

Detailed Implementation & Financial Report

Community Health & Education Research (2023)
January – December 2023

1. Project Overview

- **Title:** Community Health & Education Research
 - **Location:** Livingstone & Kazungula Districts, Southern Province, Zambia
 - **Duration:** January – December 2023
 - **Objective:** To assess barriers to youth access in health, education, and livelihoods, and provide actionable evidence for district-level policy and program development.
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2. Background & Rationale

Youth in Southern Province face persistent challenges including low school retention, limited access to SRHR services, and fragile livelihood opportunities. A lack of localized data hinders responsive policy and programming. This project addressed the gap by conducting evidence-based research, equipping youth with research skills, and engaging policymakers with community-driven recommendations.

3. Activity Components

- **Youth Enumerator Training** in survey and data collection.
- **Household Surveys** (250 households across 5 wards).

- **Focus Group Discussions** (4 community groups including parents, teachers, youth).
- **Data Analysis & Policy Briefing** for district and provincial authorities.
- **Validation Workshop** with Kazungula and Livingstone councils.

4. Detailed Execution Phases

Phase 1 – Planning & Tool Development (Jan–Feb 2023)

- Developed research instruments; recruited and trained 10 youth enumerators.

Phase 2 – Data Collection (Mar–Jun 2023)

- Conducted 250 household surveys; facilitated 4 FGDs with key community groups.

Phase 3 – Data Analysis & Drafting (Jul–Sep 2023)

- Analyzed survey and FGD results; drafted policy recommendations.

Phase 4 – Validation & Dissemination (Oct–Nov 2023)

- Hosted stakeholder validation workshop; distributed 200 copies of policy briefs.

Phase 5 – Reporting (Dec 2023)

- Submitted final report to donor and district stakeholders.

5. Implementation Timeline

Phase	Timeline
Planning & Tool Development	Jan – Feb 2023

Data Collection	Mar – Jun 2023
Data Analysis & Drafting	Jul – Sep 2023
Validation & Dissemination	Oct – Nov 2023
Reporting	Dec 2023

6. Outcomes & Impact

- **Research Outputs:** 250 surveys completed, 1 comprehensive policy brief produced.
 - **Policy Influence:** Findings integrated into Livingstone District Youth Action Plan.
 - **Capacity Building:** 10 youth trained in research methods and data analysis.
 - **Community Benefit:** Strengthened collaboration between youth, schools, and councils.
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7. Key Partners

- **University of Zambia (Dept. of Education Research)** – technical support
 - **Livingstone & Kazungula District Councils** – policy adoption and validation
 - **Southern Province Health Office** – alignment with youth health initiatives
 - **Community Leaders & Youth Enumerators** – field research and mobilization
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8. Youth Interview Excerpts & Community Testimonials

“Being part of the survey made me realize my voice matters in shaping local policies.”
— **Namakau, Student (Livingstone)**

“This research showed us gaps we ignored for years. Now we can address school dropouts with better evidence.”

— Mr. Hamaundu, Parent (Kazungula)

9. Financial Report – Youth Research Grant (\$35,000)

Budget Item	Amount (USD)	Description
Training & Tool Development	\$5,000	Enumerator training, research tools, manuals
Data Collection	\$12,000	Transport, stipends, survey logistics
Data Analysis & Reporting	\$8,000	Software, consultant support, printing briefs
Stakeholder Workshops	\$6,000	Venue, facilitation, policy dissemination
Monitoring & Evaluation	\$2,000	Tracking & reporting
Administration & Contingency	\$2,000	Coordination, communication, buffer
Total Grant Allocation	\$35,000	Total Funding

Summary

The project successfully generated actionable evidence to address education and health challenges facing youth in Southern Province. It built youth research capacity, strengthened community engagement, and influenced district-level policies.

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