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Beyond YouthNet: Expanding the Y-PEER Program in Africa

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Y-PEER Global (1)

- Builds capacity of NGOs to implement high-quality and effective youth RH/HIV peer education programs
- Partnership between UNFPA and YouthNet in Eastern Europe/Central Asia
- Rapid expansion to Arab States and Africa





Y-PEER Global (2)

Accomplishments in Eastern Europe and Central Asia, 2002-2005:

- Linked 300+ NGOs to the network
 - Evidence-based resources and tools adopted and adapted
 - Global and local best practices bridged
- 29 countries created networks
- 7,000 peer educators and program staff trained
- 10 countries self-sustained their activities



About NOPE

- Institutionalizes peer-centered approaches into local programs and community groups
 - 30 youth-serving organizations
 - More than 2,500 trained
- Strong collaboration with private sector – 45 companies pay for services
- Biennial conferences on Peer Education and HIV and AIDS (2004 and 2006)

The Making of a Successful Partnership



NOPE	YouthNet and Y-PEER
Builds organizations' capacity to implement quality programs, locally	Promotes high quality PE programs, globally
Expands use of local standardized curriculum	Co-created with UNFPA standardization of curriculum and tools in PE
Promotes youth-adult partnerships among local youth-serving organizations	Developed tools for improving youth-adult partnerships
Organizes PE networking forums	Provides research and evidence for programming



NOPE Accomplishments

1. Completed stock-take in Kenya
2. Participated in East Africa Y-PEER TOT
3. Launched Y-PEER Kenya in June 2006
4. Y-PEER TOT manual reviewed and adapted for Kenya
5. Established an interim Y-PEER working group from youth-serving organizations
6. Assisted with launch of Y-PEER in Tanzania
7. Participated in Y-PEER international trainings (Tunisia, Azerbaijan, and Toronto)



Outcomes

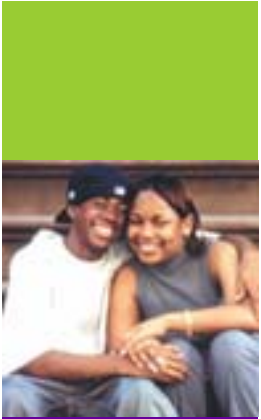
- NOPE's youth program is stronger because of technical assistance and support provided by YouthNet and UNFPA through Y-PEER
- Global program successfully linked a local NGO to new ideas, resources, and opportunities in line with their existing mission to make it better
- Y-PEER will continue in Kenya and beyond as a result of NOPE's efforts



Expanding Y-PEER after YouthNet (1)

NOPE will:

- Provide technical assistance to youth-serving organizations
- Expand Y-PEER in Kenya through APHIA II (in two regions):
 - Develop local network
 - Disseminate and promote PE Toolkit
 - Participate in Y-PEER Global activities



Expanding Y-PEER after YouthNet (2)

NOPE will:

- Build capacity of youth-serving organizations in Tanzania under new UJANA project
- Support Y-PEER activities in East Africa
- Collaborate with UNFPA/Kenya and others to support country-level Y-PEER activities



“YouthNet, through Y-PEER, has added value to NOPE’s work with youth through improving the quality of our products and services.”

Philip Waweru Mbugua, Executive Director, NOPE