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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYM

ABM	Anglican Board of Mission
ACK	Anglican Church of Kenya
ADSE	Anglican Development Services Eastern
ADSK	Anglican Development Services Kenya
AGM	Annual General Meeting
AID	Anglicans In Development
ARDF	Anglican Relief Development Fund
BDS	Business Development Services
BOD	Board of Directors
BWFT	Bread for the World Germany
CALHIV	Children and adolescents living with HIV
CAPA	Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa
CBOs	Community-Based Organizations
CBR	Community-Based Rehabilitation Centre
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CHPs	Community Health Promoters
CI	Conservation International
CIGs	Common Interest Groups
CLAs	Cluster Level Associations
CLTS	Community-Led Total Sanitation
CORPs	Community Resource Persons
CPCs	Child Protection Committees
CS	Child Services
DCS	Department of Child Services
DRR	Disaster Risk Reduction
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning
FOSECCA	Food Security and Climate Change Adaptation
FY	Financial Year
GBV	Gender-based violence

GCA	Global Center on Adaptation
GCF	Green Climate Fund
GEDSI	Gender Equality, Disability and Social Inclusion
GOK-	Government of Kenya
GRLP	Garissa Resilient Livelihood Project
HES	Household Economic Support
HH	Household
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
ICIPE	International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology
IFSP	Integrated Food Security Project
IISL	Integrated Initiatives for Sustainable Livelihoods
ILEP	Integrated Livelihood Enhancement Project
IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature
KES	Kenyan Shilling
LiCReP	Livelihoods and Climate Resilience Project
MACP	Makueni Agroforestry Carbon Project
MIS	Management Information System
MOA	Ministry of Agriculture
MOE	Ministry of Education
MOH	Ministry of Health
NHIF	National Health Insurance Fund
OVC	Orphans and Vulnerable Children
PSEAH	Prevention of Sexual Exploitation, Abuse, and Harassment
PVCA	Participatory and Vulnerability Capacity Assessment
PwC	PricewaterhouseCoopers
PWDs	Persons with Disabilities
PWRDF	Primate's World Relief and Development Fund
SACCO	Savings and Credit Cooperative Organization
SALM	Sustainable Agricultural Land Management
SHG	Self-Help Group
SJCC	St. Johns Community Centre

SP	Strategic Plan
SWO	Stop Work Order
TAI	Transform Aid International
TWENDE	Towards Ending Drought Emergencies
UCCS	Ukamba Christian Community Services
UN	United Nations
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
VSLAs	Village Savings and Loan Associations
WASH	Water Hygiene and Sanitation
WCCPTs	Ward Climate Change Planning Teams
WHH	Welthungerhilfe

ABOUT ANGLICAN DEVELOPMENT SERVICES EASTERN

Anglican Development Services Eastern (ADSE) is the development arm of the Anglican Church of Kenya (ACK) Dioceses of Machakos, Kitui, Makueni, and Garissa with its headquarters at Wamunyu, Machakos. Administratively, these Dioceses fall under Machakos, Kitui, Makueni, Garissa, Wajir and Mandera Counties. ADSE has had operations in these counties since 1987 as Ukamba Christian Community Services (UCCS) until 2014 when it rebranded to Anglican Development Services Eastern (ADSE)

OUR VISION

A vibrant organization transforming communities to enjoy secure and sustainable livelihoods.

OUR MISSION

To empower communities through participatory approaches and Godly Principles for quality life

STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe in God the creator of all human beings and we should honor the physical and spiritual needs of all people. Following Christ's example, we believe that we should treat every individual with love, dignity and respect, for He came so that all people may have life and have it in abundance

OUR CORE VALUES

- Godliness
- Professionalism
- Integrity
- Impartiality
- Participation and Teamwork
- Innovativeness

FOREWORD



FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEE CHAIR

It is my great pleasure to present the Anglican Development Services Eastern (ADSE) 2024/2025 Annual Report, which highlights the organization's continued commitment to transforming communities towards secure and sustainable livelihoods. Guided by the mission *"To empower communities through participatory approaches and Godly Principles for quality life"*. ADSE has remained steadfast in promoting wholesome and dignified living across its six counties of operation, Machakos, Kitui, Makueni, Garissa, Wajir, and Mandera.

ADSE's three-tier governance structure, comprising the Board of Trustees, the Board of Directors, and the Management, continued to strengthen institutional effectiveness, accountability, and strategic oversight. To enhance staff well-being and spiritual growth, the Trustees introduced a monthly chaplaincy Programme that provides pastoral care and guidance. This initiative has significantly improved staff morale, cohesion, and service delivery.

Despite the year's challenges, including political uncertainty and increased living costs, ADSE remained resilient in advancing its development agenda. These achievements were made possible through strong collaboration with our partners, stakeholders, and the communities we serve. On behalf of the Board, I extend sincere appreciation to all our supporters for their unwavering commitment, generosity, and partnership in promoting holistic and sustainable development.

This year also marks the launch of the ADSE Strategic Plan (2025–2030), a forward-looking framework that builds on our past successes and aligns with Kenya Vision 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals. The Plan underscores our dedication to sustainable development, inclusive growth, social justice, and strengthened governance, ensuring that ADSE remains relevant and impactful in addressing the evolving challenges within the Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASALs).

During the year, we also witnessed key transitions within the Board of Trustees, notably the retirement of the Rt. Rev. Joseph Mutungi, former Chair of the Board of Trustees, and the Vice chairman Rt. Rev. Dr David Mutisya, who faithfully steered the Board of Trustees over the past 5 years and entrenched the values and principles of strong governance, which have continued to shape the delivery mechanism of the Organization. The enthronement of the Rt. Rev. Patrick Kyalo Munuve as the 4th Bishop of the ACK Diocese of Machakos and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Francis Omondi as the 2nd Bishop of the ACK Diocese of Garissa. We convey our heartfelt gratitude for their dedicated service and wish them continued blessings in their ministries and service to ADSE as members of, board of trustees.

As we reflect on the year's accomplishments across our core thematic areas, food security, water, sanitation and hygiene, health and nutrition, environmental conservation and climate change, and social inclusion, we celebrate the collective resilience of our communities, staff, and partners. Their dedication and faith have been instrumental in achieving the progress documented in this report.

With renewed commitment, we look forward to advancing our shared mission of transforming lives through God's grace and community-driven development.

May God Bless and Honour you with His abundant Grace for your dedication and selfless service.

The Rt. Rev. Francis Matui
Chairman, Board of Trustees,
ADSE.

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CHAIR



It is my honour to present this message on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Anglican Development Services Eastern (ADSE) as we mark another milestone in our journey of transforming communities towards secure and sustainable livelihoods. The year 2024/2025 was a period of both reflection and renewal, as we concluded the 2020–2025 Strategic Plan and developed our new Strategic Plan for 2025–2030.

The outgoing plan provided a strong foundation for growth and impact, enabling ADSE to mobilize KShs. 1.275 billion against a projected KShs. 1.08 billion, an impressive 118% achievement. Over 51% of these resources (KShs. 651.8 million) were directly invested in programmes that enhanced community livelihoods, food security, health, nutrition, governance, and climate resilience. This performance underscores our prudent stewardship, strong partnerships, and unwavering commitment to serving the most vulnerable.

Despite the challenges experienced during the year, including political uncertainty and the rising cost of living, ADSE remained steadfast in implementing integrated community-based programmes. Through collective effort, we mobilized KShs. 377.21 million and reached 396,678 rural community members across our target counties. These outcomes are a testament to the resilience of our staff, the support of our partners, and the active participation of our communities.

The 2025–2030 Strategic Plan we are launching today provides a comprehensive roadmap for the next phase of ADSE's mission, anchored on Christian values and guided by the principles of inclusivity, resilience, and sustainability. The Plan identifies six Key Result Areas: Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH); Food Security; Environmental Conservation and Climate Change; Health and Nutrition; Governance, Child Protection, Gender and Social Inclusion; and Institutional Capacity Strengthening. With an estimated resource requirement of KShs. 2.278 billion, the plan seeks to consolidate our gains, enhance institutional effectiveness, and deepen impact in the Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASALs).

As we move into this new strategic period, the Board remains committed to providing sound governance, strategic oversight, and accountability to ensure that ADSE remains a vibrant and effective faith-based organization. We reaffirm our mission *“to empower communities through participatory approaches and Godly principles for quality life,”* and our vision *“a vibrant organization transforming communities to enjoy secure and sustainable livelihoods.”*

On behalf of the Board, I extend sincere appreciation to our partners, stakeholders, communities, and dedicated staff for their continued trust and collaboration. Together, we shall continue to advance God's purpose through service, faith, and transformative action.

With Gratitude,

Lay Canon Col (Rtd) Francis M. Ngui,
Chairman, Board of Directors,
ADSE.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



I am inspired to reflect on what we have accomplished together in FY24/25. We made incredible progress towards realizing our 2020-2025 strategy. This report captures the organization's collective achievements, progress, and impact in advancing our mission to empower communities through participatory approaches and Godly principles for a quality life.

The year under review marked a defining moment for ADSE as we completed the 2020–2025 Strategic Plan and prepared to launch our new Strategic Plan (2025–2030). Despite the economic and environmental challenges experienced across the region, ADSE continued to make significant strides in improving the well-being of vulnerable communities across Machakos, Kitui, Makueni, Garissa, Wajir, and Mandera counties.

During the year, ADSE directly reached 171,875 and indirectly impacted 224,803 vulnerable community members, bringing the total reach to 396,678 people (72,134 households), comprising 71,461 men, 116,975 women, 169,338 children, and 38,904 persons with disabilities. These outcomes were achieved through integrated interventions in food security, water, sanitation and hygiene, health and nutrition, climate change adaptation, and governance and inclusion. Our partnerships and community-driven approach enabled us to raise KES 377.2 million to support these interventions, affirming our role as a trusted development partner in the region.

Institutionally, ADSE's workforce continued to grow and strengthen. Our staff complement increased from 124 in FY2023/2024 to 127 employees (69 males and 58 females) distributed across the three departments: Programmes (111), Mpanzi SACCO (3), and Anglicare (13), supported by 20 casual workers. We remain committed to fostering a motivated, competent, and spiritually grounded workforce through capacity development, internal promotions, and an enabling work environment that promotes productivity and accountability.

Our social enterprises also recorded notable progress. The Anglicare Bakery continued to promote improved nutrition through the production of amaranth-enriched bread, sourcing amaranth from local farmers and reinvesting in community livelihoods. In addition, the borehole project, with a capacity of 21 cubic meters, is providing safe water for ADSE operations and neighboring communities, contributing to improved health, hygiene, and resilience.

Throughout FY2024/2025, ADSE maintained strong collaboration with the government, development partners, and faith-based institutions in delivering both development and humanitarian interventions. We strengthened institutional systems, leveraged technology for efficiency, and deepened our advocacy and external engagement to influence positive change.

As we transition into the new 2025–2030 Strategic Plan, we are guided by a renewed commitment to build on the gains of the past five years and scale our impact. The new plan will focus on Key Result Areas: Water, Sanitation and Hygiene; Food Security; Environmental Conservation and Climate Change; Health and Nutrition and Governance, Child Protection, Gender and Social Inclusion. Through these priorities, we aim to expand our reach, strengthen livelihoods, and promote resilient, dignified communities.

I extend my deepest appreciation to our Board of Trustees for their spiritual guidance, to the Board of Directors for their strategic oversight, to our partners and stakeholders for their steadfast support, and to our dedicated staff for their professionalism and unwavering service. Most importantly, I thank the communities we serve for their trust, cooperation, and commitment to transformation.

Together, we will continue to advance God's mission through faith, partnership, and action.

Thank you, and God bless you!

John Mutua,
Chief executive officer,
ADSE.

OUR GOVERNANCE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES



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*Mr. John Mutua -Chief
Executive Officer*

TRANSITION IN LEADERSHIP

The Bishops serve as the spiritual leaders and Chief Executives of the Dioceses, providing spiritual direction, guiding day-to-day administration, and ensuring alignment with the broader mission of the Anglican Church. At ADSE, governance and oversight are vested in the Board of Trustees (BOT), the organization's apex body, comprised of the sitting bishops of the ACK dioceses of Machakos, Makueni, Kitui, and Garissa. The BOT provides strategic oversight to ensure effective management and successful implementation of ADSE's strategic plan.

In FY 2024/2025, ADSE and the Church experienced significant leadership transitions. After faithfully serving for five years as Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Bishop ACK Diocese of Machakos, The Rt. Rev. Joseph Mutungi handed over the BOT chairmanship to the Bishop of Makueni Diocese (The Rt. Rev. Francis Matui), now serving as the new Chairman. In addition, the Rt. Rev. Patrick Kyalo Munuve was consecrated and enthroned as the 4th Bishop of the ACK



ADSE graces the enthronement service of Rt. Rev. Dr. Francis Otieno Omondi as the 2nd Bishop, ACK Diocese Garissa. Photo by ADSE



The Rt. Rev. Bishop Francis Matui (ACK Diocese of Makueni) takes over from The Rt. Rev. Bishop Joseph Mutungi (ACK Diocese of Machakos) as the new Chairman Board of Trustees. Photo by ADSE



ADSE graces the enthronement service of the Rt. Rev. Patrick Kyalo Munuve as the 4th Bishop, ACK Diocese of Machakos. Photo by ADSE

Diocese of Machakos, while the Rt. Rev. Dr. Francis Omondi was consecrated and enthroned as the 2nd Bishop of the ACK Diocese of Garissa. These transitions mark a new chapter in leadership, strengthening both the Church and ADSE in advancing their shared mission of godly and dignified living.

OUR STRATEGY (2025/2030)

GOAL:

Improved access to livelihood opportunities for poor and vulnerable communities



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

Increase access to safe water, hygiene, and sanitation services



Health and Nutrition

Improved health and nutrition wellbeing for vulnerable community members



Food Security

Ensure access to sufficient, safe, and nutritious food for all people at all times



Governance, child protection, Gender and social inclusion

Improved governance, equality in opportunities and representation of vulnerable community members



Environmental conservation and Climate change

Strengthened community capacity on environmental conservation and climate change resilience

FY 2024/25 AT A GLANCE



Direct beneficiaries - 171,875
Indirect beneficiaries -224,803
Total =396,678



Households
72,134



Male
71,461



Female
116,975



Children
169,338



Persons with
Disabilities
38,904

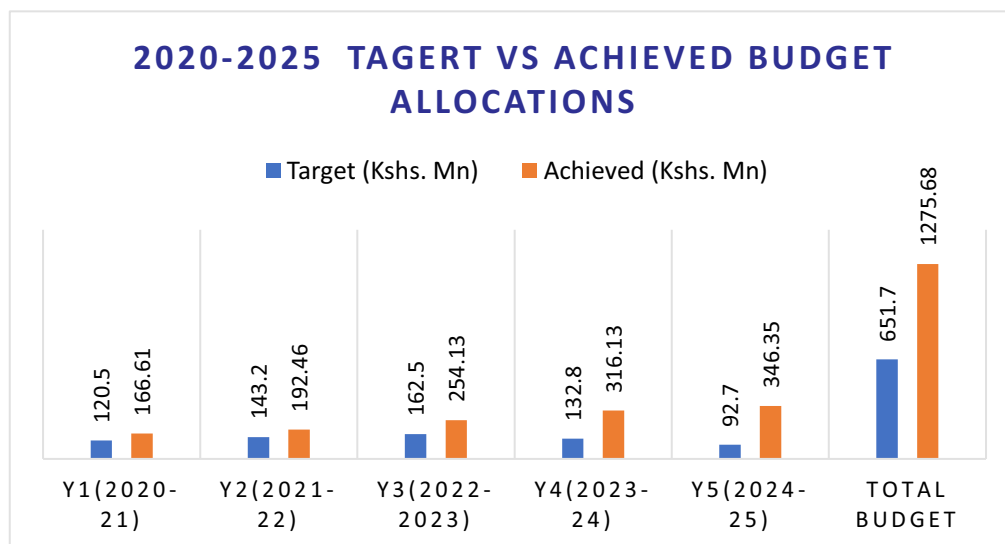
PERFORMANCE OF ADSE 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN

5 Years of Growth, Impact, and Resilience



ADSE Board of Trustees, Board of Directors and Management during the Review of the retiring 2020-2025 strategic plan at Bethel Resort in Machakos. Photo by ADSE

The Financial Year 2024 -2025 was another remarkable year for ADSE as we built upon our success. It marked the 5th year of implementation of the 2020-2025 strategic plan, which served as the backbone of ADSE's work in an evolving global landscape, surpassing our 2020-2025 strategic plan performance in revenue generation and deepening our impact on the communities we serve. It was organized around five thematic areas, which aim to enhance the relevance and impact of the ADSE's work and to strengthen institutional readiness through greater efficiency, transparency, accountability, and staff cohesion.



OVERVIEW OF PERFORMANCE PER THEMATIC AREAS

1. Water Hygiene and Sanitation (WASH)

123,750 Community members have Improved availability and access to water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) services

47.5% of communities have reported an increase in water availability. As a result of ADSE work, the proportion of the population using safely managed drinking water services, within 30 minutes round-trip, in the target locations is at 58% (compared to the national average of 67.9% and 56.3% for rural areas).



Livestock quenching their thirst at a community water trough established in Garissa. Photo by ADSE

During the reporting period, communities experienced improved access to clean and reliable water, enhanced agricultural productivity, and improved hygiene and sanitation. The construction of **82 water supply structures** (boreholes, shallow wells, sand dams, earth dams, and sump wells) benefited **101,300** community members and school-going children by significantly reducing the distance and time spent fetching water for domestic and livestock use.

To strengthen water access in learning institutions, **31 water tanks** were distributed to primary schools and **22 masonry water tanks** were constructed, ensuring a consistent water supply and improved hygiene and sanitation for **22,450** school-going children.

From Poverty to Self-Reliance Through Farming

When ADSE established the Kamunyu sand dam along the Kamunyu River that borders Francisca's farm in Kitui County, her life was transformed through agricultural activities. They raised the water table, providing easier access to water for farming and domestic use. Through the Malioni Self-Help Group, one of the groups targeted by ADSE through the Integrated Livelihood Enhancement Program, Francisca received training on income-generating activities and borrowed KES 21,000 through a village savings and loan scheme and started vegetable farming on her 2-acre farm. Her first harvest yielded impressive returns: she earned over KES 273,000 from the sale of tomatoes, green maize, kales, and spinach. With this income, she repaid her loan, bought a motorcycle for her husband's transport business, and invested in a water pump. She has installed solar lighting for their home, enabling her children to study at night. Over time, she has expanded her farm to 4 acres, employed two casual workers, and secured reliable buyers in Mwingi town. Her family is now food secure, financially stable, and thriving.



Francisca harvesting kales from her garden near Kamunyu sand dam. Photo by ADSE

"Thanks to ADSE, I moved from struggling to thriving—my family is food secure, my farm has grown, and my children now have a brighter future." – Francisca narrates

2. Food Security

98,467 Small holder farmers improved their agricultural productivity, incomes and adopted different climate smart Agricultural approaches



A farmer in Kitui County showcases her thriving green gram crop, a key source of food and income for local households. Photo by ADSE

ADSE applies the four food security pillars (availability, access, utilization & stability) throughout the implementation of the 2020–2025 strategic plan, under the strategic objective: **"To improve agricultural productivity and incomes for smallholder farmers by 2025."**

Key achievement **112,765** farmers reported increased agricultural production after adoption of climate smart agricultural technologies

98,467 Farmers increased their net household incomes

104,271 farmers accessed credit from VSLAs, microfinance institutions, government affirmative funds,

and invested in diverse income-generating activities.

97,345 farmers adopted alternative livelihood options

Resilience in Action: Transforming Lives in Kitui

For over a decade, Patricia Mwikali Malyunga of Uiini village in Kitui County carried the heavy burden of raising nine children alone after her husband abandoned the family. Erratic rainfall, poor yields, and high chick mortality left her struggling to provide even one daily meal for her children, while school absenteeism became the norm due to unpaid levies.



Patricia harvesting green gram on her farm. Photo by ADSE

When she joined *Sama Wiwe Self-Help Group (SHG)* formed with ADSE's support and was trained on climate-smart agriculture, village savings and loans, and improved farming practices, she adopted new seed varieties, soil conservation techniques, and better post-harvest handling. With a KES 4,000 VSLA loan, she invested in improved cowpeas and green grams, harvesting 608 kg and 398 kg respectively—far above her previous yields. Selling part of her harvest earned her over KES 61,000, which she used to pay school levies and invest in Galla goats that now provide milk and manure.

“By planting improved green gram and cowpea seeds, my harvest increased to 608 kilograms and 398 kilograms, respectively. From the sales, I earned over KES 61,000, which enabled me to pay my children’s school fees and buy Galla goats. This was a big change compared to before, when my harvests could barely last three months,” a happy Patricia narrates.

Today, Patricia can meet household needs, her children are healthier and happier, and her dream is to expand into poultry farming to further boost her income. Her story demonstrates the power of resilience, knowledge, and collective action in transforming vulnerable households into thriving families.

3. Climate Change, Environmental Conservation & Disaster Response



The strategic focus of this thematic area is to strengthen community resilience and adaptive capacity to climate-related hazards and natural disasters through a range of strategic approaches to address the effects of climate change by not only addressing the environmental challenges posed by climate change but also empowering communities to be active participants in climate resilience and conservation efforts.

Key Performance Indicators	Achieved FY 2024/25
Number of Soil bunds established to restore degraded lands	48,739
Number of Households using sustainable energy sources to meet electricity, cooking, and heating needs	7264
Number of Community-owned resource persons (CORPS) empowered to promote clean energy use	13,512
Number of farmers sensitized to the Land Use Management Information System.	57,106
Number of community members utilizing renewable energy sources	104,736
Number of indigenous and exotic trees planted	696,400
Number of Community members participated in sessions on climate-related hazards and disasters (climate change mitigation, adaptation, preparedness, resilience, and early warning)	121,302
Number of Community members supported with multipurpose cash transfers for flood emergency response	785
Number of Contracted three major nurseries within Makueni County to produce seedlings	840,000

“Harvesting Change: How David Secured His Family’s Future with Seedlings and Poultry”

David Itu, a widower and a father of 8 children and 4 grandchildren from Kathini village, Kitui County, once struggled with food insecurity, low farm yields, and the painful reality of his children missing education opportunities due to poverty. When he joined Umiisyo wa Ndiwa Self-Help Group (SHG), formed through ADSE’s interventions, with

“After selling 2,300 tree seedlings, I earned KES 69,000 and I was able to pay my son’s school fees and I saved some money in our group’s VSLA. The tree nursery has truly transformed my life. I am happy because I can now sell and meet household expenses while my family enjoys nutritive meals from my poultry project.” David Narrates



David feeding his chicken. Photo by ADSE

widows and widowers in his community he acquired trainings on village savings and loans, advanced farming practices. Upon adoption, David not only stabilized food production but also embraced new income-generating ventures. As an environmental champion, he established a tree nursery, earning KES 69,000 from selling seedlings. This income enabled him to pay school fees, support his household, and reinvest in poultry farming. With savings and loans from the group's VSLA, he expanded his flock, ensuring steady income, improved nutrition for his children and grandchildren, and reduced household vulnerability. Today, David envisions scaling up poultry production with a solar-powered incubator, aiming to hatch and sell up to 500 chicks monthly. His journey reflects resilience, empowerment, and the ripple effect of community-driven development.

4. Community Health and Nutrition

128,127 community members were trained on Agri-nutrition, enhancing their knowledge and skills in producing, consuming, and promoting diverse and nutritious foods.

The strategic objective under this focus area is to promote access to quality health and nutrition services for vulnerable and marginalized groups in communities

Key Achievements

92,460 Children under the age of **5 years** supported with nutrition-related services.

121,261 Women of reproductive age and **61,400** Trainer of Trainees (ToT) farmers trained on Agri nutrition.

78,275 smallholder farmers adopted kitchen gardens technology to establish nutrient-dense vegetables for household consumption and surplus for sale.

748 Community Health promoters trained to promote good hygiene and sanitation practices in the community.

161,416 Community members and **92** Children's clubs participated in sessions on prevention, reduction, and response to violence, abuse, and exploitation of children.

15,628 orphan and vulnerable children supported with school fees, uniforms, and other household basic needs.



In partnership with county stakeholders, ADSE participates in the USAID 4BetterHealth (4BH) program learning and review workshop at Lake Naivasha Resort, fostering collaboration and shared learning. Photo by ADSE

From Struggles to Stability: How a small gesture sparked big dreams in Kitui

In Kitui County, a resilient household is writing a new chapter of hope and self-reliance. The family, with two caregivers and two orphans and vulnerable children (OVC) was once burdened by limited income and uncertainty. Among them is one child living with HIV (CALHIV), making the need for stability and proper care even greater.

Through the USAID 4BetterHealth Project, the household was supported with of KES 10,000 to boost the small retail shop they run. With determination and proper record-keeping, the



The caregiver in her shop at Maamani Location during a household visit by ADSE staff. Photo by ADSE.

caregiver managed stock, sales, and even tracked debts with impressive accuracy. The shop quickly became a reliable source of income, easing the household's daily struggles. The caregiver is now planning to expand into selling plastic shoes and complementing the business with farming to further secure the family's future.

"This shop has changed our lives. We no longer worry about the next meal, and I now dream of growing this business to educate my children and give them a better life," said the caregiver with pride.

5. Governance, Peace & Social Inclusion



Community member participating in project planning and feedback sessions in Garissa. Photo by ADSE

The strategic focus under this area is to promote justice, equality, equity of opportunities, accountability, and peaceful coexistence among communities by establishing structures that ensure continuity of interventions after project exit.

Key Achievements

Established community structures for governance, social inclusion, and sustainability
1782 Self Help Groups (SHGs)
1064 Village saving & loaning Associations (VSLAs)
671 Common Interest Groups (CIGs)
145 Child Clubs
78 Disaster Risk Reduction Committee (DRRC)
61 Child Protection Committee (CPC)
9 Community-Based Organizations (CBOs)
24 Cluster Level Associations (CLAs)

ADSE PROJECTS

Integrated Food Security Project

In partnership with Bread for the World Germany (BftW) and Anglicans in Development (AID) Australia,



Community members in Katangi Ward mobilize local materials to support the construction of a sand dam that will enhance water availability. Photo by ADSE

ADSE is implementing this project in Machakos, Makueni, and Kitui Counties to reach **40,000 community members** by June 2027. The project formed **124 self-help** groups with **3,238 members**, benefiting an additional **16,828 household members**. As a result, community structures reported improved knowledge in resource mobilization, advocacy, and networking; smallholder farmers experienced better livelihoods; households strengthened their resilience to climate change; and the inclusion and well-being of vulnerable groups women, children, and persons with disabilities were enhanced.

Integrated Livelihood Enhancement Project

Supported by the Australian Government through Transform Aid International (TAI), the project targets **34,030 community members** in Machakos and Kitui Counties. In the year under review, the project established **147 self-help groups** with **2,091 members**, **4 community-based organizations**, **24 common interest groups**, and **16 child clubs**. These platforms have enhanced community access to safe water and hygiene practices, diversified livelihood options that increased incomes, strengthened environmental conservation to mitigate climate change, improved protection and participation of vulnerable groups (women, children, youth, and persons with disabilities), and built the capacity of community structures to deliver sustainable community development.



*School going children practicing proper handwashing.
Photo by ADSE*

Garissa Livelihood Improvement Project



*Faryah youth group training on resource mobilization in
Garissa County. Photo by ADSE*

The project, supported by the Australian Government through Transform Aid International (TAI), reached **5,431 community members** in Raya and Sankuri Locations. It focused on governance, climate-smart agriculture, income diversification, water access, inclusive development, and disaster resilience. During the reporting year, the project strengthened **30 self-help groups** comprising **2,192 members** and **2 disaster risk reduction committees**. These efforts contributed to stronger community structures with women and persons with disabilities taking leadership roles, increased agricultural production through sustainable farming, improved market access, enhanced access to water and sanitation facilities, and greater community capacity to implement disaster risk reduction measures, particularly among the most vulnerable.

Integrated Initiatives for Sustainable Livelihoods (IISL) project

In partnership with the Alongside Hope - Canada, the project is being implemented in Mbitini Ward (Kitui County) and Mavindini Ward (Makueni County). In the reporting year, the project supported **146 vulnerable households** with Galla goats to strengthen their income sources and established **3 shallow wells** to increase access to safe and reliable water. These interventions enhanced social inclusion and cohesiveness of community institutions, improved incomes for vulnerable community members, and promoted the adoption of environmentally sustainable water sources and climate-smart techniques, thereby strengthening community resilience to climate change.



*Youth members in Mavindini Ward collect eggs from
their poultry enterprise. Photo by ADSE*

Livelihoods and Climate Resilience Project (LiCReP) funded by Wassuer Fuer Kenia (Water for Kenya) Project



Community member demonstrating the use of the energy saving stove in Makueni County. Photo by ADSE

Funded by Wassuer Fuer Kenia (Water for Kenya), the project is being implemented in Kalawa Ward, Makueni County, targeting **8,005 school-going children** and **1,860 community members (870 males and 990 females)**. The project significantly increased access to water for domestic use among school children and households, reducing the time and effort spent in water collection. It also promoted sustainable agriculture and environmental conservation by facilitating the construction of **310 household energy-saving stoves**, **31 school energy-saving stoves**, **18 kitchen gardens**, and **7 farm ponds**.

The Self-Help Group Approach Project

Implemented in Kithungo Kitundu Ward, the project seeks to empower vulnerable and marginalized populations through a structured, community-led development model that builds human potential and strengthens collective voice and action. During the reporting year, the project formed **129 Self-Help Groups (SHGs)** with **2,322 members**, supported the establishment of **9 Cluster Level Associations**, and mobilized significant financial resources with **KES 7,884,030 in savings** and **KES 71,811,490 in loans** issued to members. As a result, **75.75% of women** engaged in SHGs are now running profitable businesses, demonstrating the project's role in enhancing financial inclusion, boosting household incomes, and advancing women's economic empowerment.



During the formation of child clubs in Kithungo Kitundu ward. Photo by ADSE

USAID 4better Health Project



The Rt. Rev. Bishop Francis Matui receives food and clothes donations from staff. Photo by ADSE

The project is supported by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) through St. John's Community Centre (SJCC) and is being implemented in Machakos, Kitui, and Makueni Counties. The project seeks to improve the quality of life for orphans and vulnerable children (OVC) and their families by increasing access to quality health and social services. It delivers interventions to ensure OVC are healthy, safe, educated, and living in economically stable households.



OVC Caregivers receive food and clothes donations from ADSE. Photo by ADSE

In the reporting year, ADSE served an active case load of **7,226 OVC** (**2,319** in Kitui, **2,085** in Machakos, and **2,822** in Makueni). A total of **6,229 OVC** were directly supported, with interventions amounting to **KES 8,027,375**, including:

- **734 OVC** supported with school fees (**KES 6,086,196**)
- **159 OVC** supported with school uniforms (**KES 202,760**)
- **442 OVC** supported with medical transport assistance (**KES 473,299**)
- **2,334 girls** provided with sanitary pads (**KES 182,520**)
- **1,338 households** linked to NHIF (**KES 82,600**)
- **523 CALHIV** households supported with food baskets (**KES 1,000,000**)
- **699 OVC** assisted to acquire birth certificates (**KES 3,480,00**)

Green Business Project

This development initiative is jointly funded by the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and Welthungerhilfe (WHH), targeting **750 women and youth** in Makueni County. The project focuses on reducing poverty and hunger in rural areas by promoting green skills development, equipping beneficiaries with technical, economic, and life skills for self-employment and employment in the green sector.



Trained youth groups receiving start up kits at ATC, Makueni county. Photo by ADSE

The project achieved significant milestones:

- **650 trainees** completed both field-based and institutional training.
- **531 field-based** trainees received VSLA refresher training, addressing identified capacity gaps.
- **36 youth** trainees from the Makueni Agricultural Training Center and **399 field-based** trainees (**16 groups**) were awarded startup kits after successfully developing business plans.

Towards Ending Drought Emergencies (TWEENDE) Project

The TWEENDE Project, funded by the Green Climate Fund (GCF) through IUCN in partnership with Conservation International (CI) and Justdiggit (JDI), is being implemented in Makueni, Kitui, Tana River, and Tharaka Nithi Counties to restore degraded land and strengthen community resilience to climate change. The project supported the establishment of **25,238 soil bunds**, which are improving water retention, rehabilitating dry landscapes, and increasing agricultural productivity. In addition, **3** women-led commercial grass seed banks were created, providing sustainable income opportunities while contributing to land restoration. These interventions have enhanced household incomes, empowered women in climate-smart enterprises, and strengthened the capacity of communities to withstand the effects of drought and climate change.



A germinating soil bund in Makueni County. Photo by ADSE

Makueni Agroforestry Carbon Project (MACP)



MACP project staff receive motorbikes for ease of movement during project implementation. Photo by ADSE

Supported by Unique Land Use GmbH, Eni Kenya b.v., and Eni S.p.A., the project is working with **40,000 households and 2,000 farmer groups** to restore **40,000 hectares** of degraded land in Makueni County through agroforestry and sustainable land management.

In the reporting year, **212,535 tree seedlings** were distributed and planted by **2,094 farmers**, improving tree cover, soil fertility, and water retention. This not only strengthens household incomes through tree-based enterprises and market linkages but also enhances biodiversity and contributes to climate change mitigation through increased carbon sequestration.

Evidence to Policy for Kenya Care Economy Project

ADSE, in partnership with UN Women, is implementing the Evidence to Policy for Kenya Care Economy Project in Kauwi, Athi, and Mutomo Wards of Kitui County, targeting **2,700** community members. The project is promoting inclusive and gender-responsive care policies and has established He4She champions to drive community advocacy on reducing gender imbalances in unpaid care work. These interventions are contributing to women's economic



Kitui County Governor His excellency Dr. Julius Makau Malombe UN Women Africa and ADSE Staff during the launch of the Evidence to Policy for Kenya Care Economy in Kitui County Project Photo by ADSE

empowerment by increasing their time and opportunities for income-generating activities, while also fostering a more equitable and inclusive environment where both women and men actively participate in advancing transformative care services.

SOCIAL ENTERPRISES

To strengthen sustainability, ADSE established Anglicare Limited, a social enterprise supporting both livelihoods and community wellbeing.

a) Anglicare



A farmer in Machakos County cultivates grain amaranth, a nutritious crop used to enrich Mkaté Afya, promoting food security and improved nutrition. Photo by ADSE

Since November 2021, the Anglicare Bakery has been producing white, brown, and amaranth-enriched bread. Through ADSE training, local farmers are supported to grow grain amaranth and benefit from a ready market by supplying it to the bakery, thereby increasing their incomes. The fortified bread, rich in Vitamin C and folate, provides a healthier and more nutritious alternative for consumers while reducing malnutrition risks. Distribution across Machakos, Makueni, Mbooni, and Kitui counties ensures both economic and health impacts are widely shared.

The ADSE Borehole delivers 21 cubic meters of clean water per hour, sustaining bakery operations, the demo farm, and ADSE offices while supplying safe water to at least 30 households daily. Beyond meeting operational needs, it improves community hygiene, nutrition, and food security through fresh produce and fortified bread, making it a true foundation for resilience and wellbeing.

b) Mpanzi Sacco Society Limited

Since 2017, Mpanzi SACCO has been instrumental in transforming rural livelihoods across the Dioceses of Machakos, Kitui, Makueni, and Garissa. With a membership of 4,496 active members, the SACCO provides access to affordable credit that enables households to establish and expand small businesses for income generation and to meet essential needs such as school fees. Beyond credit, the SACCO equips members with financial management skills, enhancing savings culture, informed decision-making, and long-term economic resilience.

In 2024, Mpanzi SACCO conducted its annual financial audit in compliance with regulatory standards and held a successful 7th Annual General Meeting (AGM) attended by **403** members. The strong financial performance led to an increase in the interest rate on member deposits from 3% in 2023 to 3.5% in 2024. Most notably, the SACCO declared its first dividend on share capital at 6.5%, a milestone achievement that rewarded member investment and reinforced trust in the SACCO's continued growth.



MPANZI SACCO members during the 7th AGM at Wamunyu. Photo by ADSE

INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING, NETWORKING AND CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

The strategic focus of this area is to strengthen ADSE's organizational capacity to efficiently and effectively deliver quality programmes that address community priority needs. ADSE prioritizes continuous institutional strengthening to enhance organizational effectiveness and sustainability. This includes building the capacity of the Board and staff through targeted training, exposure visits, and regular meetings that promote learning, innovation, and accountability. Monitoring and evaluation visits further provide critical feedback on the effectiveness of policies, programs, and services, ensuring improved project delivery.

Networking with partners and peer organizations creates opportunities for sharing knowledge, best practices, and collaborative learning, while capacity development initiatives build the skills, confidence, and leadership of staff and stakeholders. Collectively, these efforts create an enabling environment for organizational growth, improved performance, and strengthened impact in the communities ADSE serves.



ADSE staff group photo after Risk Assessment training. Photo by ADSE



ADSE Board of Trustees, Directors and Management during the development of 2025-2030 Strategic plan @ Bethel resort, Machakos county. Photo by ADSE



ADSE staff during an annual planning and retreat workshop held on 23rd to 27th June 2025 at Sun and Sand Resort, Mombasa County. Photo by ADSE



ADSE Board of Trustees at the ADSE exhibition stand during the 18th Annual General Meeting held at Wamunyu on the 27th of October 2024. Photo by ADSE



Garissa County community members taking part in a GEDSI exercise to enhance gender equality, disability inclusion, and social equity. Photo by ADSE



Opinion leaders in Kitui County engage in a GEDSI exercise aimed at promoting gender equality, inclusion, and community cohesion. Photo by ADSE

Gender Equality, Disability and Social Inclusion identified and trained 1860 gender champions and 126 He4She community change agents as advocates and mentors to address structural and systemic barriers faced by women and girls in the target communities. These gender champions and HeForShe community advocates are tasked with the responsibility of sensitizing other community members to addressing gender inequality by exploring practical strategies to reduce the burden while promoting women's economic empowerment.

INTEGRATING FAITH AND DEVELOPMENT

As a faith-based organization, ADSE integrates faith and development by nurturing staff spiritually, engaging churches and faith-based institutions, and embedding Christian values in community programs. In FY2024, this mandate was strengthened through weekly and monthly devotions led by diocesan bishops, fostering spiritual growth and cohesion among staff. ADSE also advanced peacebuilding and faith integration in development work, while hosting a spiritual and learning exchange with a delegation from the Anglican Church of Uganda, welcomed by its Board of Trustees and Directors. These efforts reaffirm ADSE's commitment to demonstrating God's love in action by uniting spiritual nurture with transformative community development.



Anglican church of Uganda delegates during their visit to ADSE. Photo by ADSE



The Rt. Rev. Gedion Muneeni (Bishop ACK Diocese of Kitui) poses for a photo with staff after monthly pastoral care. Photo by ADSE.

MONITORING AND LEARNING VISITS

In an effort to enhance our partnerships and shape our programming, ADSE works closely with its partners in an effort to strengthen partnerships through knowledge sharing and project monitoring



Ada Lee of Transform Aid International (TAI) and ADSE staff during the Integrated Livelihood Enhancement project monitoring at ADSE office, Wamunyu. Photo by ADSE



USAID 4BH project monitoring visit by East Africa, USAID Kenya, SJCC, and ADSE in Machakos County. Photo by ADSE.



Scheit, Florian of Bread for the World visits Ikombe community members during the Integrated food security project monitoring. Photo by ADSE



Alongside Hope staff, interact with Mavindini youth group during an exchange learning in Makueni. Photo by ADSE



Rev Canon Kofi Degraft Johnson CAPA (Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa) interacting with Katangi community during the annual monitoring visit for Anglicans In Development (AIDs) project. Photo by ADSE



ENI SpA, ENI Kenya, and Unique Land Use partners during an annual visit to ADSE. Photo by ADSE



ADSE Staff during a monitoring visit to the economic livelihoods project for PWDs implemented by Diocese of Eldoret. Photo by ADSE.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PHOTOS/GALLERY



To promote resilience and inclusion, members of the Ngumbulu PWD Group are supported with Galla goats for improved income and nutrition.
Photo by ADSE



Kauvai SHG in Kitui County harvesting cowpeas from their farm. Photo by ADSE



To promote sustainable livelihoods, Kitui County community members are supported with beekeeping equipment for improved honey production and income generation. Photo by ADSE



ADSE, ADS Kenya, ADS Naika and ADS Western during the annual planning meeting in Makeni.
Photo by ADSE



SJCC BOM, U4BH Team, ADSE staff and Director Special Programs during a HH visit at Kangalu Location that was supported with Goats. Photo by ADSE



Community members in Kitui join the 16 Days of Activism campaign themed "Unite to End Violence Against Women and Girls," promoting awareness and action against gender-based violence. Photo by ADSE



A melon demonstration farm established in Lagdera in Raya location, Garissa County to promote climate-smart agriculture and improve household nutrition and income. Photo by ADSE



Women participate in a project redesign workshop for the Garissa project in Mwingi, Kitui county Photo by ADSE



Women from Kauwi support group conducting a themed skit during 16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence in Kitui County. Photo by ADSE



Community members after harvesting their tomato produce as part of livelihood improvement initiatives in Kitui County. Photo by ADSE

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Statement of Financial Position

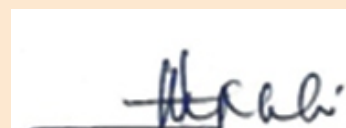
For the year ended 30th June 2025

		2025	2024
ASSETS	Note	Kshs	Kshs
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	6	41,203,288	24,749,336
		<u>41,203,288</u>	<u>24,749,336</u>
Current assets			
Cash and bank balances	7	38,942,297	43,799,097
Receivables	8	1,000,000	-
		<u>39,942,297</u>	<u>43,799,097</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>81,145,584</u>	<u>68,548,433</u>
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES			
Funds			
Capital fund		41,203,288	24,749,336
Designated fund		33,906,815	31,439,590
General fund		4,586,244	3847,215
		<u>79,696,347</u>	<u>60,036,141</u>
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	9	1,449,238	8,512,292
		<u>1,449,238</u>	<u>8,512,292</u>
TOTAL FUNDS AND LIABILITIES		<u>81,145,584</u>	<u>68,548,433</u>

The financial statements on pages 9 to 18 were approved by the Board of Directors on 04/10/2025 and signed on its behalf by:-



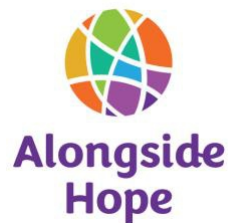
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