

Organization profile:

ZANZIBAR FIGHTING AGAINST YOUTH CHALLENGES ORGANIZATION (ZAFAYCO)



Background

ZAFAYCO is a non – governmental, nonprofit –making membership organization established by two young graduates after the realization of difficult and huge challenges facing them in 2011 and got its registration the same year Dec. 23, 2011 under Registration No. 1047 under the societies Act No.6 of 1995, known as “Zanzibar Fighting Against Youth Challenges Organization”. In the new online registration system ZAFAYCO has been registered under Business Entities Registration Act No. 12 of 2012 with the registration No. Z0000012796. ZAFAYCO now has 29 organization active members (17 females and 12 males) and 5 Board of Trustees members (3 males and 2 females).

ZAFAYCO Leaders are according to constitution as hierarchically arranged from Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Executive Director, Deputy Ex. Director, Chief Accountant, Treasurer and Coordinator with sub committees.

Policy and Objectives

The Organization's main focus is the development of youth and women, by helping all that need help regardless of age, tribe, etc. The most pressing needs of the groups are identified through meetings with community members and possible solutions are worked out in partnership with them.

Its main objectives are:

- To bring together the Youth of Zanzibar with a view of realizing and mobilizing their talents and potentials in the spirit of promoting social-economic development and protection of the environment.
- To organize the Zanzibar Youth under one umbrella of solving their encountered challenges
- To promote Youth toward self-realization through awareness raising and capacity building.
- To explore and explicitly seek an insight into the core challenges facing youth generation.
- To contribute towards enhancing youth health and social welfare

- To collectively prepare youth to enter the world of globalization and its multidimensional implications.
- To enhance networking among youth and youth organizations in Zanzibar and outside Zanzibar.

Vision

To see Zanzibar youth are very active and flexible in order that they can handle current economic, political and social challenges.

Mission

ZAFAYCO is dedicated towards promoting young people through awareness raising, capacity building and networking programs which are youth centered, environmental friendly and development oriented.

Areas of work

- Young men and women empowerment programs through education, both formal and informal.
- Working on security and health challenges facing young people by trying to find an alternative solution.
- Mobilizing young people to use youth friendly health services and advocating for the increase of their accessibility
- Preparing young leaders and increasing of youth participation in decision making bodies.
- Capacity building training sessions on women and youth rights related to civic education.
- Civic education training to young people for spreading the message of peace and prevention of violent extremism.
- Creation of income generating activities through Youth and Women Skill training.
- Promoting the economic security of small-scale entrepreneurs.
- Eradication of the negative social attitudes and traditional practices harmful to young women through awareness raising and training on the hazards of such practices.
- Mobilizing young people to use their potentials conserving environment for the sake of next young generation.

NETWORKING;

- ✓ Currently ZAFAYCO working as the Zanzibar Zonal Unit of the Tanzania Human Rights Defenders Coalition (THRDC).
- ✓ Zanzibar Representative of the Tanzania Youth and Adolescents Reproductive Health Coalition (TAYARH)
- ✓ Member of the Zanzibar Coalition on Debts and Development (ZACODED)

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS;

- One year project on expanding civic space in Zanzibar funded by the National Endowment for Democracy (NED).
- One year project on connecting and empowering young leaders in Zanzibar funded by European Union (EU)
- One year project on formation of human rights clubs in Zanzibar schools and Universities funded by the Foundation of Open Society Institute (FOSI)
- Hosting the project of Fatwa Revision on Family Planning in Zanzibar funded by the Global Champions of Reproductive Rights (PAI).
- ‘Young Women school dropouts Economic Empowerment project at Matemwe village in North Unguja
- Computer training in Zanzibar rural schools

PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED;

- Zanzibar youth mobilization in local government authorities accountability program funded by the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES), (2019).
- In partnership between Zanzibar Library Services (ZLS) and Youth Empowerment and Change (YEC) implemented a youth mobilization session and training on using and applying local and international available opportunities, (2019).
- Implemented a program on ‘Peace building through social media usage’ for 70 youth, religious and local government leaders in partnership with Global Network of Religions for Children (GNRC), (2018).

- Conducted 50 Young Women Economic Empowerment Program on “Unleashing Potential and Business Start Up” in partnership with Nottingham Institute of London, United Kingdom, (2018).
- Conducted “Tuelewane” project on building peace through tolerance and understanding in 3 regions of Zanzibar funded by the Search for Common Ground, (2018).
- Hosted a project on “Economic empowerment to young people in Zanzibar” funded by Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES), (2018).
- Hosted leadership training to Zanzibar Community Organizations leaders conducted and funded by Libre Foundation, (2018).
- Hosted the meeting between European Parliamentary Forum on Population and development (EPF), URT Parliamentarians, Zanzibar HoR members and Zanzibar youth CSOs on the discussion of Adolescents and Youth Reproductive Health, (2018).
- Partnered with Green Light Project on Community Awareness Program for Preventing Violent Extremism in Tanzania (CAPPTAN), (2018)
- Conducted leadership training to Zanzibar community organizations leaders under the Libre Foundation, (2018)
- Under the Tanzania Youth and Adolescents Reproductive Health Coalition conducted a landscape assessment on the status of youth and adolescents youth friendly services in Zanzibar funded by Champions of Global Reproductive Rights (PAI), (2018).
- In partnership with United Nations Development Programme conducted a rapid assessment on Gender Based Violence situation in Zanzibar, (2018).
- Under the assistance of Advanced Family Planning Tanzania (AFP) conducted training to Zanzibar youth CSOs on SMART advocacy skills, (2017).
- Dira dialogue project in partnership with TYVA supported by Friedrich Naumman Foundation (FNF). (2017).
- Three months project on Zanzibar Youth Employment Mapping, Structured Dialogue, and Data Literacy Training funded by the World Bank. 2017.
- Civic education and youth awareness convention on violent extremism in partnership with Global Network of Religions for Children (GNRC), (2016).

- Constitutional dialogue towards revitalization of constitutional process funded by International Republican Institute (IRI) in partnership with TYVA, (2016).
- Project on Zanzibar Youth Employment and Data Stakeholder convention funded by the World Bank, (2016).
- Together with Tanzania Youth Vision Association (TYVA) implemented the election project known as “Kijana na Kura yako” in 2015 general election, (2015).
- In collaboration with Restless Development Tanzania and other organizations prepared Tanzania Youth Manifesto of 2015 -2020, (2015).
- Hosted the first historical 2015 general election Presidential candidates’ debate conducted and supported by TWaweza, (2015).
- Training for young politicians nominated by their parties contesting in 2015 general election titled “Time for youth participation project” funded by Swedish Embassy, (2015).
- Consultancy services on Gando Entrepreneurship Program (GEP) conducted in Gando constituency, Northern Pemba, (2014)..
- Training for young people on Zanzibar Government of National Unity (GNU) in 2013 funded by Swedish Embassy, (2013).
- Conducted Awareness on youth rights and duties project in Urban West region funded by the Foundation for Civil Society Tanzania, (2012).
- Conducted NGO capacity building project funded by the Foundation for Civil Society Tanzania, (2012).
- Advocated for higher learning students loans accessibility by pushing the government to increase the allocated budget from 4 to 10 billion Tanzania shillings, (2011).
- Conducted 2 need assessments on young entrepreneurs in Zanzibar, (2011).

Projects targeted in 2019

- Programs on preparing young people towards the 2020 general election in Zanzibar
- Possible solution to young people on health issues and security challenges.
- Youth economic empowerment programs
- Creating and running programs of peace building and reconciliation in Zanzibar.

- Increasing youth participation in the national development through providing civic education
- Providing human rights trainings in various angles of Zanzibar.
- Mobilizing the use of adolescents and youth friendly services and advocating for their accessibility in Zanzibar.
- Life skills education to the young people especially from rural areas.
- Garbage Collection and environmental sanitation mobilization Project.
- More researches on Youth related issues.

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