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## **Project Information Sheet**

Project Name: Njoro Special School Project Start Date: September 2014 Project Cost: £5,000

Location: Njoro, Kenya

Project Completion: 2015



Njoro Special Needs School is located in the town of Njoro, in the Great Rift Valley in Kenya and about an hour away from Nakuru. The school is a residential school catering for students with severe special needs from the ages of 8yrs to 24. It houses 66 boys and 33 girls





Njoro Salvation Army church. Special Needs School



The school is extremely well run by the Head Teacher who has a clear vision for the future of the school. The grounds are immaculately kept and the 'kitchen garden' has been brought back into production with the repair of 4 poly-tunnels and a drip irrigation system. With the outside garden space the school grows much of its own vegetables. A graduate of the school is now working as a gardener.

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## School layout.

- Classrooms
- Three Dormitories (2 x Boy's and 1 Girl's)
  + space for 2<sup>nd</sup> girl's dorm.
- Main Administration
- Kitchen with space for new dining hall

 Kitchen garden and poly-tunnels before new water tanks and drip irrigation system installed.

## The Project:

The Kenya Trust was approached to refurbish the girls dormitory at this school. Once the fund raising was complete for the refurbishment there was some surplus funding which was used to provide educational equipment, toys and a teacher training programme to assist the teachers in the day to day care of these particularly challenging pupils.

Although the school caters for students up to 24 years of age, there has been an occasion where a student was at the school up to 35 years old. There is still a huge stigma attached to mental disability in Kenya and often parents will not have their children back in their villages.



Refurbished dormitory



Head teacher and one of the pupils



Kitchen



Rainwater tank from dormitory roofs



One of a number of classrooms

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