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## EDITORIAL

### Areas of Focus



Quality services



Sustainable Livelihoods



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LWF Quarterly newsletter

We would like to welcome you to our Quarterly publication the first issue of the LWF Kenya-Somalia Program Kakuma Area newsletter.

This newsletter aims to publicize the impact of the ongoing LWF programmatic areas in Kakuma and equally provide a platform for staff, partners and the communities we serve with an opportunity to share ideas, experiences and learning.

This being our first newsletter in the series, the editorial team hopes to produce this newsletter on a quarterly basis.

We welcome and look forward to your contributions whether you are directly involved in project implementation or you are part of the operations team that makes implementation possible.

We hope that you find this material informative and interesting.

*Karibuni (Welcome)*

**Carolyn Wainaina**  
LWF Area Manager - Kakuma







## Promoting access to inclusive education in Kakuma Refugee Camp

**To thrive, all children need access to good education. The Lutheran World Federation (LWF) is committed to ensuring ALL children have equal access to basic primary education.**

Meet 15-year-old Halimo, a Grade 5 pupil at Kakuma. She lives with her parents and siblings in the Camp.

Halimo has a physical disability that affects her mobility, but this does not limit her participation in school activities.

She counts herself lucky to have got an opportunity to study in one of the schools supported by the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) inclusive education program.

"I joined this school in 2016. I have learned to read" she says.

Halimo takes her classwork seriously and hopes for a brighter future.

"I love studying Kiswahili; my dream is to join a university and become a teacher someday," she says with a smile as she flips a page in her book.

Bhar-el-Naam Headteacher Abigael Muchanja understands the needs of children with disabilities and the desire to feel included in the community.

Abigael and her colleagues have learned techniques to maintain the learners' love for learning.

"We work towards ensuring no learner is left behind," says Abigael.

**LWF works with PRM to support inclusive education so that children like Halimo have a fair chance of attaining a good education.**



**1,590** learners with special needs have been enrolled in schools.



# Universal Children's Day - 2021



We recognize the uniqueness of each and every child. LWF works with UNHCR, PRM and ALWS to support children towards achieving a brighter future.







Enriching Turkana West  
Host Communities through  
sustainable farming  
methods

**Agriculture is essential for sustainability. It helps raise income as well as improving food security in rural communities.**

With support from ALWS, LWF empowers farmers with skills and resources to address food system and economic status concerns that affect the host communities in Turkana west.

Turkana West lies in an arid landscape, dry seasons are often longer making it difficult to successfully practice farming.

ALWS has greatly supported LWF in improving water supply in communities to increase agricultural productivity.

Additionally, farmers have been equipped with knowledge, skills and resources to boost crop production.

63- year-old Ipak Ekoel has been practicing net house farming in Aagis village for a while now.

She says, “We have benefitted much from the water system and the net house farming methods.”

“We water our crops regularly. Farming has improved our nutrition and consistent food supply for my family”, says Ipak

Ipak is part of a large community group of farmers trained by LWF on net house farming.

She continues, “we have been trained on how to maintain crop production in the net house throughout the year. We irrigate our crops weekly to ensure maximum productivity”.

Net house farming is a great way of protecting crop from direct sunlight and damage from livestock.

This farming technique is cost-effective and efficient for vegetable production. Vegetables play an important role in human health.



**229** households have been trained by LWF on sustainable farming methods in Aagis, Lokangai and Nakoyo

## LWF holds a graduation ceremony for refugee students



Students who attained various degrees during the graduation ceremony held at LWF Kakuma Office

A graduation ceremony was held for 145 refugee students who successfully completed higher education learning from Masinde Muliro University. The students attained various awards ranging from Certificate, Diploma to Degree programs.

LWF continues to partner with PRM, Masinde Muliro University and UNHCR to ensure students from refugee communities have access to university education.

We are celebrating hope and new beginning in communities.

*Congratulations class of 2021.*

## Child Rights Club members take lead in tree planting



Child Rights Club Members participate in tree planting activity at Hope Primary School

Members of the Child Rights Club at Hope Primary School in Kakuma took up an initiative to plant trees around the school compound.

This initiative was aimed at mitigating climate change as well as help create a conducive outdoor learning space for the pupils.

More than 500 tree seedling seedlings were planted as the learners pledged to plant more trees as they progress.

### About Child Rights Club in Schools

Working with PRM, LWF ensures child safeguarding and protection through child rights clubs set up in schools within Turkana West.


The Child Rights Clubs are child-led, we aim at strengthening child participation in communities by empowering and educating children about their rights and responsibilities.





Partnering with Dan Church Aid (DCA) and UNHCR, we promote local talents in Kakuma through sport activities





## Providing access to safe and clean water in Aagis Village, Turkana West: Success Story

Lokiding Lomorue, lives in Aagis village, Turkana West. Every day, she walked long distances under the scorching sun just to draw clean water for her family's domestic use.

“We use water to clean, prepare food and bathe. We had to minimize the use of water because of the long-distance we walked to fetch water” she says.

With support from ALWS, LWF constructed a borehole in Aagis Village to assist in the sustainability of water supply and hygienic sanitation across the village.

This initiative ensured all households have improved access to safe water preventing potential public health risks caused by contaminated water.

The piping of water to central points has by far reduced the distance covered by the community members to access clean water from 10 km to an estimate of 1.8km. Lokiding' now has access to safe and adequate water just 1km away from her home.

She says, “I am happy because water has been piped close to my home making it easy to get enough for all the household chores”.

**Working closely with the community, LWF Sustainable Livelihood program is committed to supporting sustainable community-development projects such as the water system.**



**99 households of 546 persons** have access to clean water in Aagis village, Turkana West.



## Art therapy for children





# Youth speak out on economic empowerment in Turkana West



**One of the youth in attendance participates in discussions during the Youth Congress held at Turkana West**

Youth leaders from several wards in Turkana West Sub-County participated in the 4th annual youth congress convened to strengthen networking between the youth and stakeholders.

The event hosted by the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) was marked under the theme “Equip, Engage and Empower”.

The activity aimed at discussing and finding solutions to socio-economic issues affecting youth within the host community.

While sharing experiences, participants engaged local leaders in thoughtful conversations on employment, social and business entrepreneurship and youth involvement in decision making process.

Following keenly through the conversations was Richard Emase, a 27-year-old person with disability

Emase expressed his appreciation to LWF for implementing youth empowerment programs that are inclusive of person(s) with disability.

“Most programs or opportunities are not considerate of people like me, am so happy that I can mingle with other people and get to share my ideas during such forums” he said.

Speaking at the event, the area Member of Parliament Hon. Daniel Nanok, affirmed his support to project ideas initiated by the youth.

He encouraged the youth to be more innovative and objectively utilize grants issued by organizations and the government.

In line with the theme, LWF is committed towards empowering youth by equipping them with skills and opportunities sustainable to economic development.

**Working with Dan Church Aid (DCA), LWF implements interventions promoting education and youth entrepreneurial mentorship which is critical in optimizing the ability of youth towards a productive economy.**

## LWF Kicks off the PRM education project



**LWF's Serena Badenhorst leads a session during the PRM workshop**

This quarter, LWF Kakuma team started off the “Kakuma Integrated Refugee Primary Education Project” funded by PRM.

A three days’ workshop was held to streamline the goal of the project and to build the team’s capacity on the federal award.

The project aims to provide access to quality education and protection to more than 60,000 children in Kakuma Refugee camp.





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