FINDINGS

Catalystas Consulting conducted an evaluation of CHOICE's Meaningful Youth Participation trajectory.

Overall, we found that the training is relevant and impactful.

1. The trainees had an overwhelmingly positive impression of the training. The information was presented in fun and engaging ways.

2. The trainers created a safe(r) environment which stimulated the exchange of experiences and ideas.
A large number of trainees still utilize the knowledge in their daily work. Some of the organizations have made structural changes. Also, years later, almost everyone remembers the 'Flower of Participation' session.

Recommendations for training improvement include increasing its contextualization and focusing on the inclusion of other marginalized groups.

The evaluation was conducted between December 2022 and March 2023. The rapid evaluation methodology utilized qualitative data collection.

The findings are based on conversations with CHOICE staff, 16 key informant interviews (composed of former trainees and CHOICE trainers, past and present) and 14 surveys with former trainees.