Peace Builders of Africa, Uganda pledges to

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Description:
Barr sub-county is one of the administrative units in Lira district in Northern Uganda that has for a long time being grappled by high rates of child labor due to the high levels of poverty. This largely resulted from the more than 20 years of the Lords Resistance insurgency. As a result, many parents are unable to support their children to attain quality education despite government efforts in providing free education for the primary school goers, children are forced to fend for themselves so as to support their families. Because of this problem, a number of children are forced to go and engage in exploitative and risky ventures such as doing housekeeping in homes, becoming casual laborers at construction sites to mention but a few. Such ventures put their lives at great risk of child abduction, child sacrifice, and sexual exploitation. The COVID 19 pandemic has further aggravated the situation for children The Project on “Ending Child Labor in Barr Sub County” will involve creating awareness about the dangers associated with child labor in the communities with Barr sub-County Lira District in Uganda. It will also involve linkage to funding opportunities so that parents are able to earn income and support their children. We will also be conducting capacity building for community members on child rights, life skills and economic empowerment.

The main beneficiaries will comprise parents, children, and community leaders.

Our proposal will help solve issues of child abuse in the communities, create income-generating activates for selected community members thus leading to ending child labor in communities and other forms of abuse.

The tools needed will include bicycles and motorcycles for community monitoring and engagement, laptops for field staff, stationary for data collection and documentation, funds for operations.
Implementation plan:

We will implement our action pledge by conducting the following:

- We will conduct community awareness
- Conduct the identification of beneficiaries
- Provide capacity building sessions for selected beneficiaries
- Conduct resource mobilization
- Conduct linkages to decent employment opportunities
- Monitoring and evaluation

Impact:

Our commitment to joining the Child Labor platform will broaden our knowledge in this venture. We will help communities to understand the risks associated with child labor. We will learn best practices from other places and implement them in our area. We will use experts to train others.