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Project Information Sheet

Project Name: Chombeli Workshop for Street Families

Location: Lubao, Western Kenya

Project Start Date: August 2023

Project Completion: December 2023

Project Cost: £8,500



Kakamega is a provincial city in western Kenya where the headquarters of The Salvation Army in western Kenya is located.



The Chombeli Workshops for Street Families is located next to The Salvation Army's Chombeli Primary and Secondary Schools in the sub-district of Lubao in Kakamega township, western Kenya. The site is a total of 8 acres.

The Chombeli Workshops for Street Families is a vocational training centre. The centre runs a series of courses which are prescribed by the government and lead to a recognised qualification at the end of each course.

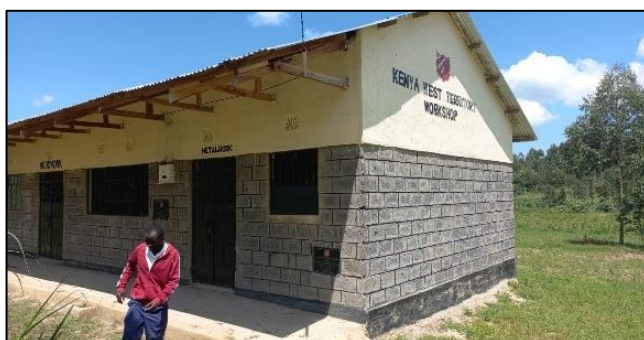
The project provides empowerment and rehabilitation for street families in Kakamega city. There are many families who are homeless and live on the streets who have very little opportunities for advancement. This project provides training in a variety of skills. On completion of the training programme each graduate with the start-up tools and equipment they need to start a small business and generate an income. The training centre provides courses in Metalwork, Woodwork, Tailoring and Upholstery and Agriculture.

The project is part of an initiative run by The Salvation Army in 3 towns in western Kenya: Kakamega, Eldoret and Kitale.

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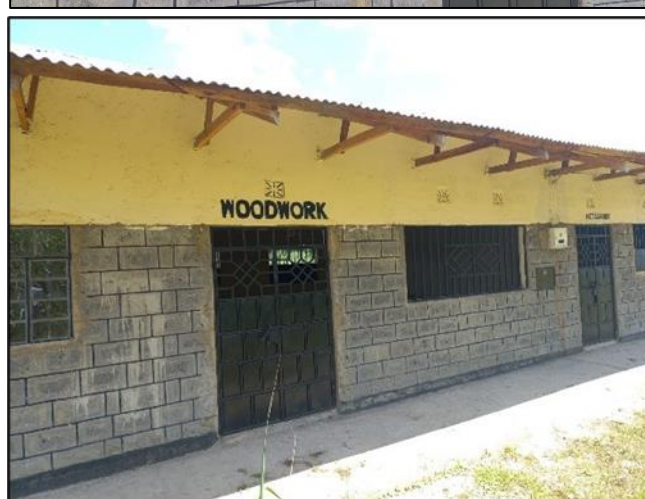
Drop-in centres operate in all three locations where street families meet daily. Through these drop-in centres, the street families are offered guidance and counselling and additional services such as food and health programmes, education, acquisition of skills and talent development. During these drop-in sessions, the street families that show an interest in the skills that can be provided are linked to the workshop through the programme and enrolled onto one of the courses.

The Project:



The workshops have recently been built and the courses are beginning to be rolled out. This project is to provide the tools and equipment required for each of the courses on offer:

- Water pump and necessary pipework to provide borehole water to the site.
- Gardening equipment for the Agriculture course. Horticultural techniques form part of this course and part of the 8 acre site will be used as a model farm to grow vegetables.
- Welding and other metal working tools for the metalwork course.
- Timber and woodworking tools for the woodwork course.
- Sewing machines and fabric for the tailoring and upholstery course.



This project continues the emphasis over recent years of The Kenya Trust working in partnership with The Salvation Army in Kenya to improve the infrastructure of the many education centres that The Salvation Army sponsor in the country.

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