

UGANDA YOUTH DEVELOPMENT LINK

MUKONO DROP IN CENTER
2014-2015



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INTRODUCTION

Uganda Youth Development Link (UYDEL) has been able to mobilize young people in the community for positive youth development with contributions from several community structures. (Communities have an extraordinary capacity for asset building in youth and establishing supporting relationships [peer, friends and family]. This has contributed to the creation of a safe and protective environment for children), developing specific life skills and assets to help children make safe choices to protect themselves and to build peaceful relationships with others through promoting a more protective environment at the different drop in centers.

TALLY REPORT

Program name	Uganda Youth Development Link	Year collected
Chapter	Mukono Drop in center	2015
Reported enrolment	120	
Reported number of skills	3	
Date report generated	31/01/2016	

This report contains information from the Mukono drop in center about the young people at the center. The report also reflects the activities they engage in, outreaches and SRH issues.



Above: Some of the young people at the UYDEL Mukono drop in Center

NUMBER OF YOUNG PEOPLE AT THE CENTER

The number of young people at the center has gone up in the last year following an initiative by the team, to reach out and identify more young people in the area. This

has been achieved through community outreaches, encouraging young people to spread word in their communities and among peers, working hand in hand with different community structures and institutions like police and LCs to identify and refer young people that could benefit from the program, to the center. From the 113 young people reported in 2014, the drop in center now offers vocational skills to a total number of 120 young people between the ages of 13-24 years as presented in the graph bellow: *(Jan- Dec 2015)*

Chart: showing the number of young people at the UYDEL Mukono drop in center

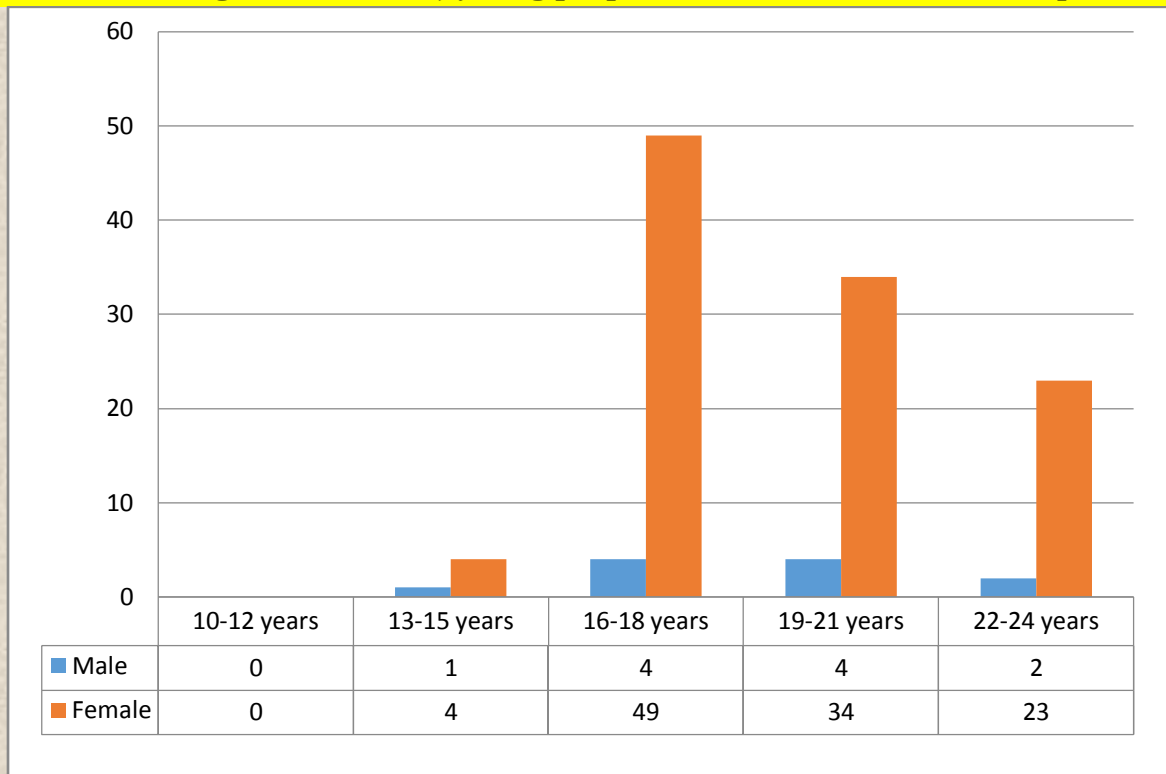


Figure 1 total number of young people at the center

Most of these young people hail from within the Mukono town area and surrounding villages within Mukono district. Of the 120 young people, seven are from Mukono town and the rest from nearby villages. The challenge is that most of these villages are somewhat located far from the center and they have to travel to and fro, some of them with children. They are hindered by both distance and the unpredictable weather changes especially during the rainy seasons, and this makes their attendance quite inconsistent.

Chart: showing number of young people and the different villages they come from within Mukono

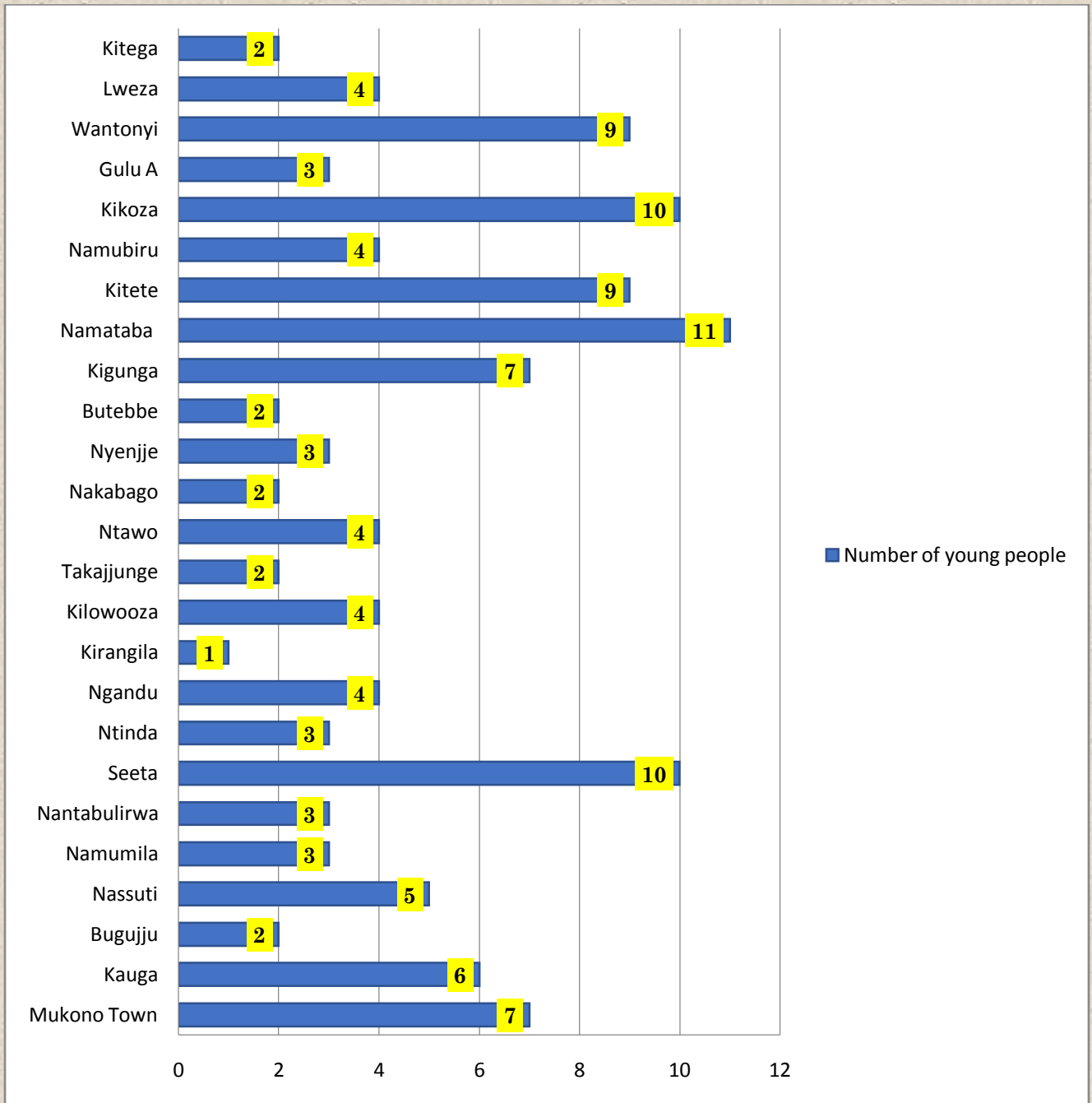


Figure 2 villages with number of young people

VOCATIONAL SKILLS

Initially, the drop in center offered only one skill set in the field of hair dressing and has seen quite a good number young people master and graduate successfully. Fortunately with continued funding from donors and support from the UYDEL head chapter in Kampala, the center now offers a total number of three vocational skill sets, that is; hair dressing, electronics and catering as illustrated in the graph below.

Chart: showing number of skill at the center and young people being taught

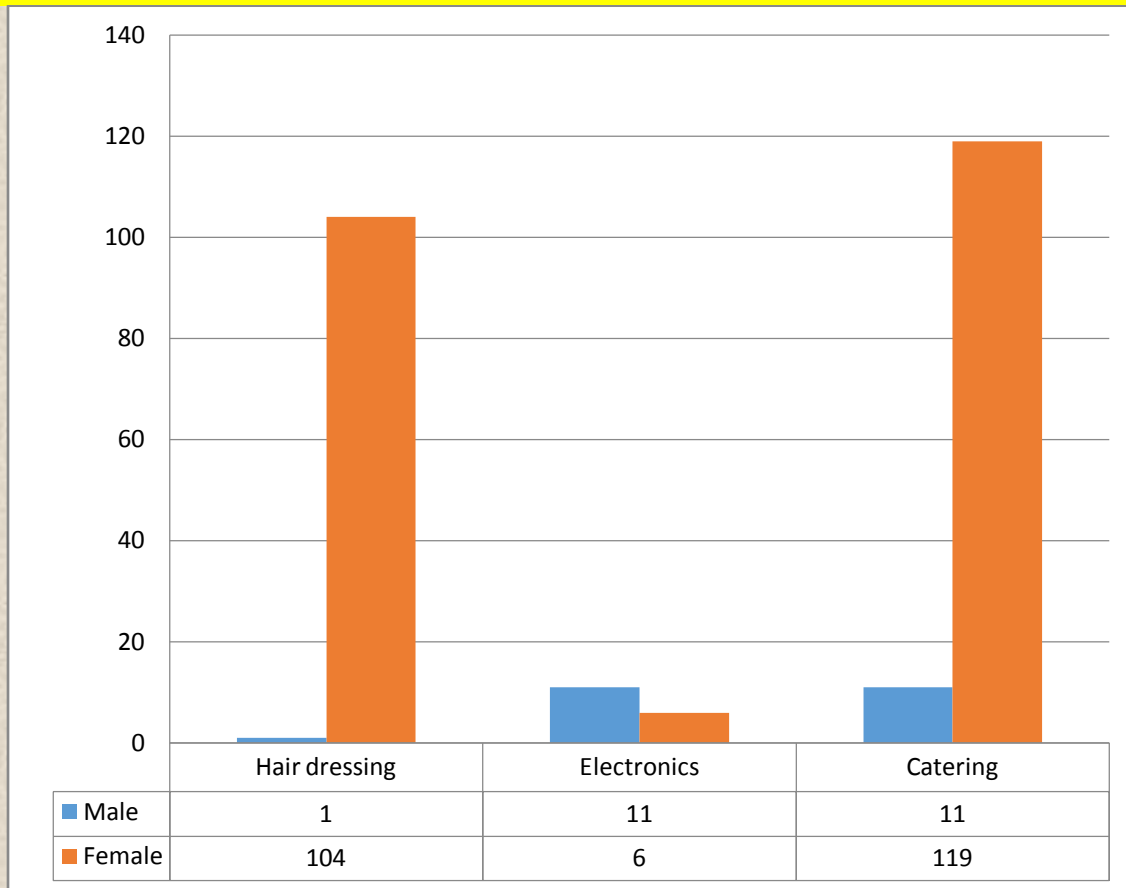


Figure 3 skills taught at the center

Adding electronics to the skills we offer at the center allowed us to engage and reach more boys from the community as it is a skill they are greatly interested in. The class now has a number of 17 young people, of which 11 are boys and 6 are girls.



Girls learn to make mandazi and samosas during a catering class

COUNSELLING AND GUIDANCE SESSIONS

Young people are a key part of the informal and sometimes formal elements of the system, and have a role to play in their own protection and the protection of others. Internal and external assets can be built which help youth to thrive and contribute to their communities. Life skills and spiritual development can build children's capacity to make good decisions, influence their peers and environment positively, and build resilience to difficult situations

This category of content shows the topics, activities and dialogues we have been able to engage the young people in, including who took them through the sessions that are usually held in the afternoon and the young people in attendance as seen in the table below;

Chart: showing topics and activities carried out at the center

No	Topic	By whom	Attendance
1	Self esteem and respect	Munaba Allen	55
2	Female and reproductive systems	Annika/ Geoffrey	62
3	Family planning methods	Annika/ Geoffrey	44
4	Debates	All staff	79
5	Condom use	Irene	57
6	Dreams and good planning habits	Annika/ Ella	59
7	Drug and substance abuse	Bulyaba Diana	65
8	Sex and sexuality	Irene	40
9	Personal hygiene and sanitation	Nakibule Diana	82
10	Adolescent health	Munaba Allen	77
11	Pregnancy and abstinence	Bulyaba Diana	56
12	Peer to peer counseling	Peer educators	56
13	Gender and sexual violence	Bulyaba Diana	47

14	STIs	Irene	84
15	Abortion and its implications	Irene	55
16	Human and Children's rights	Esther Ella	66
17	Practical life skills	Munaba Allen	34
18	HIV and prevention	Bulyaba Diana	76
19	HIV and stigma	Bulyaba Diana	82
20	Sexual exploitation	Irene	59
21	How to deal with peer pressure	Munaba Allen	54
22	Positive living	Nakibule Diana	53
23	Effective communication	Esther Ella	57
24	Risky behaviors	Nakibule Diana	68
25	Role models	Annika/ Allen	69
26	Making the right choices	Bulyaba Diana	41
27	Aerobics	All staff	75

Our target is to cover those topics that present themselves as having characteristics which are common among their population (substance abuse, living with HIV, heading a family or working in risky exploitive places) This gives them an opportunity to freely share and openly voice their opinions on the different topics in regards to how they impact on their lives especially during the debate sessions



Above: Illustrations during a peer to peer session at the center

SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH ISSUES

Some of the young girls at the center are also young mothers and some of them are expecting to be mothers soon. The table bellow shows the number of girls with children, those that are pregnant, young people we have referred for HIV tests.

Those that have picked their results, plus those that have disclosed their status and are on ARVs

Chart: reflecting SRH issues at the center

Age	10-12 years	13-15 years	16-18 years	19-21 years	22-24 years
Pregnant	-	-	-	2	-
Mothers	-	-	1	7	5
Tested for HIV	-	3	24	36	15
Picked results		3	20	29	8
Tested positive for HIV	-	-	-	2	4
On ARVs	-	-	-	2	4



Above: Some of children at the center

COMMUNITY OUTREACHES

Program name	Uganda Youth Development Link	Year collected	2014-2015
Chapter	Mukono Drop in center	Nuber of young people reached	4195
Project	Link Up		
Date report generated	31st/01/2015	Number of peer educators	12

Chart: showing the number of young people reached during Link Up outreaches

Year	Village	SRH (SRH,HIV INTERGRATED SERVICES/ DIALOGUES)		HTC		
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
2014	Kitega	71	56	72	81	
	Nabuti			68	44	
	Lweza			25	23	
	Seeta	49	15			
	Nantabulirwa	16	13			
	Mukono ntawo	19	42	29	18	
	Ngandu	54	25			
	Bugujju	49	31			
	Butebbe	41	23			
	Kigombya	-	30	64	76	
	Wantonyi			49	23	
	Mayor's garden			-	168	
	Kayunga					
	Seeta cu			24	35	
	Kikoza	39	37			
	Gulu A			23	27	
	SeetaJoggo			54	20	
	Kayunga road			57	17	
	Takajjunge			42	32	
	Kikomarket	16	11	25	59	
	Nyenje			60	73	
	Kiwanga			34	18	
	NsuubeKawuga			32	49	
	Njjerene			45	40	
	Ntejeru	31	1			
	Bagala	34	-			
	Mukono taxi park	81	51			
	Kome	174	1029			
	2015		355	296		
	Total		1732	2463		