

WHO WE ARE:

Youth AID Uganda (YAU) established in 2001, is a Non-Governmental Organization focusing on the survival, protection and development of children and Youth. Youth AID uses a human-right based approach in advancing the interventions to the children and youth contemporary social problems.

LEGAL STATUS:

Youth AID Uganda is registered in Uganda under the Non Governmental Organizations Registration Statute, 1989. Registration Number is S.5914/3463.

VISION:

A well-informed and skilled generation of young people free from human rights violations and other social injustices.

MISSION:

To support and advocate for the needs and rights of children and youth.

FOCUS:

Skills and Information sharing among young people for development.



CORE VALUES:

Team work
Self respect
Participation
Integrity
Non discrimination

OBJECTIVES:

1. To create awareness on the rights of the children and youth particularly as set out in the UN convention on the Rights of the Child and the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child.
2. To prevent the use of drugs and adverse effects of drug abuse on young people.
3. To promote Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health.
4. To provide HIV prevention, care and support.



PROGRAM AREAS:

1. Human Rights promotion:

This program is conducted under the following projects;

- **Civic Education:** This project aims to increase the civic competence and participation of youth in Uganda, as well as to create an inter-regional network of youth-led organizations and individuals promoting civic education and youth civic participation.
- **Democracy and Good Governance:** This project aims to educate young Ugandans on democratic norms and build a network of youth able to effectively advocate for democratic practices in public policy processes. It also aims to develop democratic traditions in Uganda by encouraging youth participation in the democratic process.



- **Peacebuilding and Conflict Transformation:**

This project aims at promoting and deepening the role of youth in peace building efforts in Uganda: It also aims to enable conflict-affected youth in Uganda to serve as catalysts for stability in their local communities.

- **Human Rights Education:** This program aims to improve young people's awareness of human rights and change attitudes towards certain human rights issues through improved public outreach and education.

***The core Focus Areas:** Youth Education and Empowerment, Youth Participation, Youth Capacity Building.*

2. Health Education and promotion:

This program promotes HIV prevention, Drug Abuse prevention, Adolescent Sexual Reproductive Health and healthy lifestyles among youth and vulnerable children in Uganda.

***The core Focus Areas:** HIV/AIDS prevention, care and support, Drug abuse prevention, malaria prevention and Adolescent Sexual Reproductive Health.*

3. Basic Education and livelihoods skills Development:

Youth Aid Uganda supports setting-up of individual or group small scale entrepreneurs, vocational skills training to spur production and create new jobs for youth, as well as providing small grants to youth to jumpstart their businesses.

The core Focus Areas: Support to Formal Education, Basic non-formal Education, Life Skills, Vocational Skills Training, Entrepreneurial skills and Adult Functional Literacy.



INTERNATIONAL AND LOCAL LINKS:

Youth AID Uganda is a member of the following networks;

- Human Rights Network Uganda (HURINET).
- Uganda NGO Forum
- Development Network of Indigenous Voluntary Associations (DENIVA).
- Forum for Education NGOs in Uganda.
- Children at Risk Action Network (CRANE)
- Great Lakes Region of African Youth Peace Network

We also work in collaboration with;

- The National Youth Council,
- Kampala District HIV/AIDS services Committee

- Centre for Domestic Violence Prevention (CEDOVIP)
- Ministry of Health,
- Universities,
- The Media,
- Forut -Campaign for Development and Solidarity Norway,
- Training and Research Support Centre (TARSC) -Zimbabwe

DONORS

MTV-Staying Alive Foundation



Belgian Development Agency



ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

- The General Assembly is the supreme policy making body of the organization.
- The Board of Directors is the policy formulation and supervisory unit of the organization.
- The secretariat is the technical and implementation arm of the organization.

MEMBERSHIP:

Membership of Youth AID Uganda is open to all Ugandan youth that subscribe to its constitution and objectives. A youth according to the Ugandan definition is a person within the age bracket of 12 to 30 years.

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