

3. Sustainable Agriculture

We engage community members (particularly women) from Dirakho community in farming by collaborating with local agricultural extension officers to improve food security in Dirakho village. Because of the project, community members are able to provide food for their families, supplement their incomes and improve their knowledge in modern farming techniques.



4. Poverty Eradication and Economic Empowerment



This is one of the flagship projects that engage community members in income-generating activities. One such activity has been the tree nursery and brick making which has allowed community members to improve their livelihoods.



5. Sports and Community Cohesion

Dirakho CBO recognizes the abundant talents among the youths in Dirakho village and constantly creates avenues for harnessing and nurturing those talents. Through organizing various sports activities, community cohesion is improved while talents are identified, nurtured and promoted.



DIRAKHO COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATION (CBO)



*Promoting Education,
Sports and Improving
Livelihood.*

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Introduction

Dirakho CBO is registered with the government of Kenya under the Ministry of Labour, Social Security and Services. Since its inception the organization has been dedicated to improving livelihoods and giving hope to vulnerable community members of Dirakho village who had otherwise lost hope in accessing education, acquiring life skills and accessing gainful employment.



Goal

Dirakho CBO overall goal is to ensure that vulnerable members of the community are empowered to contribute positively to the society through education, capacity building and economic empowerment for sustainable livelihoods.

Vision

Our vision is to have a community that is progressive, educated, informed and economically empowered. We aspire to have an influential community where vulnerable members have an opportunity to access quality education, health care, food, shelter and to live with dignity.

Mission

We are dedicated to working with the vulnerable members of the community in Dirakho village to transform and develop their capacity to contribute positively towards their own development.

We are committed to progressive development of children, youth, women and other vulnerable groups without discriminating against race, gender, religion, ethnicity or any other form of discrimination.

Core Values

- **Transparency, Accountability and Integrity** – we are committed to hold ourselves accountable to our community, donors, partners and other stakeholders and to hold ourselves to high standards as we expect the same from all stakeholders that we interact with. We are also committed to accepting responsibility for our collective and individual actions with honesty.
- **Respect and Justice** – we are dedicated to respecting the rights and dignity of all community members including the marginalized groups.
- **Sustainability**—we are committed to empowering community members in collaboration with partners to meet their present needs without compromising the abilities of future generations to meet their own needs.
- **Commitment and Community and Service** – we are committed to working together in “one spirit” for the service of the community and humanity.
- **Volunteerism** – we are committed to giving back to the community in collaboration with partners and well-wishers and in appreciation of our ability to dedicate our resources (both material and human) for the improvement of livelihoods of underprivileged members of the community.

Focus Areas

Dirakho CBO continuously seeks support from community members and development partners to support its projects for the benefit of the community. Our primary areas of focus include the following:

1. Education and Capacity Building



We focus on education to address low-levels of enrolment in primary school and

high dropout rates before completion of high school. Apart from having a nursery school, the community has also started a village polytechnic to equip teenagers with skills. The main goal of the education project is to reduce high dropout rates of children in primary and secondary schools and encourage teenagers to pursue other skills and training after primary and secondary school.

2. Health and Nutrition

In a community where many children are malnourished, Dirakho CBO has started a school feeding program to supplement nutrition of children in nursery schools. Through the project, children who are mostly from poor families, have more reasons to stay in school.

