



***Young Mats'ekha against AIDS  
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**COUNTRY SADC GENDER PROTOCOL SUMMIT**

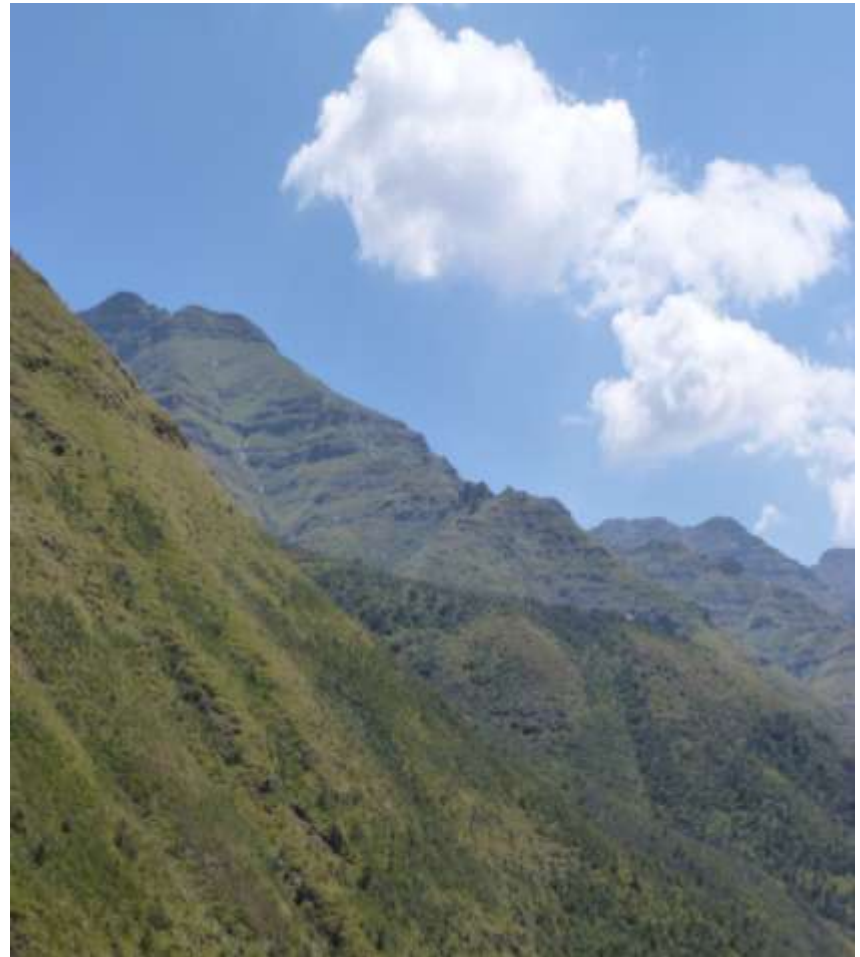
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**VENUE: LESOTHO SUN HOTEL AND CASINO**

**GENDER EQUALITY BY 2015, YES WE MUST!**

# BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE GOOD PRACTICE

- Based in Berea Rural
- Non profit making organization
- Its main its on HIV/AIDS issues, education, food security and orphans
- Its made out of 10 employees
- And serving 1000 children.



# WHAT IS THE PROBLEM BEING ADDRESSED? WHY?

- Children in difficult circumstances who do not have good education quality
- Learning needs not met
- Gender equality to both boys and girls for quality education
- OVC lack loaned books



# HOW IS THE PROJECT CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS ACHIEVING THE 28 TARGETS OF THE SADC PROTOCOL?

<b>PROTOCOL TARGET</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>
Achieving universal primary education	Free primary educations
Gender equality through education	Formulation of laws and regulations that promote equality through the collaboration of GOL and Gender Links
Economic empowerment	Ensuring equal access, benefit and opportunity for men and women in Trade and Entrepreneurship

# DESCRIBE YOUR TARGET GROUP

- Target audience 2yrs to 25years both males
- 600 boys and 400 girls
- I choose to work with them because to improve comprehensive early childhood care education for most vulnerable and disadvantaged children

# OBJECTIVES

- To support and recognise rights to education.
- To ensure that children are not used in child labour
- To advocate for free basic education
- To advocate for children rights by 2015



# PROCESS

- We used young Mats'ekha members to access different steps to choose the right
- Relevant stakeholders were contacted
- To build exciting relations with external and internal stakeholders.

# WHAT HAVE BEEN THE MAIN SUCCESSES?

- Some of the children who have accessed free education have passed primary
- From high passed, and now they are in tertiary





## KEY OUTPUTS (MATERIALS ETC.)

- We have managed to sponsor 14 vulnerable children
- We feed over 500 children at least twice a month
- We buy school uniforms and help with their home works

# KEY OUTCOMES (MAIN RESULTS)

- This are offered a second chance in life
- We have made an impact to change their lives
- They are motivated



# CHANGING LIVES

- Refiloe Pitikoe came to us at the age of 5yrs, she is a double orphan. Young Mats'ekha took her inn, clothed, feed and provided for education from primary to tertiary. She is now studying diploma in nursing at Maloti Hospital.



# LESSONS LEARNT

- We have recognized a major challenge in education in Lesotho
- Lesotho has failed to rebuild and reinforce adult learning
- There are difficulties in out- of – school children

# WAY FORWARD

- Young Mats'ekha has a wealth of ideas on how to expand to reach more children on education
- YM aims to meet some of relevant stakeholders to offer funding
- YM also aims to build positive and long-term collaborative relationships between children of different backgrounds
- By 2015 YM hopes to at least have 10% increase in sustainability.