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Transforming Minds; Transforming Spaces

- **Vision**
  We envision a clean, green and safe environment with hundreds of jobs for the youths.

- **Mission**
  An inclusive community dedicated to creating safe public spaces, developing the youth through income generating opportunities and initiating social change through trainings and capacity building.
Strategic Goals

- To provide a safe and potent environment which is open, accessible and inclusive to all.
- To improve community perception and awareness of the organization’s programs in open and public spaces.
- To mobilize and sensitize the youths to actively participate in the organization’s activities.
- To empower the youth economically and socially by increasing income generating opportunities and equipping them with entrepreneurship skills.
- To work with like-minded organizations, both private and public to bring sustainable transformation in the area.
DTL is a non-profit community-based organization in Dandora.

It is an umbrella body of more than 120 active youth groups having mobilized more than 3,000 youths in Dandora to participate in transforming public spaces.

It employs a participatory approach by involving the community to form courtyards which are transformed into clean and safe places.

The youths living in these courts are the direct beneficiaries in that they participate in the courts clean ups, provide security and maintain the refurbished areas in their immediate environments.
The residents in turn contribute 30kshs-50 kshs a month which is equivalent to 3kshs a day to pay the participating youths in their courts enabling them to earn a decent living.

As a way of sustaining the project, DTL organizes Changing Faces Competition annually, where the youths from the different courts compete amongst themselves through innovative ways and the best youth group is awarded.

Many youths have deviated from their previous life of crime and drug abuse and have now reformed, are aware of preserving their immediate environment and earn a decent living.
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