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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



SUSANNE RIZ
President WeCare-Association

Dear supporters,
dear friends of WeCare Association,

the first half of 2026 has once again shown us that development work rarely follows a straight path. There have been achievements that brought us great joy — and setbacks that demanded a great deal from us.

The temporary failure of our borehole project in Mperrishi was particularly painful. After two days of drilling, the work had to be stopped at a depth of 180 metres because of difficult geological conditions. This was a major disappointment for the community and for us.

But giving up is not an option.

At the same time, we continue to see the impact of consistent and reliable support. At Rehoboth Learning Centre, 241 children were attending school at the end of June. Despite one staff change, lessons continued without major disruption. Our school feeding programme plays an especially important role in helping children attend school regularly and concentrate better in class.

At Embolei, **485 girls and boys** were enrolled at the end of June — 265 boys and 220 girls. The school had approximately 405 learners the previous year, representing growth of around 20 percent. The head teacher attributes the increasing demand partly to the school feeding programme.

There is also renewed hope regarding water. Following the unsuccessful drilling attempt in Mperrishi, the drilling company agreed to carry out a new borehole in Embolei for a relatively small additional cost. The funding is secured, and the required hydrogeological survey is currently being prepared.

Our work remains direct, personal and sometimes challenging. We celebrate successes — and we speak openly when something does not work as planned.

Thank you for continuing this journey with us.

Warm regards,

Susanne Riz
President, WeCare Association



MPERRISHI.KAJIADO COUNTY

A SETBACK - BUT NO GIVING UP

223

CHILDREN

180 M

DRILLING DEPTH

2 DAYS

DRILLING WORK

≈ 5'000

PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY

223 children currently attend Mperrishi Primary School. Despite difficult living conditions, the learners remain highly motivated and continue to make steady progress. Our school feeding programme provides every child with two meals each school day and contributes significantly to their health, well-being, concentration and regular attendance. The teachers remain committed, and the community continues to support the school.

The greatest disappointment of the first half of the year was our borehole project. After extensive preparation, drilling began with great hope. However, at a depth of 180 metres, the drilling company encountered porous rock. Safe completion was not possible, and the work had to be stopped.

For a community of approximately 5,000 people, where access to clean water remains extremely limited, this was a severe setback. Nevertheless, the people of Mperrishi have not given up. Together, we are exploring alternative solutions for a sustainable water supply.

Another concern is the increasing number of snakes in the area, which poses a serious safety risk, particularly for children. Suitable protection and prevention measures now need to be developed together with the school and the community.

Mperrishi reminds us that support does not always go according to plan. What matters is continuing, even when circumstances are difficult.

KENIA.REHOBOTH LEARNING CENTRE

STABILITY THAT CREATES CHANGE

241
Children

10
Teachers

131'586
Meals

The first half of 2026 was marked by encouraging stabilisation at Rehoboth Learning Centre.

Today, **241 children** attend the school, **including 130 boys and 111 girls**. Demand for school places has continued to grow, particularly in the lower grades. A further 30 children are currently on the waiting list, but cannot yet be admitted because of limited space.

The teaching team has also become more stable. By the end of June, **10 teachers** were working at the school. Despite one staff change, lessons continued without major disruption. Timely salary payments, regular discussions and improved organisation are helping to create greater continuity and a more reliable learning environment.

Our school feeding programme remains a central part of our support. Every child receives **three to four meals a day.** During the first half of the year, approximately **131,586 meals** were served. Regular meals support the children's health, concentration and attendance, while also easing the burden on many families.

The school's growth is also creating new challenges. The existing classrooms are increasingly reaching capacity, and parts of the simple school buildings urgently need repair. Initial renovation work is therefore planned for the school holidays in August.

What stability achieves:

SALARIES PAID ON TIME
↓
TEACHERS STAY
↓
CONTINUITY IN THE CLASSROOM
↓
BETTER LEARNING CONDITIONS

Rehoboth shows us what becomes possible when support does more than provide short-term assistance and instead creates reliable structures.



EMBOLIEI. KAJIADO COUNTY

MORE CHILDREN. A NEW CHANCE FOR WATER.

485
Children

+20%
more children than the previous year

97'000
Meals

Since the launch of our school feeding programme, enrolment at **Emboliei Primary & Junior School** has increased significantly. By the end of June, **485 children** were attending the school — **265 boys and 220 girls.** Demand is particularly high in the pre-primary and lower primary classes. For many families, knowing that their children will receive reliable meals during the school day is an important reason to send them to school regularly.

On approximately **100 school days**, every child received two meals a day: porridge in the morning and githeri made from maize and beans for lunch. In total, around **97,000 meals** were served during the first half of the year. The feeding programme has made a visible contribution to attendance, concentration and the children's overall well-being. They are supported by **15 committed teachers,** who continue to provide consistent teaching and personal support despite large class sizes.

Water remains the greatest challenge. In this dry region, people and animals sometimes travel **15 to 20 kilometres to reach the nearest water source.** Following the unsuccessful drilling attempt in Mperrishi, the drilling company agreed to carry out a new borehole in **Emboliei** for a relatively small additional cost. The funding is secured, and the hydrogeological survey is currently being prepared. A successful borehole could benefit not only the school but also around **8,000 people** in the surrounding area.

NEW HOPE FOR WATER.

≈ **8'000**
PEOPLE COULD BENEFIT IN THE LONG TERM.



OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE . KAJIADO COUNTY

WE KNOW THEIR NAMES

40

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WE SUPPORT PERSONALLY

Through our FGM prevention and education programme, we currently provide personal support to **40 children and young people**.

- **11 girls and 1 boy** attend secondary school.
- **8 girls and 1 boy** attend Grade 10 of Junior High School.
- A further **19 girls in Mperrishi** receive support and personal guidance through our local FGM prevention programme.

In total, we support **38 girls and 2 boys.**

Many of them grow up in remote Maasai communities where early pregnancy, child marriage and female genital mutilation can threaten the future of girls in particular.

Our support therefore does not end with the payment of school fees. Our team members in Kenya remain in regular contact with the children and young people, visit them at their schools, understand their personal circumstances and monitor their educational progress.

The girls in particular are given a safe space for confidential conversations about health, sexuality, contraception and their personal aspirations. When difficulties arise, problems can be identified early and solutions sought together with schools, families and local support networks.

Our girls is for the girls to remain safe, complete their education and make their own decisions about their future. At the same time, we also support two boys in continuing their education.

EDUCATION . PROTECTION . HEALTH . SELF-DETERMINATION

We do not only want to get them into school.

We want to accompany them until they are able to follow their own path.

TRUST REQUIRES TRANSPARENCY

CHF 162'469

Income in 2025

CHF 51'800

of which was a private contribution from the founders

7 YEARS

Working with our team in Kenya.

Behind every number in this report are people we know personally. Our team members in Kenya have worked with WeCare-Association for many years, visit our projects regularly and carefully document the use of project funds.

We also visit the projects ourselves on a regular basis. This closeness enables us to identify developments early, make decisions quickly - and speak openly when something does not go according to plan.

In 2025, WeCare-Association generated income of **CHF 162,469**. This included a private contribution of **CHF 51,800** from the founders, through which we make a substantial contribution to financing the organisation and its structures.

Our commitment is to direct, personal and transparent development work - and to the responsible use of every franc entrusted to us.

HELP US CONTINUE

Your support makes school meals, education, the protection of girls and renewed hope for clean water possible.

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