RESTORING DIGNITY FOR REFUGEES IN MAHAMA CAMP

Rwanda
2018
“The Government of Japan supported Burundian refugees in Rwanda in different Sexual and Reproductive Health activities.

We are grateful to UNFPA Rwanda and its partners for the daily efforts to uplift dignity and save lives of the most vulnerable women, adolescents and youth.

We hope the refugees in this camp and the host community benefited from our support.”
“The support of Japan is enabling UNFPA and partners to reach more than 50,000 adolescents and young people with SRH information including on HIV, family planning and Gender Based Violence prevention and management.

Women and especially adolescent girls are among the most vulnerable and exposed to risks including unintended pregnancies, STIs (Sexually Transmitted Diseases) and Sexual & Gender Based Violence.

With the financial support of the Government of Japan we provided life-saving sexual and reproductive health services to women and girls to build their resilience.”

Mr Mark Bryan Schreiner, UNFPA Representative
Key Results

- 1,388 Safe births performed
- 4,868 Women using Family Planning Method
- 69,734 Adults and Young People reached with SRH messages
Young People

141 First time young mothers reached with SRH messages
402,951 Male condoms distributed
5,266 Female condoms distributed
“My friends and I appreciate this Youth Friendly Space designed for us to access information and services related to our health. We discuss sexuality issues without the interference of adults and learn more about our body changes, condom use, prevention, signs and treatment of STIs with a nurse who understands our issues without judgement” Claudine appreciates.
Ambulance was procured

238 complicated obstetric cases referred using Ambulance

897 STIs screened and treated

Saving Lives
"The ambulance supports referral system for complicated obstetrical and SGBV cases and will greatly contribute to alleviate the suffering and save lives of women and girls".
Restoring Dignity

144 Dignity Kits procured and distributed

Reproductive Health kits and medical equipments distributed

35 Health service providers trained in SRH
“Sexual and reproductive health is critical to be integrated into humanitarian response to save the lives of women and adolescent girls. This additional equipment and supplies will support continuity and quality of services”. Mr. Mark Bryan Schreiner, UNFPA Representative
Gender Based Violence Prevention

GBV safe room was constructed and is functional

GBV reporting hotline initiated
“We appreciate services at the Safe Space. The health providers assist us by offering testing, emergency contraception, counselling, as well as dignity kits. A multi-purpose room in this facility serves as an open space where we learn how to protect ourselves from unwanted pregnancies, HIV/AIDS, STIs and get opportunities such as vocational training”. First Time Young mothers.
The fireplace offers a space for social interaction, facilitated by the testimonies of GBV victims. One of many community mobilization approaches among those developed by Raising Voices in their “SASA! methodology”. As Burundian culture traditionally uses fire to mourn the deceased, community activists use ‘fireplaces’ to mourn GBV victims while raising awareness.
Our Partners:

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