



## KEY INFO

**Countries:** MADAGASCAR—7 cities : Antananarivo, Mahajanga, Tulear, Antsirabe, Fort-Dauphin, Morondava, Tamatave

**Partners :** CDEF (Mahajanga), TANDEM (Antananarivo)

**Associates :** OSCAPE (Antsirabe), Association Vorongez (Tulear), ONG ALT (Fort-Dauphin), ONG ALEFA Menabe (Morondava), Youth associations consortium « Mahery » (Morondava), FAFED (Tamatave), Tandem association Antsirabana (Tamatave)

**Financial sponsor :** European Union



## Project summary

The Miralenta project implements 2 main axis:

1. The mobilization of children's and youth clubs on the issue of violence against girls
2. Support to community associations or initiatives, including groups of men, to take action against violence against girls

Through this project, ECPAT France and its partners and associates set themselves the mission of strengthening Malagasy Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) so that they are able to challenge the state authorities in the fight against violence against women, and more particularly sexual violence. Although Madagascar has laws to protect children from sexual abuse and exploitation - including child marriage - they are weakly applied. There are many reasons for this, including strong social and economic inequalities leading to a certain acceptance of violence against girls and the commodification of their bodies.

ECPAT France has an operational office in Madagascar which coordinates the MIRALENTA program, including the development of technical resources and the monitoring and evaluation of the program.

This program contributes to the eradication of violence against children (target 16.2) and the eradication of violence against girls (target 5.2) of the Sustainable Development Goals (Agenda 2030)

The MIRALENTA project aims to mobilize, involve and strengthen local actors - including children - to become activists and ambassadors to reduce violence against girls in seven cities in Madagascar. For this, several steps:

- Identify and strengthen the functioning of children's clubs, human groups and civil society organizations to improve their capacity to bring social change.
- Bring knowledge about sexual violence and the inequalities that feed them
- Accompany action and support campaigns



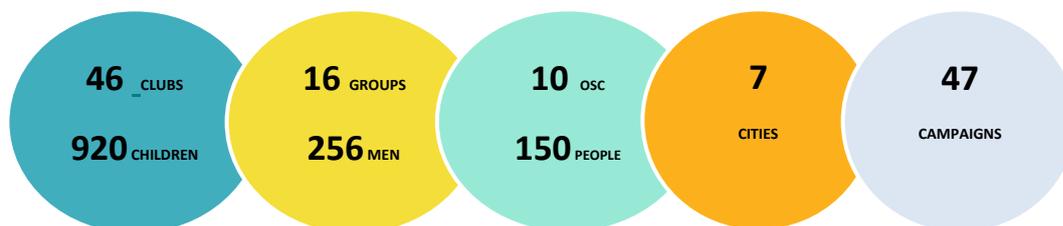
## PLANNED ACTIVITIES

The MIRALENTA project plans:

Resource production: a study in targeted cities to assess acceptance of violence against girls and perceptions of inequality; participatory research with survivors of sexual abuse or exploitation about their reintegration experience in targeted cities; training guides for supervisors in charge of strengthening civil society organizations; four traditional stories revisited to change perceptions of girls; information leaflets.

The animation of a program of mobilization and reinforcement with the clubs of children, groups of men and local associations. The reinforcement program is divided into three phases: the constitution of the action groups, the contribution of the technical knowledge and the formulation of the passage to the action.

Support for campaigns initiated and led by the organizations strengthened around messages carrying social change and recommendations to the authorities.



Program numbers

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