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Project Information Sheet

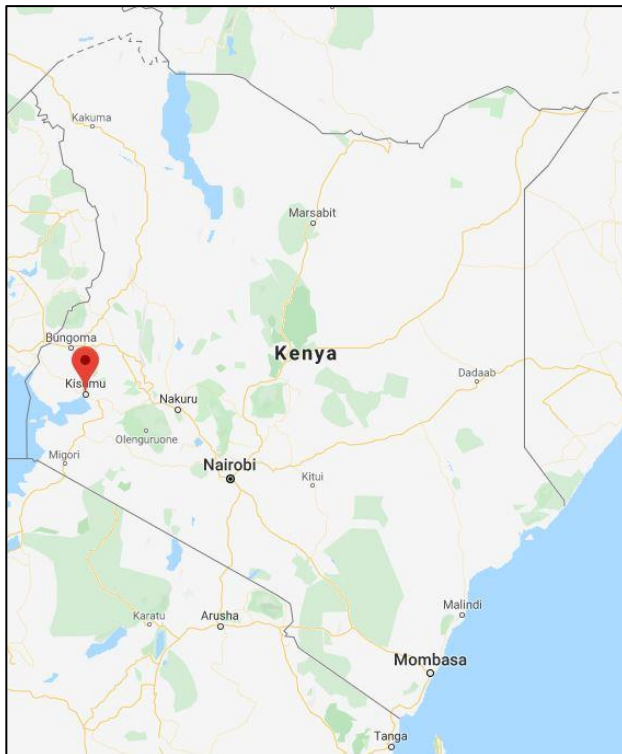
Project Name: Joyland Primary School Phase 2

Project Start Date: April 2020

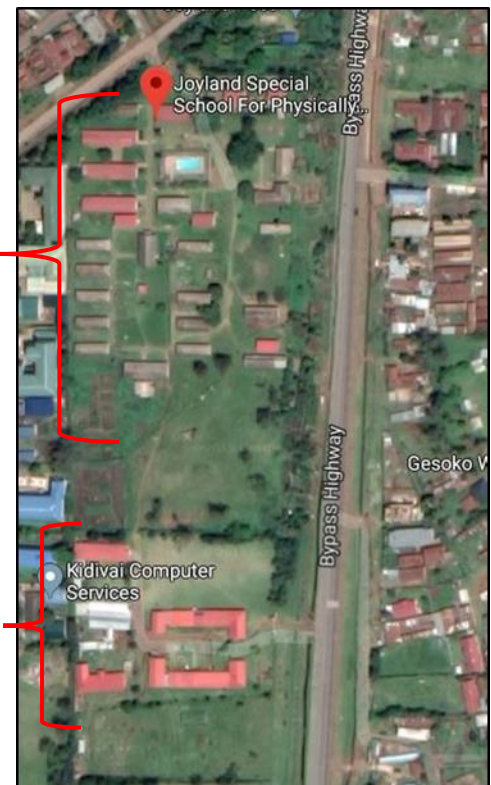
Project Cost: £4,100

Location: Kisumu, Western Kenya

Project Completion: June 2020



Joyland Special School for the Physically Handicapped is located on a large plot of land owned by The Salvation Army close to Kisumu International Airport on the shores of Lake Victoria. Kisumu is the largest town in western Kenya.



Primary School at the top.

Secondary School at the bottom

There are two separate schools on this compound, the Primary School for children up to aged 14 and the Secondary School which has pupils up to the age of 24.

Joyland Primary School was started by The Salvation Army in 1974 as a rehabilitation and education centre for children who were physically challenged. The school is a boarding school and it currently has 253 pupils, 129 boys and 124 girls. There are 13 grades in the school catering for children from the age of 6. In addition to the academic stream within the school following the Kenya National Curriculum there are a number of vocational training courses aimed at helping those children with other learning difficulties, these include: leather work, carpentry, metal work and tailoring. There is a swimming pool at the Primary School which provides for much needed hydro-therapy sessions as well as recreational swimming. Graduates from the Primary School go on to the Secondary School if they attain the entry qualifications.

The Project:

In April of 2019 one of the members of The Salvation Army in Bedford, Melvyn Stevens, who is a On-Call Firefighter, went to Kisumu as part of a delegation from a Fire Service Charity to deliver a couple of fire engines and to provide a week of training to the Kenya Fire Service in Kisumu. While there the team went to Joyland Primary School to deliver some laptop computers which were donated by the Aviva Bus Company in Dunstable. Melvyn did not know Joyland was a Salvation Army School he had made himself known to the Chaplain of the school, and a request was made for some urgent support. Melvyn knew of The Kenya Trust and approached one of our trustees and so the project was initiated.

1. *Borehole repair and maintenance and replacement of pump. There are 2 water supplies to the school, one from the municipality which is expensive and one from a borehole which provides water at a much lower cost.*
2. *Repair and refurbishment of the boy's toilets and showers*
3. *Painting and decoration of the boy's dormitories.*



Technicians installing the new pump and pipework into the school elevated water tank to provide running water to the school



Installation almost completed, the Chaplain and the Head Teacher look on.



With the supply of borehole water the toilets and showers in the boys dormitory were refurbished.



There was enough funds left to redecorate the boys dormitory.

The borehole pump had stopped working and so no fresh water was available from the borehole, leaving the school reliant on expensive municipal water supply. The pump needed to be replaced but before that, because the borehole had not been used for some time the well had to be cleared out and refurbished before a new pump could be added. The pump is driven by solar panels.

The boys' dormitories had become rather run down and were in need of general repair, particularly the toilets and showers where we were able to provide funds to replace several of the toilets and install new shower heads. The dormitories also got a lick of paint.

Thank you to all our supporters who provided the funding for these important parts of the whole project. The Headmaster was so thrilled to think that people so far away and totally unknown to them have supported so generously.

See the Project Data Sheet for Phase 1 of the Joyland Project.

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