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# Youth Hub members promote a humanitarian campaign to support displaced people in Cabo Delgado



s part of the Project to Strengthen Youth Transformational Leadership and Agency Development (LEAD), young people from the Youth Hubs in Chókwè, Montepuez, and Pemba, as well as the CDD Youth in Niassa, have been implementing, since November 2020, in coordination and partnership with state institutions, civil society, and local youth groups, a Humanitarian Youth Union Campaign aiming at collecting non-perishable food products, clothing, and money to support

victims of violent extremism in Cabo Delgado.

In addition to collecting donations from natural and legal persons in door-to-door campaigns, Youth Hubs members have sent letters to public and private institutions requesting for help. Besides mobilizing for support, Youth Hubs members, in Montepuez and Pemba, have helped welcome displaced people in accommodation centers, distributing water, mainly to children and women.

Through internal contributions, these You-







th Hub members from Montepuez purchased four (4) water tanks of 60 liters each, which were handed over to the managers of the displacement accommodation centers. "The displaced people suffered a lot due to the lack of water for consumption, as well as for bathing. Many of them were forced to buy drinking water every day in distant places. With the help of the young people, we managed to minimize this problem", explained Anabela Talatibo, Youth Hub leader in Montepuez.

Agreeing with the objectives of the Youth Humanitarian Campaign, a group of young people

from the Nazarene Church in Maputo city joined the cause and collected 7,700.00 Meticais to support war-displaced families in Montepuez. The money was channeled to the Youth Hubs of Montepuez and Pemba to reinforce support for victims of violent extremism in Cabo Delgado.

The CDD Youth in Niassa, which is also involved in the campaign, together with Associação Viveiros do Niassa – ASVINI, Provincial Volunteer Council, ORERA, Youth Parliament and young people from the HIP-HOP Movement, delivered, in December 2020, the first donations, namely two bales of clothes and shoes, to











displaced families resettled in the Administrative Post of Malica, in the District of Lichinga.

On the occasion, the Permanent Secretary of Lichinga, Celestino Alberto Ubisse, who witnessed the delivery of donations to displaced families, encouraged the young activists to continue the solidarity campaign. "Do not look at the number of products offered, but at the gesture of love shown by these young people. Any help is welcome, as it serves to minimize the suffering of displaced families", he said.

The solidarity campaign that is taking place in Niassa is coordinated by a working committee

that includes, for example, a working committee composed of five members, namely Foguete Mavila – President of the Volunteering Provincial Council in Niassa; Evaristo Lucas – CDD Youth Representative in Niassa; Nércia Humberto – Marketing, Communication and Image Officer of the ASVINI Association; Elvira Domingos – Coordinator of the ORERA Girls Network; and Osvaldo Boaventura – Interim Coordinator of the Youth Parliament of Niassa.

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