



Annual Report **2025**

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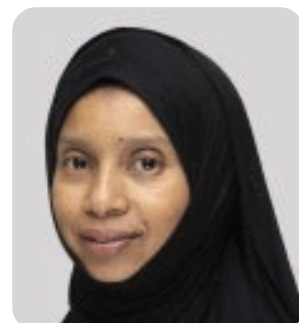
2025

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Message from THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



It is with great honour and a deep sense of responsibility that I present this report, reflecting on Islamic Relief Kenya's impact in 2025.

Despite a challenging humanitarian landscape marked by funding constraints and increasing complexity, we remained steadfast in our mission of delivering life-changing support while strengthening long-term community resilience.

In 2025, we proudly marked **32 years of service in Kenya**. From our early response to drought in Mandera to our presence today across 8 counties, our journey reflects a sustained commitment to dignity, compassion, and transformative impact.

Guided by our 2023–2027 Strategy, we continued to deliver integrated programmes across child protection, education, health, WASH, livelihoods, and disaster response reaching **450,498 people directly** and **680,749 indirectly** through advocacy and community engagement.

The Board remained focused on providing strong governance, strategic oversight, and accountability, ensuring the organisation continues to operate with integrity, innovation, and impact particularly for the most vulnerable.

We also responded proactively to the introduction of the Public Benefits Organisations (PBO) Act, strengthening our compliance and reinforcing our commitment to transparency and good governance.

With gratitude to Almighty Allah, we celebrate the resilience of the communities we serve, the dedication of our staff, and the trust of our partners and supporters. These achievements are a testament to what is possible through collaboration and shared purpose.

As we look ahead, our focus remains clear in deepening impact, strengthening resilience, and delivering sustainable outcomes, particularly in fragile and high risk contexts.

I extend my sincere appreciation to our Board, Management, donors, partners, volunteers, and the wider Islamic Relief family. Your unwavering support continues to make this work possible.

Sumayya Hassan,
Chair of the Board of Trustees

Message from THE COUNTRY DIRECTOR



As we reflect on 2025, I am deeply inspired by what we have achieved together. This year marked meaningful progress in delivering our 2023 – 2027 Strategy and advancing sustainable impact across Kenya.

In 2025, we strengthened our advocacy, expanded partnerships, and enhanced our visibility by establishing a local fundraising function. We were honoured to host partners and donors from across the globe, alongside senior government officials, all of whom witnessed firsthand the impact of our work.

At the heart of our approach is a strong focus on women and youth as drivers of change. Through skills development, entrepreneurship support, financial inclusion, and mentorship, we are enabling economic independence, strengthening livelihoods, and building more resilient communities.

Our long term, community-centred model continues to deliver results. Across our programme areas, we are improving access to education, healthcare, clean water, and sustainable livelihoods while empowering communities to lead and sustain their own development.

In 2025 alone, we reached 450,498 people, delivering integrated humanitarian and development interventions across our areas of operation. Behind these numbers are powerful stories of transformation of families rebuilding livelihoods, children accessing education, and communities gaining reliable access to clean water.

Even in a complex operating environment shaped by climate shocks, economic pressures, and insecurity our teams remained agile and committed, delivering timely and life saving support where it is needed most.

As we mark 32 years of impact in Kenya, we are reminded that true change is not only measured by what we deliver, but by what communities are empowered to sustain.

Looking ahead, we remain committed to innovation, partnership, and locally driven solutions that create lasting change.

I extend my sincere gratitude to our donors, partners, government counterparts, staff, volunteers, and the communities we serve. Your trust and collaboration continue to drive our mission forward. Together, we are transforming lives.

Hassan Abdille,
Country Director



About Islamic Relief Kenya



Islamic Relief Kenya (IRK) is a locally registered organisation with the Public Benefit Organizations Regulatory Authority (PBORA) Registered Charity No. 218/051/204/0374/3386 and is governed by a Board of Directors comprising both Kenyan and international members. While our work is faith-inspired, we are an independent, non-political humanitarian organisation that serves people solely based on need, without discrimination.

This commitment is reflected in our adherence to globally recognised standards and frameworks. Islamic Relief is a signatory to the Code of Conduct for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, complies with the Sphere Standards for Humanitarian Action and Humanitarian Accountability principles, and is certified against the Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS), affirming the quality and accountability of our programmes.

Islamic Relief Kenya began its operations in 1993 in Mandera County, focusing on supporting vulnerable children and their families through a one to one orphan sponsorship programme. In 2006, we established a fully fledged country office in Nairobi, alongside field offices in Mandera, Wajir, Garissa, Kilifi, and Tana River. Our operations have since expanded to Marsabit, Kajiado, Lamu, and Kwale counties.

Today, we deliver both life saving humanitarian assistance and long-term development programmes, reaching some of the most marginalised communities across Kenya.



Our Vision

Inspired by the Islamic faith and guided by our values, we envisage a caring world where communities are empowered, social obligations are fulfilled, and people respond as one to the suffering of others.

We provide lasting routes out of poverty, empowering people to transform their lives.



Our Mission

Exemplifying our Islamic values, we will mobilise resources, build partnerships, and develop local capacity as we work to:

- Enable communities to mitigate the effect of disasters, prepare for their occurrence and respond by providing relief, protection, and recovery.
- Promote integrated development and environmental custodianship with a focus on sustainable livelihoods.
- Support the marginalised and vulnerable to voice their needs and address the root causes of poverty.
- We work to provide lasting routes out of poverty, empowering people to transform their lives and serving all communities without prejudice.

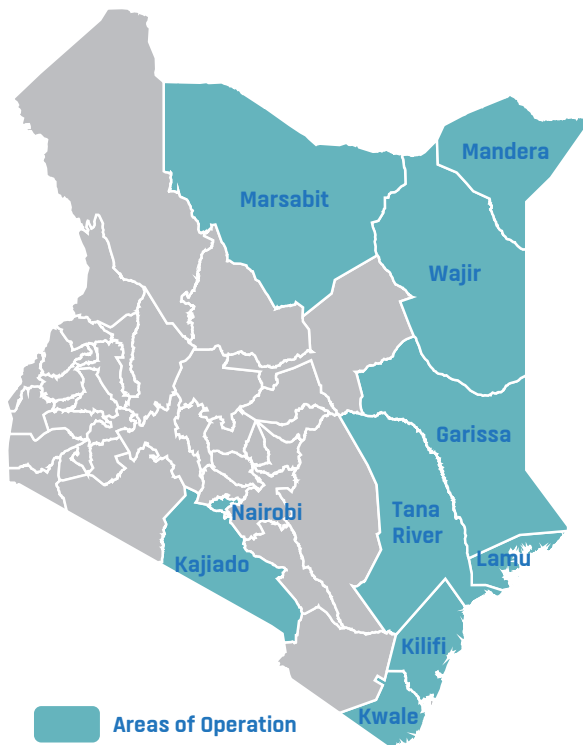
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Our Values



- **Sincerity (Ikhlas):** Operating with sincerity to God, aiming to fulfill obligations to humanity without expecting anything in return.
- **Excellence (Ihsan):** A commitment to high-quality, professional, and ethical conduct in all operations, ensuring the best service for the vulnerable.
- **Compassion (Rahma):** Recognizing the sanctity of life, with a commitment to easing the suffering caused by disasters, poverty, and injustice.
- **Social Justice (Adl):** Empowering poor and vulnerable people to fulfill their rights, achieve their potential, and addressing the root causes of suffering.
- **Custodianship (Amana):** Acting as stewards of the earth and its resources, while maintaining accountability and transparency in the trust placed in them

Areas of Operation



2025 in Numbers

At a glance



IMPACT IN 2025



450,498

Right holders reached (231018f. 219480 m)



12,000 +

Learners accessed improved education services



GBP 8,240,207

Funds invested



310,359

Right holders reached through Ramadan, Qurbani & Aqiqah



102,000+

Right holders have improved water access



310

Farmers assisted



3164

Orphans sponsored



2000

Right holders reached through advocacy



1,620

Dignity kits distributed



480

Reached with humanitarian assistance



4000

Households reached with nutrition and income



3

Policies developed with the county governments



31

Boreholes drilled & rehabilitated to expand water access



36

Projects implemented



450

Cataract surgeries conducted



54

Classrooms built & rehabilitated to improve learning spaces



Programmatic Achievements

Islamic Relief Kenya's programming is structured around four thematic areas aligned with the Islamic Relief Worldwide strategy, which guides its efforts in engaging with communities.





Empowering Communities and Changing Lives

RESULTS AT A GLANCE



4,000

Households supported with chicks and feeds



3,000

Milk-producing goats distributed



3

Irrigation farms established totaling to 90 acres



3

Animal crushes constructed



310

Farmers supported with seeds



700

Cone kitchen garden bags provided



432

Beehives provided



10

Fisher groups equipped



15

Groups provided with seed capital



20

Solar powered IG machines provided



7

Cooperatives formed



Policies developed/strengthened







Strengthening Resilience Through Sustainable Livelihoods

Throughout 2025, Islamic Relief Kenya (IRK) advanced community resilience through integrated Food Security and Sustainable Livelihoods (FSL) interventions addressing rising food insecurity driven by recurrent droughts, climate variability, limited livelihood opportunities, and weak market systems. In Kenya's arid and semi arid regions, these compounding shocks have eroded productive assets, reduced household incomes, and increased dependence on external assistance undermining long-term resilience, dignity, and self-reliance among pastoralists and smallholder farmers.

IRK delivered a holistic, climate-smart programme that combined resilient agricultural production, livestock support, livelihood diversification, value chain development, and enterprise strengthening. This integrated approach was designed not only to meet immediate needs but also to address the structural drivers of vulnerability and build pathways toward sustainable recovery.

Through these community driven interventions, IRK achieved measurable gains in household food security, expanded and diversified income opportunities, and significantly strengthened the resilience of vulnerable communities equipping them to better withstand shocks and build more secure, dignified, and sustainable futures.

Key results achieved in 2025 include:

- **4,000 households** supported with chicks and poultry feed, boosting household nutrition and income through rapid-cycle production
- **3,000 milk-producing goats** distributed and **3 animal crushes constructed**, improving livestock health services and productivity
- **90-acre irrigation scheme** established, enabling year round farming and reducing reliance on erratic rainfall
- **1,010 farmers supported** with certified and drought tolerant seeds, alongside 700 kitchen gardens to enhance food availability
- **50 grain storage units** distributed, reducing post-harvest losses
- **432 beehives** established and **10 fisher groups** equipped, expanding alternative livelihood opportunities
- **7 cooperatives** formed and **15 groups** provided with seed capital to strengthen local enterprises
- **50 participants** trained in ILO certified business skills, enhancing entrepreneurship and financial management
- **10 solar-powered maize mills and 10 solar freezers** installed, improving value addition, storage, and market access
- **3 policies developed/strengthened**, integrating community priorities into local governance frameworks

Voices from Rightholders

From Loss to Resilience: Diversifying Livelihoods in Garissa



In Garissa County, where erratic rainfall and prolonged droughts are a constant threat, pastoralist families are increasingly struggling to sustain their livelihoods. For many, livestock once a reliable source of income and food can no longer withstand the harsh effects of climate change.

Through the Strengthening Community Resilience and Economic Empowerment Project (SHEEP), supported by Islamic Relief USA, Islamic Relief Kenya is helping communities adapt, rebuild, and diversify their sources of income.

Siyat Nur, a pastoralist from Modogashe, knows this struggle all too well. After losing 22 goats to drought and selling the rest at minimal value, he was left without a reliable livelihood.

“Providing for my family became a daily struggle. We had fewer meals, and food prices kept rising,” he recalls.

Through the project, Siyat joined 239 other agro-pastoralists in receiving training on climate smart agriculture, equipping them with practical skills to transition beyond livestock keeping.

With these new skills, Siyat made a bold shift. He invested in two acres of land and began cultivating maize, beans, tomatoes, and watermelons diversifying his income and improving his family's food security.

“I now combine farming with livestock keeping. This has given me a more stable way to provide for my family,” he says.

Beyond individual transformation, the project is strengthening community resilience through investments in water infrastructure, including boreholes and dams, to improve access to water and training farmers in fodder production to sustain livestock during dry periods. Local disaster risk reduction committees are also enhancing early warning systems and preparedness. Siyat's story reflects a broader shift from vulnerability to adaptability, and from reliance on a single livelihood to more resilient, diversified futures.



DELIVER PROJECT
IN KENYA 2024-2025



Access to Inclusive and Quality Education



Creating Safe and Inclusive Learning Environments

Throughout the year, IRK implemented transformative interventions that significantly enhanced school infrastructure, improved learning conditions, and promoted safer, more inclusive education environments for children in vulnerable communities. These interventions were implemented in contexts where many learners continue to study in overcrowded classrooms with inadequate sanitation, insufficient learning materials, and weak school infrastructure conditions that undermine the quality of education and negatively impact attendance, retention, and learning outcomes, with girls and the most vulnerable children disproportionately affected.

IRK transformed schools into safe, inclusive, and conducive learning environments that not only improved access to education but also strengthened dignity, participation, and learning outcomes for all children.

Key Results Achieved

- Constructed **34 new** classrooms, increasing school capacity and reducing overcrowding
- Rehabilitated **20 classrooms**, improving safety and learning conditions
- Built **19 two-door VIP latrines**, enhancing sanitation and hygiene for learners
- Provided **1,020 learner-friendly desks**, improving classroom comfort and participation
- Distributed **1,620 dignity kits and 237 back-to-school kits**, supporting retention of vulnerable learners
- Secured **one school** with perimeter fencing, strengthening safety and protection
- Supported **9 School** Boards of Management, improving governance and accountability
- Supplied educational and recreational materials to **3 schools**, enhancing holistic learning
- Rehabilitated and equipped **3 ICT laboratories**, expanding access to digital learning and ICT skills



Voices from Rightholders

From Overcrowded Classrooms to Opportunity: Transforming Learning in Kilifi

In Kilifi County, children at Sirini Primary School once learned under trees, in shifts, or in a dark and overcrowded library. With only four classrooms serving the entire school, congestion, poor sanitation, and limited resources disrupted learning especially for younger students and girls.

Through the Development through Livelihoods, Empowerment and Resilience Support Project, supported by Islamic Relief Canada, Islamic Relief Kenya partnered with the school community to create a safer and more inclusive learning environment.

Two new classrooms and improved sanitation facilities have transformed daily school life. Students now learn in safe, weather proof spaces, and overcrowding has significantly reduced. As a result, enrollment increased by 97 students, including upper-grade learners who now have dedicated classrooms.

At the same time, the school's library was renovated into a modern learning hub equipped with computers, internet connectivity, and solar lighting—bringing digital learning within reach for the first time.

“Previously, classes were held under trees and often interrupted by rain. Now learning continues smoothly no matter the weather,”

— **Headteacher, Mr. Choga**

Beyond infrastructure, the project invested in student well being. 105 girls participated in mentorship sessions on life skills, menstrual health, and safeguarding, supported by dignity

kits and community awareness initiatives. These efforts have strengthened girls' confidence, helping them stay in school and advocate for their rights.

School governance has also improved through training of the Board of Management, enabling early identification of risks such as absenteeism and dropout—and supporting vulnerable students to return to school.

“Girls now understand their rights and can speak openly. We have already followed up on several cases of dropout, helping children return to school,”

— **Board of Management Member**

Today, Sirini Primary School stands as a model of how integrating investments in infrastructure, technology and student support improves learning outcomes and increases enrolment.





Expanding Access to Safe, Clean and Portable Water

Strengthening Water Security and Building Resilient Communities

IRK delivered high impact interventions that strengthened access to safe, reliable, and sustainable water services through integrated infrastructure development, renewable energy solutions, and strengthened community water governance systems. These interventions directly responded to chronic water scarcity in arid and semi arid regions, where recurrent drought, climate variability, and weak water infrastructure make access to water a daily and often exhausting struggle.

Women and children are frequently forced to walk long distances in search of water,

while schools struggle to maintain even basic hygiene and sanitation due to unreliable supply. This persistent burden undermines household well being, reduces productivity, and erodes health, dignity, and opportunity.

Through these integrated interventions, IRK significantly improved water availability, reduced the burden of water collection, and strengthened community resilience to climate shocks. Communities and schools now benefit from more reliable, safer, and sustainable water systems supporting better health, improved learning outcomes, and enhanced livelihoods.

2025 AT A GLANCE



102,000+

Right holders
reached with
improved water
access



4

Schools provided
with plastic water
tanks



34

3 dams and 31
boreholes
solarized



8

Underground
water tanks
constructed



9

Micro dams
constructed



200

Water storage
jerricans
distributed



21

Water User
Associations
trained



2,000

Reusable
water bottles
distributed



12

Boreholes
drilled &
equipped



19

Boreholes
rehabilitated



3,000

litre tanks
distributed to 24
households



2

Water
connections to
two schools



Key Results Achieved

- Solarized **3 dams and 31 boreholes**, ensuring continuous water supply while reducing operational costs
- Drilled and equipped **12 new boreholes and rehabilitated 19 existing boreholes**, expanding access to safe water for underserved communities
- Constructed **9 micro dams (30,000 m³ each)**, significantly increasing water storage capacity for domestic and livestock use
- Connected **2 schools** to reliable water supply systems, improving hygiene and learning conditions
- Provided **4 schools** with water storage tanks, enhancing water availability in drought-prone areas
- Built **water tanks, distributed 3,000-litre tanks to 24 households and 200 water jerricans**, strengthening household-level water storage and resilience
- Trained **21 Water User Associations (WUAs)** in governance, financial management, and O&M, strengthening sustainability and community ownership
- Provided **3 schools with non-chemical water purifiers and distributed 2,000 reusable water bottles**, promoting safe drinking water practices

Voices from Rightholders

Water Has Changed Our Lives

For years, families in Kathlash village, Garissa County lived at the mercy of water scarcity relying on expensive water trucks or walking long distances under harsh conditions just to meet their daily needs.

“We used to depend on water trucks, but it was never enough and very costly,” recalls Maalim Abdi Rage, the village Imam. “Now, we have a reliable source of water. It has brought life back to our community.”

In 2025, Islamic Relief Kenya, with support from Islamic Relief USA, drilled and solarised a borehole in Kathlash under the Strengthening Community Resilience and Economic Empowerment Programme (SHEEP). Today, the borehole is transforming lives.

Children who once spent hours searching for water are now in school. Families can access clean water within minutes of their homes. Pastoralists are able to care for their livestock better, strengthening both food security and incomes.

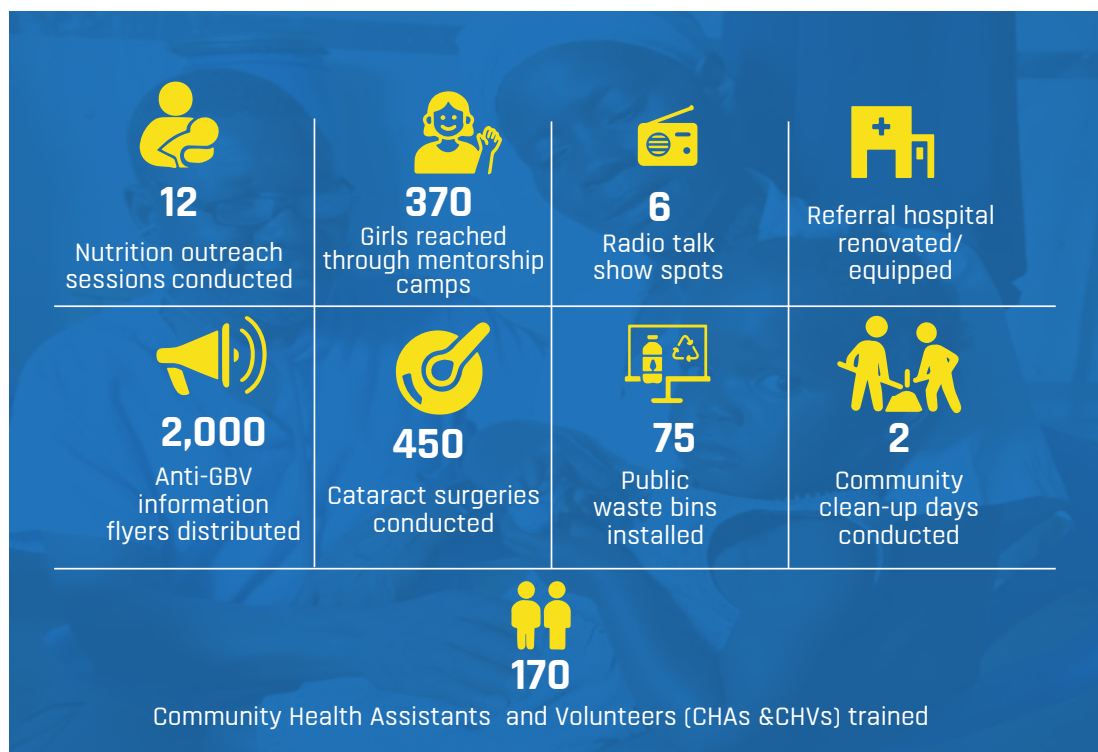
The impact extends beyond basic needs. The borehole has become a community asset, generating income through regulated water sales to vendors supplying neighbouring villages. These funds support maintenance and fuel, ensuring the system remains sustainable and community managed.

For mothers like Bishar Gabey, who once walked up to 20 kilometres for water, the change is profound:

“Now we access clean water easily. I have more time to care for my children and livestock. Our lives have truly improved.”



Promoting Health and Wellbeing & Advocacy



Strengthening Community Health Systems and Protecting Vulnerable Lives

During 2025, IRK continued to scale its impact by implementing a comprehensive Health & Advocacy programme aimed at strengthening community health systems, improving access to essential services, and equipping communities with the knowledge and tools needed to take charge of their well-being.

The programme responded to persistent barriers including limited health awareness, inadequate service availability, weak referral systems, and overstretched health facilities. These systemic gaps continue to drive preventable illness, poor nutrition outcomes,

gender-based vulnerabilities, and avoidable disability deepening cycles of poverty and exclusion in already vulnerable communities.

The programme delivered life changing impact by restoring sight, improving maternal and child health, advancing adolescent well-being, and fostering healthier, more resilient communities.

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Key Results Achieved

- Conducted **12 outreach sessions**, delivering lifesaving screening, referral, and nutrition counselling for vulnerable households
- Reached **370 adolescent girls** through mentorship camps focused on life skills, menstrual hygiene management, leadership, and protection awareness
- Delivered health and rights messaging through **6 radio talk shows**, expanding youth and community awareness on health, protection, and well-being
- Distributed **2,000 anti GBV awareness flyers**, strengthening community understanding of prevention and reporting pathways
- Organized **2 community clean-up campaigns**, improving environmental health and sanitation practices
- Installed **75 public waste bins and a sanitation recycling awareness billboard**, promoting proper waste management and hygiene
- Trained **25 Community Health Assistants (CHAs) and 150 Community Health Volunteers (CHVs)**, strengthening frontline health service delivery
- Renovated maternity and stabilization units at a referral hospital, improving maternal, neonatal, and emergency care
- Equipped health facilities with essential ophthalmic equipment, strengthening eye care services
- Conducted **450 cataract surgeries**, restoring sight and transforming lives through improved vision and independence



Voices from Rightholders

Restoring Sight, Renewing Hope in Kwale



“My hope was that one day he would see, walk without help, and play with other children.”

For Amina Mnyika, a single mother of six in Kwale County, this hope once felt out of reach. Her young son, Ramah, was born unable to see, leaving him fully dependent on others and limiting his ability to experience the world around him. Despite countless hospital visits, Amina found no answers only mounting frustration and financial strain.

In 2025, that changed. Through the Gift of Sight initiative, Islamic Relief Kenya, with support from Islamic Relief Canada, conducted 300 free cataract surgeries in Kwale County restoring vision and transforming lives. Among the beneficiaries was Ramah, who was diagnosed with cataracts in both eyes and successfully treated.

For the first time, Ramah began to see.

“I am happy that my son can now see and move on his own,” Amina shares. “He can finally experience a world he had never seen before.”

Across Kwale where cataracts remain a leading yet treatable cause of blindness this intervention is addressing a critical gap in access to eye care. In addition to surgeries, the programme strengthened local health systems through equipment support and trained community health volunteers to promote early diagnosis and care.

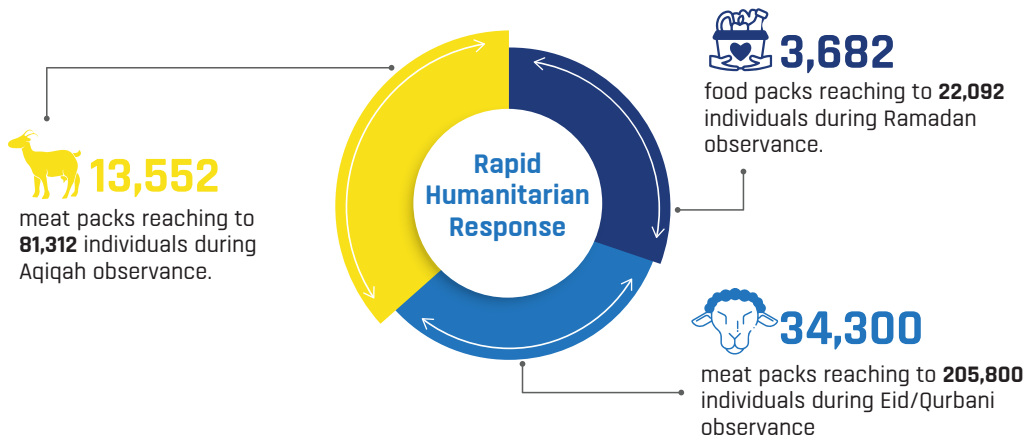
For families like Amina's, restored sight means more than improved health it means renewed independence, dignity, and the chance for a brighter future.





Emergency Life-Saving and Humanitarian Crisis Response

Rapid Humanitarian Response to Deepening Food Insecurity



Throughout the year, Islamic Relief Kenya responded swiftly to escalating food insecurity through targeted emergency assistance aimed at saving lives, protecting dignity, and preventing further deterioration of household food security.

This response was critical in a context where recurrent drought, conflict shocks, and rising food prices continue to push already vulnerable households into acute food insecurity.

For many families particularly those with limited income, poor market access, or no social safety nets even a single shock can quickly result in hunger, malnutrition, and harmful coping strategies such as skipping meals, borrowing food, or selling essential household assets. Women, children, older persons, and persons with disabilities are often the most affected, bearing the greatest burden during such crises.

Through this rapid and principled response, IRK ensured that the most vulnerable households received timely, life-saving support when they needed it most—helping to prevent hunger, safeguard dignity, and save lives during periods of acute crisis and during key Islamic observances.

Key Results Achieved

- Provided **3,682** food packs reaching **22,092** individuals during Ramadan observance
- Provided **34,300** meat packs reaching to **205,800** individuals during Eid/Qurbani observance
- Provided **13,552** meat packs reaching to **81,312** individuals during Aqiqah observance
- Distributed **80** emergency food packs, reaching **480** vulnerable individuals with lifesaving assistance during crisis periods
- Provided essential food staples designed to sustain households through acute shocks and prevent hunger and malnutrition

Voices from Rightholders

Restoring Dignity Through Food Support

At 87 years old, Halwa Hassan carries the immense responsibility of caring for eight orphaned children under her roof at Pumwani Shelter in Eastleigh, Nairobi. With no stable income, she relies on selling clothes along the roadside an unpredictable livelihood that often leaves her family with just one meal a day.

“On days when I don't sell anything, we sometimes go to bed hungry,” she shares quietly. “At times, we borrow food from neighbours just to get by.”

In 2025, Islamic Relief Kenya, with support from Islamic Relief Ireland, reached Halwa through a targeted food distribution initiative supporting 80 vulnerable households in urban Nairobi. Identified through a transparent, community led selection process prioritising the most at risk particularly elderly caregivers, female headed households, and families with multiple dependents Halwa's household was among those selected.

She received a food package containing essential staples including maize flour, wheat flour, sugar, dates, and cooking oil providing immediate relief to her family.

“Alhamdulillah... it is not easy raising eight orphaned children. The challenges are overwhelming,”

she says, her voice trembling with emotion.

“This support has made a real difference in our lives.”

Living just 100 metres from the distribution point, Halwa was also able to access the assistance without additional financial burden an important consideration for vulnerable urban households where even transport costs can be prohibitive.

Halwa remains deeply grateful:

“May Allah bless and reward the donors for remembering us. I humbly ask for continued support, especially for school and madrasa fees. Raising these children is not easy but your help means the world to us.”

Through interventions like these, Islamic Relief Kenya continues to restore dignity, ease immediate hardship, and stand in solidarity with the most vulnerable ensuring families like Halwa's are not left behind.







Climate Change and Conflict Nexus



100

Homes
solarized



34

Water
systems
solarized



400

Energy
saving stoves
distributed



20

solar
powered
IG machines

Advancing Climate Resilience through Clean Energy and Sustainable Resource Management

In 2025, IRK implemented integrated clean energy and climate resilience interventions aimed at reducing resource stress, improving access to essential services, and promoting sustainable, low-carbon livelihoods in Kenya's arid and semi-arid regions.

IRK's interventions were delivered in a context where communities continue to face the compounding effects of climate change and resource-based conflict. Scarcity of water, limited access to clean energy, and accelerating environmental degradation have intensified competition over essential resources such as water, firewood, and pasture placing both livelihoods and social cohesion at risk.

Through these integrated interventions, IRK enhanced access to clean energy for households, schools, and enterprises; reduced environmental degradation; and eased pressure on fragile natural resources. By addressing the root causes of resource-based tensions and climate vulnerability, the programme strengthened community resilience, improved livelihoods, and contributed to more stable, sustainable, and climate-adaptive local systems in some of Kenya's most vulnerable regions.

Key Results Achieved

Clean and Safe Household Energy

- Solarized **100 households**, providing clean, reliable, and affordable energy for lighting and basic domestic needs
- Distributed **400 energy-saving jikos**, reducing firewood consumption, lowering emissions, and decreasing time spent particularly by women and girls on fuel collection

Water Security and Conflict Reduction

- Solarized **31 boreholes** and **3 community dams**, ensuring continuous and reliable water supply for domestic use, livestock, and agriculture
- Reduced operational costs of water systems and minimized resource based tensions linked to water scarcity
- Strengthened community resilience in drought prone and conflict sensitive areas

Sustainable Education Infrastructure

- Solarized 4 schools, improving lighting, safety, and enabling more conducive and digitally supported learning environments

Green Livelihoods and Value Addition

- Provided 10 solar-powered maize mills and 20 solar-powered freezers, supporting women and youth groups in income generation

- Reduced post-harvest losses while promoting climate-friendly, low-emission production and storage systems
- Strengthened market access and improved household incomes through clean energy solutions

Voices from Rightholders

New Futures for Youth in Wajir

In Wajir County, where prolonged drought has devastated pastoral livelihoods, young people are forging new futures beyond livestock equipped with skills, confidence, and renewed hope.

For many, opportunity begins at vocational training centres in Griftu and Habaswein, supported by Islamic Relief Kenya through the Building Resilience and Adaptation to Climate Change project, funded by Islamic Relief USA. Once under resourced and limited to theory based learning, these centres have been transformed into vibrant hubs of practical skills development.

Workshops that once stood empty are now equipped with modern tools from sewing machines and electrical kits to computers and carpentry materials allowing trainees to gain hands on, marketable skills. Qualified instructors and solar-powered facilities have further strengthened the quality and accessibility of training.

To ensure no one is left behind, 200 youth 125 women and 75 men received full sponsorships, enabling them to pursue

courses in ICT, tailoring, hairdressing, and electrical installation.

For Farhiya, an ICT trainee, the experience has been life-changing:

“Before joining, I had never used a computer. Now I can create documents and presentations. My dream is to study ICT further and start my own business.”

Another trainee in tailoring shares a similar journey of resilience:

“I almost gave up because my family couldn't afford the fees. Today, I am learning to design and sew. I want to open my own workshop and train other young women.”

Beyond individual success stories, the programme is reshaping the future of Wajir's youth. With climate change making pastoralism increasingly uncertain, vocational skills are opening pathways to employment, entrepreneurship, and self-reliance.

By investing in skills, infrastructure, and opportunity, Islamic Relief Kenya is not only addressing immediate challenges but equipping a generation to adapt, thrive, and build more resilient futures.





Social Protection for Orphaned Children



3,164

Orphans Supported
through Cash
Transfers

Throughout 2025, IRK, deepened its footprint by providing an integrated support aimed at strengthening family-based care, improving living conditions, and safeguarding the dignity and future of orphaned and vulnerable children throughout the year. This intervention was delivered in a context where many children continue to face multiple and overlapping vulnerabilities, including limited access to education, healthcare, adequate nutrition, and safe shelter. For many caregivers, persistent financial constraints make it difficult to consistently meet even the most basic needs, leaving children at risk of poor wellbeing, school dropout, and unstable living conditions.

Through these integrated interventions, Islamic Relief Kenya strengthened the resilience of vulnerable households, upheld children's rights, and ensured that thousands of orphaned children are able to grow up in safer, more stable, and nurturing environments where they can thrive.

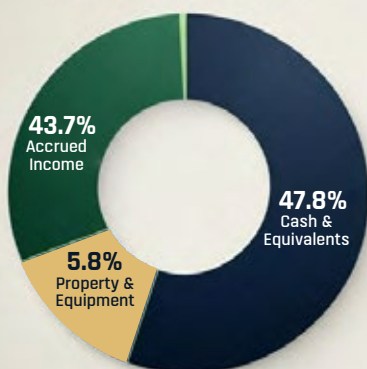
Key Results Achieved

- Supported **3,164 orphaned children** through quarterly cash transfers, enabling families to meet essential needs including food, education, healthcare, and clothing
- Improved household stability, with some families using surplus support to **upgrade shelter and living conditions**, enhancing safety and dignity
- Provided **education scholarships**, increasing school retention and learning continuity for vulnerable children
- Supported **housing construction interventions**, ensuring safer and more secure living environments for orphaned children
- Strengthened **family-based care systems**, reducing reliance on institutional care and promoting long-term wellbeing

Financial Overview

Total Assets: **KSh 638.3 Million** (£1.82M)

ASSET COMPOSITION



LIABILITIES & FUNDS

Deferred Income **91.0%**

Other Liabilities **9.0%**

- 47.8% Cash & Equivalents
- 43.7% Accrued Income
- 5.7% Property & Equipment

KEY PERFORMANCE METRICS



Strong financial position supported by high cash reserves (305.1M) and substantial accrued income (KSh 278.8M), together comprising over 91% of total assets.

A photograph showing a person, likely a woman, sitting amidst a large pile of watermelons. The watermelons are green with dark green stripes. The person is wearing a grey shirt and is partially visible in the upper left. The background shows a corrugated metal structure.

Future Outlook

In 2026 and beyond, Islamic Relief Kenya (IRK) will intensify efforts to build resilient communities, expand sustainable livelihoods, and enhance humanitarian response systems. Our strategic focus areas include:

- **Climate Resilience:** Scaling solarization initiatives, promoting climate smart agriculture, and supporting ecosystem restoration to help communities adapt to rising climate risks.
- **Food Security & Livelihoods:** Expanding income-generating opportunities through livestock and poultry value chains, youth and women led enterprises, and market linked cooperatives.
- **Emergency Preparedness:** Strengthening early warning systems, pre-positioning essential supplies, and delivering rapid food and cash assistance to households affected by drought or conflict.
- **Social Protection:** Empowering community disaster committees, enhancing inclusion and accountability, and supporting county level safety nets.

- **Education & Integrated Services:** Increasing school solarization, supporting vulnerable learners, and expanding integrated education, protection, and psychosocial programs.
- **Peacebuilding:** Deepening community dialogue platforms, engaging youth, and promoting conflict-sensitive resource management.
- **Institutional Strengthening:** Investing in staff capacity, robust MEAL systems, safeguarding, digital transformation, and partnerships with local actors.

Through these strategic priorities, IRK aims to deliver more impactful, community driven, and sustainable programs, fostering long term resilience, self-reliance, and dignity for the communities we serve.

Acknowledgments

Islamic Relief Kenya extends heartfelt gratitude to all who made our 2025 achievements possible. We are deeply thankful to our donors, whose generosity and commitment enabled us to deliver life-saving assistance, strengthen community resilience, and uphold the dignity of vulnerable households across our areas of operation.

We also recognize the invaluable support of our government counterparts and local partners. Their coordination, technical guidance, and shared vision were central to ensuring our programmes remained relevant, impactful, and aligned with local priorities.

To our dedicated staff and volunteers, we express our deepest appreciation. Their professionalism, compassion, and tireless efforts often in challenging conditions—have been instrumental in reaching communities

swiftly and effectively. Their commitment embodies the values at the heart of Islamic Relief's work.

Finally, we thank the communities we serve. Their resilience, cooperation, and trust inspire our mission and guide our approach. It is an honor to walk alongside them as partners in building sustainable, peaceful, and empowered societies.

Islamic Relief Kenya remains steadfast in serving those in need with transparency, accountability, and compassion. Together with donors, partners, staff, and communities we continue to make meaningful progress toward a just, resilient, and hopeful future.



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