

# GLOBAL HUMANITARIAN MISSION

## PROJECT PROPOSAL

### Mother Kevin School Lunch Program



Kaptembwa, Nakuru  
Kenya

# Overview

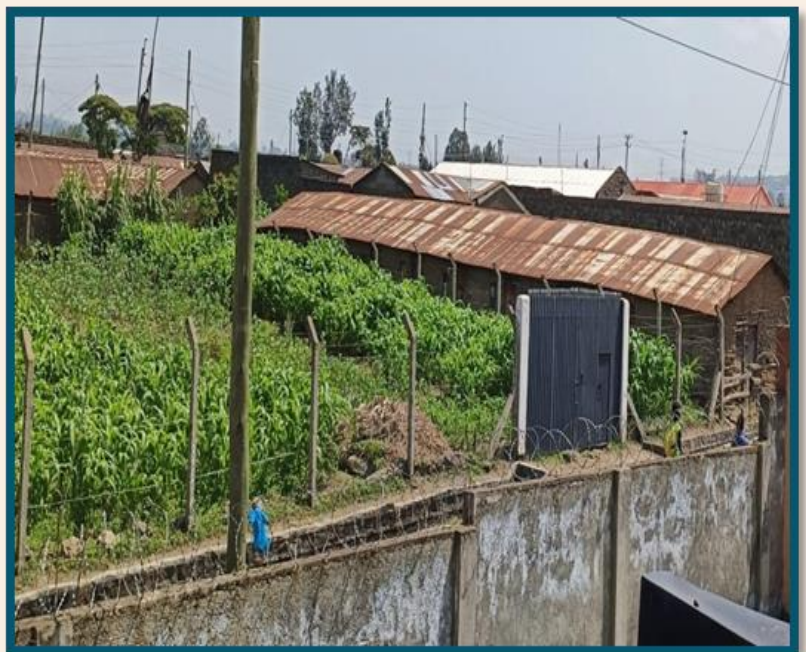
The Little Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi is an indigenous Congregation founded in 1932 by Irish missionary, Mother Mary Kevin. The Order was first started in Uganda, and has spread to Tanzania and Kenya, tending to the poor and the needy that they are called to love and serve, through apostolate ministry, 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders, in accordance with the new government regulations.

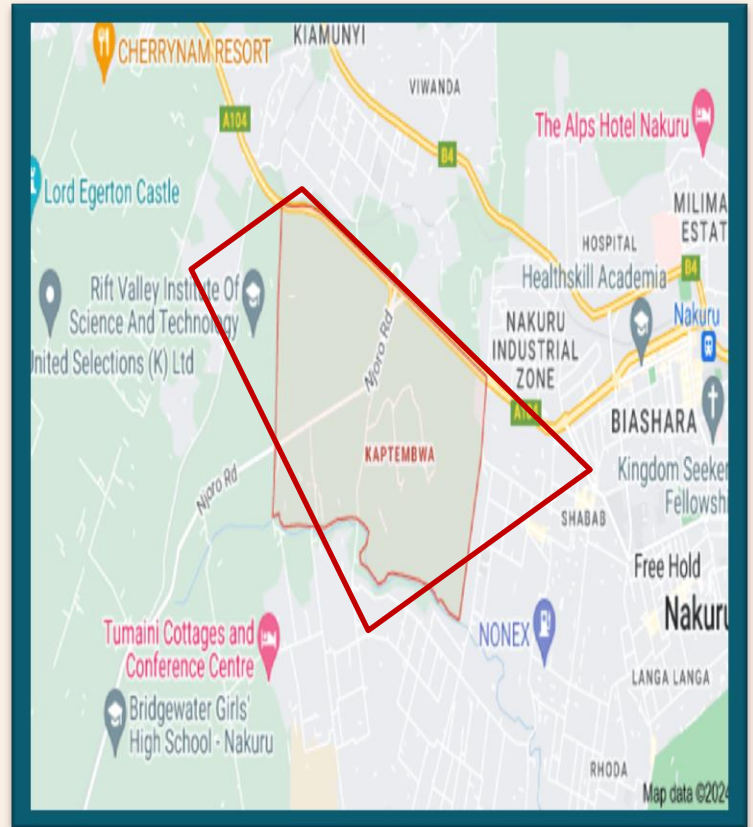


# Where They Are

Country



Local



Coordinates: 0.2917° S, 36.0295° E

*"Hear me, Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy. Hear my prayer, Lord; listen to my cry for mercy. When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me." Psalm 86: 1, 6,7.*

# Project Snapshot

**Global Humanitarian Mission**, as a Christian organization, enacts the Corporal Works of Mercy to those we serve. As such, we recognize the enormous burden Little Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi are carrying in order to fulfill their charism of bringing newness and fullness of Christ's life in their corner of the world.

The **Mother Kevin School Lunch Program** project is being established to address one of the most immediate needs the **Little Sisters** have in caring for these children.

Supporting the lunch program at Mother Kevin School, will greatly ease the burden of providing breakfast and lunch for the students each day. This will also increase their ability to learn on full stomachs.

*Your gift will ensure that 1,104 boys and girls will be fed a hot meal each day, during the next school year!*

**TOTAL COST: \$27,848.69**



*"First, let the children eat all they want ....  
"For it is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs." Mark 7:27*

# From Global Humanitarian Mission

***Little Sisters of St. Francis Assisi need you!***

**Their work in the slums of Kaptembwa, Kenya seems insurmountable.**

Yet, each day they valiantly carry out their mission in the spirit of St. Francis and Mother Kevin, saving 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 is attributed to all 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.

***Little Sisters of St. Francis Assisi are struggling to provide for the boys and girls of Kaptembwa.***

***Help them create a brilliant future of leaders who have risen from miserable beginnings!***

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



***“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me,  
And whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.” Mark 9:37***

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