Youth Adult Partnerships (YAP)

• Youth Adult Partnerships are key to the success of all decision-making that involves young people.

• When successfully facilitated, YAP’s change lives.
The Young Decision Makers Project Model

**Young Decision Makers (YDM)**
- **Project:**

**Decision Making**
- Deciding how we decide.
- YDM positions on topics.
- Defining our voice to others.

**LEGEND**
- ☑ Completed
- ☒ Underway
- ☐ Not started

**Discussing Issues**
- ☐ Materials for young people to inform and explore with others.
- ☐ Space for exploring and communicating ideas.

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH CONSTITUENCY BUILDING**
- Choosing how youth participate and/or are chosen as Reps.
- Ensuring Reps consult and represent diverse youth.
- Creating action opportunities to involve other youth.

**Inform Policy Makers**
- ☐ Recommendations to governments, businesses and youth organizations.
- ☐ Reporting responses back to members.

**Studying Issues**
- ☐ Identifying the issues related to the topic.
- ☐ Gathering research: our own experience, others’ experience and science.

**WIDESPREAD PARTICIPATION**

**Action: Child and Youth Programs**

- **INITIATOR:** Action or idea identified by a young person or organization to explore.
- **SUSTAINER:** Acting upon some of the recommendations and evaluating.

**SUSTAINERS: new action steps**
- ☐
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