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THE ROLE OF YOUTH IN BUILDING SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE CITIES

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INH - IN THE CONTEXT OF HOUSING POLICY

Population growth and accelerated urbanization in Angola pose challenges and opportunities for the future of cities. The active participation of youth is key to building a sustainable and inclusive urban future. The National Housing Institute – INH, is a legal person governed by public law, endowed with legal personality and administrative, financial and patrimonial autonomy, aims to ensure the implementation of the policy of promotion and promotion of housing, the management and disposal of State assets.



II. PRINCIPLES OF HOUSING POLICY

The National Housing Policy (**NHP**) aims to create favorable conditions that guarantee access to adequate and decent housing for all through different modalities, in an inclusive, transparent, fair and equitable way, which promotes socioeconomic and sustainable development.

The general objective of the PNH is:

- Facilitate access to decent housing;
- Create instruments for the implementation of participatory and inclusive housing initiatives at different levels;
- Promotion of a sustainable housing market.

II. PRINCIPLES OF HOUSING POLICY

The National Housing Policy is based on some principles, in which the following stand out:

P r i n c i p l e o f E q u i t y .

Initiatives carried out in a fair and equitable manner, in order to ensure that vulnerable groups are the target of policy and the application of resources, especially those of public origin; Among these groups we can include lower-income families, young people, among others.

P r i n c i p l e o f S o c i a l P a r t i c i p a t i o n .

Which guarantees citizen participation both in the design and implementation of actions with the engagement of the actors responsible for the implementation of housing policy, at the different levels of governance.

P r i n c i p l e o f S p a t i a l P l a n n i n g .

That promotes an urban system that emanates from each house and fundamentally when it is based on a properly elaborated urban plan, foreseeing the growth of each area of this circumscription at all levels.

III. EXECUTIVE PROGRAMS FOR ANGOLAN YOUTH

SOME PROGRAMS
DESIGNED BY THE
ANGOLAN
GOVERNMENT,
TRANSVERSAL TO
THE FACILITATION OF
ACCESS TO HOUSING

Credit Support Program (PAC): Launched in 2019, this program aims to facilitate access to credit for young entrepreneurs.

Action Plan for the Promotion of Employability (PAPE): Implemented in 2019, with the aim of creating more than 250 thousand jobs, many of them aimed at young people.

Integrated Local Development and Poverty Fighting Programme: Although it is not exclusive to young people, it has components that directly benefit youth in rural and urban areas.

National Program for Integral Youth Development: A comprehensive program that addresses various areas such as education, health, employment, and youth civic participation.

IV. FRAMEWORK FOR ACCESS TO HOUSING

The **Constitution of the Republic**, in its Article 81, establishes that young people enjoy special protection for the realization of their economic, social and cultural rights, in which access to housing under the terms of paragraph c) of the aforementioned Article stands out.

In this sense, under the terms of the special legislation, namely, Presidential Decree No. 278/20, of 26 October, which establishes the regime for access and use of housing built with public funds, enshrines the assurance of a 20% quota in favor of youth in all housing projects built by the State. Access to these properties is made through the Urban Lease, Resolvable Property, Prompt Payment and Free Allocation regime.

In order to reduce the housing deficit, the Executive approved the National Urbanism and Housing Program, with the aim of restructuring the development of the Urban System and the Housing Stock, with a view to ensuring the elevation of the social well-being of the population and contributing to its sustainable development. The main goal to be achieved is the modernization of cities, the country's Housing Stock, the creation of conditions for the construction of 1 million dwellings; To house about 60 million inhabitants, as well as the increase in the sectoral contribution to GDP and the creation of more jobs.

V. SUMMARY OF THE NATIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM

In summary, the Program was subdivided into subprograms, in which the following stand out: **The construction of about 30 Centralities at national level**, which gave rise to 99,406 dwellings to accommodate about 500,000 inhabitants. The construction and completion of 7 Centralities is expected, namely, in the provinces of Zaire (2), Malanje (1), Cuanza Norte (1), Moxico (1), Cuando Cubango (1) and Lunda Sul (1), which will give rise to more than 13,400 homes, to improve the quality of life of approximately 68,000 inhabitants; **Subprogram of the 200 Dwellings by municipalities**, which essentially aimed at the construction of housing units in all municipalities in the country; **Directed and Assisted Self-Construction**, which aims to provide decent housing, through the promotion of territorial planning instruments, creation of various types of plots of land for housing solutions with legal security of their possession.

The New Housing Paradigm consists of the implementation of the Directed and Assisted Self-Construction Project, as a component of the National Housing Program, which is an important alternative to guarantee the social right to decent housing. In a long-term alignment and with various typologies, we foresee the distribution of around 4 million lots in accordance with the Long-Term Strategy 2050.

VI. YOUTH ENGAGEMENT IN URBAN PLANNING

It is essential to ensure that the voice of youth is heard in the definition of urban development policies and plans, and in this path the Angolan Executive has developed the following actions:



Creation of youth councils: Incorporate youth representatives in advisory councils to discuss urban projects and policies



Participation in idea competitions: Encourage the participation of young people in competitions for the creation of innovative solutions to various problems.



Workshops and trainings: To train young people to participate in urban planning and project management processes.

VII. CONCLUSION

Youth participation is key to building better and fairer cities in Angola. It is necessary to invest in programs that promote the development of skills, training and opportunities for young people to be protagonists of urban transformation.

In this sense, the National Housing Institute, in order to have the participation of all sectors of society, essentially youth, is carrying out the online survey on the Challenges of Housing in Angola to formulate proposals for sustainable measures with a direct impact in the short and medium term, the answers to the survey can be submitted by accessing the Google form, by scanning the QR code, which appears.



Thank you!