

1 YEAR DOWN THE LINE

KISIMA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

ONE YEAR OF COURAGE, CURIOSITY, AND COMMUNITY

QUICK SNAPSHOT

- Project launch: January 2025
- Programme: Kisima Reading Well; Kisima Community Library
- Seed support: KCDF Shilling for Shilling grant
- Local fundraising efforts: KSh 955,564 raised
- Purpose: Build reading skills, spark lifelong learning, and provide community access to books and learning support for free.



IMPACTFUL STORIES

Susan Naliaka, 8

She joined Kisima when reading was a struggle and speaking felt impossible. With support, she found her voice. Today she reads fluently and speaks with confidence — proof of how Kisima turns hesitation into courage and opens doors to learning.

Bradley, Form 4 student

“Kisima gave me a quiet place to study, and my grades improved.” His story shows how a supportive space can turn quiet effort into real academic progress.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- **451 sessions** delivered (holiday + school-day support).
- **1,605** children reached with literacy, digital skills, and life skills.
- **17 community volunteers** engaged, strengthening local ownership.
- Weekly evaluations conducted during holidays (**16** evaluation cycles).
- Transformation stories like Susan Naliaka and Bradley, who gained confidence in reading and communication.
- **2013 books and digital materials.**

WHAT WE DID AND CONTINUE TO DO

- Reading sessions: Homework support, group reading, phonics, and holiday programs.
- Library growth: Curated books for all ages, including local stories and learning resources.
- Community engagements: Mobile pop-ups and story reading hours.
- Volunteer engagement: Equipping volunteers with skills to guide sessions and support children.
- Our reach keeps expanding, every day bringing new learners and stories.



PROGRAM BREAKTHROUGH

Community Ownership
The program was powered by 17 local volunteers, showing strong community buy-in and sustainability.

LIFE SKILLS

Young people are equipped with practical skills from Sexual and Reproductive Health to communication, confidence, and decision-making. Safe, honest conversations gave them space to ask without fear, share openly, and feel heard

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Visit: See the library, reading and digital Literacy sessions in action!
Contact us to schedule a visit.

YEAR ONE WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY KCDF AND OUR COMMUNITY



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