

## VADCO ORGANISATIONAL –PROFILE



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**NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION:**

**VETERINARY AND ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION –VADCO.**

Nature of VADCO : VADCO is youth, voluntary, purely humanitarian, non-profit making organization.

Contact person (s): Osman Jahuur-Chairperson

Areas of operations: Six Regions of Somaliland

**OUR VISION AND MISSION:**

- **Vision:** VADCO envisions Somaliland people who are economically sufficient with clean and sustainable environment while the young people free from HIV/AIDS, STIs, GBVs, and has key skills for life.
- **Mission:** VADCO exists to create an income generation sources for Somaliland rural people, women and youth, to participate efforts to improving the environment and to strengthening the skills and information of the young people with regard to HIV/AIDS, STIs, Gender and Sexuality, Substance Abuse and skills for life.

**NETWORKS AND AFFILIATIONS:**

VADCO is a member of the following networks:

- SONYO –Somaliland National Youth umbrella
- SAHAN – Somaliland HIV/AIDS Network
- GYCA – global youth coalition
- VADCO members are also members of international youth peer education network

**THEMATIC AREAS**

**Organizational Goals under each thematic area**

**A. Bee-keeping**

Rural people in Somaliland, struggle to make a living. Problems include frequent drought; lack of land ownership; scarce water supplies; lack of public services; limited credit and loan facilities; and difficulty in establishing themselves in local markets. VADCO goal is to teach, promote, and encourage bee-keeping, to enable families to have a sustainable source of income.

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### Objectives

- To increase rural peoples especially rain fed farmers' incomes and to have a positive impact on the area's eco-system.
- To expand bee-keeping among women and young people, and build on the framework of bee-keepers' associations in Somaliland
- To provide bee-keepers, through a local co-operative, with more markets, such as Weekly/monthly fairs, grocery stores, and supermarkets



### B. HIV and AIDS

- To enable young people to be responsible for and protect their own health.
- To enhance skills and knowledge in HIV and AIDS prevention, STI, Gender and Sexuality, Human Reproductive Health, Contraceptives and Drug Abuse among the youth.
- To enable youth explore attitudes, values and beliefs towards life skills, sexuality and communication skills in relationships and HIV and AIDS.
- To increase understanding of effective communication amongst peers to bring about change.
- To reduce myths in reproductive health and HIV/AIDS

### C. Environment

Environment is increasingly becoming an important issue in the world politics and global economy as well as people's life. Today, the most notable environmental problems in the world include global warming leading to climate change, water pollution contributing to human health problems, deforestation resulting desertification. Somaliland is by no means an exception in the above situation. In addition to that, there is man-made Environmental Problems increasing day after day in Somaliland. Use of charcoal places a heavy strain on local wood resources, resulting severe environmental consequences. Charcoal making provides a considerable amount of employment in rural areas. Therefore VADCO main Goal is to give these rural people an alternative source of income to save the environment.

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### Objectives include

- Participate in the improvement of the environment through awareness raising, reforestation, and gully erosion control by involving beneficiary communities.
- To upgrade the living conditions of low-income women and pastoralists by helping them through income generation and diversification activities such as bee-keeping colonies.

### WORK EXPERIENCE

VADCO has a proven track record of activities and good working relationship with some of the international NGOs and UN agencies in Somaliland, and Somali Landers residing in the Diaspora. The organisation has implemented number of projects since its inception.

### STRUCTURE OF THE ORGANIZATION

The highest body of VADCO is the general assembly (GA) which gathers all members of the organization. Under the GA, there are elected BOD members including the chairperson of the organization (we call it the leadership body). Under the BOD there is the executive team lead by National Coordinator and then departmental heads and regional coordinators.

