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AFRICA: YOUTH ALLIANCE

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In Brief

The Federation Programme Initiative is a means to develop a coordinated, innovative, and flexible approach to access key global partnerships and significant Government, foundation, and corporate funding opportunities and resources. This current Programme Initiative presents the multi-lateral programme called Empowering Africa's Young People Initiative (EAYPI) which seeks to scale-up promising programmes that focus on reducing the transmission of HIV/AIDS on young people ages 10-25 years.

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Introduction

In June 2004, the Federation entered into a sub-recipient agreement with the International Youth Federation (IYF) based in Baltimore, USA. This Agreement, call the Empowering Africa's Young People Initiative (EAYPI), is initially a modest funding-support platform; it is anticipated that, with additional members and partners, it could rise in excess of USD 2 million over a two-year timeframe.

The following is excerpted from the Grant Agreement between the Federation and IYF, signed in June 2004 and covering the period 1 February 2004 to 1 December 2004.

¹ Code of Conduct - <http://www.ifrc.org/publicat/conduct/>

² Humanitarian Charter - <http://www.sphereproject.org/>

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With the funds provided through this Sub-Recipient agreement, the Federation will support the Uganda Red Cross Society,³ serving as the Secretariat for the Ghana Country Coordinating Committee (CCC). The aim of this project is to engage at least 37 peer educators and technical staff members from the 5 participating organizations (Uganda Red Cross, Girl Guides, Scouts Association, YWCA and Source of Nile Award program) to finalize the Action for Youth peer education curriculum on HIV/AIDS prevention and launch a program to reach 10,000 youth with prevention messages. The Uganda CCC will also seek to actively engage youth in their country activities.

Description of the Empowering Africa's Young People Initiative

The Empowering Africa's Young People Initiative is a collaboration of seven global youth organizations and their African affiliates in five countries, initially, to address the HIV/AIDS pandemic that disproportionately affects youth in these countries. The seven global organizations are the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, World Organization of Scouts Movement, World YWCA, World Alliance of the YMCAs, the International Award Association and the International Youth Foundation, which serves as the Global Secretariat for the Initiative.

The Initiative seeks to scale-up promising programs, enhance the capacities of these mostly volunteer organizations to scale up and engage in joint activities to achieve economies of scale. The Initiative's focus on reducing the transmission of HIV/AIDS on young people ages 10-25 years was developed in the larger context of HIV/AIDS and adolescent reproductive health in sub-Saharan Africa which has an estimated 28.5 million people are living with the disease. Youth are at the epicenter of the pandemic, yet young people still lack basic understanding on the facts of human sexuality and related anatomy, psychology and physiology and consequently a lack of understanding of HIV transmission and risks. They also lack the skills or means to make safer choices. The key to reducing infection rates and unwanted pregnancies is prevention and the Alliance members believe that young people are central to any prevention efforts

The Uganda Red Cross, a member national society of the Federation, serves as the national Secretariat for the Country Coordinating Committee (CCC) which includes the national affiliates of the alliance members. (Five organizations constitute the Uganda CCC as follows – Girl Guides, Scouts, Uganda Red Cross, Source of Nile and YWCA)

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Project's Objectives, Outputs and Activities

Within the broader EAYPI goal of reducing the transmission of HIV/AIDS, the specific objectives of this project are as follows:

Objective 1: Conduct a learning workshop in Uganda with the goal of exchanging knowledge, tools and materials on effective HIV/AIDS prevention strategies for disadvantaged Ugandan youth and developing a common curriculum/manual of “promising practices”.

The Uganda Red Cross, which serves as the Secretariat for the Uganda CCC, will lead the planning, design and organization of a national learning workshop whose end objective is to train 37 peer educators in the newly adapted *Action for Youth* peer education manual and launch a peer education training program.

³ Uganda Red Cross - <http://www.ifrc.org/where/country/check.asp?countryid=176>

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The 37 peer educators and technical program managers will represent all members of the Uganda CCC including Girl Guides, Scouts, Source of Nile Award and YWCA. Prior to the workshop, a three-day pre-service training session will enable participants to revise and make necessary adaptations to the manual. It is expected that these “master peer educators” will each hold at least two peer sensitization meetings per district in the 32 districts selected for implementation by the CCC to reach up to 10,000 through a pyramid scheme. Trained youth will use the curriculum and other learning that results from the national workshop.

A post-workshop plan will describe how the participating organizations will form national and regional training teams to facilitate future training of peer educators.

In its Secretariat capacity, the Uganda Red Cross should ensure that the Uganda CCC members are fully aware of workshop follow-up requirements. The Uganda Red Cross is responsible for its own follow-up activities including contributing to the target of reaching 10,000 youth; and to monitor and report on the post-workshop activities of the other organizations.

Additional funds are available through a Small Grants program for access by each of participating organizations to support the integration of peer education promising practices into each organization's trainings and programs as well as to strengthen the skills of youth peer educators.

Objective 2: Build the leadership skills of Ugandan youth in HIV/AIDS prevention and strengthen the capacity of youth to be fully engaged in the Uganda CCC.

The Uganda Red Cross will ensure that youth associated with the five organizations will have opportunities to increase their knowledge of HIV/AIDS prevention and contribute to program activities in Uganda. Such opportunities will be possible by engaging youth in the quarterly meetings of the CCC, workshops and other activities of the CCC.

Summary of Objectives, Outputs and Outcomes

Objectives	Outputs	Outcomes
(1) Conduct a learning workshop in Uganda with the goal of exchanging knowledge, tools and materials on effective HIV/AIDS prevention strategies for disadvantaged Ugandan youth and developing a common curriculum/manual of “promising practices”.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. One workshop/training held in Uganda ii. 37 peer educators and technical program managers participate in the workshop iii. Consensus developed and documented in manual or revised curriculum on effective HIV/AIDS prevention strategies for youth. iv. 1 Post-workshop plan developed to integrate workshop results into existing peer education training programs. v. Peer educators conduct at least 2 additional training sessions, reaching at least 60 youth in each of the 32 districts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhanced collaborations among CCC members in Uganda - Peer educators increase their knowledge of 3 primary prevention methods (<i>by comparing pre and post workshop test results</i>) - Peer educators know where to access health services (<i>small survey results</i>) - Trained participants increase communication on safe sex with friends and partners (<i>focus group discussion results</i>)
(2) Build the leadership skills of Ugandan youth in HIV/AIDS prevention and strengthen the capacity of youth to fully engage in the Uganda CCC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. At least 2-4 CCC meetings held. ii. Minimum of 10 youth engaged in the CCC in governance and leadership roles iii. Youth trained and given opportunities to contribute to the operations of the CCC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhanced collaborations among CCC members - Youth-Adult partnerships strengthened in the CCC

Timeline/Gantt Chart:

Activities will commence as soon as funding is received by the Uganda Red Cross and complete by the beginning of December 2004. The following chart is a guide to in-country activities by strategy:

Strategy 1: Review of Action for Youth training manual	1-Review training manual workshop.
	2-Adoption and production of manual.
Strategy 2: Peer Education	1- TOT peer training.
	2- Formation of peer out reach teams
	3- Integrating peer education promising practices in organizational programs (meeting/workshop)
	4- Youth meetings at all levels.
Strategy 3: Incorporating youth in the CCC governance structures	1-YAP training review one-day workshop.
	2. Formation of youth advisory councils.
	3. Selection of youth advisory committees.
	4. Workshop for youth in leadership and project management
	5. Team building focusing on YAP
	6. Orientation of youth on UYEA
	7. Set up youth advisory councils

Beneficiaries

An anticipated 10,000 Ugandan youth are expected to benefit from activities in Uganda.

Evaluation and Reporting

The Federation will report quarterly on outputs, outcomes and /or challenges encountered in the field. Programmatic and financial reporting is scheduled as follows:

- Interim reports due 15 October 2004
- Final reports due 15 December 2004

Additional partners

It is envisaged that other National Red Cross Societies will join this initiative, in a role identical or similar to that described above for the Uganda Red Cross. As they do, this Programme Initiative will be amended, by means of a Programme Update with revised budget, to reflect their associated objectives. Currently, it is anticipated that the Ghana Red Cross, Kenya Red Cross, Tanzania Red Cross and Zambia Red Cross will join.

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BUDGET SUMMARY**PROGRAMME BUDGETS**

Appeal no.(s) selected: 04 ME 017

Delegation code(s) selected: 00

PROGRAMME:	Health & Care								Total CHF
PROJECT:	PUG411								
PROG TYPE:	HHIV								
	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	
Shelter & construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clothing & textiles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seeds & plants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water & Sanitation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical & first aid	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Teaching materials	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Utensils & tools	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other relief supplies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land & Buildings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Computers & telecom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other capital exp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL EXPENSES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warehouse & Distribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transport & Vehicules	303	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	303
TRANSPORT & STORAGE	303	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	303
Programme Support	1,677	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,677
PROGRAMME SUPPORT	1,677	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,677
Personnel-delegates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Personnel-national staff	1,587	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,587
Consultants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERSONNEL	1,587	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,587
W/shops & Training	18,560	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18,560
WORKSHOPS & TRAINING	18,560	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18,560
Travel & related expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Information	395	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	395
Other General costs	3,287	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,287
GENERAL EXPENSES	3,682	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,682
TOTAL BUDGET:	25,810	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25,810