GOJoven Alumni in Belize: Outcomes, 2015

From 2004 to 2015, the GOJoven Youth Leadership in Sexual and Reproductive Health Program trained eleven cohorts in Belize, totaling 82 young people. Initially run by the Public Health Institute (USA), GOJoven trainings and programming in Belize have been run by the NGO GOJoven Belize Alumni Association (GOBelize) since 2011. GOBelize promotes positive sexual and reproductive health (SRH) knowledge and behavior, leadership, and environmental consciousness among young people, in an atmosphere of fellowship. In 2015, 52 alumni of GOJoven in Belize responded to a survey (sent to 70 alumni, through the 2014 cohort) on participation in GOBelize, relevant work, and leadership[1]

Alumni active in GOBelize in 2013-2014

84%

- 44% — Trained health providers or teachers in adolescent SRH/rights
- 48% — Trained new youth leaders in adolescent SRH/rights
- 39% — Represented GOBelize on sub-national network/committee

Alumni working to address adolescent sexual and reproductive health or rights

83%

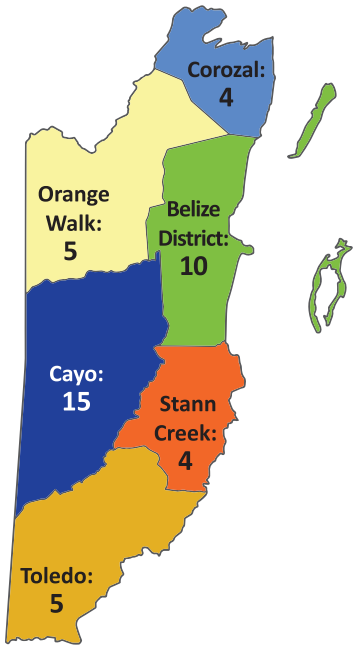
- 60% — Paid
- 38% — Volunteer

Alumni in leadership positions[3]

80%

- 48% — Management or coordination position in NGO or company
- 28% — Board member of NGO
- 26% — Member of regional or international committee or network

Alumni Active in GOBelize in 2013-2014, by District, per 2015 Alumni Survey[2]



> "My community recognizes me as an active member in society. I personally recognize my ability and confidence to speak about SRH with students, staff, family and friends.... My personal and professional growth is undoubt[edly] attributed to GOJoven."
>
> – Alumna of GOJoven in Belize

72% of alumni reported an increase in leadership responsibilities after GOJoven fellowship

93% of the 72% associated leadership increase with GOJoven

[1] All findings reported here are based on the survey sample
[2] Base map: http://mapsof.net/map/belize-districts-blank
[3] Of those reporting working in sexual and reproductive health or rights roles

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