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FOREWORD



Dear Readers,

Welcome to the 3rd quarter 2024 TGGA Newsletter, showcasing the remarkable achievements of the Tanzania Girl Guides Association.

This edition features the rising young leaders and regional influencers making a strategic impact. Our editorial team has diligently captured the diverse range of guiding activities and the profound influence of TGGA's programs on the lives of girls and young women.

On behalf of TGGA, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to everyone whose unwavering dedication and support have driven our success. It's truly inspiring to witness the powerful stories of our young leaders and guide leaders—individuals who light the way for others, motivating and empowering communities.

A sincere thank you to everyone who played a role in making this quarter such an outstanding success. Together, we are building a future full of opportunities, resilience, and leadership.

Mary Richard
Chief Commissioner

QUARTERLY ACHIEVEMENTS



Girl Guides from Ilala District were enrolled into the guiding movement.

Membership Growth

With a presence in 20 regions across Tanzania, TGGA expanded its reach over the third quarter, welcoming over 30,000 members through inclusive recruitment efforts.

In our commitment to ensuring that no girl is left behind, TGGA established 2 specialized units in Arusha and Chalinze, designed to support girls with disabilities and those from indigenous communities.

173 girls proudly earned their membership badges, marking their official enrollment into the movement.

MEMBERSHIP RETENTION & TRAINING

40,362 girls and young women from Arusha, Temeke, Kigamboni, Chalinze, and Morogoro completed their climate change badge training and currently are leading community initiatives on climate resilience. 173 girls from Kigamboni were trained in creating reusable sanitary towels and Menstrual Health Management (MHM), 65 young leaders from Dar es salaam learned about leadership and Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR). Over 3000 girls in Shinyanga attained awareness on body confidence and self-esteem.



TGGA engaged 45 girls with disabilities at Buhangija Primary School in an Action on Body Confidence session to boost their self-esteem.

QUARTERLY ACHIEVEMENTS

Youth Exchange

TGGA officially sent off the four volunteers from Madagascar, Rwanda, Zimbabwe, and Bangladesh who, since January 2024, had been volunteering with TGGA through the YESS Girls' Movement Program. And were supporting the recruitment and retention of members, leading national campaigns and initiatives like Red Pride advocating for safe and healthy menstrual periods for girls in schools and communities, Stop the Violence initiative, Action on Body Confidence, GreenTech Generation, etc.



TGGA International Commissioner, Ms. Hope Jasson with the four exchange volunteers during their farewell party early July.



The four exchange volunteers, alongside regional leaders, successfully engaged 12,355 members through the Welcome to My World campaign. They also boosted TGGA's visibility through various media channels, including two radio interviews, two TV appearances, and dynamic social media campaigns across TikTok, Instagram, and Facebook.

Early July, TGGA also welcomed back the volunteers who had gone to Madagascar, Malawi, and Zimbabwe on the exchange program. During the ceremony, the girls shared their exchange experiences



Girl-Led Action on Climate Change

TGGA trained 40,362 girls and young women on the Girl-Led Action on Climate Change (GLACC) curriculum, empowering them to take action by sharing their knowledge with at least two others in their communities. Initiatives like the one-day GLACC camp for patrol leader training have been implemented in districts such as Kinondoni and Temeke.



The GLACC Project Coordinator, Ms. Jasmin Mkoka, facilitated the GLACC Curriculum during the one-day camp training in Kinondoni.



Following an advocacy training that empowered 20 young TGGA leaders to actively engage in climate change mitigation and adaptation, Naomi Nassoro was selected by WAGGGS to represent TGGA as one of its delegates at the UN Climate Change Conference #COP29, set to take place in November 2024 in Baku, Azerbaijan.

In the photo is Naomi Nassoro, GLACC Advocacy Champion selected as the WAGGGS delegate for COP29. .

QUARTERLY ACHIEVEMENTS

Young Leaders engagement

This quarter, TGGA successfully organized a series of youth engagement activities aimed at developing young leaders and equipping them with essential life skills. The focus was on fostering personal growth, leadership, and peer connection through various structured training sessions. Such as Action on Body Confidence Training, sexual reproductive health training



Moments during the Action on Body Confidence young leaders engagement

International Guide Leaders Camp

TGGA collaborated with the Girl Guides Association of Zimbabwe to host a five-day experience-sharing camp for guide leaders, bringing together a total of 109 participants (59 from TGGA and 50 from GGAZ). This event created a valuable platform for guide leaders to exchange best practices on various topics, including the establishment of guiding units, strategies for retention, resource mobilization, and building partnerships.



YOUNG LEADERS' CORNER

“TGGA gave me a platform to amplify my voice and contribute to a cause that can impact many lives.”



***Belinda Michael, YESS Programs
Alumnae 2023***

My journey with TGGA has truly been transformative, I have seen myself grow.

When I first joined, I found myself in a space where I could develop the confidence to express my thoughts and ideas freely. This newfound ability to speak with assurance laid the foundation for my growth as a leader. Through TGGA, I not only gained invaluable leadership skills but also discovered insights about myself that have shaped who I am today.

One of the most significant milestones in my journey came when I was given the opportunity to become an advocacy champion for the Girl Powered Nutrition Program. This role allowed me to advocate for better nutrition and make a difference in my community. It was a humbling experience that further deepened my passion for social causes and reinforced my belief in the power of advocacy.

In 2023, my experiences with TGGA were further enriched when I had the honor of participating in the Youth Exchange South to South Girls' Movement Program. This opportunity allowed me to broaden my perspectives, meet like-minded individuals from different parts of the world, and exchange ideas on how we can collectively create positive change.

Each experience was a stepping stone in my personal and professional development, and I am forever grateful for the opportunities TGGA has provided me.

GUIDERS' CORNER

“As a Guide Leader in Tanga Region, I am proud to be mentoring and teaching the next generation of Girl Guides.”

Since I started as a Girl Guide in primary school, my journey has been one of personal growth and empowerment. As I acquired essential leadership skills, I learned to be confident and lead by example. Through the Girl Guides Association, I was introduced to the value of sisterhood, where we learn to support and uplift each other in times of need. This strong sense of community has shaped my approach to leadership, and ensuring that I remain inclusive and compassionate in every task I take on.



Victoria Chiefungo, Guide Leader and Regional Trainer

One of the key moments in my development was attending a leaders' camp, where I was exposed to diverse perspectives and learned the importance of respecting everyone's dignity, regardless of their background. This experience taught me the power of empathy and understanding, helping me become a more effective leader. It also deepened my commitment to the values of the Girl Guides movement, reinforcing the importance of service to others and leading with integrity.

Now, as a Guide Leader, I am proud to be mentoring and teaching the next generation of Girl Guides in my Unity. My goal is to help them embrace the same values that have shaped my life and guide them on their journey of personal growth. I am committed to supporting them as they become active members of the Girl Guides movement and active citizens, and ensuring that they can experience the lifelong sisterhood that comes with being a Girl Guide.



“PROUD TO BE A GIRL GUIDE”

Poem by Doricas Kinyonga
Young Leader at TGGA

*I woke up as a girl
In a community giving me fears
I had no place
To hide my tears*

*It was impossible,
When I just wanted a safe menstruation
path, It was impossible
When I just wanted to move, speak, and
make a change.*

*It's possible when girl guide arrives,
And I knew exactly what it was
It was the salvation out of sacrifice
The peace out of problems
Dreams out of drawbacks
The blade out of burden*

*Girl guide wore a hope necklace
You would have recognized it at first glance
It taught me about my environment and
climate change
Showed me how I can freely be me
Despite of my color, nationality and my
gender*

*It ensured I had the knowledge and skills to
protect myself and others online.
Girl guide became a reason
I found my confidence,
It brought a fresh season
I had assurance.*

*Girl guide helps me make good decisions
It avoids prohibitions
Because of the opportunities it offers.
And a big network with others
Helps me and young women
Develops team skills and respect
awaken. Develop a sense of
responsibilities and interdependence
Connects wider communities and leaves
a relevance*

*It gives you a way to get involved with
your community
Balances your work and exercise your
ability
Helps me develop the best within myself
Gives me a chance to make a difference
and give help*

*Develops my leadership skills
Develops my teamwork skills
With these I observe myself better even
more
Encourages me to take the lead
Making me be proud of being a girl guide*

UNIT SPOTLIGHT IN REGIONS



Milestone Academy P/S, Kinondoni



Nyamata P/S, Ilala District,



Mnazi Mmoja P/S Lindi



Notredame S/S, Arusha



Girl guides from Temeke District



Makadara & Rahaleo P/S -Zanzibar



Mtube Primary School -Dodoma



Kibasila Primary -Kisarawe



Young Leaders from Shinyanga

UNIT SPOTLIGHT IN REGIONS



Girl Guides from - Kilimanjaro



Girl Guides from -Tanga



Girl Guides from -Mwanza



Girl Guides from - Tabora



Girl Guides from - Mara

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