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Counteraction of HIV/AIDS Spread among young people in Belarus	To counteract the spread of HIV/AIDS through improving the decision making skills of young people and showing them how to lead a positive life with responsible sexual habits. Projects in the area of sustainable development including women's economic justice and the environment.

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Increase Women's Employment in the Labour Market	<p>Trainings were held in English language and computer technology and use, as well as training in self esteem and social skills. A booklet was produced on how to write a CV, presentation of self, interviews, etc. and given to participants at the end of the course.</p> <p>Case studies Oksana Narkevich was employed in a bank. Antonina Golybeva found work abroad and went to work in Africa. Marina Belevich believed in herself after the trainings on psychology and wrote a project "Helping in social women employment" and got the grant.</p> <p>YWCA of Belarus We fulfilled the aims of this project but we get requests to continue studying English and computer. Many requests concern psychological trainings. In future we'd like to pay much attention to physical, psychological and reproduction health of jobless women.</p>

Czech Republic	Praha 10 Email: info@ywca.cz
Adelheid Ecumenical Summer School	Training and exchange within a European ecumenical group to help women understand the lives of women in other parts of Europe, and provide them with the necessary skills, knowledge, self confidence and spiritual growth for their work Transformation training is an experience in developing powerful tools that can help build women's networks and contribute towards progressive social change. The Adelheid Summer School is a strategic training programme involving women from East and Central Europe and is run by the YWCA in partnership with ENYA (Ecumenical Network for Youth Action). The aim is to identify, develop and improve English language, management, project development and finances, evaluation process, theological reflection and spiritual development, use of new technologies, economic, social and political contextual leadership. Issues include poverty alleviation, combating trafficking and violence against women, religious education, street children and highlighting women's concerns. 20 women selected from 16 countries. A 2nd phase will be held in Scotland in 2006 and between these two trainings participants will continue to develop their skills within their communities and through e-learning.

Georgia	Tbilisi / Georgia Georgia Email: georgia_ywca@yahoo.com
Help for single mothers	To be a lone parent is never easy, and in Georgia single mothers are one of the most marginalised groups in society. Eliso Machavariana, a single mother, was on the verge of suicide when she first came to the YWCA. Abandoned by her boyfriend and desperate to hide her pregnancy from her family, Eliso was forced to move into a maternity home, where the manager restricted her freedom and threatened to sell her baby. Eliso turned to the YWCA for help, joining their club for single mothers. The club enabled her to share her experiences, and provided information and support to turn her life around. Eliso has now moved into her own flat and set up a small business to provide a family income. With the YWCA's support, she is also negotiating with the maternity home for the return of her baby and has contacted the baby's father to assist with child-raising expenses. The single mothers in the YWCA Women's Club in Georgia, all have similar stories to Eliso. The Club has restored their dignity and security, and with plans underway to provide computer and language training in future, hopefully it will also expand career options.

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Human rights education	Young women are learning from their peers about labour market rights, social security and workplace harassment, following an initiative of the YWCA-YMCA of Latvia, which trained 16 young women at a Leaders' Training Course on workplace rights for women. Since graduating, these young leaders have trained 112 other young women, aged 15-18 years, through schools and community networks. The YWCA-YMCA of Latvia also held a conference with local government agencies focusing on 'Young People in the Labour Market', which attracted 139 people from trade unions, the government and the media. Local newspaper editor, Vija Lejina reported that the conference 'showed to society the importance to discuss, to think and to do something for improving the situation in the labour market for Latvia's young people'.
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Ukraine	Kiev Email: natalia@dutuna.kiev.ua
Let's Build a World of Understanding Starting with Yourself	To teach young people the skills of conflict free communication and self-confidence. To provide teachers with material on social adaptation With a certain experience on the issue of violence, having run a programme teaching children to live in harmony with themselves (the manual for children is now used by 200 schools), the YWCA has now turned to the problem of violence among teenagers and is teaching communication and nurturing teenagers' self-awareness of the need for tolerance. Following the series of training for teachers and teenagers, a manual will be produced on work with teenagers aged 12-16 (this has been requested by the schools following the first manual for children), which will be distributed throughout Ukraine. The training and manual are divided into 30 lessons on issues such as leadership, inner life, me and my environment, boys and girls, socializing, conflict, free communication, etc.