

Powerful Information

£5595.46

Local learning circles in villages in northern Sierra Leone providing non-formal basic education for women and teenage girls who have not been to school. The funds raised tonight will be used to train new facilitators in Sierra Leone and pay their fees for 2 years.

TFN's grant helped Powerful Information set up a project in & around Makeni providing non-formal basic education for more than 360 women. It combines learning to read and write with gaining an understanding of a wide range of issues, from healthcare, hygiene and child development, to gender and civil rights. Since receiving the grant they now have 16 learning circles, including one for the blind women. They also ran a successful pilot rice seed bank project last year in 8 of their learning circles, giving out 80 bushels of rice and getting back 120. This rice is currently being distributed back to participants for planting. They are receiving regular coverage on the Sierra Leone Broadcasting Service.