PLAN INTERNATIONAL

ANNUAL UPDATE KENYA Bondo





Together with your sponsorship, children and families are making positive changes in Bondo. Learn more about the valuable ways we work with children and communities.

Over the last year, more than 1,000 people learned new agricultural techniques which will help improve their crops and ensure they can grow nutritious food for their children.

Through interactive sessions, 80 girls and 40 boys improved their knowledge on sexual and reproductive health. And community members are committed to improving access to youthfriendly services, so young people can open the door to a brighter future.

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Young people trained on vertical farming techniques "AFTER PARTICIPATING IN CHAMPIONS OF CHANGE, I AM NOW AN ADVOCATE FOR SEXUAL HEALTH AMONG MY PEERS." Joseph, 13 years old

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Students attended improved schools



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Families received climate-resilient crop seeds

ABILITY TO SUCCEED





NAME: AMOS AGE: 15 Dreams to be: A Doctor

"I'M HAPPY TO BE BACK IN SCHOOL - WITHOUT PLAN , I WOULD NOT HAVE THIS CHANCE TO CONTINUE MY STUDIES. I WILL WORK HARD TO ACHIEVE MY DREAM."

Meet Amos

Like the child you sponsor, Amos is taking steps toward achieving his goals.

Amos lives with his parents and three siblings in a two-room house. He loves reading and hopes to become a doctor so he can help others like himself.

Helping Healthcare

As a child, Amos developed paralysis after an illness. His family could not afford a wheelchair, and Amos had to drop out of school. Although his parents took care of him as best as they could, they often had to leave him in bed for long periods of time. Amos developed sores and his health deteriorated.

A community health volunteer heard about Amos's predicament, and he was referred to a local Plan employee, who helped arrange transportation for Amos and his parents to the nearest hospital for urgent care. And in partnership with the Ministry of Health, a nurse was engaged to provide regular care and treatment of Amos's bedsores.

Will to Achieve

After Amos's health improved, he was keen to go back to school. With the help of Plan International, Amos has a brand new wheelchair and supportive pressure cushions which allow him to sit comfortably.

Amos has a zeal for learning, and his teachers are impressed with his progress and his passion. He encourages other children with disabilities at his school to never give up hope.

And Amos's parents have become advocates in their community on asking for help and seeking the best healthcare possible for their children.



Amos is now thriving at school

WE CURRENTLY WORK WITH 861 CHILDREN IN BONDO

OUR PROJECTS IN BONDO ARE HELPING CHILDREN THRIVE



Families and young people in Bondo are gaining the skills they need to earn a good living

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT



Earning a living in Bondo is a challenge for many families. Climate change is limiting the success of farming, and many young people do not have opportunities to gain

much-needed technical skills for careers outside agriculture. To help farmers continue to grow nutritious food for their families and for market, 1,050 people received climate-

resilient maize and bean seeds. Workshops on crop management and new agricultural techniques have increased their productivity and improved their income.

Nine young women and eight young men took part in automotive courses, where they learned about electric vehicles and the skills needed to build and repair them. So far, two young women have been accepted into an apprenticeship programme, proving that girls are just as capable as boys in this industry.





MY BODY, MY FUTURE

In Bondo, early pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections and gender-based violence remain common. These challenges prevent girls from reaching their full potential.

Through training sessions, 120 young people learned about their sexual and reproductive health. Topics covered safe sex and family planning, and menstrual hygiene. Girls and boys can now confidently take charge of their bodies.

25 community members completed training on children's rights and child protection mechanisms. These leaders now know how to identify children at risk of violence, recognize the signs of abuse, and where to report cases so children receive the support the need.

"Plan empowered me to become a confident, educated and ambitious young girl. Girls can make informed decisions about their sexual and reproductive health." **Yoventine, 17, from Bondo**



YOUR SUPPORT MEANS BETTER FUTURES



The best is yet to come—and together we will continue to work for a brighter future for the children in Bondo.

More than 50% of people in Bondo live in poverty. We will support families to access savings and loans so they can improve their financial literacy and invest in their futures.

Families who rely on farming are struggling with the impacts of changing weather. We will provide training on sustainable and climate-resilient agricultural practices so parents can grow healthy food for their children.

Kenya is unprepared to respond to the natural disasters that are made worse from climate change. We will support communities to build early warning systems and develop disaster risk reduction plans.

Thank you for your continued support.



"We supported girls to advocate for their rights, and communities to challenge harmful gender norms. We remain committed to creating a more equitable world."

David Mwamkita Programme Area Manager

THE PLAN EFFECT

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Your sponsorship commitment becomes long-term change providing help for self-help. We involve children at the centre of all projects, bringing effective and sustainable solutions to families and communities. With Plan's Effect, your commitment helps empower communities to transform their lives and futures.

IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS

