



YOUTH EMPOWERING COUNCIL

YECO – SOMALIA

ORGANIZATION PROFILE

MAY, 2014

Name: Youth Empowering Council (YECO)

Youth Empowering Council (YECO) is non-profit oriented, non-political organization founded in central Somalia with the aim of assisting Somali youth recover from shocks and crises through engagement and capacity building.

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Year of Establishment: 2014

Introduction: The aftermath of Somalia's long running conflicts have destroyed country's Asset Including infrastructures, and engulfed many lives while displacements still to continue due to the periodically sliding conflicts and the rapidly political changes which the country let to become host mass destruction of public and private sectors, chaotic, weak administration and no rule of law and without effective central government since 1991.

These prolonged civil conflicts in Somalia have fostered a lost generation who has no experience of a kind of effective Government and poor access to basic social services particularly education and employment opportunities.

So in respond to this YECO Somalia has been founded by a group intellectuals live in the country to engage protection on human rights, youth development, youth political participation, solution youth conflicts and creating sustainable peace and capacity building programs with action research which based on participatory approach by all the levels of the community on their priorities for future through YECO.

Vision: create opportunities for the youth affected by violence, missed school for the lack of facilitation, deprived and dropouts.

Mission: giving a chance to less educated and less fortune youth through self-employment or preparing them do simple jobs based on training and capacity building provided in partnership with stakeholders.

Our Goal: our goal is to deliver high impact, effective programs and culturally competent capacity building programs to Somali people particular youth, child and women.

Objectives

- Create second chance opportunities.
- To increase youth (women and men) participation in the construction and advancement of their country.
- To minimize violence by increasing youth awareness toward peace.
- Strengthen the capacity of young females and to educate them to produce more healthier and prosperous generations.
- Reducing extreme poverty by creating job market to hire lots of Somali young women and men.
- Improve the capacities and enable aspirations of youth so that they can contribute to and benefit from more stable, integrated, prosperous community and nation.
- Have a genuine concern to advocate minorities and marginalized to communities.
- Promoting youth development through advocacy and protecting those in IDPs through basic needs delivery.

Work principles

- Optimistic
- Patience
- Justice
- Equality
- Respect for human rights
- Democracy

Core values

YECO is committed to:

- Working with efficiency and long-term sustainability
- Valuing the principle of social justice, empowering of Somali youth, child and women
- Solving youth conflicts, building peace and deep trust among Somalia youth
- Believe in the power of committed youth individuals and organizations who want to contribute to a sustainable development.

YECO Focus areas

- Build the Capacity of Somali citizens
- Youth and women empowering through education and trainings
- Creating opportunities for youth and women
- Good governance
- Reconciliation and creating peace
- Human rights advocacy
- Empowering women and youth
- Community mobilization and awareness
- Peace building programs and promotion civic education
- Hosting debates "Education Debates, Economic Debates and Political debates"
- Gender-based Violence

YECO Management Staff

YECO Somalia has access for all skilled and experienced professionals who have capacity and competent to involve all the desired activities that promotes the Goal and Objectives of the Institution.

The professional staff of Management whom periodically review their activities to appraise and provide them Human resource development trainings on the job trainings and technical assistance to undertake systematically their duties and responsibilities YECO Somalia has also technical consultants of Engineering, Designing and Planning.

YECO Governance

YECO Somalia has defined structure including General Assembly, Board of Directors and Executive Committee.

- The structure determines chain of command and hierarchy of responsibility within YECO
- The general assembly is the highest decision-making organ approving policies and reviewing achievement and plans
- The Board of directors (B.O.D.) is the planning and policy making body of the organization which controlling and approving the all activities by the Executive Committee.
- The Executive Director is the head of executive committee that is responsible for the implementation of the programs and daily management activities.

Past Projects/ Past Experience

S/N	Project Name	Location	Implemented Date	Partners
1	Create spaces for youths to express their opinion and listen them	Cadaado, Galmudug, Somalia	15/10/2016	MoCAR-Galmudug
2	Women and Youth Participation in Elections	Cadaado, Galmudug, Somalia	28-31/01/2016	Well-Wishers
3	Build trust between youths and government	Cadaado, Galmudug, Somalia	01/08/2016	Local Community
4	Promote intergenerational exchange	Cadaado, Galmudug, Somalia	03/04/2017	Local Community
5	Support youths who are positively to their communities	Cadaado, Galmudug, Somalia	10/10/2017	Youth & Sports Ministry-Galmudug
6	Youth engagement through sports	Galkacyo, Galmudug, Somalia	15-20/05/2017	Galmudug Football Federation
7	Community awareness on covid-19 pandemic	Dus'mareb and Cadaado, Galmudug State.	12-15/03/2020	Local Community
8	Debate: Media as elections watchdog	Dhusamare, Galmudug, Somalia	12/08/2021	EISA – Somalia

OUR RECENT PHOTOS



"This is a photo group captured in 2017, after hosting a debate in Cadaado"



"A photo captured in Dec, 2017"



"A photo captured in 2018, during our youth & women training about good governance"



"A photo captured in 2021, during a meeting with Mukenyi Madibanga from **EISA**"



this photo was took in July, 2021 when our executive director meet with Mukenyi Madibanga "Electoral Institute for Sustainable Democracy in Africa – EISA Somalia"



This photo met our executive director Mohamed Sharif & EISA Country director Mukenyi Madibanga



"These photos are the photos of our last activity we held in Dhuusamareeb, Galmudug in Collaboration with Electoral Institute for Sustainable Democracy in Africa – EISA".

YECO PARTNERS

