO also focuses on skills and knowledge development.

**Gender Mainstreaming:** HEDSO focuses on ensuring Equality and Equity in access to services and opportunities. We also focused in reducing gender issues such sexual gender base violence.

**Environmental Mitigation and Climate Change Action:** HEDSO focuses on youth involvement in conservation, climate change and how it impacts youth and communities. We do this through school outreach programs and formation of different environmental clubs.

**Media Advocacy:** HEDSO recognizes the critical role media plays in influencing policies. HEDSO use alternative media to tell the story of health from the communities' perspective. HEDSO also uses media advocacy in promotion of healthy public policies.

**Disability Inclusion:** Provide National Canters on Disability. This is to improve the quality of life of individual with disabilities by providing health information, education and consultation to healthcare professionals, media, researchers, policy makers and the public.

## 2022 OBJECTIVES

### OBJECTIVE 1

Organisation Objective	Expected Output	Achieved Output Jan to Dec 2022	Expected Outcome	Progress Towards outcome
Reduce cases of GBV and early and unintended pregnancies among AGYW	Reach 1500 adolescent girls and young women with information and referral for SRHR and GBV services	1200 adolescent girls and young women reached with information and referral for SRHR and GBV services in Kisumu county	There are reduced cases of teenage pregnancies in Kisumu and Homa Bay counties	Girls we have reached have shown greater interest in accessing SRHR services and always look forward to our outreaches. This is seen by the increasing number of girls attending our sporting events and getting referrals for services. Mostly they seek HTS services. This was also seen by the parents supporting and accepting to participate in the intergenerational dialogues

### OBJECTIVE 2

Organisation Objective	Expected Output	Achieved Output Jan to Dec 2022	Expected Outcome	Progress Towards outcome
Build a stronger ecosystem for economic empowerment of AGYW	Reach 200 girls and young women with financial literacy information and link them	100 AGYW reached with financial literacy information and 20 linked to IGAs support.	Girls have the ability to manage their finances and are able to generate their income.	10 AGYW have demonstrated strong business acumen and are running small businesses. 90 of them reported that they are feeling very competent to take charge of their finances

	to IGA support.			
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### OBJECTIVE 3

Organisation Objective	Expected Output	Achieved Output Jan to Dec 2022	Expected Outcome	Progress Towards outcome
Empower 60 AGYW to lead and conduct climate change activities.	60 AGYW are empowered to lead and conduct climate change activities	60 AGYW are empowered to lead and conduct climate change activities	60 AGYW are taking part and leading climate change activities in Kisumu and Homa Bay Counties.	60 AGYW have demonstrated their interest to improve and reduce the impact of climate change. The 30 AGYW took part in tree planting supported by Green world initiative and planted 700 trees in Kajulu forest. 30 AGYW took part in the tree planting initiative led by Homabay water and sewerage Company

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Network building and participation in 4 CSO joint activities influencing gender and social inclusion, mental health and climate action.	Join 2 networks and participate in 4 joint CSO Activities.	Joined 3 works and participated in 4 joint CSO activities.	Build visibility and credibility for the organisation. Also join in the push for a common goal increasing the power of CSOs by including voices of AGYW.	<p>We were able to join 3 Networks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Charter for change</li> <li>● GNDR</li> <li>● MeTA Kenya CSO alliance</li> </ul> <p>These have provided us with a room to get diverse perspectives on how to contribute in the civic space. We have also participated in international days contributing to local and global advocacy agenda.</p>

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES 2022

### 1. RESCUE DADA INITIATIVE

Rescue dada initiative aimed at creating a safe and supportive community free from any violence against adolescent girls and young women through strengthening the SGBV mitigation and response framework through creating awareness and economically empowering the adolescent girls and young women within the sugar belt areas.

Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) has remained one of the most widespread and socially tolerated human rights violations, cutting across borders, race, class, ethnicity, and religion. According to a report by the National Gender and Equality Commission (NGEC), GBV is one of the most widespread human rights violations in Kenya. 40.7% of women in Kenya have experienced physical and sexual violence. In the Nyanza region, 53% of women and girls between 15 and 49 years of age reported having experienced violence, second only to the western region at 55.6%. The prevalence of SGBV has been on an upward trend, pointing to the fact that the paper rights in the various treaties, laws and policies are yet to be translated into lived realities for the women and girls of Kenya, who continue to face untold human rights violations and gender injustice. HEDSO initiated a number of activities within the community to sensitize the community on SGBV and SRHR to ensure reduction on teen pregnancies and end the SGBV within the community making the adolescent girls and young women achieve their full potential. The activities done under rescue dada initiative were as follows

### I. Unpacking SRHR and Mental health services, Needs and information open tournament

In this activity HEDSO used sports as an avenue of mobilizing adolescent girls, young women, male champions and the community and create a platform to create awareness on sexual reproductive health, mental health, drug and substance abuse, environmental conservation and economic empowerment. HEDSO in partnership with other partner; organization Plan international, young women Christian association Kisumu, Tinada youth organization, youth alive kenya, Chadala, Green world initiative, manyatta development is power, ICS Africa, Pamoja CBO, Blue cross Kisumu, young men Christian association, VOWWEK, organization of Africa youth, gifted hands, come initiative and CVAI joined hands to organize a football tournament that brought on board 7 female football teams and 4 male teams age under 24.



PIC 1: event poster for unpacking SRHR and Mental health services, needs and information open tournament

The 7 female teams engaged were as follows ;

- Yago starlets
- Mibasi queens
- Awasi starlets



- Chipolopolo queens
- Angoro starlets
- She leads queens
- Rainbow queens

The male teams were as follows ;

- Kanyakla eagles
- Pawteng fc
- Yago fc
- Nyadundo fc



The activity aimed at Building a safe and resilient community free from any violence against adolescent girls and young women .during the event we had different chat corners to sensitize the players on different topics such as SRHR/SGBV chat corner ,economic empowerment chat corners ,mental health and drug and substance abuse chat corners ,environmental conservation chat corners .within the chat corners the players were engaged in different topics as indicated above and given opportunity to also share their ideas .



**Pic :mental health, Drug and substance abuse chat corner**

The event was a two day event that was graces by the Kisumu county CECM youth,sports ,gender and culture Mrs .Beatrice who also had discussion with the adolescent gils ,young women,the male champions and the entire community on issues of sexual gender based violence ,sports and talent naturing ,economic empowerment and the initiatives the county government of Kisumu has put in place for the young people within the community.



**Pic : CECM Mrs. Beatrice and youth officer Mr. George arriving for the event**





## **ACHIEVEMENTS /OUTCOMES**

The following were the outcomes from the event:

- 300 adolescent girls ,young women and male champions sensitized on sexual reproductive health ,sexual reproductive health mitigation and response including rereferral pathways .
- The county government of Kisumu department of youth ,gender ,culture and sport committing to build atleast one safe house within the sugar belt area of muhoroni.
- The CECM Mrs. Beatrice committing to modify the county social halls into youth talent hubs ,support growth of local football and girls football as the teams act as safe spaces .
- The community members were sensitized on Sexual Gender based violence referral pathways ,types of GBV .

## **II. Community dialogue with fishermen in dunga beach Kisumu on ending triple threats**

The fish for sex narrative within the lake Victoria beaches is deemed to have increased cases of teen pregnancies, sexual gender based violence and new cases of HIV and AIDS .In this regards HEDSO in partnership with dream girl youth group and other partners convened an SRHR community dialogue aimed at ending cases of teen pregnancy ,new cases of HIV and Gender based violence among adolescent girls and young women aged 14-24 within Dunga beach in Kisumu county .



Pic: Christine our Gender officer leading community dialogue at dunga beath hall

### Outcomes /achievements

- 80 fishermen reached with information on SGBV response and mitigation mechanism.
- The beach management committee member capacity strengthened on SGBV ,SRHR and causes of teen pregnancies to enable them strengthen the SGBV mitigation and response framework within the beach .
- The fishermen committing to end teen pregnancies within the beach and be ambassadors to sensitize others within the beach.
- The fishermen committing to write SGBV prevention messaging within their boards to sensitize other fishermen.
- The beach management board committing to come up with beach management legal act and regulations to punish those found guilty with sexual violence act
- 50 adolescent girls ,young women sensitized on SRHR and SGBV response .

### **III. Training young mothers on income generating activities and financial literacy to reduce cases of SGBV**

Poverty is a major contributor to the increase of teen pregnancy and sexual gender based violence among adolescence girls and young women .HEDSO aims to address this gap by capacity building teen mothers on income generating activities and financial literacy .HEDSO in partnership with meta kenya CSOs alliance trained 100 teen mothers in nyando sub county kobura ward on liquid soap making and home cake baking using jiko as income generating activities to enable the teen mothers have some business and income flow to cater for the

wellbeing of their young ones and family .The adolescent girls and young women were trained from 5 different facilities of Absalom wangulu dispensary ,hongo ogosa dispensary ,rabuor subcounty hospital, Ochieng health center ,okana dispensary in Kobura ward .the teen mums were then grouped into groups of 10 each and provided with business startup of liquid soap making materials to start business .



#### Achievements /outcomes

- 100 adolescent girls and young women trained on income generating activity and financial literacy.
- 10 support group formed to provide a platform for Peer-to-peer learning and counselling
- Increased knowledge on sexual reproductive health

- The support group formed acted as a community wing that gives relevant and testimonials to other adolescent girls not to fall into the same trap of teen pregnancy hence increased advocacy on ending teen pregnancy .

#### IV. School mentorship talks

HEDSO in partnership with TINADA has held numerous school mentorship talks in different schools in muhoroni sub county on mental health and SRHR . Mental health problems affect a student's energy level, concentration, dependability, mental ability, and optimism, hindering performance. Research suggests that depression is associated with lower grade point averages, and that co-occurring depression and anxiety can increase this association. The rise in teen pregnancies is also threatening the future of the adolescent girls to achieving their full potential.HEDSO in partnership with TINADA youth organization took the initiative to visit different primary and secondary schools on sexual reproductive health and mental health .this aimed at ensuring we crate a safe and supportive environment for the learners especially the adolescent girls to achieve their full potential .we formed health clubs in 10 primary schools and 8 secondary schools .the health clubs acted as a safe space to provide peer to peer counselling and healthy living discussions ,life skills and WASH discussions .



School mentorship session in orago primary school



School mentorship session at nyakoko with nyakoko health club members



School mentorship session at ngeny secondary school

#### Achievements /outcomes

- 10 primary and 8 secondary schools health clubs formed and operational and with leadership.

- Enhance capacity of the students on mental health and Sexual reproductive health. life skills and WASH Programs.
- The students trained on mental health concept ,stress management strategies and the early warnings to mental health disorders
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## 2. PEACE CAMPAIGNS AND SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY FORUMS

HEDSO together with other organization such as transparency international, organization of Africa youth Kenya ,youth alive Kenya ,tinada youth organization ,inform action organized social accountability forums and peace campaigns before the 2022 general election .This was aimed at ensuring the political aspirants prioritize youth agenda on health ,gender and economic empowerment while also maintaining peaceful coexistence in their campaign to avoid the incidence of post-election violence as previously witnessed in the previous years 2017,2013,2007.we organized ward based debates, county based debates with governor ,women representatives in Kisumu county and homabay county with the political candidates and the citizen where the citizen were able to ask the political candidates what plans they have and also scrutinizing their manifestos to ensure they prioritize youth agenda within their manifesto .



Wards based debate with MCA candidates chemelil tamu ward



Girl advocate asking question on the MCAs manifesto and what they plan for the youth.

Ward based debate with MCA nyangoma masogo ward

The debates were very useful in ensuring the community are able to share the priority areas for prioritization and consideration by the political candidates when one of the win regardless of the party affiliation .the political aspirants were also able to commit to ensure they maintain peace during their campaign period .Apart from having the debates we also had a series of peace campaigns within the violence hotspot areas in Kisumu that is kondele, obunga ,nyamasaria ,awasi ,mamboleo,mamnyatta,nyalele to engage the youth and sensitize the community on peaceful coexistence and the consequences of violence such as increased cases of SGBV ,economy disruption,death,loss of property



MATCH 4 PEACE CAMPAIGN FROM KONDELE TO MAMBOLEO



PEACE DIALOGUE FORUM WITH THE YOUTH IN KONDELE

## **Challenges**

Some of the political candidates from other parties did not turn up for the debate due to fear of victimization.

## **Achievements and outcomes**

- Increased partnership.
- Increased interaction between the electorates and the political aspirants
- The political aspirants were able to commit to prioritize youth agenda while elected hence opening an avenue for advocacy and accountability.
- The citizens were able to be sensitized on their civic rights and the supreme powers the constitution of Kenya gives them and knowledge on importance of public participation.
- Increased number of women elected in the political post in Kisumu as the debate gave fair chances and a moderated platform to sell the agenda to the electorates minus being compromised.
- Reduced cases of post-election and boundary wars that happen after election each.

### **3. Budget advocacy and prioritization of Family planning commodities**

With support from MeTA Kenya CSOs alliance HEDSO have taken role in budget advocacy process to ensure the county government of Kisumu prioritize funding towards addressing SRHR gaps and family planning commodities. We have engaged the community members and

recruited champions from the community who has been trained on budget making process inclined to prioritizing SRHR and family planning commodities .the champions have also been sensitized on the importance of taking part in public participation forums to address the SRHR gaps and family planning commodities stockout in the facilities .We have also engaged the county assembly and county executive on increase and ring fencing the SRHR funds .we successfully lobbied and ensure that mental health had a vote head and RMNCAH budget increased .

#### Opportunities

There is urgent need to advocate for desegregation of the RMNCAH components to ensure all the components have independent budget codes to ensure equitable budgeting and make budget tracking easier .

There's is need to sensitize the community on county budget making process and need to prioritize health issues during public public participation .



Budget advocacy forum organized by TEAMS

#### 4. ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE CHANGE ACTIONS

Environmental conservation plays a critical role in our programing within the year 2022 we managed to train go adolescent girls and young women on environmental conservation ,waste management strategies and climate change ,pollution action .the destruction of our environment is brought about by the human activities that destroys the environment.HEDSO agenda is to ensure the restoration of the forsts destroyed and protectic the environment through capcity building the AGYW that we work with on environmental conservation.HEDSO managed to train 60 AGYW on environmental conservation in the year 2022 .they took up action and managed to achieve a number of goals.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

- 60 AGYW have demonstrated their interest to improve and reduce the impact of climate change. The 30 AGYW took part in tree planting supported by Green world initiative and planted 700 trees in Kajulu forest.
- 30 AGYW took part in the tree planting initiative led by Homabay water and sewerage Company.

## 5. Charter for change annual dialogue forum

Charter for change is a platform that brings together different actors both international NGOs, National NGOs and Local CBOs together championing for localization agenda .The international NGO are signatories while the national and local CBOs are the endorsers .charter for change operates under eight main commitments of direct funding committing 25% of humanitarian funding to local actors ,partnership reaffirming the principles of partnership, transparency ,advocacy and equality .HEDSO is an endorsers at charter for change .in 2022 charter for change held annual dialogue forum a platform that brought the INGOs and Local actors together to share programmatic experiences and learn of different new interventions moving into the New year .the forum also provided a platform for potential donors .HEDSO had opportunity to share the work they have been doing in Kisumu and homabay counties on Gender issues, economic empowerment , accountability and health.

### Outcomes

- Increased partnership and networking .this platform provided an opportunity to network with other organization across Kenya .this increased HEDSOs visibility .
- The platform provided a opportunity for shared learning of different strategies such as resource mobilization strategies, community engagement strategies.
- Capacity of staff strengthened.



C4C Annual general meeting at ibis styles hotel nairobi

## 5.MARKING INTERNATIONAL DAYS

### I. WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY 2022

This is an event celebrated yearly on 10<sup>th</sup> October .HEDSO took part in the years Kisumu county world mental health day with the theme **Make mental health and wellbeing for all a global priority** .this years world mental health day was celebrated at kodiaga prisons in kisumu west sub county together with the inmates who suffer a lot of mental health problem .joining the county government of Kisumu and other mental health stakeholders we sensitized the community through a procession from riat airport to kodiaga prisons where different organizations were able to share what they do too ensure mental health is a global priority as the rate at which mental health cases are rising is alarming among the adolescent and youth .the county government of Kisumu committed to build and equip rehabilitation centers for mental health patient, the community members were sensitized on different types of mental health .the organization present committed to work closely with the prison welfare to provide mental health counselling to the inmates .



**WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY 2022 PROCESSION**

**II. 16 days of activism against gender based violence launch in nyakach .**

This is an annual campaign that calls for concerted efforts for the prevention and elimination of violence among women and girls. The 2022 theme is “UNITE! Activism to end violence against women and girls”. The campaign runs **between 25th November and 10th of December** every year. HEDSO joined Kisumu County Gender sector working group in the launch of the Kisumu County 16 days of activism against gender based violence in nyakach store pamba on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022.the event aimed at bringing different stakeholders together to have jointed efforts to fight and eliminate cases of gender based violence. The community were sensitized through song, acting and presentation from different speakers both from national movement and county government. the stockholders called upon the county movement to build and furnish SGBV safe space fully equipped.



**16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER BASED VIOLENCE LAUNH**

### III. UN disability day 2022

The annual observance of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) on 3 December, The observance of the Day aims to promote an understanding of disability issues and mobilize support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities.

HEDSO together with other organization in partnership Kisumu county government organized 2022 UN disability day Kisumu .The 2022 revolved around the overarching theme of innovation and transformative solutions for inclusive development, covering in three different interactive dialogues the following thematic topics:

Innovation for disability inclusive development in employment (SDG8): this dialogue discussed the linkages between employment, knowledge and skills required to access employment in an innovative, rapidly changing technological landscape to all and how assistive technologies can increase accessibility to employment and be mainstreamed in the workplace. Innovation for disability inclusive development in reducing inequality (SDG10): this dialogue discussed innovations, practical tools and good practices to reduce inequalities in both public and private sectors, which are disability inclusive and interested in promoting diversity in the workplace. Innovation for disability inclusive development: sport as an exemplar case: a sector where innovation started with the community on disability then showcase that they also play good volleyball



UN Disability day 2022 celebration at joy land special school

### IV. Universal health coverage day

HEDSO remains committed to driving the Universal Health Coverage (UHC) agenda by advocating for promotion and access to quality and affordable health services for all. Kisumu county CSOs network in partnership with Peoples Health Movement marked the UHC day on 9<sup>th</sup> December three days before the world mark the day on 12<sup>th</sup> December .We sensitized the community on importance of primary health care through a procession .we had a closed door dialogue forum with the health management team in Kisumu to deliberate on how to roll out UHC and improve healthcare services at level one and two facilities while also strengthening

the community health strategy .the county government committed to promoting UHC through innovations such as Marwa health cover that covers 9000 vulnerable households.



**UHC DAY CELEBRATION KISUMU COUNTY 2022**

### **ORGANIZATION NEXT STEP 2023**

- Increased advocacy processes on ring fencing Sexual reproductive health and improved services within the facilities .
- Increased advocacy on prioritization of family planning commodities within the facilities .
- Sensitization of community on sexual reproductive health ,holding community intergenerational dialogue aimed at creating a safe and supportive environment for adolescent girls and young women .
- Economic empowerment of young women within the sugar belt areas and beaches in Kisumu and homabay counties .
- Increase civic education on importance of public participation in county budget making process
- Environmental conservation and climate change mitigation revitalizing environment clubs in schools .
- Continue with school mentorship and health sessions and cover more school.
- Strengthening partnerships and networks .
- Increased resource mobilization strategy to sustain the organization
- Engagement of health facility board of director to include youth rep within the board.

### **Conclusion**

HEDSO had a lot of initiatives towards achieving the strategic objectives as outlined in the plan. The projects that were implemented in 2022 indicated the need to meaningfully involve young people in civic processes, economic empowerment activities and gender issues . Young people engagement

fosters transparency and accountability from duty bearers towards undertaking their duties of adequate service provision. HEDSO has also empowered young people and helped them develop their skills towards community development. We are also currently working on our Strategic plan which aims at addressing some of our loopholes and come up with new ideas that will help develop HEDSO and support the vulnerable within the community .

## RECCOMENDATION

- ❖ We recommend the need to strengthen partnerships between the adolescent girls and youth women support groups and the County governments through the information activities to mobilize youths as well as sharing the criteria for accessing the county information necessary to ensure active participation of the youth and access to youth opportunities provided by the county .
- ❖ There is need to Improve resource mobilization.
- ❖ There is need to improve visibility and online advocacy.
- ❖ There is need to start mobilizing youths to register, collect National Identification cards and register as voters. This will enhance youth participation in any by election, referendum, and upcoming elections.
- ❖ There is need for continuous engagement of the County Assembly as a tool for improving transparency and accountability as well as improving citizen participation
- ❖ Sensitization and distribution of pads to young people should be prioritized with the county government and the office of the women rep
- ❖ Encourage the religious/churches to have open dialogue on Sex Matter and sexual gender based violence with the congregants and the project to involve them in sensitization in order to reach more youth with information on reproductive health.