Supporting the resilient adolescent girl

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Touching Humanity In Need of Kindness
THINK Liberia
What we do

• THINK Liberia was founded during post-conflict to address SGBV issues in communities. It is an organization founded and run by women who believe in the power of women and girls to transform their communities.

• Three program areas- prevention and response to SGBV, protection /rehabilitation and economic empowerment
THINK SRHR and Gender Programs

• Holistic approach to program
• SRHR is integrated in the Gender Equality and Economic Empowerment Program
• Adolescent Youth (Girls, young women and boys) go into their communities to raise awareness on (WPP) and encourage more men and boys to get involved
Ebola in Liberia

• Poor infrastructure and health systems
• Misconceptions
• Stigmatization
Ebola and THINK’S Work

- Programs
- Upkeeping of Safe Homes
- Outreach, prevention, and school assistance
- Partnerships:
  - Global Fund For Children
  - Globalgiving
  - Africans in the Diaspora/Africa Responds
Ebola and THINK’s Work

- Working with and in community
Responding to Community Needs

• Focus Group Discussions

• Distribution of dignity kits and education

• Affected communities received psychosocial support and cash transfers

• Establishing mechanisms for alternative care
Responding to SGBV

- We saw an increase in SGBV cases in our communities
- The creation of One Stop Centers for SGBV
- Community dialogues on SGBV prevention
Collective action
The resilient community

• Resilience is a skill that THINK uses to help beneficiaries and communities to cope with issues that affect them

• Women voices matter to resilience
  – Peace building
  – Emergency response
  – Women most impacted
The resilient girl child
THANK YOU