

CHILD CARE AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT FOUNDATION CLIMATIC CHANGE STRATEGY - LOCALLY-LED ADAPTATION

Introduction

CCAYEF in her strategic interventions (2019-2023 under review) focuses on food security, health and WASH/Climatic change issues, child protection, youth socio-economic empowerment, and capacity building. CCAYEF, with experiential and evidence based learning from the implementation of the locally led Market-Based Sanitation Implementation Approach – a WASH project implemented in fishing communities, designed and started implementing the Market-Friendly Climatic Change Adaptation approach (MFCCA) - as a trialed solution for promoting LLAs to effectively and efficiently curb climatic issues among fishing communities and their neighbourhoods.

Child Care and Youth Empowerment Foundation (CCAYEF) is an indigenous non-profit making, Local Non-governmental, Charitable Organization. It was founded in 2008 as a Community-Based Organization (CBO), recognized by Mukono District Local Government (Reg No: MKN/CBO/183/2011) and Mukono Municipality (RegNo:MC/CBO/CCAYEF/199). It later progressed to be a Local Non-Government Organization in 2011, registered and incorporated by the Uganda Ministry of Internal Affairs (Uganda National NGO Bureau) (Reg No: 4164) with Permit No. 4331. CCAYEF is a Member of the National NGO Forum (Membership No: CYE-5-217) and a member of the Mukono District NGO Forum. CCAYEF is also a member of Uganda Water and Sanitation Network (UWASNET).

With CCAYEF's commitment to ensuring that disadvantaged and marginalized people (including children, youth, and young women) are empowered to develop locally appropriate and innovative solutions, we intend to upscale MFCCA approach to enhance the importance of community creativity in their local adaptation actions. With this approach, we intend to work together with the mosh marginalized and disabled communities to create supportive, engaged communities towards climate adaptation for positive climatic impacts through interventions that may include but not limited to; Research and Policy Collaborations, Joint advocacy and agenda setting activities.

We however, need grant partnerships and technical support to achieve this. Please call or email us at: Tel. +256777148054/ 414-290011; email: info@ccayef.org /ccayef@yahoo.com

OUR COMMITMENTS ON CLIMATIC CHANGE ACTIONS

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrated support of the principles of advancing adaptation at the local level, as set out in the Paris Agreement and the Principles for Locally Led Adaptation. 	<p>The Child Care and Youth Empowerment Foundation (CCAYEF) is committed to promoting the principles of advancing adaptation at the local level, as outlined in both the Paris Agreement and the Principles for Locally Led Adaptation. CCAYEF recognizes the urgent need to address the impacts of climate change and build resilience within communities, particularly for vulnerable children and youth. Through its programs and initiatives, CCAYEF actively engages with local communities, empowering them to take charge of their own adaptation efforts. By fostering participatory processes, knowledge sharing, and capacity building, CCAYEF ensures that local communities are at the forefront of designing and implementing adaptation strategies that are contextually appropriate and sustainable. CCAYEF's commitment to locally led adaptation aligns with the principles of the Paris Agreement, which emphasize the importance of grassroots action and the involvement of all stakeholders. By championing these principles, CCAYEF not only contributes to the global goals of the Paris Agreement but also supports the empowerment and well-being of children and youth, who are the future leaders and custodians of a climate-resilient world.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active engagement in partnerships and initiatives with, inter alia, United Nations, intergovernmental, national, subnational, industry or sectoral, non-governmental and other related organizations in support of climate, environmental and/or social causes. 	<p>CCAYEF actively engages in partnerships and initiatives with various stakeholders to support climate, environmental, and social causes. At a national level, CCAYEF has established working relationships with USAID through the Uganda Sanitation for Health activity, advancing the cause of LLA. Additionally, CCAYEF partners with the Uganda Water and Sanitation Network (UWASNET), a network of CSOs and institutions that promote sanitation, hygiene, and address climate change issues, thereby fostering a friendly environment. CCAYEF has also signed MoUs with local governments in Mukono, Kayunga, and Buikwe, as well as NGOs like Water for All and Charity Water, and engages with local leadership down to the village levels. Through these collaborations, CCAYEF aims to promote sustainable practices, address environmental challenges, and advocate for social justice and the empowerment of children and youth. Leveraging its partnerships and engaging with diverse stakeholders, CCAYEF strives to create innovative solutions, raise awareness, and implement effective programs that contribute to a more sustainable and inclusive future for all.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrated support of the principles of sustainable development, including inclusion and social and environmental 	<p>CCAYEF demonstrates unwavering commitment to the principles of sustainable development, inclusion, and social and environmental corporate responsibility. Through its comprehensive approach, CCAYEF exemplifies its dedication to sustainable development, embodying the values of inclusion and social and environmental corporate responsibility. CCAYEF ensures inclusivity by embracing diversity and creating equal opportunities for all through holistic care</p>

<p>corporate responsibility.</p>	<p>and support provided to children and youth from marginalized communities. Additionally, CCAYEF actively promotes environmental consciousness by implementing sustainable practices, such as energy conservation, waste reduction, and promoting eco-friendly initiatives. The organization's work contributes to the fulfillment of SDGs 2, 6, 8, 12, and 15 in all its programming. For instance, CCAYEF educates and trains adolescent girls and boys in making reusable sanitary pads, which biodegrade faster than disposable pads, thus conserving the environment. CCAYEF also incorporates Environmental Monitoring and Mitigation plans in its projects and ensures the inclusion of all vulnerable groups through data segregation and learning.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular monitoring and evaluation reporting. 	<p>CCAYEF has established a comprehensive system for regular monitoring and evaluation, guaranteeing effective assessment and reporting of its programs. Through a combination of quantitative and qualitative data collection methods, CCAYEF continuously monitors the progress and impact of its initiatives. Monthly progress reports furnish detailed information on key performance indicators, encompassing the number of children and youth reached, educational outcomes, and overall well-being advancements. These reports entail an analysis of data derived from surveys, interviews, and feedback from beneficiaries and stakeholders, facilitating the identification of strengths, weaknesses, and areas for improvement. In addition, CCAYEF conducts quarterly evaluations to assess program effectiveness and propose strategies for enhancement. These evaluations are accompanied by comprehensive reports outlining achievements, challenges, and recommendations for future implementation. CCAYEF's diligent monitoring and evaluation practices ensure transparency, accountability, and the continuous improvement of its endeavors in providing quality child care and empowering youth. The Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning team is responsible for compiling monthly and quarterly reports for all implemented programs and projects.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance with recognized environmental and social standards. 	<p>CCAYEF has established a comprehensive Environmental and Social-economic Sustainability (ESS) Policy to guide its operations and activities. This framework encompasses a sustainable development vision, environmental and social standards, and guidelines to address risks and impacts on vulnerable individuals or groups. The organization is committed to upholding internationally recognized environmental guidelines and implements sustainable practices, such as energy-efficient systems, waste reduction measures, and responsible water management, within its facilities. CCAYEF also prioritizes the well-being and empowerment of children and youth through its programs, promoting inclusivity, diversity, and equal opportunities. By engaging in continuous monitoring, evaluation, and improvement processes, CCAYEF ensures its compliance with established environmental and social standards, striving to make a positive impact on both the local community and the broader</p>

society.