



Harmbee Inc. - Kenya

"together we can"

*Empowering a
community for
sustainable change
and poverty
alleviation*



Local Leaders ♦ Community Development ♦ Holistic Approach

We seek to foster self-sufficiency with sustainable organic agriculture as the root. We strive to do this while developing leadership and good will between people.

Our Vision:

Increase the wellbeing of the 30,000 people living in East Oholo, Kenya. We believe that people want to be producers. Everyday we teach real life skills and leadership to support livelihood and community

development as a way to peace. We listen and identify needs, partner with government local leaders, non-governmental organizations and individuals to provide training, and work with the residents of East Oholo to improve their lives. This equips the community to obtain access to clean water, medical care, education and to foster economic enterprise.

Empowerment:

We understand that to *really* empower people, it takes time, extra energy, and often more resources. We are committed to empowering programs that create lasting development in the community. We evaluate and

re-evaluate our initiatives to make sure we are fostering independence in our Kenyan friends.

Program Initiatives:

- Agriculture
- Education
- Water/Sanitation
- Micro-Lending
- Health
- Agro-Business Cooperatives
- Infrastructure



Harmbee Inc.—Kenya supports change in lives which leads to hope.

Project Location:

Western Kenya (about 1 hour from Kisumu) in an area called East Oholo, a subsistence farming area of 30,000 people.



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Highlights:

Since 2007, Harambee Inc.-Kenya has enjoyed many successes. Daily, we get to see a better life for the people in East Oholo.

600 farmers have received organic agricultural training.

Through trainings we are creating producers, not beggars. Needed skills are developed to be sustainable, instead of providing handouts that build dependency.

15% of farmers in 2008 had food security in the Mungao area.

Now 70% of the farmers that are involved in the Harambee agricultural program are feeding their own family plus growing a surplus which they sell for cash. They use the profits to pay for school fees, medical fees and for improvements on their homes.

23 community leaders participated in an intensive small business training and leadership class.

The day long training included interactive teaching on leadership, business plans, budgets, record keeping, and marketing & sales. In July, 2013 follow-up sessions in business practices took place.

Electricity becomes a reality.

Thanks to the persistence of George and Harambee Inc.-Kenya, many houses, the clinic and Ulthe Secondary School will soon have electricity. This opens up the possibility of a computer lab in school and expanded services at the clinic.



115 farmers formed agro-business cooperatives specializing in fish, bananas, vegetables, peanuts, and poultry. These groups regularly receive training and together plan marketing and value added strategies.

3 greenhouses are now producing green peppers and tomatoes. Profits will benefit projects of Harambee Inc.-Kenya.

160 students now attend Ulthe Secondary School, built in partnership with Harambee Inc.-Kenya, Friends of Africa Education and the community. The first graduating class had higher marks than any other school in the area.

2,000 Patients visit the Ulthe clinic per month. The clinic was George's dream. Thankfully, the government has now taken financial responsibility for the clinic. Engineers Without Borders is putting in a well at the clinic in 2014.

Get Involved:

- Volunteer with Harambee Inc.-Kenya.
- Donate to support our program initiatives.
- Spread the word and share stories about the programs
- Invite Carol to speak at clubs, schools or churches.

Co-Leaders & Founders:



George Oyeho - a native of Ulthe, Kenya, George lived in Minnesota for 18 years and is now back in Kenya. He does consulting in Nairobi, teaches at Moi University and is an active community organizer.



Carol Carper - Carol spends about 5 months each year in Kenya living in East Oholo. The other months she lives in Colorado. Carol is a dedicated Rotarian and continues to seek ways to empower and love her friends in Kenya.

Partners

Ulthe Community Project and Got Osimbo Economic Development Project

are registered Community Based Organizations (CBO) in Kenya. They were established by the community to improve the quality of life for children and families. Harambee Inc.-Kenya works closely with the CBO leaders to identify the needs and effectively design program initiatives.

Rotary International has strongly financially supported projects of Harambee Inc.-Kenya. Both Carol and George are active Rotarians and utilize the values of Rotary as foundations for their program.

Friends of Africa Education: Together with the community, Harambee Inc.-Kenya and Friends of Africa Education built Ulthe Secondary School and renovated three primary schools in Mungao, Kenya.

Crutches 4 Africa: A Rotarian organization which has donated mobility devices (wheelchairs, crutches, tricycles) twice in the East Oholo community.

Invictus Initiative: Brings teams of volunteers to East Oholo. Among other things, they have mapped a large water project for Got Osimbo.



Brian, a student in the community, cleaning his wheelchair



Students helping arrange the library at Ulthe Secondary School