



FACT SHEET



Supporting Access to Justice, Fostering Equity & Peace (SAFE)

Communal Land Dialogue, Akwaka village, Land & Equity Movement Uganda, July 2014

The SAFE Program (2012 -2017) in Uganda is a five-year, 14.8 million dollar program that works across Governance, Rule of Law and Conflict Management and Mitigation objectives in more than 20 districts throughout the country. The SAFE Program provides technical assistance, training, and grants to local partners to improve access to justice and enhance peace and reconciliation.

FAST FACTS

- More than 1,300 persons have received SAFE-sponsored legal aid and paralegal services to date
- More than 16,000 persons have been reached through rights awareness and sensitization campaigns to date
- More than 200 conflict monitors trained to report conflicts impacting their communities
- More than 50 journalists and students trained in conflict-sensitive reporting
- More than 30 local partners have been engaged in the capital and in 20 districts throughout the country
- Nearly 50% percent of direct beneficiaries of activities are women
- More than 40% of beneficiaries are youth
- More than 100 community radio programs have been produced and broadcast with program support
- Cross-cutting program concerns include: gender, youth, transparency, and natural resources

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Bringing justice within reach

SAFE provides legal, administrative and practical resources to aid District Land Boards, Area Land Committees, Magistrates, Community Legal Volunteers and non-governmental organizations to strengthen service delivery and improve outcomes for citizens in both formal and informal justice systems. Grants to local non-governmental organizations support legal aid and paralegal services, alternative dispute resolution, and community sensitization initiatives to raise awareness, dispel myths and increase understanding about land rights and tenure systems.

Promoting peace and reconciliation

SAFE conducts SMS-enabled conflict monitoring, analysis and reporting with more than 200 trained volunteers in districts throughout the country. SAFE engages community influencers, including local leaders and journalists, as well as grass roots actors, to aid in the prevention and transformation of conflict. SAFE responds to emerging conflicts through responsive grant initiatives that target the drivers of conflict, enhance livelihoods, and promote resilience of conflict-affected communities.