

Safaricom Foundation Donates Medical Equipment to two facilities in Kibra

St Mary's Hospital and Mary Rice Centre received medical and therapy equipment respectively worth KES 800,000

Nairobi, 29th September 2020... Safaricom Foundation has donated various medical equipment to St.Mary's hospital and Mary Rice Centre in Kibra through its Ndotu Zetu initiative.

St. Mary's hospital who were facing difficulties in attending to patients in a catchment area of 2,000 received incubators, ultrasound machines, delivery beds, hospital beds, microscope, suction pumps, waiting room chairs and shelves all worth KES 500,000. Mary Rice Centre Kenya, which takes care of 80 children living with disabilities in Kibra, received therapy equipment valued at KES 300,000.

"Through this equipment, we hope these facilities can achieve the much-needed early intervention to avoid maternal deaths and also ensure that children with disabilities acquire life skills that make them independent," said Joseph Ogutu, Chairman, Safaricom Foundation.

In the last two months the foundation, through Ndotu Zetu has donated equipment worth KES 7.1 million to 19 health facilities across the country.

Through the initiative, Safaricom Foundation asks individual Kenyans to share their dreams and aspirations that will have a positive impact on their communities. During the first phase of the initiative last year, the foundation implemented over 300 projects across 40 counties at the cost of KES 30 Million reaching more than 50,000 people.

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Building Communities, Transforming Lives.

Safaricom Foundation partners with Kenyan communities, organizations and institutions to improve and transform lives.

With a footprint in all of Kenya's 47 counties and a strong history of partnerships dating back to our inception in 2003, the Safaricom Foundation has worked with Speed, Simplicity and Trust to implement over 1,000 community projects, impacting over 3 million people, through our thematic areas of Health, Education, Environmental Conservation, Economic Empowerment, Water, Disaster Relief, and Arts & Culture.

Our current strategy builds on our strong history of results and partnerships and will contribute towards Vision 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals. We will leverage the power of innovation and technology to drive our projects forward; and will also offer a blend of grants, equity and ultra-low-cost loans to our partners.

The participation of Safaricom staff in our projects will extend our personalized approach towards partnerships; and our project monitoring and our dissemination forms will provide platforms for technical assistance, learning and capacity building.