



Undugu Mentorship Initiative

Mentoring: A promising Approach for youth development

The Concept

Undugu Mentorship Initiative operates in Coast Province and is concentrating in the Counties within the region as it is in no doubt that the region has lagged behind in academic excellence and development. To achieve our vision and mission, nine secondary schools in the province are already benefiting from the program. The organization envisages every responsible adult taking responsibility to offer support guidance and motivation to the young generation. We have a pool of mentors working with the nine schools and we are in the process of registering more to reach the entire region. Our Mentorship sessions and interactions are professionally structured in order to achieve the intended results.

The youth involved as mentees would gain by boosting their self-esteem, confidence and desire to excel. They would also gain valuable lessons on life skills, career, positive attitude, and discipline; avoidance of social evils including drug abuse, immorality and risky behavior. The mentors would also participate in sensitization of the community and society as a whole on the importance of education as a tool for long term solution to poverty reduction, sustainable peace and development.

Vision

To improve the well being of the society by transforming the thinking of young generation to take responsibility for their lives by making informed decisions"

Mission

We will partner with interest groups in Education, Religion, NGOs and Government in reaching out to the youth to affect them positively and empower them to make decisions that will ultimately improve their way of life, by interacting with them and forming partnerships with relevant interest groups.

Values

1. Philanthropic-The association is non-profit making and the activities are on voluntary basis.
2. Creativity and innovation
3. Team work and participation
4. Integrity
5. Responsibility
6. Respect of Authority- The Association shall observe the rule of law and will not take sides in politics.

Our Motivation

- i. High Poverty levels in the region
- ii. Poor Schools performance
- iii. Leadership gap
- iv. Negative Attitude towards academics
- v. Levels of ignorance
- vi. Low self-esteem among students
- vii. Risky behavior and lack of Social Values
- viii. Drug & Alcohol abuse
- ix. Sustainable peace and development
- x. Giving back to society

"A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove... But the world might be a better place because I was important in the life of a child" - **Author Unknown**



Mentorship Highlights



Undugu Mentors after a mentorship session with Kitumbi High School students -Taita- Feb 6th 2010



Organization Chairman Danson Mwashako presenting a Certificate to one of the students participants in the Goi Peace International essay writing Competition, funded by the UNESCO. A total of 28 students from different schools participated



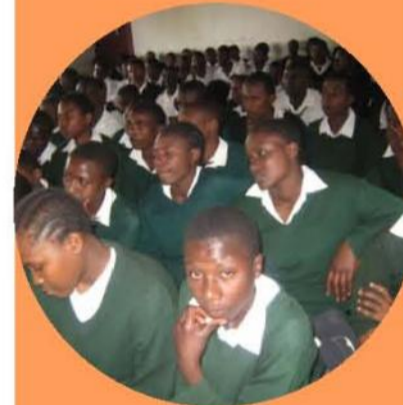
Undugu Mentors takes Students from Shimbo Secondary School through a Mentorship Session.



Undugu Mentors with students from Kiwinda Secondary School after a Mentorship Session



Undugu Mentors Volunteers



Students from Snr Chief Mwangeka Girls gathered for the program



Undugu Mentors embarking on Focus Discussions for various schools



Vice Chairman Edmund Tole presenting various college brochures to the Headmistress Canon Kituri Secondary

We define Student mentoring as a one-to-one relationship between a student and an adult that occurs over a prolonged period of time. The mentor provides consistent support, guidance, and concrete help to a student who is in need of a positive role model. Students involved in the mentoring program may be going through a difficult and/or challenging situation, a period of life in which they need extra support, or they may simply need to have another significant adult present in their life. The goal of student mentoring is to help students involved in the program to gain the skills and confidence to be responsible for their own future.

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