

KABAROLE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER

Nine young people centred CSOs stormed Fort Portal City and Kabarole district. They bombarded schools. The city, district and the Tooro Kingdom leaderships were not spared. The young people reached out to them. Preaching the gospel of sexuality education. The chief advocate being the State Minister for Local Government, Hon Victoria Rusoke.

This was the Alliance Week 2023 in the second week of August. An annual event by the SRHR Alliance, part of the activities to commemorate the International Youth Day, that has been conducted for the last seven years.

As part of the five-day activities, young people reached out to more than 3,000 students in 10 schools dialoguing different SRHR topics, with a bias in sexuality education. The team facilitated health workers who offered more than 10,000 volume of SRHR services to more than 4,000 people in 15 different sites across the city/districts.

The visit to the Tooro Kingdom culminated into the kingdom leadership committing to promoting and advancing young people's SRHR through integrating such into their youth cultural activities including the Ekyooto (campfire). The district leadership hailed the initiative that would help to reduce the HIV infections that are still a challenge to the district

During this week, the SRHR Alliance partners jointly worked as one with a shared goal of bridging the SRHR knowledge gap and bringing youth friendly SRHR related services closer to the communities. The event gives young people an opportunity to air out their views among leaders that in turn make commitments which the alliance partners follow up on.

This year, the Alliance Week 2023 was celebrated in Kabarole district filled with activities ranging from demand recreation for SRHR services and out-of-school information sessions, social activities and provision of SRHR and legal aid services.

"The unique thing about this week is that it is always a work and fun moment that we get to meet each other as young people from the entire SRHR Alliance," says Martha Mugabe, one of the young people participants.

SERVICES PROVIDED DURING THE ALLIANCE WEEK.

