

CDB AND YOUTH

Curious about what investments the Caribbean Development Bank has made in the Region's young people? Read about our work with and for the Caribbean's future!

Did you know...

That young people make up 63% of the CARICOM population?

People **under the age of 30** make up the majority of the Region's population. As young people drive economic growth and innovation, this represents a vast resource for the Caribbean.

That CDB invested USD114 mn in youth between 2004-2016?

These investments include projects such as:

The **Youth Resilience and Inclusive Social Empowerment Project (Youth RISE)** in Belize. CDB provided **USD1.7 mn** in funding for this project aimed at improving the resilience of children and youth in under-served communities through programmes to improve literacy and numeracy, adaptive life skills and employability.

Providing USD16.2 mn for Saint Lucia's **Education Quality Improvement Project (EQuIP)** which will rehabilitate and expand several educational institutions and provide support for children with special education needs.

Supporting the **Skills Development and Employability Project** in Guyana with USD12.2 mn in funding. Over 27,000 students and 720 educators will benefit from the project which runs until 2021.

That 2,581 at risk youth benefited from CDB-supported citizen security interventions between 2015-2017?

This includes projects such as:

Awakening Special Potential by Investing in Restoration and Empowerment (ASPIRE) in Grenada. CDB provided **USD1.4 mn** for this juvenile justice system project. ASPIRE is focused on diverting young people from coming into conflict with the law and improving rehabilitation of those young people who do.

Sound Waves Training - a project in Saint Lucia which trains at-risk youth in music performance and production.

That 36,045 students benefited from CDB-funded education projects in 2016 alone?

Improving the quality of and access to education and training is one of **CDB's strategic objectives** under its 2015-2019 Strategic Plan.

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