

Youth Taskforce (YTF) Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday 31st, July 2018
From 10.30 am - 12:00 pm
Basecamp meeting room #4

YTF Agenda:

1. Mercy Corps operations updates, and Int. youth day initiative
2. Bridging Education & Art Together (BEAT Global) feedback
3. AoBs

Mercy Corps operations updates, and Int. youth day initiative

In April 2018, MC has re-launched their operations under the name Ishrak program, in both Zaatari camp (D04 and D07) and Azraq camp. This phased program targets wide community segments and aims to reach 3 milestones 1) Empowering individuals 2) Family integration 3) Community support. Significantly, MC mentioned that there will be also a focus on cultural activities and elderly involvements as they are not usually targeted by such programs. As the Ishrak program is inclusive, UNHCR encouraged MC to attend the Age and Disability task force for further coordination and collective work toward inclusivity in the camp.

Moreover, the MC's focal point shared the idea of a 5-day campaign to acknowledge the International Youth Day (IYD)¹ designed by MC. Through a sequence of participatory activities, MC aims to create a platform that would encourage the camp youth to have an active role toward their communities. MC asked for partners' support and contribution in this event, whether by nominating youth, or providing spaces, etc.

Action Point1: MC to share a matrix with the specific activities designed for the 5-day campaign with the needed resources for each day, in order for the partners to add their inputs. Accordingly, MC will coordinate with the YTF partners to plan further.

Action Point2:

Bridging Education & Art Together (BEAT Global) feedback

Raed re- encouraged YTF partners to contact the focal points of BEAT if they are interested in the activities that BEAT provides. BEAT newly hired a female trainer on beatboxing in order to encourage female participation.

Focal points from BEAT are: [Kristine Lin kristine@beatglobal.org](mailto:kristine@beatglobal.org), [James Kim james@beatglobal.org](mailto:james@beatglobal.org).

AoBs

¹ <https://www.un.org/development/desa/youth/international-youth-day-2017.html>

- Raed shared updates about the current complex financial status that is facing NRC youth camps program, which is a consequence of the funding challenges that UNICEF is encountering and influencing its implementation plans. The main message that NRC will do its best to sustain the youth program with its regular activities in the camps and current staff and IBVs until end 2018 but with decrease of the outreach target. Raed encouraged YTF partners to communicate any relevant updates regarding phasing out because of funding issues in order to collectively advocate for the importance of youth intervention to remain in the camps.
- War Child is aiming to establish youth open spaces in D02, 11, and 12 and would like to collect partners' ideas on the what kind of activities could be integrated within these spaces. Please share them with Hatem.
- IRD is calling for support in nominating elderly to document culture and history. IRD is recommended to share more information on how youth can support in such activity.