

Title of Project (not to change once submitted): Economic Empowerment Project for Peace

Country where project took place: Cité Soleil, Haiti

Sponsoring college: Future Generations University

Designated project leader name: Jean Marc Lemou

Date range of project execution: Summer 2021

Describe the Project:

It is crucial to see how the socio-economic and health problems existing in the community can be reduced to the point of eradicating them in order to create economic opportunities through income-generating activities, with the contribution of mutual solidarity so that the basic needs, especially in terms of access to social services and economic activities, are improved with the help of external funding.

There is a need to strengthen the capacity of young women working in society to be actively involved at the socio-economic level in order to reduce the unemployment rate in the community, the female population is very active, 55% in their contribution to the economy of the population following the report of health policy project. These economic activities can reverse the trend from business failure to success, but action must be taken to make the most of community resources and to create a genuine popular cultural identity that allows every citizen to feel involved in an inclusive way in his or her community.

The best way to strengthen the economy is to center human in economic development as Agents of Change. Since poverty is perceived as a burden, it is

necessary to create a climate of sustainability but also stable economic development in order to guarantee wealth. Therefore, these entrepreneurs are called through their investments to create more gain and wealth in order to develop the socio-economic and environmental system in the idea of contributing to the reduction of unemployment in their community

Expected outcomes:

General Objectives: The main objective is to reduce the vulnerability of women-run small businesses by helping entrepreneurs to implement management measures and develop their capacities.

Specific objectives:

- Establish a local economic framework based on young socially responsible entrepreneurs by empowering the entrepreneurial capacities of 10 young women through entrepreneurship training and a grant for their Business Plans.
- Establish a selection method for vulnerable small businesses and a database that will be used not only by this program but also by those with related development activities.
- Develop and test a model of small business management measures based on grants and business management training workshops.

Prospects for future impact:

- Develop the capacity of young business women to participate more effectively in decision-making to develop their communities.