## **ABSTRACT**

Young people are able to be involved in social life. Youth can contribute to social issues such as community education. The government through the Ministry of Social Affairs issued regulations for youth forums on a village and sub-district scale known as Karang Taruna. Karang Taruna can be used as a place for youth self-development to be more concerned about social and community issues. The purpose of this study was to find out and ascertain the role of the Karang Taruna in Bojongsoang Village in encouraging youth empowerment in their area to run well or not. This research was conducted using qualitative methods through a case study research paradigm. The concepts used are social communication and development and the theory of community empowerment with the community empowerment model according to Umanailo (2018: 274). With the selected informants in this study, there were four people as active members of village youth organizations and unit youth organizations. In this study, it was found that the results of the role of the Karang Taruna in Bojongsoang Village were in accordance with the duties and functions written in the Regulation of the Minister of Social Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia Number 25 of 2019. By planning and implementing programs that are beneficial to the community in the Bojongsoang Village area. Even though there are several obstacles, the Bojongsoang Village Youth Organization is still trying to encourage youth empowerment in their area in collaboration with the Bojongsoang Village Government.

Keywords: Karang Taruna, Empowerment, Youth.