

The Foundation for People and Community Development (FPDC) conducted activities to reduce the number of young people using risky behavior in settlements of the National Capital District in Papua New Guinea.

Who's involved?

Project leader: Michael Kawak

Lead organisation: The Foundation for People and Community Development (FPDC)

Other organisations: The National AIDS Council of Papua New Guinea

Timeframe: December 2010-October 2011

Objectives:

- To conduct STI awareness and education in settlements of the National Capital District;
- To build the capacities of youth sex workers in alternative sustainable livelihood projects aimed at both the formal & informal sectors;
- To provide appropriate assistance to youth participating in prostitution and the rehabilitation of selected sex workers; and
 - To provide effective awareness information on HIV/AIDS in target settlements of Port

Moresby.
Activities:
They produced informative material on HIV/AIDS, organized two educational sessions targeting youths in NCD settlements and sponsored young sex workers to participate in life skills courses and business training at identified vocational training centers.
In the same vein, they negotiated with potential employers for opportunities available to reformed sex workers and published stories of youth sex workers who had successfully made the transition to other employment. A general STI, and HIV/AIDS awareness workshop was organized with follow-up sessions in identified NCD settlements.
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