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REPORT ANYEA COVID.19 RESPONSE PLAN

PROJECT TITLE "Providing health promotion materials to the village population of Anyajua and its Environs'

.Implementing Partner: ANYAJUA YOUTHS EMPOWERMENT ASSOCIATION

SUBMITTED TO

MINISTRY OF YOUTHS AFFAIRES AND CIVIC EDUCATION



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The Anyajua Youths Empowerment Association with its education project aimed at 'providing didactic materials to all learning spaces in Belo Sub-Division' following the prefectoral order suspending learning activities in Boyo, coupled with the outbreak of the COVID.19 Epidemic. It was thus necessary that its resources and energy be diverted in fighting against the covid.19 within our area of operation, Anyajua-Belo. With the press release dated on 30/3/2020, appealing on the general public to advise the association on how to go about with the project and at the same time a team was set up comprising of;

- 1. Mr. Wam Abel Nkwain as the project coordinator
- 2. Mr. Elvis Yuh and Ayeah Princely as logistic officers
- 3. Miss. Akuo Dephine as the adviser and
- 4. Mr. Wam Elvis Chongsi as the supervisor of the project.

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Cross section of Anyea Covid.19 Team receiving an appreciation from the community.

The whatsapp platform was immediately created for the regular meetings of the committee and informing the general platform when necessary. A project document was developed to guide the execution of the project with a copy been served to the regional delegation of public health of the north west for technical expertise, the Belo Municipal Council for acknowledgement of the activity in the municipality and the regional delegation of youths affaires for financial support. With little or no funds to carry out this project, we had to launch a voluntary contribution from members and well-wishers with the target of **900 000 cfa**. Within a period of 2 weeks from the launch of the project scheduled for **Sunday 26th April.2020**.

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With the main aim of the project to provide health promotion materials to the various sub villages making up the second class chiefdom of Anyajua, we had to work in close collaboration with the Anyajua Integrated Health Center, Aggressive health center and the Elemighong health centre, which had a good mastery of the terrain especially with their community health workers. A total of 9 community representatives were selected to be trained and equipped on knowledge to fight against covid.19. the 3 hours training centre on the origin of the pandemic, the historical background of pandemic in the Anyajua community, the best practices, they do's and the don'ts prescribed by the world health organisation (WHO), illustrations of the use of offered material and case management of a patient.



WAM ELVIS training community health workers on origin and how to fight covid.19.

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Elvis Yuh on expectation of the projects from the community



Bangha Princely sensitizing on the importance of social distancing in the market square and historical background of Anyajua on similar pandemic.

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See above pictures official reception of health promotion materials by the various sub villages all represented after the training.

Among other activities carry out in the community were;

- Distribution of 200 face mask to the population with focus on children and the elderly persons.
- The demonstration of the usage of hand sanitizer and its local production.
- Hand washing demonstration
- Sensitization in the streets and market.
- Meeting of community group impacting in the community.
- Distribution of savons to the population

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Demonstration of usage of hand sanitizer.





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Sensitization in the Anyajua market.



Distribution of face mask to the children

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<u>Distribution of savons to the community</u>.

IMPACT AND ACHIVED RESULT AFTER THE PROJECT

- 1. More than 3 000 persons were sensitized on the existence of covid.19. A population that was meet either in the streets and in the market place mostly constituted of women. The approach that was use was that of seeking them to relay back the information to their various quarters and homes. Thus the advance figure is excluding the multiplier effect that shall be touched indirectly by the project.
- 2. There was a training of 9 community health workers on the pandemic who were to get back into their communities and meeting to strategies and see how they could continue with the education of the masses on the existence of the pandemic. They were referred

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to as trainers of trainers since they were to further train others in their respective

communities.

3. 200 face masks were distributed to the vulnerable set of the community constituting of

the children and the old with the expectation that they shall stimulate others on wearing

theirs as it was still overlooked as fun time seeing somebody wearing a face mask.

4. All the 9 sub villages of the Anyajua receive disinfectant, savon and a bucket to help

promote the washing of hands in their respective communities.

5. There was the distribution of 1 cartons of savon to the community something we saw

very small.

6. A population of 300 was drill on how to produce hand sanitizer locally.

7. The presence of the team in the community created awareness in the eyes of the

community to take the threat serious.

8. Through our various platforms on facebook, tweeter, and wahtsaap, a population of

close to 12 000 must have been reached through graphic designs and post made on our

platforms

9. This project was rated by UNICEF to be one of the best executed projects under the

education cluster coordination among Non-Governmental Organisations in the North

West. This rating gave ANYEA to benefit form a training organized by OCHA, REACH OUT

and LUKMEF on protecting frontline humanitarians and their beneficiaries. ANYEA was

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thus equipped with kits to adequately response to all projects while mainstreaming covid.19.



10. ANYEA was henceforth solicited by structures like National Polytechnic University Institutes Bamenda to assist her covid.19 response plan during official exams like the National Higher Diploma in the 2020 session.

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Perspectives for the future

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Continue the sensitization of covid.19 barrier measures on our various platforms and in

the social media.

Assist the ministry of basic education and secondary education in dispatching volunteers

to screen pupils and students during the school resumption period.

Trained head teachers and principals on mainstreaming covid.19 barrier measures during

the 2020/2021 academic year.

Production of shot videos to further sensitized the populations on our Youtube channels

and statues.

Challenges and Recommendation

a) The insecurity nature of the field since the project is coming at a time when the

crisis known as the Anglophone crisis is still ongoing. This was serious threat to

the project as our neutrality was put into question but all necessary access

negotiations were taken prior to the mission.

b) The lack of funds to carry out the project as per the term of reference cause only

1/3 of the funds needed was raised making it difficult to reach out to the targeted

population and thus we recommend more funds during the next phase of the

project.

c) The ignorance of the population on social distancing like in the market place, it

was very difficult to make them understand the importance of it and to believe on

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the existence of covid.19. More campaign on awareness should be conducted in

the community.

d) The skeptism of the project by the elites of Anyajua who pose many conditions to

support the project and even when the conditions were meet, the aloofly did not

support the initiative and we had to resort to different means of raising funds to

see the project realised.

e) The absence of a medical doctor in Anyajua and absence of testing kits against

corona virus and the project had to provide one but the lack of means made it

difficult.

There exist not isolated facility to quarantine any suspected case of covid.19 and

it was suggested that it should be discussed between the health board meetings of

the health workers to allocate a facility for any eventuality.

g) Many popular areas were left out due to the lack of funds to reach out to them.

We wish to sincerely thank all the members of ANYEA, its well-wishers and on a special

note the Matron of the association for their endless support of the initiatives of the

association in bridging the gap.

To God we give all the glory for a successful mission carry out.

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