

GLOBAL HUMANITARIAN MISSION

PROJECT PROPOSAL

A Bus for Mother Kevin School



Kaptembwa, Nakuru
Kenya

Overview

The Little Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi is an indigenous Congregation founded in 1932 by Irish missionary, Mother Mary Kevin. The Order was first started in Uganda, and has spread to Tanzania and Kenya, tending to the poor and the needy that they are called to love and serve, through apostolate ministry, such as education; healthcare, including managing hospitals and dispensaries; catechetical work; and social services, including caring for street children, orphans, single mothers, the aged, and people with disabilities.

In Kenya, **LSOSF**, now a population of over 700, is a blessing to the poor through Mother Kevin School, which sits in the heart of the Kaptembwa slums of **Nakuru**. Kaptembwa is a densely populated slum of **800,000** people, with the highest rates of HIV and AIDS.

Mother Kevin School was established in 1994, when newborn babies were being abandoned to the care of the Sisters at the Mother Kevin Dispensary. They were later placed with families and children's homes in the Diocese, but would receive their education at Mother Kevin School.

Today, **Mother Kevin School** is serving a student population of **1,104** in 1st through 7th grades, who are taught by a staff of **29**. Every morning, children from the neighborhood slums would wait at the school gate, knowing they would be admitted and fed, and the Sisters seized this opportunity to lure them to attend classes, with the prospect of breakfast and lunch. The facilities are now bursting at the seams, and grossly deteriorated by time and overuse.

Recently, the government has mandated that students in grades 6 and 7 must be separated from kindergarten and elementary-aged school children. So, the Sisters have been praying for a way to purchase land adjoining the existing school property, on which to build a separate classroom block for the 6th and 7th graders, in accordance with the new government regulations.



Where They Are

Country



Local



Coordinates: 0.2917° S, 36.0295° E



“Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.” Psalms 25:4-5.

Project Snapshot

Global Humanitarian Mission, recognizes the overwhelming burden the Little Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi bear. However, they hold firm that in caring for the children of Kaptembwa, they are fulfilling their charism of bringing newness and fullness of Christ's life in their corner of the world.

A Bus For Mother Kevin School project is being established for one reason, to ensure that all the children from the slums of Kaptembwa, make it to and from school.

The current van used to transport the neighborhood children to and from school each day has seen better days. Not only does it not have sufficient capacity to transport all the children, it spends more time in the shop than on the road, eking out the very last ounce of strength from its aged body.

Kevin School is desperately in need of reliable transportation.

*Your gift will ensure that boys and girls in Kenya, who have no hope of rising above their present situation without an education,
Get an education!*

TOTAL COST: \$79,983.60



From Global Humanitarian Mission

Little Sisters of St. Francis Assisi need you!

Their work in the slums of Kaptembwa, Kenya is overwhelming.

Yet, each day they valiantly carry out their mission in the spirit of St. Francis and Mother Kevin, to save the little children.

Although the government of Kenya advocates free education, parents are still expected to pay tuition fees, purchase uniforms and provide learning resources, as well as food for their children.

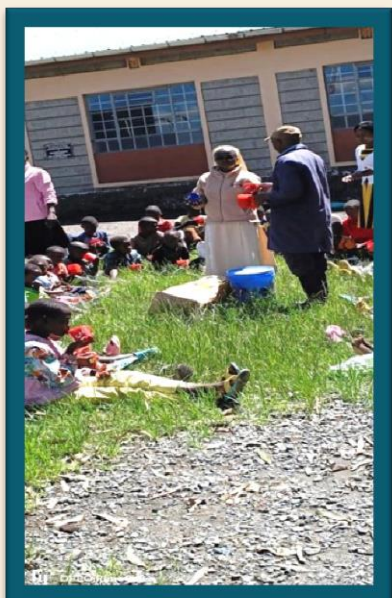
In Kaptembwa, those parents who have not abandoned their children, cannot afford even this.

The success of Mother Kevin School depends solely on its benefactors. Around 70-90% of parents or guardians are unable to pay the tuition, while the remainder does not pay regularly, and never the full amount. Yet no one is ever turned away, regardless of the now overwhelming demands of a growing school population.

If the van does not make it to pick up the boys and girls – which is often, because it is always in need of repairs - they do not make it to school.

They need your support to make sure that boys and girls from the slums of Kenya receive an education.

Join us as we bear their burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. (Galatians 6:2)



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