

Women have a tendency to spend most of their increased earnings on food, medicine and education for their children and other dependants. Therefore improving women's income brings about equity and is a pre-requisite for child survival and welfare. Due to this **VOCORI** focuses on vulnerable children and their mothers. Non-formal training in basic skills, can lead to empowerment of marginalised and impoverished groups.

- To give financial, social and moral support to child-headed households. Fund for vocational training programs in trades such as hair dressing, carpentry, tailoring, basic business training and offer micro loans to those interested in developing small enterprises.
- To support projects committed to share the burden of orphans and those who care for them. This will be facilitated by recruiting, motivating and training many community members to get involved.
- To be self-sufficient is a weapon to shake off the clutches of poverty. **VOCORI** seeks to promote non- formal training and education for mothers to enhance income generating skills, small scale trades, literacy, numeracy, health awareness.
- To train ill equipped orphans for adult responsibilities such as cooking, hygiene, budgeting, agriculture, basic medical care.
- To encourage and help the formation of self- help groups and small groups, which gives women a chance to undertake incoming earning activities.
- To devise ways to free women's time from: walking long distances to draw water, collecting firewood, working on small family land, babysitting. This is to give them time to advance themselves.
- Work to tackle the underlying causes of poverty, by influencing the decision makers in governments and institutions to put pro-poor growth policies in place, basic needs of the poor to be highlighted in the provision of public services - **'Speak up for those who can't speak for themselves'**