



# Youth-led Structures

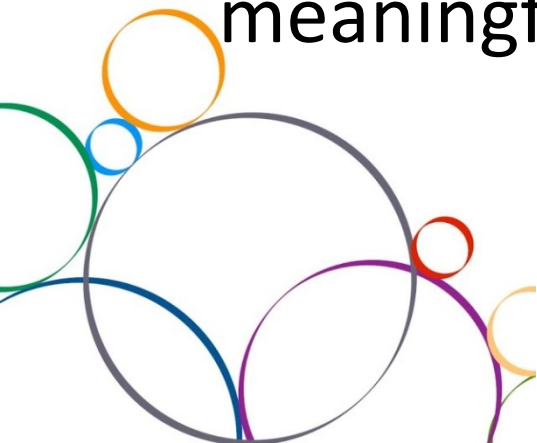
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# Youth-led structure

is a social structure, both formal and informal, that civically engage youth (young adults) in identifying common interest, mobilizing their peers and action to work collectively in order to alter power relationships, address human rights and justice issues and create meaningful institutional/community/societal change.



# Characteristics of the Youth Led Structure

- Structure of the status
- Structure led by youth (youth leaders)
- 3 interconnected levels of action:
  - Individual
  - Community
  - Societal



# State of Youth Organising

- Growing number of youth-led structures
- Lack of resources
- Lack of sustainability



# Resource Mobilization

## Financial:

Philanthropic  
organizations

Governmental  
Funding

CSR

International  
organizations



# Recommendations

- Legal and policy framework
- Youth Budgeting
- Capacity building and capacity development
- Partnerships





**Thank you for your attention!**



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