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Groundbreaking New Book - *Youth Voices of Change: Case Studies of Impactful Student-Led Projects*

Youth Voices of Change: Case Studies of Impactful Student-Led Projects, published in April 2026, is the first anthology featuring 16 youth-led project stories from around the world. The book highlights how young leaders are using project management principles to address real-world challenges and create lasting community impact.

Sponsored by the Project Management Institute Washington DC Chapter, edited by Evelyn R. Chao, the founder of PM Ready Inc., and featuring a foreword by Lee R. Lambert, a founder of the PMP, *Youth Voices of Change* serves as both an inspiring collection of youth stories and a practical guide for the next generation of changemakers.

Youth Voices of Change presents real case studies from student leaders worldwide who transformed ambitious ideas into meaningful community projects. Rather than defining project success only on timelines and budgets, the book emphasizes the broader value through youth grassroots initiatives, including leadership development, teamwork, problem-solving, and long-term environmental and social impact.

The anthology also demonstrates the critical role student-led initiatives can play in advancing the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The featured projects show how young people are tackling global challenges through local, concrete action. The "global-goes-local" framework highlights the book's emphasis on meaningful value and the tangible impact that youth-led initiatives can create.

Through each case study, readers see how these student leaders and teams apply the Project Management Process Groups and key Project Management Knowledge Areas to initiate, plan, execute, monitor, and sustain their work. By documenting these real-world applications, the book proves that thoughtful project management practices can help leaders of all ages turn ideas into results.

Designed as a teaching, training, and mentoring tool, the collection features authentic youth voices that provide candid reflections on leadership growth, teamwork dynamics, and problem-solving strategies. Each case study is paired with thoughtful discussion prompts developed by a volunteer team of 20 project management experts. These prompts make the book a valuable resource for students, educators, youth organizations, and project management professionals.

Youth Voices of Change is an essential read for anyone interested in project management, youth grassroots initiatives, the intersection of international development, and social impact. For more information, visit www.pmready.org/YouthVoicesOfChange.

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