

A description of the Turning Point Trust - Kenya

The Turning Point Trust is a UK registered charity organization, also registered in Kenya as a non-profit organization that empowers vulnerable children and families in the Kibera informal settlement, to help them achieve their full potential.

The organization runs 5 education programmes to support out of school children from Kibera informal settlement to complete their primary and secondary education namely:

1. Kianda Children Centre. A pre-school programme that prepares 40 children every year to join primary school by providing a safe environment for the children to play, explore and grow.
2. Fountains of Hope primary school that supports 140 out of school children to return to school and complete their primary education.
3. School Transition Programme. Supports and prepares 20 out of school children to return to school every year.
4. A secondary school partial scholarship programme that supports 90 students every year to attend secondary school for them to gain further knowledge and skills needed to start their chosen career.
5. Laini Saba Community Library. Offers space and learning resources for children in Kibera to read and do homework.

To make the programmes as holistic as possible and to develop the whole child, the organization runs the following additional programmes:

1. A school feeding programme whose aims are to reduce short term hunger and contribute to school retention. The programme offers daily breakfast and lunch to 180 children from the Fountains of Hope primary school and the Kianda Centre Pre-school.
2. A Psycho-social support programme that supports both parents and children from 152 households in Kibera through parenting courses, home visits and follow-up, mentorship and counselling.
3. Afterschool activities that help nurture passions and talents of 180 children.
4. School holiday programmes that support 90 students from secondary school with mentorship, career development and academic follow-up and support.