

Good practice: holistic integration of ICT4D

in SOS Children's Villages Benin

The good practice has been compiled by SOS Children's Villages and focuses on the past, present and future practices of ICT4D projects within SOS Children's Villages Benin. The full good practice report can be accessed by clicking on the action-button to the right; a summary is provided hereby.

The report explores how SOS Children's Villages Benin has organized and operates ICT4D initiatives and projects on a national level. These initiatives have enabled children and young people participating in SOS Children's Villages' Alternative Care and Family Strengthening Programmes to build their digital capacities, strengthen their social integration, improve their employability and provide them access to various other opportunities.

THE AIM OF ICT4D PROJECTS

The implementation of ICT4D projects in Benin was driven with the goal in mind of reducing the digital divide between children and young people from and outside of the target group. It has subsequently allowed those who live without adequate parental care to be put on equal footing.

THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ICT4D PROJECTS

The process started with children and young people from the target group acquiring basic IT skills. This sparked the development and integration of various ICT4D initiatives and projects explained in this report: Digital Village, Digital Learning for Digital Generation (DLDG), YouthLinks Community, Learnio, ICDL and Telemedicine.



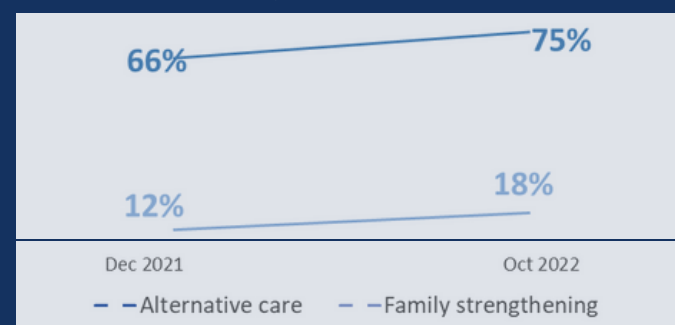
Including young people in the decision-making processes regarding the digitalization of programmes was a top priority as it ensured the correct and relevant implementation of solutions.



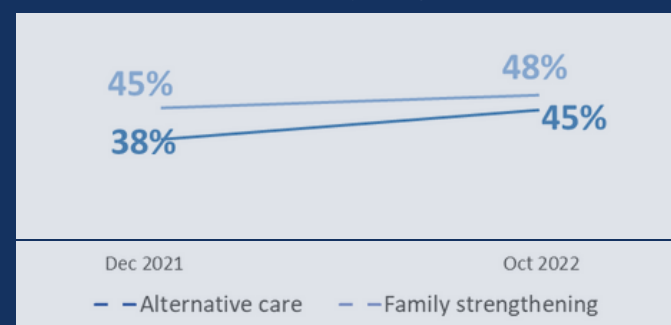
RESULTS & IMPACT

The analysis consolidated in the case study shows opportunities: the need of implementing innovative approaches to solve today's challenges, the increasing interest from international partners, funding from local stakeholders and the commitment from SOS Children's Villages in Benin towards the development of children and young people supported by technology, provide a positive outlook of ICT4D in Benin:

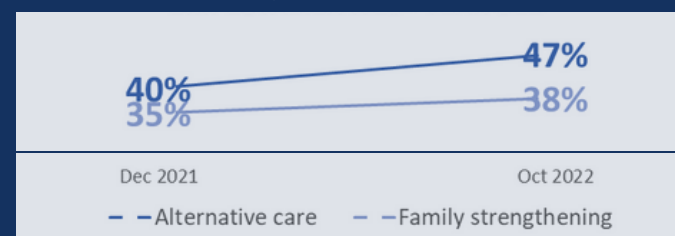
Advancement of digital skills
10 years and older



Participants enrolled or completed training
Children and young people



Capacity to generate income (employability)
15 years and older



Capacity to generate income (employability)
18 years and older



FUTURE OUTLOOK & CONCLUSIONS

In order to foster the ICT4D projects, SOS Children's Villages Benin focuses on their cooperation with the government for support and funds, to train child and youth care practitioners in technology and continue involving young people in setting the strategic direction of further ICT4D projects.

Programme participants reached:

ICDL

Learnio

171

121

Digital Villages

601

Digital Learning for Digital Generation

3207

Telemedicine (stopped)

1346

NATITINGOU

ICT4D projects were implemented in these **three programme locations** of SOS Childrens Villages Benin.

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