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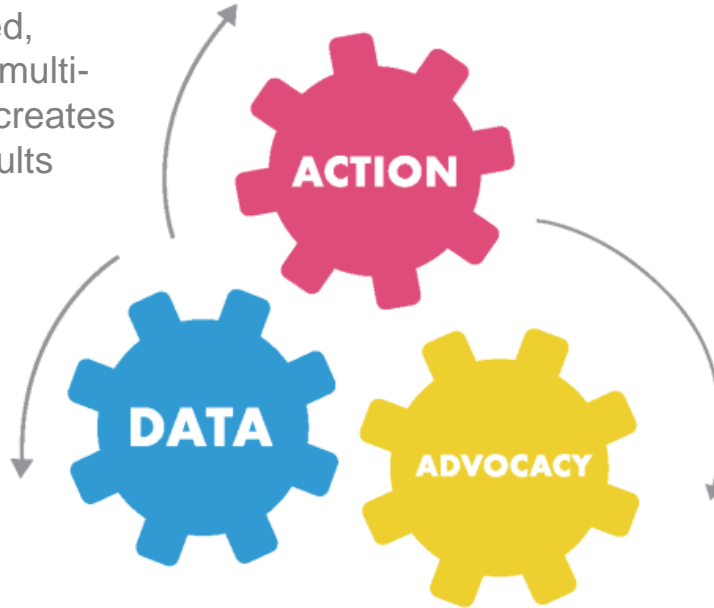
DATA.

ACTION.

ADVOCACY.

A nationally-led, evidence-based, multi-sectoral response creates meaningful results at scale.

Quality, comprehensive data helps in understanding the problem, guides effective policies and programs, and spurs action.

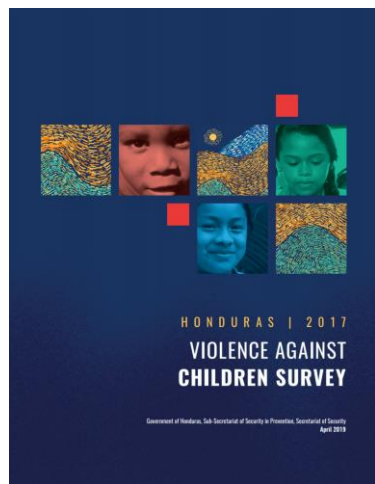


Targeted and strategic advocacy and communications raises awareness, improves data use for effective action and sets global and national agendas.

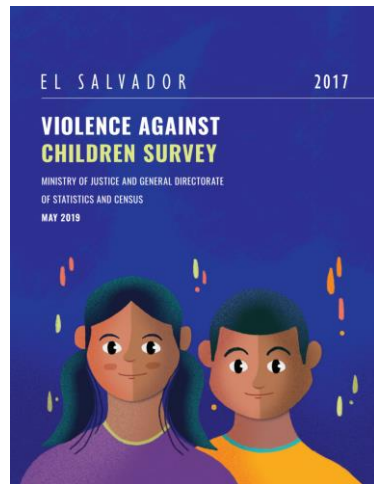
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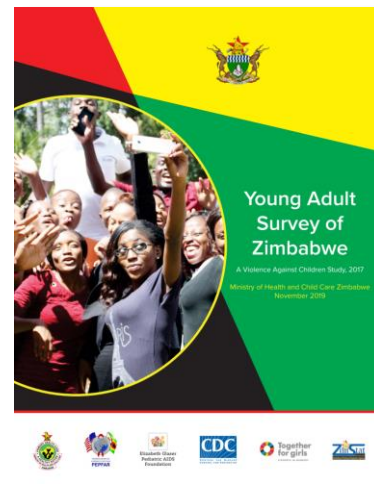
4 VACS REPORTS LAUNCHED



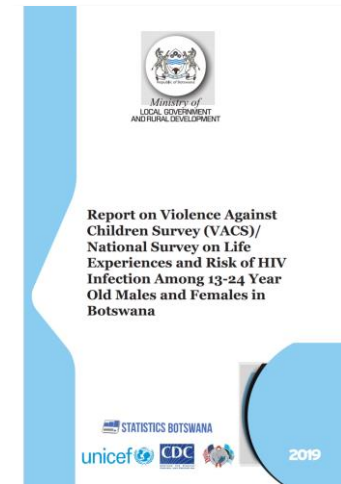
Honduras
April 2019



El Salvador
May 2019



Zimbabwe
November 2019



Botswana
December 2019

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DATA: HONDURAS

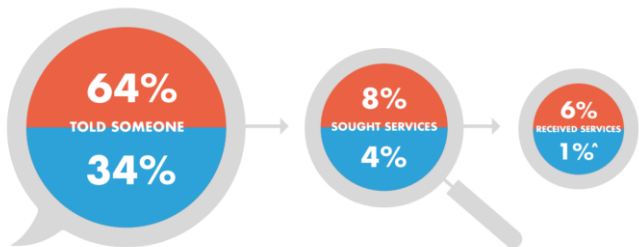
In Honduras, both girls and boys experience unacceptably high rates of sexual and physical violence

Percentage of **females** and **males** who experienced sexual or physical violence prior to age 18



Girls and boys who experience sexual violence are not getting the support and services they need

Females and **males** who told someone, sought and/or received services for sexual violence, among those who experienced sexual violence prior to age 18



Percentage of **females** and **males** who ever thought of suicide



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DATA: EL SALVADOR

In El Salvador, both girls and boys experience unacceptably high rates of sexual and physical violence

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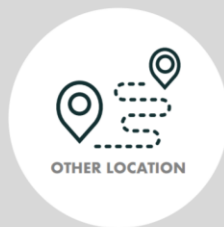


Sexual violence often occurs in a familiar location

Location of first incident of sexual violence experienced by **females** and **males** prior to age 18



70% 56%



31% 49%

*Home environment includes: the participant's home, the perpetrator's home, or someone else's home.

For some youth, the first experience of sexual intercourse is physically forced, coerced or facilitated by alcohol

(among those who had sexual intercourse before age 18)



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DATA: ZIMBABWE

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Percentage of females and males who experienced sexual or physical violence prior to age 18

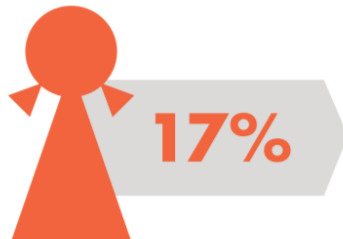


23%

of 13-24-year-olds who experienced physically forced or coerced sex became pregnant

For many girls, the first experience of sexual intercourse is physically forced or coerced

(among those who had sexual intercourse before age 18)



Zimbabwe is the first country to repeat the VACS to assess changes over time. Kenya and eSwatini will do the same.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DATA: BOTSWANA

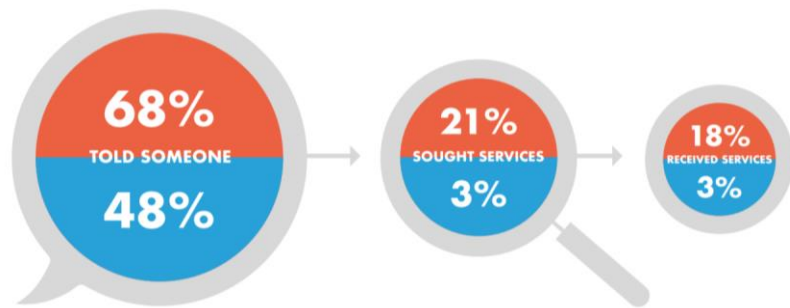
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A GROUNDBREAKING MOMENT

The launch of the Honduras VACS report

The first report of its kind in Latin America, the Honduras VACS report includes pioneering information on the intersections of violence against children and migration.



TfG also supported the International Organization for Migration's development of a migration-specific fact sheet



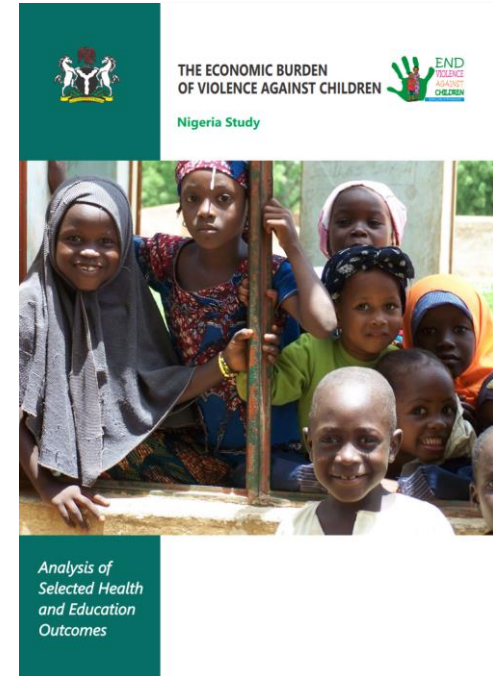
Representatives from key government ministries and partner organizations which supported the VACS at the Report Launch event in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. From left: Jorge Peraza, IOM; Alejandra Hernández, Sub-Secretary of Security in Prevention, Government of Honduras; Mark Connolly, UNICEF; Daniela Ligiero, Together for Girls; First Lady Ana García de Hernández, Government of Honduras; Sabine Rakotomalala, Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children; Andres Villaveces, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Ugo Ramos, International Organization on Migration; Nery Cerrato, Sub-Secretary of Governance and Decentralization

NEW REPORT LAUNCH

The Economic Burden of Violence Against Children

Using the 2014 Nigeria VACS data, the Government of Nigeria, UNICEF and other TfG partners launched a report, the [Economic Burden of Violence Against Children in Nigeria](#).

The report estimated the economic burden of violence against children to Nigerian society through its impacts on selected health and education outcomes.



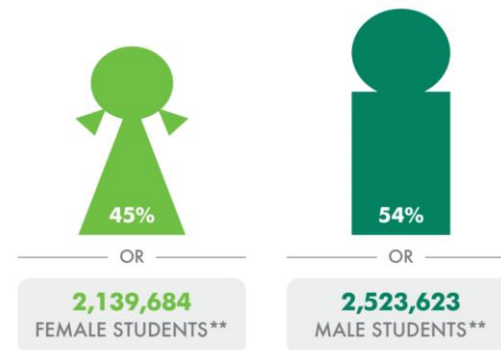
VACS SECONDARY ANALYSES

Analyzing school-related gender-based violence and violence in school settings

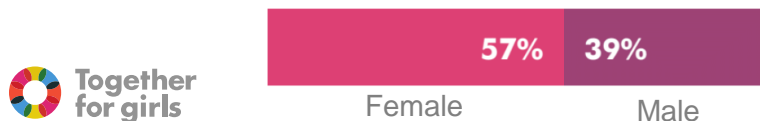
In **Nigeria**, few students who experience violence in school settings disclose their experiences, fewer seek services, and only a small proportion receive services



% of students who experienced one or more forms of physical and sexual violence* perpetrated by teachers and/or classmates in **Uganda**



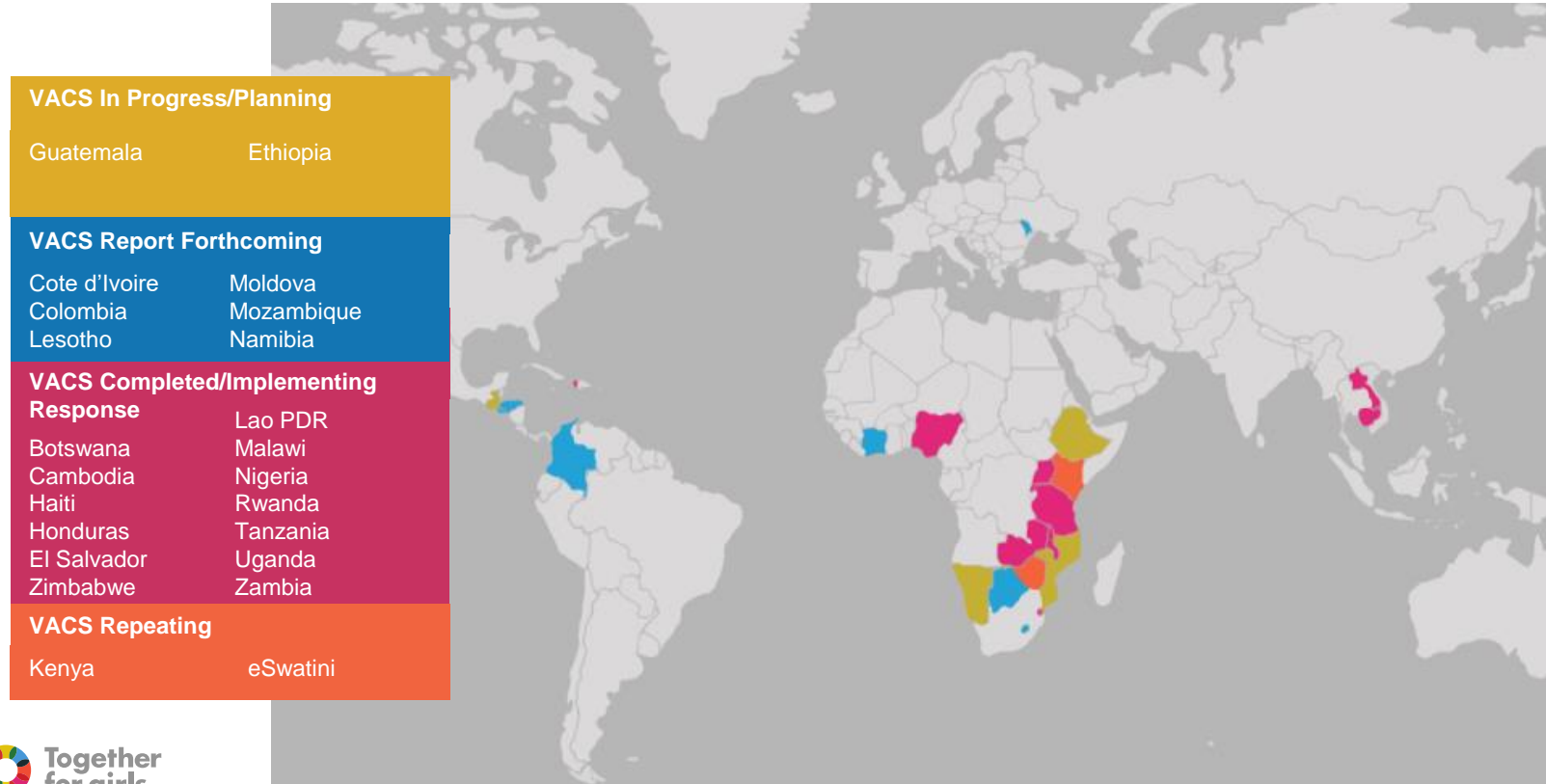
In **Honduras**, among students who experienced physical violence by classmates, % of students who missed school due to violence



*Sexual violence is defined by four types of acts: unwanted sexual touching, attempted physically forced or attempted coerced sex, completed physically forced sex, and completed coerced sex.

**Estimate based on World Bank Health Nutrition and Population Statistics Database, 2015 Population Data.

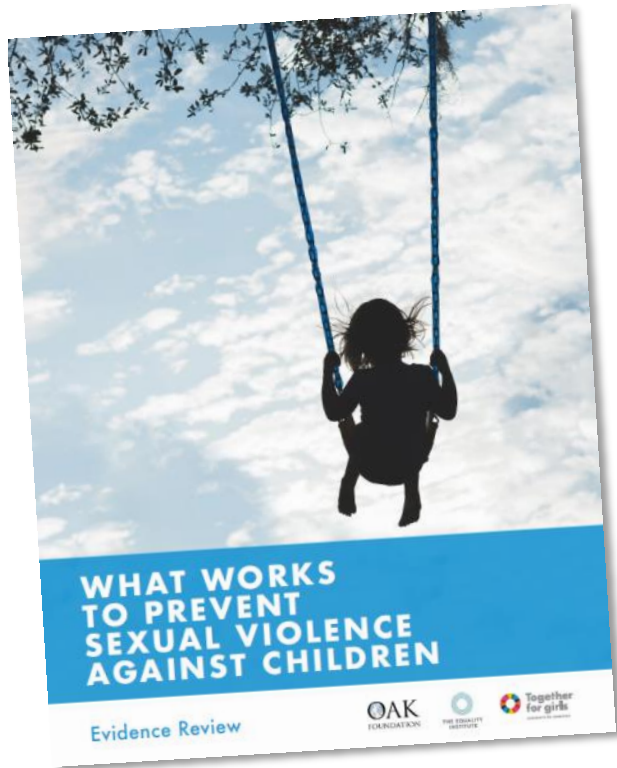
EXPANDING OUR REACH



ACTION



NEW RESOURCE LAUNCH



Together for Girls, in partnership with The Equality Institute and the Oak Foundation, undertook a systematic review of evidence-based solutions to prevent sexual violence against children and youth called *What Works to Prevent Sexual Violence Against Children*.

The review was completed in collaboration with a group of experts and allied organizations and highlights evidence-based solutions from around the world — from a girl’s empowerment initiative in India to justice reform in Guatemala to school-based education program in the United States.



WHAT WORKS TO PREVENT SEXUAL VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN

Solutions Spotlights

Coaching Boys Into Men

The Coaching Boys Into Men curriculum is helping change conversations around gender equity, recognizing that athletics play a unique and influential role in the lives of boys.



Photo courtesy of Coaching Boys Into Men



Photo courtesy of Raising Voices and Heidi Jo Brady



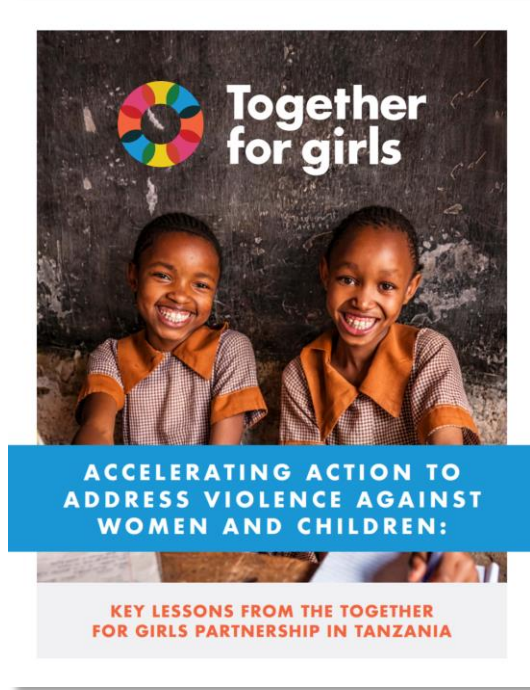
SASA! Initiative

The SASA! Initiative is changing community attitudes, norms, and behaviors around gender and violence, while helping reduce HIV infection among women in Uganda.

Families for Safe Dates

The aim of the US-based Families for Safe Dates program is to motivate and facilitate conversation between adolescents and their caregivers about dating violence.

TANZANIA CASE STUDY



To tell the story of how a country can implement the VACS process to develop policies that can prevent violence against boys and girls, TfG produced the Tanzania case study, detailing the steps that led to a multi-sectoral National Plan of Action in Tanzania.

“INSPIRE” TRAINING

INSPIRE Training in Central America

To strengthen the capacity of practitioners from countries across Central America to adapt and implement INSPIRE strategies within their National Plans of Action, with a particular focus on armed and gang violence, school violence, corporal punishment and sexual violence, El Salvador hosted the first Central America INSPIRE workshop in 2019.



ADVOCACY

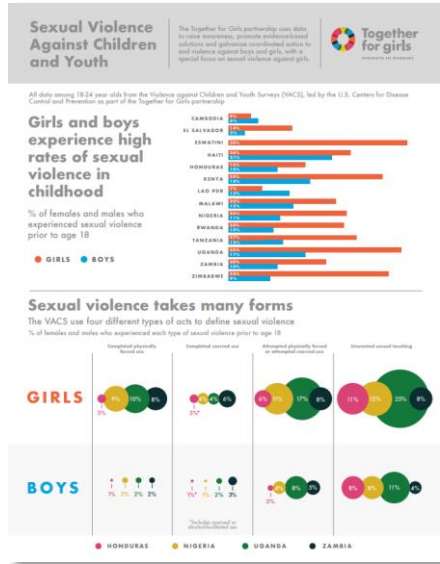




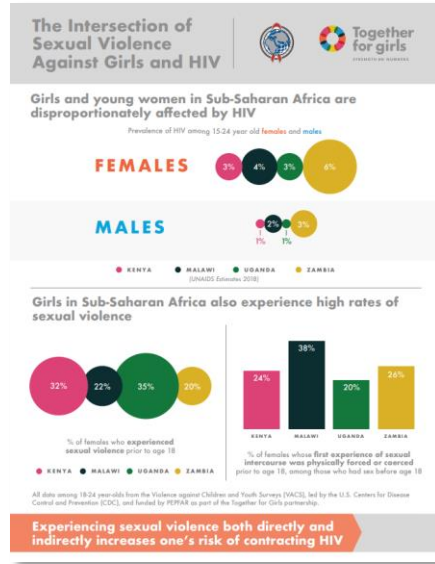
Materials

In 2019, TfG developed new platforms and materials to visualize the VACS data and increase awareness of solutions to end VAC.

GROWING GLOBAL EVIDENCE: ISSUE AREA FACT SHEETS



Examining Sexual Violence



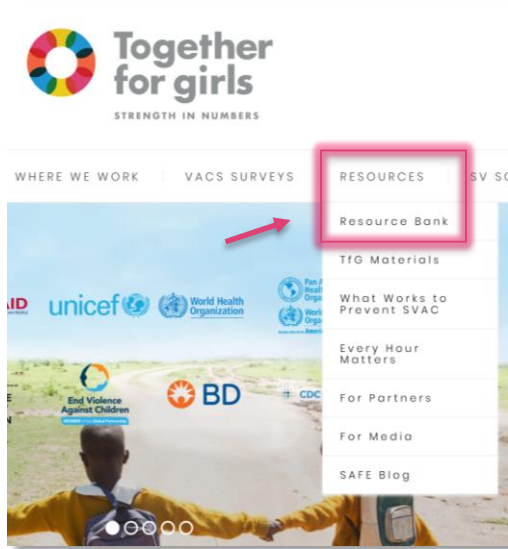
The Intersection of Violence and HIV



School-Related Gender-Based Violence

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Website Updates



Resource Bank

New TfG Video





Global Campaigns

In 2019, TfG launched or continued three campaigns to help spread awareness of solutions to prevent violence against children, adolescents and youth.

#SVSOLUTIONS

The goal of the #SVolutions campaign was to amplify the [*What Works to Prevent Sexual Violence Against Children*](#) key message: We have the tools to prevent sexual violence against children; now it's on us to bring these solutions to scale.

#SVolutions Resource Hub



TfG highlighted solutions like the WePROTECT Global Alliance during the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence

#TOGETHERFOR10



Gary Cohen, Founder and Board Chair of TfG and Executive Vice President, BD (Becton, Dickinson and Company) and President, BD Foundation, rings the opening bell at the NY Stock Exchange with Dr. Daniela Ligiero, CEO and Executive Director of TfG. They were joined by partners including Dr. James Mercy, Director of the Division of Violence Prevention at the CDC; Maria Juliana Ruiz Sandoval, the First Lady of Colombia; Ambassador Marc-Andree Blanchard, Canadian Permanent Representative ambassador to the UN; Michele Moloney-Kitts, first Executive Director of TfG; as well as representatives from BD, SAFE Heroes Isaiah Owolabi and Chessy Prout, civil society, UNICEF, and the Office of the Special Representative to the UN Secretary General on Violence against Children.



The #Togetherfor10 campaign celebrated TfG's 10-year anniversary by sharing powerful stories of the partnership.

TfG highlighted the partnership's achievements at an event at the New York Stock Exchange by ceremoniously ring the opening bell on behalf of the partnership in honor of our anniversary.

EVERY HOUR MATTERS

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Speed is of the essence.

TfG's signature campaign about the critical timeline of [post-rape care](#) continued to grow in 2019. Various partners in Uganda and Zambia rolled out the campaign at the national level.



Lydia Tabuke, Every Hour Matters Champion and Youth Advocate Ending Violence Against Women and Girls. Lydia shared her experiences advocating for women and girls in Kenya on a panel at the Women Deliver conference.



High-Level Events

TfG regularly attends global conferences, meetings, and events to raise awareness about the partnership's work, showcase VACS data, and amplify solutions to prevent violence against children.

WOMEN DELIVER

TfG attended **Women Deliver**, the world's largest conference on gender equality and the health, rights and well-being of girls and women.



TfG CEO Dr. Daniela Ligiero shares her story as a survivor and advocate working to end violence during a Women Deliver [plenary session](#).



Young leaders share their thoughts about the fight against ending violence against children at the Together for Girls booth in the exhibit hall.



Speakers from “The Time is Now” side event, co-hosted by Jhpiego and TfG: Nancy Smyth, Director General for Social Development at Global Affairs Canada; Dr. Daniela Ligiero, TfG CEO & Executive Director; Ambassador-at-Large, Deborah Birx, M.D., Office of the United States Global AIDS Coordinator; and Dr. Leslie Mancuso, Jhpiego President & CEO.

SEXUAL VIOLENCE RESEARCH INITIATIVE FORUM



Dr. Mary Catherine Maternowska (GPEAVAC) and Dr. Daniela Ligiero (TFG) during the Driving Solutions event.

TfG participated in the 2019 **Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI) Forum** - the world's key research conference on gender-based violence.

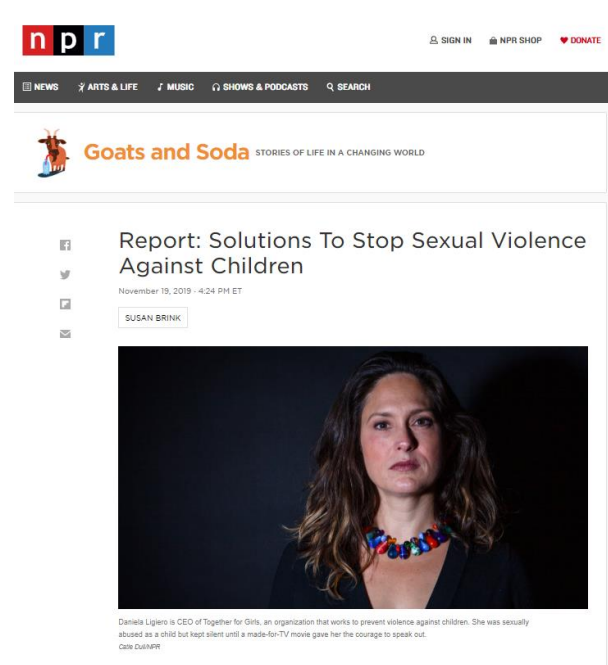
TfG, the Global Partnership to End Violence (End Violence), and SVRI co-hosted a high-level dinner to showcase new resources to prevent sexual violence against children, including [INSPIRE](#), the [Out of the Shadows Index](#), and [What Works to Prevent Sexual Violence Against Children](#).



TRADITIONAL MEDIA

TfG news coverage in 2019

- NOVEMBER 19, 2019 – [“Report: Solutions To Stop Sexual Violence Against Children”](#) (NPR)
- NOVEMBER 19, 2019 – [“What Works To Prevent Sexual Violence Against Children”](#) (Youth Today)
- NOVEMBER 19, 2019 – [“What works to prevent sexual violence against children”](#) (Relief Web)
- SEPTEMBER 20, 2019 – [“Getting tough: How New Zealand could stop domestic violence”](#) (Radio New Zealand)
- SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 – [“Lo que ocurrió en Nueva York con la primera dama María Juliana Ruiz”](#) (Canal 1)
- SEPTEMBER 16, 2019 – [“How Data Is Being Used to Curb Sexual Assault Around the World”](#) (Cheddar)
- JULY 23, 2019 – [“41% de jóvenes en Colombia ha sufrido violencia física o sexual: Minsalud”](#) (El Pais)
- JULY 23, 2019 – [“Cuatro de cada 10 colombianos sufrieron violencia siendo menores”](#) (El Tiempo)
- JULY 22, 2019 – [“Física, sexual y emocional, formas prevalentes de violencia contra menores de edad”](#) (Red Mas)
- JULY 22, 2019 – [“MinSalude. Iván Darío González, en la presentación de la EVCNNA”](#) (MinSaludCol)
- JUNE 21, 2019 – [“Ending Violence with Daniela Ligiero”](#) (Girls' Globe)



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SUSAN BRINK

Daniela Ligiero is CEO of Together for Girls, an organization that works to prevent violence against children. She was sexually abused as a child but kept silent until a made-for-TV movie gave her the courage to speak out. [cite OAH/RR](#)

An [NPR article](#) about the launch of #SVSolutions featuring an interview of Dr. Ligiero was featured as the top story on NPR for a day.

SOCIAL MEDIA

TfG continued to increase awareness and drive change through our social media platforms.



10%

Overall TfG social media growth



STORYTELLING

TfG Safe Blog

Safe is TfG's digital storytelling platform used to share stories of [solutions to prevent violence](#) and provide a platform for survivors and activists to share their stories.



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CDC Kenya project: "Champions for Change"



Photos courtesy of CDC Kenya and PEPFAR

PEPFAR, in collaboration with the CDC, launched the GBV "Champions for Change" photo exhibition to honor individuals in Kenya that serve a critical role in preventing and responding to acts of GBV in their communities.



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