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**Programme Profile:
Sponsored students**

'Education is a powerful tool by which economically and socially marginalized adults and children can lift themselves out of poverty and participate fully as citizens'

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Introduction...

Team Kenya believes that every human being should have an opportunity to make a better life for themselves. Too many children are denied the right to a basic education that empowers them to make positive choices later in life and support themselves and their future families.

Team Kenya and its partners are working hard to increase enrolment in schools and make it feasible for children to complete an education because we believe it to be a fundamental human right and one that is essential for the exercise of all other human rights. Education enhances lives, ends a multi-generational cycle of poverty and provides a foundation for sustainable development.

In Ndhiwa many children do not complete their primary education, sometimes because they cannot afford school uniform. Most children do not have access to secondary education as families cannot afford to pay tuition fees. The value of an education is often overlooked in favour of occupations beneficial to the family unit in the short term, such as working on a farm and collecting water. Many girls are taken out of school for early marriage. Children who are not in school or are receiving sporadic education cannot reach their full potential. By ensuring that every child has access to quality learning, we lay the foundation for growth, transformation, innovation, opportunity and equality.

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About the programme...

As part of the Sponsored student programme, Team Kenya along with its strategic partners in Ndhiwa are working towards the following key outputs:

- 1) Improved school attendance in Ndhiwa schools by children from particularly poverty stricken families.
- 2) A developed support network for students to explore learning techniques, discuss ideas and problems and gain a sense of self worth and self confidence.
- 3) Making education in Ndhiwa a valued asset to community members.
- 4) Raise educational achievement and progression .
- 5) An increase in the number of students completing their education, becoming economically independent and contributing to local and national development

Projects that form part of the Sponsored student programme aim to work towards one or more of these key outputs.

The Sponsored students

Support - tuitions fees are paid on their behalf so that the students can continue in their education when they would not otherwise be able to

Flexibility – the way that we offer support to students is sensitive to individual needs and can be adapted to best suit each specific case. We can react quickly to each student’s changing requirements to optimise our help to them.

Team Kenya currently supports 53 students at various local Ndhiwa schools, from nursery through to Training College.

Homework club

- A group session attended by the students three times a week, overseen by a tutor who offers guidance.
- Students discuss homework that has been set, work carried out in class and revise for tests.
- The students find it helpful to also study tests that have been returned to them and explore common mistakes that they have made as a group.

A safe and positive learning environment is encouraged along with positive interaction and a sense of team spirit. Independent study and discussions with the rest of the students is an important process in order to instil self confidence and achievement.



A sponsored student receiving essential resources.



The girls outside their safe house.



The boys outside their safe house.

Okao Binti Safe House project

It was identified that there are young members of the community without family, support or a place to live. These children are vulnerable and find it particularly hard to support themselves or gain access to an education.

With Team Kenya's help, these children can now live in a safe and stable environment where their needs are taken care of and they can concentrate on enjoying being a child and going to school.

The future of our Sponsored Student Programme...

The students that Team Kenya sponsor through school will continue to need support until they graduate from high school. At the same time, new vulnerable students will be identified that require assistance. As a result the size of the Sponsored student programme will grow in the medium term whilst other efforts to support the community and improve the economic situation in Ndhiwa, tackle the problem of poverty from a different angle.

Team Kenya would like to combine income generating activities with the safe house operation so that costs can be offset and the project can be more self- sufficient in the future.

Team Kenya have established a Girl's safe house currently providing care for 7 girls and a Boy's safe house offering a shelter to 3 boys living in Ndhiwa. The Girl's Safe house is managed by a Matron who is employed by Team Kenya to cook and care for the girls. The boys at the safe house enjoy being independent and supporting each other whilst working very hard studying to pass school examinations.



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