

SAPARINGO PRIMARY SCHOOL - MASAI MARA - KENYA Multi-project: Chairs and lockers, Ablution Facilities, Guard House and Fencing - Final Report January 2024





SAPARINGO PRIMARY SCHOOL - BACKGROUND

Saparingo Primary School, established in 2005, was initiated by the Saparingo community who funded and built the first classroom. World Vision then provided funding for three additional classrooms. Since 2014, Africa Foundation and &Beyond, with generous donor support, have assisted the school with construction of girls' and boys' dormitories, teachers' accommodations, classrooms, as well as a kitchen/dining hall. These infrastructural developments secured an award for Saparingo Primary School as the most improved school in the entire South Rift Region (comprising 6 counties) in 2018. The enrollment of pupils has increased as the school's infrastructure has improved, alongside improvements in their academic performance and attendance.

At the start of 2024, the school had 243 learners enrolled: 127 boys and 116 girls, supported by 17 staff: 13 teachers and 4 support staff.

Africa Foundation and &Beyond are committed to supporting the long-term development of the school. In the past year, the priority projects for the school were:

- the provision of chairs and lockers,
- construction of additional ablution facilities and
- erecting a security fence and constructing a guard house





SAPARINGO PRIMARY SCHOOL – CHAIRS AND LOCKERS

Due to increasing enrolment numbers at Saparingo Primary School, the school was faced with the challenge of an insufficient number of chairs and lockers to accommodate all learners. In July 2023, \$ 3 257 was secured through Africa Foundation USA donors to procure 68 chairs and lockers which would provide comfortable seating and learning space for learners. The manufacturing of chairs and lockers was initiated mid-September 2023 and completed early in November 2023.









SAPARINGO PRIMARY SCHOOL - BOYS' & GIRLS' ABLUTION FACILITIES

In 2021, Africa Foundation and &Beyond were able to support the establishment of two sets of ablutions, one for boys and another for girls, each with three doors. These were then the only usable ablutions since the old ablutions were very dilapidated and exposed pupils to potential health risks. However, the 2021 constructed ablutions were not sufficient to meet the needs of the increasing number of learners, and so the school committee approached Africa Foundation and &Beyond to assist with the provision of more ablutions which would provide for enhanced sanitation facilities fostering better health, safety and academic excellence.

In July 2023, \$ 11 604 was secured through Africa Foundation USA donors to enable the construction of two ablution facilities. Construction was initiated late August in 2023 and finalized in December 2023. The addition of the new ablutions has shifted the boy ablution ratio from 42 boys per ablution facility, to 18, and the girls ablution ratio from 38 girls per facility, to 17. This is making a significant improvement in the personal hygiene and wellbeing of all learners at the school.







SAPARINGO PRIMARY SCHOOL - GUARD HOUSE AND FENCING

Elephant, buffalo and lion roam this community freely, and because Saparingo Primary School was not previously enclosed, this wildlife posed a threat to the safety of children and teachers, and the protection of the school infrastructure. The school principal and committee requested assistance for construction of guard house and fencing, and in December 2022 \$ 14 305 was secured through Africa Foundation USA donors to address this need.

The Fence and Guard House Project started in April 2023. However, it was subsequently suspended by the project committee, who were unhappy with the quality of work. Over a 4-month period, the committee recovered the funds paid to the original contractor and appointed a new contractor, who started their work on the two projects in October 2023. Work on the guard house and new security fence was successfully completed in December 2023.

Thanks to these infrastructural enhancements, the school can now better protect the lives of children, teachers, and well as the school property, against trespassers, criminals or wild animals that can cause damage.









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	SAPARINGO JUNIOR SCHOOL
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Mercy Memusi - class re	presentative

"We really appreciate because we are now comfortably seated in our classroom. The chairs and lockers have made our learning comfortable and enjoyable. We now have lockers to keep our books and other stationaries safe...."

Mercy Memusi Class Representative - Grade 8





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Head Teacher - Saparingo Primary School







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Sylvia Nkiyiampa Student - Grade 5







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"To donors of Africa Foundation,

On behalf of our teacher and my fellow pupils, I am appreciating you as Africa Foundation for donating us with enough washrooms...

We are feeling happy because we can use them without any fear...

Benard Siwa Sanare Student - Grade 7







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Sharif Leperes Student - Grade 7





SAPARINGO PRIMARY SCHOOL - COMMUNITY CONTEXT

Kenya has a population of approximately 54,027,487 people (World Bank). More than 40% of the population is under the age of 15 years, 70% live in rural areas and around 30% survive below the poverty line. Agricultural activity drives the country's economy and provides the main source of work. Kenya also benefits from international tourism due to beautiful beaches and extraordinary safari holiday options. On the other hand, Kenya's natural renewable water resources are reliant on little and fragile catchments covered by the montane forests in the country's highland areas with a humid climate.

The Masai Mara is situated in South-West Kenya, some 270km from the capital city of Nairobi. The reserve covers approx. 1,500 km² land and adjoins the Serengeti in Tanzania. Traditionally, the Maasai people live alongside wildlife in harmony, as an important part of their beliefs. This unique co-existence has made the Maasai land one of the world's most unique wilderness regions.

Emurutoto, Saparingo and Iltolish communities own the Nyekweri Forest, a forest of approximately 8,000 ha lying on top of an escarpment at 8km from the &Beyond Kichwa Tembo lodge and the Masai Mara National Reserve. Currently, Africa Foundation and &Beyond are carrying out a conservation project at the Nyekweri forest in an effort to support the community in its restoration and conservation.

Africa Foundation and &Beyond have worked with these communities for over 20 years, supporting the development of the Iltolish, Saparingo and Emurutoto Primary Schools, Emurutoto Clinic, Emurutoto Craft Centre, Emurutoto Dam, and the providing University bursaries to top scholars – 53 bursaries provided to 38 students to-date.





Masai Mara landscape, Kenya



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Thank you for your generous donation to Saparingo Primary School in Kenya.

Your donation has helped to make a lasting impact in the lives of children, teachers and the community at large.

For more information, please do not hesitate to contact Africa Foundation's Head of Partnerships: Marcha Bekker - <u>marcha.bekker@africafoundation.org.za</u>