

Facts About Girls

Let these powerful statistics speak for themselves as you work to find sponsors for the girls assigned to you.

It is estimated that one in three women globally has experienced physical or sexual violence in her lifetime, mostly at the hands of a partner.

Sixty-four million girls are trapped in child labor.

HIV/AIDS is a leading cause of death among adolescent girls, ages 10-14.

Seventy-one percent of all human trafficking victims are women or girls.

In low-income countries, fewer than two-thirds of girls complete their primary education, and only one in three completes lower secondary school.

More than 80% of children married before age 18 are girls.

Research shows that girls who are not educated are more at risk of poverty, child marriage and violence and prone to diseases, including HIV and AIDS.

At least 2 million girls and women currently alive have been victims of Female Genital Mutilation.

1.25 billion women around the world don't have access to a toilet during their periods.

Early marriage is one of the most common causes of low educational attainment of girls in sub-Saharan African and South Asia.

Sources:

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