

Life Skills Training Camp.

It was an exciting month for the youth and children who came in numbers for the training camp! The HIV/AIDS and BCC program held training on Life Skills at Mukuru. For the life skills training camp, the staff involved started by carrying out a needs assessment to deeply understand the needs of the youths and children using the existing data approach, identified the venue and the coordinators and mobilized the youth and children to attend the training camp.

Peer Education Training.

For the peer education training, we started by identifying the peers to be trained as peer educators through our partner youth groups and stakeholders, we mapped the venues for the training sessions and worked with women fighting AIDS in Kenya (WOFAK) trainers who facilitated the trainings.

In both trainings, we administered a pre and post test questionnaire to the participants to help us gauge the level of knowledge before and after the trainings and also gave the participants pledge cards at the end of the life skills training camp.

Leadership and Financial Management Trainings.

In the Month of October, Training and Research department held trainings for 8 First Year groups on Leadership and Financial Management. The groups included Bidii Yetu Group, Family Community Based Organization, Kamaliza, Vision, UNICORNS,

Kayaba Youth Group, Humble Group and Kariobangi Mirror. The trainings were held at Jowanga Hotel in Huruma and mainly aimed to equip the youth with leadership and financial management skills

Advocacy

A consultative meeting was held at the Dandora Dumpsite between Losai consultants, NCC, Goal Kenya, Undugu Society, YIKE and the youth who collect garbage, where they were discussing about the relocation of the dumpsite and the study which was commissioned by JICA. Basically the meeting was to clarify the position of the stakeholders in the dumpsite. This will help them understand the process and how they will benefit.

WASH Project

The project process has been revived and will kickstart in November as ablution (toilet) block is to be built for the youth. This is in partnership with Umande Trust which has been funded by Oxfam GB.

Workshop

The Gender and Governance department organized the dissemination and validation workshop for the Draft Report on Gender Responsive Budgeting in the Secondary Education Bursary Fund. This was held on 14th October 2011 at Roasters' inn. During the workshop, key Stakeholders identified gaps, shared their views and experiences.

Youth Entrepreneurs of Light Kenya (YELK)

The project in Meru is progressing well and the three groups, namely Mwangaza, Light of the World and Ushindi received their first instalments of 20 solar lamps each to sell. Two of the groups, Mwangaza and Light of the World are almost exhausting their stock.