

LYDIA HOUSE INTERNATIONAL

IMPACT REPORT 2022

SPEAK OUT

RISE UP

LEAD ON







LIBERIA *fast facts:*

- 40% of the population is malnourished
- Over half the country lives on less than \$2 a day
- Over 60% of children never finish school

Women and girls bear the brunt of poverty:

- Over one third of Liberian girls become child brides
- Close to 70% of Liberian women are illiterate
- 40% will experience rape, half of these before age 18

**We partner with Liberian leaders through
LYDIA HOUSE to:**

- **EDUCATE girls**
- **RAISE UP women leaders**
- **BRING HEALING to survivors**
- **PREVENT gender-based violence**





Women's Home Construction



This year we completed the construction of Lydia House – our residential facility in Bong County, Liberia. The 60-bed home will offer safety and healing to young women who are exiting or in danger of human trafficking, exploitation, and gender-based violence. Residents receive free health care, education, vocational training, and spiritual support. If they have dependent children, they may accompany them to Lydia House where they will also receive education and services. We offer free legal representation to survivors of gender-based violence if they choose to prosecute the perpetrator.



LYDIA HOUSE has already had a major impact on the local community, through educational and ministry outreach events within the newly completed facility.

Our compound hosts vocational training modules for non-resident women, as well as feeding programs, prayer services, and family events for the local community.



**Because of your generosity
this year:**

LYDIA HOUSE is complete!

**60
beds
available**

Our new women's home can house up to 60 residents. Women with dependent children will be able to bring them to live at Lydia House too - children will receive healthcare, school enrollment, and so much love!



**150
girls
stayed in
school**

We distribute **Sustainable Feminine Hygiene Kits** to local girls, to help them stay in school. Girls often miss school simply because of menstruation, and this can lead to them dropping out entirely. Our hygiene kits contain washable menstrual products, underwear, and cleaning supplies: one kit can help a girl stay in school for up to 4 more years!

150+ leaders educated in prevention of sexual abuse

Our **Speak Out** program educates local leaders on sexual harassment and abuse, harmful gender norms that lead to social inequalities, and how to create an effective reporting system for sexual abuse that protects victims and prevents further abuse. The leaders who received our training this year have already developed internal support networks spanning urban and rural settings to increase reporting and prevention of gender-based violence and harmful discriminatory practices in schools, clinics, churches, and local community centers.



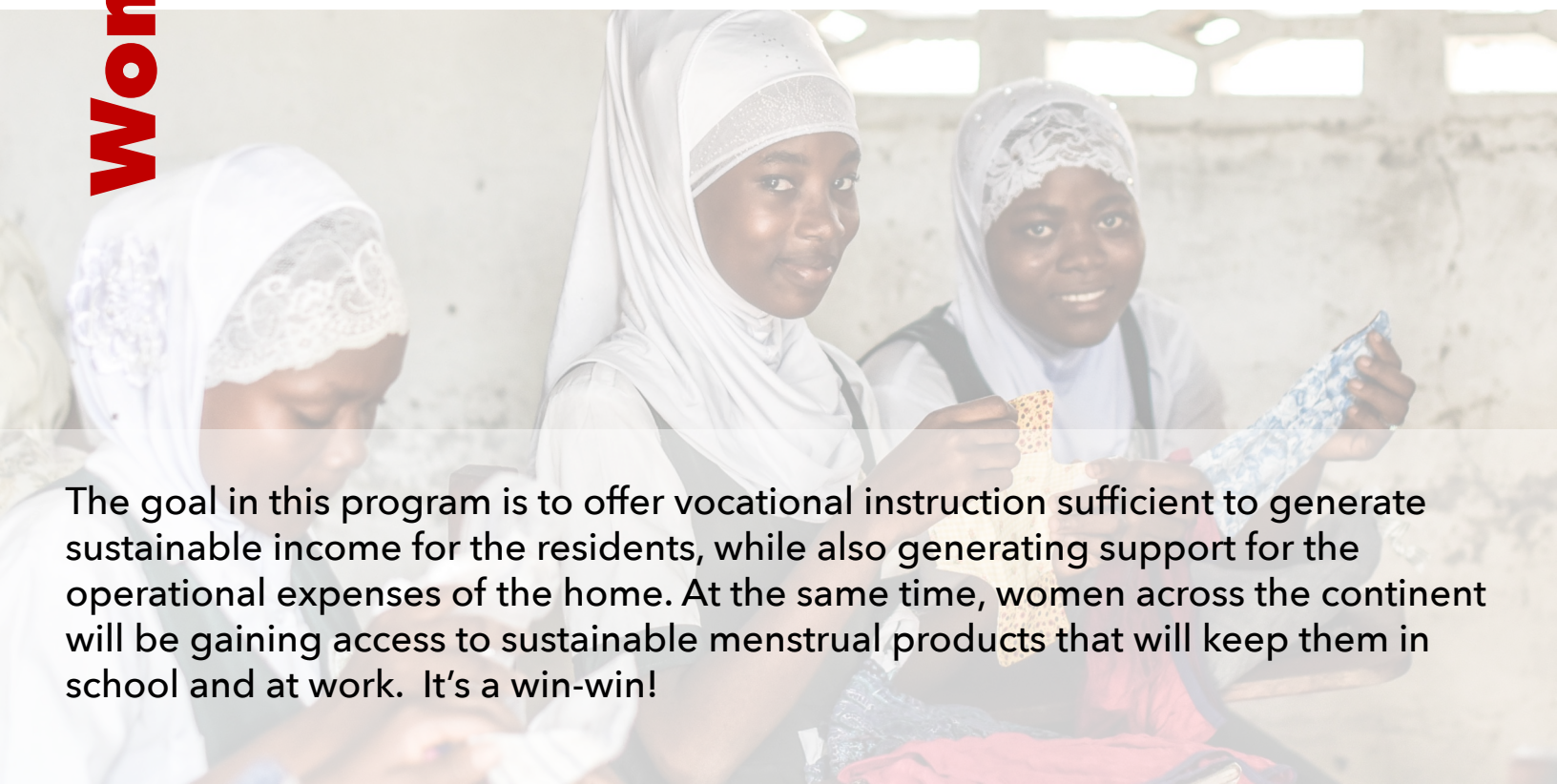
100+ teens mentored on consent, gender equality, and sexual abuse prevention

The *Teen Edition* of *Speak Out* is used as part of a peer mentoring and reporting program we are implementing in local schools and youth communities.

Women supporting women



Sewing machines were donated for our vocational program, and these will be used in a work-study program in which residents will learn tailoring, while also sewing sustainable feminine hygiene products to sell to organizations who serve women throughout Africa.



The goal in this program is to offer vocational instruction sufficient to generate sustainable income for the residents, while also generating support for the operational expenses of the home. At the same time, women across the continent will be gaining access to sustainable menstrual products that will keep them in school and at work. It's a win-win!



Make a Difference in 2023

Last year, your generosity enabled us to complete the construction and furnishing of Lydia House. Thank you for helping us to build a loving home for some of the most vulnerable young women and their children.

This year, we need your help to open our doors and get our programs moving forward.

You can help us reach our goal of \$150,000 this year to provide our residents' room and board, healthcare, education, vocational training, trauma-informed care, and spiritual formation.

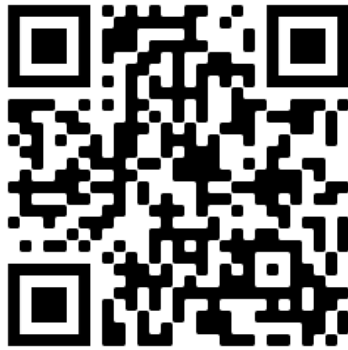
***Change
is possible***



**GIVE HER A SHARE IN THE FRUIT OF HER HANDS;
LET HER WORKS PRAISE HER IN THE CITY GATES.**

Proverbs 31:31

GIVE NOW:



**SPEAK OUT FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT SPEAK,
FOR THE RIGHTS OF ALL THE DESTITUTE.
SPEAK OUT, JUDGE RIGHTEOUSLY,
DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF THE POOR AND NEEDY.**

PROVERBS 31:8-9



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