



# YOUTH BANK ARMENIA

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# Nine Youth Bank committees in Armenia

Work in Youth Bank Committees means 70 young people are able to do:

- Community Needs Assessments, setting criteria and priorities
  - PR activities - Radio, local newspapers, posters, events,
  - Proposal review: screening, interviews, scoring, decision making
  - Saying YES and NO to proposals
  - Contract signing, checks distribution
  - Programmatic and Financial monitoring
  - Writing reports, articles, projects
  - Celebration/ Conference
  - Local workshops
- .....
- VOLUNTEERING for communities...



# Grantmaking, capacity building Trainings (CFNI/EPF)







# Work in the communities









# Youth-lead YB funded projects



## Some examples of YB effective projects:

- Yerevan YB members were able to raise 270 USD from National Assembly speaker to match their project of cleaning the environments of “Karmir Blur” historic reserve. Gyumri YB was able to raise 250 USD from local people to match a fountain-repair project in Amasia village center. Vayots Dzor YB members were able to generate the local in-kind support of Qaraglukh village chief to support the local tourism promotion project by installing drinking water pipeline in the area of old chapel, in another project the YB members mobilized local University art students to train the crafts club members in woodcrafting, one of local NGOs provided a space for the crafts club, YB grant helped the club obtain necessary equipment, tools and materials, at the end of the project an exhibition-sales of young craftsmen’s work was organized for Yeghegnadzor community people.
- YB members raise local funds, attain co-funding from local sources, engage in charity and volunteer activity outside the scope of grant-making (English language training for kinder-garten, sports club making 150 000 AMD monthly started by YB grant, 3 villages contributed by at least 100 000 AMD to projects, Food Bank charity action in 2 towns helped 49 families with food at Easter holidays with the help of 42 volunteers, more than 70 examples of trainings attended, committee participation other public work)

# Youth Banks Volunteer



# Getting Involved - cross border



# Youth Bank Plans: to build on rather than move on...

- Strengthen active citizenship through Youth Bank
- Apply Youth Bank for conflict transformation: future leaders work across border for peace and stability
- Armenia-Azerbaijan-Georgia expand to Turkey-Abkhazia and more...
- Strengthen community work, philanthropy, personal development, sharing across countries
- Develop partnerships and networks (including internet-based)
- More publicity and outreach
- and better futures for all....

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