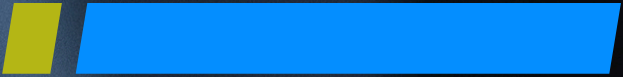


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Organizational Profile 2026



Youth Empowerment • Community Transformation • Sustainable Development

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About

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VOYOTA

Youth-Led. Community-Driven. Transforming Tanzania Since 2012.

ABOUT VOYOTA

VOYOTA is a registered, non-governmental, non-partisan, youth-led, and non-profit organization headquartered in Usa River, Arusha, Tanzania. We believe that when young people are truly empowered, entire communities transform.

We work with under-resourced youth, women, and rural communities across multiple regions of Tanzania – delivering programs that span economic empowerment, health education, civic leadership, environmental conservation, and vocational skills development.

Our work is not top-down. It is youth-led, community-driven, and grounded in the belief that the solutions to Tanzania's most pressing challenges already exist within its young people.

Our Origins: Talanta Mtaani (2012)

VOYOTA began as a grassroots street movement called Talanta Mtaani — "Movement for Street Notorious Talents" — created by vibrant young Arusha youth determined to inspire underserved peers to unlock their potential. In July 2017, the movement was formally registered as an NGO, becoming Voice of Youth Tanzania — VOYOTA.

At a glance

Founded

| 2012 (As Talant Mtaani)

Registered NGO:

| July 2017 | ooNGO/R2/000297

Headquarters:

| Usa River, Leganga, Arusha

Organization type:

| Youth-Led NGO, Non-Profit

Legal Status:

| Non-Partisan, Non-Governmental

Coverage:

| Tanzania Mainland

Office Hours:

| Monday – Friday, 8:30 – 17:00

Website:

| www.voyota.org

2012

Talanta Mtaani Founded

Street movement born in Arusha, empowering youth through talent & skills



2015

Growing Reach

Programs expanded; community trust built across Arusha region



2017

NGO Registration

Formally registered in July 2017; VOYOTA officially established



2019

Sauti ya Kijana

School club initiative launched in 9 secondary schools, Meru District



2022

Her Voice Programs

AFYA (Monduli) & UJUZI WANGU vocational training reach 10,000+ girls



2024

REST & YEFFA Scale-Up

REST 6-year program launched with DSW-Tanzania; YEFFA mobilizes 245K+ youth



Vision,

02

Mission & Values

The Principles That Guide Everything We Do

Our strategic Direction

Mission

"A Tanzania To support youth efforts by promoting social welfare through research, vocational training, economic empowerment, awareness raising, networking, and advocacy."nian society with unlimited possibilities and transformative opportunities for youth."

Vision

"A Tanzanian society with unlimited possibilities and transformative opportunities for youth."

Core Values



Core

03

Program Areas

Five Pillars of Youth Empowerment & Community Transformation

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Civic Engagement & Leadership

Building confident civic leaders who advocate for communities with evidence and conviction despite underrepresentation.



4

Environment & Sustainability

Youth-led tree planting, environmental dialogues, conservation clubs and Sustainable farming.



5

Education & Skills Development

Vocational training, school clubs and educational pathways for girls, young women, and out-of-school youth.



2

Health Education & Well-being

Accessible, youth-friendly reproductive health, HIV prevention, mental wellness and SRH rights information and services.



1

Youth Empowerment & Economic Development

Equipping youth with the mindset, skills and market connections for dignified livelihoods – from agribusiness to financial literacy.



VOYOTA
CORE
PROGRAMS

Flagship

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Programs

Five Transformative Initiatives Across Tanzania



Program	Target Audience	Focus Area	Duration	Reach
01 YEFFA Ajira Yangu	Youth 15–35 8 Regions	Agribusiness & Economic Empowerment	Ongoing	300,000+
02 Her Voice- Ujuzi wangu	AGYW Disadvantaged Areas	Vocational Skills & Economic Independence	2022–2027	Expanding
03 Her Voice - Afya	AGYW 15–29 Monduli DC	Health, GBV Prevention & SRHR	2024–2026	10,000+
04 REST	Youth 15–35 Meru & Monduli	Reproductive Health & HIV Prevention	2022–2027	Multi-ward
05 Sauti ya Kijana	Students Meru District	Civic Leadership & Environmental Action	2019–Present	9 Schools

300,000+

Youth Mobilized

119,000+

Youth Empowered

5,442

Jobs Created

800

Village Based Advisors (VBAs)

8

8 Regions eached

YEFFA was born from a stark reality: over 1 million youth enter Tanzania's job market annually, yet only 40,000 formal jobs exist. YEFFA repositions agriculture as a dignified, profitable career. Through 48 interactive training sessions across crop-specific value chains (sunflower, horticulture, paddy rice, maize), business coaching, and market linkage facilitation, the program has mobilized 300,000+ youth across 8 regions – with 95% of participants now viewing agriculture as a viable career.

Key results include: 119,000+ Equipped with Agribusiness and Agronomic Practices, 5,000+ Jobs created, 800+ VBA ecosystemes created, 322 youth groups and cooperatives formed and strengthened, 130 youth-led organizations supported, and digital tools like Kilimo BaNDO reaching rural communities.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ 95% mindset shift toward agriculture as career
- ✓ 124 youth groups formed
- ✓ 198 cooperatives strengthened
- ✓ 130 youth-led organizations supported
- ✓ Digital tools: Kilimo BaNDO
- ✓ 8 regions covered across Tanzania

GEOGRAPHIC REACH



6 Months

Vocational Training

5+ Skills

Tailoring, Hair, Baking, IT, Biz

2027

Scale Target

AGYW

Primary Beneficiaries

Ujuzi Wangu means "My Skills" — and that is exactly what this program delivers. Six-month vocational training covers tailoring, hairdressing, baking, computer literacy, English, and business development. Every participant also receives life skills education, sexual and reproductive health information, leadership coaching, and community engagement support.

Graduates transition into incubation hubs and workstations where they gain real-world experience and begin building self-sustaining livelihoods. By 2027, VOYOTA will scale across additional districts with new vocational centers.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ 6-month intensive vocational training
- ✓ 5 vocational tracks offered
- ✓ Life skills + SRH education integrated
- ✓ Leadership coaching provided
- ✓ Incubation hubs for graduates
- ✓ Expansion to new districts by 2027



📍 Geographic Reach: Arusha region — expanding to additional districts by 2027

10,000+

Youth Target by 2026

10

Healthcare Providers Trained

105

Dialogue Participants

Monduli

Implementation District

In Monduli District — a rural area inhabited largely by indigenous Maasai communities — adolescent girls face compounding barriers: male-dominated decision-making, limited health access, and exposure to HIV, early pregnancy, and forced marriage.

Her Voice AFYA strengthens youth-friendly health services, expands access to Comprehensive Sexuality Education, builds GBV referral systems, and promotes economic self-reliance. Youth Champions have successfully intervened in forced marriage cases and organized community dialogues with traditional leaders. Active in Sepeko, Monduli Juu, and Engutoto (2024–2026).

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Integrated HIV/TB/SRH service delivery
- ✓ 10 healthcare providers trained
- ✓ Youth Champions trained on GBV response
- ✓ Forced marriage interventions documented
- ✓ Community dialogues with traditional leaders
- ✓ Target: 10,000 youth reached by 2026



📍 Geographic Reach: Monduli District Council, Arusha Region (Sepeko, Monduli Juu, Engutoto)

6 Years

Program Duration 2022–2027

DSW-Tanzania

Strategic Partner

AGYW

74% of new HIV cases

Multi-Ward

Implementation Reach

In partnership with DSW-Tanzania, REST is a six-year initiative promoting sexual and reproductive health rights, HIV/AIDS prevention, and self-protection among youth aged 15–35. In Tanzania, 74% of new HIV infections occur among adolescent girls aged 15–19 — REST responds with community dialogues, health provider training, and youth-friendly service delivery support.

Since implementation, the program has documented reduced early pregnancies in target wards, supported SRH-dedicated rooms in health facilities, and connected survivors of sexual violence to legal and medical assistance in Meru DC and Monduli DC.



Among the most powerful moments was when Margret, a young schoolgirl, stood before the room and spoke on behalf of her peers. Through tears, she described how FGM delays girls' education, forces them into early marriages with much older men, and leaves deep physical and psychological scars. Her voice moved the room — and moved people to act.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ 6-year program 2022–2027
- ✓ Partnership with DSW-Tanzania
- ✓ SRH rooms in health facilities secured
- ✓ Reduced early pregnancies documented
- ✓ GBV survivors connected to legal aid
- ✓ Health provider sign language training



📍 Geographic Reach: Meru DC (Maroroni, Maruvango, Imbaseni, Maji Ya Chai) | Monduli DC (Meserani, Lepurko, Mto wa Mbuu)

9 Schools

Active Club Presence

2019

Program Launch Year

Meru Dist.

Implementation Area

Multi-Sector

Education, Environment, Leadership

"Sauti ya Kijana" means "Youth Voice" — and this program ensures it is heard. Launched in 2019, school clubs are established in secondary schools creating platforms for student leadership, child rights education, GBV prevention, environmental conservation, and civic engagement.

Currently active in: Fikiria Kwanza, Unabwe, Uraki, Singisi, Madira, Muungano, Ngongongare, Kiwawa, and Nasholi. Activities include tree planting, environmental dialogues, World Environment Day celebrations, public speaking training, Good Deeds Day community service, and partnerships with government and NGOs.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ 9 secondary schools active
- ✓ Child rights education delivered
- ✓ Tree planting & environmental action
- ✓ GBV prevention integrated
- ✓ Good Deeds Day community service
- ✓ Expanding to all Meru District schools



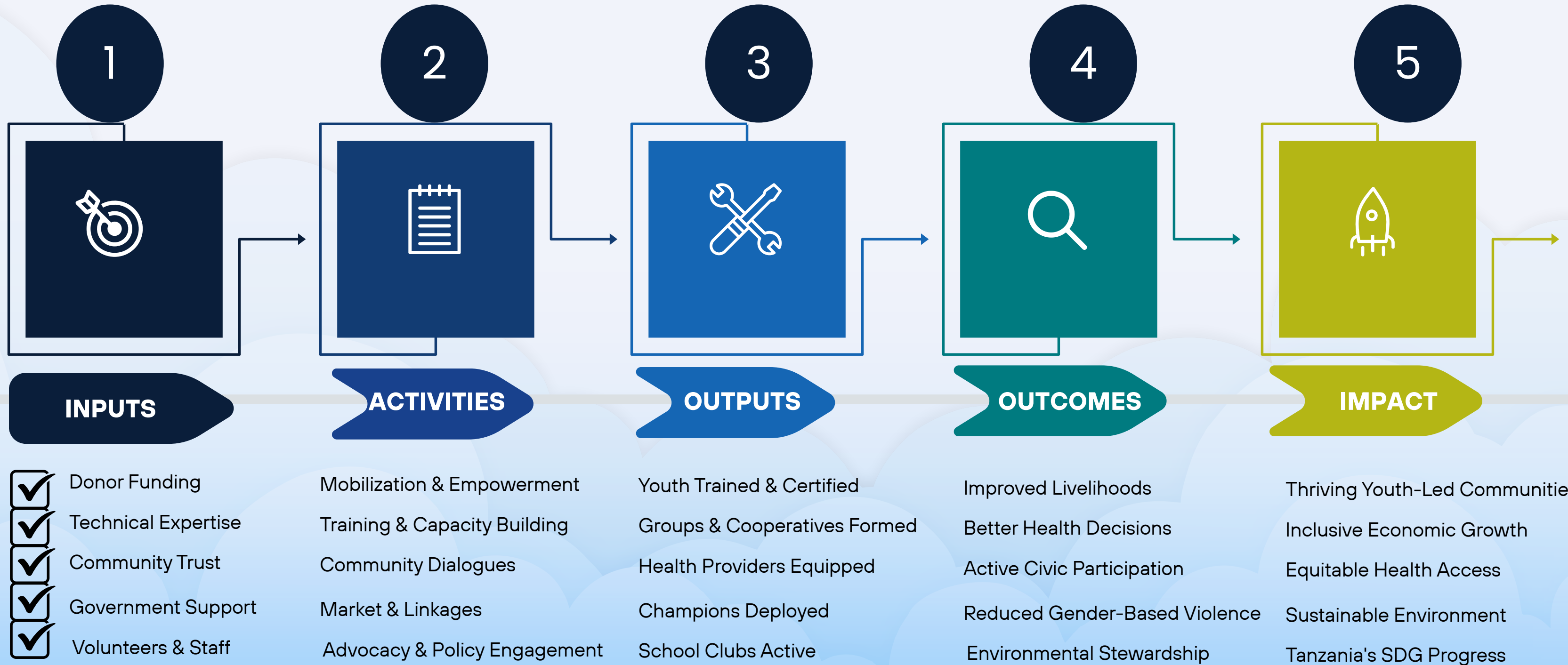
📍 Geographic Reach: 9 Secondary Schools, Meru District — expanding to full district coverage

Theory

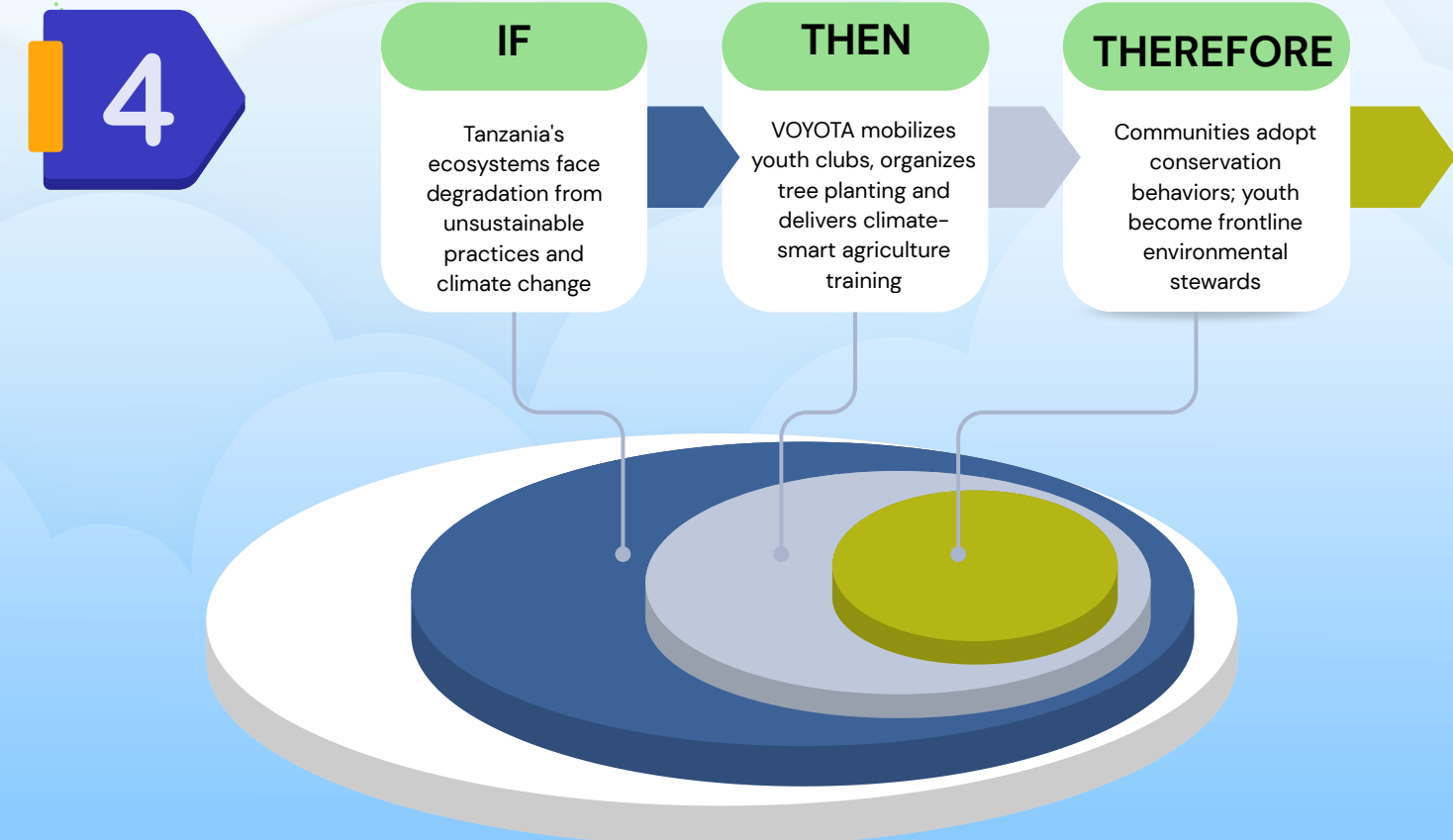
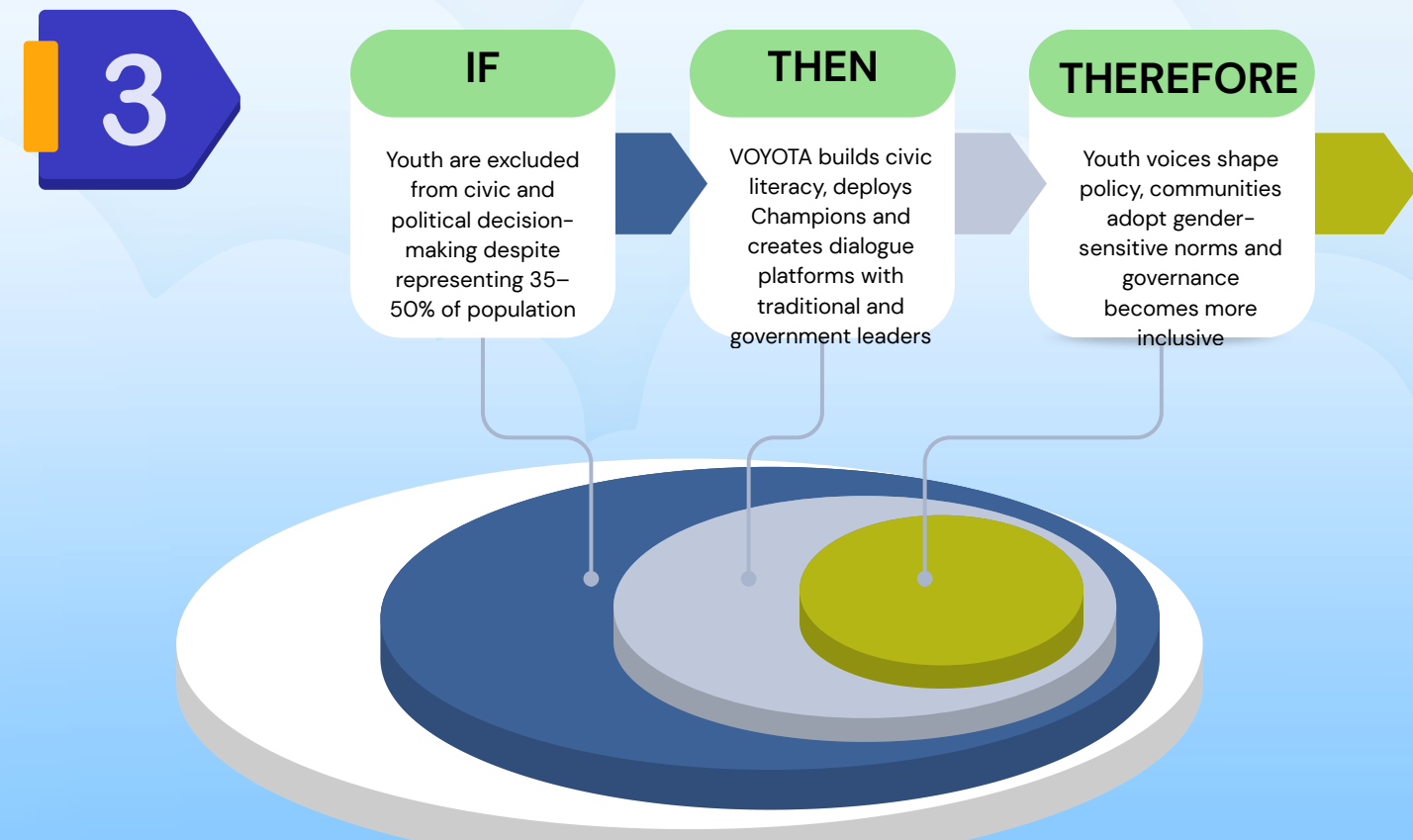
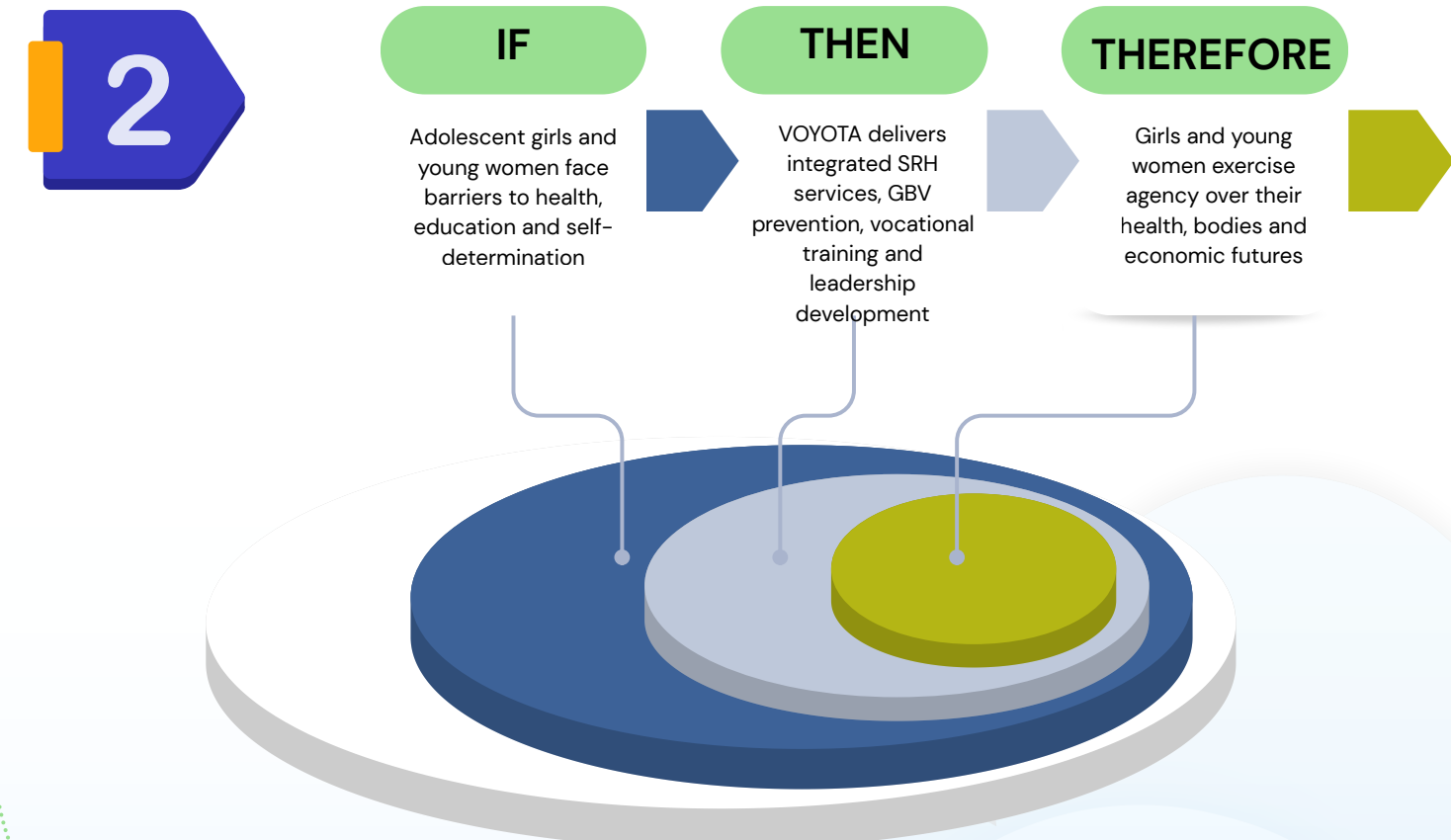
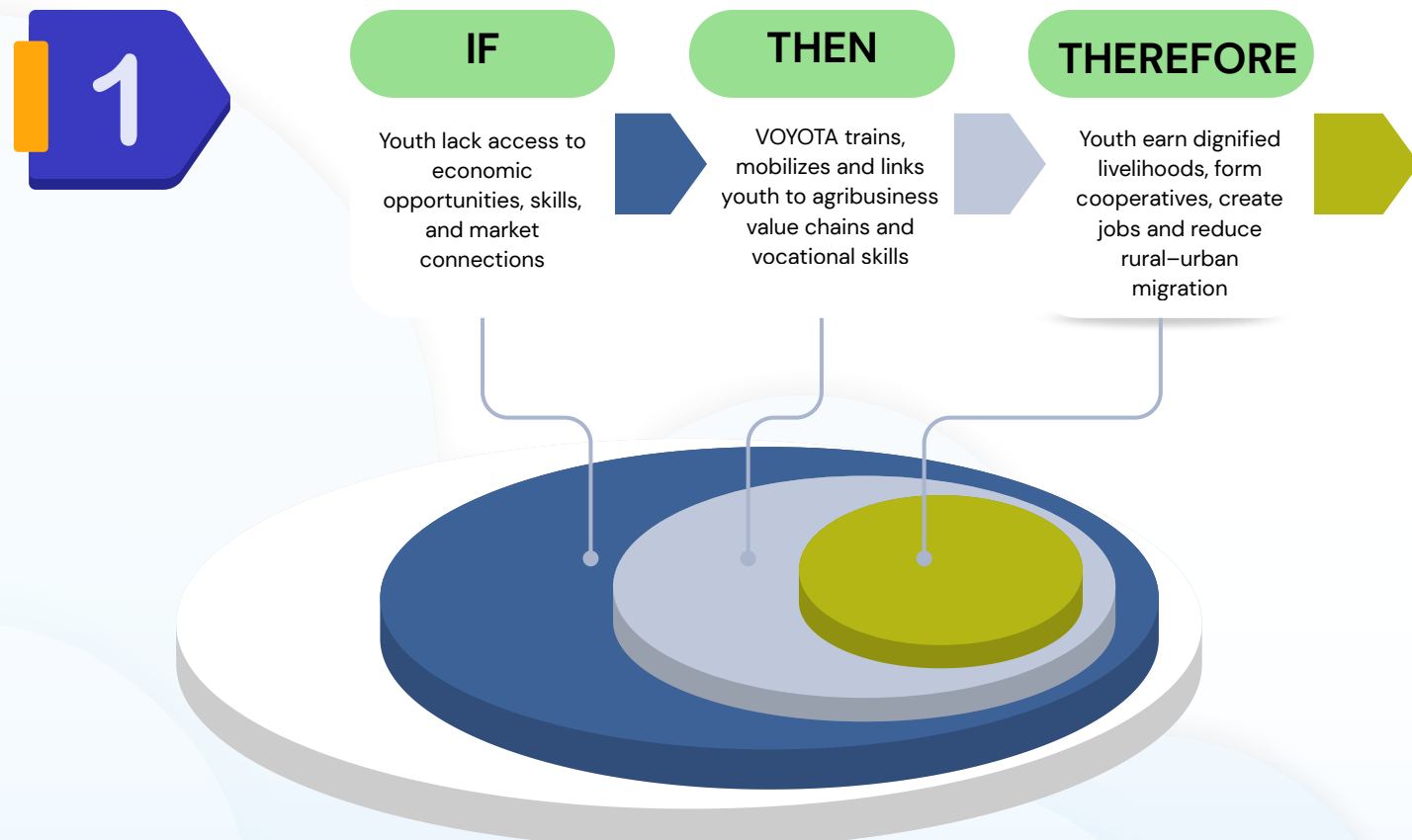
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Of Programs

How VOYOTA Creates Lasting Community Transformation



KEY ASSUMPTIONS: Youth have potential but lack opportunity | Community engagement builds sustainable change | Multi-sector partnerships amplify impact | Evidence guides program adaptation



Impact

& Results

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Evidence of Change Across Tanzania

300,000+

Youth Mobilized
(YEFFA Program)

119,274+

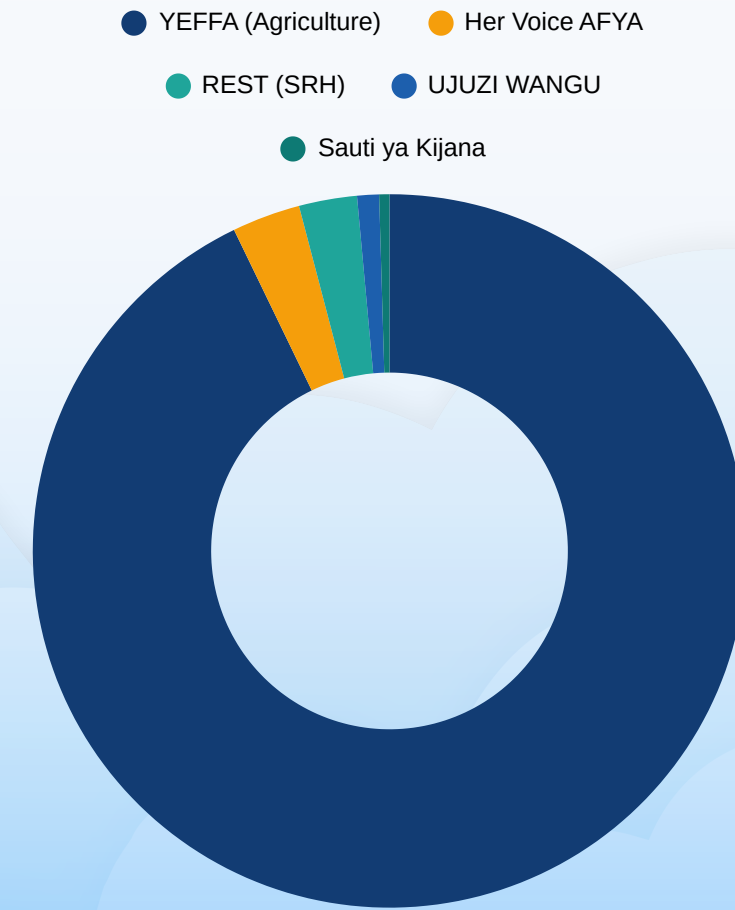
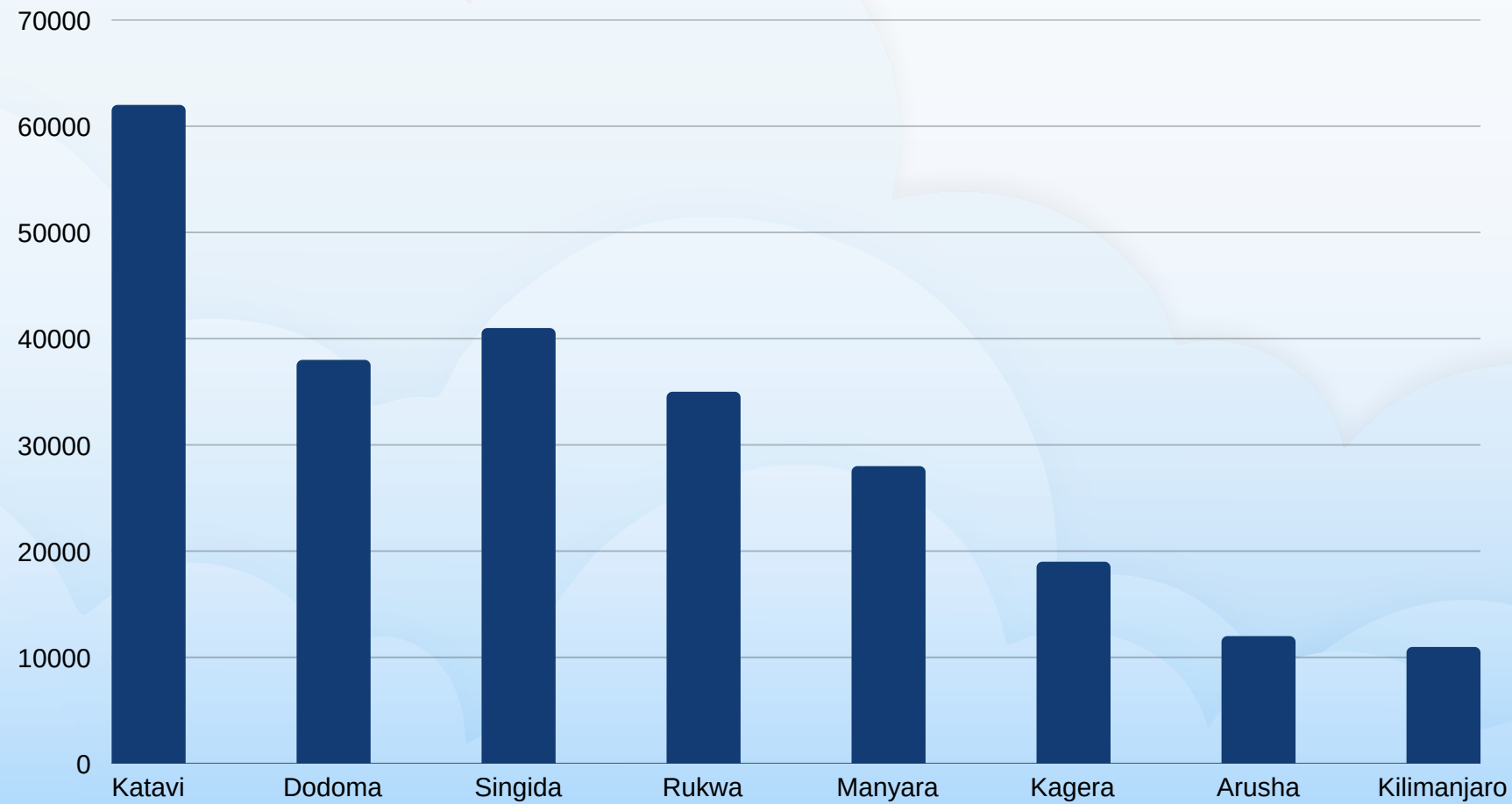
Youth Empowered
Through Training

10,000+

Girls & Women
Targeted (AFYA)

800

Village-Based
Advisors Trained



124

Youth Groups Formed

198

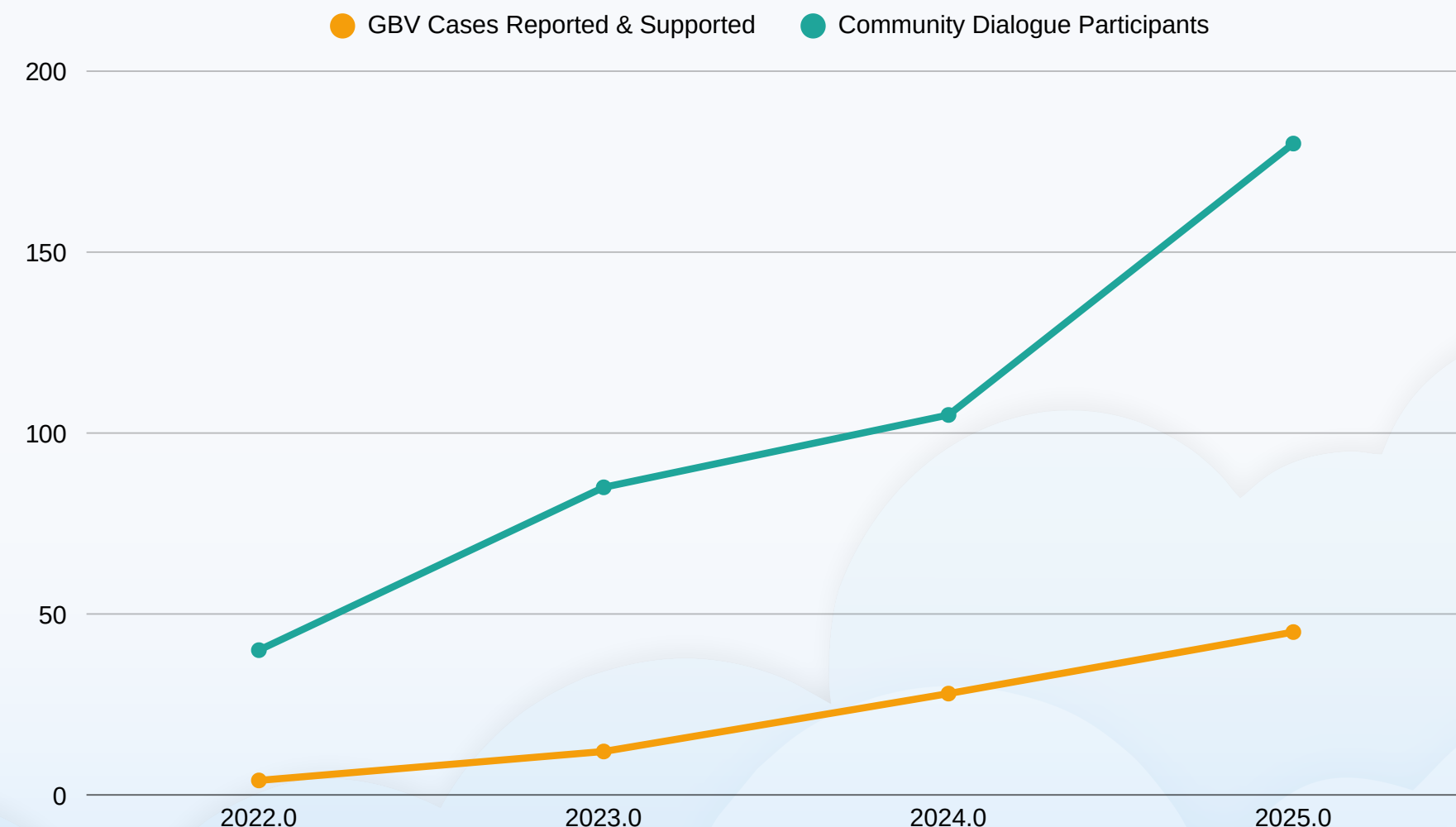
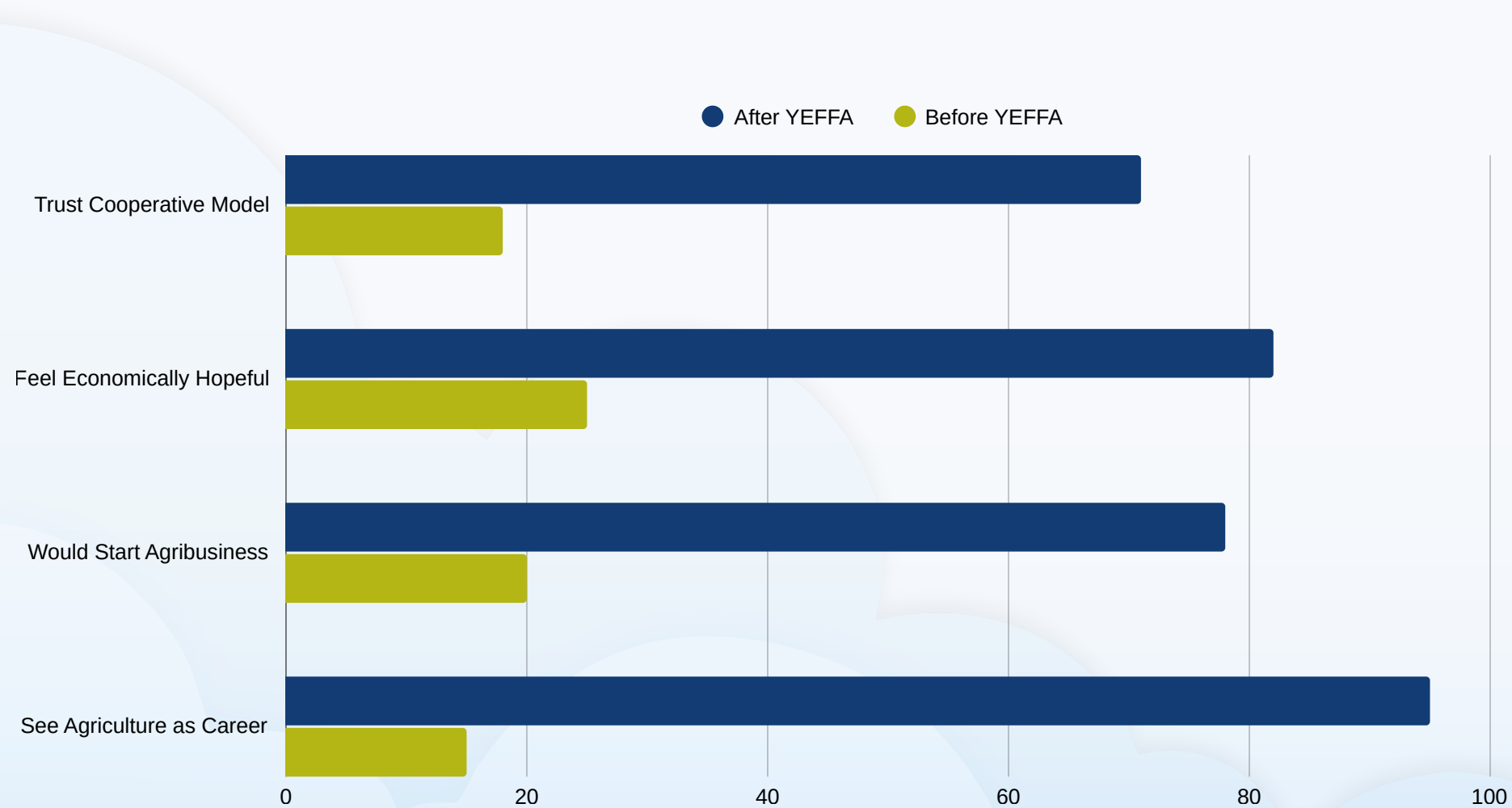
Cooperatives Strengthened

130

Youth-Led Orgs Supported

5,442

Jobs Created



"VOYOTA helped me discover my leadership potential and gave me the confidence to speak up for change in my community."

— Neema, Youth Advocate, Arusha

"Through VOYOTA's training I learned to turn my ideas into impactful community projects."

— Juma, Community Innovator, Dar es Salaam

"The knowledge I got from VOYOTA's REST training changed how I work. I now advocate for youth health every single day."

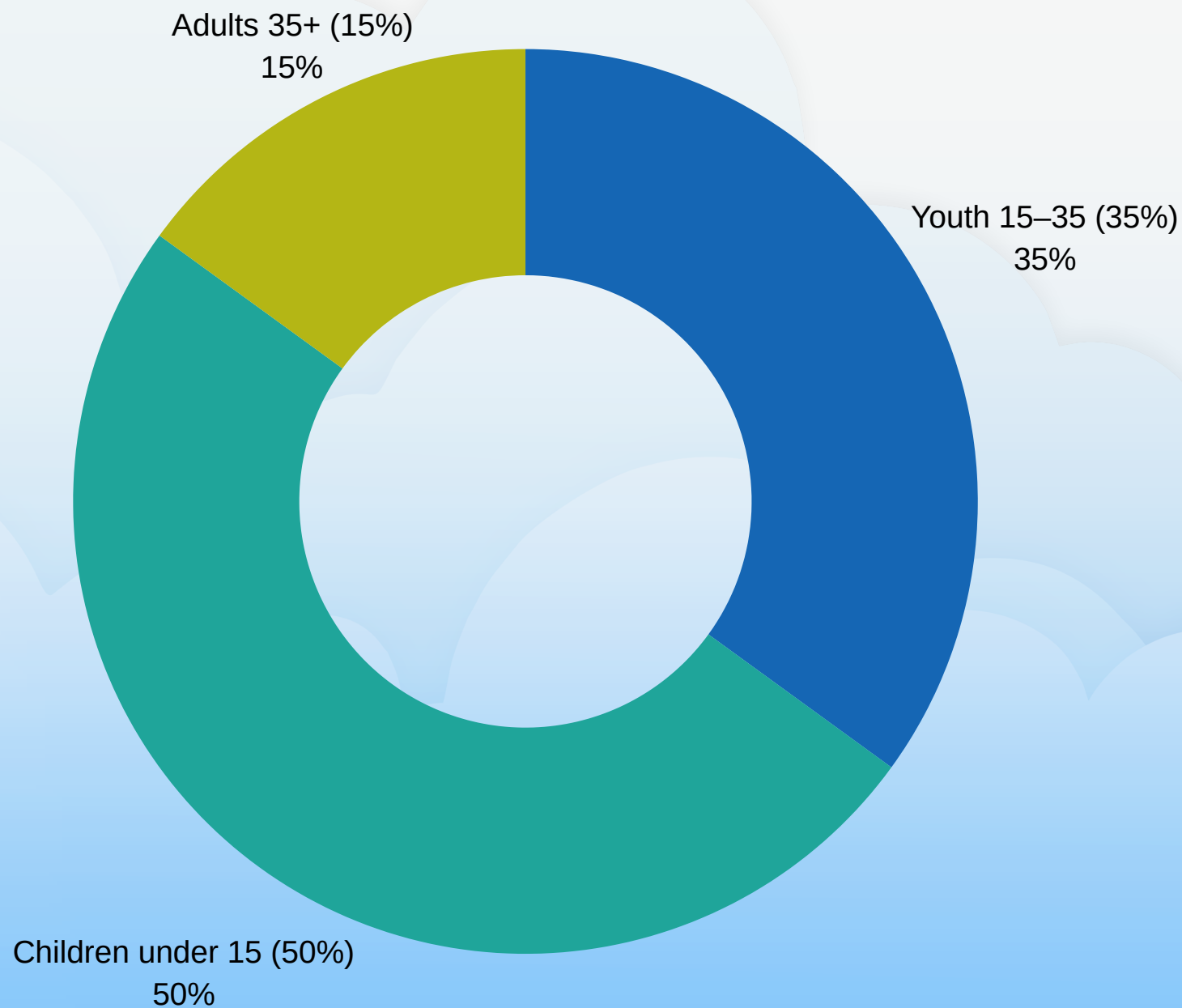
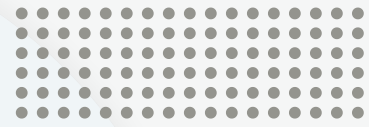
— Simon, Health Provider, Maroroni Ward

Challenges

07

We Address

Understanding the Context That Drives Our Work



Economic Exclusion



13.4%

Youth Unemployment Rate

1M+ youth enter the labor market annually; only 40,000 formal jobs exist. Limited financial services, corruption, and poor coordination block opportunity.

Educational Barriers



7 in 10

Students feel education fails them

School dropout remains high — especially girls due to early pregnancy. Adult illiteracy is rising as emphasis on adult education declines nationally.

Civic Exclusion



50%

of population are youth/children

Despite their numbers, youth are barely represented in decision-making bodies. Inadequate civic education and corruption leave them voiceless.

Health & GBV



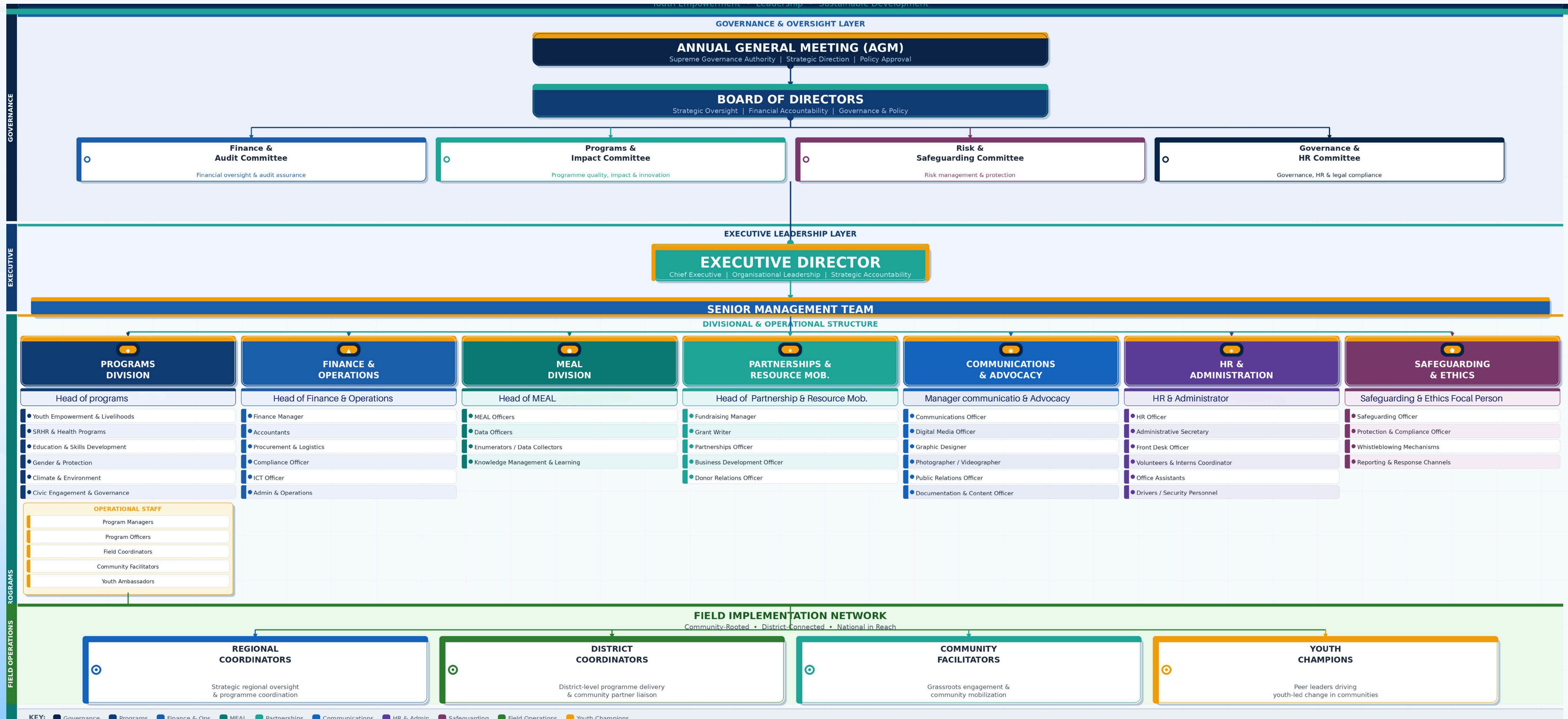
74%

of new HIV infections: girls 15–19

In rural Maasai communities, girls face compounding disadvantages: male-dominated structures, limited health services, and exposure to forced marriage.

Leadership 088 & Governance

Experienced. Committed. Youth-Focused.



Partnerships **09** & Collaboration

tronger Together — Building Tanzania's Youth Ecosystem

International Partners

AGRA Tanzania
DSW-Tanzania (Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung)
MS - TCDC
Direct Help 4 Tanzania
SOS CHILDREN'S VILLAGE
University of Maryland
HER VOICE
Global Network of young people living with HIV
Academic Solutions
Irise Institute East Africa

Government Partners

Ministry of Health, Tanzania
Monduli District Council
Meru District Council
Local Government Authorities (LGAs)
Gender Desk Officers — National Police
National Prosecution Service (NPS)
National Council of NGOs

Community Partners

Village Business Associations (VBAs)
Partner Cooperatives
Youth-Led Grassroots Organizations
Secondary Schools (Meru District)
Traditional & Community Leaders
Community Health Facilities

Partnership Opportunities

Program funding & co-investment
Technical assistance & expertise
Corporate CSR & employee volunteering
Research collaborations & impact assessments
In-kind contributions (equipment, venues)
International exchange & capacity programs

Connect


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With VOYOTA

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 International Collaboration

Partner with VOYOTA. Empower Tanzania's Youth

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