

Press Release

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Safaricom Foundation's Ndoto Zetu Supports 2,000 Students in Six Counties

The KES 2.2 Million investment has seen students receive various items such as school uniforms, water tanks and classroom furniture.

Nairobi, 16th January, 2020... Close to 2,000 students from the six counties of Elgeyo Marakwet, Baringo, Nandi, Kakamega, Kisii and Homabay have benefited from infrastructure support from Safaricom Foundation through the Ndoto Zetu initiative.

In Elgeyo Marakwet students from Simotwo Secondary and Kapteren Primary Schools received desks and chairs while learners from Ketigoi Mixed Secondary School and Moi Girls Kapcherop benefitted from water tanks to aid in the fight against COVID-19.

In Baringo County, underprivileged students from Maron Primary School received school uniforms while Tabagon Secondary school benefited from a water tank.

“The second phase of the Ndoto Zetu initiative is supporting students as they go back to school. At the same time, we want to ensure that even as students take all the necessary precautions, the school environment is conducive for learning as access to quality education is one of our pillars as the Safaricom Foundation,” said Joseph Ogutu, Chairman, Safaricom Foundation.

Riragi Primary School in Kisii County and Got Lwala Primary School in Homabay County benefited from water tanks while Kipchekwen Primary School in Nandi County



got desks and chairs. In Kakamega County, Mapera Secondary school had a library constructed and equipped courtesy of Safaricom Foundation.

The investment in the school projects cost KES 2.2 million.

Ndoto Zetu which is part of the Foundation's philanthropic partnerships aims to support individual Kenyans who are keen to make an impact in their communities through social investments.

Through the initiative, Safaricom Foundation asks Kenyans to share their dreams and aspirations that they hope to achieve that will have a positive impact on their communities. During the first phase of the initiative in 2019 the foundation implemented over 300 projects across 40 counties at a cost of KES 30 Million reaching more than 50,000 people.

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About Safaricom Foundation:

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.