THE 2019-2022 FAWCO TARGET PROGRAM: **HEALTH**

Promoting Well-being and Healthy Lives for Women and Girls

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We are delighted to announce our new Target Project: S.A.F.E. (Safe Alternatives for Female Genital Mutilation Elimination).

This is an initiative of Hope for Girls and Women, Tanzania

DID YOU KNOW?

FAWCO and The FAWCO Foundation work together and employ the energy and generosity of our members to make a sustainable investment for a single project supporting women's and girls' health.

The World Health Organization (WHO) defines Female Genital Mutilation (FGM)

as including all 'procedures that intentionally alter or cause injury to the female genital organs for non-medical reasons'.

FGM has no health benefits and often leads to long-term medical complications. 32% of women and girls in the Mara Region of Tanzania between the ages of 15 - 49 have been subjected to FGM, although FGM on minor girls is illegal in Tanzania.

Migration has resulted in an increased number of women and girls, living outside of their country of origin, who are at risk of the practice in Europe, Australia and North America.

S.A.F.E. (SAFE ALTERNATIVES FOR FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION ELIMINATION)

Protecting girls from FGM and fostering positive social change within FGM practicing communities in the Mara Region to enable girls and women to live healthy and empowered lives free from FGM and adverse FGM-related health complications is the goal of S.A.F.E.

HOPE FOR GIRLS AND WOMEN, TANZANIA

Located in the Mara Region of Tanzania, Hope for Girls & Women Tanzania is an NGO started in 2017 by Rhobi Samwelly, who was subjected to FGM at age 13. "My dream is to save girls from being cut, and I will never stop until FGM is history in my community."

For more information on S.A.F.E. go to:

http://bit.ly/TargetProjectSAFE or email target4-health@fawco.org

For more information on Women Backing Women go to:

http://bit.ly/WomenBackingWomen or email targetfundraising@fawcofoundation.org



WILL FUND:

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Income generating opportunities for 50 women and 50 girls and access to the National Health Insurance Plan

Community sensitization through outreach and introduction of Alternative Rites of Passage as an alternative to FGM

Safe
haven for 500
at-risk girls, with
family counseling to
ensure their safe
return home, free
from the threat
of FGM

Healthcare
and psychosocial
counseling to
200 women and
300 girl survivors
of Female Genital
Mutilation

