



## Youth Coalition | Proposed Purpose, Values & Activities

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### Background

In March 2018 25 Youth organisations and stakeholders in Port Moresby came together to explore the idea of forming a youth coalition or network aimed at progressing youth issues in PNG. The enthusiasm for the idea was clear and The Voice Inc was invited to take the idea forward. The proposal below outlines a draft purpose, activities and values of the Youth Coalition and is designed for consultation with participant organisations.

### Shared Purpose/ Goal

Progressing Youth Priorities in PNG by creating:

- A forum to share information, networks, energy and opportunities (a resource hub for the sector)
- A space to develop strategic ideas and partnerships to solve issues
- A platform to amplify youth voice, including into political spaces

### Activity Areas

1. *Partnership Development* – a space to form partnerships to respond to challenges/ funding opportunities
2. *Program and Knowledge Sharing*- to enhance our combined capacity (sharing our training) and better understand pathway options (our programs) for our young people
3. *Influence*- amplifying youth voice, delivering a single powerful voice on youth issues to government, political parties or other stakeholders eg. private sector, regional youth bodies
4. *Marketing and Communication* – to create a shared platform to promote and cross promote (to each other) members activities, programs and successes
5. *Understanding change*- sharing and combining our data and stories of change to get a stronger understanding of the youth sector in PNG. Supporting the information needs of each other and external parties.

### Guiding Values and Principles (Based on Partnership Brokers Association research)

- I. *Diversity*- respecting and celebrating the different value of member organisations
- II. *Equity*- acknowledging power imbalances within the coalition and striving to balance these
- III. *Openness*- to be honest about our needs from the coalition and each other
- IV. *Mutual Benefit*- to understand and attempt to share the benefits (and risks) for each member
- V. *Courage*- to venture into the unknown with this new idea and to gain strength from each other to face challenges and stay motivated in our work

### What TVI can offer

- I. Secretariat support
- II. Website page and other platforms (eg. Radio slots) to promote Youth Coalition activities
- III. Access to Leadership Training and Curriculum eg. DREAM workshop for youth organisation leaders
- IV. Energy and passion to support this idea