2018 ANNUAL REPORT
(HIGHLIGHTS)
ABOUT DSW KENYA

DSW Kenya is a non-governmental organisation registered in Kenya as one of the East African country offices of Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung (DSW), a global development organisation founded and headquartered in Germany.

DSW Kenya focuses on the needs and potential of the largest youth generation in history. We are committed to creating demand for and access to health information, services and supplies for the youth, and to securing their right for a brighter future. We achieve this by engaging in advocacy, capacity development, and family planning initiatives, which make sure the youth of today are empowered to lead healthy and self-determined lives.

DSW Kenya was established in May 2000 in Nairobi. We have additional offices in Mombasa and Kitale with active programme interventions in 16 counties: Bungoma, Embu, HomaBay, Kakamega, Kilifi, Kwale, Laikipia, Meru, Mombasa, Nairobi, Nakuru, Nandi, Nyandarua, Trans Nzoia, Uasin Gishu, and West Pokot.

Scan this QR code with your mobile phone to learn more about how we work with young people, communities as well as our partners and donors in Kenya to empower young people to be healthy, earn a decent living, participate in decision-making spaces, and to exercise their rights free from coercion, discrimination, and violence.
2018 marked an important milestone for DSW Kenya. It was the first year of delivering our 2018 – 2022 strategic plan.

In 2018, our budget advocacy work scored some important goals. In our bid to secure more and better domestic family planning funds, we supported seven county governments in Kenya to develop Family planning Costed Implementation Plans. We see this as a demonstration of the willingness of county governments to commit domestic funds to family planning.

DSW Kenya’s innovative programming has once again shown that investing in knowledge building and information sharing on sexual reproductive health for young people is the surest pathway to the empowerment of young people. We went a step further and invested in the leadership of young people in advocacy. Today, through our support, hundreds of young people are participating in important decision-making spaces and leading the change they want for themselves and their communities.

Our Young Adolescent Project (YAP) model delivered interesting results. More adolescent girls in Kilifi County are empowered. With support from their parents, teachers and their communities, they are staying in school, they are supporting their peers to navigate the challenges of growing up, and taking leadership roles too. We have confirmed that access to information on sexual reproductive health by young people makes a difference.

As we present highlights of our work in 2018, we reaffirm our commitment to working with young people, their communities as well as our partners and donors in Kenya to empower the youth to be healthy, earn a decent living, participate in decision-making spaces, and exercise their rights free from coercion, discrimination, and violence.

Evelyn Samba,
Country Director,
Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung (DSW) Kenya.
FOSTERING DEMAND FOR, AND ACCESS TO HEALTH INFORMATION, HEALTH SUPPLIES AND YOUTH FRIENDLY SERVICES, PARTICULARLY FOR SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES.

DSW Kenya reached 14,965 (6,586M, 8,379F) young people with sexual and reproductive health /family planning information and services, of which 7,631 (51%) accessed various sexual and reproductive health services.

Through peer education, 2,178 (1,920M, 125F) young people were equipped with knowledge and skills on sexual and reproductive health rights including life skills, correct and consistent condom use.

117 female youth were screened for cervical cancer while 747 (347M,400F) young people received HIV testing services.

68,551 condoms were also distributed, 526 of which were female condoms.

Our Country Director, Evelyn Samba, outlines the effects of the Mexico City Policy, commonly referred to as the Global Gag Rule, on Kenyans most reliant on external funding to access family planning services.

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A young mother receives sexual and reproductive health services at a DSW Kenya supported youth empowerment centre in Nairobi.

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ADVANCING THE RESPECT AND PROTECTION OF SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS, WITH A FOCUS ON ELIMINATING GENDER-RELATED DISCRIMINATION AND INEQUALITY.

DSW Kenya supported the development and launch of seven Family Planning Costed Implementation Plans, to secure more and better domestic funds for family planning.

In 2018, we worked with 11 county governments and the national government in the development of policies and frameworks that will provide a conducive environment for improved sexual and reproductive health services for young people in Kenya.

The increase in budgetary allocation for family planning in the 11 counties DSW Kenya works in compared to 2017. The highest allocation was recorded in Nyandarua County where there was an increase of 9.86% followed by Trans Nzoia with 8.56%.

The lowest increase in allocation was in Laikipia with 2.34% increase followed by Nakuru with an increase of 2.73%.

In 2013, Kenya overhauled the country’s governance system, shifting from a centralized system of governance to a devolved one.

One of the functions that was devolved to the new 47 county governments was health services, including family planning. The newly formed county governments became responsible for planning and executing family planning programmes.

Scan this QR code with your mobile phone to read about how we are working with our partners to secure more and better funds for family planning in Kenya through policy advocacy.
Nandi County’s Deputy Governor Dr. Yulita Cheruiyot (left) and DSW’s Angela Baehr at the launch of Nandi County’s family planning costed implementation plan (2018-2022) on World Population Day 2018 (11th July 2018)
EMPOWERING YOUNG PEOPLE TO MAKE THEIR VOICES HEARD IN DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES AT LOCAL, NATIONAL, AND GLOBAL LEVELS.

DSW Kenya works with the youth in 11 counties in Kenya, empowering them be part of decision making be in decision making.

Read the story of Santa Kagendo, a young woman from Meru County, who spoke on behalf of the youth of Meru on World Contraception Day 2018, in a room full of decision makers, including governor of Meru county, at the launch event of the Meru County Family Planning Costed Implementation Plan. Santa talked about why the youth of Meru County need access to youth friendly sexual and reproductive health services, including family planning services.

Additionally, Kevin Kocheli (Trans Nzoia County), Felix Magut (Nandi County), and Andrew Wachelon (West Pokot County) were appointed members of the County Budget and Economic Forums (CBEFs) in their counties for the next five years.

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Rodah Lochale, a DSW trained and supported youth champion from West County, at an advocacy event in Brussels to mark world women’s day. PHOTO: DSW
ENHANCING EQUAL ACCESS TO SOCIO-ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR VULNERABLE YOUNG PEOPLE.

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Youth mentored to expand their businesses and/or to venture into new ones.

These youth received technical assistance in photography, marketing, record keeping, branding, urban farming, beadwork and art (script writing, as well as directing plays and movies).

4 Youth Empowerment centres supported to expand their partnerships and funding.

Safe community initiative (Kilifi) The Link Empowerment Centre (Nairobi), Utena (Nairobi) and Kakamega youth empowerment centre are some of DSW Kenya affiliated groups that received funding in 2018.
DSW Kenya works with youth groups in 16 counties, facilitating access to vocational, employability and entrepreneurship skills training to enhance access to socio-economic opportunities.

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STRENGTHENING AND ENHANCING DSW KENYA'S ORGANISATIONAL GROWTH, SUSTAINABILITY AND VISIBILITY

2018 - 2022 STRATEGIC PLAN LAUNCHED

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Million

The estimated number of times radio listeners, TV viewers and newspaper readers were exposed to key messages through 50 appearances on radio talk shows, radio news stories, TV news stories, newspaper articles, news and feature stories, in 2018.

Our media outreach efforts earned approximately KES. 21 million in media space and airtime in the process.

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The number of proposals written in 2018 that were funded.

We also engaged 30 organisations for partnership in programme implementation and fundraising.
Launch of DSW Kenya’s strategic plan in Nairobi. PHOTO: DSW
FINANCIALS
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

INCOME (2018)

179,488,469
(KENYA SHILLINGS)

- Restricted funds (77.79%)
- Unrestricted Funds (20.43%)
- Other Incomes (1.78%)

EXPENDITURE (2018)

164,682,543
(KENYA SHILLINGS)

- Programme Expenses (41.08%)
- Personnel Expenses (47.51%)
- Administrative Expenses (10.60%)
- Capital Expenditure (0.80%)

*Programme expenses and personnel expenses are both direct programme costs
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