Youth Partnership for Peace and Development

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| Who we are | We are a youth-led local NGO, working for and with grassroots youth from all works of |
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| wild we are | life including those with disabilities male and female. Working with partners and volunteers, local and international, we count with structures and majority of beneficiaries in rural areas across Liberia. YPPD Liberia was founded on August 2008 by a group of young like-minded social activists including those with disabilities male and female; with the aim of bringing new inclusive, innovative and sustainable approaches for the development of youth and their communities in Liberia. We are legally registered with the Government of Liberia through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and accredited by the Ministry of Youth and Sports since September 2012. |
| Vision | A society where young Liberians (disabled and non-disabled) work and live side by side, empowered to overcome poverty. |
| Mission | To empower young disabled and non-disabled Liberians, in order to provide inclusive sporting activities, vocational skills trainings and entrepreneurial guidance, thereby, ensuring young people realize their full potential in transforming and improving the quality of their lives, in partnership with other stakeholders and partners in development. |
| We do these through | i. Policy advocacy and lobby ii. Campaigns using Multimedia and creative approaches such as documentary and film production iii. Inclusive and participatory models of planning and implementation ii. Outreach to marginalized communities. iii. Environmental Campaigns iii. Peace Building and Democratic governance iv. Promotion and development of Life-Skills for vulnerable youths v. Training in leadership skills and Volunteerism |
| Our strategic program areas | i. Peace Building ii. Human Right Protection iii. Enterprise Development iv. Empowerment for young girls v. Good governance/democracy and inclusion vi. Environmental Protection. vii. Sexual and Reproductive Health Services. |
| What have we done? | i. Participation to International and local conferences on the development of young people (disabled and non-disabled). ii. Agricultural training and the establishment of: 4 acres rice and cassava farm in Kolahun District, Lofa County and 6 acres of groundnut and beans farm in Foya District, Lofa County. iii. Pilot researches on: "Causes and Effects of Teenage Pregnancy" and "The Effect of Genital Mutilation on girls". iv. The successful completion of studies of the two founders in Social Entrepreneurship Development, Psychosocial Counseling and now professional Counselors. v. Continuation of our outreach campaigns in remote communities where we still maintain contacts with our beneficiaries on issues of concerns. |
| Long Term Objectives | i. Establishing a Centre for vocational skills training, serving as a place for the identification and development of young disabled and non-disabled Liberians' skills for social developments in the country. ii. Creating more farms to teach disabled and non-disabled in organic farming. It will again generate income to sustain the organization and its beneficiaries. |