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Organizations and Web Sites

YouthNet

Youth involvement is a cross-cutting theme for YouthNet's work, which is reflected in many of the publications and throughout the Web site. <http://www.fhi.org/youthnet>

Activism 2000 Project

This clearinghouse provides information, tools, and resources for maximum participation of young people in communities, businesses, and governments. It includes an intergenerational advocacy toolkit and other books and videos that highlight youth infusion in decision-making roles.

<http://www.youthactivism.com/>

Advocates for Youth

Advocates for Youth is dedicated to creating programs and advocating for policies that help young people make informed and responsible decisions about their reproductive and sexual health. They provide information, training, and strategic assistance to youth-serving organizations, policy-makers, youth activists, and the media in the United States and the developing world.

<http://www.advocatesforyouth.org>

African Youth Alliance

This program, founded on a youth participation strategy through United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), PATH, and Pathfinder International, works in Botswana, Ghana, Tanzania, and Uganda on HIV prevention and adolescent reproductive health. <http://www.ayaonline.org>

American Youth Policy Forum

The American Youth Policy Forum is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, professional development organization providing learning opportunities for policy-makers on youth policy issues at the national, state, and local level. <http://www.aypf.org/>

Assets Coming Together (ACT) for Youth

ACT for Youth aims to strengthen community partnerships that promote positive youth development and prevent risky and unhealthy behaviors among young people.

<http://www.human.cornell.edu/ACTforyouth/>

At the Table: Youth Voices in Decision-Making

The clearinghouse has information on youth participation, engagement, and empowerment. A variety of tools, documents, research, and links are available, as well as profiles of successful youth-adult partnerships and youth-serving organizations. <http://www.atthetable.org>

Canadian Health Network

This site provides articles on youth participation for the improvement of health.

http://www.canadian-health-network.ca/html/newnotable/apr1_2001e.html

Carnegie Young People Initiative

This organization promotes youth participation in decision-making. It provides reports from a variety of countries on youth participation in public decision-making.

http://www.carnegieuktrust.org.uk/young_people

Center for Youth as Resources

This center provides a model for groups that want to involve young people. A manual and other training opportunities are available to help young people become resources in their community.

<http://www.cyar.org/>

Children, Youth, and Families Education and Research Network (CYFERNet)

At the CYFERNet site, type “youth participation” in the search box to find useful resources.

<http://www.cyfernet.org>

Community Partnerships with Youth

This national U.S. training and resource development organization promotes active citizenship through youth and adult partnerships. <http://www.cpyinc.org/>

Convention on the Rights of the Child

As a part of UNICEF’s Web site, this page describes what the Convention on the Rights of the Child means to young people. <http://www.unicef.org/crc/crc.htm>

Edinburgh Youth Social Inclusion Partnership

This organization helps to promote inclusion of young people. The Web site provides documents of their best practices and lessons learned. <http://www.youthinclusion.org/index.php#>

Forum for Youth Investment

The Forum for Youth Investment is dedicated to increasing the quality and quantity of youth investment and youth involvement in areas such as planning, research, advocacy, and policy development.

<http://www.forumforyouthinvestment.org>

FreeChild Project

This comprehensive Web site provides resources for social change by and for young people, including useful tools on working with adults as allies and an excellent bibliography of youth involvement resources.

<http://www.freechild.org>

Global Program on Youth

This resource through the University of Michigan in the United States brings together a broad-based group of scholars, policy-makers, and service providers addressing children and youth issues.

<http://gpy.ssw.umich.edu/index.html>

GTZ

GTZ, a German donor, supports the Innovative Approaches in Reproductive Health project, which focuses on approaches, measures, and experience from work with youth and refugees.

<http://www.gtz.de/youth/english/index.html>

Innovation Center for Community and Youth Development

Promoting innovative concepts and practices, this group provides cutting-edge tools for youth workers in diverse settings, including a youth/adult partnership training curriculum and a toolkit, *Building Community: A Tool Kit for Youth and Adults in Charting Assets and Creating Change*.

<http://www.theinnovationcenter.org>



Institute for Youth Development

The Institute for Youth Development (IYD) is a preeminent resource for parents, youth workers, teachers, coaches, policy-makers, and media professionals. <http://www.youthdevelopment.org/default.asp>

Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

IDB supports economic and social development and regional integration in Latin America and the Caribbean. Its youth program focuses on youth participation and leadership in regional development. <http://www.iadb.org/>

International Youth Foundation (IYF)

IYF works with hundreds of companies, foundations, and civil society organizations to strengthen and scale up existing programs. The Web site provides background on projects and useful documents on youth participation and youth development. <http://www.iyfnet.org>

MTV Staying Alive Campaign

Staying Alive informs young people about HIV, promotes safe lifestyle choices, provides information about local organizations, and mobilizes youth to overcome the stigma and discrimination of HIV/AIDS and work to prevent HIV/AIDS. <http://www.staying-alive.org/>

National 4-H Council

The National 4-H Council works with youth-adult projects as a catalyst for positive change, including many joint projects with other organizations. <http://www.fourhcouncil.edu>

National Youth Development Information Center

Provides information and resources on evaluation, research, policy, and programming related to youth development. <http://www.nydic.org/nydic/>

New Designs for Youth Development

This journal provides information, articles, and experiences on youth and community development. http://www.cydjournal.org/NewDesigns/ND_99Sum/index.html

Pan American Health Organization (PAHO)

PAHO, part of the World Health Organization, supports an Adolescent Health and Development Program that focuses on the most vulnerable adolescent populations. <http://www.paho.org>

Save the Children

Save the Children works with young people in addressing poverty, education, reproductive health, and HIV/AIDS around the world. <http://www.savethechildren.org>

Voices of Youth

Hosted by UNICEF and written for children and adolescents, this site encourages networking and discussions on children's rights, health, media, HIV/AIDS, and education. <http://www.unicef.org/voy>

Youth Action Net

Developed by the International Youth Foundation with a task force of youth, this Web site aims to provide a virtual space where young people can share lessons, stories, information, and advice on how to lead effective change, as well as get information, resources, and tools. <http://www.youthactionnet.org/>

Youth Coalition

Formed during ICPD+5, this international coalition of young people is working together in the promotion of sexual and reproductive rights. <http://www.youthcoalition.org>

Youth Development Foundation

The Youth Development Foundation (YDF) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, national youth organization encouraging and helping young people to meet the challenges of adolescence and adulthood through a coordinated, progressive, and positive series of activities and experiences. <http://www.youth.org.pk>

Youth Leadership Institute

This group operates in partnership with young people and the systems that sustain them to build communities that value, honor, and support youth. <http://www.yli.org>

YouthVoice.Net

Through Indiana University in the United States, this Web site is designed as a tool for youth to use to inform government of their views and to advocate for policies. <http://www.indiana.edu/~ythvoice/>

Y-PEER

Youth Peer Education Electronic Resource (Y-PEER) is a Web site and online community in Eastern Europe and Central Asia, supported by UNFPA and other United Nation agencies. The site offers news, events, resources, a trainers' database, an interactive "peer classroom," and a talk forum. <http://www.youthpeer.org/>

