

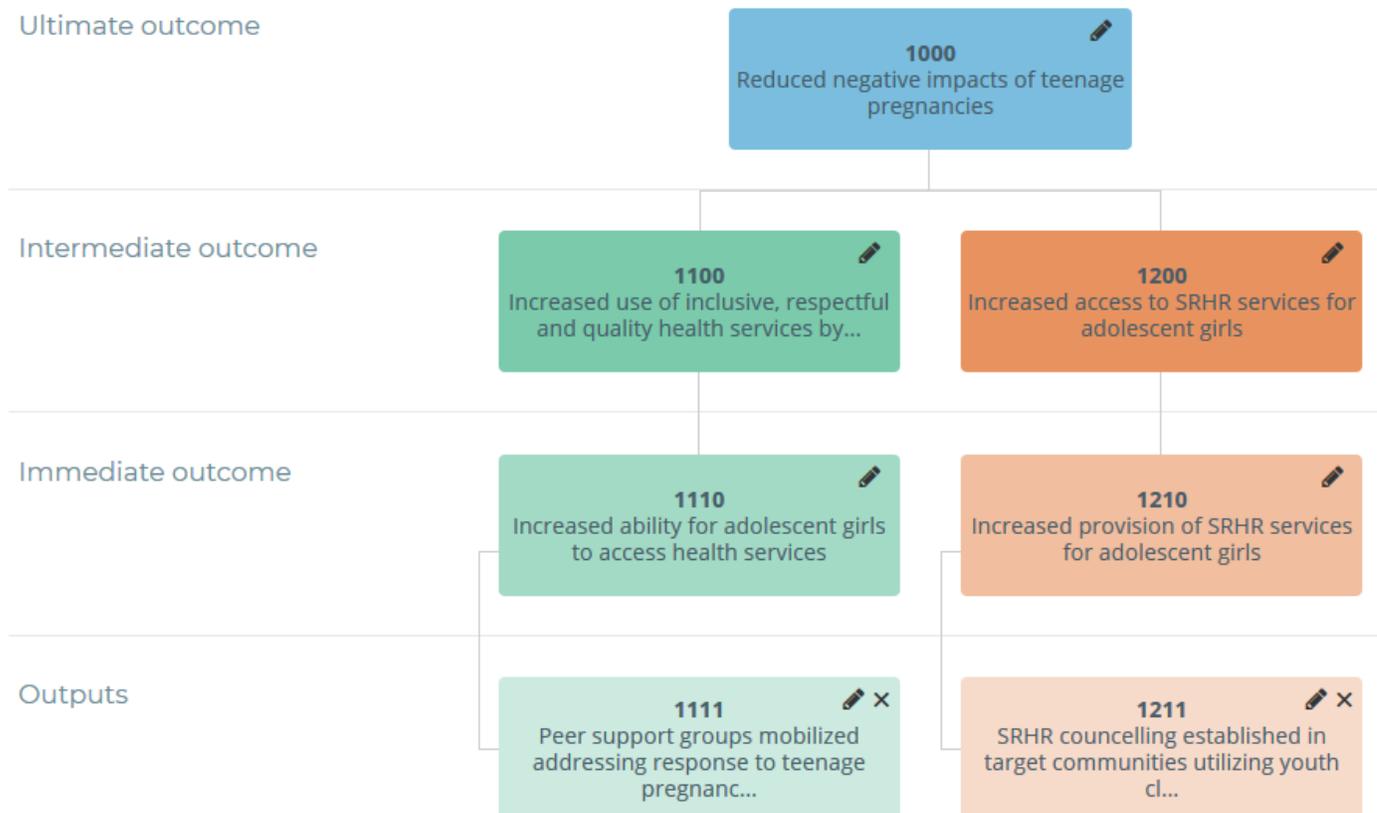
1. Case Study

THRIVE Project

THRIVE is a four-year project that aims to improve and save the lives of adolescent girls, women and children in remote and vulnerable areas of Kenya by increasing utilization and improving access to quality health and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) services, specifically by reducing the impact of teenage pregnancies. With a budget of \$3 million CAD over the project duration, the project will target 40 communities with a population of 2,600 adolescent girls.

One of the factors contributing to the high birth rate is early pregnancies occurring in adolescent girls (under 19 years of age). The main area of concern is the SRHR of adolescents and the extent to which their SRHR needs are unmet. Teenage pregnancies are commonly caused by low usage of contraceptives and early initiation of sexual activity outside legal marriage. Recent statistics by the Demographic and Health Survey (DHS) show that none of the currently married girls aged 15-19 in the 40 communities use modern contraceptives compared to 39% at the national level. Evidence also demonstrates a high prevalence of gender-based violence in the target area.

The project aims to reduce the negative impacts of teenage pregnancies, including maternal and newborn mortality and social stigma connected to unintended pregnancies, as well as negative impacts on girls' health and school attendance. Among other activities, the project will do this through health and SRHR education, establishing peer support groups and youth clubs, and increasing the capacity of SRHR providers.



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