

Date: March 2020

Project Information Sheet

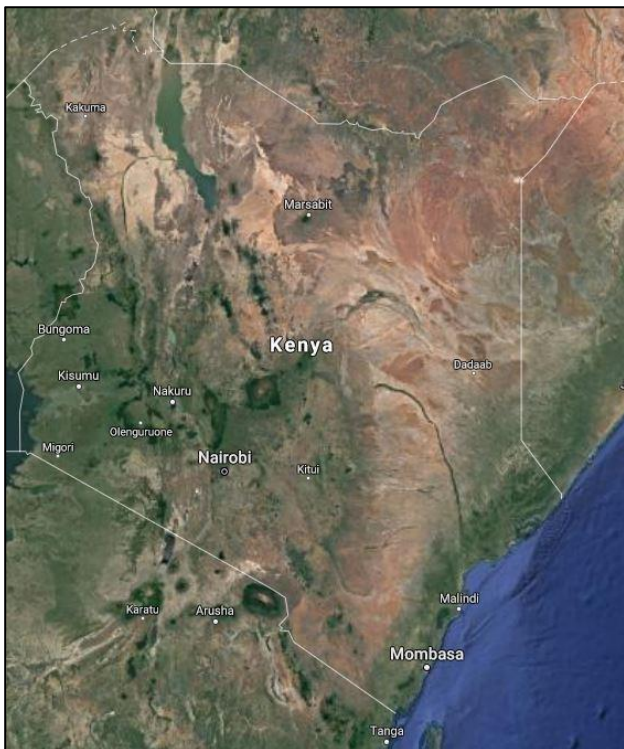
Project Name: Donated Instruments

Location: SA Bands all over Kenya

Project Start Date: 2001

Project Completion: Ongoing

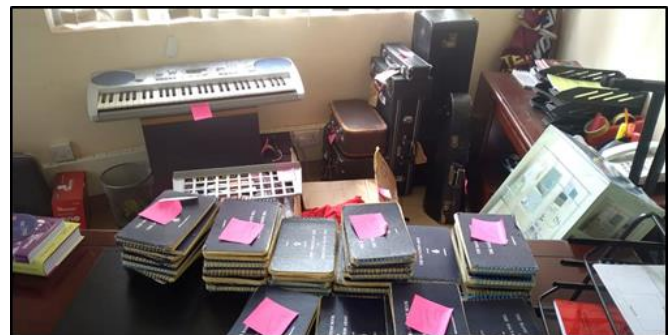
Project Cost: £1,850 per shipment approx.



Musical instruments in Kenya are extremely expensive and are out of reach for the majority. Well over 2,000 instruments have been donated, inspected, repaired and sent to Kenya since the beginnings of The Kenya Trust.



Truck load of donated and repaired instruments being delivered to The Salvation Army Territorial Headquarters in Karen, Nairobi. Delivered in June 2019.



Instruments and music being sorted ready for distribution to Salvation Army Corps (Churches) in Kenya.



Instruments are delivered to rural corps (churches) in Kenya and are dedicated to the service of God to be used to provide music for worship. This is Kithimani Salvation Army in the Machakos district of Kenya dedicating their instruments in 2019

The Project:

1. Donated Instruments:

Used brass, woodwind, keyboards, guitars are donated by the general public and Salvation Army bands in the UK to The Kenya Trust. The instruments are accepted in any condition. Music and instrument cases are also very much in demand and are also gratefully accepted. The Kenya Trust can arrange collection of instruments from anywhere in the UK.

2. Repair and make playable:

Once collected, the instruments are taken to a central location where they are inspected, tested, maintained or fully reconditioned to make them playable. If any instruments are unrepairable they are stripped for any useable spares and the metal sold for scrap.



Cornet before and after restoration



Horn before and after restoration



Two tubas before and after restoration. Both were with cases which made shipping much more secure.



Our restorer, Charley Brighton, tests each instrument before they are shipped.

3. Shipment:

Once the instruments, hopefully provided with a functional case, have been restored and tested they are packed along with other musical donations and prepared for shipment to Kenya. This is quite a costly business involving not only the transportation costs but also customs duty and taxes that are levied by the Kenya Government. A consignment of around 30 or so instruments costs in the order of £1,500 - £2,000 to ship to Kenya. Any donations to help off-set these costs would be gratefully accepted.

4. Distribution:

The distribution of the instruments and music is decided upon by the Music Departments within The Salvation Army headquarters in Kenya. The main aim is to equip rural corps (churches) with instruments and music leaders to teach and train up new bandsmen and bandswomen.

Part of the shipment of instruments sent to Kenya in June 2019 and delivered to Kithituni Corps.



For more information on current projects please email us at info@thekenyatrust.org.uk .

You can also visit our website www.thekenyatrust.org.uk or our Facebook page.

Thank you.