**Youth Taskforce (YTF) Minutes of Meeting**

Tuesday 13 June 2017

From 10.30am -11.30 pm

Basecamp F5

***Attendees***

Leana (UNFPA), Ghaida (NRC), Kareem (UNICEF), Andrina (UNICEF), Noor (MC)

Based on Agenda:

1. **Follow up on NRC/Reach Youth Assessment**
2. **AOBs**

**1.Follow up on NRC/Reach Youth Assessment**

Issues raised in the assessment that the YTF can respond to:

**Problem 1:** Barriers of female youth participation (Sexual harassment and perceptions of sexual harassment as well as lack of awareness about benefits of youth programs for females)

Young people can raise the issue in the community gatherings about the importance of young females attending youth targeted programmes. This could be done by youth who have graduated from youth centers as role models who encourage others to send their children/youth to attend.

**Action Point:** Each YTF member org can nominate 2 young people (male and female) to formulate a team of outreach people who can go to community gatherings and advocate and also come up with innovative ideas on how to spread positive messages about youth targeted programming.

**Action Point:** YTF will come up with a list of criteria for selecting Youth Ambassadors to share with members to help facilitate how and whom they select.

**Action Point:** Once the youth group is formed, Chairs to invite them to YTF meeting to brainstorm together about key messages and methods of spreading them.

**Problem 2:** Lack of information on courses available and deadlines being shared too late.

Getting out information on courses and dates for registration is an area the YTF needs to focus more on. The assessment found that participants found out information from friends. NRC has tried to use Ambassadors in the past to spread information about courses but it didn’t work well as not all of them were committed enough. If we were to go for this option we would need to have very clear criteria for how to select the young people. Some youth wanted incentives to do it. NRC mobile innovation lab could help in spreading information as one channel. UNHCR’s sms option can also be used to send out deadline information on courses.

**Action Point:** YTF members can provide information for the remainder of the year of the courses available in their centers and the deadlines for applying. Then, at the beginning of the 2018, YTF members can share information on courses planned for the whole year and make a flier to be disseminated with the support of the CMWG.

**NB.** UNICEF will start a roll out ToT training for its online platform “Jeel962” in Zaatari and Azraq. The training will be conducted in Amman. It is a platform for youth once they graduate from Makani centers or youth programming where they can raise national issues that affect their lives to be discussed on the platform. They select major topics for the year to discuss. 18,000 members across Jordan now. Internet in camps is a challenge. UNICEF is trying to figure out a solution to the internet challenge.

**Action Point**: Kareem (UNICEF) to get back to YTF on the UNICEF Regional PAR that was conducted by the Zaatari youth.

**Problem 3:** Youth need more technical and skills based courses, such as trades, ICT and language programmes. They want more advanced courses, more tools and equipment to develop skills following courses, spaces to practice developing skills outside of courses, programmes encouraging entrepreneurship and finally, support in transitioning from technical skills learning to gainful employment.

UNICEF is working on getting a project up and running run by youth for the whole community from the social innovation unit who will have a time bank where people exchange services for time. This exchange of services gives the opportunity to practice skills and get services for free but for time. If it works in Azraq, where it will be piloted first, it could spread in Zaatari as well. The idea is to have a time bank and a tool bank. This idea should be heavily supported in the camps and acted upon as soon as possible as it would be a great solution to many of the needs that have been raised.

**Action Point:** UNICEF will look into its Life Skills package to see how it may be able to include skills that help youth find a job, CV writing, motivation letter, job searches to be integrated into life skills.

**Action Point:** Once the RefuGIS mapping of youths services in Zaatari is completed, a dedicated session will be held to map out spaces available, together with the information already shared by YTF members on their courses available. This will help YTF members identify how best to share their spaces, based on needs, to provide more opportunities for advanced courses to youth and spaces where they might be able to practice their skills.

**Problem 4:** Youth with disabilities are still very much excluded.

YTF needs to see how to better provide for this vulnerable group of youth.

**Action Point**: Chair to follow up with UNHCR on YWD data.

**Action Point:** Ask Reach for the power point presentation.

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| **Meeting** | **Day & time** | **Location** | **Focal point** |
| **Youth Task Force** | Every other Tuesday @ 10.30 | Base camp Buffer zone (F5) or Youth Site | Raed (NRC) / Leana (UNFPA) |
| **Education WG (Za'tari)** | Every other Tuesday @ 11.30 | Base camp Buffer zone (F5) | Kareem (UNICEF) |
| **Education WG (Amman)** | Every other Monday @ 12:00 | UNICEF/SCJ | Paul (NRC) |
| **Community mobilization** | Every other Tuesday @12.30 | Base camp Buffer zone (F5) | Irene (UNHCR) |
| **Camp management** | Every other Tuesday @ 13:00 | Base camp UNHCR | Leana (UNFPA), Raed (NRC) |
| **Youth committees** | Wednesday @ 12.30 | IRD community center district 10 | Mais (IRD) |
| **CP-GBV WG** | Every other Thursday @ 11.30 | Base camp UNHCR #4 | Leana (UNFPA) |
| **Age and Disability TF** | Sunday @ 13:00 (every fortnight) | Base camp #3 | Nermeen (FPSC) |
| **Protection WG (Zaatari)** | Every other Thursday @ 13:00 | Base camp UNHCR #4 | Georgie (QS) |
| **Protection WG (Amman)** | Wednesday @ 11:00 (once a month) | UNHCR Khalda in EMOPS room | Leana (UNFPA) |
| **ISWG (Amman)** | First Sunday of every month @ 14:00 | UNHCR Khalda in EMOPS room | Leana (UNFPA) |
| **Basic Needs and Livelihood Working Group (BNLWG)** | Every other Tuesday @ 10:30 am | Base Camp UNHCR #1 | Dima Alardah (NRC) |