THE EQUALITY EFFECT AND 160 GIRLS

The equality effect is an international NGO that uses the law to make girls' and women's rights real, so that they are safe from sexual violence, can attend school, and can live healthy lives.

In 2012 the equality effect filed a Constitutional claim inspired by 160 Girls, all rape victims between the ages of 3 and 12, who had been denied access to justice by the police. The Kenya High Court decided in favor of the girls.

THE POLICE TRAINING PROGRAM

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Among other projects to enforce the High Court decision, the equality effect worked in collaboration with the Kenya National Police Service (NPS) and the Vancouver Police Department (VPD) to provide training to police officers in Kenya on how to handle defilement cases. Officers who followed the 160 Girls training then went on to train other officers in their respective police detachment.

The training, as well as its evaluation, was based off a 12 step investigation criteria, which incorporates the international best practices expert evidence re: child rape investigations endorsed by the High Court of Kenya in the 160 Girls Decision.

TOP 3 SUCCESSES

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AFTER TRAINING, OFFICERS SCORED MUCH HIGHER ON STEP#12: ARREST SUSPECTS



In accordance with international best practices for police evaluations, all of the officers trained were informed that they could be evaluated on the implementation of the training. Detachments were randomly selected for evaluation, and given two weeks' notice of an evaluation.

Evaluations recorded in May 2016; n=44 defilement cases in Meru and Nairobi. 17 untrained stations vs. 27 trained stations