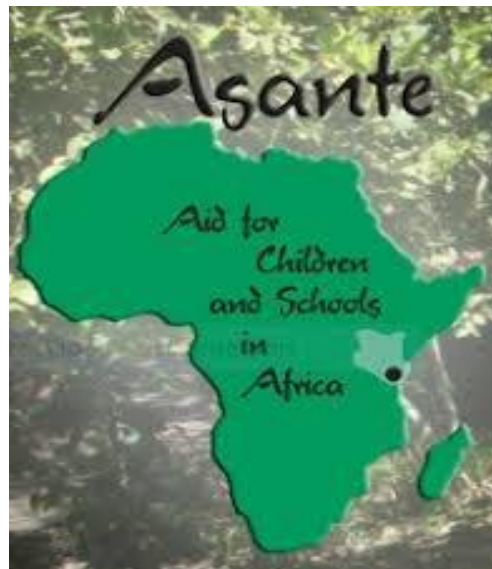


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Funding Proposal

Kilifi Hunger Relief & Agricultural Empowerment Project

FOR CONSIDERATION BY FOREIGN DONORS, CORPORATES, AND FUNDING ORGANIZATIONS TO CREATE A HUNGER-FREE KILIFI COUNTY

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1. Executive Summary

Kilifi County faces **severe food insecurity and malnutrition**, with **98% of households experiencing food shortages** and **39.1% of children under five suffering from stunting**. The **unpredictable rainfall, soil degradation, and lack of irrigation infrastructure** have weakened agricultural productivity, leaving thousands vulnerable.

The **Kilifi Hunger Relief & Agricultural Empowerment Project** aims to address these challenges through:

- **Drilling 50 boreholes** to provide sustainable irrigation and drinking water.
- **Training 500 farmers in climate-smart agricultural practices.**
- **Testing 1,000 soil samples** to improve fertilizer application.
- **Establishing 100 community gardens** to provide nutritious food.
- **Training 200 livestock farmers in sustainable animal husbandry.**
- **Providing monthly food aid to 100 vulnerable families.**
- **Enhancing maternal and child nutrition** through outreach and education.

We request **\$302,692** to implement this **transformative project**, ensuring **long-term food security in Kilifi County**.

2. About Asante Aid

Who We Are

Asante Aid for Children and Schools in Africa is a **registered nonprofit organization**, established in **1990** as a **Community-Based Organization (CBO)** and officially registered in **2012** as an **NGO** under section 10 of the **Non-Governmental Organization Act** in Kenya.

Mission & Past Achievements

- **Promoting quality education** and **providing school support** for vulnerable children.
- **Constructed 1,000 homes** for homeless families.
- **Provided clean water, bedding, and food supplies** to struggling households.
- **Supported 2,000 children with disabilities**, ensuring access to essential services.
- **Empowered 100+ families** through **startup capital and food security initiatives**.

With this **strong track record**, Asante Aid is positioned to implement **long-term solutions for food security and agricultural sustainability**.

3. Project Justification & Context

Kilifi's Food Security Crisis

Kilifi County has one of Kenya's **highest food insecurity rates**, exacerbated by:

- **Climate variability**—unpredictable rainfall causing droughts.
- **Water scarcity**—limiting irrigation and livestock health.
- **Low agricultural productivity** due to poor soil fertility and inefficient farming methods.
- **High food prices**—making nutrition inaccessible for vulnerable communities.

Existing Interventions & Collaboration Opportunities

The **Kilifi County Government** has initiated several food security projects:

- **Irrigation schemes (Dagamra & Uhai Marikano)** improving water access.
- **NICHE Program**, supporting **maternal and child nutrition** through **KES 500 per child**.
- **Affordable tractor ploughing services**, assisting smallholder farmers.

Our project will **complement and expand these efforts**, ensuring **long-term food security**.

4. Project Objectives

Overall Goal:

To eliminate hunger and enhance food security in Kilifi County through **sustainable agriculture, improved water access, and nutrition programs**.

Specific Objectives:

1. **Drill 50 boreholes** to provide **irrigation and drinking water**.
2. **Train 500 farmers** in **climate-smart agriculture and soil conservation**.
3. **Test 1,000 soil samples**, ensuring **optimal fertilizer selection**.
4. **Establish 100 community gardens**, offering **locally-grown food**.

5. **Train 200 livestock farmers on breeding, disease prevention, and sustainable grazing.**
 6. **Provide monthly food aid to 100 vulnerable families.**
 7. **Enhance maternal and child nutrition**, partnering with CHVs and health agencies.
 8. **Monitor & evaluate** the project for **continuous improvement**.
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5. Financial Breakdown

Category	Allocated Amount (USD)	Percentage of Total Budget
Borehole Drilling (50 boreholes)	\$92,300	30.5%
Climate-Smart Agricultural Training (500 farmers)	\$75,000	24.8%
Soil Testing & Fertilizer Optimization (1,000 samples)	\$15,000	5.0%
Community Gardens Setup (100 gardens, 1,000 hectares)	\$40,000	13.2%
Livestock Productivity Training (200 farmers)	\$24,000	7.9%
Food Aid Distribution (100 families)	\$40,000	13.2%
Nutritional Education & Outreach	\$6,500	2.1%
Monitoring & Evaluation (10% of total budget)	\$9,892	3.3%
Total Budget Requested	\$302,692	100%

6. Expected Impact & Sustainability

Expected results include:

- ✓ **50 boreholes**, ensuring sustainable irrigation.
- ✓ **500 farmers trained** in smart farming.
- ✓ **100 thriving community gardens**, improving local food access.
- ✓ **200 livestock farmers empowered**, boosting milk/meat production.
- ✓ **Improved maternal & child nutrition**, reducing malnutrition rates.

The project is **highly sustainable**, as trained farmers will **apply smart agriculture techniques**, ensuring **long-term food security**.

7. Conclusion & Funding Request

The **Kilifi Hunger Relief & Agricultural Empowerment Project** offers a **proven, community-driven approach** to tackling **food insecurity, water scarcity, and nutrition challenges**. We seek funding of **\$302,692** to implement this initiative, ensuring **lasting food security**.

We look forward to collaborating with **foreign donors, corporates, and funding organizations** to create a **hunger-free Kilifi County**.

APPENDICES

Baseline Study on Food Insecurity in Kilifi County

Overview

Kilifi County has long suffered from **chronic food insecurity**, with **high malnutrition rates**, erratic **climate conditions**, and limited access to **irrigation infrastructure**. This baseline study outlines key **factors contributing to hunger**, provides statistical insights, and serves as a **foundation for intervention planning**.

Key Findings

Indicator	Statistics & Insights	Source
Food Insecurity Rate	98% of households experience food shortages .	Kilifi County Agriculture Report (2024)
Malnutrition Rate	39.1% of children under five suffer from stunting due to chronic malnutrition .	Kenya Health & Nutrition Survey (2023)
Water Access Challenges	Over 65% of farms lack consistent water for irrigation .	Kilifi Water Development Report (2024)
Soil Health Issues	60% of tested soils are degraded, with poor nutrient retention .	Ujuzi Kilimo Soil Testing Initiative (2023)
Impact of	Rainfall patterns have shifted ; extended	Kenya Meteorological

Indicator	Statistics & Insights	Source
Climate Change	drought periods are causing lower crop yields.	Department (2024)
Cost of Food	Basic food items cost 40% more than the national average, making nutrition financially inaccessible for low-income families.	National Food Price Index (2024)

Factors Contributing to Food Insecurity

1. **Erratic Rainfall & Prolonged Droughts**
 - Historical data shows **increasing periods of dry seasons**, affecting agricultural yields.
 - Farmers rely on **seasonal rains**, but **climate unpredictability** limits planning capacity.
2. **Water Scarcity & Poor Irrigation Infrastructure**
 - A lack of **accessible boreholes and irrigation systems** reduces food production.
 - **Over-reliance on groundwater wells**, which frequently dry up.
3. **Limited Agricultural Knowledge & Resources**
 - Smallholder farmers lack **climate-smart agricultural training**, affecting productivity.
 - **Expensive fertilizers and poor soil conditions** further reduce yields.
4. **Rising Food Prices & Market Barriers**
 - Families are forced to **skip meals or consume nutrient-deficient diets**.
 - Small-scale farmers struggle to **access formal markets**, limiting their income potential.
5. **Malnutrition & Health Consequences**
 - Poor dietary diversity leads to **increased cases of anemia and weakened immune systems**.
 - **High child mortality rates** associated with undernutrition.

Implications for the Kilifi Hunger Relief & Agricultural Empowerment Project

- ✓ **Justification for Borehole Drilling:** Improving **irrigation access** to reduce dependency on unreliable rainfall.
- ✓ **Necessity for Climate-Smart Agricultural Training:** Farmers need **modern techniques** to overcome **soil degradation & drought stress**.
- ✓ **Targeted Nutrition Interventions:** Combating **high child malnutrition rates** through **education and improved food access**.
- ✓ **Market Linkage Strategies:** Creating **sustainable food production models** to help farmers **sell their produce effectively**.

✓ **Community-Led Food Security Models:** Establishing **community gardens** and training farmers on **soil restoration practices**.

Remarks Based on Study Report

Kilifi County is **experiencing severe food insecurity**, driven by **climate change, poor soil health, water scarcity, and rising food costs**. This baseline study validates the **urgent need for intervention**, ensuring that proposed solutions are **data-backed, sustainable, and impactful**.

Project Timeline & Implementation Plan

Project Duration:

This initiative will be implemented over a **24-month period**, structured into **phases** to ensure **effective execution, monitoring, and adaptation**.

Implementation Phases:

Phase	Key Activities	Timeline	Responsible Parties
Phase 1: Planning & Mobilization	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Community sensitization & awareness.- Securing partnerships & agreements with local authorities.- Recruitment of project personnel.- Procurement of necessary equipment & materials.	Month 1-3	Asante Aid team, county officials, donor representatives, community leaders.
Phase 2: Borehole Drilling & Water Infrastructure Setup	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Site identification & geological surveys.- Drilling 50 boreholes.- Installation of pumps, pipes & water storage tanks.- Training communities on water management	Month 4-10	Hydrogeologists, engineers, local government, trained community workers.

Phase	Key Activities	Timeline	Responsible Parties
Phase 3: Agricultural Training & Soil Testing	& irrigation techniques. - Training 500 farmers on climate-smart agriculture. - Collecting & analyzing 1,000 soil samples. - Distributing fertilizers based on soil results. - Establishing irrigation systems & initial planting.	Month 11-15	Agricultural experts, Asante Aid trainers, local farmers.
Phase 4: Community Gardens & Livestock Productivity Training	- Setting up 100 community gardens (1,000 hectares). - Training 200 livestock farmers in sustainable animal husbandry. - Implementing rotational grazing systems. - Distribution of improved livestock breeds.	Month 16-20	Extension officers, livestock specialists, farmers, cooperatives.
Phase 5: Nutrition Improvement & Food Aid Distribution	- Providing monthly food aid to 100 vulnerable families. - Enhancing maternal & child nutrition education with CHVs & NICHE collaboration. - Integrating nutrition counseling into community health programs.	Month 21-24	Asante Aid nutritionists, CHVs, NICHE representatives.
Phase 6: Monitoring, Evaluation & Project Review	- Conduct quarterly project impact assessments. - Implement feedback	Ongoing (Quarterly)	M&E officers, project staff, external evaluators, stakeholders.

Phase	Key Activities	Timeline	Responsible Parties
	mechanisms with farmers & stakeholders. - Adjust interventions based on progress reports. - Publish final results for future replicability & donor reporting.		

Key Project Milestones:

- ✓ **Month 3:** Community mobilization completed & borehole sites identified.
- ✓ **Month 10:** All 50 boreholes drilled & irrigation infrastructure operational.
- ✓ **Month 15:** 500 farmers trained, soil testing completed, crop planting begins.
- ✓ **Month 20:** 100 community gardens established, livestock training finished.
- ✓ **Month 24:** Final impact assessment conducted, results documented for sustainability.

Risk Mitigation Strategies:

- **Climate Adaptability:** Implement drought-resistant crop varieties & irrigation efficiency training.
- **Infrastructure Maintenance:** Train local communities to manage boreholes & irrigation systems.
- **Sustainability Planning:** Gradual transition of project oversight to local agricultural cooperatives & community groups.
- **Stakeholder Engagement:** Regular check-ins with farmers, CHVs, and local authorities to ensure alignment.

Closing Remarks

At **Asante Aid**, we are committed to **empowering communities, improving food security, and transforming lives**. The **Kilifi Hunger Relief & Agricultural Empowerment Project** is a strategic initiative aimed at ensuring **sustainable agriculture, nutrition, and livelihood opportunities** for vulnerable households in Kilifi County.

To learn more about our activities, we encourage donors to visit our channels for **fact-finding and transparency** on our ongoing initiatives. Get in touch with us and be part of the movement to transform lives.

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