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Together Women Rise Project EverFree Interim Progress Report May 2023

1. Please provide the following information:

a. Organization Name: EverFree

b. Project Title: Protection for Women and Girls through Holistic Anti-trafficking programming in Uganda and the Philippines project.

- c. Grant Amount : \$50,000
- d. Contact Person: Kelsey Morgan, Co founder and Chief Program Officer
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2. Recap briefly what outcomes the project was designed to achieve:

EverFree's project, "The Protection for Women and Girls through Holistic Anti-trafficking Programming in Uganda and the Philippines," was designed to enhance the lives of survivors of human trafficking through training and shelter support programs. Through our extensive programs and commitment to best practices in aftercare, we have been able to support survivor recovery and reintegration by building a robust social support network and eliminating economic vulnerabilities that many survivors face. By providing educational, vocational, and economic opportunities for survivors, we have empowered hundreds of survivors with the skills and resources needed to become economically stable and reintegrate successfully back into their families and communities, while creating a safer environment and preventing revictimization. This progress would not have been possible without the support of Together Women Rise.

Some key highlights from the past year include:

- 60,500 people were reached through our prevention and advocacy programming globally
- 995 unique individuals received support services
- 294 survivors received education support and scholarships
- 6,607 counseling sessions were conducted
- 218 survivors started their own businesses or secured safe employment
- 25 survivors received legal services to bring traffickers to justice
- 30% increase in survivors receiving support services annually
- 95% of survivors are not re-victimized
- 80% of survivors self-assess as taking positive steps towards their dreams and goals
- In the Philippines, we have expanded our education program to include entrepreneurship training courses for participants and family members of child survivors who are vulnerable to exploitation.

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3. Has funding changed for this project? For example, have you received unexpected funding from another source?

We have continued to provide aftercare services with the support of a diverse donor portfolio, including Imago Dei Foundation, Stewardship Foundation, and Atlas Free. We continue to seek opportunities to ensure our programs are supported through the growing number of referred cases that require comprehensive aftercare services.

4. Is your organization or project situation different than presented in the approved proposal? For example, a new executive director, significant project staffing changes or NGO affiliation, loss of large funding, or other significant changes?

Due to the closure of a large project that was funded by Global Fund to End Modern Slavery, there has been downsizing of our project team and closure of one of our shelters. This has created an increase in our community-based care participants and has caused financial increases in other areas of our work. The funding received from TWR supports community-based care (CBC) participants. This funding has been significant as it has allowed us to continue to provide quality aftercare needed, in lieu of residential support.

5. Have the number of beneficiaries changed? To report this please refer to the original numbers in your grant proposal under *Number of women and girls Directly Impacted and population Indirectly Impacted*.

In the last year, we have been able to serve 995 survivors and vulnerable individuals with comprehensive care at our rehabilitation centers in Uganda and the Philippines. Our beneficiary numbers have continued to increase due to the demand for quality services.

6. What challenges are you facing as you move forward with this project? How are you approaching these challenges?

While the need for aftercare services in Uganda and the Philippines continues to grow, we cannot keep up with the demand in providing necessary services, including residential care, due to cost and employee capacity. At current staffing levels, we can no longer respond to all the requests for assistance and risk having to limit the number of survivors we care for and employee burnout. Everfree is always actively seeking new funding opportunities in order to staff more team members and continue to offer our broad range of services to survivors.

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7. Have you revised your original objectives since the project began? If so, why? What are your new objectives?

Our original objectives remain the same:

- 1. Provide quality services to survivors of human trafficking.
- 2. Provide opportunities for safe economic engagement to reduce risk of revictimization.
- 3. Provide residential and community-based aftercare services, including medical and psychiatric care, counseling and psychosocial support, family training and safe re-integration, and basic needs provision.

8. What progress have you made toward achieving your objectives? Please address each stated objective.

- In the past year, we have provided 995 participants with support services. This is a 30% increase in individuals receiving aftercare services from the previous year.
- We have also reached over 60,000 individuals through our global community sensitization activities on human trafficking, which include outreach programs in vulnerable communities, student-led prevention campaigns, and media engagements.
- 3. We have provided over 294 education scholarships and given economic assistance to 218 individuals who have graduated from our empowerment programs.
- 4. With our programs serving over 617 survivors of human trafficking, we have seen a 95% success rate in preventing revictimization, with 80% of our survivors reported to have made significant progress in achieving their goals.

9. Do you anticipate any difficulties in completing your project in the timeframe outlined in your proposal?

We do not anticipate any difficulties in completing our project in the designated time frame. However, we would like to note that healing is not always a linear process, and we are committed to ensuring quality services and providing individualized case management, which may run over the course of the proposed time frame. We will ensure our completed report is submitted in time and all relevant information is included and accurate.

Within the report also include:

• Several high-resolution JPG photographs of the project depicting the women/girls who have benefited from the grant funds should be posted to your

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assigned Dropbox. Photos should be submitted with the right to use in all forms and media in Together Women Rise documents and website. Include confirmation of grantee's right and consent to use photos/videos as per local law.

Please see attached.

• Any message you would like us to convey to our membership and donors about the impact our grant is having on those being served and/or your organization and its mission.

Everfree continues to work towards solutions to address the root causes of trafficking and influence systematic change globally through collaboration with like-minded individuals and entities. We are grateful for our partnership with Together Women Rise and for the opportunity to empower survivors to thrive in freedom and end the cycles of exploitation within their communities. We believe ending human trafficking is possible and are committed to scaling and sharing effective solutions in order to make it happen.

• Detailed list of all expenses incurred during the reporting period which have been paid for with the Together Women Rise grant.

Uganda Program: Livelihood training and education program for community based care participants			
Livelihood Training Costs Total	\$67,360		
TWR Project Expenses	\$50,000		
Project Expenses	UGX	USD	
Participant Medical	76,725,000.00	\$21,312.50	
Participant Care	10,486,000.00	\$2,912.78	
Participant Transport	22,530,449.00	\$6,258.46	
Vocational Fees	21,073,000.00	\$5,853.61	
Vocational Requirements	23,042,300.00	\$6,400.64	
Per Diems	26,144,100.00	\$7,262.25	
\$500 per participant per training cohort	TOTAL	\$50,000.24	
100 unique participants supported through these funds			