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Youth led climate campaign.

**Background:** Oxfam, a prominent International Non-Governmental Organization, has been deeply involved in providing humanitarian and developmental aid in South Sudan for over four decades. Our overarching mission is to partner with various stakeholders to alleviate poverty and reduce suffering. Throughout our extensive presence, we have remained steadfast in our commitment to closely collaborate with governmental bodies, including line Ministries and agencies, both at the national and sub-national levels, especially in times of humanitarian crises.

Oxfam is currently implementing multi-sectoral interventions that incorporate climate smart initiatives. Despite South Sudan's stunning natural beauty and abundant resources, the country is facing a growing threat from climate change. This is evidenced by heavier rains leading to floods and drier seasons causing drought in various regions. The escalating temperatures, erratic rainfall, devastating floods, and prolonged droughts are significantly impacting livelihoods, food security, and overall development in the country.

There exists an implementation gap, particularly in involving urban youth in shaping climate conversations. As the future custodians of the land, the youth of South Sudan need to recognize the urgent need for action.

**Purpose:** The proposed concept note outlines a youth-led climate change campaign aimed at raising awareness, empowering communities, and fostering sustainable solutions. By inviting young people to write essays about climate change, many will gain understanding of the devastating impact of climate change hence prompting climate finance, strengthen adaptation measures, promote just energy transitions, and elevate south Sudanese voices in climate negotiations specially during COP29.

#### Criteria for the essay writing competition

- You must be a young person aged 15-25 years.
- South Sudanese student studying in one of the secondary schools in South Sudan currently in senior one to three.
- Each essay shall be between 750 and 1500 words.
- The essay must seek to address causes, impact, and potential solution to climate crisis - noting the role of young people in the process.
- The essay must have a call to action to avert climate change.

This essay writing competition is intended for all interested Secondary school students to showcase their game-changing climate-oriented solutions and ideas through their writing.

This is an opportunity for students to showcase their diverse, innovative talent on climate change essay writing competition to win one year scholarship from Oxfam through their writing skills.



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The top 3-Winners of this essay competition will receive awards in pursuit of their academics and career.

Essays submitted after the dateline will NOT be considered. Send your essay to [info.southsudan@oxfam.org.uk](mailto:info.southsudan@oxfam.org.uk) clearly marked on the subject line **Climate change Essay**.

**Submission Period**

September 25<sup>th</sup>, - October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

