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INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT NETWORK

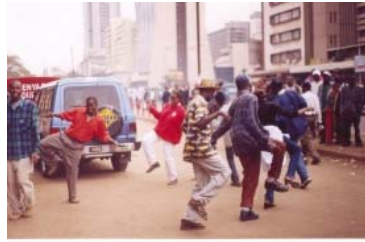
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BRIEF ORGANIZATION PROFILE

International youth development network National Chapters Programs

International Youth Development Network is a youth organization whose main objective is to support and promote youth development initiatives.



GOALS: To empower the marginalized youths with assertive and development skills.

MISSION: To address social economic problems in the society that affects the young people

With IYDN, Youth development is a process of mental, physical, social and emotional growth during which young people prepare to live a productive and satisfying life within the customs and regulations of their society. Hence, the hypothesis is that an individual with a strong and well developed personality, given a conducive policy environment and supportive social systems, would be able to make and stand by informed/concrete decisions especially regarding behavior (sexual or other). Being successful in making and standing by correct behavioral decisions leads to willingness to show concern for developing values essential for responsible living. Within our basic policy and programming response, we ensure that we:

- ✍ Ensuring access to information and skills training people to protect them from HIV.
- ✍ Ensure quality and equal
- ✍ Ensure that they are self reliant (income generating activities)
- ✍ Proper utilization of available resources
- ✍ Giving Equal opportunities for young women and men
- ✍ Improving/enhancing creativity among the young people

IYDN currently implements the following programs:

Social Entrepreneurship Training programs (SETP) (Mitigation of socio economic impact of HIV/AIDS)

Poverty in its simplest sense is lack of access to necessities. It is a lack of access to economic, technological, cultural and ecological resources. It can result in unemployment, environmental degradation, political and economic instability, conflict and inequality, inadequate capacity and limited opportunities to influence international processes and lack of access to productive assets, social infrastructure and markets for its produce. It is a threat to global stability as well as an affront to personal dignity.



Young people in Developing countries are affected by poverty, as they do not own property or assets. They face age discrimination,

exclusion from participation in development and decision making, suffer from unemployment, lack of resources and social amenities and are misused and mistreated by politicians. Young women face double discrimination and exclusion based on age and gender. Youth experience the consequences of ongoing cuts in government expenditure in human services. There is a decline in educational systems, young peoples' access to health services is restricted and youth unemployment is raising hence a clear evidence of vulnerability. The economy of the country relies on strong, young, and healthy persons. In sub - Saharan Africa poverty and lack of employment has overshadowed the community development activities. Is considered to have the highest prevalence rate of HIV/AIDS among the young people. Due to poverty, the vulnerability among the youths has drastically increased hence pausing a great danger to the future generation.



General Objective: The general objective of this project is building the capacity of young people to implement and develop effective income generating activities

Project Objectives:

- Reduce the rate of HIV/AIDS infection among the youth
- To train young people on entrepreneurial skills.
- Cultivate and perpetuate an interest in entrepreneurship amongst young people by involving them in a range of activities.
- To empower the youth in acquisition and utilization of their potentials and capabilities through training and capacity building.
- To train young people on different aspects of HIV/AIDS management and care.
- To mobilize the young people to be development agents in the society
- Mentorship and training



Other programs under IYDN include:

1. Social Peer

counselling programs HIV/AIDS (SPCP)

This Program addresses socio-cultural issues confronting youth as especially vulnerable groups in our society, by acknowledging the need for youth club, associations and groups in training on management of HIV/AIDS, through peer counseling and life skills.



2. Project

Implementation Monitoring and Evaluation Programme (PIMEP)

This Program facilitates already running projects in different youth based organizations in providing, an objective and empirical series of Program evaluation and monitoring. This program is customized according to the needs of the organization.



3. Project Consultative Programme (PCP)

This Programme builds upon provision of mentorship, assistance and consultancy to youth based organizations on ways of

presenting proposals for grant or support. In addition it entails serving as an effective network of community based youth organizations working together to address issues of particular concern to them. In addition, is to develop a website offering a forum for international exchange of views and information on a variety of youth-related issues with special bias towards entrepreneurship and HIV/AIDS in general.

4. National Youth Service

This program enlightens and promotes the spirit of national development (Volunteerism) among the young people.

5. Inter generational Dialogue program

The intergenerational dialogue method is based on a narrative philosophy of personal and cultural development. According to this philosophy, men understand themselves within their own world through their collective history and their personal history. Their actions depart from these histories. In order to make both personal and cultural development possible, it is essential that these histories are respected and that any projected changes are tailored to fit into their scheme of things.

This program brings together Women and girls, men and boys talk about;

- Reproductive health
- Gender roles and
- Other developmental issues that affect the youth.



6. Projects Undertaking in Kenya

1. Currently, IYDN – Kenya is embarking on training on entrepreneurial skills among young people in Ukunda south coast, which is targeting around 23 groups in the region.
2. In Malindi and Lamu areas IYDN is also embarking on a similar training but with an addition of peer education training
3. In Kitui district, IYDN is conducting several trainings on entrepreneurial skills among young people with several youth organisations (Kitui central).
4. In Makueni district – Training 100 young people on peer education
5. Coordinating and facilitating an intergenerational dialogue project on reproductive health and other youth development issues.
6. In Kajiado district – IYDN is working with youth organizations in the region on an

advocacy program on HIV/AIDS targeting the Pastrolists (youths)

7. Development of the National youth policy and the action plan in collaboration with the Department Of Social Services – of the Ministry of gender sports and culture.
8. Developing a tool kit to evaluate the effectiveness and the implementation of the peer education in schools and other learning institutions.



9. Training, monitoring life skills programs in secondary schools in Nyanza Province (western Kenya).
10. Collaborating with UNDESA in moderating an E-discussion on creating strategies for youth employment in Africa



7. Sources of funds

IYDN – Kenya is currently is technically supported by GTZ Prosyrr.

