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Proofing Summary:

Hello Tamika,

I am Jeanette, your writing tutor for the Writing Center. I have reviewed your submission and have several suggestions that will help you revise. Please feel free to contact us through a 24/7 live writing session with any follow-up questions or for any clarification.

Below, you will find a revision plan along with margin comments within your paper. Use my suggestions as a starting point for the revision process. Note that I have not proofread the draft for minor errors, but rather, focused on larger concerns such as idea development. For a complete look at grammar and punctuation, please use Grammarly.

You have done a nice job of organizing your paper in correct essay structure with a title page, introduction, thesis statement, main body supporting paragraphs, a conclusion, and a References page. Your organization is clear and the content is put together in a logical manner. You have a good start!

For your revisions, I suggest focusing on:

1. Purpose: I would suggest reviewing the expectations for the assignment. You want to create a clear and specific argument. I would suggest making your argument more focused and your writing more specific. You want to thoroughly analyze your specific topic and write in your own words using critical thought. The first part of the paper should discuss your argument in detail - using research to support the points in your argument. Review the instructions/prompts and compare to what you have written thus far. Revise and add content where needed. Avoid vague wording and statements that seem like opinions.
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Good luck in the course!

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Poverty and Income Inequality

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Poverty and Income Inequality

Introduction

Poverty and income inequality have evolved in different ways over the past years. Poverty and income inequality have been on the rise in the United States and Europe. Immigrants triggered poverty and income inequality based on the elements of age, ethnicity, background, and race as they engage in different activities (Blau, 2018). Ethics are violated as a result of poverty and income inequality since greed and violence are triggered. As such, these issues damage the setup and relationships in the context of society, thus leading to stagnated growth and development. The issue of poverty and income inequality is a societal problem since it is attributed to issues such as murder, infant mortality, imprisonment, and teenage births, among others. Policymakers and the government should implement strategies such as redistribution and the use of microfinances which will eradicate poverty and income inequality.

When general statements such as the underlined statements, be sure that they do not sound like an opinion and make sure that these statements can be supported with research and facts.

Also, the second statement is awkwardly worded and does not flow properly. I would suggest revising to restructure the sentence.

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Background Information of Poverty and Income Inequality

The rise of poverty and income inequality can be attributed to many origins in the United States and other countries. Immigrants triggered poverty and inequality under the aspects of race, backgrounds and ethnicity. On the same note, poverty and income inequality began in the 1980's. The trends of poverty and income inequality have increased as a result of multiple financial crises which have affected the global economy (Yang, 2017). In addition, children and the elderly are the most affected because they have no sources to generate income or revenue. Developing countries have continued to be affected by aspects of poverty and income inequality in the beginning of 1980's. Multiple forms of inequalities have risen as a result of the accommodation of adjustment policies and financial liberalization (McKnight,

Revise the topic sentence to omit the vague wording of "other countries". In academic writing, you want to write clearly and concisely. Use specific vocabulary and precise wording.

I would suggest doing more research on your topic and reviewing more history about poverty and income inequality. To state that this issue began in the 1980's may be incorrect.

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2019). For the case of more developed countries, poverty and inequality have been fuelled by severe financial crises over the years.

Moreover, poverty and income inequality in developing economies continue to prevail as a result of undesirable social and political consequences. According to Dabla-Norris et al. (2015), the government affects both the economic and social aspects of society. A poor government is likely to suffer from extreme conditions of poverty and income inequality. The prevalence of issues such as murder, infant mortality, imprisonment, and teenage births, among others can trigger poverty and income inequality. Social and economic aspects of society affect the growth and development since the public are unable to make vital decisions. Decision making is **vita** since it influences the extent of poverty and income inequality in the community set-up. To reduce poverty and income inequality, it is essential to take note of decision making.

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Redistribution

One of the proposed solutions in addressing poverty and income inequality is redistribution. According to Luebker (2014), redistribution can be defined as the utilization of transfer and tax policies, which are intended to minimize the rates of income inequality in an economy. Again, the use of redistribution has been prevalent in many debates that attempt to eliminate poverty and income inequality for many years. Policymakers, politicians and other influential persons in governments in developing countries have advocated the use of redistribution in the fight of poverty and income inequality. These persons aim to urge governments to embrace and support the approach. Besides, redistribution is encompassed by tools such as the minimum wage legislations and sanctions, which tend to promote equality and stability in economies (Hoynes & Patel, 2018). Society, in general, will benefit from redistribution for it will discourage inequalities in the market and social contexts.

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To attain poverty reduction targets in society, the aspect of growth is required. In other words, combining both redistribution and growth is likely to reduce poverty and income inequality since more practical strategies will be put in place. According to Luebker (2014), policymakers should urge and push the government to implement with strategies that will increase the use of tax policies which will reduce the gap between the rich and the poor. An economy where the rich continues accumulating more while poor people become poorer will have high levels of poverty and income inequality. Therefore, redistribution is a critical strategy that can be easily accommodated by the government for reduction of poverty and income inequality.

Use of Microfinances

According to Park & Mercado (2018), the use of microfinances as an approach that can address poverty and income inequality is an effective strategy in any economy. In other words, financial inclusion is an essential tool as far as reducing the rates of poverty, and income inequality since the poor are provided with opportunities to engage in self-employment activities that can generate income. Financial inclusion can be defined as an approach that allows easy availability, access as well as the utilization of financial systems for all the members who constitutes the economy. For financial inclusion to effectively succeed, it is worth including the aspect of voluntary exclusions. Voluntary exclusion can be defined as conditions where a part of the population of firms decide not to make use of financial services as a result of religious or culture reasons or to lack the interest to use them (Park & Mercado, 2018).

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On the other hand, involuntary exclusion thrives from market failures, discrimination, imperfections as well as insufficient incomes in an economy. Additionally, the poor will embrace financial independence hence producing more than what they are consuming.

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Hence, the levels of poverty will be reduced since the markets have active circulation of income and profits. According to Park & Mercado (2018), microfinance institutions are governed by lenders and bankers who give people services such as payment services, loans, deposits, insurance services and money transfers among others. Such services will enable people to step up to start small localized businesses, and as such, this will reduce poverty and income inequality. It is fundamental for policymakers to focus and advocate for the application of involuntary exclusion since it will allow the development of economic policies and programs (Seven & Coskun, 2016). For that reason, economic policies and programs will be vital towards increasing income levels and correcting market imperfections and failures.

Conclusion

Poverty and income inequality stagnate growth and development in an economy. As hinted, poverty and income inequality can be eradicated by involving policymakers and the government. These officials should implement strategies such as redistribution and the introduction of microfinances. Redistribution is the utilization of transfer and tax policies, which are intended to minimize the rates of income inequality in an economy. This makes it a useful tool that can be used to reduce poverty and income inequality in every economy. Besides, policymakers should advocate for the use of microfinances in the economy as a way of reducing poverty and income inequality. Microfinances are governed by financial inclusion, which is an essential tool as far as decreasing the rates of poverty, and income inequality is concerned. In addition, the equation of ethics in society should also not be ignored when addressing the issue. Ethical aspects are essential foundations of society, and as such, government's efforts to redistribution and the introduction of microfinances should not violate human ethics.

I would suggest working on your paragraph here to include more of your own words. You have overused content from sources and have not included enough of your own ideas, thoughts, and details about your proposed solutions.

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