

KIBWEZI CENTER FOR SUSTAINABILITY NEWSLETTER



WELL-WISHING STRATEGY

Well-wishers Contribute towards events and any development initiatives where all contributions sent to the treasurer are updated on our WhatsApp group and letter expenditure summaries are shared on the same platform.

We operate on the principles of transparency, participation, local empowerment, demand-responsiveness, greater downward accountability, and enhanced local capacity.



HOW TO SUPPORT OUR COURSE

1. Donations

Well-wishers can donate in kind or cash to support our non-profit interventions on environment, health and education.

2. Volunteering

We encourage well-wishers to join a swiftly growing well-wishing volunteer family to restore and conserve the environment, promote access to education and health.

3. Proposal Writing and donor linkage

We always welcome supporting in writing project proposals and grant applications as well as linkages to any potential donors.

STATEMENT FROM FOUNDER

As the year comes to an end its time to reflect on the beautiful year we have had thanks to God.

It was the most active year for KWW since 2018. Congratulations my good team. We have broadcasted 3 million seedballs thanks to BOLT and Seedballs Kenya. Congratulations once again

We have planted 250000 trees thanks to Equity bank, Konza Technocity, KFS, ICRAF among other donors. Congratulations once more We have had 6 day medical camp, visited 7 children's homes and 21 school teams and sponsored several students. Congratulations!

Our lowest moment was when we lost our active member Cheupe (continue resting in power) but we stood together to celebrate her life well lived and to educate her son. Congratulations Big time.

The greatest achievement was creating the three chapters (Nairobi Metropolitan, Highway and Coast) that have helped spread our wings of well-wishing. We have attracted several partners and over 1000 new members.

All I can say is thank you and to God. We are blessed and growing. Tujipigie makofi.

I wish I can hug all of you forever.



Dr. Sonia Nzilani

**Founder & Chairperson
Kibwezi Center for Sustainability**

**(Makueni County Executive Committee: Lands, Urban planning and
development, Environment and Climate change)**

"Move forward. Good things are up ahead."

K EDITOR'S NOTE

IBWEZI CENTER FOR SUSTAINABILITY



BENJAMIN MUTUA

Senior Editor

Kibwezi Center for Sustainability

Welcome to the Kibwezi Center for Sustainability first Newsletter. I am delighted to bring you our first newsletter.

This newsletter edition offers our partners, donors, members and community members a brief on who we are, statement from the chairperson & founder, the programmatic areas, and projects we are working on.

Some of our partners donations this year, and testimonials from Kibwezi Wellwiahers members who have supported our events and activities in kind, financially and through volunteering.

I am looking forward to expanding the scope of the our Newsletter to include other NGOs Features, volunteer awards, employment opportunities and conference announcements. If you are interested in contributing, please let us know.

Whats New this year

Kibwezi Center for Sustainability is a registered NGO that promotes education, public health and environmental conservation. This year we've done a lot of community work with great support from our members/volunteers who contribute towards events and activity as well as attending the events to take part. We cannot pay for that kind of passion and dedication to do good, we can only appreciate them for such as great well-wishing spirit!!!

To achieve the appreciation goal, we introduced volunteer/members recognition awards with the below categories: - outstanding volunteer of the year; the resource Mobilizer of the year; the partner organization of the year; member who has brought many new members this year; the befriending/mentoring member of the year; the frequent contributor to our events; the photographer of the year; the young volunteer of the year; the unsung volunteer hero; the biggest heart volunteer; the early bird volunteer of the year; the perpetual smiling member; the member who is always available; the comedian of the year; the best newcomer of the year; the most active online (chatting); the upcoming leader of the year; the best in promoting KWW in social media and; the memelord or memelady of the year.

Joining Kibwezi Well-wishers

Those interested in joining Kibwezi Well-wishers whose main agenda is to Promote education, public health and environmental conservation as well as supporting members development and well-being can reach out to us through our social media platforms, phone number and email shown below. It is free but we encourage members to support by attending our events, organizing an event, fundraising, empowering, sharing, encouraging, motivating, networking and praying and providing guidance.

Please note politicking is not allowed in any of our online platforms, activities or events.

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     **Kibwezi Center for Sustainability**

ABOUT US

ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

Kibwezi Center for Sustainability (KCS) is a grassroots non-for-Profit organization involved in promoting environment conservation, gender balance, access to education, climate change adaptation and mitigation, and public health care services with an aim of increasing socio-economic empowerment, improving food security and safety, promoting equality and equity, climate change resilience, and improving ecological balance, thus achieving sustainable development.

KCS provides a holistic gender-sensitive approach of a fully integrated three-pronged solution that combines social, environmental and economic aspects of promoting sustainable development in line with the UN sustainable development goals agenda of 2030, AU agenda 2063, Kenya's Vision 2030 and the National Development Plan of Kenya.

KCS has an affiliate voluntary group of members under the name Kibwezi Wellwishers, which has three chapters namely: Coast, Nairobi Metropolitan and Highway chapters, that organize and conduct charity events in line with KCS objectives.



Tree planting at Kinyambu Special School

Further, KCS partners with community members, local government, corporates, sponsors and donors to successfully implement projects and hold impactful events.

Target population

KCS operates within the Counties of Makueni, Kitui, Machakos, Nairobi and Mombasa. Our targets populations are rural communities that are constrained socially, culturally and economically mainly needy students and girls, whom are exposed to abuse, rape, early pregnancies, forced/early marriages and period poverty, thus dropping out of school and denied their freedom of choice and expression.

What We Do

ENVIRONMENT

We Keep the environment better and safe through tree planting, seedballs broadcasting, garbage collection, pollution control programmes and public sensitization.

HEALTH

We improve the health of the vulnerable families and the elderly through hospital visits, guiding and counselling, health and nutrition talks, medical and Veterinary camps, and vaccination campaigns.

EDUCATION

We create better access to excellent education through facilitation of learning materials, mentorship and ensure that our girls and boys to learn in safe and clean environment

Well-Wishing

OUR VISION, MISSION AND OBJECTIVES

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- **Vision**

A healthy, educated and environmentally sustainable society responding to the livelihood needs of the vulnerable communities and threatened environment

- **Mission**

To provide solutions through practical environmental, health, education programmes, research, capacity building for enhanced livelihoods

- **Values and Principles**

KCS shall be governed according to the following principles:

1. Transparency, honesty and accountability
2. Love and respect for nature and environmental
3. Volunteerism, self and community empowerment
4. Inclusiveness and respect for human dignity
5. Professionalism with integrity

Objectives

- To promote education for the poor and disadvantaged children
- To conserve the environment through tree planting programmes, seedballs broadcasting, community cleanup programmes, spot fencing water of catchment areas, creating awareness
- To promote a healthy society through health education and providing support for needy cases in the society
- To empower young people through providing technical trainings and guidance and counselling programmes



Broadcasting seedballs at Chyullu conservancy

OUR PROJECTS

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GREEN AND CLEAN

The project involve environmental conservation, preservation and restoration through tree planting, seedballs broadcasting (throw and grow), community cleanup programmes, spot fencing water of catchment areas, and creating awareness, garbage collection, proper waste disposal, provision of dustbins, gloves and sensitization on pollution control.

This includes the greening public institutions, rehabilitation of forest reserves, animal parks, social amenities and individual homes as well as environmental Sensitization, awareness in physical and online platforms

HEALTHY US

KCS is committed to ensuring a healthy community. This program focuses on advocating for healthy living, immunization of children and adults against prevailing illnesses, as well as advocating for good healthy habits. We support health accessibility of the vulnerable families and the elderly through delocalized medical camps. We also make hospital visits, guiding and counselling, health and nutrition talks, veterinary camps, yoga/meditation sessions and vaccination campaigns.



WELL-WISHERS SAFARIS

There is immense power when a group of people with similar interests gets together to work toward the same goals. As we carry on with our events and projects we make sure they are all complemented fun too by: -

- Hiking
- Road trips
- Game drives
- Team building
- Bicycle rides
- Swimming





WOMEN LED INITIATIVES

KCS uses the gender-sensitive approach to promote practical and strategic gender needs for men, women, youth and the disabled. Women are the majority and have the greatest percentage (70%) of poor people and living in rural setting (particularly in Africa) and thus they are constrained economically, socially and culturally. This is despite their key role they play in safeguarding household resources, general family nutrition and welfare. Therefore, KCS identifies vulnerable groups such as the widowed and people living with disabilities and engages them in the following services

- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene programmes (WASH)
- Capacity building on gender mainstreaming, climate smart practices, entrepreneurship
- Economic empowerment
- Girl and boy child education and awareness
- Fight against menstrual period poverty, teenage pregnancies, sexual abuse and gender based violence
- HIV/AIDS awareness campaigns

SCHOOL MOTTO

We create better access to excellent education through facilitation of learning materials, mentorship and ensure that our girls and boys to learn in safe and enabled environment. The initiatives under this program are include;

- Provision of learning materials such as books, stationary etc
- Financial aid including provision of school fees
- Motivational talks
- Prize giving
- Games and sports
- Sanitary towels donation
- Career guidance
- Guiding and counselling
- Mentorship and coaching

we believe that all learners deserve access to education which is also in support of the UN SDG 4.



“It’s not the number of trees we plant but the number of trees we plant in the minds of the young one for the ripple effect will be vast- Baraka”

PARTNERS DONATIONS

The Bolt logo consists of the word "Bolt" in a white, bold, sans-serif font, with a white dot above the letter 'o', all set against a green square background.

BOLT

This year bolt has donated 2 million seedballs, which we have broadcasted and distributed to community members within Makueni and Kitui Counties. The also supported financially the THROW & GROW project.

SEEDBALLS KENYA

Seedballs Kenya has donated over 1 million seedballs and more importantly linked us with several partners who have supported our course

The logo for Equity Bank Kenya features a stylized red roof shape above the word "EQUITY" in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

EQUITY BANK KENYA - KIBWEZI

Equity Bank, Kibwezi branch has support our tree planting activities and events through donation of over 50,000 tree seedlings and over 70 dozens of drinking water.

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MAKUENI

Through our partnership with Makueni County Government we were able to successfully hold medical camps during the Makindu and Machinery event

The logo for Konza Technopolis features a stylized tree with a white trunk and branches, where the leaves are represented by small white circles. Below the tree, the word "KONZA" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font, and "Technopolis" is written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font below it.

KONZA TECHNOPOLIS

Konza Technopolis was able to donate 80,000 seedlings to us, which were shared to 9 grassroots organizations within Makueni County.

Kibwezi Wellwishers Members Picks

Oliver Ndolo

As an Environmentalist through KWW have learned that Trees make life nicer. It has been shown that spending time among trees and green spaces reduces the amount of stress that we carry around with us in our daily lives.



Sharon Kaio

Chyullu finest and proud member of Kibwezi Well-wishers. I am always inspired by the beauty of environment, and also the people who love environment conservation



Nelly Musyoka

"We depend on the environment for our very existence. Let's embrace and protect our environment - not working against it"

Be the change, save mother Earth



John Nyamai

It has always been a pleasure to take part in the events and activities. I was privileged Participate in one of the Kibwezi Well Wishers seedball broadcasting activity at Mbuinzui Hill



Ken Mbilo

My environment, my responsibility, kww has the environment in their hearts. Climate change mitigation through broadcasting of seedballs to restore forests. Thanks to seedballs Kenya #kww center for sustainability #myenvironmentmyresponsibility .



Mercy Mutua

Love is like a tree, it grows of it's own accord it puts down deep roots into our whole being , until you dig a hole you plant a tree you water it and make it survive , you have not done a thing ...one tree at a time. #kwika nesa



Everlyne Muthoka

Service to humanity is service to God, disability is not inability. Involve them .



Lilian Mwende

KWW serving vulnerable children at Kinyambu special school, 2022 Events.



Eusebia Mukalusa

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed well-wishers can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." Kibwezi Wellwishers is changing the world.



Shirleen Kioko

"It is not possible to buy someone's life with money, but you can save someone's life by donating blood to them"

Kibwezi Wellwishers has taught me to give without expecting anything in return.



Roger Kyalo

Well wishing is a kind act of doing something to someone without expecting anything in return. Their happiness is fulfilling. This feeling creates the urge to "kwika nesa" in a society thus creating a cycle of happiness.



Mathew Mutuku

Afforestation is a beautiful act that has the power to transform our surroundings and the world as a whole. Trees provide oxygen, clean the air, and offer shade and shelter to a variety of animals. They also add visual appeal to our landscapes and can even increase property values. By planting trees, we not only beautify our communities, but we also contribute to the health and well-being of our planet.



Robert Muthami

The climate change crisis is not a challenge of the future but of today. Kibwezi Center for Sustainability (KCS) is bringing up a generation that is action oriented in addressing the crisis.



Miriam Komu

It's the little things we do that will make the difference in humanity. One of my little things is planting trees.



Support Our Activities

How to Donate via M-PESA

The following steps will help you make a donation to our course:

1. Open your SIM Tool Kit and go to M-PESA Menu
2. Go to Lipa na M-PESA
3. Select Pay Bill and enter Business no. 247247
4. Followed by Account no. 006580
5. Enter the amount you want to donate.
6. Input your pin number and confirm the transaction then send
7. After payment, you will get a transactional message from M-PESA confirming your contribution.







How to donate via Bank account

Send your donations to: –

Equity Bank Account: **1730282006580**

SWIFT CODE: **EQBLKENA**

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