



Spotlighting MOZAMBIQUE

OCSIDA: Promoting Menstrual Dignity and AGYW Leadership in Gaza Province

OCSIDA is a community-based organisation working in Gaza Province (Bilene–Macia District) to promote community development, human rights, and social justice, with a focus on HIV and adolescent girls and young women living with HIV (AGYWPLHIV). Through the Her Voice Fund, OCSIDA supports AGYW to build resilience and advocate on sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), gender-based violence (GBV), stigma and discrimination, and participation in decision-making.

Under the project *Promotion of Menstrual Dignity and School Retention for Girls*, OCSIDA led school-based awareness sessions on menstrual health and hygiene. A key milestone included public recognition from a school principal, who acknowledged the project's contribution to girls' health, confidence, and school retention. To address menstrual stigma and practical barriers, 100 girls received sanitary pads alongside demonstrations on proper use, creating an inclusive and empowering learning environment led by project activists.



Justa Paz: Strengthening Girls' Voice in Local Decision-Making in Inhambane

Justa Paz (Centre for Conflict Transformation, Governance and Human Rights) implements the Minha Voz and Minha Voz Emergency projects in the Funhalouro and Mabote districts of Inhambane Province. Supported by the Her Voice Fund, the initiative focuses on strengthening girls' awareness of their human rights, promoting school retention, preventing GBV, and increasing girls' participation in decision-making spaces.

Justa Paz conducted targeted training sessions with girls from school clubs, preparing them to engage meaningfully in District Advisory Councils and other local governance structures. These sessions strengthened leadership skills, confidence, and advocacy capacity, positioning girls as informed contributors to community-level decision-making processes.



Inhambane Province



Kuvumbana: Removing Barriers to Inclusive Health Services for AGYW in Gaza Province

Kuvumbana is a socio-humanitarian association working with people living with HIV in Gaza Province, particularly in Xai-Xai District. Through the Her Voice Project, Kuvumbana focuses on reducing barriers to quality health services for adolescent girls, young women, and key populations, including LGBTQ+ girls.

The organisation conducted a collective hearing with LGBTQ+ girls to document challenges

in accessing follow-up care and respectful services. In parallel, Kuvumbana delivered educational sessions in communities and health units on gender-transformative approaches, human rights, SRHR, leadership, and advocacy. Approximately 1,900 AGYW were reached, promoting critical reflection on gender norms and encouraging behaviour change in support of equality and social justice.



ASSCODECHA (Community Association for Human Development): Community-Led Monitoring to Improve Youth-Friendly Health Services

ASSCODECHA works in Maputo City and Province to strengthen community engagement and improve the quality of health services. Through the Her Voice Fund, the organisation focuses on adolescent girls' access to, adherence to, and retention in SRHR and ART services.

ASSCODECHA implemented community-led monitoring activities in health centres,

including consultations, educational sessions, and advocacy dialogues in Matola and Boane districts. These engagements involved AGYW and community members in identifying service barriers and promoting youth-friendly, responsive healthcare. Findings from community dialogues continue to inform AGYW-led advocacy for improved service delivery.



ChildLife Mozambique: Advancing Integrated SRHR and HIV Services for AGYW in Maputo Province



Marracuene District

ChildLife Mozambique focuses on early childhood development while also empowering adolescent girls and young women as agents of change to prevent new HIV infections. Through the Her Voice Project, ChildLife supports SRHR education, psychosocial support for young mothers, and health system strengthening.

ChildLife facilitated IEC sessions on HIV prevention, SRHR, TB, malaria, and GBV for over 600 AGYW in the Marracuene District. The organisation also trained health providers on contraception and youth-responsive service delivery. At the advocacy level, ChildLife engaged with the Maputo Provincial Assembly (3rd Commission on Social Affairs, Gender, Technology, and Social Communication), contributing AGYW-focused perspectives to GBV and health policy discussions.

APAPURG – Lirandzu: Strengthening Safe Motherhood and AGYW Rights in Gaza Province

APAPURG–Lirandzu is a national non-profit organisation headquartered in Xai-Xai, Gaza Province, working across health, education, and community development. Through the Her Voice Project, the organisation trains AGYW to document and analyse the challenges girls face in schools and communities.

In 2025, APAPURG–Lirandzu implemented activities focused on safe motherhood and women’s rights. Health professionals were trained on women’s rights within the health sector, with an emphasis on accessible, dignified, and high-quality care across the stages of pregnancy, childbirth, and postpartum. These efforts contribute to reducing maternal and neonatal mortality while strengthening AGYW autonomy over their bodies and health.



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