

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Community-based Violence Prevention and Linkages to Response in South Africa

REQUEST FOR INTEREST | 29 August 2019

OVC Organisations – Mpumalanga: Ehlanzeni District

SUMMARY

Title	Community-based Violence Prevention and Linkages to Response in South Africa in the Mpumalanga Province: Ehlanzeni District
Description <i>(Summary for website - 100 words max)</i>	NACOSA are looking for an implementing partner working with Orphans and Vulnerable Children and Youth (OVCY) in Ehlanzeni. The project aims to address HIV prevention and the spectrum of violence against vulnerable children and adolescent youth & young women using an evidence-based, ecological approach to provide interventions at the individual, family and community level. Programme activities include: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Assessment of high-risk families for violence and vulnerability.2. Prevention of HIV and violence focusing on changing harmful socio-cultural attitudes, beliefs and inequalities through range of evidence-based programmes.3. Response to HIV and violence to ensure appropriate care and support is offered to programme beneficiaries.4. Strengthening community systems to prevent and respond to violence. Successful implementing partners will be required to ensure bi-directional linking of OVCY and GBV service provision in the selected geographic area.
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Submission to	Contact Person: Cezanne Hoffmann Email: cezzanne@nacosa.org.za
Submission must include	Completed application form
Deadline for submission	17h00 on Friday 6 September 2019

BACKGROUND

NACOSA is a networking organisation that brings communities together to tackle interlinked health and social development challenges such as HIV and gender-based violence. NACOSA promotes dialogue, builds capacity with accredited training, mentoring and technical assistance and channels resources to support service delivery on the ground, particularly among key and vulnerable populations. As a principal recipient of the Global Fund and in partnership with USAID and PEPFAR and the Departments of Health and Social Development, NACOSA works at all levels – from international agencies and national government, right through to sub-district services and small, community groups. NACOSA acts as a bridge between people and health and social services.

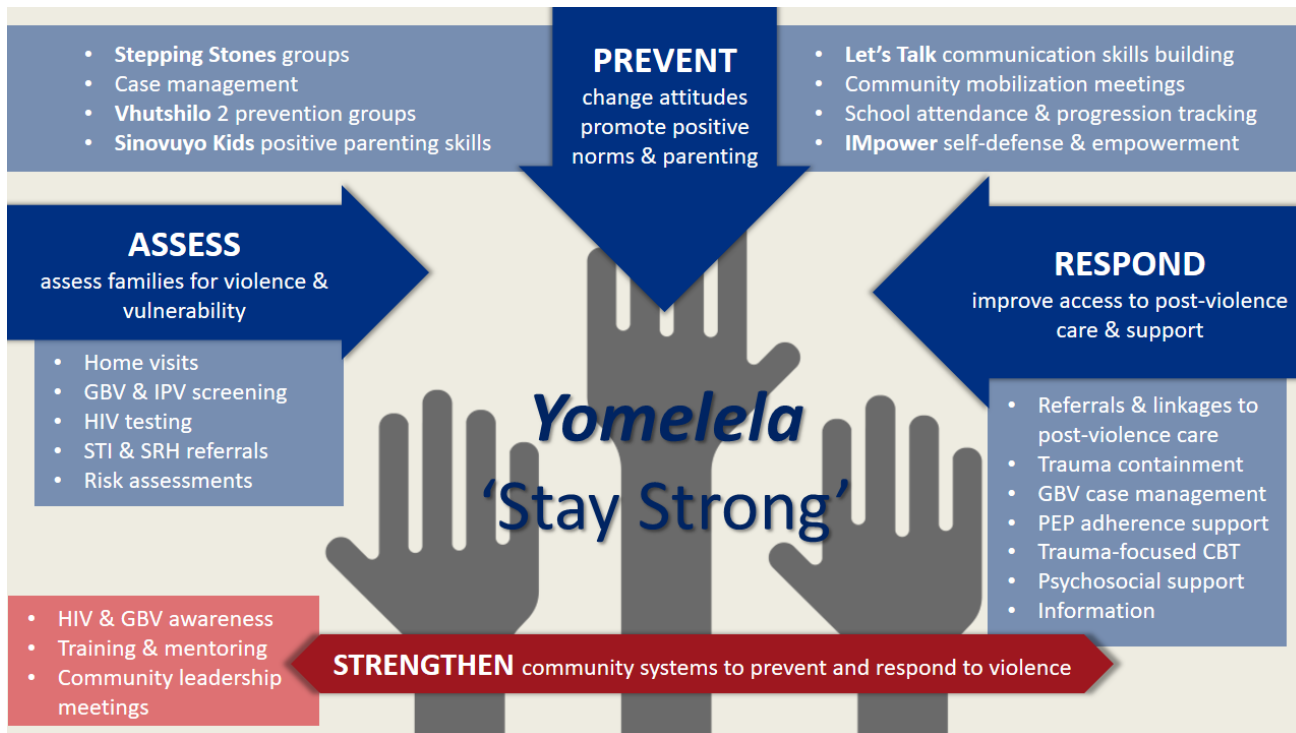
NACOSA has been awarded funding from the American people through USAID and PEPFAR to tackle gender-based violence in vulnerable communities in South Africa. The programme will ramp up community-based efforts to prevent and respond to violence among children, teens and young people, particularly adolescent girls and young women, reaching 42 000 vulnerable children and youth and their families in districts most



affected by HIV and AIDS in Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga and the Western Cape. The grant is a 5-year award by USAID that commenced in December 2018.

The significant investment by USAID and PEPFAR will enable NACOSA, with implementing partner Childline South Africa, to address the spectrum of violence against children and adolescent girls and young women by assessing families for violence, working to change harmful attitudes and promoting protective family and community norms and positive parenting practices. The programme will also respond to violence by making sure that survivors have access to comprehensive post-violence care and support and by strengthening community systems.

Figure 1. Programme Summary



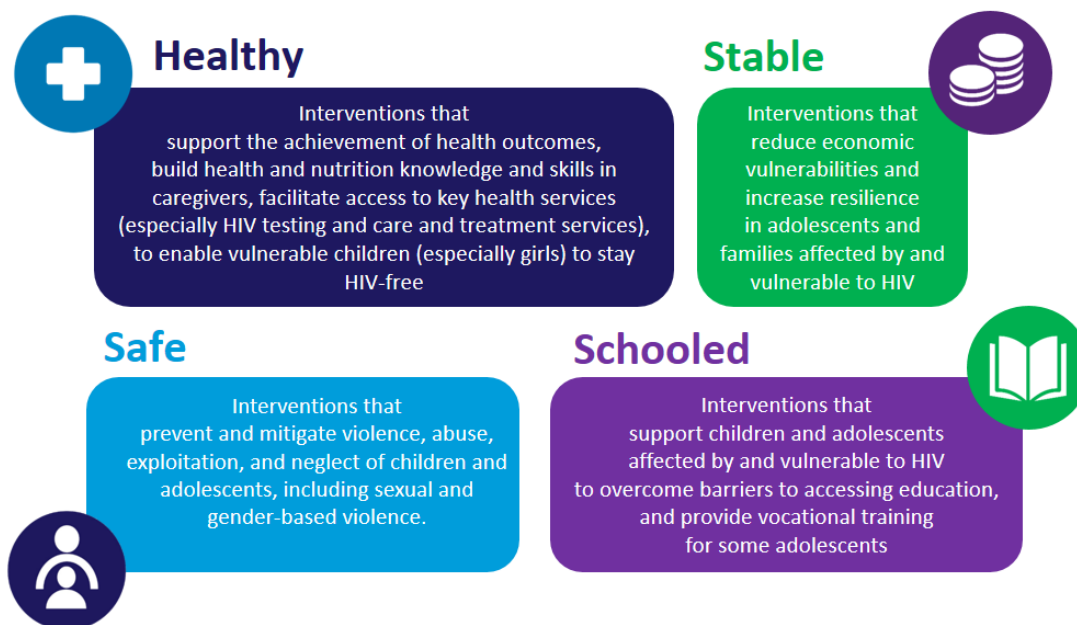
As part of this programme, NACOSA is looking for **implementing partners** working with Orphans and Vulnerable Children and Youth (OVCY) in Ehlanzeni District, Mpumalanga, specifically those working in the Nkomazi, Bushbuckridge and Thaba Chweu sub-districts.

PROGRAMME SCOPE OF WORK AND TARGETS

Programme Scope

The programme seeks to ensure that OVC are provided with holistic services to meet their different needs. Figure 2 below provides an overview of the outcomes that need to be achieved for programme beneficiaries:

Figure 2. Outcomes for Programme Beneficiaries



Source: Standard Operating Procedures for Case Management, Coordinating Comprehensive Care for Children (4Children) 2018

The programme goes well beyond being an OVC Programme, and seeks to target those affected by GBV, particularly those affected by sexual violence. Furthermore, 20% of child beneficiaries should be HIV positive. A range of care and support services as listed below will be rendered to programme beneficiaries as applicable to their age and care plan;

1. Healthy

The organization will render services to OVCA&Y and their caregivers in accordance with the 95-95-95 targets in supporting the achievement of the National Strategic Plan on HIV/AIDS and TB (2017-2022). This will include the following activities:

- Conduct Risk and Vulnerability Assessments for children and families inclusive of HIV, IPV and GBV screening through home visits and community engagement
- Facilitate provision of HTS through referral to district testing partners or direct delivery
- Conduct case finding of new and returning HIV-positive OVCA&Y and their caregivers
- Ensure 95% HIV Known status of beneficiaries and ensure 20% enrolment of Children Living with HIV among beneficiaries aged 0-18 years.
- Facilitate OVCY HIV status disclosure to ensure linkage to testing, care and treatment services as needed (0-18 years) and transitioning adolescents to adult HIV care
- Ensure 100% of new HIV positive beneficiaries are successfully referred for ART Initiation
- Monitoring and supporting treatment retention.
- Semi-annual multi-disciplinary case conferencing of Children of Living with HIV to monitor and support viral suppression.
- Completion of high impact referrals to health facilities. This includes the following:
 - 100% of OVC (<5 years) referred to health facilities for childhood illnesses and immunization services
 - 100% of adolescent boys and girls referred to health facilities for sexual reproductive health services (PrEP; Family Planning; STI screening, diagnosis and treatment; VMMC for boys)

2. Schooled

Provide family centred services supporting educational activities as follows:

- Promote early childhood household interactions with beneficiaries under 7 years
- Support primary and secondary school enrolment and retention in schooling for school age beneficiaries
- Provide or refer for school material support to encourage consistent school attendance
- Provide individual tutoring and/or homework assistance
- Quarterly monitoring of school attendance and performance
- Support exam preparation and matric completion
- Individual support to access tertiary education or vocational opportunities.

3. Safe

Provide high impact referrals to relevant service providers for the following services:

- Referral for Statutory services – Placement for child without family care(Foster Care) and Emergency removal from abusive/unsafe environment
- Substance abuse counselling and treatment services
- Psychiatric care and/or intensive counselling services
- Comprehensive post violence care and support services
- PEP Initiation and Completion for children that are survivors of sexual violence.

4. Stable

Provide family centred services through referrals to relevant service provides for accessing:

- Social Grants: Foster Care. Child Support Grant and other
- Birth Certificates and ID documents

Linkages to vocational training and opportunities

Programme Targets

Targets for Ehlanzeni are subject to confirmation but as an indication they are as follows:

SUB-DISTRICT	OVC_SERV	HIV_STAT	CHILDREN LIVING WITH HIV
Ehlanzeni	8325	7493	1500

Please note the following brief explanation of the target allocation:

1. **OVC_SERV:** The number of children and caregivers expected to be enrolled in the programme. A minimum of one service per quarter is expected per beneficiary - most children will receive multiple services based on the need identified in their care plan.
2. **HIV_STAT:** The number of children (0-17 years) that reported their HIV status to the implementing partner.
3. **CLHIV:** the number of children living with HIV to be enrolled and served on the programme.

Experience in implementing previous USAID grants is an advantage.

TIMEFRAMES FOR APPLICATION

ACTION	RESPONSIBLE	DATE
Deadline for applications	Interested Organisations	6 September 2019
Desktop screening of applications	NACOSA Team	9 September 2019
Shortlisted organisations to be provided with Capacity Assessment Tool	NACOSA Team	9 September 2019
Desktop Capacity Assessments to be completed	Shortlisted Organisations	13 September 2019

Desktop review of Capacity Assessment submitted to NACOSA	NACOSA Team	16 September 2019
Onsite visit of selected organisations	NACOSA Team	17-20 September 2019
Communication with shortlisted organisations on the contracting decision	NACOSA Team	27 September 2019

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Interested organisations should:

1. If not already a member, register on the NACOSA network (it is free): www.nacosa.org.za/join
2. Submit a completed [application form](#); also available on the NACOSA website: www.nacosa.org.za/latest

Application forms must be submitted by email no later than 17h00 on Friday, 6 September 2019 to:

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