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# EDUCATION SUPPORT FOR STREET

CONNECTED CHILDREN IN SIERRA LEONE

PARTNERSHIP WITH TOYBOX -UK

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*A little girl requesting assistance for enrolment during the project launching ceremony*



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## PARTNER LEARNING EVENT - NEW DELHI, INDIA (TOYBOX FUNDED)

11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### Partners

- ALALAY (Bolivia)
- SathSath (Nepal)
- St. George Foundation (Sierra Leone)
- PENDEKEZO LETU (Kenya)
- CHETNA (India)
- CWIN (Nepal)
- VIVA (El-Salvador)

- CONACMI (Guatemala)

## Key Project Highlights for Quarter 1

- *Project Launch and start-up work shop*
- *Learning Event in Practice*
- *Staff Training on Safeguarding Practices*
- *Photo Competition*
- *Baseline*

### 1. Baseline

St. George Foundation Sierra Leone in partnership with Toybox-UK, government line ministries and participating communities in Western Area Urban and Western Area Rural Districts, is implementing a two-year project titled: 'Education Support for Street Connected Children (SCC)'. The project started on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019, and it will end on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

The project aims to achieve increased enrolment and retention of SCC in school by creating an empowering and protective environment for SCC in the community, at home and at schools. The intervention logic is centred on provision of school materials and uniforms to increase access, and innovative learning approaches to enhance attitudes and capacities of caregivers, pimps and community leaders to the rights of children.



Project Launch and Start – up Work shop on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Venue: lycis Hall, White Stone, Waterloo



## 2. Learning Event in Practice

*The learning event was an opportunity for each partner to showcase and learn from examples of good practice.*

*Back home, the knowledge and experience from the learning event is being passed on to the project and all SGF staff during programme meetings and trainings. This has proved indispensable to increasing our impact.*



## 3. Photo Competition

Photo competition launched by Toybox during the learning event, SGF won three out of ten. Seven countries participated in the competition.



**Best African Photo**



**Best Group Photo**



**Best Boy Photo**



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## 4. Baseline



Baseline study undertaken by St. George Foundation at the start of the project in April 2019 on percentage of caregivers who show positive attitude to sending children to school. The report reveals that 77 per cent of caregivers in the project area are willing to regularly send their children to school and support them. The report further highlights poverty as a key barrier keeping children out of school.

In the next edition, watch out for news on:

- *Village Saving and Loan Associations (VSLA)*
- *Distribution of uniform and school materials to children*
- *Survey on child labour*
- *Engaging pimps*
- *Review meetings*
- *Monitoring and feedback mechanisms*



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# Thank you