Innovative Solutions By Youth During Covid 19 Pandemic

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Outline

1.0 MANDATE, FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL

2.0 POST COVID 19 RECOVERY STRATEGY.

3.0 GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION

4.0 INNOVATIONS

5.0 POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS
MANDATE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL.

- The National Youth Council is one of the state corporations domiciled in the Ministry of ICT, Innovation and Youth which came into being after the enactment of National Youth Policy (NYP) (2007) and the National Youth Council (NYC) Act (2009).

- In 2010, the Council was ratified as a corporate body through the Kenya Gazette Notice No. 88 and was operationalized in December 2012 after a nationwide electoral process.
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- The NYC comprises of 22 members (16 elected youth; representatives of Principal Secretaries in the ministries responsible for Youth, Education, Internal Security, and Finance; representative of the Attorney General; CEO.

- The National Youth Council Act of 2009 provides for the establishment of Youth Advisory Board (YAB) which is an unincorporated body.
1.0 Functions of the Council as outlined in the NYC Act 2009(Rev.2014)

1. Act as a voice of the youth
2. Promote popularize policies affecting the youth
3. Mobilize resources to support and fund youth programs and initiatives
4. Lobby for legislation on issues affecting the youth
5. Regulate and co-ordinate activities and initiatives relating to the youth
6. Inspire and promote the spirit of unity, patriotism, volunteerism and service among the youth
Since the first case of Covid 19 was registered in the Country, the youth were the hardest hit by the pandemic including loss of job, closure of business resulting to hunger frustration, hopelessness, mental health problems, increased drug abuse and crime rates.
1. Economic stimulus (short term jobs)

2. Financial Stimulus (reduction of tax, increase allocation youth fund, women fund)

3. Social Measures (social distance, lock down, distribution of soap and masks)

4. NYC promoted youth innovations through Fursa Vs Virus challenge

5. Partnerships to donate hand sanitizers, soaps and masks and food to less privileged

6. Youth engagement in community service including environmental clean ups and tree planting
Innovation

- Involves a number of activities to uncover new ways of doing things
- It also involves introduction of a new or improved good or a service

For example:

Working and schooling from home

Fashion design promoting local masks production

Herbal medicine and concoctions to prevent and reduce effect of Covid
For example: Continuation

Friendlier hand-washing Gadgets

Production of personal protective equipments and Masks

Youth engagement in sporting activities
Voluntererism for community Service

This enhanced exploitation of local capacities to replace imports
Hand washing machine
Masks production
Youth and soap production
Cloth design
Youth Participation in decision making

1. Increased budgetary allocation and number of staff

2. On Target youth for all efforts to address socio-economic impact

3. Youth have sufficient access to information

4. Enhance technological reach and internet connectivity and enhance security measures on online platforms
Policy recommendations

1. Social protection systems with special attention paid to the most vulnerable

2. Incentivize youth innovations

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