

# Isiolo: Kaunti Kuimarisha Uendelevu

## Information session recap



**DATE:** July 31, 2019

**LOCATION:** Rangelands Hotel

**TOTAL ATTENDEES: 118\***; 27% women including

27 individuals

23 community-based organizations

21 county government officials

18 private businesses

14 non-governmental organizations

0 youth groups

3 women's groups

2 cooperative societies

2 trusts

\* Expect a discrepancy in the total – only a sample of participating categories is listed in this box.

### DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES IDENTIFIED DURING THE SESSION INCLUDE:

**Water scarcity and related food insecurity.** Lack of reliable sources of water create food insecurity for communities here. Solutions included water harvesting; water pans and wells for collecting surface and run-off water during the rainy season; irrigation schemes; water conservation strategies and boreholes to boost water supply.

**Unemployment.** Lack of economic opportunities for youth, persons with disabilities and women is persistent. Solutions included creating alternative livelihoods such as value addition for existing agricultural products; entrepreneurship; business and technical skills training; mentorship and linkages to funding including donor/private sector seed grants and county government funds.

**Insecurity.** Stronger networks between communities and counties can be facilitated through targeted peace meetings and dialogues led by the county governments and local organizations to promote peaceful coexistence. Greater monitoring is needed to halt the infiltration of small arms.



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