

African Women and Youth Action for Development

#### WELCOME TO OUR

# **Quarterly Newsletter**



#### Dear readers,

Welcome to the latest edition of our quarterly newsletter! As we embark on another journey through the highlights and happenings of the past few months, we are thrilled to share with you the latest updates, achievements, and insights.

I invite you to dive into the pages of this newsletter, explore the stories that shape our journey.

Together, let's celebrate our progress and reaffirm our vision for the future. Thank you for being an integral part of our journey. Here's to another quarter of growth, collaboration, and success!

# In this newsletter you will find:

International Women's Day celebrations, latest projects, upcoming events and more. Keep Reading!

# International Women's Celebrations

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#### Women's Economic Empowerment summit~Abakyala Twekembe Tukole

AWYAD celebrated IWD with women from Naguru go down and this took place on 14th/03/2024.

Basing on this year's theme "Invest In Women, Accelerate progress. AWYAD reached out to partner organizations, and together with AWAGO,AFRICA ELI, Twezuule Foundation and Rotaract club of Luzira organized a successful event which converged over 200 women. The main focus was on celebrating women who own small businesses and these are mainly referred to as "omuntu wawansi"



# Renard Mujuni, commisioner Equity & Rights

JAN-MARCH 2024

#### women, work hard and attend workshops organized by financial institutions

- We had a good number of inspirational speakers
  ~Guest speaker -Gorreti Sserunkuma,Manager
  women's program Stanbic bank
- Benard Mujuni, commissioner, Equity and Rights at Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social development
- Irene Adero from IGAD
- Zahara Namanda, Executive Director AFRICA ELI and Utopia Foundation



#### TEN WOMEN GIFTED WITH 100,000 EACH TO BOOST THEIR BUSINESSES

We selected ten women who were supported with 100,000/= each to inject in their businesses. Among the ten, we made sure we had two women with disabilities. For more stories, please click on this photo



Neguru slum dwellers tipped on govt livelihood programmes The cash boot is a reward for their resilience in sustaining their businesses.

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#### **JAN-MARCH 2024**

### Celebrating the Naguru Go down Women



#### Exhibitions~Naguru women showcasing their products

It is so amazing how women are becoming more innovative. We had women at the IWD event who show cased their products and these beautiful materials included ; bags, chairs,caps,soap etc. This clearly indicated that these women once supported can be at the forefront of economic development in their communities.

Where you find a woman, you will find a child, which shows that there is a family to support with basic needs.

We therfore call upon partners to join us in advocating for programs that enhance women's economic empowerment.

Let's Invest In women in our different communities such that we can have accelerated progress!!







Those were glimpses about the kampala Women's day celebrations.

Stay tuned for more news about the IWD celebrations in which the Kyaka team joined other humanitarian partners in the refugee settlement to celebrate the role of women.

For more stories you can check this article in New Vision

~https://www.newvision.co.ug/category/bu siness/naguru-slum-dwellers-tipped-ongovt-livelihoo-NV\_183539

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supporting vulnerable women to rise up against all forms of violence and inequality

# IWD Celebrations In Kyaka II Refugee settlement

#### AWYAD JOINED OTHER PARTNERS TO COMMEMORATE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY ON 8TH MARCH 2024

Collaborating with partner organizations, the AWYAD team in Kyaka II Refugee Settlement orchestrated a remarkable #IWD event, ensuring that women's groups supported by AWYAD were well-prepared to showcase their array of products. From intricately crafted bags to high-quality liquid soap, hand wash, and shampoo, the event highlighted the entrepreneurial spirit and diverse talents within the community. AWYAD officers having a photo moment with the prodcts made by the women groups that AWYAD supports



A representative from a partner organization supporting the women by buying their products

AWYAD is supporting women to rise up against all forms of inequality and violence through economic empowerment programs.

# Empower a woman! Empower a generaton!

# Updates on new and completed projects.

# LEAP Project completed successfully.

TOP NEWS! Small grants given to SGBV survivors Male agents trained on the GALS methodology

AWAD officers having a photo moment with the prodcts made by the women groups that AWYAD supports

We are happy to share with you that the LEAP project ended successfully without challenges.

Women, children and men were greatly impacted by this project through the trainings and grants given to them to support most especially the SGBV survivors.





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The project officer had a good number of engagements with the male agents and this is mainly because men are the GBV perpetrators therefore working with them had a great impact on the community especially the mindset change and instilling in them respect for women and girls

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Dear Readers, We are thrilled to share with you about the upcoming events :

April: We shall have a graduation ceremony for the YEEDE beneficiaries.

June: We shall have the Memorial lecture.

Thank you for your invaluable support !

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