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ABOUT AFRICA YOUTH TRUST

In 2005, Africa Youth Trust (AYT) was established by a group of young people concerned about youth unemployment and poverty in Kenya. Intent on empowering the youth, AYT set out to change the socio-economic landscape. AYT became a catalyst for youth-led development, addressing challenges faced by the youth and providing opportunities for growth.

AYT initially focused on equipping young entrepreneurs with training and support, helping them establish their own businesses and access markets. The organization also worked tirelessly to promote gender equality and empower young women's active participation in society. As time went on, AYT expanded its scope to include peacebuilding initiatives, fostering reconciliation and harmony in conflict-affected areas, while educating youth about their citizenship rights and encouraging their political engagement. AYT's dedication did not stop there, as it extended its efforts to encompass vital areas such as HIV/AIDS prevention, environmental sustainability, and fostering regional cooperation throughout Africa.

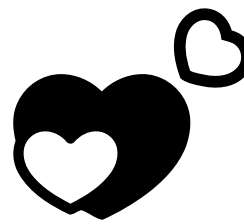
AYT, or the African Youth Trust, is a highly respected organization that is fully committed to empowering young people not just in Kenya but throughout the continent of Africa as a whole. With a deeply passionate and dedicated team of skilled professionals and experts, AYT has been able to reach out to a large and diverse audience of individuals from all walks of life. The organization has accomplished a considerable amount in its efforts to create positive change and improve the lives of young people, thanks to its continuous and tireless outreach initiatives. Moreover, AYT remains steadfast in its commitment to the ongoing betterment of the community, and its work is a testament to the tremendous impact that dedicated individuals can have in making a real difference in the world.

MISSION AND VISION



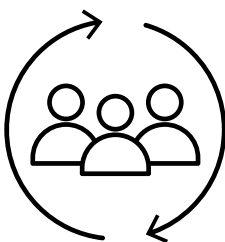
Mission

We exist to harness the productive energies of youth towards peace, equity and prosperity within and across communities in Africa



Vision

A developed and well governed Africa drawing on the energies of all her children.



Core Values

- Transparency
- Accountability
- Impact
- Solidarity
- Inclusivity
- Excellence
- Creativity
- Openness

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

At Africa Youth Trust, we have carefully crafted our strategic priorities to serve as the guiding beacons on our journey of empowerment and transformation.



Youth And Good Governance

This is a strategic initiative that focuses on promoting the active participation and meaningful involvement of young people in the governance processes of their communities and nations.



Gender Equality and Women Empowerment

We seek to create a society where all individuals, regardless of their gender, have equal rights, opportunities, and access to resources and decision-making processes.



Livelihoods Resilience

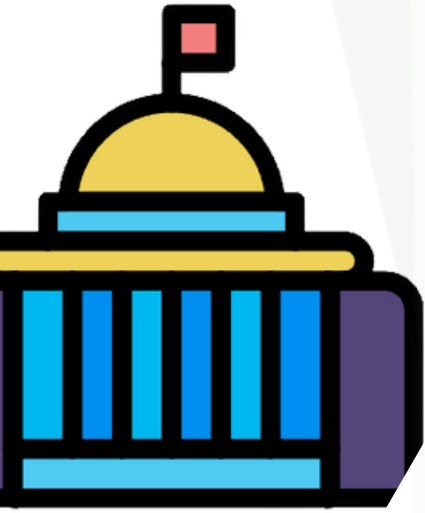
This is a comprehensive pillar that focuses on equipping young people with the necessary skills, resources, and support to build resilient livelihoods in the face of challenges and uncertainties.



Climate Smart Agriculture

This supports innovative approaches to agricultural practices that aims to address the challenges posed by climate change while promoting sustainable and resilient food production systems

YOUTH AND GOOD GOVERNANCE



Within this pillar, our focus is on achieving "Enhanced Youth Engagement in Good Governance." Our aim is to empower youth to become active citizens, decision-makers, and leaders who drive positive change and contribute to the development of inclusive and accountable governance systems.

Through this initiative, we create platforms, opportunities, and resources for young people to engage with governance structures, institutions, and policies. We firmly believe that by amplifying youth voices and perspectives, we can address the unique challenges and aspirations of the youth population, ultimately fostering more responsive, transparent, and effective governance.

To achieve these goals, we employ various approaches such as capacity building, advocacy, and mentorship. These strategies help equip young people with the necessary knowledge, skills, and confidence to participate in decision-making processes, promote transparency and accountability, and advocate for policies that address their needs and priorities.

By strengthening youth engagement in good governance, we strive to cultivate a generation of informed and empowered citizens who actively contribute to shaping their societies and building a brighter future for all.

GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

Gender equality and women empowerment are key pillars in our mission. They encompass the principles and actions aimed at creating a society where all individuals have equal rights, opportunities, and access to resources. We strive to challenge systemic discrimination, biases, and inequalities faced by women and girls in various aspects of life.

Our work in gender equality involves promoting equal access to education, healthcare, and economic opportunities. We address gender-based violence and discrimination, and advocate for women's rights and participation in decision-making processes. By fostering women empowerment, we enable women to realize their full potential and exercise agency over their lives.

Achieving gender equality and women empowerment is not only a matter of human rights but also contributes to sustainable development. It leads to more inclusive and diverse societies, improved social and economic outcomes, and a fairer world for all. We implement policies, advocate for reforms, support women's leadership, and challenge gender stereotypes to create a gender-equitable and inclusive society.

Together with governments, civil society organizations, communities, and individuals, we work towards building a future where gender equality is a reality, and women and girls can thrive and contribute to a better world for everyone.



LIVELIHOODS RESILIENCE

Our Livelihoods Resilience pillar is dedicated to empowering youth to build resilient livelihoods that can withstand challenges and uncertainties. We believe in equipping young people with the necessary skills, resources, and support to navigate the ever-changing landscape of work and entrepreneurship. Through comprehensive training programs and mentorship, we help young individuals develop their entrepreneurial mindset, enhance their business acumen, and explore viable income-generating opportunities.

At the heart of our approach is the recognition that resilience goes beyond economic aspects. We address the multidimensional nature of resilience by emphasizing the importance of social connections and psychological well-being. Our programs foster a sense of community and provide platforms for young entrepreneurs to network, collaborate, and share knowledge. We believe that social support networks and a positive mindset are critical in overcoming challenges and adapting to evolving circumstances.

By integrating resilience principles into youth livelihoods, we aim to create lasting impact and contribute to the long-term success of young entrepreneurs. We provide access to resources, facilitate market linkages, and offer ongoing mentorship to help young people sustain and grow their businesses. Through our efforts, we strive to foster not only individual success but also the economic growth and resilience of communities at large. Together, we can empower youth to build livelihoods that thrive in the face of adversity and contribute to sustainable socio-economic development.



CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE

Our Climate Smart Agriculture pillar focuses on promoting sustainable and resilient farming practices in response to climate change. We integrate climate science, technology, and traditional knowledge to optimize agricultural production while minimizing environmental impact. By using climate-resilient crop varieties, efficient water management, soil conservation techniques, and precision agriculture, farmers can enhance productivity and adapt to climate-related risks such as droughts and floods.

In addition, we advocate for sustainable resource management, including agroforestry, organic farming, and integrated pest management. These practices minimize chemical use, protect biodiversity, and improve soil health, ensuring the long-term sustainability of agricultural systems. We also prioritize knowledge sharing, capacity building, and farmer-to-farmer learning to empower farmers with the necessary skills and information to implement climate-smart practices effectively.

Our goal is to create resilient and productive agricultural systems that contribute to food security, poverty reduction, and community well-being in the face of climate change. By embracing Climate Smart Agriculture, we can adapt to climate challenges, mitigate greenhouse gas emissions, and foster sustainable development for a brighter future.



Our Achievements and Impact

Highlighting our notable achievements that have made a significant impact and brought us closer to our goals. Our impact is tangible, improving lives and empowering individuals to reach their full potential.

Justice Champions

AYT actively participates in the Court Users Committee (CUC) to improve access to justice for survivors of Sexual Gender Based Violence.

Building Peaceful Futures

Through our Shared Future Project, we provided seed capital to Maskani groups in Mombasa and Kwale to promote peaceful cohesion among youth and discourage involvement in extremism.

Empowering Women Together

AYT brings together women from various regions to advocate for Women Economic Empowerment.

My First Vote

AYT ran the "My First Vote" campaign to promote first-time voter registration and engage youth in issue-based politics and conflict management.

Survivor Support Network

We support a network of 281 survivors of Sexual Gender Based Violence, providing legal, medical, and psychosocial support, with 771 cases reported on our SMS platform "21094" and over 2,000 registered users.



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PHOTO GALLERY



Minazi Miwili Youth Likoni receiving seed capital



16Days Of Activism against SGBV walk in Mukuru



International Youth Day in Arusha



Graduation of beneficiaries of Shared Future Project in Kwale



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