



EUROPEAN UNION – JAMAICA PROJECT SHEET

Project Title	EUROPEAN INSTRUMENT FOR DEMOCRACY & HUMAN RIGHTS (EIDHR) COUNTRY BASED SUPPORT SCHEME: COMMUNITY UPLIFTMENT & HUMAN RIGHTS AWARENESS PROJECT
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Sector		Budget (J \$)	Total project cost: J \$ EU contribution : J \$
Location	Jamaica	Budget (€equiv.)	Total project cost: €42,155.82 EU contribution : €29,352.80
Start Date (Est.)	December 2010	End date (Est.)	June 2012

Implemented by	RISE Life Management Services
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Objective	The overall objective of this project is to promote human rights by increasing access to quality education and life management skills. among residents of the inner-city communities of Parade Gardens, Fletchers Land, Allman Town, Tower Hill, Drewsland, Waterhouse; as well as Alpha Boy's Home and Homestead Children Facility for Girls.
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Description
<p>The project specifically addresses the needs of women and children; and is providing quality after-school adolescent education & social development programmes to participants. These programmes include; a community based human rights programme; the establishment of an After-school (GSAT) Educational Enrichment programme for children; a Literacy & Numeracy Development programme for community participants who, upon completion, will have the opportunity to sit the HEART entrance exam and receive support to enroll in a vocational training programme; a life and social skills development programme for children in childcare facilities; and a parenting education component, which will offer a series of parenting workshops to expectant mothers from 15 – 24 years old. Of particular note is the fact that a child friendly and parenting facility will be furnished under the project .</p> <p>RISELIFE is working in partnership with Jamaicans for Justice and the Women's Centre of Jamaica Foundation</p> <p>The project was officially launched at the Homestead Place of Safety for girls on May 31, 2011.</p>

Results

Based on the first year's report, the project has directly benefited and impacted a total of 542 participants over the reporting period through among other things, 12 of the implementing organization's senior trainers together with 20 community facilitators have been trained as Human Rights Education Trainers. The training is reported to have been pivotal to the accomplishment of project objectives as it further facilitated the training of an additional 317 community youth leaders age 15-24 as well as 121 community persons which included children.

Through the parenting college intervention, a total of 53 expectant mothers between the ages of 14 -30 benefited from parenting skills education delivered in 24 workshops during the reporting period. A further 34 marginalized women received training in literacy and numeracy development.

122 wards (46 from Alpha Boys Home and 76 from the Homestead Place of Safety) received training in life and social skills as well as leadership development and human rights education.

The GSAT after-school programme commenced in April 2011. 93 students are registered.

An evaluation of the project aimed at determining (1) the specific outcomes and impact of specific activities implemented under the project; (identifying lessons learnt and generating recommendations for future operations and (3) an assessment of RISE's role and performance as implementing agency has been conducted by the implementing organization. The conclusion of the evaluation was largely positive and include the following:

- that the project is closely aligned with the expectations of the national outcomes in Jamaica's National Development Plan – Vision 2030 – which includes having world class education and training, effective social protection, security and safety and effective governance.
- Successful collaborations were achieved with JFJ, Women's Centre, HEART Trust NTA, community youth groups, participating places of safety as well as participating schools.
- Capacity building of RISE's staff

Recommendation of the evaluation included:

- Further capacity building and certification for both implementing staff and community participants
- Expansion of current services
- Expansion of partnerships
- Increase public relations

The organization was recently awarded a second grant under the 2011 CfPs to undertake a phase 2 of the project.

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