

Promoting Youth Led Development – Building Capacity of Youth Run Income Generating Groups



The organization is youth led and works to promote youth led development in Tanzania and the African continent.

Objectives

The project works to realize the following;

- a) To promote youth led development by promoting the implementation of the 2003 Policy on Development of Small and Medium Enterprises in Tanzania,
- b) To provide training on leadership (management), finance, marketing and policy analysis to youth led income generating groups,
- c) To facilitate networking between youth income generating groups/ projects in Tanzania to ensure exchange of ideas and experiences,
- d) To promote for the development of a supportive environment to ensure there is access to financial resources for youth led income generating projects/ activities.

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Additional information

YouthServe Tanzania is running a project titled Youth Entrepreneurship that works to build the capacity of youth run income generating groups in the country. The project began in 2005 with a mapping of groups from all over the capital city (Dar es Salaam) to try and gain an understanding of the dynamics of youth led socio-economic activities. The project was designed to address the needs identified in the mapping exercise and the organization began by working with income generating groups.

More than 600 youth have been trained to date and 210 groups have been reached so far. The organization is also facilitating links between the groups and financial institutions to ensure their activities have access to much needed resources for their realization.

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