

Kajiado: Kaunti Kuimarisha Uendelevu

Information session recap



DATE: August 6, 2019

LOCATION: Enchula Resort

TOTAL ATTENDEES: 91*, 44% women including

12 individuals

13 community-based organizations

5 county government officials

18 private businesses

28 non-governmental organizations

0 youth groups

3 women's groups

3 cooperative societies

3 trusts

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

DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES IDENTIFIED DURING MEETING

- **Low levels of education.** This is a major development concern - high illiteracy levels here are largely due to retrogressive cultures such as early marriage practiced in the community.
- **Environmental degradation.** Poor land use, sand harvesting, charcoal-burning and logging are contributing factors.
- **Lack of reliable water sources.** This has the knock-on effect of high health-related problems compounded by shortage of health facilities.
- **Socio-economic challenges.** These include gender inequality, poor governance, food insecurity, poverty, general insecurity, unemployment, and poor infrastructure.

PROPOSED SOLUTIONS

- **Education.** Introducing resilience programs in the schools, use of alternative education and special needs education and coaching and mentorship programs.
- **Environmental degradation.** Capacity-building on environmentally sensitive issues and reporting organizations emitting carbon.
- **Water Scarcity.** Collaborating with government institutions, private sector, and NGOs to initiate water resilience programs such as rainwater harvesting, and dam development.
- **Health.** Health promotion and community disease prevention programs as possible solutions to health-related challenges

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