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ACRONYMS

KGN - Kenya Good Neighbors

CDP - Community Development Project

KOICA - Korea International Cooperation Agency

WASH - Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

SHA - Social Health Insurance Authority

SDGs - Sustainable Development Goals

MNH - Maternal & Newborn Health

ITC - International Trade Centre

SACCO - Savings and Credit Cooperative Organization

PBORA - Public Benefits Organizations Regulatory Authority

ICT - Information and Communication Technology

Q-Grading - Quality Grading
(Coffee Quality Assessment Certification/Training)

CDC - Community Development Committee

CHP - Community Health Promoter

FGM - Female Genital Mutilation

NHIF - National Health Insurance Fund

CRC - Child Rights Club

CHC - Community Health Committee

CHU - Community Health Unit

FOREWORD

The year 2025 was a defining moment for KGN as we celebrated 30 years of service, partnership and impact across Kenya. This milestone was not only a celebration of our history, but also a powerful reminder of the many lives touched through collective effort, trust and shared commitment to community transformation. As we reflect on the year, we are encouraged by the progress made across our key areas of intervention. In education, 29,140 children benefited from improved access to quality learning opportunities, strengthening their foundation for a better future. In the health sector, 37,925 people received basic health services, contributing to improved well-being and reduced vulnerability in underserved communities. Access to safe water continued to be a critical focus area, with 1,265 people gaining access to improved water sources, enhancing health outcomes and restoring dignity in daily living. Our commitment to environmental sustainability was also reinforced, with 1,048 people actively participating in climate change mitigation activities, helping to promote more resilient and environmentally conscious communities. Child protection remained central to our work, with 1,734 individuals engaged in child protection programs aimed at safeguarding the rights, safety and well-being of children. We also supported 1,332 participants through targeted capacity-building programs for income generation, contributing to improved household resilience and creating pathways toward economic empowerment and self-reliance.

These achievements reflect the strength of partnerships and the dedication of communities, staff and stakeholders who continue to walk this journey with us. While the numbers tell part of the story, the real impact is seen in transformed lives, stronger communities and renewed hope.

As we move beyond our 30-year milestone, we remain committed to deepening our impact and strengthening our community-driven approach. The journey ahead calls for greater innovation, stronger collaboration and sustained focus on building a safe, empowered and equitable society for all. We extend our sincere gratitude to our partners, staff, volunteers and the communities we serve. We look forward with renewed purpose and determination.

Namun Heo

**Country Director
Kenya Good Neighbors**



ABOUT US

Kenya Good Neighbors is a humanitarian and development non-governmental organization. It was established on 14th December 1995 to improve the lives of others, especially those of children through education, health, child protection, environmental, social protection, water, sanitation and disaster relief projects.

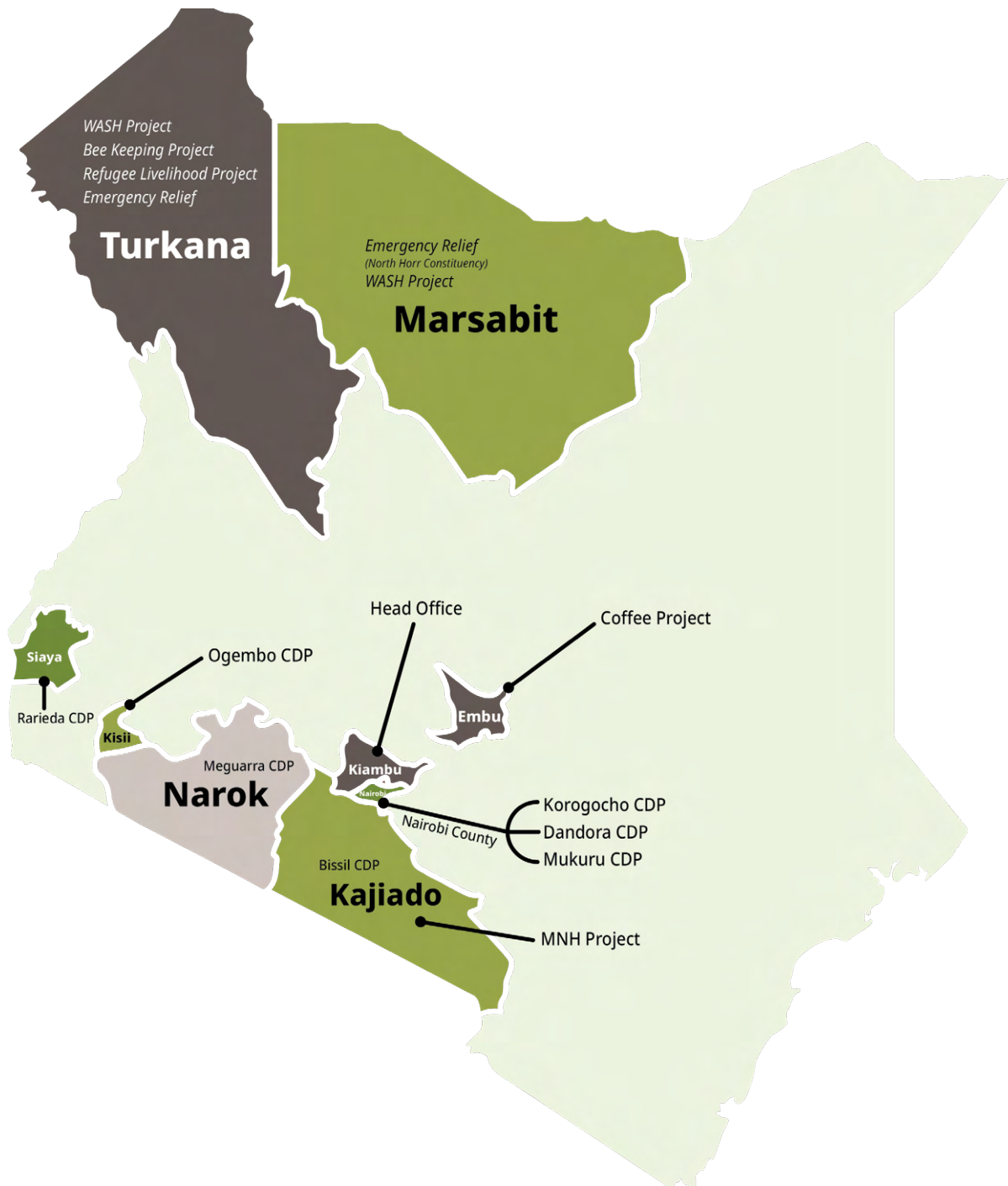
OUR MISSION

Good Neighbors exist to make the world a place without hunger, Where people live together in harmony. Good Neighbors respect the human rights of our neighbors suffering from poverty, disasters and oppression and helps them to achieve self-reliance and enable them to rebuild their hope.

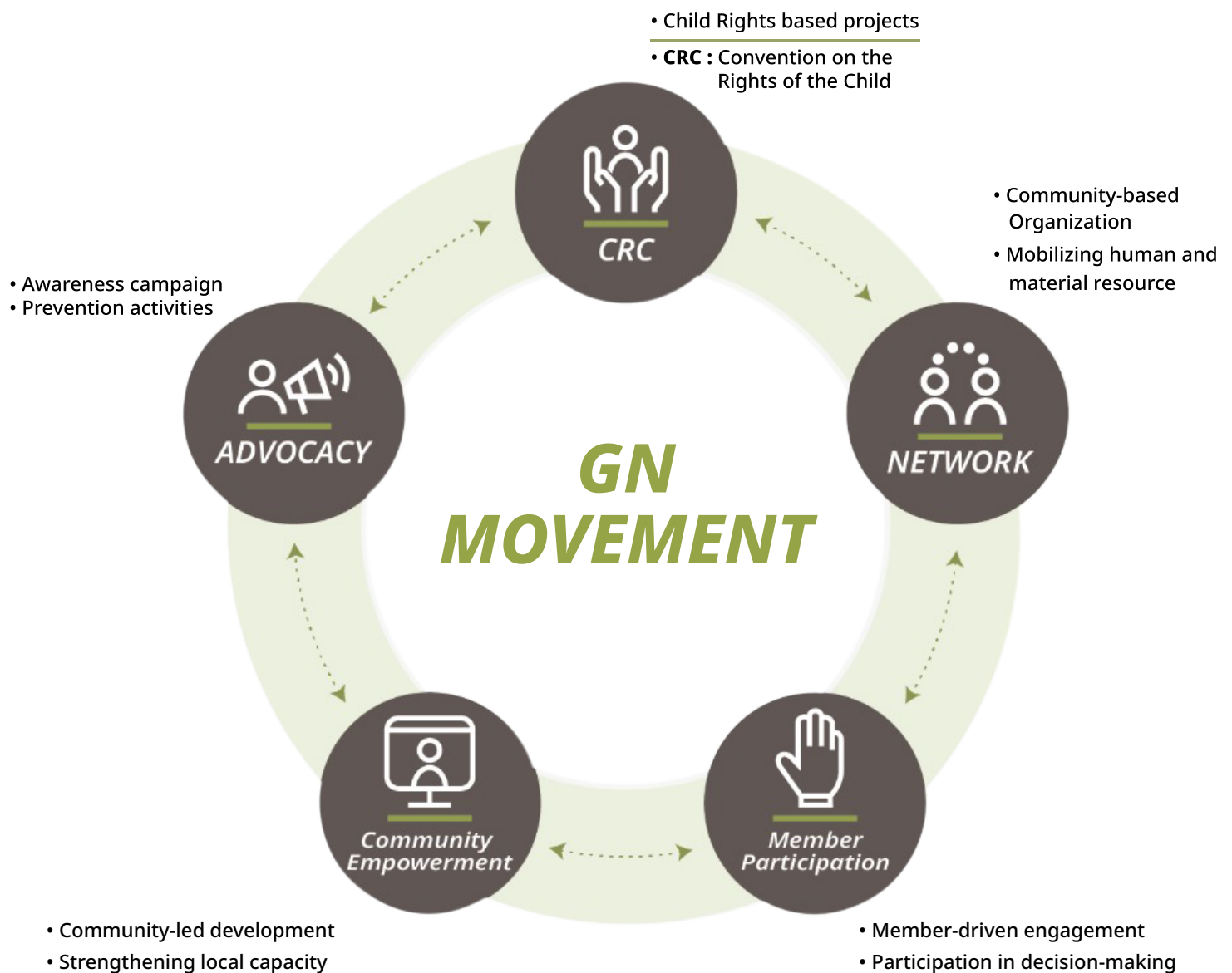
CORE VALUES

- We serve people in need beyond ethnicity, religion, belief and nationality.
 - We promote self-reliance in sustainable development for individuals, families, and communities.
 - We advocate for the rights of the child as top priority.
 - We prosper global citizenship in mutual respect.
 - We organize local volunteers to contribute in developing their own communities.
 - We cooperate with all people who understand our mission and program.
 - We work with professionalism, and pursue financial and operational transparency.
 - We strive to induce more people to join our work as Good Neighbors members.
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WHERE WE WORK



OUR FOCUS



PRINCIPLES



Professionalism

As a organization that leads the future change, we constantly research and train ourselves with passion, humility, and devotion in order to have professionalism, and utilize external experts to strengthen organizational capacity and maximize business performance.



Transparency

In order to secure transparency, which is the number one priority of NGOs, we follow fund execution procedures for the public interest through a rational management system, clearly disclose the purpose, direction and contents of institutions as well as accounting and auditing, and implement projects in accordance with ethical awareness.



Sustainability

Based on the recognition that community people are owners of our projects, we secure sustainability through organizing community people, establishing networks, and promoting sustainable development for the independent lives of community people beyond simple charitable and relief material support.

SDGs

At KGN, we believe that sustainable development requires a holistic approach that addresses the interconnected challenges facing children, families and communities. Our programmes are aligned with the SDGs, with particular focus on SDG 1 (No Poverty), SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being), SDG 4 (Quality Education), SDG 5 (Gender Equality), SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation), SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), and SDG 13 (Climate Action).

Through integrated interventions in education, health, livelihoods, child protection, water and sanitation, gender equality, environmental conservation, and community resilience, KGN works to empower people, transform communities, and create lasting positive change for future generations.

1 NO
POVERTY



2 ZERO
HUNGER



3 GOOD HEALTH
AND WELL-BEING



4 QUALITY
EDUCATION



5 GENDER
EQUALITY



6 CLEAN WATER
AND SANITATION



8 DECENT WORK AND
ECONOMIC GROWTH



11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES
AND COMMUNITIES



13 CLIMATE
ACTION



2025 AT A GLANCE



children with improved
access to quality education

29,140



people who received
basic health services

37,925



people using improved
water sources

1,265



people contributing to climate
change mitigation activities

1,048



people who participated in
GN child protection programs

1,734



people who participated in capacity
building programs for income generation

1,332



Enhancing Learning Through Stationery Support



**4,000 pupils reached across
11 partner primary schools**



**Over 1,500 learning
items distributed**



**Noticeable improvement in class
participation and attendance**

Access to basic learning materials remains a critical factor in improving educational outcomes. During the year, Kenya Good Neighbors distributed essential stationery including exercise books, pens, pencils and learning aids to pupils in supported primary schools. This initiative eased the financial burden on families and ensured that learners could fully participate in classroom activities with dignity and confidence.



Supporting Secondary Education Through School Fees Sponsorship



**1,294 students supported
in secondary schools**



**95% retention rate among
sponsored beneficiaries**

To promote transition and retention in secondary education, Kenya Good Neighbors provided school fees support to vulnerable beneficiaries in high schools.

This intervention ensured that students from disadvantaged backgrounds remained in school, reduced dropout rates and enabled learners to focus on their academic journey without financial interruptions.

Improving Classroom Environment with Desks and Lockers



**138 desks and
62 lockers distributed**



**Benefiting approximately
276 students**



**Reduced desk-sharing
ratios in supported schools**



A conducive learning environment is key to academic success. To address classroom congestion and inadequate furniture, desks and lockers were distributed across partner primary schools.

This support not only improved classroom organization and comfort but also promoted better concentration and care for personal learning materials among pupils.

Strengthening Teaching Capacity Through Teacher Trainings



21 teachers trained

Recognizing that quality education depends on empowered educators, Kenya Good Neighbors conducted targeted teacher training sessions in partner schools. These trainings focused on modern teaching methodologies, classroom management and learner-centered approaches, equipping teachers with the skills needed to deliver more effective and engaging lessons.



Advancing Science Education with Laboratory Equipment Distribution



3 schools equipped with laboratory materials



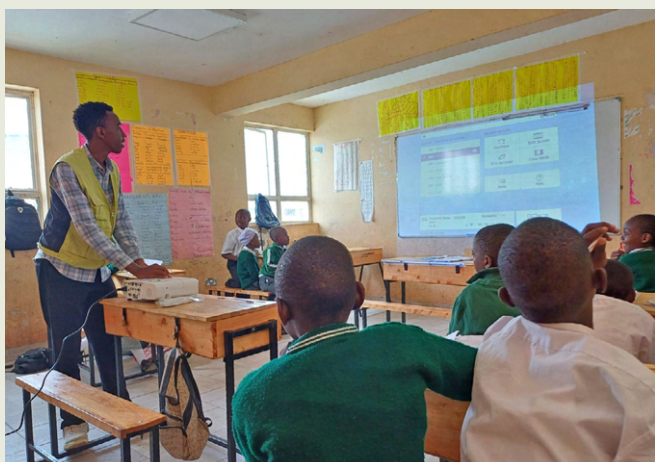
Benefiting over 1,500 students

To enhance practical learning and strengthen science education, laboratory equipment was distributed to partner schools.

This initiative enabled students to engage in hands-on experiments, deepening their understanding of scientific concepts and fostering curiosity, innovation and critical thinking skills.



Promoting Digital Learning Through ICT Equipment Distribution



5 schools supported with ICT equipment



3 printers, 2 television sets and 1 projector distributed



Benefiting approximately 1,000 learners and teachers

In an effort to bridge the digital divide and enhance access to modern learning tools, Kenya Good Neighbors distributed ICT equipment including printers, television sets and projectors to partner schools.

These resources are supporting digital content delivery, enabling interactive and visual learning and improving administrative efficiency within schools.



Expanding Learning Spaces Through Classroom Construction



Directly benefiting approximately 100 learners annually

In response to growing student populations and limited infrastructure, Kenya Good Neighbors supported the construction of two new classrooms in two schools.

These additional learning spaces have reduced overcrowding, created a more conducive learning environment and improved overall student-teacher interaction.



Creating Safer Learning Environments Through School Fencing

KGN supported the construction of a perimeter fence at Oltumaro Primary School as part of efforts to enhance child protection and improve the learning environment. The intervention involved fencing the entire school compound, helping to create a safer and more secure space for learners and staff. The fencing has strengthened safety within the school by controlling access to the compound, protecting school property and minimizing external disruptions.



CASE STORY

Precious Naisoi's Dream Found a Classroom to Grow

Precious Naisoi is a bright young girl from the Ngatataek community in Kajiado County. Like many children in her area, she has always believed that education is the key to a better future. Yet, for a long time, learning was not as easy as she hoped it would be. The school environment, though full of effort and determination, lacked the space and facilities needed to support effective learning. Before the new classroom was built, Precious studied in overcrowded conditions where space was limited and comfort was hard to find. Sitting for long hours without proper desks made it difficult to concentrate and storing learning materials safely was a daily challenge. These conditions often made lessons tiring and sometimes discouraging, even for a learner as determined as Precious. Still, she attended school every day, holding tightly to her dream of becoming a neurosurgeon, a dream driven by her desire to help others and make a meaningful difference in the world.



The turning point came when KGN supported the construction of a new classroom at Ngatataek School and provided desks and lockers. For Precious, this was more than an infrastructure improvement, it was a life-changing moment. Walking into the new classroom for the first time, she felt a sense of pride and excitement. The room was spacious, organized and welcoming. Having her own desk and a locker gave her comfort, dignity and a place to keep her books safe.

With the improved learning environment, Precious found it easier to focus in class and actively participate in lessons. Teachers could now engage learners more effectively and the reduced congestion allowed for clearer instruction and better interaction. Learning became enjoyable again and Precious felt motivated to work harder and aim higher. The classroom became a place where her ambitions felt possible.

Today, Precious speaks confidently about her future. She dreams of becoming a neurosurgeon and believes that the foundation for that journey is being built in her classroom every day. She proudly shares her gratitude to Kenya Good Neighbors for creating a learning environment where children like her can thrive.

Precious's story is a powerful reminder that when children are provided with safe, supportive and dignified learning spaces, their dreams grow stronger. Through this intervention, Kenya Good Neighbors has not only built a classroom, it has helped nurture the hopes and future of a young girl determined to change the world.



"I thank KGN for building our classroom and giving us desks and lockers. Now our school is a good place to learn and I can study well and follow my dream,"

~ Precious Naisoi

Threads and Tech

Empowering Refugee Youth Through Skills Development



180 refugee youth trained in ICT and tailoring-related courses

KGN, in partnership with Don Bosco Technical Institute Kakuma, implemented the Threads and Tech project to empower refugee youth through market-driven technical and vocational skills development. The initiative aimed to improve employability, foster self-reliance, and create sustainable livelihood opportunities for young people living in refugee and host communities in Kakuma, Turkana County.



The project provided training in ICT as well as tailoring-related courses, including fashion design, dressmaking, and tailoring.

Through these practical skills, participants were equipped with competencies that respond to labor market demands and open pathways to employment and entrepreneurship.



To complement the technical training, KGN organized a one-week bootcamp focused on employability, entrepreneurship, and life skills development. Participants gained valuable knowledge in communication, teamwork, problem-solving, financial literacy, customer relations, and business management, preparing them to navigate both formal employment and self-employment opportunities. The project culminated in a graduation ceremony that celebrated the determination and achievements of the participating youth.

KGN also joined graduates, partners, and community stakeholders in commemorating International Youth Day 2025, creating a platform to recognize the contributions of young people and encourage their active participation in building inclusive and sustainable communities.

To support graduates in transitioning into economic independence, KGN plans to provide startup kits aligned with their areas of specialization. ICT graduates will receive laptops, while tailoring graduates will be equipped with sewing machines and tailoring accessories, enabling them to apply their skills and establish income-generating ventures. Through Threads and Tech, KGN continues to invest in the potential of young people by providing them with the skills, confidence, and opportunities needed to build productive and dignified futures.

“The training gave me skills that I can use to earn a living and support my family. I now have the confidence to start my own business and pursue opportunities that were previously out of reach.”

~ Bagula Polepole - Graduate, Kakuma





Maternal and Newborn Health Project

With support from the KOICA, KGN implemented the Maternal and Newborn Health Project in Kajiado County to improve access to quality, timely and equitable healthcare services for mothers, newborns and communities. The project focused on strengthening emergency referral systems, enhancing the capacity of healthcare providers, expanding community-based health services and addressing social and cultural barriers that affect maternal and newborn health outcomes. Through an integrated health systems approach, the project worked closely with the Kajiado County Government, health facilities, community health structures and local stakeholders to improve service delivery and ensure that vulnerable populations, particularly those in remote areas, could access essential health services. By combining infrastructure support, health workforce development, community engagement and awareness creation, the project contributed to building a stronger and more responsive maternal and newborn healthcare system in Kajiado County.

Emergency Referral Services (Ambulances)



6 ambulances deployed



313 patients referred

In 2025, the project significantly strengthened emergency referral systems through the handover of six fully equipped ambulances to the Kajiado County Government. Strategically distributed across Kajiado West, South, East, and Central sub-counties, the ambulances have improved timely access to life-saving maternal and newborn healthcare services, successfully referring 313 patients since March 2025. This investment has contributed to reducing delays in accessing emergency care and strengthening the county's capacity to respond to critical health needs.



Outreach Services



19,796 people reached

To bridge the gap for underserved and remote populations, the project delivered integrated outreach services to 19,796 individuals. These outreaches provided essential maternal and newborn health services, including antenatal care, immunization and nutrition support bringing care closer to those who need it most.



Capacity Building of Healthcare Workers



207 healthcare workers trained

The project strengthened the quality of care by building the capacity of 207 healthcare providers medical and clinical officers, nurses and midwives. Trainings focused on Comprehensive Newborn Care, Continuum of Care and Data Management, enhancing both service delivery and data-driven decision-making.

Community Health Systems Strengthening



3 Community Health Units established



129 CHPs trained



88 CHC members trained

At the community level, three new CHUs were established across Kajiado East, West and Central, strengthening the link between communities and health facilities. The project also supported CHU operations through meetings, monitoring and performance reviews, while equipping 129 CHPs and 88 CHC members with refresher training to enhance service delivery at the grassroots.



Capacity Building of Healthcare Workers



141 CHPs equipped

To improve household-level health monitoring and referrals, 141 CHPs were provided with essential kits, including tools such as glucometers and weighing scales.

These kits enable CHPs to collect critical health data and support early identification and referral of at-risk individuals.



Anti-FGM Campaign



1,803 people reached

The project also prioritized addressing harmful cultural practices that negatively impact maternal and newborn health. The “Pamoja Tumalize Ukeketaji Kajiado” campaign championed by The First Lady of Kajiado County engaged 1,803 community members through dialogue forums, street campaigns and media outreach. The initiative also featured a radio talk show on Mayian FM during the 16 Days of Activism, amplifying awareness and driving collective action toward ending FGM.



Expanding Access to Healthcare Through SHA Support



BISSIL
132 Households
Accessed SHA Services



RARIEDA
121 Households
Accessed SHA Services

KGN strengthened its commitment to improving access to healthcare by supporting vulnerable households to enroll in the SHA, Kenya’s national health insurance scheme that replaced the NHIF.

This initiative was implemented in alignment with government policy, ensuring that no child or family is

left behind due to financial barriers to healthcare. Recognizing that many families struggle to meet the cost of health insurance, KGN stepped in to support parents of sponsored children, positioning them as primary beneficiaries while extending the impact to their siblings and wider households. The programme was designed to enhance access to essential health services, reduce out-of-pocket expenses and promote health-seeking behavior within communities.

Implementation began across CDPs, with Bissil and Rarieda leading the rollout in 2025. In Bissil, 132 households were successfully supported to access SHA services, while in Rarieda, the first phase reached 121 beneficiaries. These efforts mark an important step toward strengthening community resilience and ensuring that vulnerable families can access timely and quality healthcare when they need it most.

KGN continues to contribute to the realization of universal health coverage, reaffirming its commitment to safeguarding the well-being and dignity of children and their families.

Promoting Preventive Health Through Community Education

KGN strengthened community health awareness through targeted health education sessions reaching 500 direct beneficiaries and an estimated 3,648 indirect beneficiaries. These sessions focused on key areas including hygiene, nutrition and disease prevention.



**500 Direct
Beneficiaries reached**



**3,648 Indirect
Beneficiaries reached**

By equipping community members with practical knowledge and skills, the initiative promoted positive health-seeking behaviors, improved hygiene practices and increased awareness on preventing common illnesses. The ripple effect of this approach extended beyond direct participants, influencing households and the wider community. Through sustained health education, KGN continues to advance preventive healthcare and empower communities to take an active role in safeguarding their well-being.

Enhancing Nutrition and School Retention Through Feeding Programmes



18 Partner Schools
Supported through School Feeding Programmes

KGN continued to implement school feeding programmes across 18 partner schools in rural CDPs, ensuring that thousands of learners have access to regular, nutritious meals throughout the school year. The programme plays a critical role in addressing food insecurity among school-aged children while creating a more conducive environment for learning and development. Many children in rural communities face challenges related to inadequate nutrition, which can negatively affect their concentration, attendance and overall academic performance. Through the provision of school meals, learners are able to attend classes more consistently, remain attentive during lessons and participate more actively in school activities. The programme therefore contributes not only to improved nutritional outcomes but also to enhanced educational achievement and school retention.





In addition to benefiting learners, the initiative provides valuable support to vulnerable households by reducing the financial burden associated with providing daily meals. This assistance helps families allocate limited resources to other essential needs while ensuring that children receive the nutrition necessary for healthy growth and development.

The school feeding programme also promotes the physical well-being of children by helping to prevent malnutrition and encouraging healthy eating habits from an early age. As a result, schools become safer and more supportive spaces where learners can focus on their studies and realize their full potential.

Through this ongoing intervention, KGN remains committed to strengthening education outcomes, improving child health and well-being, and creating opportunities for every child to learn, grow and thrive regardless of their socio-economic background.



Enhancing Household Water Access Through Rainwater Harvesting



1,239 household water tanks distributed

Access to safe and reliable water remains a challenge for many households, particularly during dry seasons. To strengthen household water security and promote sustainable water management, KGN distributed 1,239 water tanks, each with a capacity of 210 litres, to vulnerable households across its project areas. The intervention has enabled families to harvest and store rainwater for domestic use, reducing dependence on distant and often unreliable water sources.

Improved access to water has contributed to better hygiene practices, reduced the burden of water collection particularly for women and children and enhanced the overall health and well-being of households. By investing in practical and sustainable water solutions, KGN continues to build community resilience and improve quality of life for vulnerable families.



Enhancing Household Water Access Through Rainwater Harvesting



Improved access to safe water for 3,060 learners and staff

Access to safe and reliable water is essential for creating healthy and conducive learning environments. In 2025, KGN continued to invest in school-based water infrastructure to improve water access, hygiene, and sanitation for learners and staff in Nairobi. At Jirani Educational Center in Dandora CDP, KGN constructed a water tower to enhance water storage and distribution across the school. The facility has improved the reliability of water supply, ensuring that learners have access to water for drinking, handwashing, and sanitation throughout the school day.



“The new water tower has greatly improved access to water in our school. Learners can now wash their hands regularly, and we no longer experience frequent disruptions caused by water shortages.”

- Head of Institution, Dandora Primary School.

To further strengthen water security in schools, KGN also provided a 10,000-litre water tank to Dandora Comprehensive School. The additional storage capacity enables the school to harvest and store sufficient water for daily use, reducing the impact of water shortages and supporting improved hygiene practices. Through these strategic investments, KGN is helping schools create safer, healthier, and more child-friendly learning environments while promoting better health and educational outcomes.

Combating the Jigger Infestation Through Community Awareness and Treatment Support in Rarieda



14 Community Members Received Jiggers Removal and Medical Treatment

Jigger infestation has remained a persistent public health challenge in parts of Rarieda Sub-County, often compounded by misconceptions that associate the condition with witchcraft, bad omen, or heredity rather than hygiene and environmental factors. In response, KGN implemented a community sensitization initiative in Nyayiera Location, targeting Ombulu Masanga and Konjiko villages to promote awareness, behavior change, and prevention.

The intervention was informed by observations made during the implementation of the Rarieda CDP, where high rates of jigger infestation among children negatively affected school attendance, participation, and academic performance. Through collaboration with the Ministry of Health, local administration, community health workers, and CDCs, KGN organized a sensitization forum to educate community members on the causes, prevention, and treatment of jiggers.

“For many years, we believed jiggers were caused by curses and witchcraft. Through this training, we learned that good hygiene and a clean environment are the best ways to prevent and eliminate them.”

- Ian Otieno



Participants received practical information on hygiene practices and environmental management measures that help prevent jigger infestation, including maintaining clean floors, regular bathing, wearing shoes, and trimming fingernails and toenails. The forum also addressed other public health concerns such as safe water practices, latrine construction, and malaria prevention, promoting a holistic approach to community health. By challenging harmful myths and empowering community members with accurate health information, the initiative contributed to increased awareness, improved hygiene practices, and strengthened community action against jigger infestation.

Construction of School Latrines to Improve Sanitation and Learning Environments



16 toilet doors provided across the Rarieda and Meguarra schools



Safe and adequate sanitation facilities are essential for promoting children's health, dignity, and educational success.

KGN strengthened school sanitation infrastructure through the construction of latrines in partner schools across Rarieda and Meguarra CDPs.

In Rarieda CDP, KGN completed and handed over modern toilet blocks at Got Bondo, Majango, and Omboye primary schools. Each facility was designed with four doors, two for girls and two for boys to ensure gender-responsive access to sanitation facilities.

In Meguarra CDP, KGN further supported Enenkeshui Primary School through the construction of separate latrines for boys and girls, creating a safer and healthier learning environment for all learners.

"The new latrines have greatly improved sanitation in our school. Learners now have access to clean and safe facilities, which has contributed to a healthier and more comfortable learning environment."

- Head of Institution, Majango Primary School.

The improved sanitation facilities have enhanced hygiene standards, reduced health risks associated with poor sanitation, and provided learners with greater privacy and dignity. By investing in school WASH infrastructure, KGN continues to support increased school attendance, retention, and overall learner well-being.



Promoting Dignity and Retention Through Menstrual Hygiene Support



1,961 girls received sanitary pads and pants

Menstrual hygiene remains a critical factor influencing girls' health, confidence, and school attendance.

In 2025, KGN strengthened its commitment to gender-responsive WASH programming by providing sanitary pads to vulnerable girls across all CDPs, ensuring that menstruation does not become a barrier to education.



A total of 1,961 girls received sanitary pads, enabling them to manage their menstrual health safely, comfortably, and with dignity. The intervention helped reduce absenteeism associated with lack of access to menstrual hygiene products while promoting greater participation and engagement in school activities.



To complement the distribution, KGN conducted menstrual hygiene management sensitization sessions that equipped girls with essential knowledge on personal hygiene, self-care, and menstrual health. These sessions also contributed to breaking stigma, encouraging open dialogue, and fostering supportive school and community environments where girls can thrive.

Through this intervention, KGN continues to champion girls' rights, well-being, and educational success by ensuring that every girl has the opportunity to learn with confidence and dignity.

“Receiving sanitary pads has helped me attend school regularly and participate confidently in class. I no longer worry about missing lessons during my menstrual period.”

- Mariam Nundu



CHILD PROTECTION



Empowering Children Through School-Based Child Rights Clubs



**10 partner schools
established Child Rights Clubs**



**300 children actively
participated in club activities**



**20 teachers
trained as club patrons**

KGN strengthened child participation and awareness by establishing Child Rights Clubs in 10 partner schools across Nairobi. The clubs provide safe and inclusive spaces where children can learn about their rights, build leadership skills, express their views, and actively participate in promoting their well-being within the school environment. To ensure the sustainability and effectiveness of the initiative, KGN trained two teachers from each participating school to serve as club patrons.

The training equipped the teachers with the knowledge and skills required to mentor club members, facilitate child-centered activities, and support the implementation of child protection and rights-based initiatives within their schools. Through regular club activities, children have gained a better understanding of their rights and responsibilities while developing confidence, leadership, and advocacy skills. The initiative is helping to create safer, more inclusive school environments where children's voices are heard and respected.



Advocating for Children's Rights: Day of the African Child



300 students participated in the commemoration



20 teachers accompanied and supported learners

KGN joined schools, government representatives, development partners, and other stakeholders across Nairobi County in commemorating the Day of the African Child under the theme “Planning and Budgeting for Children’s Rights: Progress Since 2010.” The event provided an important platform to celebrate achievements made in advancing children’s rights while reflecting on the challenges that still require collective action.



The commemoration brought together children from partner schools who actively participated in discussions, presentations, and advocacy activities focused on issues affecting their well-being. Through these engagements, children were empowered to share their experiences, express their views, and contribute to conversations on policies and investments that impact their lives.



The event reinforced the importance of meaningful child participation and highlighted the need for continued commitment to child-centered planning, budgeting, and programming. By creating opportunities for children to engage directly with decision-makers and stakeholders, the commemoration strengthened their role as active agents of change within their communities. KGN’s participation reflects its ongoing commitment to promoting children’s rights, amplifying children’s voices, and fostering accountability in the realization of a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment for every child.

Strengthening Child Rights Clubs Through Teacher Mentorship



20 teachers trained as Child Rights Club patrons

Recognizing the critical role teachers play in nurturing and protecting children, KGN invested in strengthening the capacity of educators to support Child Rights Clubs in partner schools across Nairobi. A total of 20 teachers, two from each of the 10 participating schools, were trained to serve as club patrons and mentors.



The training equipped teachers with practical knowledge and skills on child rights, child protection, safeguarding, facilitation techniques, and mentorship. This enabled them to effectively guide club activities, support child-led initiatives, and create safe and inclusive spaces where children can learn, express themselves, and develop leadership skills.

“The training has enabled us to better support learners and guide meaningful discussions on child rights. We are now more confident in creating safe spaces where children can express themselves and grow as leaders.”

- Teacher Neema, Makongeni Primary School



By strengthening teacher mentorship, KGN is enhancing the sustainability of Child Rights Clubs and reinforcing school-based child protection systems. The trained patrons continue to play a vital role in empowering children to understand, claim, and advocate for their rights while fostering a culture of participation, respect, and accountability within their schools.

CASE STORY

Voices of Change-Children Advocating for Their Rights

Before joining the Child Rights Club at her school in Makongeni Primary School in Mukuru Informal Settlements, 12-year-old Seth Philip know what her rights were. “I thought only adults could talk about big things,” he admits. Today, Seth is a CRC leader who recently spoke in front of a crowd during the Day of the African Child 2025. “I talked about why children should feel safe at school. People listened to me. It felt good to be heard.”



Thanks to Kenya Good Neighbors' support, Seth and many others now understand that their voices matter. With support from trained patrons and a safe space to learn, these young advocates are building a culture of accountability, respect and protection in their schools and homes. “The clubs have changed how children express themselves,” shared Teacher Neema a club patron. “They’re no longer afraid to speak when something is wrong.” The Child Rights Club initiative proves that when children are empowered, entire communities become safer and more just.

“I talked about why children should feel safe at school. People listened to me. It felt good to be heard.”

- Seth Philip, a child rights club member from Makongeni Primary School in Nairobi, Kenya.



ENVIRONMENT



Promoting Climate Action Through School Greening in Narok



400 fruit tree seedlings distributed

KGN continued to advance environmental sustainability and climate resilience by supporting school greening initiatives in Narok County.

Through this intervention, 400 fruit tree seedlings were distributed to five partner schools, creating greener learning environments while promoting environmental conservation among learners and communities. The initiative was designed to address the growing impacts of climate change by increasing tree cover within school compounds and fostering a culture of environmental stewardship among children.

Learners, teachers, and community members actively participated in planting and nurturing the seedlings, transforming school grounds into greener and more attractive spaces.

Beyond their environmental benefits, the fruit trees are expected to provide a sustainable source of nutritious fruits once mature, contributing to improved nutrition and well-being for learners. The project also serves as a practical learning opportunity, helping children understand the importance of conservation, climate action, and sustainable natural resource management.

Through this integrated approach, KGN is empowering schools and communities to become active champions of environmental protection while creating long-term benefits for both people and the planet.



Lake Side Green Project - Cultivating Sustainability in Rarieda



5 Schools Received Seedlings



Students Engaged in Environmental Learning

KGN continued to champion environmental sustainability through the Lake Side Green Project in Rarieda, Siaya County.

Anchored at Rakombe Primary School and extended to other partner schools, the initiative has emerged as a powerful model of integrating education, environmental conservation and community participation.



Through the project, partner schools Rakombe, Konjiko, Got Bondo, Kiswaro and Omboye received fruit tree and vegetable seedlings, transforming school compounds into vibrant green spaces and practical learning environments. These “living classrooms” have enabled pupils and teachers to actively engage in hands-on agricultural practices, reinforcing lessons on nutrition, climate resilience and sustainable livelihoods.

The initiative has also strengthened community ownership, with parents and local leaders playing an active role in nurturing the trees and gardens. This collaborative approach has extended the benefits beyond the school setting, contributing to improved household food security and increased environmental awareness within the wider community.

Beyond immediate gains, the project is driving long-term sustainability by reducing soil erosion, enhancing biodiversity and instilling a culture of environmental stewardship among young learners. Pupils are increasingly becoming ambassadors of change, applying knowledge gained in school within their homes and communities.

The Lake Side Green Project stands as a testament to KGN’s commitment to holistic development demonstrating how linking education with environmental action can inspire lasting impact and nurture a generation dedicated to protecting their environment.

INCOME GENERATION



Strengthening Livelihoods Through Beekeeping in Turkana



437 farmers trained in modern beekeeping practices



20 farmer groups participated



2 cooperatives engaged in the programme

KGN, in partnership with the ITC, implemented a transformative beekeeping initiative in Turkana County aimed at strengthening livelihoods and creating sustainable income opportunities for vulnerable communities.

The project promoted beekeeping as a climate-smart enterprise capable of thriving in arid and semi-arid lands while contributing to environmental conservation and household economic resilience.

“Before the training, we relied on traditional methods and harvested very little honey. Now we understand modern beekeeping practices and how to improve both production and quality. We see beekeeping as a real business opportunity for our families.”

- Isabella, Beekeeping Project Participant, Turkana





The programme focused on enhancing farmers' knowledge and skills across the beekeeping value chain. Through a comprehensive 36-day training programme, participants were equipped with practical skills in modern hive technologies, apiary establishment, hive management, honey harvesting and processing, value addition, quality assurance, and market access.

The initiative also emphasized environmental stewardship by highlighting the important role bees play in biodiversity conservation and ecosystem health. Community response exceeded expectations, with the project reaching significantly more beneficiaries than initially targeted. Farmers organized in groups and cooperatives actively participated in the training, demonstrating strong interest in diversifying their income sources and adopting more sustainable livelihood options.

By addressing challenges such as reliance on traditional beekeeping methods, low productivity, and limited market opportunities, the project is laying the foundation for stronger honey value chains and improved household incomes. As participants begin applying the skills acquired, the initiative is expected to generate long-term economic benefits while enhancing community resilience to climate-related shocks.

Transforming Coffee Value Chains Through Climate-Smart Agriculture

KGN in partnership with the Kirurumwe Farmers' Cooperative Society, continued to strengthen rural livelihoods through a comprehensive coffee value chain project designed to improve productivity, enhance coffee quality, and promote environmentally sustainable farming practices. The initiative supports smallholder farmers to build resilience against climate change while increasing their competitiveness in the coffee market.



200 farmers trained on climate-smart coffee production



15,000 coffee seedlings established at Kianjuki nursery



25 farmers trained in coffee quality assessment (Q-Grading)



"The training has transformed the way we manage our coffee farms. We are now using sustainable farming methods, producing better-quality coffee, and learning how to access better markets. This gives us confidence that coffee can continue supporting our families for many years to come."

- Virginia, Coffee Farmer, Kirurumwe Farmers' Cooperative Society

A major focus of the project was capacity building, with farmers receiving training on climate-smart and eco-friendly agricultural practices. Topics included regenerative coffee nutrition, integrated pest management, soil health improvement, and water conservation techniques. These approaches are helping farmers improve productivity, reduce production costs, and maintain consistent coffee quality while safeguarding natural resources.

To promote sustainable soil management, composting systems were established across three coffee factories, creating practical learning sites and providing farmers with organic alternatives to chemical fertilizers. The project also strengthened future production by establishing a coffee seedling nursery at Kianjuki Factory, ensuring farmers have access to quality planting materials that support higher yields and long-term sustainability.

Quality improvement remained a key priority. Through specialized Q-grading training, farmers enhanced their capacity to assess coffee quality and meet premium market standards. Additional investments in demonstration farms, moisture meters, and factory management training have strengthened post-harvest handling and quality control systems across the cooperative. The project further promoted environmental stewardship through the installation of water recirculation systems in coffee factories, significantly reducing water consumption during coffee processing while improving operational efficiency. By integrating productivity, quality enhancement, and environmental conservation, the initiative is creating a more sustainable and profitable coffee value chain for farming communities.



30-YEARS ANNIVERSARY



Celebrating 30 Years of Impact and Transformation

The highlight of 2025 was the celebration of KGN 30th Anniversary a milestone that brought together beneficiaries, SACCOs, government representatives, partners and staff to reflect on a shared journey of impact and transformation.



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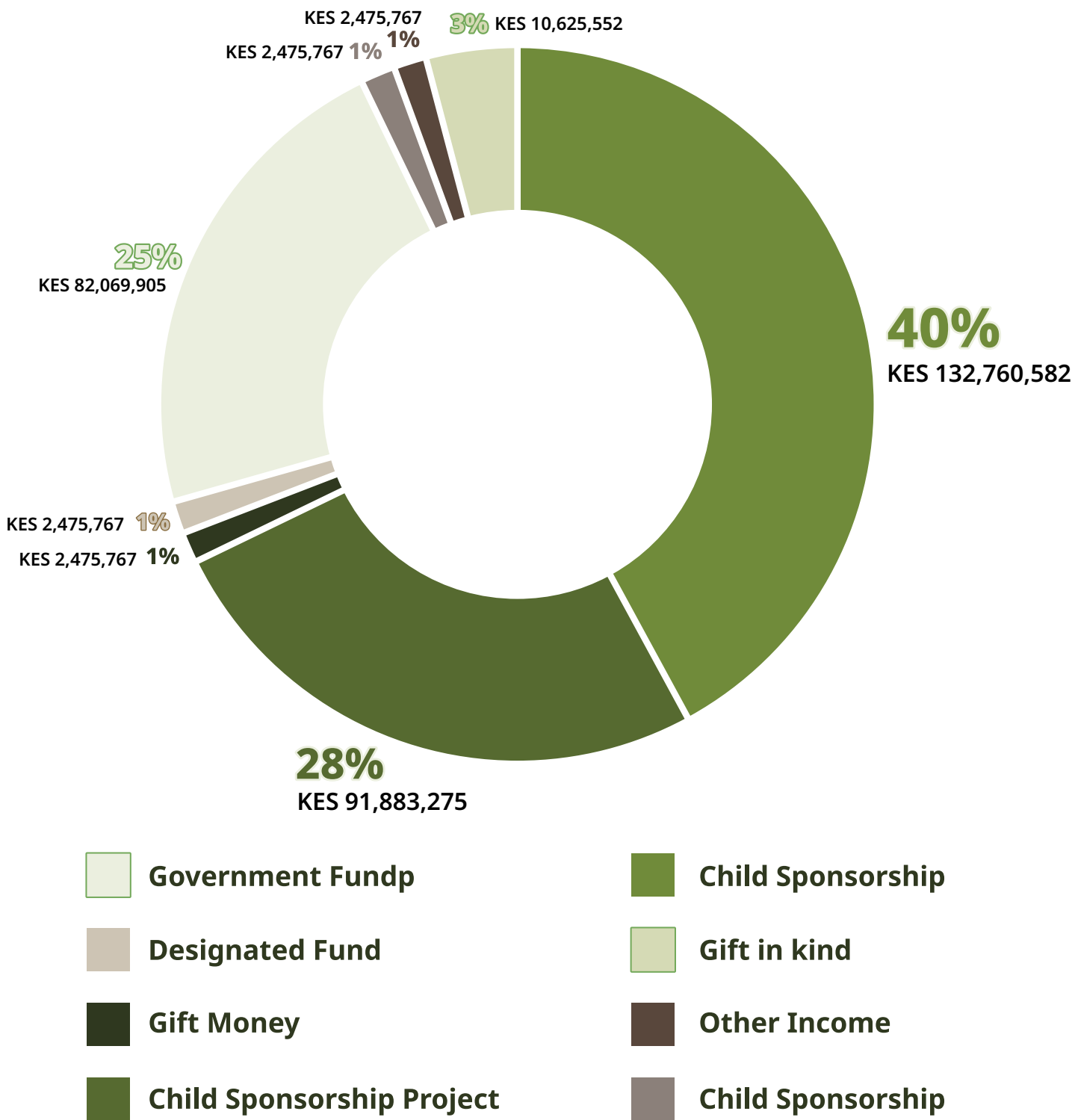
The celebration was graced by distinguished guests, including the Ambassador of the Republic of Korea, the Director General of the Public Benefits Organizations Regulatory Authority (PBORA) and representatives from Good Neighbors offices across Africa. Their keynote addresses highlighted the importance of partnership, accountability and innovation in advancing development outcomes, while recognizing KGN’s contribution to improving the lives of vulnerable communities over the past three decades.

Voices from beneficiaries and community groups, including supported SACCOs, underscored the tangible impact of KGN’s programmes demonstrating how integrated interventions have strengthened livelihoods, enhanced resilience and restored dignity among communities.

As KGN marks this significant milestone, the anniversary not only celebrates past achievements but also sets the stage for the future reaffirming a commitment to deepen impact, strengthen partnerships and continue transforming lives for generations to come.

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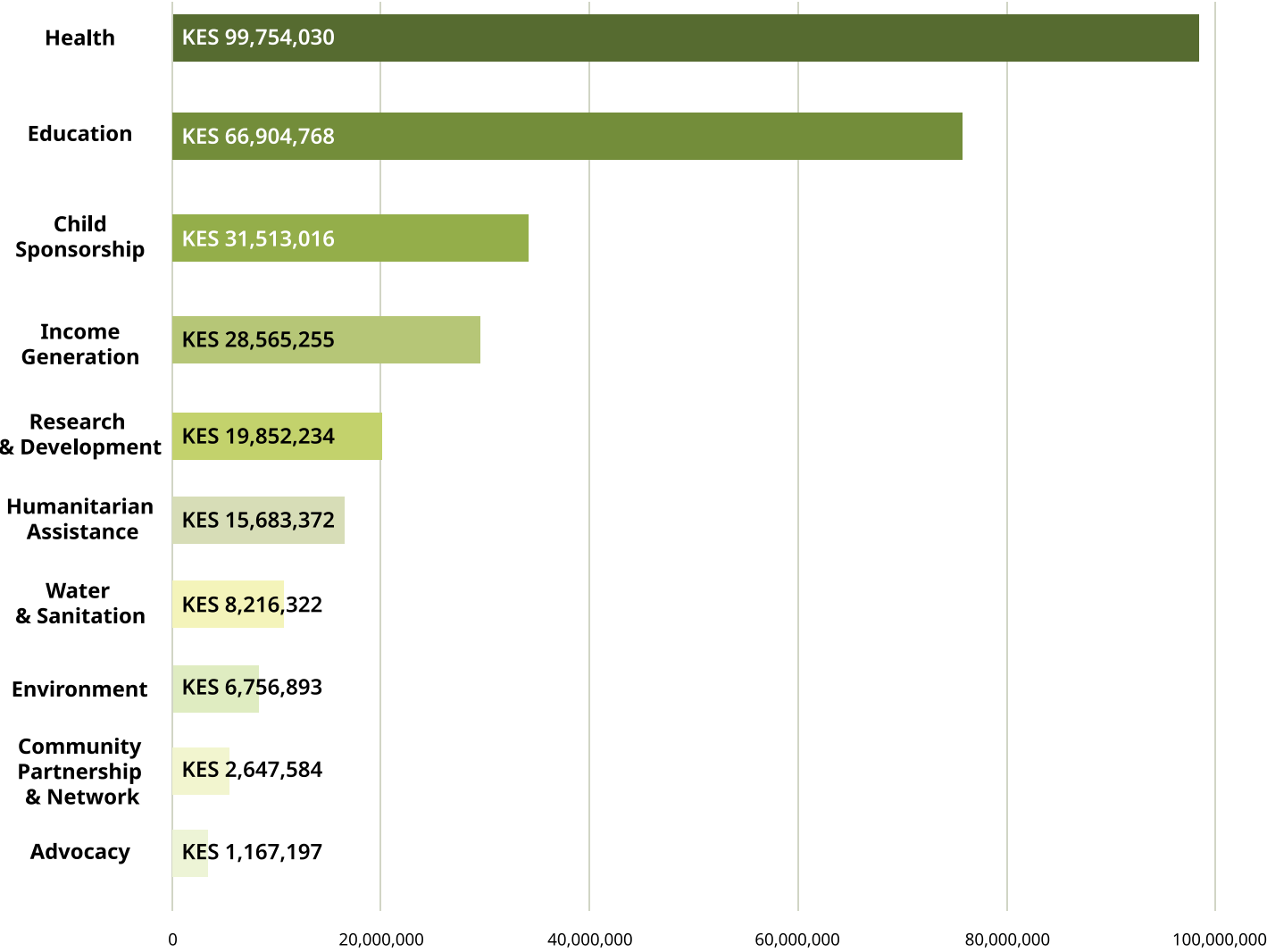
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