

MENGO YOUTH DEVELOPMENT LINK (MYDEL)

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1. Preface

1.1 Message from the Board

2016 was a year of struggle and I appreciate all the efforts done by MYDEL team members and the volunteers for the good work done following our strategic direction in our strategic plan we need to strengthen our direction of increased advocacy, institutional capacity building Setting up of a strong sustainable development program to support the youth, children and other vulnerable people in Uganda and Psychosocial support. Since to the struggle still continue i would call upon all the community members and other stake holders to work hand in hand with MYDEL in order to support the most vulnerable communities in Uganda.

I applaud the continuous support to all the partners, donors, civil society and stake holders. With your continued help, I trust we as MYDEL will use the new Strategic Plan to further contribute to the Promotion and Protection of the rights of women, children, and people with disabilities and youth and to the National HIV/AIDS Response in a more significant way.

I urge all of you to take personal responsibility to avoid risky behaviour that will put others at risk and will contribute to upsurge of new infections and increase burden of the epidemic.

Lastly let me the this opportunity to appreciate all the people both local and International who have supported MYDEL may God Bless you.

1.2 Message from the Executive Director

On behalf of entire team of MYDEL and myself i wish to thank all those who tirelessly contributed and supported us from our establishment time, through all the programs and activities to date. We still have a long way to go but we believe with your love and support we shall realize MYDEL's vision.

Our focus for 2018 is mainly to emphasis and implement the programs stipulated in MYDELs work plan for 2018 and these are the strategies;

- 1- Multimedia approach to create awareness about MYDELs activities both local and on the international seen.
- 2- Increased outreach on the street program targeting the street children from the slums of Kampala.
- 3- Strengthen our Savings and micro finance program in both Wakiso and Kampala branches
- 4- Economic empowerment of the youth women and children in Kampala and Wakiso District
- 5- To strengthen the Human Resource and better quality Education at MYDEL Mcquilton Academy in Nansana Wakiso District.
- 6- Expansion of our area of Coverage so that our certificate can cover all the Districts in Uganda
- 7- To increase Advocacy in the Areas of Drugs and substance abuse, Children trafficking, online sexual exploitation, HIV/AIDS, Domestic Violence's in Homes and Earl child pregnancy.
- 8- Strengthen our vocational training program in Kampala and Wakiso Districts
- 9- Talent Development through soccer and drama plus enforcing strict laws on the contracts for the soccer boys
- 10- Institutional capacity building and operationalizing the organizational policies
- 11- Develop our land in Kakiri in Wakiso District and also to train farmers in sustainable Agriculture through the Permaculture system.

12- Also to increase advocacy by voicing out the voice of the voiceless through participating in the international day celebration which target our beneficiaries.

Lastly I would like to appreciate all support from our donors, Network members in both Kampala and Wakiso District the local Government the local leaders religious leaders and the entire community for supporting us we well come both negative and positive critic for God and my Country

2. Information about the Organization

Mengo Youth Development Link (MYDEL) is a non-governmental organization, located in Mengo Parish, Central Division- Kampala District-Uganda and legally registered by the Ministry of Internal Affairs through the NGO Board with registration number S.5914/5142. It is community led targeting vulnerable Children, Women and Youth in rural and urban areas.

<u>Vision</u> of the organization is "to alleviate poverty among the poor communities in Uganda." <u>Mission</u> of the organization is "the empowerment of the target groups through education, sensitization and skills development to contribute to a sustainable poverty reduction among these marginalised communities."

<u>Overall goal</u> of the organization is "to see a society in which vulnerable children, women and youth are free from gender-based violence and other forms of sexual abuse."

2.1 Introduction and Background

Mengo Youth Development Link (MYDEL) is a non-government organization based in Kampala, the capital city of Uganda. It was founded in 2001 as a slum youth initiative under the patronage of Mr Pascal Lutaya. Starting as a community-based organization (CBO) during the outbreak of cholera and Ebola in many of the slum areas in Kampala, MYDEL initially focused on hygiene and health sensitization of the affected people, supported by local politicians and the community itself. Working in close collaboration with the local population and local leaders, MYDEL became aware of other community challenges including a high rate of HIV/AIDS infections, drug abuse, prostitution, child abuse, domestic violence and the marginalization of people with disabilities.

In 2004 MYDEL was officially registered as a NGO and expanded its activities according to the needs assessment carried out in an early state of its operation. Following an early intervention approach, MYDEL decided to focus its programs on the most vulnerable children and youths from the slum community, most of whom being school dropouts and orphans.

MYDEL's mission is the empowerment of this target group through education, sensitization and skills development to contribute to a sustainable poverty reduction among these marginalized communities.

2.2 Core Values

Transparency

MYDEL guarantees a transparent way of operating with a proper accountability system, which implies a responsible management of funding and community resources.

Community Participation

MYDEL believes that a sustainable community empowerment can only be succeeded by community participation and ownership. Therefore, the target community is involved in project design and implementation.

Resource Orientation

MYDEL's approach implies a start from the available community resources, regarding our target group as subjects with a wide range of individual potentials and experts of their reality.

Social Cohesion

MYDEL is working with a heterogenic target group from different cultural and religious settings. Core value of our work approach are the fundamental human rights, which regard every human being as equal, not regarding their tribe, their religious believes or cultural norms.

2.3 Target Group

The direct beneficiaries of MYDEL's activities are the most vulnerable children and youths living in informal settlements. Living in an unprotected environment, struggling with a wide range of challenges, children and youths are in particular at high risk of becoming victims of rape or other physical violence, drug abuse and forced child labor. Moreover, the lack of literacy and sensitization results in an increased risk of HIV infection.

Having a very limited access to formal education, the future prospective of the targeted children and youths remains a challenge to them and the community.

MYDEL's work approach implies the empowerment of the target group at an early stage in order to reduce the risk of them becoming victims of their circumstances, unable to mobilize own resources.

2.4 Strategic Objectives

This is from report:

Our major aim is to achieve a sustainable improvement of marginalized communities in Uganda.

To reach this goal, MYDEL strives for the following:

- Increase of access to public resources and future prospective for the most vulnerable children, women and youths in Uganda
- Raised community awareness in terms of health and hygiene matters as well as human rights issues and HIV/AIDS among young people.
- Social and economic capacities of families in the community are strengthen in a long term.

2.5 Governance and Management Structure

GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

MYDEL's supreme body is the General Assembly (GA) that constitutes of over 540 members. It is this body that elects the Executive Board constituting of Ten (7) Board members working as volunteers. The Executive Board appoints the Secretariat headed by the Executive Director (ED) who is an ex-official se to the Executive Board.

6.2 MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

Direction and Management Implementation of the plan of MYDEL is the overall responsibility of the Executive Director based at the headquarters in Kampala. The Executive Director reports to the Chairman of the Board and acts as the secretary to the Board for easy implementation of policies. The Program Manager reports to the Director, who is in charge of programmer operations and supervises Program Officers in charge of M&E, Capacity Building Officer.

The Heads of all MYDEL branches in the different areas of operation also report directly to the ED on administrative issues. When it is a functional issue, they however, report to concerned Program officers.

The Finance Manager reports to the Executive Director and supervises the Accounts assistant. The Advocacy officer shall supervise the IEC Programmed Officer who will be responsible for the Information, Education and Communication department.

All Managers are senior staffs that comprise the management team. The Program Manager under the guidance of the Director ensures implementation and coordination of MYDEL activities, assisted by the

management team. Each project sector will be implemented and coordinated by the respective section heads or programmer officers and these will supervise lower staff within their sections.

The management style of MYDEL shall be purposeful, inclusive and value laden, stimulating staff and others to innovate and succeed. The leadership shall always strive to inspire confidence, extract the best in the team in order to inspire creativity that is needed for solving problems and moving the strategic plan forward.

3. Projects and Activities

3.1 MYDELs saving and credit scheme for the youth

3.1.1 Description and Objectives

In order to empower the vulnerable community as stipulated in MYDELs strategic plan 2014 to 2019 MYDEL intends to provide social-economical security to the needy households through provision of income generating activities to the poor people and also Involve young people especially the youths in micro finance and revolving fund since June 2017 MYDEL started the savings and a revolving scheme among members and currently we have 33 members in this scheme who save weekly from 6000/= and above this scheme is purposely to up lifting the standards of living among the poor communities.

3.1.2 Activity during the year

Economic empowerment

Training in savings

Entrepreneurship training

Weekly savings

3.1.4 Results in numbers

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of participants		33
Number of implemented activities	4	4
Number of families with improved economic situation	5	5



1.2 Community Health/ Community Outreach

We managed to carry out the Medical Camp at old Kampala Secondary school where we reached out to 1850 people and these including 210 street children which was sponsored by the Rotary club of Kampala North where we carried out to the community to sensitize, treatment with various Diseases, create awareness about Hepatitis B and then testing and vaccinating plus other Health complications.

3.1.2 Activity during the year

Free treatment

Counselling and guidance

HIV/AIDS testing and counselling

Treatment of street kids

Testing for Pressure, Cancer, Hepatitis B and then testing and vaccinating

3.1.4 Results in numbers

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of participants	147	1850
Number of implemented activities	4	5
Number of families with improved Heath situation	78	1850
Number of street children treated	55	
Number of Somali Refugees treated	0	210
		110

3.4 McQuilton Academy Nansana

3.4.1 Description and Objectives

In order to improve the living conditions and future prospects of the most vulnerable children and youths, the initial program in Nansana started in 2003 by providing informal education opportunities

funded by Kampala City Council. MYDEL held its daily classes inside a wrecked wooden shed inside the targeted slum area. Experience showed, however, that it was a big challenge for these children to constantly attending the classes as they still lived in an environment characterized by child labour, drug abuse and domestic violence.

In 2010 the new MYDEL Children's Centre in Nansana was constructed with the funds from Chellaston School in the UK. Accommodating some of the most vulnerable children from the Mengo-Kisenyi and Nansana community, the Centre comprises of dormitories and classrooms. The new Children's Centre provides a protected learning environment for the children, giving them the opportunity to attend school. Moreover, MYDEL ensures food supply, hygiene and healthcare for all children of the Centre. It is managed by an administrator, who is supported by a team of seven teachers, a matron, a cook and a gatekeeper.

Following a systemic approach, MYDEL is closely collaborating with the children's families, aiming stabilization and a sustainable improvement of their living conditions through economic empowerment, psychosocial counselling and the mobilization of individual resources.

3.4.2 Activity during the year

- A, Provision of Education support to the children
- B, Construction of the new classrooms and a sick bay plus the office
- B, Provision of scholastic materials to the needy children
- C, Sports for life at school
- D, Provision of shelter to the needy children
- E, Rescue, Rehabilitate and Resettling of the street children
- F, Development of Talents through Drama

3.4.3 Achievements

- A, The number of children as totally increased from 45 to 134
- B, MYDEL Mcquilton Academy is one of the reorganised school that support the needy children in Wakiso Distract
- C, MYDEL Mcquilton Academy have strongly extended our soccer program in Nansana and this year we organized 6 soccer galas in Nansana and in organising this MYDEL won three trophies.
- D, Construction of the new classrooms and a sick bay plus the office
- E, MYDEL Mcquilton Academy as a drama group with the tradition dancers among the children
- F, MYDEL Mcquilton Academy this year received 33 international Volunteers and 10 local Internee students from different Universities.
- G, Hosting one Civil Society meeting for Nansana Civil Society Network which attracted 33 organisation including the Senior community Development Officer and the Representative from Rapid response Unit from the Ministry of Gender
- H, Organising a speech day targeting the 130 parents and also graduating the children from the top class to P1
- I, Home visits to the vulnerable house holds
- J, Provision of 73 scholarships to the needy children
- K, Attending all the meetings and workshops organised by the District and the town council

3.4.4 Results in numbers

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of kids in school	134	157
Number of kids in boarding	55	55
Number of kids that successfully finished P5	15	22
Number of class rooms constructed	0	
	4	
Number of kids who continued with school education afte P5	er 15	22
Number of kids who pay school fees	89	108
Percentage of costs covered by school fees	0	80%



3.5 MYDEL Soccer Cubs

3.5.1 Description and Objectives

In 2008 MYDEL established the Soccer Academy, which mainly focuses on street children from the Kampala area. As previous experience has shown, a successful reintegration of this beneficiary group into the formal education system requires a consideration of the children's daily life background. Living in the streets of Uganda, many of the children have never been integrated in any kind of education system, formal or nonformal. Being responsible for meeting their daily needs, their life was characterized by drug consumption, violence and abuse.

The idea of the Soccer Academy is to strengthen the children's self-confidence by encouraging them to develop their individual talents. Therefore, the Academy's approach is to start with the children's potential resources. Living and training together as a team also enables them to improve their social skills and gives them the experience of being integrated into the soccer community, where they are accepted with all their personal characteristics.

3.5.2 Activity during the year

- A, MYDEL soccer academy this year participated in 5 football camps in Kampala and outside Kampala
- B, since the soccer program targeted the street children in Kampala we have managed Rescue, Rehabilitate and Resettling of the street children
- C, Counselling and guidance to the youth and children
- D, Provision of shelter at our club house
- E, Provision of sponsorship to the children

- F, Soccer and Netball Gala
- G, Soccer camp
- H, Soccer Clinic
- I, Health and treatment
- J, Mentoring of Coaches

3.5.3 Achievements

- A, MYDEL soccer academy this year participated in 5 football camps in Kampala and outside Kampala
- B, we have managed to organise the six days soccer camp which has attracted 57 team from different soccer academies in Namusera Wakiso District.
- C, MYDEL have come am with the new theme for the soccer program for 2017 to 2018 "Football for the course"
- E, we have also introduced the soccer Clinic in our soccer program
- F, we have mentored 7 coaches from the former boys who grow up at our project and currently they help in mentoring the young stars at MYDEL.
- G, 6 of our youth in the soccer academy have join the strong clubs at the National level C, we have managed to win 11 trophies this year from the different sports competitions E, National and International exposer for MYDEL Soccer curbs.
- F, We are also trying to fundraise under the cloud funding program by Global giving in order to purchase two acres for land for the football pitch and the club house for the boys under the soccer program.

3.5.4 Results in numbers

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of participants	147	2570
Number of boys in club House during Holidays	18	22
Number of boys which got into scholarships	13	17
Number of won trophies/tournaments	5	11
Number of football camp we organised	0	1
Number of football Gala we organised 5		
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3.3 Girl Child Program girls Education Challenge (GEC) NB the projected ended in April 2017

3.3.1 Description and Objectives

As girls are the most vulnerable group of the slum community, MYDEL developed a program focusing on empowering girls. The Girl Child Program provides a safe space, in which the girls are encouraged to continue their school education. It also gives them the opportunity to share their experiences and challenges, discuss their topics of interest, develop coping strategies and discover new interests and talents.

3.3.2 Activity during the year

- A, Girls competitions and debate
- B, Net ball competitions
- C, Literacy and Numerous
- D, tailoring skills
- D, Economic empowerment

3.3.3 Achievements

- A, We have managed integrate 18 young girls back to school
- B, We have also managed to mentor 17 parents in business management saving and entrepreneurship skills
- C, we have also managed provide counselling and guidance to more than 45 young girls in the community.
- D, we have finally managed to finalise the four years GEC program which was funded by UKAID and CRANE
- E, For the good work done by our 2 mentors on the GEC program CRANE have retained them as supervisors in their programs and also the two teachers whom formerly worked with MYDEL under the GEC program are also employed by CRANE in the different programs

- E, The international volunteers at MYDEL have started sponsoring 5 girls at the GEC program
- F, The GEC program have increased the Network base to other organisation in Wakiso, Lugazi, Jinja, Buyukwi, and Kampala the districts where the GEC operate
- G, through regular trainings from the GEC program MYDEL team have improved in the service and the quality of work we deliver to the community.

3.3.4 Results in numbers

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of girls reached	277	87
Number of girls Enrolled at the CLC	59	25
Number of girls Integrated back to school	44	18
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3.7 Languages programs

In May 2016 through the Mr .Erick our volunteer from Finland we started the English, French, German and Spanish courses targeting the slums of Mengo Kisenyi 11 and this training was free of charge including free materials and the local leaders gave us the Parish Hall free of charge as the venue for the training we started this pro1gram in order to support the vulnerable groups to learn different languages to help them in the future.

Activities during the year

- A, community mobilization and sensitization about the language program
- B, fundraising for the project
- C, Recruitment of learners
- D, Language lessons for the leaners

Achievements

- A, community reorganization
- B, High turn up of learners mainly the refuges
- C, Local leaders participating in the program

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)

Number of offered courses	4	6
Number of youths enrolled in courses	57	49
Number of youths who successfully finished the course	57	57
Total of student fees (before/after deduction of running costs	free	Free



Community Sensitization on HIV/AIDS and child labour

HIV / AIDS and reproductive Health program among the youths and young people.

Slum areas have some salient characteristics which include high population, prostitution, high rate of teenage pregnancies, orphaned children as a result of HIV/AIDS among others and these point to the need for reproductive health programs especially among the youth. Many youth in the slum areas have a few people to look up to in terms of good morals and many end up abusing drugs, being alcoholic and having sexual intercourse at an early age thus exposing themselves to HIV/AIDS and early pregnancies. Therefore MYDEL utilizes the counsellors it has to have counselling sessions both one on one and group counselling, the networks we have also helped us so much in providing reproductive health services.

In terms of community sensitization MYDEL is working through a drama based approach, using drama as a facilitation tool to convey messages about child labour and HIV/AIDS among other issues affecting communities Many children below the age of 18 in Kampala district are in child labour working as domestic workers (house helpers), commercial sex workers, selling maize, working in garages among others because sometimes they are the bread winners after the death of their parents and they are

now in child headed families while others are sent by their parents so that they can get some money for their.

3.1.2 Activity during the year

- A, Home visits to the families affected or infected with HIV/AIDS
- B, Community sensitization through seminars and out reaches
- C, Community Dialogues

- D, Distribution of Information materials on HIV/AIDS and child abuse
- E, Counselling and guidance
- F, Phyosocial support
- G, Referrals
- H, Condom distribution to the community

3.1.3 Achievements

- A, We have managed to identify Referral 15 people living with HIV/AIDS to Nsambya Home care , Good Summarizer Namirembe, Taso and AIC.
- B. Provisional of Basic needs to 57 affected families
- C, Provision of scholarships to 573 orphans and other vulnerable children
- D, Economic empowerment of 7 families affected by HIV/AIDs
- E, we have also managed to distribute information and education materials to the community remembers

F, we have also managed to distribute more than 20,000,000 condoms to the people in the slums and this has helped in the spreading of HIV/AIDS.

3.1.4 Results in numbers

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of participants	418	10000
Number of implemented activities	8	10
Number of families with improved economic situation	18	22
Number of Condoms distributed	20000	
	2000000	

3.2 Drama Club

3.2.1 Description and Objectives

The MYDEL Dance and Drama Group was founded in 2009 and comprises of 35 members, most of whom themselves have previously been beneficiaries of MYDEL's programs. It is facilitated by trainers and reaches out to several vulnerable communities in and around Kampala on a regular basis. Using creative methods in order to increase community awareness enables to address topics as HIV/AIDS, hygiene and health matters in general, human rights and child protection issues.

3.2.2 Activity during the year

- A, MYDELs drama outreach team carried out 6 drama outreach drama shows in the community around Kampala and Wakiso District.
- B, The Drama group participated in the world Aids day celebrations in Kamapala and Wakiso District.

- C, the drama group also participated in the day of the girl child organised by COGE at the Uganda Museum.
- D, The drama group participate in the Makindye youth day Celebration in Makindye.
- B, MYDELs drama crew also participated in 7 events organised by other Network members in Kampala and Wakiso District.
- C, MYDEL dance crew also participated in the Nansana Civil Society Network Exhibition day at Kazo play ground

3.2.3 Achievements

A, MYDELs drama group successfully passed on the information through drama to our targeted population B, MYDEL won an award for performance in the event which was organized by CRANE network.

3.2.4 Results in numbers

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of people reached	1340	
		37800
Number of implemented activities	30	21



3.1 Community Outreach & Community Sensitization

3.1.1 Description and Objectives

Aiming to sustainably improve the living conditions of the most vulnerable groups of the community implies at the same time that their social environment is taken into consideration. MYDEL considers that an improvement in a long term is only achievable by including families and relatives of the direct beneficiaries in the scope of the implemented project activities.

Therefore, MYDEL has an outreach team of counsellors, which are assisting the targeted families in developing necessary economic skills and setting up small businesses. Furthermore, the MYDEL team provides psychosocial counselling, encouraging the communities to enhance their problem solving strategies starting from their own fund of resources.

3.1.2 Activity during the year

Home visits to the families affected or infected with HIV/AIDS

House hold economic empowerment

Counselling and guidance

Phyosocial support

3.1.3 Achievements

A, we have managed to identify 44 cases of abuses in the community of which we have referred 23 to different partners.

B, we have also managed to support 7 households with the start-up capital

C, we have also managed to train 100 community members with economic skills and saving

D, we have also managed to form a MYDELs Credit and saving scheme in Nansana

3.1.4 Results in numbers

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of participants	218	153
Number of implemented activities	4	4
Number of families with improved economic situation	32	7



3.6 Vocational Training Center NB Currently looking for the new place for the center

3.6.3 Description and Objectives

The Vocational Training Centre was established in 2008 by MYDEL. It targets in particular vulnerable youths in the slum area of Mengo-Kisenyi. Due to their lack of school education or any other qualification, the access to jobs is very limited for the majority of the boys and girls from this context. The Vocational Training Centre tries to improve their living condition by offering them the opportunity to professionalise in a certain subject by attending one of the offered classes.

During the course of one year, the students develop basic and advanced skills and techniques. The methodology is based on an enhanced curriculum elaborated by MYDEL. All classes take place five

days a week and are facilitated by one professional trainer. At the end of each training year, all successfully participating attendees receive qualification certificates.

Aside from the acquisition of technical skills, the Centre can be as well regarded as an opportunity for the participants to share their daily problems, experiences, worries and coping strategies. Thus, in a long term, a sense of community can be developed and a social network of mutual support is established.

3.6.2 Activity during the year

A, community mobilization

B, training in computer class, tailoring class, Hair Dressing Bakery and welding

C, Carrier guidance

3.6.3 Achievements

A, 72 students graduated in skills,

3.6.4 Results in numberss

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of offered courses	6	6
Number of youths enrolled in courses	55	72
Number of youths who successfully finished the course	55	Graduation not yet
Number of students graduated	0	72



3.10 Training Local community in Child Protection

MYDEL has continued to work with local leaders to ensure child protection at all levels in different communities 270 community members and 133 Local council I, II, and III in the areas of Kampala and Wakiso District were all trained in child protection issues. The trained leaders have in turn educated their subjects on child rights. The leaders are also

increasingly reporting cases of child abuse to the relevant authorities and key stakeholders hence enabling MYDEL receive many referral cases concerning children from different communities.

3.6.2 Activity during the year

- A, Community mobilization
- B, training in child protection
- C, Community Dialogue

3.6.3 Achievements

A, we reached out to 1050 community members in Kampala District

3.6.4 Results in numbers

Measureme	nt			YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of lo	ocal leade	ers trained in chil	d protection	120	150
Number train	of ed in pro	community otection	members child	210	230
Number of t	opics			4	4
Number of P	arishes r	eached		10	



Resource Centre

Description and Objectives

Mengo Youth Development Link (MYDEL) as a non-government organization have been funded by PEPFAR to create a resource centre by practicing different activities for example allowing youth to asses condoms for protection, youth also asses more information from different text book and internet, games; that is rude and chess plus television and even they are assessed to counselling .

3.2.2 Activity during the year

- A, Games and books for reading more especially for children at the resource centre
- B, Debate and competitions

C, MYDEL centre for relaxing counselling and guidance

3.2.3 Achievements

A, MYDELs resource as attracted many youth and children from the slums

B, sharing of knowledge and ideas at the centre

3.2.4 Results in numbers

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of people reached Number of implemented activities	960 3	1200 3
Number of topics covered	Variety	Variety



4.1 Description and Objectives

Rescue Rehabilitate and Re-settling of the street kids

In 2016, MYDEL conducted 53 outreaches with at least 567 children reached in areas of; Kisenyi, Kamwokya, Kawempe, Bwaise, Nsambya, Katanga, and Kalerwe. Through these outreaches, at least 3 children were rescued /referred per outreach. Outreaches involved sensitization, counselling and praying for the children. These exercises gave the children an opportunity to rethink about the life they were living. During the outreaches, basic needs like food, health care services, water, sanitation, shelter, education, information, and child protection were provided to children in vulnerable situations. The rescued children are currently undergoing rehabilitation at the MYDEL centers in both the children's centre in Nansana and the boy's club house in Mengo. They will be reintegrated into their families and societies gradually after family tracing and joint counselling.



3.6.2 Activity during the year

A, Street children mobilization

- B, training and Rehabilitation
- C, Carrier guidance and counselling
- D, Temporary resettlement
- E, Sports and Recreation
- F, Referrals

3.6.3 Achievements

A, we reached out to 967 street children in Kampala District

3.6.4 Results in numberss

YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
567	967
53	61
470	
29	510
250	
11	570 10
	567 53 470 29



Description and Objectives

Training in Youth Livelihood Skills

Economic empowerment is key to the rehabilitation and transformation of ex- street children, slum youth and children living and working on the street like situations. In 2016, 173 youth, ex street slum Dwellers and vulnerable children were trained in different income generating activities including Tailoring fashions and Design, book making, Bakery, Computer skills, making Loren stove Saloon and hairdressing among others. Beneficiaries were withdrawn from risky behaviours and indecent employment like commercial sex, drug abuse and other illicit activities. During the year, the MYDEL vocational training center was to take a lead in this training the youth have been able to set-up a committee responsible for proper running of the centre and many other ideas have been introduced. The youth have also been imbibed with financial literacy skills, and have since started a saving scheme.

3.6.2 Activity during the year

A, Ex Sex workers mobilization

B, training and Rehabilitation Ex Sex workers

C, Carrier guidance and counselling

D, Temporary resettlement

E, Sports and Recreation

F, Referrals

3.6.3 Achievements

A, we reached out to 230 street children in Kampala District

3.6.4 Results in numberss

Measurement	YEAR (before)	YEAR (current)
Number of people reached	170	230

Number of implemented activities	5
	5
Number of people trained in life skills	72
	27
Number of topics covered	/
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The new Networks joining the program

5. Future Direction

- A- Buy 2 Ares of land for setting up of the Club house for the soccer program and also a football pitch.
- B- Buy 50 acres of land for sustainable Agricultures and Livestock keeping
- C- Buy one acre of land and set up a vocational training centre and officially registered it with the Government
- D- Register or school in Nansana with the Ministry of Education and sports and also epand the school
- E- Setting up a revolving fund for the youth and women in the areas where we operate
- F- Increases Advocacy among the communities on the plight of the children especially these living or working on the streets.

Challenges

- Survivors of abuse expect a lot of financial support from the organization which may be at times outside MYDEL capacity to handle.
- Increased number of beneficiaries especially the orphans and other vulnerable children who come to access our services
- In the same year we experienced a challenge of water shortages which is a general problem in the area of Nansana, which has affected our plans since we had to incur costs of buying water expensively.
- The organization is lacking start up kits for the learners who have been graduating under our vocational training program since it was started in 2009. We would love to see that our graduates are given computers and sewing machines to begin with and they pay for them in instalments until when they complete the payments.
- Lack of legal desk at MYDEL has hauled the speed at which victims of health and human rights violation access justice.
- Dependency on well-wishers given the fact that we do not have permanent funders to fund the different activities of the organization and this was made worse with some well-wishers stopping the support due to financial problems on
- Some politicians in the community interfere with cases reported to local authorities to gain political support in the forthcoming elections.
- Regular hiking of prices for commodities (inflation) also affected us greatly; prices for food among other commodities used in the daily lives were increasing day after day which made us operate in budgetary deficits not as planned.
- In year 2013, Uganda experienced an influx of asylum seekers from Democratic Republic of Congo due to the political insurgency in that country.

Many of these asylum seekers resorted to living in the slum areas of Kampala given the low cost of living in those areas and many of them came to our offices seeking for help like educating their children, providing them with shelter and medical assistance. Unfortunately we could not help much due to limited resources though we made some referrals.

 We had a challenge of learners in both the computer and tailoring training centres deliberately refusing to pay the required fees for the month, this greatly affected us because it is the money they pay that is used to pay electricity bills plus servicing the machines and buying software needed for the computers.

6. Get involved

Your partnership enables us the continuous improvement of our work and, therefore, has a sustainable impact on the lives of the vulnerable communities of Kampala's informal settlements. Are you still thinking about how to get involved? MYDEL offers a variety of ways. Just choose which one is most preferable for you:

6.1 Volunteer

MYDELs work has constantly been enriched by our volunteers within the past years. If you are interested in supporting us with your own commitment, ideas and skills, feel warmly welcome to contact us any time.

6.2 Sponsorship

Have you always thought of donating for a good cause, but you were never sure about where exactly the money goes to? MYDELs sponsorship program provides the opportunity to have a one-to-one relationship with one of the children. Your support can empower a child through ensuring the access to school education and therefore a great enlargement of sustainable future prospective. If you think, this could be the suitable way for you to support us, don't hesitate to contact us.

6.3 Donation

Beneath the opportunity of individual sponsorship, financial support is essential for carrying out the variety of our projects. Therefore, MYDEL is grateful of any financial contribution, which ensures the future of our activities.

7. Donors & Partners

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