



# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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16th April, 2021

Rafiki – SDO delivered 5 pieces of gypsum boards, 1 gypsum powder bag, 7 gypsum belts and a box of screw to Solwa ward offices to support the ongoing construction of a new ward office in Solwa ward following the request made by the Ward office to Rafiki Social Development Organization. The materials were delivered by the Deputy Program Manager from Rafiki – SDO Mr. George Nyambo

to on Friday 16th April in presence of the Shinyanga District Council's Community Development Officer Ms. Peyo Siso handled the Materials to the Ward Executive Officer Ms. Sato John Mayungu. After receiving the material, the Ward Executive Officer Ms. Mayungu expressed her gratitude to Rafiki – SDO for the support by thanking them for hearing out their request and reaching out to support the

efforts of the citizen of Solwa who contributed to aid the building of a new office to the current state.

“Today we receive these building materials from Rafiki – SDO, we truly thank them for supporting our efforts and we promise to use these materials according to the purpose we requested them for, also we promise to co-operate with Rafiki – SDO in fulfilling our purpose to help the society” Said the WEO.

On her side the Shinyanga District Council Community Development Officer Ms. Opeyo O. Sisso said “On behalf of the District Executive Director, I would like to thank Rafiki – SDO for their generous act of reaching out to support this activity, Rafiki – SDO has been co-operating with us in different projects and they are very helpful we all have seen the results.”



Rafiki - SDO Deputy Program Manager, Mr. George Nyamamoto Speaking to the Solwa Ward Development Committee after delivering the requested Materials.

She added “We encourage Rafiki – SDO to keep supporting and working with us they should not get tired of our requests for help and help us when necessary and when they are able to do so as it is what our job is to facilitate development in the society.”

Rafiki – SDO have been a very co-operative community development stakeholder in Shinyanga region by trying to support and mobilize development activities in different parts of the Region since it’s foundation in 2005 till today.

## Pandagichiza Junior Council To Run An Awareness Building Movement Across The Ward.

12th April, 2021



Shinyanga Regional Social Welfare team and Tuwalee supervising team from Rafiki - SDO speaking to the Pandagichiza Junior Council representatives.

Pandagichiza’s Junior Council is planning to run an awareness building movement within their ward this April, they are planning to move from village to village to meet with children in respective villages to impart them with the same knowledge they acquired from trainings Rafiki – SDO through Community Facilitators have been providing on the issue of violence against children and how and to who they can report all acts of violence.

This was said by the chairperson Mafwele Nkama Mafwele on Monday 12th April,2021 in his response to the question asked by

the Regional Social Welfare Officer Ms. Lidya Kwezigabo on what strategy do they have to helping other children out of the Council members to know what the members of the council knows about violence against children.

Mafwele said “We have a plan to go around the whole ward to meet other children teach them and see if we can have any victims to help them report their cases, our first stop is Mwamadilanha we spoke to the Mwamadilanha Village Executive Officer to help us organize our visit in his village”

He said “The council is just a very small representing group of children while there are other children out there who are still in the dark, they do not even know what is an act of violence and how to report such acts, therefore we need to go out there to share with them that we have learned.”

From the Regional Commissioner office Mr. Fabian Kamoga asked the council members to live what they are taught and be role models to other children and the society to learn from, also he advised them to always learn about violence against women and children as a learning process never ends and there are so many forms of violence.



Mafwele Nkama Mafwele speaking about the Council’s plan to run an awareness movement across Pandagichiza Ward.

On her closing speech the Shinyanga District Council’s Assistant Community Development Officer Ms. Aisha Mwishari asked the members of the council to continue educating the society on violence against women and children and that they might not see how they have helped many people change in a positive way and they are saving many children.

Junior Councils have been working with Rafiki – SDO as the representatives of the children in the fight against violence against Women and Children in the TUWALEE project who are trained to understand all about violence and their rights and are used to train other children and report cases on violence against children that occurs in their localities.

# Shinyanga DCDO, CHAC, Iselamagazi WDC And Parents shows gratitude to Rafiki – SDO

15th April, 2021

Shinyanga District Community Development Officer Mr. Deus Muhoja, the Community HIV/AIDS Coordinator Ms. Happiness Misael Shao, Iselamagazi Ward Development Committee and Iselamagazi parents' thank Rafiki – SDO for providing computer safe space trainings to Adolescent Girls and Young Women in their District.

project is a solution and an opportunity to their daughters who did not have an opportunity to attend schools or colleges and have no skills to boost their economies.

The Community HIV/AIDS Coordinator Ms. Happiness Shao said, parents have to mobilize their daughters to first join and attend AGYW groups and also join com

violence (GBV).

On other side the District Community Development Officer Mr. Deus Muhoja said "Girls are still back in term of economic matters, the government through District Council have been providing 10 percent loans to Youth, Disabled and Women but only few girls benefit the youth loans most of the beneficiaries are boys. So, we should put our emphasize on girls through projects like this."

He also advised Rafiki – SDO to provide train the girls in Cooking and Food processing since they lack people with those skills in their area, he said they need a group of girls who can be funded by the government to open a restaurant at Iselamagazi and do deliveries to other places.



Participants Of The Iselamagazi Computer Safe Space Presentation Meeting Discussing About The Project.

This gratitude was stated at the presentation prepared by Rafiki – SDO carried out on Thursday 15th April at Iselamagazi intended to explain the project to the parents and the leaders as well as having a discussion with them to give their vies and recommendations concerning the project.

After the presentation given by the Social Economic Empowerment Worker Ms. Winfrida Mushi and hearing from AGYWs testimonies who are the beneficiaries, the parents Rafiki – SDO did what the society needed most, they said the

puter safe space trainings as being members of the groups gives them an access to many other opportunities from Rafiki – SDO and also from the Government for example trainings and loans.

She also said with computer trainings they acquire very important skills that may help them getting employed or employing themselves to boost their economic status which will help avoiding being dependent to either their parents or their partners which can make them more vulnerable to HIV/AIDS infections and gender-based



Shinyanga Dcdo Speaking During The Presentation Meeting.

At last Mr. Muhoja invited AGYW groups to apply for loans as the 10 percent government loans are still available and girls are in priority than boys as the government intends to empower girls to match the men's economic level to promote equality between boys and girls.



Ms. Winfrida Mushi Giving A Presentation To The Participants Of The Computer Safe Space Presentation At Iselamagazi.



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