



# Global LEAD Initiative

Activating and Supporting the Collective Impact of One Million Young Changemakers





# USAID Commitment to Youth

"Young people are some of our strongest partners in securing peace and progress on the ground. In everything from advocating on behalf of the marginalized and people with disabilities, to embracing and employing clean energy and sustainable farming techniques, to driving peaceful movements for democracy on nearly every continent - young people are not waiting for change- young people are driving change."

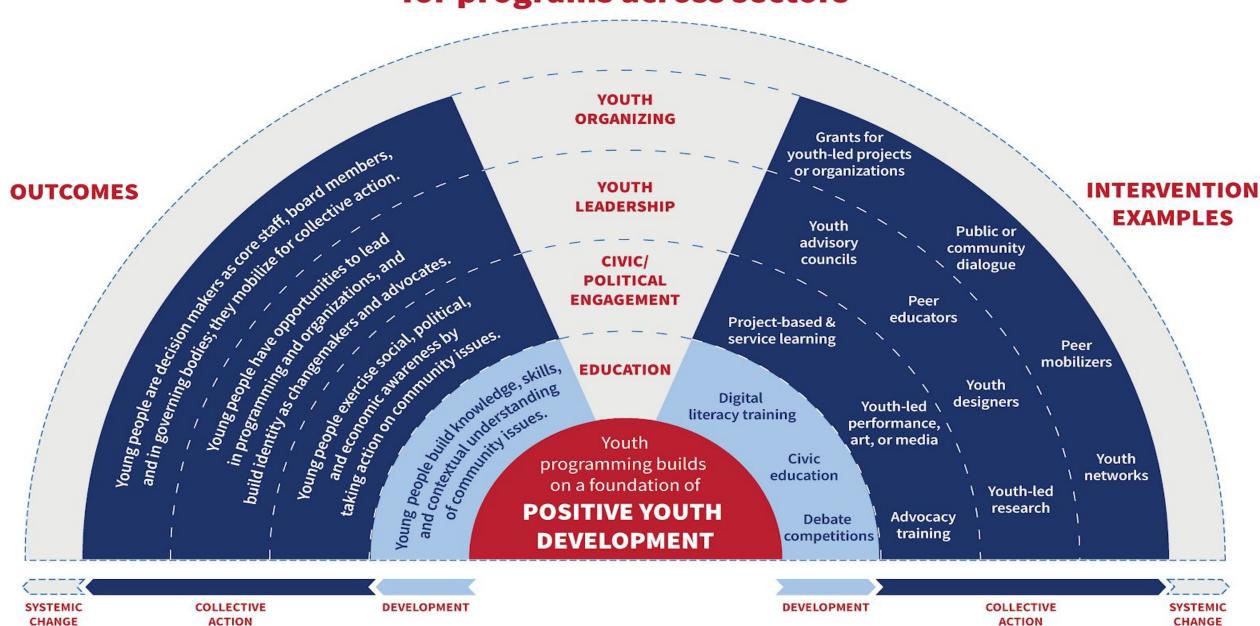
- Administrator Samantha Power, August 12, 2021

# ONE MILLION YOUNG PEOPLE AS PARTNERS IN DEVELOPMENT



Global Leadership and Education for Advancing Development (Global LEAD) is USAID's Agency-wide initiative to partner with young people and meet development objectives and the SDGs through enhanced education, civic/political engagement, and leadership opportunities across sectors.

# Global LEAD Framework for programs across sectors



## Sample Global LEAD Activities: North Macedonia

## **Youth Ethnic Integration**

Fosters positive interactions among ethnically diverse youth at the school and community level, and improves civic engagement among Macedonia's youth.



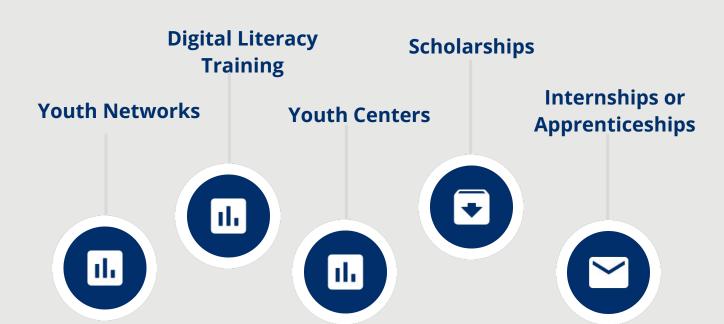


Contemporary civic education curricula have been introduced in upper primary and vocational schools, which aim to strengthen students' civic knowledge, skills, and behaviors.

# Sample Global LEAD Activities: Guatemala

#### **Puentes**

Supports youth in high migration areas of Guatemala with access to education, employment, entrepreneurship opportunities, and life skills.





Puentes will support 25,000 vulnerable youth while also working with training providers to improve the quality of their programs.

#### OFFER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Tools and support to improve activity design, learning, communications, and partnerships

#### AMPLIFY AND BUILD ON SUCCESS

Disseminate examples from the field and develop learning and knowledge sharing across Missions



# CONNECT TO YOUTH NETWORKS

Foster connections between Missions and youth networks in their country

## CREATE SHARED UNDERSTANDING

Communicate a new narrative - young people can and should be partners in development

# What does Global LEAD do?

#### **FOOD SECURITY**

 RFS - Youth and Food Systems Entrepreneurship



#### **GENDER**

- Adolescent Girls
   Strategy
- GBV Prevention



#### **COVID**

- Youth engagement on COVID prevention and response
- Possible Big 6 GlobalYouth Mobilization



#### **CLIMATE**

- Youth Ambassadors for Climate Change
- Oceans Plastics Initiative



#### **DEMOCRACY**

- SYNAPSE Pilots
- Advancing civic education and engagement



#### **DIGITAL**

- YouthMappers
- Intl. Digital Youth Council
- Youth Digital Leaders with Youth Excel



#### **EDUCATION**

- Higher Education scholarships and Exchanges
- YWFD and Entrepreneurship



## HUMAN CAPITAL (EDUCATION/JOBS/HEALTH)

 Innovations in Education, Workforce Development, Health (DREAMS Ambassadors



