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Kenya Red Cross

The Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) was established on 21 December 1965 through the Kenya Red Cross Society Act. The organization's constitution is based on the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and the Additional Protocols of 1977 to which Kenya is a Party.

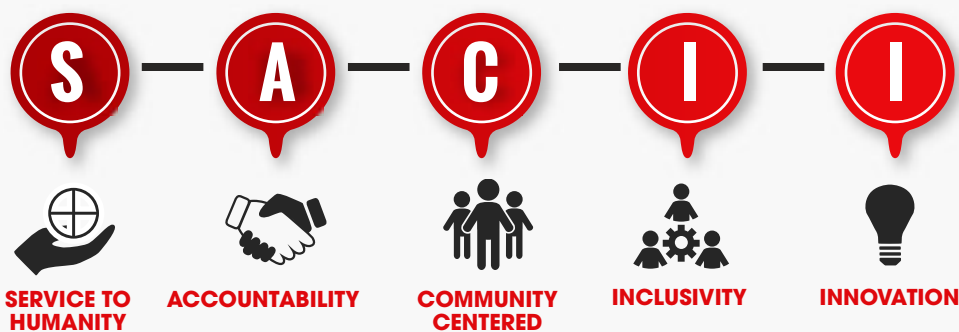
Our Vision

A leading humanitarian organization sustainably promoting the well-being, health and resilience of communities.

Our Mission

We facilitate communities to respond to humanitarian emergencies to alleviate human suffering and work with partners to implement innovative community driven programmes that transform lives and enhance community resilience.

Core Values

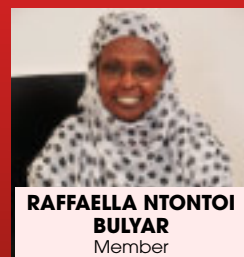
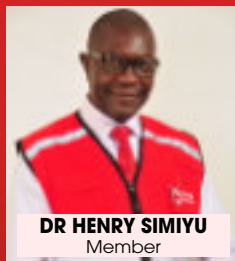
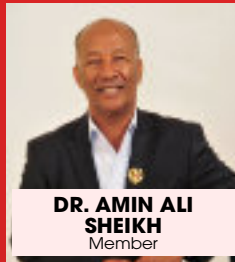
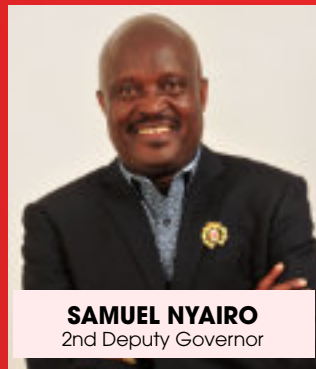


Our Principles

HUMANITY NEUTRALITY VOLUNTARY SERVICE UNIVERSALITY
IMPARTIALITY INDEPENDENCE UNITY

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NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2021



AEFIs	Adverse Event Following Immunization
AGYW	Adolescent Girls and Young Women
ASAL	Arid and semi-arid land
AYP	Adolescents young people
BHA	Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance
BOCA	Branch Organizational Capacity Development
BRC	British Red Cross
CAPR	Community activity progress report
CBHFA	Community Based Health and First Aid
CEA	Community Engagement and Accountability
CHS	Centre health solutions
CHUs	Community Health Units
CHV	Community health Volunteer
CIC	Community inclusion currencies
CICs	Cash Inclusion Currencies
CLTS	Community-led total sanitation
CVA	Cash and voucher assistance
DEWCS	Disaster Early Warning communication strategy
DIGID	Digital Identities
DRR	Disaster risk reduction
ECHO	European Commission for Humanitarian
ERP	Enterprise risk management
EWEA	Early Warning Early Action
GF	Global Fund
HNSS	Health , nutrition and social services
HTS	HIV Testing Services
ICC	Interagency Coordinating Committee
IDPs	Internally Displaced Person
IEC	Information education and communication
IFAS	Integrated Fund Accounting System
IFRC	International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
IGAs	Incoming Generating Activities
IPC	Infection prevention and control
KCAA	Kenya Civil Aviations Authourity
KCM	Kenya Coordinating Mechanism
KHIS	Kenya health information system
KPS	Kenya police service
KRCS	Kenya Red Cross Society
IMAM	Integrated management of acute malnutrition
MDR	Medical Device Regulation

MEA&L	Monitoring, evaluation, accountability and learning
MHPSS	Mental health and psychological support
MOH	Ministry of Health
MOU	Memorandum of understanding
NCDs	Non-Communicable Diseases
NDMA	National Disaster Management Authority
NDOC	National Disaster Operations Centre
NFI	Non-food items
NSD	National Society Development
NSP	National strategic plan
ODF	Open defecation free
OND	October-November-December
PBS	Polling booth survey
PFA	Psychosocial First Aid
PGI	Protection, gender and inclusion
PHC	Primary health care
PHCPs	Primary health care providers
PLHIVs	People living with human immunodeficiency virus
PLWNCDS	People Living with Non-Communicable Diseases
PPEs	Personal protection equipment
PrEP	Pre-exposure prophylaxis
PSS	Pyscho social support
PWD	People living with Disability
PWID	People Who Inject Drugs
RCAT	Red Cross Action Team
RCCE	Risk Communication and Community Engagement
RCM	Red cross messages
RCMRD	Regional center for mapping of resources for development
RFL	Restoring Family Links
RM	Regional managers
RUTF	Ready-to-use therapeutic food
SGBV	Sexual Gender-Based Violence
SP	Strategic plan
SRH	Sexual and Reproductive Health and Research
STERC	Strengthening early response capacity project
UHC	Universal health coverage
UNV	United nation volunteers
WASH	Water, sanitation and hygiene
WRA	Water Resource Authority



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Our priority is to be an organisation committed and ready to stand with the Kenyan people as they deal with day to day challenges.

Message from the Governor

The year 2022 was a transition year both internally and nationally. Internally, the term of the Board elected in 2019 came to an end and a new one elected. Nationally, Kenya conducted her General Elections in which new members of the various legislative arms and executive branches were elected.

Governance

The Red Cross and Red Crescent movement prides in strong governance and strong participation of its members. Pursuant to this the Society organised countrywide board elections at the branch, regional and National level. I want to sincerely thank all those members who took part in the elections and for giving me and all others that were elected an opportunity to serve Kenyans in the various capacities. To strengthen the role of oversight, the newly elected members of governance were taken through their induction to familiarise themselves with their roles and to ensure they provide effective oversight and support to the secretariat as they deliver on their mandate.

During the year, the Society initiated review of its constitution, an important instrument that defines the relationships within the Society. This process, which seeks to ensure that our constitution is in tune with the changing times, is set to be completed in 2023 by the Society's delegates.

Our Auxiliary role

The national elections were also significant in the sense that as Society we are auxiliary to government and work very closely with the various arms of government. I am pleased to report that following the election of H.E Dr. William Samoei Ruto as President of the Republic of Kenya, the Society organised a ceremony at which the new president was installed as Patron. We are grateful to the former President H.E Uhuru Kenyatta for serving as our patron for 10 years and look forward to working with our new Patron.

In line with our auxiliary role to the 47 County Government, the Society continued to strengthen its relationship with the county governments after the elections. As at December 14 governors had been installed as patrons for the respective County branches.

Volunteerism

The year had many issues from the drought, cholera outbreak, COVID-19 and even anxiety around the general elections. I note with pride the hard work of our staff and volunteers during the various interventions that were rolled out to address the needs of the community during the year. In particular, our volunteers strongly supported the drought response ensuring that critical support reached the most vulnerable in all parts of the country. This selfless service by our volunteers continues to attract recognition and respect from the community and partners.

I am also pleased to note that in the year our volunteer numbers grew by 17, 421 bringing the total number of registered members and volunteers to 255, 736. While we celebrate this growth, we know that volunteers being the strength of our Society we will continue to need more and there will work to grow this number even further.

Red Cross Movement

The Society participated in the IFRC 23rd General Assembly that took place in Geneva, Switzerland in June 2022. During the Assembly, our Secretary General was elected to the Governing Board to serve for a period of three years. We view this as further recognition of the important role KRCS continues to play as a leading National Society in the region and internationally.

I want to commend our members, staff and volunteers for their continued dedication to the work of the Society which is why we had a very successful year. I also thank our partners both within and outside for supporting us as we serve our communities and look forward to an even better year 2023.

Hon. Geoffery Korir
Governor



Foreword

It is my pleasure to present the Kenya Red Cross performance for the year 2022.

The year was dominated by severe drought in the horn of Africa which affected over 4.35 million Kenyans. The year also saw a number of other significant events including the Kenya General elections and our own Governance elections earlier in the year. Global events such as the war in Ukraine and the rising cost of living also had a direct impact on our work. Still, it was a year in which the role of the Kenya Red Cross Society was felt strongly as the Society mounted a strong response to the drought and other emergencies that occurred.

Internally, 2022 was the second year of Strategy 2025 implementation. Under this Strategy that started in 2021, the Society has committed to be a community facilitator focused on building the capacity of members of the community as first responders also in addressing their own challenges. Facilitating community was at the core of our interventions both long term programmes and emergency response

Strengthening of our Auxiliary role with Government

The year saw continued strengthening of our auxiliary role as Kenya Red Cross strongly partnered with various government agencies on critical issues. One of the issues on which there was a lot of synergy with government institutions was the drought in which critical meetings were held with former President H.E Uhuru Kenyatta and current President H.E William Ruto. Both Presidents showed commitment to working with KRCS on the drought response, the highlight of which was a joint food distribution led by President Ruto in December. In recognition of the important role the Society was playing in the drought response, President Ruto established the National Drought Steering Committee to work under the auspices of the Kenya Red Cross.

The drought Response

The Society was the first to sound an alarm over the drought in early 2021 and by the start of 2022 the number of counties affected had risen from the initial 12 to 29 with more than 3.35 million people classified as food insecure. Among the consequences of the drought, declared as the worst in 40 years, were rising levels of malnutrition in affected counties with areas such as Ileret in Marsabit County and Turkana South Sub County registering global acute malnutrition (GAM) rates of more than 50%. In total by the end of the year more than 2 million children below 5 years and 150,000 breastfeeding and lactating mothers were classified as malnourished by the National Drought Management Authority (NDMA) by December 2022.

The Society mobilized resources locally and internationally through an appeal submitted through the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC). Kenya Red

Cross also received funding from the Government for the livestock offtake programme for the purchase and slaughter of 20,565 animals. Overall, we reached over 146,000 households (approximately 730,000 people) with in-kind food distribution. Another 86,050 households were reached through the government funded livestock offtake programme and over 43,000 households through cash and voucher assistance.

The Kenya Red Cross Society also continued to implement other interventions as part of the drought response. At the start of the drought the Society had mapped out 57 strategic water points for rehabilitation to ensure communities have access to water for both domestic and livestock use. The water points rehabilitated are now providing safe clean water to 128,740 people in 12 counties. To support access to health for affected communities, Kenya Red Cross continued to carry out various health outreaches in the community to support immunization, malnutrition monitoring among others.

Drought early recovery and resilience building

We are acutely aware of the growing impact of climate change on communities and therefore even as we respond to the current drought emergency, we are also working to enhance community resilience through early warning and adaptation. As such, through our livelihoods programme we are facilitating communities to adopt approaches that respond to current climate situations such as use of drought tolerant seeds, early maturing seeds among others. The drought Early Action protocol (EAP) which was simulated in Kitui and Kwale with distribution of drought tolerant seeds to over 3,000 farmers and the integrated food security and livelihoods (IFSL) project implemented in Taita Taveta are good examples that prove such action can increase productivity of food amidst changing climate.

Health

The Strategic direction of Kenya Red Cross in Health programming is empowering communities to lead healthy lives and have opportunities to achieve social, economic and psychosocial wellbeing. The Society targets to support the attainment of universal health coverage (UHC), enhance opportunities for communities to be healthy and reduce risk for ill health through inclusion, advocacy and championing for effective public health policies. We continued to partner with the Ministry of Health to enhance primary health especially among the most vulnerable communities. Through the various programmes we supported training and deployment of community health volunteers across the country. In the year, Kenya Red Cross also continues to support response to disease outbreaks including Cholera. Further, Kenya Red Cross continued to support the COVID-19 response with key projects funded by Africa CDC and the European Union.

The Society is also cognisant of the growing mental health burden arising from the many challenges communities face. Consequently, we have continued to invest in provision of mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) to the general public. In the year, more than 13,000 members of the public received psychosocial counselling through the 1199 hotline as well as through face-to-face sessions. Kenya Red Cross also continued to be the lead health services provider in both Dadaab and Kalobeyei refugee camps,

Global Fund HIV grant

Also, under our health Pillar we continued to implement the Global HIV grant providing essential HIV. The current grant started July 2021 and is expected to run till June 2024. Program priority areas of focus are based on the second Kenya National AIDS Strategic Framework (KASF II) 2020/21- 2024/25, which seeks to reduce new HIV infections by 75%, reduce AIDS related mortality by 50% and reduce HIV-related stigma and discrimination by 25%. The goal of the program is to provide comprehensive HIV prevention, treatment, care and support towards Universal Health Coverage for all people in Kenya. Through the efforts of Kenya Red Cross Society, and the 65 implementing partners the program managed to reach out to 398,226 community members directly, constituting 69% (275,967) females and 31% (122,259) males. Approximately 2.4 million people were reached as indirect beneficiaries of the grant.

Youth programming

Youth below the age of 35 years of age account for over 85% of Kenya Red Cross Society staff and volunteers. In Kenya Red Cross Strategy 2025 welfare of our young people is one of the three strategic goals. In 2022 we continued with our focus of empowering youth to lead positive lives and to be agents of change in their communities. In 2022, our interventions focused on training and creating opportunities for youth to gain critical life skills to be change makers in their communities. During the year, 19 youth centres were established across the country to provide safe spaces for young engaged in various positive activities.

A strong National Society

In order to sustainably deliver on our mandate, we continue to strengthen ourselves and build a strong national society in line with Pillar 4 of Strategy 2025. In the year, the Society continued to implement the branch development strategy recommended by the Branch Organisational Capacity Assessment (BOCA) exercise conducted in 2021.

These achievements could not have been possible without the commitment of all sections of the society and our partners. I want to thank the National Executive Committee for its strong leadership and support to the secretariat. I want to also thank the staff for the dedication and professionalism shown through the year and most importantly our volunteers who are the true heroes of our work.

In 2023 we look forward to sustaining our commitment to selflessly serve communities in line with our mission and the seven fundamental principles.

Asha Mohammed

Dr. Asha Mohammed
Secretary General



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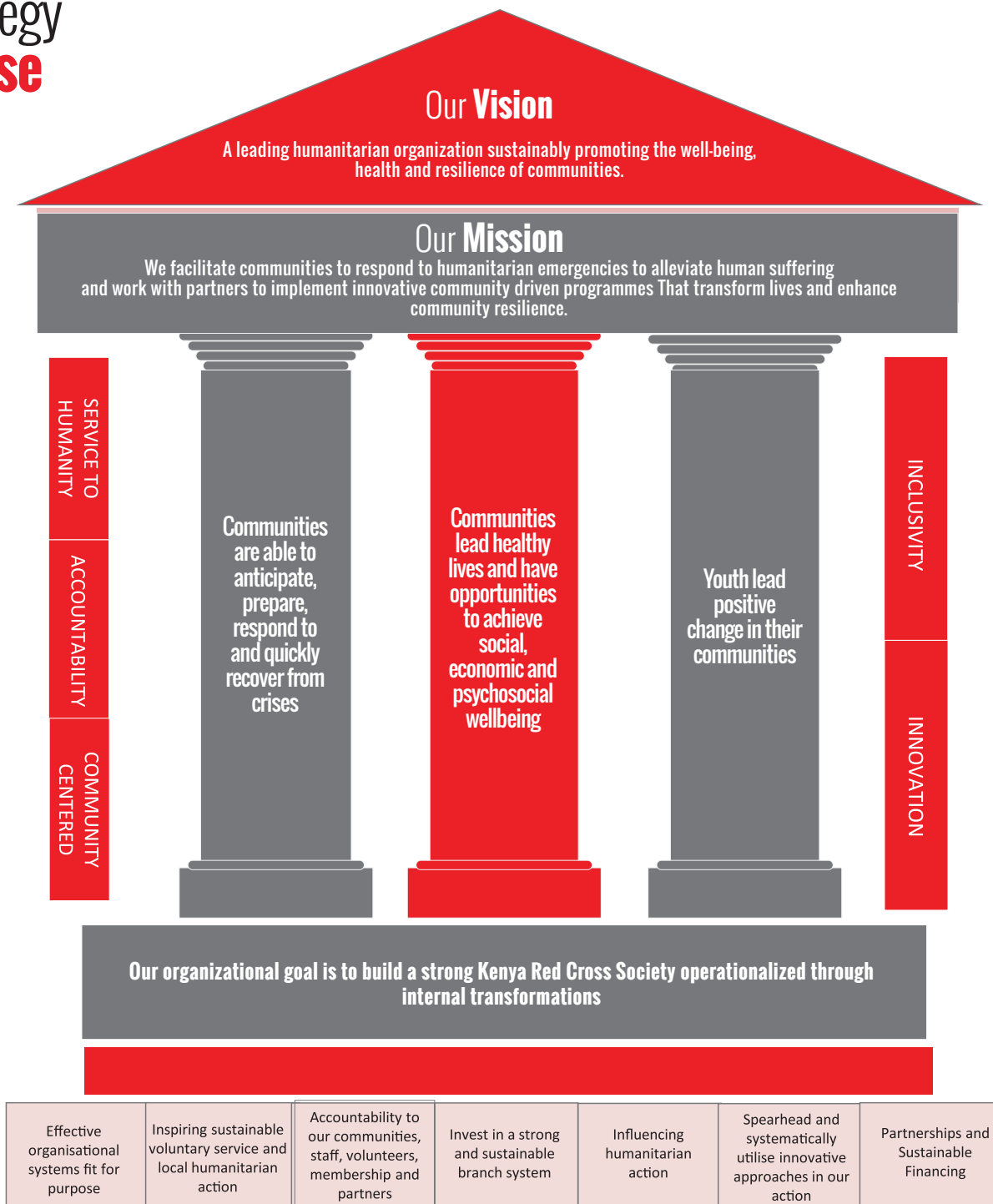
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Strategy **Goals**



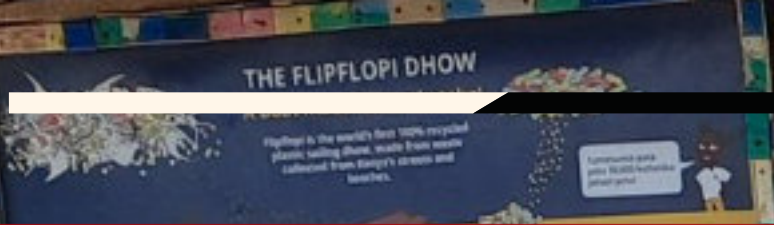
03 Youth **Lead positive change** in their communities

Strategy House



See the full Strategy Document on our website

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THE YEAR 2022 IN NUMBERS



NUMBER OF
VOLUNTEERS

255,736



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Number of people reached with Disaster Risk Reduction services



1,031

Number of people reached with Shelter Services



4,388,220

Number of people reached with Health services



148,697

Number of people reached with Migration services



105,599

Number of people reached with Social Inclusion services



562,064

Number of people reached with WASH services



NUMBER OF
BLOOD DONORS

28,332



1,331,431

Number of people reached by Livelihoods



114,673

Number of people reached with Cash Transfer Programming



392,162

Number of people reached by Global Fund HIV/AIDS services



NUMBER OF
TRAINED FIRST AIDERS

11,860



TOTAL
DIRECTLY REACHED

7,269,452

TOTAL
INDIRECTLY REACHED

36,347,260

GRAND TOTAL REACHED

43,616,712





Communities are able to **anticipate, prepare, respond and quickly recover from crises.**

In line with Goal 1 of Strategy 2025, KRCs interventions in the year sought to build the capacity of communities to anticipate and prepare for recurring shocks, provide effective, innovative and timely humanitarian assistance to communities, and improve access to relevant and sustainable livelihood opportunities.



Emergency Operations



KRCS maintained effective monitoring of the Country hazard situation through the County teams and the national emergency operations centers adopted an early warning, early action and community engagement approaches which built on the existing resilience mechanisms within communities. This ensured that community-led coping capacities and mechanisms were complimented. Two reviews of the multi-hazard contingency plan were done, which indicated increased drought conditions and possibility of epidemics, conflict and flash floods. KRCS in partnership with National and County governments conducted an Early Action Protocol (EAP) floods Simulation exercise in Busia to strengthen the capacity of KRCS and partners to prepare for and respond to floods. The Society also supported 1,477 affected households

with emergency shelter kits and WASH materials.

Four hundred and two (402) staff and volunteers were trained in management of large disasters through training in Emergency Preparedness, incident command system (ICS) and Emergency WASH provision. This enabled effective response to floods, drought, epidemics, conflicts and election related effects. Additionally, in response to drought needs, a total of 149,892 households were reached with in-kind food distributions, while the Government of Kenya supported animal offtake program where 20,565 animals were purchased, slaughtered and 86,050 households reached with meat distribution. Moreover, the KRCS teams also led responses to the needs of 20,500 People affected by conflicts in six Counties.



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Public health in emergencies

Kenya reported several disease outbreaks in the current reporting period across the country. The situation was further complicated by several other hazards reported across the country such as drought, conflicts, floods, population movements across countries and from neighboring countries. The Ministry of Health (MoH) reported and confirmed 5 disease outbreaks; Anthrax (suspected), Cholera, COVID-19, Visceral Leishmaniasis (Kala-azar) and Measles as compared to 4 in the year 2021.

The geographic distribution of the epidemics reported in Kenya were confined to areas with similar risk factors such as proximity to neighboring countries, low sanitation coverage, low vaccination coverage and crowding. Notable and concerning is that the counties previously not known to report disease outbreaks reported outbreaks in the year 2022. For instance, Murang'a and Kiambu reported a high number of cases of cholera. A total of 3,527 cholera cases were reported in Kenya in 2022. The KRCS EPIC-trained volunteers responded to a cholera outbreak in Garissa, Kiambu, Murang'a, Nairobi, Tana River and Wajir counties. In addition, KRCS supported yellow fever outbreak response in Garissa, Isiolo and Wajir in which 155 cases were reported by the MoH. Response to a measles outbreak in Nairobi and Turkana counties was also undertaken in which the country reported a total of 414 cases.

Ebola outbreak in Uganda during the year under review posed a risk to Kenya. The Ministry of Health and partners identified 20 High Risk Counties that are along the Kenya-Uganda border and those along the transport corridor from Busia to



Mombasa. Through the funding of Danish Red Cross, IFRC and USAID, KRCS supported in the development of the National Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) Contingency Plan, Standard Operating Procedures for Risk communication and Community Engagement (RCCE), surveillance and Safe and Dignified Burials (SDB). KRCS further went ahead to conduct risk communication and community engagement in 14 of the 20 high risk counties, reaching a total of 2,185, 553 people. Other EVD preparedness actions included community-based surveillance, training and prepositioning of highly skilled safe and Dignified Burials teams as well as training and equipping of KRCS ambulance operators across the country. These teams are available for deployment if in the unfortunate situation that Kenya reports an EVD case or deaths from the same or any other highly infectious disease.



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Refugee Operations

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Livelihoods and Food Security

The goal of the interventions implemented through this sector is to enable the communities to realize long term solutions to their challenges and prevailing conditions. These are summed up into skills development and capacity building, value chain support, food production and economic empowerment initiatives. During the reporting year three Food Security and Livelihood (FSL) projects were implemented in Garissa, Lamu, Taita Taveta and Bomet counties funded by the International Committee of the Red Cross and Red Crescent (ICRC) and British Red Cross (BRC).

A total of 88 students (40 Garissa, 48 Lamu) were enrolled in vocational training centers to pursue vocational courses in order to enhance their ability to pursue self-employment as well as their employability. Village Savings and Lending Association (VSLA) initiatives were seen to readily avail micro credits to community members for economic growth with high levels of success being reported. For sustainability, KRCS supported training of 30 agents. Consequently, 13 new VSLA groups were trained in Lamu and Taveta, while a total of 531 households were trained on the VSLA methodology.



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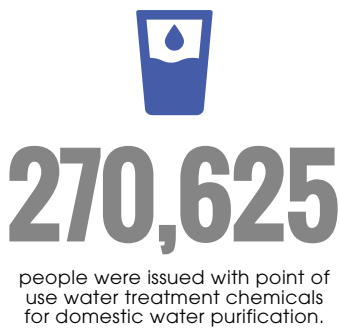
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Five hundred and twenty five (525) households were issued with standard fishing gears in Lamu to comply with the Kenya governments legal gears exchange program. Moreover, through the Economic Security (ECOSEC) project, various drought response initiatives were supported including: three tranches of cash transfer reaching 4,000 households (Lamu 300, Garissa 1500, Mandera 1600 and Wajir 600). Food distribution was done to 2000 households, distribution of livestock feeds reached 5,821 households, livestock treatment targeted 1000 households and Cash for Work reached 500 households.

Through the IFSL Taveta project, technical capacity building of 20 extension officers, 231 farmers on certified seeds, feeds, good animal husbandry and modern livestock management was done. This was aimed at increasing capacity and ensuring high production. Additionally, 99 farmers undertaking irrigation were supported with farm inputs for the beans value chain. The farmers received certified seeds, fertilizer, pesticides, and 200 hermetic bags and fungicides. The recorded and improved harvest of 25 tons of beans which contributed greatly to improved food security at household level and also improved economic gain. Under the poultry value chain, the project supported 69 farmers with 3,000 improved local chicks and poultry feeds as well as vaccines, while 63 farmers were supported with Galla goats, range cubes, hay, mineral salts and Caprivax Vaccine.

Disaster Risk Reduction/Climate Change and Adaptations (DRR/CCA)

KRCS through the United States Agency for International Development Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance- (USAID – BHA) support responded to the worsened drought situation in the country through food Assistance, Nutrition and Water, Sanitation and hygiene interventions targeting over 15,000 households at an overall budget of USD 6.3 million in Baringo, West Pokot and Turkana counties.

KRCS supported the designing and the simulation of Floods and drought Early Action Protocols (EAP) in collaboration with other Anticipatory Action partners in Kenya. In March 2022, the Floods’ EAP was simulated in Bunyala sub-county in Busia County to enable continued implementation of the

protocols in future floods responses. The drought EAP on the other hand was simulated in Kitui and Kwale counties where 3,000 farmers were supported with drought tolerant seeds ahead of the October November December 2022 rains. Although the rains were not adequate, the farmers got a fairly good harvest of cowpeas, sorghum and green grams which helped abate food insecurity in the households for some time. The meteorology department played a key role in releasing weather advisories that enabled community engagement initiatives that prepared the farmers well. This support came in through the British Red Cross, Danish Red Cross and was further enhanced by the Kenya Country DREF/APPEAL 2021 funding.



Through Climate Smart Agriculture in Tana River County, the Finnish Red Cross project continued to build the resilience of communities through Agroforestry targeting nine farmer-groups and five primary schools. Additionally, the Danish Red Cross supported Kenya Red Cross in Urban program interventions in Nairobi and Mombasa Counties.

KRCS participated in the International Disaster Risk Reduction (IDDR) workshop convened by the National Disaster Operations Center in Kakamega county. The workshop brought together Government, the UN, and non-state actors together to discuss issues pertaining to DRR/CCA. KRCS played a key role in the planning and facilitation of the workshop. Moreover, KRCS was asked to share lessons learned on anticipatory action and the floods simulation exercises conducted in Busia County. This enriched the body of practice with practical lessons on the impacts of early warning and community engagement on mitigating against risks.



186,000
People were reached
with relief food

Restoring Family Links (RFL)



During the period, 145,199 telephone calls were facilitated across the globe. 12,000 messages were exchanged, while 90 British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) forms concerning 141 persons were announced on BBC World Service. In order to promote social inclusivity encompassing gender and disability mainstreaming, the program interventions gave special attention to the vulnerable groups especially unaccompanied and separated children, persons with disability and the elderly. This was achieved through monthly household visits to these groups, who would otherwise experience challenges accessing the RFL services.



RESTORING FAMILY LINKS

Efforts were made in breaking frontiers on innovation, while maintaining accessibility to the services offered based on changing needs, while also aligning to global technological advancements. Devising new approaches was critical in restoring contacts and ensuring family linkages are maintained by use of social media platforms across the globe. In phase one of the piloting project, the programme invested in solar power and internet connectivity in 7 field offices in Kakuma, Kalobeyei and Dadaab enabling over 30,000 beneficiaries to access free internet and phone charging services. Moreover, smartphones were made available to allow beneficiaries who lack the same to benefit from the service.

Noteworthy, the category of Restoring Family Links was introduced in the KRCS nominations for the national annual volunteer awards for the second time, in line with the introduction of the RFL Global medal to recognize individuals and teams for their remarkable contribution to RFL in various contexts worldwide. This time around, Dadaab volunteer (Yunis Mohammed) was announced the winner of the RFL Volunteer Award 2022, in a ceremony held in Nairobi on 1st December.



8,084

PSS calls were received and attended to during the year.





Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) and Refugee Operations

KRCS contributed significantly towards the improvement of the overall wellbeing of affected populations in Turkana County through the provision of primary health care and nutrition services in Kalobeyei refugee settlement, besides offering tracing services. KRCS equally continued supporting safe passage during movement of asylum seekers along the western corridor to the transit Centre in Kitale. Innovatively, social approaches such as sports events were conducted aimed at promoting protection in Kalobeyei.

KRCS is the lead health partner in Kalobeyei providing health care services to the refugees and host community. This was achieved through effective operations at the Natukobenyo Health Centre and integrated health outreaches. The services provided under primary health and nutrition included facility-based curative and preventive services namely outpatient consultations, outpatient TB and HIV services, ante-natal and postnatal services, family planning, immunization services, outpatient clinical management of survivors of sexual gender-based violence, laboratory services, pharmacy services, nutrition services and radiology services. The inpatient services targeted obstetric and newborn related interventions that included skilled deliveries, inpatient management of non-complicated obstetric medical cases and inpatient management of neonates as well as inpatient management of infectious diseases.



In Garissa County, teams carried out operations in two health posts and one main hospital under Dadaab Refugee Camp, offering primary, secondary and tertiary health care services. The National Society also operated a referral centre domiciled in Garissa County referral hospital, which hosted persons of concern from the three camps who required specialised services and consultant reviews. The total outpatient consultations for the reporting period were 118,281. The new cases represented 93% with more cases (48%) consulting at the main


127,980
 people were reached with Cash assistance.



hospital. The consultations recorded per clinician per day were 96, which exceeded the recommended standard of <50, with a daily outpatient hospital visit of 315 in all the three health facilities.

Forty two ENT surgeries from all camps were successfully performed while 60 mothers were reached with gynaecological services. Two patients with unrepaired Vesicle Vaginal Fistula (VVF) were transferred for referral to Eldoret VVF centre. Five patients with multiple previously repaired VVF were referred for specialized management outside the country



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Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)



Provision of water was a critical component of the drought response in 2022. In the reporting year 51 water points were rehabilitated in 12 counties for both long term programs and emergencies to provide water to communities during the drought. The rehabilitated water points have enabled 128,740 people to access clean drinking water.

Under the ICRC detention interventions, various WASH interventions were completed including the installation of a new water supply system for Nairobi Remand and Allocation prison, installation of water systems for Naivasha Women Prison, drilling and equipping of a borehole for Hindi Main prison and supply of water tank to Maralal Prison.

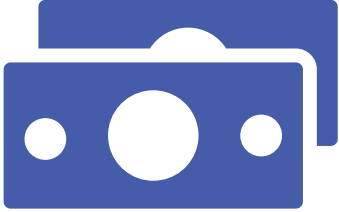
In addition to water supply, hygiene promotion practices through door-to-door health education sessions were done. Training of public health officers, community volunteers and teachers on hygiene promotion including Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) and sanitation marketing was equally undertaken. Cascading of hygiene promotion was done through health clubs in schools and community groups and meetings. The hygiene promotion interventions were done both in emergencies and as part of the long-term projects. A total of 178,451 Households were reached with messaging on good hygiene practices. 355,000 households were supported to access point-of-use water treatment chemicals to ensure that the water for consumption was safe.



KRCS implemented comprehensive Sanitation Marketing and Community Led Total Sanitation (CLTS) at the community level. 25 villages were triggered in Taita Taveta and Baringo; with 3 in Baringo and 19 villages in Taita Taveta counties being declared open defecation free. The Ministry of Health and that of Water took the lead in implementation and put in place mechanisms that aimed at ensuring follow-up and sustainability of measures put in place. The Cholera outbreak witnessed towards the end of the year made it necessary to ensure that the water interventions were prioritised. In the counties where the outbreak had been reported, a WASH assessment was done and the key pointers for the outbreak included. Complex humanitarian (drought and conflict) crises with fragile health systems aggravated by climate change, posed challenges to response efforts. Indeed, the chances of exposure to disease outbreak and risks of further spreading of diseases to other counties, water scarcity, population movement and congestion especially in urban settlements, further worsened the prevailing conditions.

KRCS participated in various coordination forums including in the GHACOF (Great Horn of Africa Outlook Forum) and NCOF (National Climate Outlook Forum) in the water and energy sector.

Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA)



Cash assistance remains to be one of the most preferred response modalities during disaster responses, particularly because it empowers the most vulnerable people by giving them freedom of choice to prioritize their immediate needs. Use of this modality enabled quick turnaround time in delivering assistance. A total of Ksh. 581,541,621 was disbursed to 43,463 households across 13 counties. The interventions were made possible through funding from various partners including the USAID/BHA to 16,400 households in Turkana, West Pokot and Baringo Counties; British Red Cross Society to 1,800 households in Marsabit; the Danish Red Cross to 2,000 households in Laikipia and Samburu and IFRC Appeal support to 8,381 households in Kilifi, Samburu, Isiolo, Lamu, Wajir, Mandera, Garissa and Tana River counties.

KRCS provided leadership on coordination efforts with external partners and the National Government through the Kenya Cash Working Group to ensure Cash assistance is harmonized and coordinated to avoid double dipping. Moreover, technical guidance on the Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB) was provided to Cash actors within Kenya so that they could determine the transfer values in a harmonized approach, working closely with the CALP Network, WFP and the REACH initiatives.



Anticipatory Action



As a developing country, Kenya's economy is dependent on rainfall to support lives and livelihoods. The year 2022 has seen its two major rainfall seasons similarly exhibit insufficient rains just as observed in 2020 and 2021. This has limited crop and pasture production in addition to water scarcity. The year 2022 has been vital as it has seen completion of the national drought Early Actions Protocol (EAP) covering 23 Arid and Semi-Arid counties in Kenya. The EAPs will be activated when seasonal forecasts indicate heightened chances of having drought. Drought Anticipatory Actions including repair/rehabilitation of water facilities, distribution of drought tolerant seed for crops and pasture, would then be implemented early enough.

3,000
farmers received drought tolerant seeds

In 2021, the Kenya Meteorological Department had issued a forecast indicating rainfall would be insufficient in the October to December season. At the same time,

drought assessment reports prior to the season from the Food Security and Nutrition Working Group indicated that 2 million people were facing starvation and the number was projected to be higher following the expected poor OND 2021 season. This led to KRCS activating the drought Anticipatory Actions in Kitui and West Pokot with funding from British Red Cross. KRCS implemented anticipatory interventions to address key impact areas of water scarcity, reduced crop yield and loss of pasture by providing drought tolerant seeds to over 2,000 farmers and rehabilitating up to 8 water boreholes. A survey undertaken in September

2022 indicated that, all water boreholes rehabilitated were functional, providing water to over 1,000 households. The beneficiaries in lowland areas of West Pokot indicated that the drought tolerant seeds offered to them as part of early actions, germinated and matured within 2 months with little rainfall. The food consumption score was at 38% at the beginning of the activation. By the time of the survey, the score had significantly improved to 65% for the beneficiary compared to a score of 44% for households that did not benefit from the seed distribution. The survey estimated that benefits from seed distribution had a positive cost-benefit ratio of 8, implying that an investment of 1 shilling was resulting in benefits of up to 8 shillings. This was a saving from what would have been incurred in emergency response to reach the same beneficiaries should KRCS have waited to implement a response in place of the Anticipatory Actions.

In 2022, KRCS activated the drought EAP in Kwale and Kitui counties in response to the growing risk of drought. 3,000 farmers received drought tolerant seeds targeting the OND rain season. The farmers reported increased food security for a few months following harvest of the vegetables and seeds. The activation equally integrated community engagement and accountability more than the first activation. This ensured timely response to community feedback that enabled them to address challenges faced by farmers together with the county government experts. The society has also been engaging in capacity building and research to support anticipatory action that led to peer-to-peer Anticipatory Action platforms at regional and national levels.

STRATEGY
GOAL 2

Communities **lead healthy lives** and have opportunities to **achieve social, economic and psychosocial well-being.**



Universal Health Care (UHC)



Our Strategic direction in Health programming is empowering communities to lead healthy lives and have opportunities to achieve social, economic and psychosocial wellbeing. To achieve this, KRCS targets to support the attainment of universal health coverage, enhance opportunities for communities to be healthy and reduce risk for ill health through inclusion, advocacy and championing for effective public health policies. Additionally, KRCS seeks to reduce preventable diseases and mortalities through improved access to health care for underserved communities and the most vulnerable. We seek in particular to “reach the last mile”, to provide health and care to those who are outside or at the margin of the formal health sector. This is an essential component of the UHC agenda and one we intend to highlight continuously even in emergency situations where formal health services delivery is interrupted.



Working with both levels of governments and other partners; KRCS key actions towards enhancing UHC include:

Investing in Capacity building of human resources for health including CHVs, Red Cross Volunteers, Health Care Workers and Health managers and policy makers in low resource settings towards improving access to uninterrupted quality health services.

Support in the establishment and operationalization of 246 community health units (CHUs) in 32 counties under different integrated health interventions. The operationalization will include support with CHV Kits, reporting tools and support supervision.

7,869 CHVs trained on basic CHS modules and technical CHS modules (WASH, NTDs, NCDs, MNCH, Nutrition, HIV/TB, Community Integrated Disease Surveillance and Reporting, Mental Psychosocial support, Malaria prevention & control).

Provision of primary health care (PHC) to marginalized communities not served by formal health systems during emergencies through expanded medical outreaches, support PHC commodity supply, infrastructural investment, deployment of surge teams to bridge health Human resource (HRH) gaps and capacity building of HRH.



Advocacy for integration of nutrition specific and nutrition sensitive actions, adoption of national nutrition policies and guidelines across relevant programs, has been critical within the society and has been a key action in yielding resources for the sector. Kenya is faced with a severe drought in the Arid and Semi-Arid Areas stemming from five failed consecutive rainfall seasons compounded by a late onset and poorly distributed short and long rains seasons since 2020. Consequently, there has been significant deterioration in nutrition status of children, pregnant women, and lactating mothers. This has been complicated by numerous other challenges including COVID - 19 pandemic, cholera outbreak, high poverty levels, poor agricultural production, food insecurity and malnutrition, weak economic and infrastructural development, inter and intra communal conflict threatening the community resilience.



As a response to the ongoing drought situation, KRCS with support of our development partners enhanced the health and nutrition interventions in 2022 by supporting the MOH to respond to the health and nutrition needs of the drought affected communities through scale up of health and nutrition services. The interventions mainly funded by UNICEF integrate Nutrition, Health, SBCC, WASH, gender, Child Protection as well as cash Voucher assistance. Through the emergency nutrition programs, the society focused on enhancing the capacity of GoK officers on Nutrition surveillance and service provision, protection, gender and inclusion, Coordination of response activities through support of various existing technical working group, taking health service close to people

living in hard-to-reach areas through integrated medical outreaches, RUTF and therapeutics Milk commodity distribution to IMAM health facilities. KRCS Sustained support for integrated Health and Nutrition services in 557 outreach sites in 10 counties of Turkana, Baringo, West Pokot, Isiolo, Samburu, Garissa, Mandera, Wajir, Tana River and Marsabit. 238,709 children under five years of age, 46,594 PLWDs and 164,991 people in the general population were reached with various services. Over 120,000 cartons of RUTF were distributed in 23 counties in GOK health facilities to ensure prompt treatment of malnourished cases identified through the various surveillance activities while 600 Healthcare workers were trained on Management of acute malnutrition. Over 18,500 care givers were



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sensitized on Family MUAC approach, while 18,703 Households were reached with WASH promotion interventions in the 10 Counties. In addition, Child protection interventions reached 2,362 households.

KRCS conducted information needs assessment equally supported by UNICEF in Marsabit, Turkana and Garissa counties in the month of October 2022 as part of SCBCC and community engagement undertakings. This assessment was conducted to inform the community needs for information and communication, set up feedback mechanisms, establish a safe, confidential, child-friendly and gender sensitive reporting mechanisms for SEA, and make sure there are functional linkages to referral pathways to trigger appropriate response and survivor assistance. The 1,231-study population revealed a preference for face-to-face communication approaches for both information for behavior change and for feedback purposes. Feedback mechanisms currently in use include community review meetings, a toll-free phone line, complaints email contact, Integrity line and Community feedback desks set up during outreaches.

The organization continued to play a key role in the nutrition sector by participating in development of key sector policy documents and strategies. In 2022, KRCS working with key GOK departments and other partners participated in development of the following key documents:

Key Policy and strategy documents supported:

- Finalization of the Maternal, Infant and Young Child Nutrition in Emergency (MIYCN -E) Operational guidance for Kenya
- Maternal Infant and Young Child Nutrition strategy
- Finalization and roll out of the revised Integrated Management of Acute Malnutrition modular training curriculum.



Through UNICEF supported medical outreaches, Community members in hard-to-reach areas can access routine immunization, above is immunization taking place at Chepkokoch outreach site in Baringo County, 90 km away from nearest health facility



KRCS Nutrition volunteer and MOH staff crossing river Natan which is impassible by vehicle, carrying along vaccines and nutrition tools, with an aim of reaching the community members of "Tout" with key health and nutrition services in Baringo County



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Community Epidemic and Pandemic Preparedness (CP3)



Since 2017, the IFRC has been running a multi-country epidemic preparedness programme called Community Epidemic and Pandemic Preparedness Programme (CP3) with funding from the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). Through CP3, communities, National Societies and other partners have been supported to prevent, detect and respond to disease threats. In doing so, they can play a significant role in preparing for future health risks. CP3 is currently active in 7 countries: Indonesia, Uganda, Cameroon, Kenya, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sierra Leone and Guinea. It was also previously active in Mali. The programme has been adopted to each country's health priorities, needs, risks and capacities.

Kenya Red Cross, through this funding, has been helping communities prepare and prevent the spread of diseases in Bomet, Narok, Tharaka-Nithi and West Pokot counties since 2018. In 2022, the programme sustained support for community preparedness, national society preparedness and private sector engagement in epidemic preparedness. Through the various community engagement and risk communication forums, 834,111 people were reached through health messaging on epidemics and priority diseases in the community health units while 28,000 people were reached through cinema/street theatres in communities and schools. Under the school health programme, 7,830 students and teachers were reached through school Based Epidemics awareness and Education sessions through edutainment, debates and benchmarks.

CP3 supported the training of 52 ToTs in Epidemic Preparedness and Response in Communities for EVD anticipatory action. Rabies vaccinations in collaboration with County MALF and VSF Germany reached a total of 4,665 animals. As part of promoting peer to peer learnings among the different countries, IFRC organized virtual experience and lessons sharing sessions between countries where Kenya participated. KRCS equally participated in key global conferences including the 7th One Health Congress held in Singapore as well as the SBSS Summit held in Morocco.




4,560

The program also reached 4,560 PLHIV with stigma and discrimination sensitization sessions



School health club education sessions



42,044

beneficiaries (41% males and female 59%) were reached by legal literacy interventions

Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs)



During the year, the NCD interventions were largely funded by the Danish Red Cross. 148 (65 males and 83 females) health care workers were trained in NCD management in emergencies. The training equipped the workers with knowledge on how to identify, diagnose, and manage NCDs in emergency situations. KRCS trained 276 (102 males and 174 females) CHVs on NCD management. The CHVs have played a vital role in reducing the burden of NCDs in the community by increasing awareness on early screening and diagnosis to 24,702 people (9,140 males and 15,562 females). 22 NCD patient support groups comprising 1,038 (215 males and 823 females) clients were also established. The support groups meet on a monthly basis to share experiences and receive support from each other. The support groups have helped to improve the mental health of patients by reducing stigma and increasing patient adherence to treatment and NCD self-management.

NCD commodities worth Ksh 3,200,000 were procured to support NCD management in health facilities. The commodities included drugs, diagnostic tools, medical equipment, youth physical activity equipment and child therapy sets. These have improved the quality of NCD management services in health facilities. The availability of NCD commodities has also reduced the financial burden of NCD patients who previously had to purchase drugs and other medical supplies from private pharmacies. Additionally, the activation of the crisis modifier in Tana River had a significant impact on NCD patients during the drought. It led to an improvement in access to essential NCD services, improved nutritional status, improved adherence to treatment, and improved mental health.

In collaboration with the Ministry of Health, KRCS supported the review of the cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) guideline and in the development of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) in emergency care guidelines. The NCD in emergency care guideline provides healthcare professionals with the necessary skills, knowledge and information to identify and manage NCD patients during emergencies. The guideline also ensures that NCD patients receive appropriate care during emergencies, reducing the risk of complications and improving health outcomes.



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TB Programming



KRCS built a capacity of 35 (23 males and 12 females) HCWs on paediatric TB and 294 CHVs (176 males and 118 females) on community TB intervention in refugee populations. These achievements have led to the identification of TB missed cases, improved health outcomes, and collaboration between countries (Kenya-South Sudan and Kenya-Somali). KRCS has continued to work with other implementing partners (International Rescue Committee (IRC) and Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)) to ensure sustainable and effective TB programming in the refugee camp. In the reporting period through KRCS interventions, 731 (487 males and 244 females) cases of all forms of TB-bacteriologically confirmed plus clinically diagnosed, new and relapses were notified.



Mental Health and Psychosocial Support



The Kenya Red Cross Society has continued to offer free psychosocial support to the general population through 1199 Hotline, Rapid pro SMS platform and face to face sessions. The initiatives reached over 13,000 people of whom 88 were people living with disabilities. Some of the mental health issues emerging from these calls range from depression & depressive symptoms, relationship issues, family & marital issues, stress, and unemployment distress. These issues were largely underpinned by the psychological impact of drought and

high cost of living. Sensitisation sessions for over 800 staff and volunteers was conducted focussing on an integrated approach that would reduce work-related risk factors, promote mental health by developing the positive aspects of work as well as worker strengths and positive capacities. KRCS has worked in collaboration with the Ministry of Health (MOH), Kenya Police Service (KPS), State Department

of Social Protection and Labour to establish technical working groups and synergies for reporting and best practices in humanitarian diplomacy.



Sexual Reproductive Health (SRH) and Gender Based Violence (GBV)



KRCS built capacity for 1547 CHVs in SRH and GBV for engagement at community level. A total of 334 healthcare workers were trained on Minimum Initial Service Package (MISP) through United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) funding and the Finnish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) project. Additionally, 28 healthcare workers were trained on disability inclusion and fistula management respectively. Fistula camps reached 31 women of reproductive age with different forms of surgeries. To enhance the capacity of duty bearers in identification and response to GBV cases, community sensitization meetings including identification and capacity building of 150 male champions across Kilifi, Tana River, Samburu and Bungoma counties were conducted. In collaboration with the division of reproductive health under the ministry of health, KRCS participated in the review and launch of the 2022 Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health (RMNCAH) guidelines.



Cash for Health Interventions in Drought Response



In the year 2022, KRCS received funding from the Norwegian Red Cross to support access and utilization of healthcare services in two of the most drought affected counties (Garissa and Marsabit). The support is through conditional cash to enable transport to health facilities, access to food and water as well access to drugs and medicine. A total of 4,300 households have been reached with conditional cash across the two counties leading to improved access to health services. The cash transfer enabled support for transport to health facilities, purchase of the required medical and nutrition commodities. The interventions targeted Pregnant and lactating women (PLW), Children with severe acute malnutrition (SAM), Children with moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) and the elderly with either moderate or severe malnutrition.

National Immunization And Neglected Tropical Diseases



667 CHVs were engaged during the 2022 Rubella and measles campaign in Nairobi County reaching a total of 132,205 children between 9 months to 59 months of age. Through this support the MOH predicts a reduction in vaccine-preventable morbidity and mortality for children below the age of 5 years especially against rubella and measles diseases.

To contribute to elimination of neglected tropical diseases, KRCS supported in both training, field data review and actual issuance of medications against schistosomiasis in both Homabay and Kwale counties.



Blood Donor Activities



KRCS supported different blood donation activities in collaboration with Kenya Tissue and Transplant Agency (KTTA) through social mobilization. Additionally, in collaboration with Damu Ke, UNFPA among other partners, Damu-ke conference was organized. The conference focused on sustaining the number of voluntary blood donors and digitization of blood donation initiatives. A total of over 30,000 pints of blood were collected in 2022 which was an increase by 6,000 pints from the year 2021.



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Enhanced Covid-19 Vaccine Uptake Through Risk Communication & Community Engagement

The African Union's goal to vaccinate at least 70 percent of its population led to the Saving Lives and Livelihoods (SLL) Programme that aspires to rapidly create the demand to increase the COVID-19 vaccine uptake in AU Member States. The initiative is anchored on AU efforts towards COVID-19 vaccine equity, with governance structures that emphasize the strengthening of national, regional, and continental institutions. The program implementation is being done through AMREF, Kenya Red Cross and AKROS supported by UNICEF, WFP and AMSP. The program implementation started with training and capacity building of health care and community health workers, influencers and community leaders, setting up vaccination centers (static, outreach and mobile),

deployment of vaccines, ancillaries, non-pharma supplies and PPEs at all levels, distribution of branded banners, registration and monitoring tools such as tablets and waste management supplies.

Since the beginning, several vaccination campaigns supported by consecutive social mobilization and risk communication activities have been operationalized at national, county, sub-county, village and health facilities. The Saving Lives and livelihoods program is significantly contributing to increase the COVID-19 vaccination coverage at health facility, county and national levels. As a result, the KRCS is one of the leading implementing partners in the Eastern Africa region supporting Risk Communication and Community



Engagement (RCCE) interventions in 14 member states through the country National Societies (NS), in collaboration with other Africa CDC-supported partners on programme strategies and implementation including AMREF, WFP, AKROS and UNICEF. The contractual period begun on 27th May, 2022 upon contracting by the tripartite organizations (KRCS, AU Africa CDC and MCF). The total funding for the grant is \$ 9.4M.

Kenya Red Cross as the Lead national society has continued to coordinate implementation of activities across the 8 Member states (Djibouti, Ethiopia, South Sudan, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Tanzania, Comoros). Subcontracting is at an advanced state in Somalia with due diligence having been done for 3 NGOs and one of them, KasmDev, having been retained. The one remaining (Madagascar) is under sub-contracting discussions to be finalized by the end of March 2023.

Microplanning for One member state (Mauritius) is expected to happen in the later days of the month of March 2023. Critical aspect of the grant is the inter-coordination across Implementation partners at the country and regional level. Of particular focus is the close coordination between RCCE (KRCS) and COVID-19 vaccination centers (CVCs) implemented by AMREF where there are close linkages between the community mobilization and the actual vaccine management.

The KRCS Consortium Unit participated in the first AU Africa CDC New Public Health review framework where issues of consortium and support to indigenous institutions in addition to supporting member states manufacturing capacities were top of the list. The first session was held in June, 2022 at Addis with all SLL IPs represented. The perception surveys are complete in 3 countries (Kenya, Djibouti and South Sudan) with dissemination of results happening in 2 (Kenya, South Sudan).

Other countries plan to conduct mini studies and surveys to understand the evolving perceptions of the population. An increased COVID-19 acceptance has been noted coming from RCCE measures and strategies put in place after the results of the perception surveys. The member states and the implementing teams have developed Demand Creation plans to increase confidence and uptake of COVID-19 vaccines, with a robust community engagement component integrated into micro plans which brought on board the Ministry of Health team and AMREF.

In Kenya, the government started vaccination of its adult population against the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2021 and vaccination of its teenage population with Pfizer in

The target is to vaccinate
70%
 Of the African population

November, 2021. At the beginning of 2022 following global reports of waning immunity from COVID-19 vaccinations, Kenya started the administration of 3rd doses as booster shots. Kenya plans to fully vaccinate the entire adult population of 27 million people and also aims at fully vaccinating 2.9 million teenagers aged 15-17 years (50% of the population) and the entire teenage population of 5.8 million. KRCS in collaboration with 8 county governments (Marsabit, Nyamira, Kisii, Homabay, Narok, Kajiado, Kilifi and Kitui) and other partners (AMREF) conducted integrated health outreaches targeting high-risk counties to undertake social mobilization for the vaccine's uptake.

Through the SLL grant in Kenya, KRCS has reached more than 12.5 million Kenyans over time through social mobilization approaches both directly and indirectly with vaccine promotion messages through the various initiatives. The Kenya Red Cross volunteers have been at the forefront of all risk communication and community engagement initiatives and have been active members of the National Advocacy, Communication and Social Mobilization Committee influencing RCCE decisions regarding hard-to-reach populations including prisoners, refugees, PLHIVs and pastoralists.

The RCCE methods applied include: household-level sensitization, targeted focus group discussions, local and nation radio and TV stations, social-media, public address systems, vaccination outreaches, innovative SMS platforms e.g., TERA and Rapid pro in highly populated area e.g., informal settlements in urban areas. The collaboration areas with the MoH include: Risk communication, Community feedback management, training of volunteers and Healthcare workers, logistical support: movement of health care workers and vaccines to outreach sites, support supervisory visits, Mental health and PSS management for the public. Community feedback collection methods used: Mobile data platforms during routine social mobilization activities, Regular individual surveys, Community feedback toll free line, PSS hotline and Call ins during radio and TV sessions.

The SLL Program aims at promoting a healthy population protected from COVID-19 through the different program activities and KRCS is at the forefront in ensuring that the population is sensitized and encouraged, so as to achieve the goal of vaccinating 70% of Africa's population.





72%

of community members
were willing to be
vaccinated



Global Fund Supported Hiv/Aids Programme

Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) as the non-state Principal Recipient (PR) for the Global Fund HIV Grant, significantly contributed to the increase of demands for HIV interventions across the 45 counties of Kenya. The current phase of the grant was rolled out in July 2021, and it is expected to run through to June 2024. The grant, dubbed The New Funding Model III (NFM III), was anchored on the second Kenya National AIDS Strategic Framework (KNASF II) 2020/21- 2024/25, which seeks to reduce new HIV infections by 75%, reduce AIDS related mortality by 50% and reduce HIV-related stigma and discrimination by 25%. The goal of the program is to provide comprehensive HIV prevention, treatment, care and support towards Universal Health Coverage for all people in Kenya.

The key areas of interventions include increasing access and uptake of HIV testing services through promoting community based HIV testing services and HIV self-testing with guided referrals, identification and tracking of defaulters to link them back into treatment in enhancing retention in treatment, care and support for people living with HIV, elimination of mother to child transmission (eMTCT) through scaling up the identification, linkage to care, retention and adherence of all HIV, Syphilis and Hep B seroconverted pregnant and breastfeeding women with their infants. In the provision of comprehensive prevention services, the program targets key, vulnerable and general populations with varied behavioral, biomedical and structural services. The key target population, includes: Key population (female sex workers, men who have sex with men, people who inject drugs and Transgender Population); vulnerable population (adolescents and young people aged 10 – 24 years, people with disabilities, Men in high-risk setting, Discordant couples, fisherfolks, truckers); pregnant and lactating HIV positives women and people living with HIV in general.







Through the efforts of Kenya Red Cross Society, the program managed to reach out to 398,226 community members directly, constituting 69% (275,967) females and 31% (122,259) males, with approximately 2.4 million population as indirect beneficiaries to the grant. The annual progress for 2022 presented a 23% reduction in direct beneficiaries compared to the population reached in 2021, which was 514,455. This was occasioned by a change of strategy in reaching to the people living with HIV, adolescent and young population, from cohort-based implementation to tracking and linking back defaulters for treatment. Therefore, the program managed to return to care a total of 50,172 defaulters, and 132,564 adolescents and young people compared to 168,436 PLHIV and 152,709 adolescents and young people in 2021.

The grant is in line with the organization’s fundamental principles and new strategy for 2025 as well as contributing to vision 2030 and sustainable development goals. The program has also enhanced collaboration and networking with 65 Sub recipients, NASCOP and various line Ministries, as well as County Government and other partners in the provision of quality HIV prevention, treatment, care and support.

During the year the program was significantly impacted by the following challenges: General election, culminating to presidential election petition in the country, where most of the beneficiaries relocated to safer places; stock out of commodities, such as condoms, HIV Testing and Counselling kits, Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis drugs, lubricants. This was registered across the country, making it difficult to reach out to the beneficiaries which essential and defined package of services for prevention and treatment of HIV.

The program accelerated COVID 19 Response Mechanism (C19RM) activities during the period. This saw 6,064 vulnerable community members benefit through cash transfer during the period. The beneficiaries were from the following categories: PLHIV Key populations and Adolescents and young people in hotspot and border counties; social support in form of cash transfer/ food baskets for vulnerable and procurement of dignity packs for vulnerable Adolescents, girls and young women.



STRATEGY
GOAL 3

Youth initiate and **lead**
positive change
in their communities.

KRCS has committed to support the protection of children and young people, and facilitate initiatives that help them to reach their potential and lead positive change in their communities. To achieve this, the organization has the following specific objectives;

- I. Youth have improved knowledge, skills and experience for personal, social, and economic development.
- II. Youth living healthy and responsible lives maximising their innate potential
- III. Safe spaces for youth representation, participation and meaningful engagement

Objective 1

Youth have improved knowledge, skills and experience for personal, social, and economic development

- 1. The Governance Induction to Youth Committees:** After the elections, KRCS conducted inductions to the newly elected youth committee members, to introduce the Red Cross Red Crescent (RC/RC) Movement, good governance leadership, understanding of governance roles and responsibilities.
- 2. Youth Leadership Academy:** The overall goal of the leadership academy is to build strong young leaders within the RC/RC Movement who can stand out as role models and agents of change, build strong volunteer communities as well as initiate and lead youth activities in their national societies. KRCS Youth were represented in the academy supported by the Danish RC.
- 3. Capacity Development:** A core - facilitator's training in September was conducted by Danish Red Cross. The facilitators cascaded the training to the county and regional youth committee members. These training equipped them with leadership skills relevant for them to take up their responsibilities as members of the Youth Committees and also covered in length the youth program.
- 4. International Exchange Program:** In partnership with Danish Red Cross with support from Danish Youth Council (DUFF) 4 youth leaders (2 KRCS & 2 Danish Red



Cross Youth) underwent a 3 weeks training in Denmark in August.

- 5. Enhancing Community Development in Mukuru Project (CISU Youth Project):** The youth leaders exchange proceeded to support the implementation of a CISU-funded project implemented by Kenya Red Cross (KRCS) Youth and Danish Red Cross Youth focusing on building capacity of youth in Mukuru slums in Nairobi to take lead on community development. So far, 25 youth have been trained as Master Trainers (ToTs), 50 as Peer Facilitators and 5,225 youth (from 242 youth groups and 23 schools) in Mukuru reached with Life skills & SPRINT training in 2022. SPRINT is a methodology that enables young people identify the challenges in their communities and develop social entrepreneurial projects to enhance their livelihood.
- 6. Volunteer Management Training:** 22 staff and volunteers from HQ and Nairobi County were trained by Danish Red Cross Youth in Nairobi on volunteer management from 4th – 6th October 2022. The objective of this training was to strengthen management supportive structures for young people, increase volunteers' retention and provide knowledge on volunteer management planning, recruiting and coordination.



ISILOLO YOUTH CENTER

Core Values

VISION

A LEADING HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATION SUSTAINABLY PROMOTING THE WELL-BEING, HEALTH AND RESILIENCE OF COMMUNITIES.

MISSION STATEMENT

WE ARE COMMITTED TO RESPONDING TO HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCIES, TO ALLIATES WITHIN NATIONAL AND WORLD WIDE COMMUNITIES TO SUPPORT VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES THROUGH PROMOTING SELF-RELIANCE AND FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE.

CORE VALUES

SERVICE: COMMUNITY AND INDIVIDUALS ARE OUR FOCUS. WE PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE WELL-BEING OF VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES THROUGH PROMOTING SELF-RELIANCE AND FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE. WE BELIEVE THAT LEADERSHIP IS A RESPONSIBILITY AND WE ASK OUR LEADERS TO BE OPEN TO FEEDBACK AND TO IMPROVE THEMSELVES AND THEIR ORGANIZATION TO SERVE THE PEOPLE.





Objective 2

Children and Youth are living healthy and responsible lives maximizing their potential

- 1. School Peer Facilitators Training:** 30 Peer Facilitators implementing the school program were trained in health promotion. KRCS also received a donation of 520 peer books from Peer Publishers to complement its School Program.
- 2. Donation of Bikes to support the school program :** KRCS Youth received a donation of 100 bicycles from the Emboo River Camp to support the Facilitators in conducting the school sessions in 4 counties.
- 3. Peace-building and Conflict Resolution Training:** KRCS youth trained 242 young people in higher learning institutions (Colleges & Universities) in conflict resolution and peace-building. The aim was to create peace champions in institutions and capacity build young people with conflict management skills.

Objective 3

Safe Spaces for youth and children's representation, participation and meaningful engagement

1. KRCS Elections: Pursuant to Article 39 to 44 of the KRCS Constitution, after every three years the organization holds its governance elections at the County, Regional and National levels. The KRCS County, Regional and National Youth Assembly members were elected.

2. Youth Entrepreneurship Day: The Innovations Unit in collaboration with the Youth Department commemorated the Youth Entrepreneurship Day on 21st August 2022 in Mombasa County. The overall objective was to empower the youth with economic opportunities through skills transfer and social networking platforms for new upcoming businesses and small-scale youth owned businesses. This event attracted over 300 youth entrepreneurs from Coast region with representation from other counties such as Turkana, Uasin Gishu, Bomet among others.

3. County Peace Dialogues: 153 youth and stakeholders held intergenerational dialogue in Nakuru County on foregoing threats to peaceful coexistence during general election in the country. The dialogue provided a safe space for young people to air their concerns and grievances to stakeholders and come up with solutions to the long-lasting challenges of violence and disputes.

4. Youth Resource Centres: there were a total of 19 youth centres established across the country. The youth centres provide a safe space for youth to meaningfully co-create, ideate and socially engage with each other without the fear of victimisation, ageism, discrimination and/or prejudice.



72%

of community members
were willing to be
vaccinated

STRATEGY
GOAL 4

To Build a **Strong National Society**



Enhancing Governance



New governance committee members for the 47 branches and 8 regions were inducted following the KRCS elections. A total of 1,238 board members were trained with 1,034 (473F 765M) at the county level, 176 participants at the regional level and 28 participants at the national level. These trainings were key in ensuring the organization has empowered and well-informed governance committees that are equipped with required competences to provide oversight on the development initiatives of the branches in order to meet the minimum standards and discharge the auxiliary role in delivering humanitarian services.

The training facilitation used an integrated approach where key departmental representatives were facilitators. The governance held their quarterly meetings after the induction initiatives in which various standing committees and main boards met to discuss strategic areas of focus at different levels of the national society structure. The governance teams were equally actively engaged in the continued review of the Kenya red cross constitution in which a number of aspects were identified for review during the induction sessions. The consolidation and finalization of the proposals will be undertaken in the year 2023.



149,892

households were reached with in-kind food distributions

Branches are the backbone of KRCS as they provide the foundation for our activities to be implemented and communities to be reached. A branch as a system encompasses the human resource capacity which includes; volunteers, staff, and registered members. The membership contributes to the governance structure of the KRCS. Strengthening the branch system ensures sustained meaningful engagement with the communities through execution of service provision, partnership and resourcing.

Branches Development



In line with the Strategic Plan (2021-2025), KRCS adopted the branch development plans approach in 2021` which entails establishing strong branches as per the Branch Organization Capacity Assessment (BOCA) findings. During the year under review KRCS received support to various branches across the country from ICRC and BRC. This includes; office furniture and a set of electronics/ICT equipment in Lamu, Land cruisers to Mandera and Garissa, 18 HP monitors to the innovation lab, construction of Multipurpose Hall in Mandera, construction of Branch office in Turkana, construction of a perimeter Wall, drilling of a borehole and Solar panel installation in Wajir. Additionally, branches in the North Eastern region received 90 response boots and 105 aqua rescue jackets from ICRC to support in their response capacity.



Volunteer and Membership Management



The function seeks to strengthen the volunteer and membership engagement, onboarding, capacity strengthening, and interaction with our programs. These have been enhanced through an integrated approach of developing the Volunteer and Membership Management System (VMMS). The system has an Interface that allows the users to access it either through a desktop or through a mobile application. The system has a dissemination module that enables understanding of the Red cross and Red crescent movement.

170 staff and volunteers were trained on the VMMS which assisted participants to understand the features appropriately. Since the rollout of the system in December 2022, the system has 12,131 Members and volunteers. The dissemination portal on the system will serve as a platform where new volunteer/member applicants will self-register, pay the requisite membership fees and go through dissemination, emblem awareness, KRCS policies and guidelines before submitting their data to become volunteers or Members.



NEW MEMBERS

In the year 2021, KRCS registered 17,421 new members.



Current Membership and Volunteer Numbers

Category	2021	2022	Increase
Life	59,734	61,313	1,579
Ordinary	23,969	24,030	61
Youth in school	116,313	131,390	15077
Youth out of school	38,301	39,003	702
Corporate	17	19	2
Total	238,334	255,736	17421

Innovations

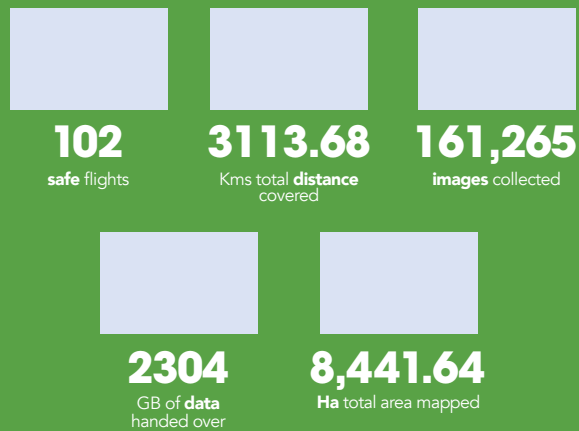


Drones for Humanitarian Work

The Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) and the International Centre for Humanitarian Affairs (ICHA) have invested in developing and rolling out a best-in-class, compliant, sustainable and localized UAV (drone) operations team within the Society to improve the impact in humanitarian emergency response and long-term community development. The team has so far been exploring and testing out different use cases under the KRCS mandate.

The ICRC contracted the KRCS drone unit to facilitate the visualization of the construction progress for their most recently completed regional office in Nairobi. For this, the unit completed 17 documentation and mapping missions throughout the year. For each mission, the ICRC was provided with a stitched map of the area, raw images that created the map, video capture of the area and specific images of the site progress using different way points. As part of the Floods EAP floods Simulation exercise that was conducted in Busia County the drones unit provided aerial imagery.

In November of 2022, the team collected high resolution aerial imagery in approximately 76 square kilometers in the Kakuma & Kalobeyei refugee camps and settlements. The current population in the refugee camps stands at 200,000 people and 250,000 people within the settlements and townships. The KRCS unit managed:



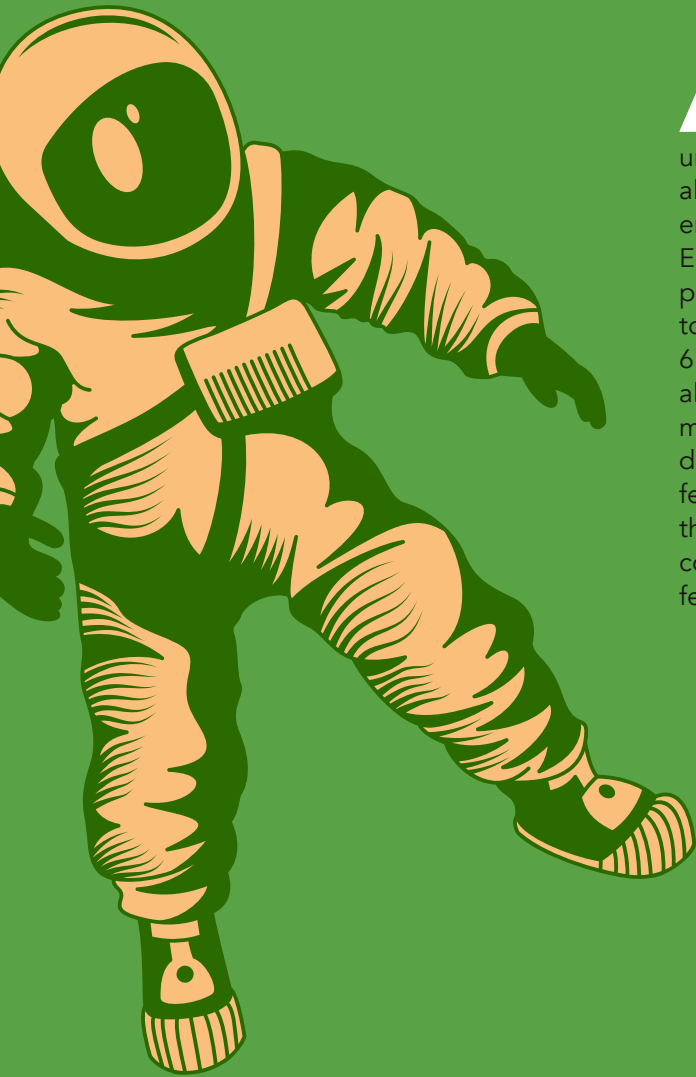
The above outputs will be used further to build a machine learning model to facilitate map updates. Once the data has been processed, the maps will be available on the Open Street Map platform for all stakeholders and community members to use for decision making.



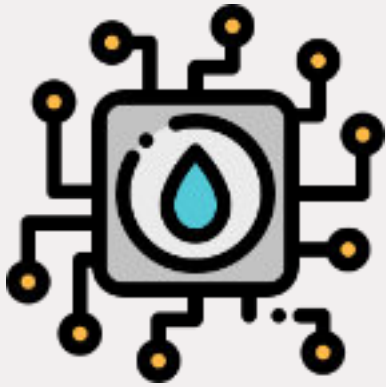


AIRBUS FOUNDATION

Discovery Space Program



Airbus Foundation Discovery Space, developed by Airbus Foundation, is an online platform that helps young people aged 8 to 18 years of age, to understand science through the world of aerospace. It's also a science education partner for teachers and parents to engage students with STEM (Science Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics). Kenya Red Cross in partnership with Airbus Foundation launched this program to instill in youth the passion for STEM. Under the program, 6 TOTs (1 per sub-county) were trained, who then facilitated all workshops in the schools for the project duration of 12 months. Additionally, 6 orphanages were also selected during the school holiday period, with 149 youth (115 female, 34 male) trained in these orphanages. Throughout the 6 schools in the sub counties, a total of 34 sessions were conducted, with 689 direct beneficiaries (289 male and 400 female)



Plasma Water Sanitation Systems (PWSS)



The Plasma Water Sanitation Systems Project (PWSS) is funded by the Airbus Foundation, designed and developed by AIC technologies (Plasma Waters) in Chile and implemented by the Kenya Red Cross Society in Mukuru, Nairobi. Installation of seven functional Plasma Technology units was done in 7 schools reaching 8,353 students with safe water supply. The AIC team have developed a mobile application which allows for remote monitoring of the system and also flags any faults or irregularities, they have also trained and hired a local engineer who supports in the general maintenance of the units.

Community Inclusion Currencies (CIC)



As one of the three major outputs under the Resilience, Health and Rights project, CIC seeks to support vulnerable populations to better use markets for enhanced livelihood opportunities and increase Income Generating Activities (IGAs). CICs designed and developed by Grassroots Economics Limited, are e-Vouchers that are in digital form /mobile money that community members use to buy and sell goods and services, supported by block chain technology. CICs are focused on Dadaab and Kalobeyi refugee populations.

Dignified Identities (DIGID)



The DIGID 2 project focused on addressing the lack of official or recognized identity for migrant recipients of humanitarian assistance. The project also focused on planning and customizing the migration context of the digital identity platform used in cash assistance in Kenya for the Covid-19 response. The development of the customized solution followed a user-centric design approach through consultations with key stakeholders (targeted migrants and members of the host community, government officials, humanitarian agencies, and KRCS). The project is implemented by the Kenya Red Cross in collaboration with IFRC in the Kakuma refugee camp and the Kalobeyi settlement in Kenya, funded by Innovation Norway, with the solution being provided by Gravity Earth Limited.

During the period of implementation, two cross border simulation exercises were conducted, one with Ugandan Red Cross and another with South Sudan Red Crescent where scenarios of refugees migrating were tested and feedback shared in the sessions. The aim was to explore whether humanitarian IDs can be centralized for all organizations to avoid replication of data, and exhaustion of beneficiary registration. A total of 32 digital wallets for Host communities in Kakuma, 49 wallets for refugees in Kalobeyi were created in the health sector on NCD patients.

French solidarity fund for innovative projects



Through funding from the Embassy of France in Kenya and Somalia, the unit started a program in 2022, called I.O. Me001 Social Innovation Hub in Mombasa, to empower youth and women in Mombasa with digital and social entrepreneurship skills to address unemployment issues in Kenya. The consortium includes: Flip Flopi Foundation, Swahili pot hub foundation, Alliance Francaise, Technical University of Mombasa, KEPASA-SIB, Tech Kidz Africa, French Red Cross and 21 the social accelerator.

Achievements:

In June 2022, the I.O.Me001 Social hub in Mombasa, was launched by the KRCS Secretary General and Head of Cooperation from the Embassy of France in Kenya, which marked the start of the project and its activities in Mombasa. Within the year, more than 738 beneficiaries (308M, 430F) were directly supported through the program activities either through digital skills, professional skills, marketing skills, entrepreneurship linkages. Out of the multiple trainings, and innovation events, 8 businesses received seed funding support from a new partner within the consortium to support in scaling their businesses.

Two innovation hackathons were hosted in the year, one on Disability inclusion during the Pwani Innovation week in Mombasa, and another on Arduino kits during the Youth Entrepreneurship day. This was the first for KRCS to host a youth entrepreneurship day, and was attended by more than 300 youth in Mombasa, and also some from Turkana county. An entrepreneurship challenge was part of the program, where 3 top businesses won laptops, and the first winner got an additional cash prize.

During the hackathons, youth came up with solutions around boats made for PLWDs and another team made a dustbin that operates with sensors without the need to use hands or feet to open it.

Within the year, a Humanitarian Coding club was formed which was to start meeting in 2023, and begin developing solutions towards the challenges around their daily lives. This would be a pool of coders from around Mombasa and encourage the club to scale out further to other interested counties.

20 women were trained on A1 French language under the program, to acquire an extra skill for better job prospects in the industries. The women would do their exams later in 2023 February, and the top 10 would go further on to the next level of classes, A2 french classes.

I.O.Me005 Fab Lab in Lamu



The KRCS launched the I.O.Me005 innovation fablab in Lamu on 26th September 2020, the first of its kind for the IFRC globally. Ever since its opening, the lab has received youth and women of all ages interested in either learning, teaching, sharing or connecting with other like-minded people. The innovation lab is equipped with hardware machinery that supports community and youth members to ideate, design and prototype products that can either be put to use within households, sold within their businesses, create startups or even pitch to investors. The lab has to date supported more than 300 youth with skills around innovation, technology and entrepreneurship. In 2022, the lab supported multiple product prototypes, either led by or made in support with the youth at the lab, including: Threaded Flower vase with a touch of the Lamu designs and traditional materials, Wall Flush Brackets, Pen holders and flower pots from recycled plastics, OTTO Robotic kit for STEM workshops etc.



Community Engagement And Accountability



Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) is an integral approach that is part of KRCS programs and operations that aims to put communities at the center of the national society undertakings. In the current reporting period, 2,300 KRCS staff, stakeholders and volunteers were trained in CEA. This has helped in ensuring that CEA has been institutionalized in the National Society and to the advantage of new personnel and branch board members who are part of the feedback review committees.

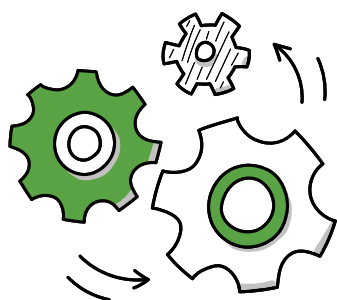
With a commitment to community engagement and accountability, Kenya Red Cross Society has established Community feedback mechanisms at the community level, which invite supported communities to share complaints, suggestions and rumours regarding our interventions. All the community feedback received through these various channels are acknowledged, documented, analysed and acted on. The partners, staff, communities and volunteers use channels available/preferable to them which include the KRCS Complaints and Feedback Hotline 0800720577, the Community feedback box using the comment cards, the feedback log sheet during routine field activities, email and office walk-ins.

There has been continued and meaningful engagement and communication with communities through different approaches including; Indaba participatory videos, Community Review Meetings (CRMs), Focus Group Discussions (FGDs); Radio Talk Shows/Spots and forum theatres.

With continued Community Feedback Management in the year 2022, a total of 1,432 community feedback were recorded using the various feedback collection mechanisms by the KRCS team. Community members' appreciations of the KRCS interventions recorded the highest (600) followed by complaints (375), and suggestions (288) while inquiries on KRCS operations recorded least (224). This is illustrated in the diagrams below.



Policy and Advocacy



The year 2022, through the Policy and Advocacy Unit under International Centre for Humanitarian Affairs (ICHA), saw increased collaboration and partnership with the National and County Governments. The objective of the partnerships was to strengthen devolution and the Kenya Red cross auxiliary role concerning both the national and County governments. In addition, the Society worked with various agencies and actors to strengthen public participation in the County and the National government processes towards community-led action planning. Within its mandate, the Policy and Advocacy unit supported various research, learning and publications to tap into the knowledge gap in the humanitarian sector, providing information to inform actions and decision-making. Some of the achievements recorded within the year include the following;

Technical support in reviewing and developing National and County Laws, Policies and Guidelines

- The Kenya Redcross Society supported the development of the National Relief Assistance Policy. The policy was developed through a collaborative approach, consultation and participation of various stakeholders and was submitted for public participation throughout the country, with the KRCS supporting the exercise in Embu and Garissa counties.
- At the county level, the KRC supported five counties, i.e., Taita Taveta, West Pokot, Wajir, Lamu and Busia Counties, to review their Disaster Risk Management (DRM) Laws and Policies. The technical support involved sensitization meetings with the respective County Executive Committees and County Assembly Members towards revising the legislation and adopting practical, relevant strategies for implementation within their counties. The West Pokot and Lamu Counties DRM Bill were enacted into Law by the County Assemblies. During a sensitization meeting, the Taita Taveta County Executive Committee Members reviewed the DRM Frameworks and proposed amendments to the DRM Policy, which is still in the draft stage.
- Lamu County was supported during the revision of the Lamu County Climate Change Bill, Climate Change Policy, and the County Climate Change Fund Regulations.
- KRCS supported the revision of the Mombasa County Youth Policy, which shall act as a reference point for addressing youth inequalities within the County. In addition, the Society supported the development and review of the Mombasa County Health Quality Management Policy and Strategic Plan.
- Supported the development of the National Medium Term 4 Plan for the Sector of Disaster Risk Management in Kenya. The plan shall detail the priority actions in Disaster Risk Management in Kenya for the next five years.
- In line with its strategic mandate on protection, Gender and inclusion (PGI), the Society supported Marsabit County in developing a Gender and Inclusion Policy towards establishing practical strategies for addressing the gender disparities that exist within the County.



Financial Statements

As at December 31 2021