The YCT and Youth RISE Projects

Youth and Community Transformation Project (YCT) is a comprehensive social intervention, which responds...
to the challenges facing vulnerable groups, particularly youth at risk on the Southside of Belize City. Our neighbourhoods in South Belize City are challenged by increasing crime, inadequate social infrastructure and limited access to social services. The YCT Project seeks to present interventions to these challenges by supporting the expansion of and presenting our youth and their families access to needed social services, while developing and presenting new...
services to reduce social exclusion among these at risk young persons and their families who live in the areas of Collet, Lake Independence, Pickstock and Port Loyola divisions of Belize City. The YCT Project also provides access to programs to enhance literacy and adaptive life skills, support community security and improving the networking and sharing of best practices among participating agencies working in those communities. The Project will construct new and allow for rehabilitation of
existing critical community infrastructure, including the provision of a new resource centre in the Lake Independence area and the renewal of the Wilton-Cumberbatch playing field.

Youth RISE Overview

In 2017, the YCT project was expanded to the west and south of the country. The Youth Resilience and Inclusive Social Empowerment (Youth RISE) Project was launched in April 2017 to expand access to social services for approximately 3,500 children, youth, and families in the communities of Dangriga and San Ignacio/Santa Elena. Youth in these communities face many socioeconomic challenges, including the low attainment of educational qualifications, and increasing crime and violence.

Under the Youth RISE Project, young people who live in these communities will benefit from training that will focus on basic literacy and numeracy and employability skills; adaptive life skills; along with community programmes which focus on social skills.
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