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Project Location

Country: Portugal

City: Amadora

Organization

Organization Name: Bué Fixe-Youth NGO

Organization Type: Association

Website

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Project Type

ICT for integration of migrants and refugees

Project Description

Description Frase (max. 500 characters):

The “YOUTH MEDIA: OUR RESPONSE TO HIV/AIDS”, is a project that intends to promote the use of media, technology and communication skills produced by young migrants to motivate adequate HIV/AIDS prevention attitudes and behaviors towards their peers coming from African Migrant from Portuguese Speaking Countries in Africa who live in disadvantaged neighborhoods of Amadora Village surrounding the Lisbon Area.

Our initiatives have already proved the important role of adequate Youth information and communication tools in helping this specific group of young people to access health goods and services. In our programme , Young Portuguese-speaking African migrants living in

Portugal - such as ourselves - produce a radio show, a youth magazine(paper and digital support)and SMS text messages regarding STDs/HIV/AIDS.

Vedi allegato

Project Summary (max. 2000 characters):

Due to the lack of adequate information on STI/HIV/aids regarding Young people, we started the project in S. Tomé and Príncipe (African Country)in 2003 - as an Informal group of Young people called BUÉ FIXE.

By that time, we have also create, with the collaboration of other Young People, a Youth Magazine, caring the same name,in digital and paper format, to exchange IST/HIV/AIDS related experiences addressed and to Young people.

In 2005, when I came to Portugal to continue my studies, I became an active member of the NGO Citizens of the World that promotes the access ofYoung African Migrants ,living in Portugal , to their social rights, focusing on IST/HIV/Aids diagnosis,prevention and treatment.

Vedi allegato

How long has your project been running?

2008-12-30 23:00:00

Objectives and Innovative Aspects

In this project the main goal is to promote safer attitudes and behaviours regarding the risk of STI/HIV/AIDS infection among young migrants coming from portuguese speaking countries in Africa by:

- Scaling-up existing and effective HIV/AIDS prevention initiatives in order to reach more young migrants
- Expanding adequate support and opportunities to those already infected by HIV, in order to improve the quality of their life and promote safer behaviors towards themselves and – consequently- to others.
- Empowering young girls and women so that they may face STI/HIV/AIDS risks through safer attitudes and behaviours.
- Empowering young people living with STI/HIV/AIDS
- Developing community based initiatives focusing on reducing stigma and discrimination against people living with HIV.

The “YOUTH MEDIA: OUR RESPONSE TO HIV/AIDS”, uses adequate media tools in order to reach the following objectives:

1. Increase the knowledge and skills of Young Community Leaders through Training Workshops and debates regarding the risks of STI/HIV infection in order to reach larger numbers of young migrants.
2. Increase the use of condoms among this specific group, through the free distribution of condoms in night clubs and others places frequented by this specific population.
3. Increase the access to adequate information and services regarding STI/HIV/AIDS through SMS messages sent to those in our contact lists.

4. Increase the access to adequate information and services regarding STI/HIV/AIDS among this group, by offering an attractive and highly participative Radio show to promote Peer Information among this specific population.

a) Promote safer attitudes and behaviours among children through the production and distribution of I.E.C. materials in places where this group of young people gather and meet such as Schools (five), Shopping Centers (three), Libraries (seven) among others.

Results

Describe the results achieved by your project How do you measure (parameters) these. we have
(max. 2000 characters): STI/HIV/AIDS
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those in contact
STI/HIV/AIDS
project materials
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Production
5.000 samples
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How many users interact with your project monthly and what are the preferred forms of interaction? (max. 500 characters):

- Per week
 - message
 - In our T
 - In our F
 - We direct
 - It is difficult
- Portugal

Sustainability

What is the full duration of your project (from beginning to end)? More than 6 years

What is the approximate total budget for your project (in Euro)? Less than 10.000 Euro

What is the source of funding for your project? Fee

Is your project economically self sufficient now? Yes

Since when? 2008-12-30 23:00:00

Transferability

Has your project been replicated/adapted elsewhere? Yes

Where? By whom? In other vulnerable communities in Portugal By whom? Young African People working on a voluntary basis

What lessons can others learn from your project? (max. 1500 characters):

We have learned that not only the target AUDIENCE. This is our main goal. We have implemented a Network of young people to provide to this specific population their own Association and

initiatives. We use a Blog and we are now preparing a new Site as tools to improve an active participation of this specific Young People. We are well known in Portugal as the media frequently covers our activities promoting the mobilization of other Young Migrants who communicate with us and get our support for their own activities focusing on STI/HIV/aids issues. Some important events and Conferences raised attention to our work such as the European Aids Conference and others focusing on working with young sex workers and men who have sex with men.

Are you available to help others to start or work on similar projects?: Yes

Background Information

Barriers and Solutions (max. 1000 characters): 1) Many young migrants coming from Portuguese speaking countries have no access to adequate information, maintaining high levels of risk for their sexual and reproductive health including the risk of HIV/AIDS compared with similar groups living in other countries. 2) For this specific group of young people are unemployment, lack of opportunities and support to access health and education, violence and alcohol abuse, within the family, create barriers. 3) Youngsters coming from Portuguese-speaking countries like Mozambique, Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau or São Tomé and Príncipe finish high school but have no economic means to continue their studies, are not able to finish their university studies but will not find a job. 4) A group of young people, are also those more directly affected by HIV/AIDS and tuberculosis. Regarding our initiative the main constraints are to implement the most basic work such as lack of means, lack of snacks or basic pedagogic materials.

Future plans and wish list (max. 750 characters): We would like to be able to: 1) Scale up our program for Young Migrants 2) Get a Site really modern and dynamic that allows the active and effective participation of this specific Young People 3) Produce Spots that we have produced c) Disseminate our Results 4) Continue to develop Youth to Youth Information and Prevention.

HIV ^[1] media ^[2]

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