

Guide on how to write a success story For the Tingim Laip Staff (type your answers under each question)

**1. Give a brief introduction of the person/group/community you are writing about (e.g name, age, village, marital status, education status, occupation,)**

Lulu Sam is 35 years old and come from Kunini village in South Fly district. Completed grade 6 and couldn't continue due to school fee problem. Lulu Sam doesn't have a job and is currently living with a partner with her two beautiful daughters, elder daughter is married and the youngest is living under her care.

**2. What specific problem(s) was this person/group/community having before you intervened? (A problem is anything that affects one's ability to perform his/her work, live a good life, etc)** Lulu Sam was married to Michael Sam in 1997 and had two beautiful daughters mention above. During their marriage, Michael was very possessive and violent to her. She couldn't enjoy her freedom. She was just submitting to Michael's command because she was just a woman with limited knowledge. It went on for some years than she felt that it was just enough. Lulu Sam's parents were very upset above the ongoing violence faced by their daughter. They then took Michael Sam to District Court for him to face the justice. After the court decision Lulu Sam separated from Michael Sam in 2008.

**2.1 What was the specific cause of each problem(s)?**

Most men in the society maintain their culture and believe which Lulu's husband Michael values his culture and believes. That was the reason why he was very possessive and violent. All Lulu does is to be a woman and submit to her roles and responsibilities as a mother and not to make any decisions. Weather Michael's decision were wrong, she must follow his decision. That was the cause of the problem

**2.2 How long had this person/group/community lived with each problem(s) and why had they lived this long with this problem(s).**

She lived with the problem for 25 years now. Since she left her husband and came out into the world, She thought will live a good life, but every relationship she come across still face violence, stigma and discrimination. Her partners recall the past and are violent to her which resulted with major injuries and fractured bone

**2.3 How had these problems(s) affected the quality of life for this person/group/community**

-The problem has affected the quality of life she was during her first marriage. She lived with her children in a permanent building, have enough food stock and have 3 times meals, have money all the time and travel from province to province upon husband's employment conditions. The moment she separated from the husband, she went through a very hardship with her daughters. They moved from house to house, family rejected her and the daughters, Not enough food to eat and can sleep with empty stomach , Finds it hard with clothing, Eat dry food without protein and no proper water to drink and cook

**3.1 Explain exactly the specific support(s) the project gave to this person/group/community. (Please list all the support you/TL gave)**

Support given by the project

General Counseling

Peer outreach awareness

Liklik Lip Stick Meetings

UIC Training

STI, VCCT & GBV referrals

Accessibility of condoms and IEC materials

**3.2 Explain in detail how each specific support was given to this person/group/community. (This is explain the processes of how the support was given)**

- Trauma counseling was given to Lulu Sam when she approaches us with ongoing emotional abuse
- She was involved in doing peer outreach awareness by giving correct and accurate HIV & STI key messages to her peers which gave her the courage and confidence in disseminating the information and also understood better on the correct and accurate information
- Participate in Liklik Lip Stick program which Lulu Sam enhance her competent level in HIV and STI massages
- UIC training has broaden her understanding and knowledge on how to fill the UIC data forms correctly and also the importance of data reporting
- Lulu Sam has gone for STI, VCCT and GBV services and met the Officers which she created network and relationship with the services. She is very confident in referring her peers to these appropriate services

**3.2 Explain how you selected and why you decided to particularly support this person/group/community. What did you what to achieve in this person/group/community?**

I have select Lulu Sam based upon her personal experiences and her identity as female sex worker. I decided to support her to understand her Rights, Values and to have self esteem within her so she can be firm with her decisions to realize the importance of being a female.

**3.3 Explain exactly how each of the support you gave helped solve each or all of the problems this person/group/community had in the past**

The support given has mould and shaped her by increasing her knowledge and understanding towards working with peer group. Ongoing health seeking behaviour, Report violence to FSV desk and can assist peer group to this services.

**3.4 What difference did the support you gave make? What specific thing(s) can this person/group/community do now which they couldn't do before the support?**

She practice safe sex with her partners by using male and female condoms, Know her rights, have the courage of getting condoms and distribute to peers. Do STI and VCCT referrals. She is very active in doing outreach activities

**3.5 Explain how the life of the person/group/community supported by the project has improved (state the specific aspect). What is better now as result of the support?**

-She has strong self esteem and maintains hygiene. She can manage and support her family. She also has respect for her peers and willing to volunteer.

**3.6 Please attach photos of the support being provided to the person/group/community. Also attach photos of before and after scenario.**

-N/A