



Building on 20 years' experience of working with young people in Uganda, Restless Development Uganda puts youth leadership at the centre of integrated and holistic programmes addressing issues identified by young people and communities. Currently, our team of 65 staff supports over 200 young leaders (Volunteers) in delivering community development initiatives and engaging 30,000 young changemakers in this year alone.

Voice: Despite a clear programmatic focus on either 'Living' or 'Sexual Rights' in many programmes, Restless Development Uganda

works with young people with the goal of ensuring that decision makers are accessible and responsive to young people, and that young people can influence those with power.

Through the 'My Voice my Rights' programme, young people lead national level advocacy efforts, working as Advocates for Action to expose Sexual Reproductive Health Rights issues and challenges that are continually faced by young Ugandans. Through the 'Girls Advocacy Alliance', young people are building evidence on young women and girls' opportunities to tackle economic exploitation, and obstacles to women and girls' employment by influencing employment practices of government, civil society and the private sector.

Living: With funding from donors including the Big Lottery Fund and EC, young people in Karamoja are supported with training, start-up capital, and links to government youth livelihoods funds, enabling them to set up group agri-businesses and income generating groups.

At the midway point of the project 79.2% of young people reached have established business enterprises and have seen an increase in income over the last 12 months with 91.8% of young people reached reporting an increase in food security. In Northern Uganda, the DYNAMIC programme strengthens systems and facilitates the creation of sustainable economic opportunities for disadvantaged youth. To date, 1,000 youth have completed vocational training and are now engaged in different enterprises.

In Uganda, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Malawi, Zambia and Ghana - driving MasterCard Foundation's Youth Think Tank - Restless Development Uganda is supporting young researchers to generate youth-driven insights into young people's economic opportunities. The research will shape the work of donors, governments, the broader development sector and young people themselves; catalysing opportunities in these sectors.

Sexual Rights: Funded by Dance4Life, Restless Development Uganda is delivering advocacy and accountability on youth sexual health and rights in a five-year strategic partnership between the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Get Up Speak Out (GUSO) Consortium, implemented through the Sexual Reproductive Health Rights (SRHR) Alliance in Uganda.

Through the 'My Voice My Rights' project - funded by Amplify Change - Restless Development Uganda is participating in the review of the National Adolescent Health Policy, and is providing input into the Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) framework being reviewed by the Ugandan Ministry of Education and Sports.

In Karamoja, a three-year peer education initiative led to a 15% increase in young people seeking SRHR services from a recognised health facility. In addition, 90% of the targeted young people report practicing safe sex.

Leadership: Given the history and subsequent challenges young people are facing in Karamoja, our work there is a strong example of 'Leadership' in action, with young people playing a leading role in building community resilience to long-term economic, environmental, and structural challenges.

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