YOUTH FOOD ACTION PROJECT
Youth Food Action

**Duration**: 12 months pilot - $250k

**Location**: Harare and Bulawayo

**Partners**: Hivos with its RUAF programme (Global Partnership on Sustainable Urban Agriculture & Food Systems)

Unicef, Municipal Development Partnership, Kufunda Village

**Long term goal**: Increase availability and accessibility of healthy foods to school-age children and adolescents in urban areas of Harare and Bulawayo using a food system approach
Outcomes

A) Research Policy makers have increased understanding of the Harare and Bulawayo adolescent food environments and Food system
   - Mapping the Urban Food environment and Lived Experiences of the Young People
   - Analyzed existing policy to identify the Gaps Developed Policy Briefs

B) Inclusive governance Establish of multi – actor Food Change Labs in Harare and Bulawayo to influence City Food environment and food system
   - 50 participants competitively selected
   - Youth, entrepreneurs, lecturers, Min. of Youth, City Councils (dept. of health & planning), FNC
   - Followed a learning programme based on theory-u
   - Small grants to pilot initiatives

C) Multi – actor Action plan developed to improve the urban food environment for improved nutrition of adolescents in Harare and Bulawayo
   - Lots of material gathered for a City Food Manifesto
WHAT ARE CHANGE LABS?

Participatory innovation process

Aims to better understand complex problems.

Platform for citizen driven solutions.

Builds coalitions of change.

Generates solutions & tests them.

Promotes systemic change
HIVOS CHANGE LAB PROCESS
YOUTH FOOD ACTION: CHANGE LABS

MULTI-ACTOR INITIATIVES AS A HIVOS STRATEGY

A primer for design and facilitation