



# TEKELBEI Foundation

*brighter future for rural communities*



# WHO WE ARE

**Kenyan non-profit founded in 2016.**

**Our purpose is to help underprivileged rural communities in Bomet County to access clean water .**

## OUR MISSION

Promote socioeconomic prosperity for marginalized and vulnerable members of the community by providing access to safe, clean drinking water.

## OUR VISION

A world where every person has access to safe, clean drinking water.

## OUR OBJECTIVES

- Commit and work towards equitable access to affordable and reliable clean water especially for the underprivileged individuals, groups, and communities for the betterment of the whole.
- Continually improve and invest the right resources in underprivileged communities for better standards of living and a sustainable future.
- Focus on sustainable and community-led development projects and programs to inspire a sense of ownership and self-reliance among community members.

# TEKELBEI FOUNDATION'S CHALLENGE

Underprivileged rural households face the biggest challenge in accessing clean water due to poor water infrastructure which the county governments have yet to meet and only few households can afford to have piped water supply or tanks as indicated below:

**70%**

of Bomet's population rely on rivers and streams to access for drinking, cleaning, farming, and livestock.

**18%**

of Bomet's population rely on rainwater harvesting

**25%**

of Bomet County that have access to piped water supply

# NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF UNRELIABLE WATER SUPPLY

## Economic

Missed opportunities and time wasted for family/ community members to engage in farming or other income generating activities. The hours spent searching for water could have been used to add a second- or third-income source and improve their living standards.

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## Social

Water affects their quality of life as it undermines their dignity such as meeting their hygiene needs like showering, washing clothes, and keeping their environs clean. Generally, children also help out to search for water either during the holidays or during short lunch breaks from school.

## Physical

Daily struggle of walking sometimes 3- 5 km searching for water with some navigating steep landscapes which negatively affects their health. Impacts include back pains and chest problems. Pregnant women and their unborn children are also at risk when they join in the search for water.

## Psychological

There is always constant anxiety of ensuring one's home has water, otherwise, the mother can't prepare breakfast for her family, clean the house, do laundry, and take care of livestock all while setting aside time to go to the farm to earn some income.

# OUR SOLUTION

A

Identify & fund underprivileged households to ensure access to clean drinking water at their doorstep

B

Engage with and encourage participation of the households/community members through forming committees in the villages to increase awareness and sense of ownership.



# PROJECT ACTIVITIES



## Promote awareness & engagement

The foundation together with the ground-level team leader form committees that identify and register households that need clean water.

## Implement & improve clean water supply

The foundation's team works together with formed committees and communities to facilitate clean water access through drilling of boreholes and installation of tanks.

