

OUR IMPACT, OUR INSIGHTS: 2025 IN REVIEW



MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

2025 began with challenges, including funding cuts that risked our progress. However, thanks to the resilience of the communities we serve, we have made meaningful gains. This edition highlights our focus on governance, service integration, and strengthening local leadership to advance adolescent health and meet our Sustainable Development Goal 3 and FP2030 commitments.

Our efforts to engage civil society organizations in budgeting in Kenya, Nigeria, and Ethiopia have improved accountability. Collaborations with the Luwero District Committee to integrate immunization services offer replicable models, while strong local leadership support has been key to sustaining adolescent health outcomes.

We thank you for your continued trust and collaboration. Together, through innovation and commitment, we will further our impact.

Cornelia Asiimwe
Executive Director

IMPACT IN NUMBERS



17,182

Women Who Received Care



8,795

Unintended Pregnancies Averted



4,916

Unplanned Births Averted



2,003

Unsafe Abortions Averted



1,029

Un Vaccinated Children Reached



Family planning in Motion: A Shared Commitment to Accountability



Declining donor support has impacted funding for family planning (FP) and Maternal, Newborn, and Child Health (MNCH) in Nigeria, Kenya, and Ethiopia. Working closely in these countries, Samasha used the Motion Tracker Approach to assess civil society organizations' (CSO) awareness of global commitments in Family Planning and maternal health, strengthening their role in accountability.

This work enhanced local partners' capacity to engage governments and monitor budgets at subnational levels, highlighting the vital role of domestic funding and local leadership in sustaining family planning services.

From the Ground Up: Subcounty Chiefs Champion Adolescent Health

In Kole District, subcounty chiefs moved beyond administrative roles to actively engage parents, teachers, and health teams, addressing adolescent health gaps. During our school outreaches in June 2025, their leadership reached over 1,700 students with vital health education.



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1,000
Community
Outreaches Done

This was also evidenced during our community outreaches, where they supported nearly **1,000 out-of-school adolescents**. This hands-on approach is fostering local ownership and ensuring sustainability in adolescent health for Kole's youth.



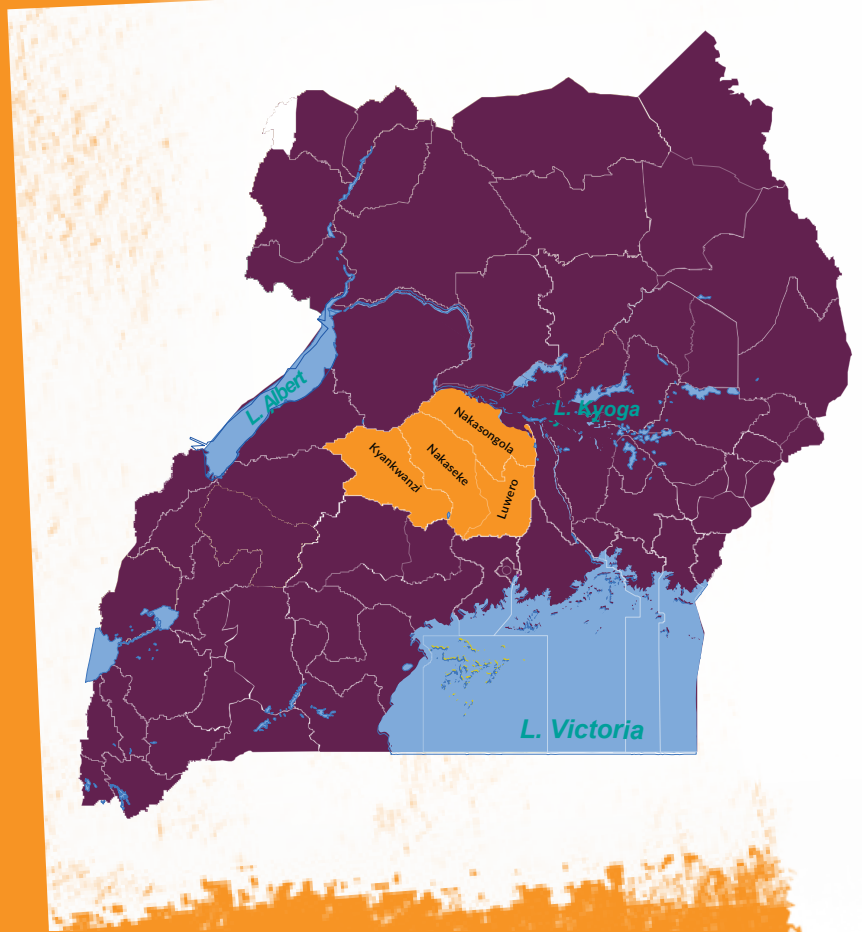
**When we stand with our young people,
they have a better chance at a healthy
life.**

<https://samasha.org/article/kole-move-subcounty-chiefs-champion-adolescent-health>

Luwero's Shot at Vaccine Coverage

In 2025, the Luwero District Committee on Adolescent Health (DiCAH) expanded its focus to prioritize immunization, strengthening coordination among district leaders, health workers, and communities.

Despite Uganda's 94% national immunization rate, over 500 unvaccinated children were identified in Nyimbwa Subcounty (Luwero). In response, DiCAH committed to promoting immunization among young mothers and adolescents, aiming to close this gap and ensure every child is protected.



"Every child deserves a fair chance at health, and we are committed to making sure vaccines reach even the hardest-to-reach families."

Through these efforts, 346 zero-dose children (never vaccinated) were identified and linked to immunization service delivery points.



346

Children Never Vaccinated



Youth Lead the Way for Safe Motherhood and Adolescent Wellbeing



On 21st October 2025, Uganda's young leaders gathered at the Pre-Youth Safe Motherhood Conference to discuss challenges like stigma, limited health access, and gender-based violence.



Hosted by the Ministry of Health with the support of partners, the event highlighted youth resilience and concluded with a strong commitment to **multisectoral collaboration and youth-centered health systems.**

Samasha at ICFP 2025

Samasha united with the global community at ICFP 2025 to highlight our work in Family Planning accountability and drive collective progress for equitable health access.



As we move forward, our focus remains on strengthening governance to ensure accountable leadership, promoting the integration of services for seamless care, and empowering local governance structures to support adolescent health. Together, these priorities enable us to build resilient health systems and foster sustainable, community-driven impact.

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