

BORESHA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION LTD

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BACKGROUND

BORESHA community foundation (BCF) was founded in September 2012, as Not for profit entity and company Limited by Guarantee 2012. It is the corporate social responsibility arm of BORESHA Sacco Society Ltd. It serves to spearhead the Sacco's corporate social initiative to enable it realize its vision of being the financial provider of choice by positively impacting the community with a focus on Education and leadership development, Peace Initiatives, Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Agriculture and Agribusiness, Financial inclusion and literacy, Environment, Health and Disaster management and response.

Since inception BORESHA community foundation has initiated several programmes within its mandate and on the same initiatives invites partners from both private and Non-governmental (NGO) sector for co-funding opportunities on the social investment Programmes.

Highlight of its core mandate

The foundation is a charitable organization set up in 2012 in order to effectively to facilitate corporate social responsibility initiatives for BORESHA Sacco Society Ltd. through socio-economic programmes and pathways out of poverty, BCF must respond effectively to the continuum of issues that affect people living at the bottom of the pyramid. With this in mind, BCF works to create change through the following goals & pillars

Education & Leadership Development:

Since inception BORESHA Sacco as its founding mandate has been having several programmes that have helped several needy students in Baringo and neighboring counties to advance their Education opportunities to more secure and productive futures. The Sacco in the years 2015, 2016 and 2017 has sponsored over ten needy secondary school children and two collage students in various institutions in Kenya. BCF shall increase access through partnerships to and transition through secondary and tertiary education and provides leadership and career development in order to break the cycle of poverty and develop the next generation of leaders.

Agriculture and Agribusiness:

BCF has invested over Ksh1.5m in training and developing local farmers to improve their farming ventures through trainings and field visits which has increased production. Our key activities for the last three years has been the maize seed farming in Marigat Irrigation Scheme where farmers groups are funded in partnership with Kenya Seed company. BCF through this initiatives has helped create jobs, improve market access, and expand agricultural production by working in partnership with small and medium-sized farmers to increase their production capabilities, business acumen, and access to technology and financial services. BCF shall continue to welcome partners in stimulating job creation and Economic growth by providing farmers, agribusiness, value addition, micro and small businesses.

Entrepreneurship and Innovation:

BCF in realization this unique opportunity and support young Kenyans who are entrepreneurs and innovations through support programmes and training. This shall in the long-term stimulate job creation and economic growth by providing micro and small entrepreneurs with advice, mentorship and entrepreneurship training. BCF

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through various programmes shall promote innovation through the uptake of new ideas, solutions, and technologies to achieve greater impact and scale for all of its work.

Environment:

In the past three years the BCF in collaboration with the community and schools has planted over 10,000 seedlings of both indigenous and exotic trees planted. With other partners we have also been involved in cleaning major towns in Baringo County Kabarnet and Eldama Ravine town. This shall promote the conservation and smart use of natural resources by expanding forest cover, improving water security and promoting the use of renewable energy and energy-efficient technologies. The threat posed by climate change and increased encroachment into forests is our major focus to mitigate the adverse effects.

Financial Inclusion and Literacy:

BORESHA Sacco's over the years has invested substantial resources in its marketing programmes towards expanding access to financial services to the bottom of the pyramid, by helping low-income people to lift themselves out of poverty. This has enabled us reach out to about 70,000 adults with financial literacy. BCF through BORESHA Sacco expertise and branch networks shall continue to improve financial capability of millions of Kenyans and household in building financial security by connecting women, youth and communities to expert financial literacy training and capacity building and support.

Health:

BCF recognizes the fact that healthy people are the foundation of healthy economies. BCF has supported various public health activities and good feeding programmes to those living with HIV Aids in Baringo county. BCF shall increase access to comprehensive health financing and private sector-led, affordable, high-quality, and promote and advance awareness of good health and education in children, provide health/nutrition centres, Nursery schools, primary, secondary education and training centers, orphanages, technical schools, rehabilitation centres offering family counseling, sex education, community Training, feeding and sporting centers and to offer bursary funds

Peace Initiatives:

The threats posed by cattle rustling and warring communities in Baringo East and Tiaty constituencies pose a threat to economic well being of the neighboring communities of Baringo county, Elgeyo Marakwet county, Laikipia county. By recognizing this challenge BORESHA Sacco founder opened its first Sacco branch In Chemolingot in the heart of Tiaty Constituency, this being the first financial institution to venture into this region. The branch since then has been able to organize these communities to economic ventures through accessing financial services and enhancing saving culture hence changing the mindset of the local community reducing overdependence of livestock which is the major source of conflicts and raids. This financial inclusivity opportunity through the Sacco branch has made major impacts in enhancing peace initiatives and various government initiatives. BCF welcomes partners and other actors to join us and be part of these peace initiatives through financial inclusivity.

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Disaster management and Response.

BORESHA community foundation has responded by providing financial support towards various calamities within our communities. Over the last two years the foundation has been extending food support in the drought hit areas of Baringo County. The foundation has also provided food support towards flood victims in Tenges Landslide in 2015. The foundation purchased various building materials towards the roof blown away by strong wind of Kiplongon Pry School in Tenges in June 2017. We need partners towards these initiatives in disaster/calamities initiatives and programmes facing our communities.