



Empower 2 Transform

Implementing partner: Go Fund a Girl Child

Programme period: December 2022 to December 2023

Budget: \$60.000 USD

Location: TA Bwananyambi, Mangochi, Malawi

Summary: Go Fund a Girl Child is a grassroots feminist organization that operates in Mangochi. Go Fund a Girl Child implemented successfully the “Not Under My Watch Campaign” with support from UN Women through the Embassy of Iceland in Lilongwe during the COVID epidemic. The purpose of the campaign was to instill a culture of reporting cases of GBV among young people and eradicate victim shaming.

During the implementation of the activities, it was realized that there were critical gaps in some areas including lack of financial independence among the young women and girls/. However, recognizing the gains made in dealing with GBV in the country and Mangochi district, there was an urgent need to address the existing gaps through this project which aims to advance the well-being of vulnerable adolescent girls and young women (AGYW) through the transformation of social norms and increased financial independence using the safe space model.

Specifically the project seeks to:

- To mobilize vulnerable AGYW for the creation of a platform for social or peer support on issues affecting them.
- To train vulnerable AGYW in life skills in order to increase usage of the justice, GBV, psychosocial support and SRHR services.
- To economically empower vulnerable AGYW and GBV survivors as a long-term recovery plan, as well as a prevention strategy for those at risk.



29%

of girls aged 15-19 have given birth to at least one child



47%

of girls in Malawi are married by the age of 18