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YOUTH IN ACTION FOR DEVELOPMENT

Youth in Action for Development (YIAD) is a Kolhat Barray Project partner in Pujehun. The organization is implementing their first externally-funded project since its establishment. The UN Peacebuilding Fund, YPPD, and Cordaid are giving voices so that youth-led groups and organizations can lead boldly and take action.

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“Implementing our first and externally funded project as an organization is indeed an opportunity for us, but most importantly, we are hopeful that the new capacity we now have through the Kolhat Barray Project will enable us to connect to potential partnerships and collaborations.

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YONIANS WITH POSITIVITY ORGANIZATION

Yonians with Positivity Organization (YWPO) started as a student solidarity movement in Yoni Chiefdom, Tonkolili District. The organization has transformed itself into a formidable collective of young people's voices. Believing in dialogues, and creating spaces with the right interface, YWPO engages young women and men as means to strengthen their leadership, conflict prevention capabilities and the needed tools to transform the world around them.

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Strengthening young women and men's active participation in peacebuilding, conflict prevention, and key decision-making processes will significantly transform and make young people invaluable partners in society.

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WEST AFRICA YOUTH NETWORK FOR PEACE EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

WAYNPEED is one of the Kolhat Barray Project's sub-grantees in the Western Area Rural District, working with grassroots youth-led organizations and groups. The organization is implementing a project that is focused on strengthening youth participation in peacebuilding and conflict prevention through participatory governance. "Leh We Cam Insai Di Barry En Talk" is WAYNPEED's dubbed version of the project.

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WAYNPEED remains eagerly ready to break into new frontiers of engagement while constantly improving on its capacity to effectively deliver and the impacts necessary for operational communities.

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YOUTH AND CHILD ADVOCACY NETWORK

Established in 2005, the Youth and Child Advocacy Network (YACAN) has successfully completed two cycles of strategic plans, spanning 2010 to 2020, and is now in its third phase, 2020 to 2024. YACAN is striving to ensure Sierra Leonean young people are fully onboard the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) while clearly prioritizing focus on SDGs 4 and 5.

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We also understand the importance of SDG 13 and 16 which are integrated into our programs for children and youth across Sierra Leone. We provide platforms for children and youth from diverse backgrounds to support growth and build capacity for the next generation of advocates to raise awareness and strengthen communities. FYACAN promotes dialogues and engages with policymakers.

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CENTER FOR PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVES

Center for Partnership (CPI) envisages a society where government and other duty-bearers deliver on their obligations and make effective service delivery and accountability a must, ensuring young people are involved in decision-making processes on issues that affect their lives and where human rights are respected, and peaceful co-existence for everyone.

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As CPI, we work in partnerships to create an open society where people can contribute to the governance of their own country, participation and contribute to effective community services through the strong partnerships and collaboration

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ACTION FOR COMMUNITY TASKS

Action for Community Tasks (ACT) is one of the small grant partners in Pujehun. Pejeh chiefdom, where ACT is currently implementing the Kolhat Barray Project has had long-standing conflicts emanating from chieftaincy and local accountability. The organization is also organizing Peace Festival between 17th-19th June to foster cohesion among the people and surrounding chiefdoms.

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As a women-led organization, ACT works with local communities in Pujehun to identify significant issues of threats, violence, and instability, especially for women and girls. The organization is among a few resilient civil society organizations that have constantly worked to provide platforms for other CSOs to operate.

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YOUTH EMPOWERMENT AND DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

The Youth Empowerment and Development Organization (YEDO), works in Tonkolili with youth and their authorities to explore joint solutions for sustainable peace. YEDO believes that including young people in every aspect of society, including peacebuilding and decision-making processes, starts with the right spaces for dialogue and mutual understanding of the common challenges.

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YEDO was founded to promote youth and women through advocacy empowerment of youth in Tonkolili. The work of YEDO is primarily focused on the empowerment of youths, and their promotion in education, agriculture, peacebuilding, and social, political, and economic spheres.

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CHILDREN ADVOCACY FORUM

Our partner, Children's Advocacy Forum (CAF), resolves disputed "Kansa city land," a piece of land that has seen heightened unrest between residents of Gbanahun and Bomie communities in Peri Chiefdom, Pujehun District. CAF's intervention has clearly shown how land disputes are among vividly known conflicts in the Kolhat Barray Project operational areas.

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CAF is a local child, youth and women-centered organization established in 2009 by a small group of young people. The idea was a result of the sad experience children, youth and women faced. As young people who are passionate about empowering children and youth, we dislike cruelty and all forms of injustice done to our peers.

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ADVOCACY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND JUSTICE

Advocacy for Human Rights and Justice (ADHRJUST) works in Northern Sierra Leone. It was legally established in 2019 as a Community-Based Organization dedicated to advocating, promoting, and protecting human rights, transitional justice, gender-based violence, good governance, and rule of law while ensuring justice is accessible to all, especially the marginalized in rural communities.

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Working with local communities and universities over the years, the organization envisions a society where equal rights and justice for all, irrespective of tribe, political affiliation, ethnic origin, nationality, sex, age, and social status.

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SAVE THE EARTH FOUNDATION

Save the Earth Foundation (SEF) is A Kolhat Barray Project partner in Tonkolili District. One of SEF's project interventions are implemented in the Konike Barina chiefdom, a chiefdom by power struggles, land disputes, and depletion of forest ecosystems and biodiversity by foreign mining companies. SEF's activities are tailored to bridge these gaps by working with these communities in leading joint actions for peace.

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SEF was established in 2018 by industrious Sierra Leoneans who have the passion to contribute to national development through the formation of the organisation, by creating direct impact on the community and the nation at large thus making a positive and desirable change and finding possible solutions that are compatible with the goal of a good society.

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UNIQUE LADIES

Established in August 2020 by a group of extraordinary young ladies from across different fields of life in the Tonkolili District, the group existed as a social club, supporting and working to build women's confidence in empowerment, participation in local decision-making processes, and enhancing their leadership abilities while strengthening their business skills.

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Aspiring to become a formidable voice and support group for women's empowerment, Unique Ladies is transforming young women's lives through business and entrepreneurial leadership, capacity building and small-scale business support and especially for those at risk of sexual and gender-based violence in Kholifa Rowalla chieftdom.

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WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT

Women in Development and Environment (WODE) is a community-based development organization established in 2016 with the aim of encouraging women from all walks of life to share information and help create solutions for environmental and development challenges. In WODE's first phase of implementation, a three-day intensive step-down training session on gender- and youth-responsive conflict prevention for community leaders, youth, and women's groups in the Bawbaw community, Western Area Rural District was conducted.

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Women need to be at the forefront of the struggle for the environment with our unique experiences and visions of the future. Women's in Development and Environment aims to provide a forum for us to speak as women, to inform and educate from a woman's point of view and tailor programs that address those needs.

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RURAL AGENCY FOR COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMME

Since its inception in 2008, the Rural Agency for Community Action Programme (RACAP) has contributed in areas of collaborative peacebuilding and mediation, promoting human rights and advocacy using a rights-based approach to pro-poor land governance, capacity building for most marginalized groups in vulnerable communities, WASH promotion in schools and communities, livelihood supports and youth empowerment.

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Operating in Pujehun District as a local non-governmental organization, the Rural Agency for Community Action Programme is a registered Civil Society that work in partnerships to foster just, inclusive and empowered communities in which local citizens are able to articulate their issues and are being listened to.

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KAHEIMOH YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

Through the Kolhat Barray Project, Kaheimoh Youth Development Organization (KYDO) is facilitating inter-generational dialogues where young people can dialogue with the elderly genuinely on issues affecting communities and undertake important social action planning that will limit issues of hate, jealousy, non-accountability, grudge, leadership mismanagement, poor transparency; which most times grey space for none cooperation especially by the youth towards community peacebuilding and development, in addition to strengthening alternative dispute resolution and feedback mechanisms.

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KYDO's mission is to facilitate development processes that hinge on self-reliance and self-sufficiency through effective program delivery, promotion, and support of integrated rural development with the full participation of all.

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VOLUNTEER INITIATIVES FOR COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

Volunteer Initiatives For Community Empowerment - Sierra Leone (VOICE-SL for short), is a registered youth-led community-based organization. As a youth-led and focused Community focused organization, VOICE-SL has utilized its capacity over the years to engage youths in awareness and sensitization forums enhancing them not to only be mere beneficiaries, but rather right owners who have a stake in the issues that affect them. local CSO partner, VOICE in Tonkolili, is cascading conflict resolution and peacebuilding training for chiefdom authorities and CYCs as Peace Ambassadors in the Yoni Mamaila and Yoni Mabanta chiefdoms at Mile 91 town.

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VOICE Sierra Leone is geared toward enhancing the capacity of youths and women to be self-starters in the positive and peaceful co-existence that is needed for the well-being of the communities they live in.

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The Youth and Children's Advocacy Panel (YACAP) is one of Kolhat Barray Project partners operating in the Western Rural District. Serving as a unique and solid voice for youth-led participation in Sierra Leone's development. The Youth and Children Advocacy Panel is also a member of the Child Right Coalition, End Child Marriage Coalition and other CSO platforms.

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Isata Islander works with YACAP and has this to say ... "The training I got from the highly inclusive and participatory Kolhat Barray project enhanced the skills I needed as a youth advocate. I had the chance to interact with young people, getting first-hand information about their safety and security and help in solving the issues affecting them."

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YOUTH IN ACTION FOR ICT AND TRANSFORMATION

Youth in Action for ICT and Transformation (YAICTT) is a youth-led civil society organization that works with young people to advocate and create equal opportunity and access to ICT services, SDG 13, education, innovation, and work with communities for creating livelihood and youth participation. The organization works with relevant partners in seeking joint solutions to the many challenges of youth and their development.

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Since YAICTT's establishment, the organization has empowered, transformed, and impacted about four thousand two hundred (4,200) youth and girls with essential ICT skills development, entrepreneurship, ICT skills job, Green Jobs at community levels and mentorship.

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PLEASANT FOUNDATION SIERRA LEONE

Pleasant Foundation is implementing the Kolhat Barray Project in the Western Rural District with the objective of promoting youth participation in governance and decision making, stirring innovative approaches to strengthen community-Based Dispute Resolution (CBDR). The project will also promote young women's participation in peace and security and improve youth-led SGBV responses within the community. The project is dubbed "Fambul Tik" in Krio dialect meaning "Family Tree." It strives to bridge the gap between the different tribes and political parties and promotes peaceful co-existence. Apart from political parties, it will also promote unity and oneness among ethnic groups. Funded by the United Nations Peacebuilding Fund (UNPBF), Youth Partnership for Peace and Development (YPPD) and Cordaid provide the much-needed support to budding initiatives so they can thrive and lead their change processes in the areas they operate.



Pleasant Foundation further works on young peoples sexual and reproductive health rights in Sierra Leone.

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CIVIC EDUCATION CENTER

Civic Education Center's mission is to promote Civic Education, foster patriotism, and enhance peaceful co-existence among fellow Sierra Leoneans. Civic Questioners' intervention in the Kolhat Barray Project focuses on deepening community education, building capacity and understanding of Motorbike Riders in the Rokel Community and reaching out through media.

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The Civic Education Centre is also a one-stop center where members of the Schools Civic Education Clubs (setup in the Schools visited) meet for further grooming so the Pupils/Club Members in turn go back and teach their fellow Schoolmates during devotions or assemblies.

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FAMBUL INITIATIVE NETWORK FOR EQUALITY

Tambul Initiative Network for Equality (FINE) has trained and equipped male gender and rights advocates and peer educators in all operational locations. FINE's mandate is to contribute toward improving sexual and reproductive health rights (SRHR) and the elimination of GBV and any other forms of gender discrimination including harmful traditional practices through male-led interventions across the country in collaboration with a range of partners as a male-led advocacy organization on gender-related Issues, Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights and HIV/AIDS preventive campaign and awareness.

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The goal of the Integrated Actions for women and Youth's involvement is a Social Behavior Reform Project set to create community platform that engage and motivate women and youth to participate and articulate their own issues, development drive, and contribute and participate into community-based dispute resolution processes.

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CONCERNED MOTHERS MOVEMENT FOR WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN DEVELOPMENT

Concerned Mothers Movement for Women's Participation in Development (CMMWPD) is a Kolhat Barray Project partner operating Pujehun District, serving as a formidable movement towards self-determination, self-actualization and self-sufficiency with emphasis on the protection and fulfillment of human rights for women, youth, and children. It is a local non-Governmental organization formed in 1998 and registered with the Bo District Council and the Ministry of Development and Economic Development in Sierra Leone.

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As an organization' CMMWPD's vision is a peaceful and harmonious society where all women, children and men have equal access to quality healthcare, education, social and legal protection and economic growth opportunities to live happy and fulfilling lives.

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