CTAOP'S YOUTH LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP

CTAOP's Youth Leaders Scholarship (YLS) provides young leaders, nominated by CTAOP Program Partner organizations, for their potential and passion to drive community change, with funding, tools, and resources to access tertiary studies and achieve long-term success. YLS was built with the understanding that true lasting change will only come from within communities themselves. CTAOP believes the leaders there are the experts—they are the ones with the vision, the passion, and the true connection to their community. YLS is an investment in those young leaders, their potential as changemakers, and the future they envision.

CHANGEMAKER PROJECTS

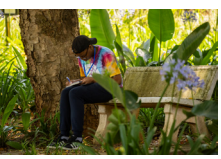
One defining aspect of YLS is that all Scholars complete a **Changemaker Project**. The Scholars design and execute ideas that address a change they envision for their communities. The Project gives them practical management and leadership experience, as well as provides an opportunity for them to manifest their passions and enable positive social change.

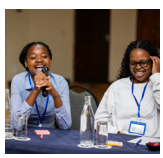
YLS INCLUDES:

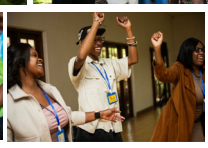
- ROOM & BOARD
- TUITION & BOOKS
- LAPTOP & INTERNET
- LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
- TRAVEL & TRANSPORT
- MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

R25,000

GRANT FUNDING TO ACTIVATE THEIR CHANGEMAKER PROJECT THROUGH A REGISTERED NPO







ANNUAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

The YLS program also offers an annual Leadership Summit, where current students and YLS alumni come together in-person to hone their leadership skills and focus on their personal growth for four days. The connections built and rekindled each year have created a beautifully inclusive community for young leaders to thrive. The Summits are also held in different locations across South Africa creating opportunities for the Scholars to see and experience new places and people.

PROGRAM ALUMNI

11 young people have finished degrees and advanced degrees as part of YLS.

1

Aya graduated in 2023 with a BHSc in Human Movement Science and is now running a Computer Hub in Newlands (East London) supporting learners and unemployed youth.

2

Nokwanda graduated in 2022 with a BSc in Physiotherapy and is now running her own private practice. She works with girls to encourage them to pursue STEM degrees.

3

Allan graduated in 2022 with a BSc in Education and teaches near his home village in Mpumalanga. His Changemaker Project uses Chess Clubs to further engage his learners.