Interview Sample #1 - (For adult program leaders)

This interview focuses on identifying the degree of youth participation in the program. Ask adult programs the following questions:

- How are youth involved in the project?
- What types of activities do youth do?
- Where do you think the project rests on the Ladder of Participation? (Ladder included below)
- Where do you hope the project would ideally rest on the Ladder?
- Are there aspects of the Ladder that you are struggling with?
- Are there any barriers that you perceive as preventing you from reaching your desired level on the Ladder of Participation?
- How do adults view the level, ability, and success of youth participation in the project?
- What are the most challenging aspects of youth participation in the project?
- What areas of youth participation in the project have been successful?
Degrees of participation

Non-participation

1 Manipulation

2 Decoration

3 Tokenism

4 Assigned but informed

5 Consulted and informed

6 Adult-initiated, shared decisions with children

7 Child-initiated and directed

8 Child-initiated, shared decisions with adults