

Tackling Poverty Together

The Role of Young People in Poverty Reduction

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Strategic Action Plan for Zambia

Immediate Goals:

1. Create a youth network on Tackling Poverty Together
2. To advocate for youths issues to be included in the National Development Plan

Long term Goal

1. Create specific monitoring mechanisms on PRP's.

Objectives

Objective	Steps to take	Who	Time – frame	Risks
Establish a network of youth NGOs with a focus on poverty reduction	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report on Tackling Poverty Together Project (Individual organization) 2. Conduct a desktop research and administer questionnaires to youth groups that are involved in poverty reduction activities i 3. Identification of youth organizations (create a database) 4. Meeting with identified youth organizations 5. Feedback to respective organization and setting up of network 6. Signing of MoU 	<p>OYV, NYCA, CYF & NYDC</p> <p>J</p>	<p>Overall timeframe 90 days</p> <p>Stp 1. November 2005</p> <p>Stp 2. Summary paper on Research findings By Mid January 2006</p> <p>Stp. 3-6. Mid January</p>	<p>Delay in youth organizations in committing to the network.</p> <p>Lack of effective and efficient ways of communication</p>

* To mobilize resources for the network	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Come up with a project proposal for funding 2. Identify and meet possible donors, experts, and volunteers 3. Circulate project proposal 	Formed network	<p>Stp 1. 1st Draft proposal by mid January 2006</p> <p>Stp 2. On going</p> <p>Stp 3. Final proposal and circulation February 2006.</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	Despite the comparative advantage donors have already made commitments to other projects and funding areas.
Advocate and lobby stakeholders for inclusion of youth issues in NDP before its launch	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify the stakeholders (GRZ, NYDC, CSO, Private Sector) 2. Present position paper for NDP on youth and poverty 3. Lobby stakeholders for inclusion of youth in NDP 	Formed network	Before launch of NPD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low interest by government to include youths in policy documents
Build capacity in youth NGO's representing all nine provinces	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To identify youth to participate in training in monitoring and tracking Poverty Reduction Programs in all provinces 2. Identify facilitators for training workshop 3. Preparation of training toolkit and manual 4. Hold training workshop 5. Monitoring of implementation of Poverty Reduction Programs (On going) 		December – March (Actual Training)	Lack of Adequate funds for

SWOT Analysis

<p><u>Strengths</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. PRSP already in place iii. Strong youth networks (YCCC, CYF) iv. Active youth organizations v. Strong role for civil society in poverty reduction vi. Presence of National Youth Policy vii. Youth participation in the National Youth Policy (NYP) viii. Awareness on development issues amongst young people ix. Presence of CSPR and JCTR x. Presence of youth affairs in government structures (MSYCD) xi. Existence of the National Youth Development Council in Zambia 	<p><u>Weakness</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Mistrust of youth by politicians ii. Poor coordination of youth iii. Lack of proper advocacy and lobbying skills amongst young people iv. Lack of resources (financial and human) for engaging in national?
<p><i>Opportunities</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. Already existing donor support iii. The upcoming national development plan iv. Stability in the country v. Already existing international commitments by government e.g. MDGs. vi. Tackling Poverty Together workshop 	<p><u>Threats</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Bureaucracy by government and stakeholders ii. Lack of commitment by youths iii. Over shadowing of youth by stakeholders iv. Delay in implementation of National Youth Policy