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Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000: MSA
Municipal Structures Act 117 of 1998: MSA
Member of the Executive Committee: MEC
Integrated Development Plan: IDP
Buffalo City Municipality: BCM
African National Congress Youth League: ANC
African National Congress: ANC

ABREVIATIONS
Following reasons for poor performance in addressing needs of young people:

1. Young people due to various reasons. They cited among other things the
   issues they were facing huge challenges in addressing the needs and challenges of
   government departments and the municipality also revealed that indeed
   activities
   economically inactive and that leads them to participate in criminal and illegal
   they are supposed to play in any developing country and majority of them remains
   development and that of the country. They are not contributing or playing the role
   further resulted to youth losing hope in their government in terms of their
   situation which contributes to the current living situation of young people. The
   economic development of the country. They all highlighted different reasons
   society. They are not actively involved and contributing effectively in the socio-
   young people continue to be marginalized and remained in the periphery of the
   academic literature consulted during the research study also indicated that
   municipality on the area being researched will also be assessed.
   beingBuffalo City municipality Buffalo City. Municipality being the local
   government's social cluster departments on youth development with focus area
   research study will make an assessment of the role and impact of the Provincial
   liberation for freedom of this country. Based on the above statements, this
   Young people in poverty and under-development fifteen years in this country's
   continue to live in poverty and under-development fifteen years in this country's
   the world consists of majority of the general population.

Tourenen (14) and thirty five (35). This population group in the country and all over
those young people irrespective of race, gender and sex between the ages of
Youth in South African context as referred to other pieces of legislations are all

ABSTRACT
responsible for enhancing such programs and annually report to the President.

Youth institutions to form one youth development institution that will be
daily living conditions.

policies need to be reviewed as they were not effectively improving their
They all unanimously agreed that the current youth institutions and youth
the needs and challenges facing young people:

lack of urgency in government and their officials in seriously addressing
development programs.

making processes as well as during implementation stages or any
Minimum consultation by government during planning and decision
following
implementing youth development programs. They raised among other things the
general youth population also raised their dissatisfaction on little progress in
development and ineffective youth development programs
Policy gaps in the current legislative framework in respect youth

devlopment plans.
ministry and integrate youth development programs in all government
Ineffectiveness of government youth institutions established to
general youth population.
development programs which results in little or no positive impact to the
Political interference and instability in the implementation of youth
attends to the needs and challenges of young people.

lack of competent staff and financial resources in their units to effectively
Chapter One: Introduction and Background

The primary focus of this research will be to assess the role and impact of youth development in the Eastern Cape, Province. Government's Social Cluster on youth development in Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality.
Social Development further stated that the call will strengthen the fight against drugs and alcohol abuse by young people (Deputy Dispatch).

The Secretary General of the Young Communist League further stated that the organization they need to engage the youth on their rights and responsibilities, a change of life style. The call is a sign the call of the party, the call of the people.

Young people are by nature supposed to be developed by our society to face the challenges of our country.

According to the concept document on youth development, 2007 youth are expected to play a key role in the socio-economic activities of our country. The biggest challenge that is facing South African government is the under-development of young people who under normal circumstances are the future drivers of the country.
experienced by youth at Buffalo City.

To provide possible mechanisms/solutions to the current challenges
development.

Inefficiency of government's social cluster in respect of youth
To identify gaps on the current legislative framework and to highlight
To investigate and identify challenges faced youth at Buffalo City

The research seeks to achieve the following objectives.

5. RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

addressing youth challenges.
that have been passed by government have thus far fallen short of
positive role in the development of young people. Programs and policies
government departments and institutions have thus far failed to play a

Hypotheses

4. CONDITIONS FOR THE BETTER

conditions for youth and for youth activities to articulate their plight to improve their
assist those in position of power to provide adequate youth development
department and institutions as well as youth structures. This will also
The findings of this research will be presented to the relevant government

these future leaders of our country.
suggestions and correct measures to improve the current situation of
research will seek to prove that and mainly to provide possible
Cape Youth are still unemployed or not economically active. This
According to Statistics South Africa: 2007, about 11, 683 263.00 of Eastern

Majority of young people in Eastern Cape are not economically active.

3. SIGNIFICANCE OF THE STUDY
organized to effect youth development. How Eastern Cape Provincial government’s social cluster departments are developed within Buffalo City municipal jurisdiction, it will further evaluate this research study will be mainly based on human capital, how youth is

8. DELIMITATION OF THE STUDY

The research and its identity the meaning the data contain. make sense out of the information gathered through the previous stages according to Sarantakos (1996: 313) the main aim of analyzing data is to information that will assist in the enhancement of youth development. Data to be collected will be carefully analyzed in order to deduce accurate

7. DATA ANALYSIS

Integrated map of research project. According to Jackson (1995: 130) research design can be viewed as an arrangements of conditions and observation. Creswell and Sardy (1986: 87) stated that research design is the sampling will used to collect such information. stakeholders and to get more data, interviews, questionnaires, and The design of the research will be more participation with relevant. The primary objective of the research study is to assess the role and

6. RESEARCH DESIGN
The study and achieve the stated objectives.

The research study in order to arrive at a correct conclusion in respect of will be considered in the process of research to solicit more information on relevant officials and the leadership as well as general youth population.

Buffalo City municipality.

Departments and buffalo City municipality on youth development within role of the Eastern Cape Provincial Government’s social cluster.

The following chapters will deal extensively with the assessment of the

10. CONCLUSION

body of the research and at the end in the reference list. considered in the process of the research will be recognized both in the sources of information received will remain confidential and all sources participated in such interviews. requested to get mandate from their respective constituencies to institutions to be interviewed will be required. Youth leaders will be permission from employers of relevant government departments and will be treated with privacy and with confidence.

In conducting this study, interviews with individuals representing various

9. ETHICAL CONSIDERATION

due to other socio-political activities. general elections. Respondents might take longer to fill the questionnaires stakeholders and respondents will be busy focusing and preparing for the general elections. Limitations during this period will be dealt with.

Young people during this period when the country is busy preparing for its

il will be conducted between March and May 2009. The aim is to speak to
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concepts and principles of youth development will also be unpacked, their
order to play a key and central role in the development of the society. A
will also focus on human capital. How young people are developed in
their impact on youth development.
theory, how government departments and institutions are organized and
development. The theory of the study will be based on organizational
youth development in general and evaluate its impact on young
country. Government has in the past fifteen years adopted policies and
development in order for them to contribute in the development of the
people have to grow up in an environment favourable to their
population between the ages of fourteen (14) and thirty five (35).
Stebben et al (1994: 13) defined youth as all South African of all
(14) and thirty five (35).
all those young men and women who are between the ages of fourteen
under-development of young people. Youth in South Africa is defined as
South African government is currently faced with the huge challenge of

1. Introduction

Chapter 2: Literature Review
According to African National Congress, Youth League (2008), concerned about troublesome youth, the situation of the state of the nation is unsatisfying that society is investing in the society as a whole. If the state of youth is seen as the symbol of the木质精神1996:9) stated that youth remains a major point of a symbolic liberation struggle through the attainment of democracy. This is also informed by the role played by young people during attention in terms of ensuring that their needs and challenges are attended. In this statement, the former state president stated that young people are future and their needs are urgent. The valued possessions of the nation, without them, there can be no asset to the society and the general population of the country. This therefore means that youth is important and in consultation with youth forms an integral development program and development environment for young people. Establishing and developing a better life for all, Government has to be central in creating a conducive current government leadership moving forward in the advancement of socio-economic activities of the country as well to be agents of change. Youth all over the world have to be developed and actively involved in youth development.
Participate effectively in all phases of life, ensuring that young people’s lives are improved so that they can participate in government structures on the progress and impact they have done in assistance in their development. These institutions have to report to mainy deal with young interest and provide them with support and have units within their departmental / organizational arrangements that government departments and certain institutions have been tasked to recognize and develop their responsibilities to build a better life.

"Youth Development Policy’s vision 2000", views youth development as the participation of youth in their development instead of them being the recipients of development initiatives.

Not only about assisting youth in preparation of their future, but also developing youth in their present state. It further acknowledges an integrated, holistic and sustainable youth development in which young people and their organizations not only enjoy and contribute to their full potential in the social, economic and political spheres of life, but also.

Human Science Research Council further states that youth development with their representatives.

developing youth policies and programs should be done in consultation of the hardship they live under, therefore the process of have an effective impact in their daily lives. They have a practical opportunity to raise their issues on the programs which they believe will people, they have to be involved in the process. They must be given a fair share of the development initiatives that should never been imposed to young social issues that affect the South African society.

maximize their collective and individual creative energies to eradicate
employment creation for all young people

National Youth Service: mentoring opportunities

Mentoring Programme for young engineering graduates with relevant qualifications

Internship programme: targeting young graduates with relevant development.

Currently, the department is involved in the following interventions of youth:

nizens of South Africa

them with knowledge, skills and values to be responsible and productive. This program is supposed to be supporting youth development and equip initiatives at local government.

Coordinating, monitoring and supporting youth development.

Developing and supporting relevant policies.

This program is tasked with among other things the following:

Government strategies and frameworks to promote youth development at local of provincial and local government is tasked to develop and implement.

The Directorate of Youth and HIV and AIDS in the national department.

The principles

interests, needs and challenges and report directly to their political.

These officials are tasked with among other thing to deal with youth

Director in the Office of the President; Premiers’ MECs and Mayors’ offices.

departments and institutions. In the case of National Parliament, there is a

These units are located in the offices of the political heads of government
providing an array of opportunities that enable young people to build their
economic relationships that is sustainable over time which concurrently
creating environment that provide constructive, affirmative and

Francesco et al (2003: 6) define community development as a purposefully

their development programs.

responsible community will always produce responsible citizen through
community programs that assist in the development of such society, a
in life. A community can develop a person through participation in
the family but also grows within a community, a community under which
in developing a person, youth in particular. A child is born and raised by
Community is an important stakeholder which also has a key role to play

3. COMMUNITY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

under development challenges.

development and their future role in molding a society. It has
development. South African government does recognize the role played
to the young people on the ground as there has been no change in youth
governmental and non-governmental involved, but have little or no impact
in all these interventions there are various youth structures both
living self-sufficient lives.

aspects of society with a view to acquiring productive employment and
obtaining education, for acquiring skills and for participating fully in all
every state should provide is young people with opportunities for
According to United Nations World Program of Action for Youth, 2001
practice a new philosophic and educational movement designed to
program focused. Community youth development was intended to put in to
in programs, but in communities. Many youth interactions are still
According to Hughes and Quinn (2000: 7) young people do not grow

contribute to the development of the community.
government of the day and introduce development programs that will
development. Visionary and progressive communities will work with the
preoccupied with development activities that will assist them in their
Communities play a key role in ensuring that young people are kept
Every person including youth stay and grow with the community.

3.1 COMMUNITY INTERVENTIONS: YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

also be responsible youth citizen.
the development oriented community will
advice from elders and influential citizens within the community.
developmental program. They would normally request assistance and
case youth will organize themselves within a community and initiate
their surroundings including other people in their environment. In most
Community youth development occurs as youth interact with all level of

Community institutions are schools, church, community organizations and physical
are very powerful influences on their lives. The most relevant community
environment in which youth live and the institutions that they confront daily
in terms of the World Bank Country Study (2003: 35) physical
community.

partners in their own development as well as the development of the
complements. This further assists young people to become engaged as
Development processes with youth development to provide a community youth development advocates the merging of community social, emotional, ethical, physical and cognitive competence. People receive foundational life skills to assist them in developing socio-moral reasoning, emotional poverty, it is essential that young They further stated that, given the motivational skills of low level wellbeing of the community.

- Providing young people with opportunities to contribute to the character, confidence and connection
- Commitment to positive youth development goals of competence
- Making children aware of their needs and involving them in the development
- Actively engaging young people in the process of their own development

Bezdienhout and Joubert, (2008: 69) said community youth development incorporates the following values:

- Organizations to use in their development initiatives and for life skills. They have also donated some under-utilized buildings to youth programs. They have also worked with sport and their development projects to provide them with recreational facilities, youth projects to government and municipalities during holidays and IDP and budget crime rate and violence caused by young people they have requested in some Buffalo City Municipal areas, communities have noticed high development of young people.
expected to provide solutions to the nation’s future and the management as well as the management of youth is valued. Mortality etc. Young people are assumed to hold a key to the state of the nation. It is expected to reflect the cycle of boom in economy,

access to resources for their development, prudent for government to lay a foundation and create opportunities and changing world. It is much easier to train a young person hence it is such a way that they are able to adapt and re-skilled to adapt with the front line of these new developments, they have to be capable of changing developments that are taking place around the world. Young people are in people in the country. Countries have to be updated with all the developments that are taking place in the country and make youth development its priority as they constitute the majority of the population. Government has to look at the current challenges facing young people in all the required skills to contribute in the economy of the country. By government initiation to ensure that young people are capacitated with youth development is a key and important task that has to be undertaken.

4. PRINCIPLES OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

adults to create a safe, just and healthy communities.
competency in life skills as well as the work in partnerships with wrap-around approach in addressing young people and develop their
citizens.

will be safe, peace and stability within communities and responsibility simultaneously, second layer leadership will be built, future of the country priority programs. With development of young people a lot will be done institutions in putting youth development on top of their developmental

These guiding principles should assist government and other relevant

and contributing citizen.

Youth development should assist young people to become active

• peace sectors

It must be located in relevant contexts: family, community and work

• individual, community and society

Youth development is a dynamic process that transforms

• direction

Youth development should instill a sense of worth, purpose and

• holistically.

Therefore youth development should address young people’s needs

• Young women and men have a broad range of interrelated needs;

should be catered for.

They are a heterogeneous group and have particular needs that

• leadership during the course of the programme

development and should be provided with opportunities for

They are active partners and beneficiaries in their own

• and enhance these gifts.

A young women and men have gifts and talent that should be

the following principles that guide youth development in South Africa:

National Youth Development Policy Framework, 2002-2007, identified
In its 2008 discussion document, ANCYL advocated for the transformation of the lives of the young people. This agenda has been very little to say the least in accelerating youth development agencies. They recognize the fact that youth organizations have been vocal in putting pressure to government to implement youth policy. Stakeholders in conceptualizing, developing, planning, and evaluating the implementation of youth policy.

These guidelines were directed at providing information to assist:

- Poor participation of youth in certain sectors of the economy.
- The need to recognize inequalities of the past and marginalization.

Development challenges are recognized as critical to their achievements. Amongst the youth in South Africa, 2006, youth faces various challenges which government have being addressed opportunities to contribute to their development. Where young people were marginalized without previous government, where young people were marginalized without understanding the historical arrangement of the struggle for freedom. They played by young people in the liberation struggle for in the socio-economic activities of the country. Government has recognized the role played by young people who are expected to play a key role under development of young people currently facing South African government is the biggest challenge currently facing South African government.
groups, youth included, tasks of attending to special needs of the previously disadvantaged
municipalities to have special programs, units which are assigned with
government further endorsed all government departments and
Commission, Limpopo youth Fund, youth councils, etc.
among the institutions that have been established are youth
developmental initiatives.
assistance and support as well as advise young people with their future
are tasked mainly to deal with youth needs and challenges, provide
participate in governance. Government has established institutions which
has integrated youth in the government arrangement to ensure that they
Since post 1994 first democratic general elections, the current government

6. INSTITUTIONAL STRUCTURES

agency will be a reality and have an impact in youth development in
occupying key strategic positions in the ruling party, there is hope that this
part of discussions involving the establishment of this agency now
on ruling party manifesto. Also with former youth leaders who were also
be seen taking shape as youth development was among the top priorities
hoping well with the new government administration in place this agency will
Currently, this agency is yet to be seen with its vision and mission,

In the demands and aspiration of South Africa’s youth,

 neue to ensure seamless integration, sustainability and responsiveness
concerto overview of what should constitute youth development in South
developmental agency. They argued that this will serve as a concise and
Youth Commission and Limpopo youth Fund is from National Youth
To undertake an audit of youth programs and organizations located
in the local area

To fulfill the following essential functions in respect of youth development:

• Identify priority needs and opportunities facing young women and
men

In terms of the National Youth Policy, 2000 all municipalities are
legislations which are then implemented at a local government level.
developmental in nature to their communities. Government passes
sustainable basis. The law further requires municipalities to be
1996. Constitution required to provide services to the people on a
people. Municipalities are therefore in terms of Chapter 7 of Act 108 of
government is the third sphere of government which is closer to the
in terms of government institutional arrangement in South Africa, Local
want to be entrepreneurs.
al young people between the ages of fourteen (14) to thirty-five (35) who
according to Limpomomo Youth Fund, this fund was mainly to assist
assisting young people in their future development.
Agitation, government created a youth fund with a primary objective of
After carefully evaluating the challenges facing young people in South
for youth development.
1996 mainly to coordinate and initiate appropriate policies and strategies
and thirty-five (35) years old. This act was adopted by government in
are all those young South Africans who are between the ages of fourteen
in terms of National Youth Commission Act, 1996, youth / young people

imbalance of the past. This is also a proof that government is trying to
disadvantaged population which requires specific attention to readdress this
The current government arrangement classifies youth under the previously

to coordinate youth organizations
of ensuring youth development and empowerment of all youth women and
social role and representative bodies of youth organizations with the aim
according to National Youth Council, 1997, it is a platform for over

their interests and develop a way forward to address their development.
formulations perspective of their political affiliation, race and sex or obscene
South African government further introduced platforms for all youth

services and activities geared towards youth development.

Development Commission in 2000 to co-ordinate and integrate programs,'
economic development etc. Jamaica further established Social
strategies for youth participation in decision making and social and
skills to prevent drug abuse, enhance recreation and leisure, to develop
strengthen and expand education and training, promote entrepreneurial

The main purpose of the Jamaica's National Youth Policy, 1994 was to

programs mainly to address youth needs, challenges and their interests.
for the country. They have also adopted policies and developed clear
their development programs as they recognize them as an important asset
Other countries have also taken the line of prioritizing young people in

which determine the ways in which adults and young people interact
Cohenman and Warner (1992: 8) defined youth policy as a set of initiatives

Establish mechanisms for participation of youth representative
A common problem young people present to society is juvenile offending. Young people's increased participation in this behaviour is of particular concern as society is only now starting to address the root causes of these issues. A further study in 2005: 74) further stated that much of the public perceives disproportionate proportions for younger generation.

Over the last two decades, violence, HIV and AIDS pandemic etc. created a crisis of unprecedented proportions for younger generation. The lack of education, employment, health care and basic nutrition. Over the past decade, violence, HIV and AIDS pandemic etc. created a crisis of unprecedented proportions for younger generation. This phenomenon is not limited to South Africa, but it is a global issue affecting young people globally.

According to Hennessy and de Beer (2005:7) in South Africa, young people constitute the majority of the population and are at the centre of sociocultural processes. This challenging situation on the continent today and interests have to be addressed by those in positions of authority. Nations account for nearly half the world's population. These needs are defined by United Nations (2005:2) stated that children and youth are the driving force for development.

2. CHALLENGES FACED BY YOUTH

Current establishment of government's youth development, challenges facing young people which still to date our weights all the level the playing ground for young people, but there are still some
These people become ill and die when they should be economically active. It affects people of the ages between twenty (20) to forty five (45) and dramatically by increasing the burden on an already overburdened home. According to Stamford et al. (2001: 39) HIV affects poor households always preoccupied with development activities.

Influencing young people, hence it is important for young person to be active. Poverty, Inactivity and peer pressure play a key role in illegal activities.

Many young people are still vulnerable to most diseases and illegal activities. Under deteriorating economic conditions, communities that are undergoing disorganization and precertification change, other activities develop into a problem in social or organizational context. Local illegal activities in the form of gangs. He said youth gang is most likely changes in a particular society. Young people lend to engage themselves. Spiegel (1995:3) further said, when social and economic environment

Underemployment, exposure and participating in criminal activities, low access to education and other social services. Youth continues to face the most initial challenges. The poverty responds to the needs, challenges and interests of the youth. Despite this advocacy and channeling development in government to address and Leagaye said Youth Commission was established to deal with policy

In its 2008 discussion document, African National Congress Youth sociify which contributes to make opportunities available for them.

This document informs policy-making of opportunity to solve the problem young people present.
address poverty. This then lead to high number of young people founding unemployment, illiteracy, and thus engaging themselves in illegal activities to
with limited socio-economic challenges. Many young people are faced by government to address youth needs and challenges, they are faced economic, political etc. Despite all these programs and policies adopted.
Currently, youth is facing many challenges ranging from social, acts that create burdens on society.
unemployment, exclusion, frustration, low self esteem and sometimes to
United Nations, 2004; further stated that youth unemployment can lead to

In case of youth, human capital accumulation is interrupted early in the
Youth unemployment is more costly to society than adult unemployment,
development programs.
actions require intervention by government through sustainable youth
unemployment, and poverty as well as social exclusion of youth. All these
unemployment, and use crime and violence as an alternative to
among young people, early sexual activity, teenage pregnancy,
Campbell on the discourse and literature including the spread of AIDS
Dans et al (1997: 72) state that there has been concerns in the
are also experienced by fellow young South African.
in many parts of the world, young people experience similar problems that

Money is the major means of access to status and standard of living.
Many are faced with a bleak prospect of life on the edge in a society whose
social and economic problems, most of which are aside their control.
The document has raised among other things the following reasons in support of their argument for the disbanding of Youth Commission:

- Coordination, consultation about roles and tensions in the sector.
- Adequate resources, insufficient policy and research capacity, poor commissions are very low due to weak internal management, lack of development.
- Profile and standing of national and provincial Youth leagues. According to ANC Youth League, Discussion Document, Youth

According to an effective institutional that will integrate all youth programs, things called for disbanding of these institutions to merge and form one robust approach in youth development. They have among other effectiveness of these institutions and have thus called for more effective integration were established to attend to their needs and challenges to address the imbalances of the past. Thus, however, has not achieved the

After achieving democracy, youth were given specific attention and development as well as that of the country.

8. REASONS FOR DISBANDING THE CURRENT YOUTH INSTITUTIONS

- Family background.
- Themseles languishing in jails and in hospitals due to poverty and poor
organization from different political spectrums including the progressive
dissolving the current youth institutions is chaired by the majority of youth
continues to live under poverty and under-development. Thus view of
establishing youth institution to address the imbalances of the past, youth
developing youth development programs, adopting youth policies and
Despite all the attempts that have been made government in terms

any small business aspirations and therefore should be dissolved.
thus far failed to provide innovative leadership and strategies to integrate
mandate. If further stated that both these and other statutory bodies have
entrepreneurship for young people but have failed to fulfill their
risks and risks, entrepreneurs are the funds agencies cease to
According to the Youth and Economic Transformation Document, 2006,
access financial resources.
because it failed to train and support young people on how they should
Lumbozomvu Youth Fund has also not been addressing its mandate
other youth development agencies and structures.
was a lack of accountability. The fund has not been cooperating with
long time young people found it difficult to access resources and there
The same document further state that Lumbozomvu Youth Fund has for a
Youth Commission
A lack of public awareness about the role and mandate of the National
at national and provincial levels
inadequate resources and capacity to initiate effective youth programs
departments to support and implement youth policies and programs.
Lack of comprehensive strategy or plan on how to get government
Inconsistent and disjointed alignments between the national and
Consequences for the country in the near future. Because the continued neglect of young people have severe huge challenges to both the young people and the current government. These challenges have been compounded in this chapter. This has also been echoed by different authors. This has also been echoed by different authors that have been consulted in this chapter. Therefore impose a current democratic government. It has further revealed that young people continue to suffer under the current democratic government. However, it has gone a long way to prove that young people are still living in their mandate and young people continue to suffer. These institutions have been ineffective in government youth institutions and youth development programs have all under difficult conditions. They are still under-developed and all communities. Current interventions that have been made by both government and challenges currently faced by young people. It has also looked at all the body of this chapter has looked at youth development in general and

CONCLUSION

Agency will indeed improve the situation of young people in South Africa. They believe that the formulation of one effective youth
1. **Introduction**

**Chapter 3: Research Methodology**
3. **Qualitative Research**

In order to achieve the primary objectives of the research, careful steps, processes and procedures have been followed in this study. Participating with the view of reaching conclusion about the research participants with the view of obtaining information from them. It describes what you are going to do with plan according which you obtain research participatory and collect integrated map of project. Jackson (1995: 130) stated that research design can be viewed as an arrangement of conditions and observations. Creswell (1998: 87) explained that research design is the understanding of the research study. Stakeholders given sufficient time to express themselves on their purpose of the research study. It was more interactive with relevant stakeholders being consulted to get more and accurate data to achieve the design of the research was more participatory with relevant impact of the provincial government social cluster on youth development. The primary objective of this research study is to assess the role and
due to their knowledge and interest in the research study. The purpose of the study certain individuals have been consulted mainly in order to get the required information for broader society of Buffalo City. In order to get the required information for the researcher mainy targeted certain population group within a

4. TARGETED POPULATION GROUP

emphasise on words rather than numbers. Inductive approach, it focuses on specific situation or people and its context. The strength of qualitative research derive primarily from its ability to explore more deeply, and allow them to understand the things, issues they differ in strength and not simply different way of doing things, instead they differ in strength and Maxwell (1996: 72) states that qualitative and quantiative methods are information and not on the scope or breadth of the information, their meaning and interpretations. The focus is on the quality and depth of observing the participants in their natural environment and focusing on observation of research. It studies people or systems by interacting with and understand the process and social and cultural context which underline experience. According to Holloway and Wheeler (1996: 78) it is concerned with groups view and understand the word and construct meaning of their experiences. The qualitative approach attempts to collect rich descriptive data in respect of a particular phenomenon with the intention of developing an understanding research that attempts to collect rich descriptive data is often described as a

Maree (2007: 50) stated that qualitative research is often described as a
The current challenges faced by young people within the municipal area ensure that their responses on the subject matter identify and address government institutions as well as for the general youth population to different types of questionnaires were developed and customized for both.

Different methods of data collection were used to ensure that more and accurate information is gathered to be able to make accurate assessment of the situation of young people in general with the targeted area.

5. DATA COLLECTION METHODS

Municipality in particular those who are not economically active.
General youth population from different wards of Buffalo City • People with Buffalo City.

and their leaders to get their views on general development of young • Active political youth organizations within Buffalo City Municipal area

and their leaders to get their views on general development of young • Municipal Department

and their leaders to get their views on general development of young • Champion Youth Interests within the Provincial Social Cluster

and their leaders to get their views on general development of young • Senior Officials in the Special Programs Unit who are responsible to

and their leaders to get their views on general development of young • Empact to Young People with Buffalo City.

and their leaders to get their views on general development of young • Senior Officials responsible for Youth Affairs in Buffalo City Municipal area

Sports are a part of youth development.
To achieve the objective of the research study the following group of

To explain data from only a sample of these populations
of view it is impossible to conduct research on all of them. Research has
interest in human behavioral scientists are so large that from a practical point
Weinman and Knueper (2001: 47) stated that usually populations that
Buffalo City and around Eastern Cape

- General view on the current state of affairs of young people within programs and policies
- The effectiveness and impact of the available youth development
- Youth affairs
- Organizational arrangements of these departments in terms of

These questionnaires seek to get more on the following areas:

Relation to youth development

municipal officials to get more information on their programs and plans in youth development. The second set was customized for government and social cluster departments and Buffalo City Municipality in respect of organizations to provide their views on general performance of provincial

The first set of questionnaires was designed for youth activists and their people on the ground.

Two types of questionnaires were developed in such a way that

5.1 Questionnaires

Principal problem under research will be resolved (Leedy, 1997; 1:15).

The data will be secured and how they will be interpreted so that the researcher must have some structured concepts, some kind of the way for collecting data like through reading, observing questionnaires, observation etc.

According to Baxter et al. (2001; 1:53) researchers use various methods of directly and indirectly affected by under-development of young people.

Interviews were also arranged and done with selected individuals that are
A degree of abstraction, clarification, and exploration.

The interviewer and the interviewee is responsive and interactive allowing interviewees to express themselves without any interruptions.

Follow-up questions arising from their responses were also asked.

Sufficient time to express themselves without any interruptions.

Specific open-ended questions relevant to the youth development were asked and respondents were given political organizations around Buffalo City.

These departments as well as general youth and members of youth interest groups were involved.

One on one and group interviews were done with relevant officials of these institutions including youth in general were given seven days to respond to these questionnaires and then return them back to the researchers. These questionnaires and interview notes were distributed to relevant officials in the research study.

Permissions were requested from Heads of Departments to allow relevant officials to participate in the research study.

A BS degree in social science a plus.

Household income.

Work with research staff.

A degree in social science.

Working with and among government institutions mean to

4.2. Interviews

Researcher either personally or via email.

Respond to these questionnaires.

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The Youth Development Agency

Experiences.

Performance of Special Programs Units within sector departments.

Provide support and advice to young people.

Working relation with and among government institutions mean to
regards the researcher to delineate the relevant population. According to LeCompte and Preissle (1993: 27), a selection in sampling population of that particular area.

Willmer and Dominiak (1983: 38) stated that a sample is a subset of the segment of the population that is taken to be representative of the

process. and non-governmental youth advocates were consulted in the sampling under-development of young people in Buffalo City. Both governmental and non-governmental youth advocates were consulted in the sampling under-development of young people in Buffalo City. Both governmental and non-governmental youth advocates were consulted in the sampling.

5.3. Sampling

Structured (Weber and Knger, 2001: 158) public venues. Interviews can be structured, unstructured and semi-structured. Interviews can be structured, unstructured and semi-structured. Interviews can be structured, unstructured and semi-structured. Interviews can be structured, unstructured and semi-structured. Interviews can be structured, unstructured and semi-structured.

Data can be collected by means of personal interviews, interviews

relevant response. The interviewer can observe as well as ask questions. misunderstand the content of the question or indicate that he/she does not understand, the interviewer can clarify matters thereby obtaining a respondent's (1990: 188) further stated that in an interview, if a respondent

found

Babbage
All participants that were consulted during this research were not asked to questions in a very detailed manner in order to get the required information. General youth that were approached in public areas were asked by youth organizations and other officials tasked with youth development.

6. ETHICAL CONSIDERATION

- Report from a Local Office of Umsobomvu Youth Fund
- Reports from Eastern Cape Provincial Youth Commission
- Operational Plan in relation to youth activities
- Minutes with resolutions and recommendations of Committees related to youth affairs
- Minutes with resolutions and recommendations of Committees related to youth departments
- Annual Performance Reports of Special Programs Units of these departments

Documents received ranged from the following:

- Other documentary sources of information in respect of the research
- Study were also received from these departments and the municipality.

5.4 Other Sources

Studying the sample (Goddard and McMillen, 2011: 35).

Sampling must be representative of the population. Otherwise, no general observation about the population can be made from the sample, data that are representative of the whole population.

Stern (1998: 35) number stated that sampling enables the
meanings which lie inherent. Critique is built more to gain a deeper understanding of the values and time data are collected. It is a process of engagement with the text not to data analysis. This is an ongoing process of which is undertaken every
Cribbin (2007: 25) said the initial stage of analysis involves preliminary

process to avoid biasness in the interpretation of the gathered raw data.

about the research topic. The research will be more objective in this
in the next chapter (Chapter 4) in order to get the accurate information
All data that have been collected will be carefully analyzed and interpreted

DATA ANALYSIS

Projects should not go without careful scrutiny. Standards. The ethics involved in the use of human subjects in research
subjects in research is common and this use relates the question of ethical
Leedy (1997: 116) stated that within certain disciplines the use of human

beings and the researcher must treat them with appropriate respect.

to everyone reading the eventual report. Subjects or participants are human
data confidential. This also implies that subjects should not be identifiable;
people have a right to privacy and the researcher must keep the collected
researcher must guard against both physical and psychological harm.

Individuals and not subjects them to unnecessary research. To avoid this, a
people raises ethical concerns and these include taking care to avoid
According to Coddard and McVicar (2001: 49) collecting data from

confidentiality.

provide their personal information and this was done to ensure
Municipal area.

Cluster departments in relation to youth development in the Buffalo City.

State of affairs of young people and the impact of the provincial social
interpretation of all the information gathered to reach a conclusion on the
Chapter 4 of this research study will deal with data analysis and

City.

Young people and their political youth organizations in and around Buffalo
source information using interviews and questionnaires as well as general
Buffalo City Municipalities’ Special Programs Units was also consulted to

Departments.

mainly with Senior Officials responsible for youth affairs in their respective
Social Cluster departments were consulted and the researcher worked
information for achieving the objectives of the research study. Provincial
Chapter 3 mainly deal with methodology which was used in gathering

CONCLUSION

The research and to identify the meaning the data contain.

make sense out of the information gathered through previous stages of
According to Sternberg's (1998:313) the main aim of analyzing data is to
Interpreted in this chapter, development in general. All this collected data will be analyzed and some additional constraints that were lacking in the original analysis. The City of Buffalo and the surrounding region, including the surrounding areas, were the main focus of the research. Interviews with senior officials were mainly based on their own insights and experiences. Government officials and the scheduled interviews with relevant municipal officials were also included. Further analysis of the responses provided in the questionsnaires by the interviewees.

Structures. The expectations of young people from the current government as well as the expectations of young people were discussed, including the performance of government officials, the performance of young people, and the performance of young people. These expectations were based on the general overview of the current living conditions. The interviews with young people were conducted with leaders of both the government and the general community. These interviews were conducted in the process. It will also interpret and analyze the information gathered during the interviews and during sampling by young people that were considered data for the reader. It will analyze all the responses that were provided in the questionnaire.

This chapter (chapter 4) will be analyzing and interpreting all the collected data. To achieve the objectives of this research study, interviews, sampling and documentary sources were used in collecting data. The previous chapter (chapter 3) of this research study dealt with research.

INTRODUCTION

CHAPTER 4: DATA ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION
Programs committee was also interviewed on their youth development questions. Buffalo City officials and portfolio head of special government departments were interviewed and some were given senior government officials within special programs units of these development within their municipal area.

Background.

Elsewhere, some young people were excluded during the research methodology because they were not involved in any youth organizations and those who were not active in any youth Buffalo City Municipality on youth development. General membership of assessment and impact of provincial social cluster departments and some were given questionnaires seeking more information on Branch / Ward youth leaders around Buffalo City were interviewed and background.

Research Study.

Engaged mainly because of their vested interest and understanding of the in collecting data during the methodology.
people as such programs do not achieve their intended objectives.

There has been limited or non-existence of youth development programs in many areas of wards within Buffalo City and those programs that exist do not target young people to maximize their collective and individual energies to contribute to the developmental agenda of South Africa society.

The first questionnaire for young people and their organizations seek to

cluster departments and Buffalo City Municipalities.
Leaders of youth organizations constitute believe that all government institutions were not taking youth development seriously and view urbanization and opportunities are found in urban areas and this contributes to staying in rural areas. Those in rural areas believe that development in underdeveloped areas especially those coming from poor families and are illiterate and those with no education or health care due to their level of literacy.

The majority of youth in and around Buloba City were not economically productive due to their illiterate and are illiterate due to poor family background which led them to being affected by diseases like HIV and AIDS. Such young people have serious social problems and they end up in drugs, stealing, thefts, and engaging in illegal activities, with the majority of youth being unemployed and the majority of those unemployed miss proper family guidance and the majority of those unemployed have low employment. They also alluded to the fact that their backgrounds had led them to
Projects that involve young people.

Implementation of Midstream linen Renewal Program as there programs mean for youth and young people were benefiting in the development.

At Buffalo City Municipality, they have youth development.

Development programs within Buffalo City. They responded as follows:

- Development programs within Buffalo City. They were experiencing in implementing youth well as challenges they were experiencing in implementing youth organizational structure, effectiveness of youth development policies at their implementation within Buffalo City area. Their youth development plans, they were cluster departments and Buffalo City Municipality's special programs units.

The second type of questionnaire was customized for provincial social.

Impact on general youth development in their municipality areas.

Proper planning of these departments and this result to negative municipality and province at large and another factor which is hindering political youth leaders further aligned to political instability within their government chambers.

They accuse these departments and their local political participation in decision-making that affect their development.

Young people are integrated in their development plans and are some believe that government was not doing enough to ensure that

Programs, which then leads to misadministration of funds intended for such
When they engage with youth on issues that directly affect them, many youth agree that there were limited platforms and poor attendance with relevant stakeholders during development stage could be the primary reason. They were also aware of the current youth policies were falling short to address youth challenges and believe that minimum consultation with youth clients were insufficient.

They also feel that the current youth policies within their departments are not well aligned with the implementation of their programs within their results. The impact of programs are often weighed by limited resources which hinder programs and in most cases, there are limited infrastructural resources within these settings. In most cases, the majority of young people were literally unemployed. This challenges the minimum requirement for leadership. People have not earned any post matric qualification, which was a(n) challenge, but the challenge is that not all young people have completed their diploma and they absorb such learners after they have been unemployed and they absorb such learners. After they have been unemployed. They enroll and government departments claim that there are young people of their age, young people need money in order to meet the same standard of other developed involved in projects in which they are not making enough money.
government departments and municipalities.

needs were not integrated into broader development goals or

They feel that in most cases they were not consulted and their

were not taken them seriously.

their needs were not treated with urgency they deserve and government

government in addressing their socio-economic challenges. They feel that

leaders of youth organizations were not happy with slow pace of

lasting not more than twenty (20) minutes.

relevant government officials were conducted and each interview was

scheduled interviews with both leaders of youth organizations and

4. INTERVIEWS

government administration.

government officials due to other government programs and the new

some challenges in getting back these questionsnaires on time from

hindering enhancement of youth development programs. There were genuine responses that will assist in identifying policies that are

both youth population and government officials provided their honest and

country.

youth constitute majority of population and are future leaders of the

multicatively that more needs to be done on youth development as

There is an agreement between these departments and

certain areas of Buffalo City.

institability during implementation of youth development programs in

They also have a challenge of political interferences and political
Population within Buffalo City projects which do not have blessings of the general youth constituency which results in municipal implementing youth committee level and youth forums of not being accountable to their municipal officials were also accusing youth representatives at ward

- could improve their impact stakeholders in planning and implementation of these programs. They believe that more funding and direct involvement of relevant this result to these projects having to be stopped due to funding hindering their implementation of youth development programs. and government officials that limited financial resources was there seems to be an agreement between Buffalo City Municipality

- challenges. For youth affairs as they have a better understanding of youth competent youth in their special programs until to be responsible government departments and municipality should appoint

- high number of unskilled and unemployed youth. This will have positive impact on youth as it will limit background. This will have positive impact on youth as it will limit people who can not afford decent education due to poor family funding from treasury in order to give more bonuses to young they request provincial social cluster departments to source more

- training. Understand their primary roles and responsibilities and require more the council itself is not accountable to them and they seem not to Buffalo City when municipal youth council was established and that there was no maximum consultation of youth forums within

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something drastic should be done to salvage their situation. Although the government of democracy, they were slowly losing hope unless the role they have played in the history of liberation of the country up to this point was the only organization they have and understood the role they were getting was each day getting to bed with empty stomach. They have put their hope in the ruling party as they believe that it will improve in the future. The hope that their lives will be improved but all the ruling party believe the day will come when no hope of improvement. They have getting bleaker by the day with no hope of improvement. They say instead of seeing improvement on their lives their future was instead of seeing improvement on their lives are doing nothing to develop them. They say all responses received from young people were the same that government areas.

Village, Macedon, King William's Town and the surrounding rural young people were randomly consulted from different areas of Duncan different areas and wards of Buffalo City. Approximately twenty (20)
This method was also used in collecting data from young people in.

6. SAMPLING

development in general, have interest as to who leads them to the advancement of their race as they were important for them to be central in the leadership race which they say if leaders were not easy to get as they were busy preparing for their up development of young people within Buffalo City. Some political youth sufficient time to express themselves on their general overview of these interviews were open ended and respondents were given
the expectations due to the following reasons:

However, after interrogating with the 2006 / 07 annual reports of all Special Programs Units of the social cluster departments and the Office of the Premier, very little has been done to provide support and assistance into departmental priorities.

6. ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT: SPECIAL PROGRAMS UNIT

alcohol and drug abuse.

They have all agreed that political instability and corruption are well as was only focusing in urban areas.

Some were complaining about lack of recreational facilities saying government without success and those staying at rural areas were also being applying for financial assistance to further their studies.

They believe that youth institutions that were created by government is advice and support young people were not accessible to them and were only serving the selected few.
Province

To support youth and other designated population groups within the

groups. In the year under review, it has had many programs that seek

was pushing hard to make an impact to the previously disadvantaged

in these departments, only department of social development which

organizational structure of the unit.

departmental activities. In most departments there was no clear

senior management which will make them influential in

people who are serving these groups are not appointed at a level of

of designated groups as part of their performance contracts. Most

the departments and most senior managers do no consider issues

planning and budgeting processes as well as strategic sessions of

Special Programs Units do not all participate in senior management

population.

all their planned programs have very little impact to the general

There is limited financial resources allocated to these units hence

groups.

cases there is one official responsibility for different population

del with various challenging needs of designated groups and in most

In most departments these units have limited skill and capacity to

of reporting lines.

within these departments as well as location of these units in terms

There is no uniformity on the operation of Special Programs Unit

addressing their needs by responsibility officials.

challenges of these affected groups and there is lack of urgency in

Government departments were not prioritizing the needs and

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corporate plans and well as with budget. According to another general annual performance of Eastern Cape Youth Commission was inconsistent with objectives of its strategic and regulatory requirements. Performance of youth commission and this led to no-compliance with which hindered progress and continuity of activities of youth commission. High rate of staff resigning from the Eastern Cape Youth Commission

The committee also met in November 2006 and noted the following:

In order for Youth Commission to improve on its mandate, on a very serious light and made recommendations to rectify such findings province and it was only active during youth month (June). It viewed these Commission had no communication strategy directed to all youth in the Western Cape. The Commission had just launched instead of awarding bursaries to them to further their studies. It also noted that Eastern Cape Youth the young people who had just matriculated instead of awarding bursaries.

In its meeting held in 2006, the Office focused on more on leadership for people.

With the Eastern Cape Youth Commission to drive program of young Premier has no specific until dealing with youth affairs instead at worked government discussions and resolutions affecting youth. The Office of the minutes of the meetings of Standing Committee of the Office of the
In terms of government arrangements is
what is on the plan is anything to go by. It is the view of the researcher
Young people in Buffalo City are yet to benefit from their municipality if
order not to discriminate them.

effectively, they require different people responsible for different sectors in
disadvantaged groups are equally demanding and as such to be
sectors within the unit. All other sectors (different previous
the plan is still as it has one responsible person responsible for other
not to be well populated with enough staff component. This issue on
Youth mean to benefit. The organizational arrangement of the unit seems
targeted youth population, their areas of location as well as number of
compliance. It does not clearly define objectives of their plans. Silent on
Plans that are realitcally have no clear implementers, saving time and its

municipal jurisdiction.

Implementable programs / projects that benefit young people within
established government youth structures without having tangible
that was analyzed have no clear implementaion plan. It has plan to
Buffalo City Municipal operations for special programs unit, youth affairs

8. OPERATIONAL PLAN

really them.

of the implications of youth commision and look decisive decisions to
activities of youth commission accordingly. It managed to highlight some
understanding of its task and was performing its over-sight role on the
issues were do not recall. The committee seemed to have a clear
made recommendations with clear implementaion to ensure that these
The committee had extensive debate on these matters following which it
under O.R. Tambo District municipality where it made research and
programs for youth in Buffalo City. It focused mainly on the rural areas
The annual performance report under review had little youth development
mandated to provide support in terms of youth development
understanding of youth during research methodology was that it has a
youth integration in the government programs, yet the view and
states it clearly that its primary role is to make research and advocacy for
commission by general youth population. In its report, youth commission
there is confusion or lack of understanding of the role of the youth
However after a thorough interrogation with the report it was clear that
people.
Youth Commission as a government structure created to serve young
was done mainly to look at the annual performance of the Eastern Cape
annual report from Eastern Cape Youth Commission was consulted. This
in ensuring that the research study does achieve its objectives. 2006/07

9. ANNUAL REPORT: EASTERN CAPE YOUTH COMMISSION

municipal area.
Improving the lives of youth in Buffalo City
incentives at the end of financial year, good implementation of these
encourages them to perform because good performance goes with
for the municipality to assess performance of such officials and will also
senior managers responsible for youth affairs. This will make it very easy
City. These plans should also be included in the performance contracts of
young people and have a positive impact to the general youth of Buffalo
develop clear implementable and sustainable programs that will benefit
the government which is closer to the people should be central in making


Commission in respect of youth development is that it failed to yield the original overview of performance of the Eastern Cape Youth Commission.

- Lack of effective participation of youth in government processes still poses a serious challenge to their development.
- Lack of integration of youth development programs to both provincial and local government development programs.
- Absence of youth commissions in political influence was also mentioned as another challenge which hindered progress of youth performance and delivery of its mandate.

The report under review stated the following:

- The performance and operations of youth commissions is not completely different from Special Program Unit of government departments in that they were friends or related to them. They were not the perception that they only serve those young people whose needs they view these institutions as just playing lip service and tangibles programs to change their daily lives after participating in such creating confidence in these institutions because they don’t get feedback or addressing youth commission’s report to developing and implementing youth programs that seeks to readdress the situation after completing its research. This indicates contributions to youth unemployment and HIV and AIDS. However, these activities fall short of Commission conducted research and the state of youth unemployment measures. At Amathole District where Buffalo City falls under, youth commission compile youth plans for Mdantsane, Gqumeni and Nyandeni local municipalities.
During the process of methodology of this research study, there was never most cases, youth are left not being skilled on how to utilize such services. engagement with youth they were trained to use this infrastructure as in they reside. Any type of programs and whether during the process of talked about numbers of youth consulted with explaining areas where to the general youth and the intended objectives of the programs. It only card programs. The report fell short of explaining the impact it has made centers, youth internet portal, youth call centers and youth African youth of the country. This infrastructure ranged from youth advisory claims to have reached about 800,000 youth across the length and breadth the fund focused on establishing infrastructure for young people and it report on the fund was interrogated and analyzed. In the year under review for the purpose of this research study, 2007/08 annual performance measures.

Young people to have sustainable livelihoods.

development programs and mainstreaming of youth development. For main purpose was to enable the implementation of effective youth initiatives and participating in the mainstream economy of the country. Its government in 2001 to assist youth with finding for their development. Unmoboyvun Youth Fund is an institution that was established by.

10. ANNUAL REPORT: UMOSOBOMYO YOUTH FUND

population because it had no positive impact to the general youth background that youth in Bulolo City fully support the dissolution of youth been changed because of youth commission. It is therefore against this in its establishment not a young person who could say his/her life has youth projects that youth commission could claim that it has played a role their mandate and it lacked accountability. At Bulolo City, there are no expected results. Youth Commission failed to educate young people on
Buffalo City Municipal area.

have made very little impact in youth development in particular in the
both universities and youth fund and youth commission since their inception
of the youth fund and manager with youth commission
hence they supported its dissolution and merged with youth commission
majority of youth believe that the fund was only assisting the selected few
problems of business assisted. These are some of the reasons why the
that has been sourced by 803 entrepreneurs without mentioning the
their motivations to get funding. The report mentions about R270 million
being given valid reasons for assistance where they have to improve on
for their entrepreneurship but were turned down by the fund without
attempts by preparing business plans with the hope of accessing funding
in the Buffalo City Municipal area many young people have made several

Programs.

report came with statistics of youth who has been assisted in their
date. Youth still compose high ratio of illiteracy and unemployment yet this
in the province of Eastern Cape and in Buffalo City in particular. still
employment of placement. This has also made very little impact to youth
or guaranteed future after completing their training or guaranteed future
taken through Further Education and Training Colleges with no planned
well developed areas of the country. Those young people have been
youth on the year under review. It has made strides mainly in urban and
There has been little progress on skills development and transfer to the

Buffalo City Municipal area.

a mention by youth consulted of such available services for youth within


11. DATA INTERPRETATION AND GENERAL OVERVIEW

Priority scarce resources:

1. Lack of focus on youth issues by government due to a need to:
   - Development

2. Apathy and lack of engagement with government with respect to:
   - Unemployment and lack of opportunities

3. Crime and abuse

The challenges currently faced by young people within Buffalo City are particularly susceptible to social issues such as HIV and AIDS. The majority of youth in Buffalo City are facing many challenges and are particularly vulnerable to HIV.

The challenges currently faced by young people within Buffalo City are particularly vulnerable to HIV.

The majority of young people within Buffalo City are unemployed, illiterate, and are engaged in illegal activities.

The city of Buffalo City has also been acknowledged by the local society. This situation has also been acknowledged by the local society.

The objective of improving the current situation of young people. The majority of participants in the research and their responses were mainly with the institutional where the research was conducted. The researcher has conducted data in respect of the research study.

Further to this, the researcher is more familiar with the municipal area.

The research topic and some are directly and indirectly affected by the research study. The researcher has collected data in respect of the research study from all relevant stakeholders due to their knowledge of the study. All respondents were consulted provided information based on their understanding of the research study.
Youth losing hope on their government and their public representatives extensively consulted or informed of government activities. This result in government and the general youth population within the area. Youth is not environmentally conducive for that. There is a huge gap between innovations for sustainable living but government is failing to make

Youth is encouraged to be creative and come up with ideas and

Standing next to old building or shops smoking debris of gambling.

Majority of young people were wondering around the township other has witness little or no youth development programs around the area. Institutions in youth development during research process the researcher City, little can be said of the positive impact played by government research and the general overview of the current youth situation in Bulholo to redress historical imbalances. Looking at the data provided during population group and as such government has to create an environment for youth development due to historical role they have played during Government has a role to play in ensuring that opportunities are created nothing positive for them and the society.

Currently categorized as unemployed graduates sitting at home doing nothing positive for them and the society. Those who were fortunate enough to further their studies are living. Those who were fortunate enough to further their studies are engaged themselves in illegal activities such as crime as the only source of hope in life and in contributing positively to the society and then decide to a decent and formal employment. This result is to young people losing their parents have never even own a property or assets or have never had people grew up from poor family backgrounds or in an environment where lack of skills or scarce job opportunities. In most cases many young development of the area because some are either not employable due to majority of youth in Bulholo City are not participating in the socio-economic
The needs and challenges of the people on the ground.

More time is spent on political intrigues without addressing government institutions. Here will be little development and service delivery. Experience has proved that where there is no politically stable local government, the overall population, including youth, is at risk. The local government is not politically stable and this has a negative impact on development. Those in government leadership positions do not share the same views as those in politics and in most cases they don't support the same views as development. In most wards of Bulingo City, youth is actively discouraged or not considered for general political environment of the area is also not conducive for general development. Most of them do not have proper infrastructure and equipment for the job. Initiatives are not funded and supported by these institutions because managed by youth and most of those are not in formal structures. These youth are often excluded from such projects. In most areas in Bulingo City, there are car washers that are youth projects were not sufficiently funded or funded for sustainability. Those few young people who manage to be creative enough and initiative any positive impact to young people.

Visible during youth month (June) and disappear after that without making any positive feedback for their development. These institutions are only providing maximum support and retaining to youth to develop business plans. Young people and the general community. These institutions are failing to young people because it is their responsibility to populate such services to government because it is their responsibility to develop the government. Only consult general community only for legislative compliance. Majority of development plans or their youth development impacts are not founding because they are not given opportunities to implement on government.
As well as responsible citizens economically active youth there will be peace and stability with community unrest intervention to alleviate the situation because with educated and economic inequality and under-development Government need to have an urgent intervention to alleviate the situation. Government are conducting themselves in an unprecedented manner due to area because instead of youth adding value to society and municipal area because instead of youth adding value to society and municipal development. Unquestionably this can no be said about youth in Bulbul City municipal busy contributing to the socio-economic development of the country. Community and to the government of the day at large and must be kept challenge for both society and government. Youth is important asset to the community. The current situation of youth in the municipal area poses a very serious performance contracts of the Heads of Departments key performance areas of the institution and are not part of the institutions. In most case programs of the units are not included in the strategic plans. These units are not represented because of the previous inequalities. These units are not demanding because of the previous inequalities. These units are not because difficulties of special programs unit are equally different sectors within the unit which renders him her ineffective and incapacitated. In most cases only one person responsible for government to deal with previously disadvantaged groups are not fully needs and challenges of youth. Those units that were established by needs and challenges of youth.
consequences in the future. Development is better because continued ignorance could have serious changes for the better. The sooner government promotes youth institutions and their officials in ensuring their lives or young people are not policy gaps, lack of funds and will from relevant youth.

Youth development programs. There are still bottlenecks when it comes to implementing and delivering agreements both from youth population and government institutions that continue to live in poverty and under-development. There is a huge task ahead in ensuring that young people are integrated into the analytical interpretation thereof. There is evidence that government in conclusion, from all the data that have been collected in chapter 3 and 4.
around strategy to improve the situation. Forwarded to the relevant government institutions to consider a permanent strategy. The research study required findings and recommendations will then be open for the current situation. Upon approval of this out of the research study and recommendations or possible solutions to information for the researcher, this chapter will therefore provide findings. The process was done successfully and all respondents provided useful development programs within Buffalo City.

Subject.

Concerned were consulted in this regard to source more information on the general youth population from different areas of the municipal area underdeveloped. Relevance is the focus of the root causes for their investigate the current challenges faced by youth and the root causes for their youth development within Buffalo City municipal area. It further went to Eastern Cape social cluster departments and Buffalo City Municipal in mean for their development.

Youth in South Africa and all over the world consist majority of the general population. Prior and post 1994 youth in general has been under-
Youth and their organized youth structures are not actively empowered by strong parent and family connections.

Avoid these risk behaviors altogether, especially if they are associated with these messages that are capable of making the choice to emulate sex and violence. If beliefs that if youth and teens are involved in the government development planning and participate in the decision-making processes, they are consulted by their peers.

Majority of young people are coming from poor family backgrounds.

Skills, poverty and unemployment.

2.1 Youth Population

Following findings were identified:

After carefully analyzing and interpreting the contents of the collected data

2. FINDINGS
part of the national economy and at least sustain livelihoods.

enhancement of productive capacities to the marginalized can become
underdevelopment found in rural areas and urban townships. The
welfare services can never overcome the scale of poverty and

The former state President Mbeki also stressed that the provision of

not have formal education and economically inactive.

hope in life due to the deteriorating situation in particular those who do

Generally, majority of young people are not motivated and have no

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earn them more money in order to live their own life the way they want
development. They want to associate themselves with projects that will
not sustainable and making enough money for their personal

Youth in general is less interested to be involved in projects that are

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developmental local government to the people.

initiating and neglected is consultational mandate of providing
development. Municipality spends more time managing political
concerned and this is negatively affecting youth and general

There is high community and political instability in the municipal area.

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documents:

Road-shows but their impulse will never found expression in the final
Government departments and local political representatives are not always accessible to the youth and the general community and in most cases youth plans are not reflected in government and municipal development plans. Integrated development plans for youth are not positive Impacted on young area and this result to little or no positive impact on youth. There are few government initiatives for youth and such programs are not sustainable and are not benefiting limited youth population within the department and the municipality.

Senior Manager to represent the unit in the strategic planning of the challenges. In most cases these units have one or two officials with no human resources in special programs units to address youth programs are not enough financial and allocation enough financial. Most of these departments are not prioritizing youth vulnerabilities. Urgent review and youth programs that are not sustainable.

In addition, a lot of policy gaps which requires not effectively addressing the needs and challenges currently faced by Government programs and policies mean for youth development are not. 2.2 GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND MUNICIPALITY.
performance to the satisfaction of young people.

There was not enough staff members to effectively serve the youth.

(President of the ANCYL, 16 June 2009).

find were useless: they were serving their friends and relatives.

Development Agency. Both youth commission and umzamo youth
Youth League, who said during the official launch of National Youth
also shared by the current President of the African National Congress
conclusion that it was serving only the selected few. This view was
and it was not accessible to the general youth population in particular
Those in rural areas, is limited impact to youth resulted in the
majority of youth reside.

Plans that are reflected have no clear timelines and clear objectives.

general youth population in the area.

implementable programs that benefit and impact positively to the
Buffalo City. Municipalities youth development plans have no tangible

2.3 operational plans

their mandate in respect of youth development programs.

in place to enforce and ensure that they meet with general youth to get
their youth constituencies and municipalities do not have mechanisms
Youth representatives at municipal ward level are not accountable to

2.4 Eastern Cape Youth Commission

as well as not being specific on the area on which the target youth

are located.
According to Youth Development Trust, after assessing the current situation of general youth it mobilized various resources, tools and created platforms that add value towards the socio-economic empowerment of youth through sustainable and employability and entrepreneurial programs.

Youth institutions to ensure that youth become economically active.

The overall situation of young people led to the establishment of other transforming lives of young people.

• Programs were not sustainable and were not permanent.

• Youth development initiatives and was not accessible to the youth in rural areas.

It had a limited impact to the youth in terms of assisting and funding.

2. Mambasbomo Youth Fund

General at the end of every financial year, management processes which were always identified by the auditor daily operations, this resulted in not complying to legislated financial

Youth Commission has no clear policy and procedure manuals for its
Recommendations

1. That Treasury should allocate sufficient budget to these departments.
2. That government departments and municipalities should engage on the implementation of such youth development programs.

Recommendations based on the contents of the study and its findings:

Socially in general, the researcher believes includes the following and monitors all programs aimed at integrating youth into economy and improve their skills development and economic participation of the youth.

One of the challenges would be to create an environment conducive to Development Agency that will usher in a new era in youth development mark the 33rd National Youth Day with the launch of National Youth Focus area for government. He said as government they were pleased to

President Zuma (16 June 2009) stated that youth development is a critical

Attention and actions to improve performance on youth development weak systems in the current government institutions which requires urgent people. These might be caused by among other things like policy gaps. After all the processes that were followed in conducting the research

Recommendations

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and entrepreneurial initiatives to transform their current living conditions.

- Conducted especially building workshops on how to develop business plans to be decentralized to all levels and areas including rural areas and

- Established the National Youth Development Agency that has been established by peace and stability.

- Responsible citizen and community characterized by peace and stability.

2008 National Conference:

- African National Congress Youth League in its discussion documented development programs and initiatives. This idea was also shared by development programs and initiatives. This idea was also shared by youth and institutions that will interact with youth at all levels. In respect of their resilience and from one performance at the end of each financial year.

- Such programs as they will be accompanied after evaluation of their performance. This will encourage them to prioritize and implement institutional in the performance contracts of Heads of Departments in all implemented in the financial performance of youth development plans and strategies be cooperative world. With more finding, these departments and municipali ties will be able in their Special Programs. This is to support

- Financially needy youth in order to get necessary skills to compete in the
that will contribute towards reducing this situation. AIDS and lack of skills. Youth with HIV and depression, young people live in poverty, unemployment, crime, Home and majority of according to Ex-urban Metropolitan Youth Policy, household behaviours. Currently, youth is facing with many challenges which lead them to unemploy.

The researcher believes that one way or another, the above opportunities to get their drivers' licence when they complete their matric, to respond to the technological world and will also afford them encourage young people to make good career choices that will be able drivers' licence into the curriculum from high school level. This will government should reintroduce and enforce career guidance and
the county and the population at large.
concerned and the county in general will have negative consequences for
of affairs that negatively affect young people within the municipal area
Failure to act decisively against the continued poverty and pathetic state
characterized by peace and stability.

situation. This will enable the county to create a responsible citizenry
embrace an urgent intervention to change and improve the current
entire society collectively with government should devise a plan and
research study, it is therefore the submission of the researcher that the
In light of the current situation based on the contours and findings of the

play.

being in taking youth into its rightful place and play a role it's supposed to
current state of affairs, government and other relevant stakeholders are far
relation to development and defence of the country. But looking at the
county and should be central and be actively involved in all aspects in
the society. Under normal environment, youth is the future of every
caused by a combination of different factors that are negatively affecting
in the development of the county and as young democracy. This is
Youth in the country in general is not playing the role it's supposed to play
situation and challenges facing youth within the country.
entire society of South Africa need to urgently attend to the current
Government, private sector, Non-Governmental Organizations and the
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IN THE

BUFFALO CITY
ORGANIZATIONS / FORMATIONS WITHIN FOR GENERAL YOUTH AND THEIR

QUESTIONNAIRE

ANNEXURE A.

CONFIDENTIALITY:

Information received will be used to achieve the objective of the study.
Confidentiality of all participants in this research study will be maintained and all the

INFORMATION OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Designation
Qualifications
Age
Portfolio
Organization
1. Are there any development programs / project in your area?

2. If yes on the question above, what kind of a program / project?
   - [ ] A. Yes
   - [ ] B. No
   - [x] C. Not really

3. How many young people are involved in the daily running of the program / project?

4. Do such programs / any have an impact to young people in your area and if yes...
   - [ ] Yes
   - [x] No
   - [ ] Females
   - [ ] Male

5. Can you briefly explain in your own view the general living conditions of young people in Buffalo City Municipal area?
10. What changes would you like the YDA use in providing support to young people?

9. What are your expectations in the newly formed Youth Development Agency?

8. Do you think our new Youth Fund and Youth Commissions were accessible to the general youth within Buffalo City? If yes, how and if no, why?

7. What is your view on performance of Special Youth Programs Units within Provincial Social Cluster Departments and Buffalo City Municipalities in terms of youth development?

6. Do you think youth policies and government youth programs are benefiting the general youth population? If yes, how and if no, why?
LIVES OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE
HIGHLY APPRECIATED AS IT WILL GO A LONG WAY IN IMPROVING THE DAILY
YOUR CONTRIBUTION AND PARTICIPATION IN THIS RESEARCH STUDY IS


14. What is your general overview of the impact of Buffalo City and Sector


13. If your answer above is yes, how often are they consulted?


12. Do you think there is a platform in Buffalo City Municipality where young people


11. What would you want the municipality and sector departments to improve the
current status quo of young people in Buffalo City?
Yours in Youth Development

highly appreciated.

As June is a Youth month, your cooperation in filling this questionnaire will be
completed and forwarded back to me on or before Friday, 26 June 2009.

This will assist me in completing my studies and also in achieving the objectives
responding on the questions on the questionnaire in respect of my chosen topic.

The therefore serves as a request and cooperation from your office in

Administration. I have completed theory and currently busy with theses on Youth

The above subject matter refers:

Re: Request for Assistance Towards my Theses on Youth Development

Dear Sir/Madam

5249
East London
P.O. Box 134
Buffalo City Municipality
The Acting Municipal Manager

18 June 2009

Annexure "B"
Information of the Participants

Information received will be used to achieve the objective of the study. Confidentiality of all participants in this research study will be maintained and all the data will be kept confidential.

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Assessment of the Role and Impact of the Provincal

In the

Buffalo City Municipality
For Social Cluster Departments and

Questionnaire

Annexure "C"
5. Does your department/organization have sufficient staff to deal with youth interests and challenges and what, if any, minimum requirements are included for the staff?

☐ I. Not really

☐ II. No

☐ III. Yes

4. Are such policies addressing youth challenges and interests?

Does your department/organization have clear youth development policies and plans?

☐ I. Not really

☐ II. No

☐ III. Yes

3. If your answer is yes in question 2 above, what type of program/project is that?

for young people within Buffalo City Municipal area?

If yes on the question above, are there any youth development programs

☐ I. Not really

☐ II. No

☐ III. Yes

2. Does your department/organization have a unit responsible for youth affairs?
Do you think your department/organization is doing enough to improve the situation of young people? If yes, how and if no, why?

Total
Females
Males

Impact does it have to young people in general? How many young people benefited in such projects within Buffalo City and what in your reports/statistics of projects/programs mentioned in question 7 above?

Can you list some of the youth development projects that your department/organization has embarked on within Buffalo City?

Does your department/organization have a platform where you meet daily lives? If yes, how often do you meet and if no, why?
10. How does your department/organization integrate youth development programs into your development plan?

11. What is your general view on the current situation of young people within Buffalo City and the surrounding areas within Eastern Cape?

12. What are your future plans as the department/organization to improve the general welfare of young people in Buffalo City?
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14. Can you briefly explain the strategies that are used by your department/
organization in ensuring that young people do participate in all decision making
processes of your institution and its impact in their development?

13. How is your relations with government, youth institutions and do you have
integrated programs for youth development?