## PART 2: PROGRAMME PROGRESS/FINAL REPORT

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1.1 Programme reference	UNICEF Office	COUNTRY OFFICE		
1016161106	Progr. Title	Strengthening Engagement of Young People in planning and budgeting process		
	PRC Ref. # <sup>1</sup>	PD/2021743		
1.2 Organization information	Organization / Acronym	Um Al-Yateem for De (UDF)	velopment Foundation	
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1.3 Programme information	Progr. Duration	12 months		
momadon	Start date	1 September /2021		
	Reporting period	1September 2021 – 31 August 2022		
1.4 Budget	Programme budget	217,375 \$		
information	UNICEF cash contribution	196,115 \$		
Funds received to date		196,115 \$	100 % of total	
1.5 Partner Contribution made to date	22000 \$		•	
1.6 Signature of Authorized Official	Amira Albaldawi	18/09/2022	9	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Partnership Review Committee Reference number (refer to Section 4.4 of the signed Programme document).



## 2. Reporting on results achieved

The table below provides an overview of results achieved during the reporting period and cumulatively since the onset of the programme.

Programme Outputs*	Performance indicator*	Targets*	Achievement in reporting period**	Cumulative progress to date**	Overall Status (select)	Narrative assessment/ summary of progress**
Output: Increased capacity of adolescent and youth (14-24) and stakeholders on youth engagement and participation in planning and budgeting processes.	# Of adolescents and youth who participated in planning and budgeting process trainings	150 (90 male and 60 females 60 (15-19yrs), 90(20-24yrs)		Babil 41 (15-19yrs) Boy=9 Girl=5 (20-24yrs) Boy=19 Girl=8  Ninawa 51 (15-19yrs) Young Boys =12 Young Girls =8 (20-24yrs) Young Boys =12 Young Girls =19	Achieved as planned	Enhancing youth participation in the budget planning process in the three governorates / Nineveh - Babil – Maysan Results achieved:-  1-Training and capacity building for (146) youth both gender (45-50 / governorate) on skills (advocacy, leadership, negotiation, follow-up and evaluation, the role of youth in participatory budgeting, monitoring and community accountability, digital skills) in order to qualify them for dialogue with decision makers and participation with the authorities responsible for budget planning in their governorates. after completing the training, young people were invited to celebration event, distribution certificates of participation &complete the training program in each governorate. It was an opportunity to attend the governor (in Maysan) or his representative from senior officials in the governorate in Babylon and Nineveh



		Maysan 54 (15-19yrs) Boy=7 Girl=7 (20-24yrs) Boy=25 Girl=15		2-Trained and qualified youth (146) (45-50 / governorate) announced their formation of Youth General Assembly (YGA) to communicate between young people and their peers and exchange experience in the three governorates, YGA represent a nucleus that can be expanded in other governorates in the future.  3- Developing a manual for Planning the Participatory Budget from youth perspective, which is an important resource for youth and all groups interested in the participation of the various sectors of society in preparing the budget, this manual was prepared by an economist.1000 copies of manual distributed over youth during awareness campaigns
# Of Key Stakeholders participated orientation sessions on youth engagement in decision making and youth visions and priorities involvement.	60 key stakeholders( 20/governorat e)	48 Men=47 Women =1	Achieved as planned	A workshop was carried out for key stakeholders from officials and decision-makers in the committees concerned with preparing the local budget in the governorates (Ninawa, Babil, Missan) in Baghdad - Al-Mansour Hotel on February 16-17, 2022 entitled (Strengthening Youth Engagement in planning and budgeting process), the workshop targeted (20) participants from each governorate, and (60) participants from the budget planning



	committees in their governorates attended, with participation of the representative of youth section in (UNICEF) Israa Al-Jubouri, and representatives of the governor offices, planning departments, youth and sports Directorates, in addition
	to community representatives (Universities Profs, NGOs, Media) attended.  The workshop facilitated by Dr. Ghaith
	Hamid the national trainer
	The main results of orientation workshop were:
	1-Determining the mechanisms for involving youth in planning and preparing the local budget by the participants representing each target governorate
	2- Challenges and opportunities of involving youth in the local budget preparation process developed by participants from key stakeholders
	3-Recomandations for future coordination & cooperation to involve youth in planning the local budget
	This event was covered by means of media :TV channels (Al-Iraqiya, Dijla, Afaq), and the news of the event was published on social media.



# Of adolescents an youth who participated in peer to-peer training on community mobilization	7,500 (3,000 females 4,500 males)	Total no. of peers =7667  Total boys=5099 Total girls=2568  Missan 2482 Boy=1897 Girl=585 Ninawa 2690 Boy=1852 Girl=838  Babil 2495	Achieved as planned	https://youtu.be/Sn5_eePTK0I https://www.todaynewsiq.net/66292html http://www.sotaliraq.com/2022/02/18/%d8 %a8%d8%ba%d8%af%d8%a7%d8%af- %d8%aa%d8%ad%d8%aa%d8%b6%d9% 86-%d9%88%d8%b1%d8%b4%d8%a9- %d8%b9%d9%85%d9%84- %d9%84%d8%aa%d8%b9%d8%b2%d9% 8a%d8%b2- %d9%85%d8%b4%d8%a7%d8%b1%d9% 83%d8%a9-%d8%a7%d9%84%d8%b4/  Peer to peer training workshops were carried out for young people and adolescents in the three governorates on (enhancing communication skills, advocacy designing and community mobilization around active participation in the preparation of the participatory budget, communicating their voice and including their priorities and interests in the budget)  The trained and qualified youth (male and female) who members of YGA trained their peers of youth and adolescents in the three targeted governorates to expand knowledge of the participatory budget and exchange their skills & experience
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			Boy=1350 Girl=1145		The workshops were carried out in schools, universities, youth and sports forums, halls of syndicates and NGOs .  https://www.facebook.com/100064415902 928/posts/pfbid0cQf1RTYBCSYmsjo4kc2 5WdvCigb5wU9w7H86zRsoPsxHDqKKq YyaEQ1FBDALb5Kzl/?sfnsn=mo https://www.facebook.com/258010478149 479/posts/1015434899073696/ https://www.facebook.com/258010478149 https://www.facebook.com/258010478149
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Programme document Output 2: Established mechanisms to expand opportunities for adolescents and youth to meaningfully and systematically participate in the decision-making	# Of budget committees established and activated	3 committees	3 Committee Ninawa, Missan and Babil	Achieved as planned	A Task Force or committee has been established in each governorate from the officials concerned with planning the local budget in each target governorate as follows:  Committee in Missan consist of:-  The Governor, the educational governor's advisor, the governor's advisor for administrative affairs, NGO's official, the mayor of Amara district, director of health directorate, Secretary of the Planning and Development Council,
process					director of youth & sports director, director of labor and social affairs directorate,



	director of planning department, Manager of Operational Accounts Department, Manager of Women Empowerment Department, Manager of Development Accounts Department, Manager of Project Management Department  The committee established in Babel consists of:  Governor Assistant for Financial Affairs, Governor Assistant for Administrative Affairs, Director of the Planning Department Office, Director of the Planning Directorate , Director of the Department of Labor and Social Affairs, and Director of Youth and Sports directorate  The committee formed in Nineveh consists of:  Director General of Nineveh Education, Representative of the Mayor of Mosul District , Director Assistant of NGOs and Humanitarian Action Department in Governorate center , Director of the Department of Maximizing Local Financial Resources in Governorate Center , General Assistant Director of the Directorate of
	Assistant Director of the Directorate of Labor and Social Affairs and Director of the Al-Hadba Youth and Sports Forum



				(7) joint meetings were achieved between committees members and YGA members to discuss the priorities of the 2023 budget and integrate the priorities of youth  https://web.facebook.com/1000475046160 57/posts/521611092765707/?d=n& rdc=1 & rdr
National youth consultation platform established and activated	Yes	National	as planned	https://iraqiyouthplatform.org/ http://www.facebook.com/1124309245925 36  -The National Advisory Youth Platform, entitled (Youth and the Participatory Budget), has been established as website and facebook page for direct communication with young people.  -A Specialist with budget experience has been contracted to be a consultant for the youth platform, moderator of dialogue sessions between decision-makers and youth, Set up advisory and orientation sessions for youth, provided advice, information &lectures, and provided scientific material for the platform's sections and update it constantly.  - (7) monthly dialogue sessions were held between decision-makers and youth, in which the mechanisms of planning the



	local budget in the governorate were identified. Young people asked questions and discussed decision-makers about poor services or the need for schools and other priorities of youth concerns  -Holding (3) special orientation sessions for young people on their roles in the field of participatory budget planning and how to communicate with decision-makers and raise issues
	-Holding (2) consultative sessions for young people whose addresses will be announced by the consultant on the platform
	-Presenting (3) youth opinion polls on issues related to participatory budgeting, planning projects in their governorates, and enhancing knowledge and understanding of their roles.
	-Continuous uploading &updating all activities carried out by young people on the platform in the (news) section, as well as peer training, dialogue meetings and youth initiatives.
	https://www.facebook.com/iraqiyouthplatf orm



				https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Q8twsA0_0w https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GoXmTuTs9og https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jYaPCOhqM68 Youth platform launching ceremony and presenting the youth questionnaire results about their priorities and interests in Babil and Nineveh were held with attendance of decision makers and youth. The platform link was presented and the attendees were invited to visit it and interact with the Facebook page of the platform.  https://www.facebook.com/107227075353O17/posts/pfbid0237Rd5dT8xX2H14TsLFyZbSkM17XAAtsvvsaGMrHXQGMrahwYwXJXwdBqFTgmwgN9l/?d=nhttps://fb.watch/e-u8fjmC77/
# Of young boys, young girls, women and men participating in awareness campaigns on the participatory budget led by youth	3,000 (1,200 females 1800 males)	Awareness Campaigns 3250 young boys, young girls, women and men	Achieved as planned	1- Campaigns (display screens) have been implemented in the streets and important intersections in the form of an advertisement that is displayed continuously throughout the day and over a period of two months, showing the importance of community and youth participation in preparing and



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general assembly		planning the general budget and the
(YGA governorate)		concept of participatory budgeting and
		the need to link the budget to the needs
		and priorities of youth and deepen
		community participation.
		The campaigns were carried out in the
		governorates of Ninawa and Babil.
		Various awareness campaigns about the
		participatory budget led by the trained
		youth members of YGA in the three
		targeted governorates, which included the
		following activities:
		1-Holding (15) awareness sessions to
		support the role of youth and their
		participation in planning local budgets and
		introducing the concept of participatory
		budgeting, attended by women, men, youth
		and adolescents from the community in 3
		target governorates
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		https://wp.me/pbXgwN-yWN
		https://www.almirbad.com/detail/115863
		https://youtu.be/lmmveMMnMrY
		2- Displaying advertisements on (large
		screens) in important streets and
		intersections of Babel & Nineveh
		throughout the day for two months on
		the importance of community and
		the importance of community and



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			youth participation in preparation and
			planning of the general budget and
			about the concept of participatory
			budgeting and the necessity of linking
			the budget to the needs and priorities of
			youth and deepening community
			participation
			<b>3-</b> Youth initiatives planned and led by
			YGA members mentioned below:
			a- (Knowledge sidewalk event) in
			Missan / Qala'at Saleh District - youth
			participated in a promotional
			campaign initiative on the concept of
			participatory budgeting and the role of
			youth in conveying their voice to
			decision makers, where the public was
			introduced to the budget and the
			importance of involving youth, in
			addition to distributing brochures and
			booklets of the participatory budget
			manual, as well as an opinion poll
			was distributed on the most important
			priorities and interests of young
			people
			b- Painting on walls in Nineveh
			Governorate to embody the right of young
			people to convey their voice to decision
			makers,
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			and drawing on the walls in Missan to promote and introduce the National Youth
			Platform
			c-Recording a video showed how young
			people express their priorities in the
			participatory budget in all local accents in
			Nineveh
			d- Producing an acting clip by youth in
			Missan showed the participation of young
			people with decision-makers to achieve
			their priorities and needs
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			https://youtu.be/2uETMJIr2B8
			https://youtu.be/jb_oVtZ5Qvk
			https://youtu.be/ReAiGGmbIMc
			<b>4-</b> Within the awareness & advocacy
			campaign activities the results of a
			questionnaire about the goals, needs
			and priorities of youth in the general
			budget were presented in Nineveh and
			Babil with attendance of decision-
			makers from the governorate office,
			such as Governor advisors and
			assistant, director of planning
			department, youth& sports director
			and university professors . One of its



	most important objectives is (know the extent to which young people a aware the general budget and the e of their need for more information, identify the priorities and interests youth, and to communicate the voi youth to decision-makers)	extent i, to			
Challenges / bottlenecks faced in the reporting period	<ul> <li>Most of the trainers and trained youth were busy because they are either school or university students during project duration, where did their semester or final exams come in that hindered their participation in peer-to-peer trainings, and holding periodic meetings with decision-makers.</li> <li>This challenge was addressed by implementing most of the field activities, such as campaigns on weekends, while training workshops, advisory, orientation and dialogue sessions were implemented virtually</li> <li>Due to the deteriorating security situation at the end of August (demonstrations and the imposition of a curfew) that prevented the implementation of youth platform launching ceremony in Missan, to address this challenge we decided to implement this activity after (Al-Arbaien holly event) without need to extend the project</li> </ul>				
Proposed way forward					
success stories	<ul> <li>The behavior of the trained youth changed from their hesitation, lack of confidence in decision-makers and their grumbling, to increasing their awareness and developing their abilities in communicating and negotiating with decision-makers and breaking the barrier of shyness and lack of knowledge of how to communicate their voice and communication with the community represented in their willingness to constantly provide trainings to peers on a voluntary basis and design initiatives that encourage participation in the participatory budget in order to communicate their voices to officials and decision-makers, especially after the decision-makers opened their doors and their readiness for the participation of young people in decision-making.</li> <li>A mechanism for communicating with youth in each governorate was formed to cooperate with the local government in the three governorates. Youth representative in each governorate was identified to the governor's office, who will be contacted to invite members of YGA, especially for meetings of the committees concerned with planning the local budget</li> </ul>				



• The clear change in the behavior of young people and their willingness to voluntary work made the NGOs official to suggest to give the qualified youth a prominent role to participate with decision-makers, not only on the issue of participatory budgeting, but even in other sectors, whether service, health, education, youth and sports, as well as work and social affairs. This was an official recognition of the positive change that happened to members of YGA

<sup>\*\*</sup> Information to be updated upon submission of the report

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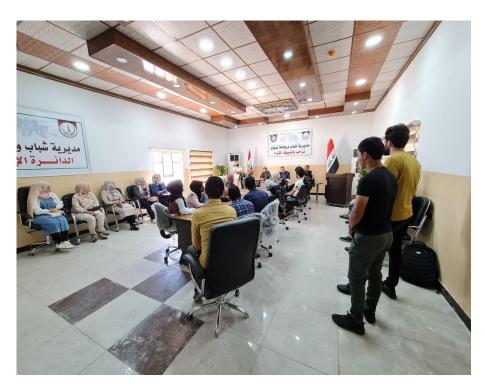
<sup>\*</sup> Information directly extracted from Section 2.4 of the signed Programme document.





An interview to select young men and women of both genders to join the training workshops at the Musayyib Youth and Sports Forum - Babil, on 10/13/2021







An interview to select young men and women of both genders to join the training workshops at the Ninawa Youth and Sports Forum - Ninawa, on 10/13/2021

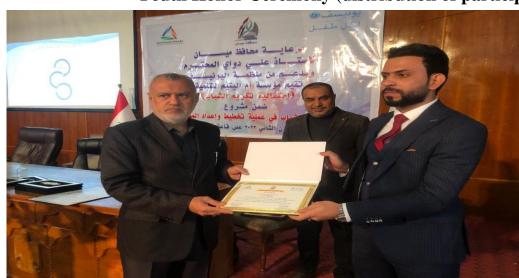
Interview with the Director of the National Center for Voluntary Work in Nineveh to coordinate and implement project activities







Youth Honor Ceremony (distribution of participation certificates) in Nineveh Governorate





Youth Honor Ceremony (distribution of participation certificates) in Missan







Youth Honor Ceremony (distribution of participation certificates) in Babylon









Awareness Campaign



Peer to Peer training in Babylon



**Budget Committee Workshop** 











Youth meeting with the committee concerned with preparing and planning the budget in the Babylon Governorate office







Joint meeting between the delegation of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), represented by the UNICEF Representative in Iraq (Shima Sen Gupta), the Director of Youth Programs, the Director of the Media and Communication Department and the responsible for the Youth Department of UNICEF (Isra Al-Jubouri) and the members of the committee concerned with preparing the budget in the province of Babil





**Peer to Peer Trainings in 3 Governorates** 







Youth Initiatives in Nenava and Missan













Advertisement in large screen in Babylon and Ninawa





Launching the youth platform in Babylon







Launching the youth platform in Ninawa