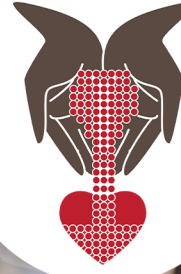


Enkare Oltau
FOUNDATION



ORGANIZATION PROFILE

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BACKGROUND AND HISTORY

Enkare oltau foundation was born from a movement of young, passionate youth at the university of Nairobi in the year 2017 who wanted to change the world through their actions. As campuses were almost going on election period recess, one of the lecturers at the university challenged the founder, Petronila to use her vocal nature to do something resourceful during the break. He went ahead to recommend another one of his peace students who might need a volunteer or two.

Petronila walked boldly into the office of the director of Peace cop Kenya and told him she was ready to volunteer. Surprised by the boldness of this young girl, the director asked her what her thoughts were on the upcoming elections and the role the youth could play in ensuring peaceful elections. With an unquestionable zeal, the bubbly young lady shared her vision of mobilizing university students from across the city to be a part of preaching peace across the city. To her surprise, her idea was well embraced by the administrative arm of the police that supported the idea. In a span of one week, 150 students from 6 universities were ready to serve their country by conducting civic awareness in the streets of Nairobi. This young girl had managed to mobilize these students to be a part of the change they wanted to see.

These youths would spend their Friday mornings talking to the public and motorists in traffic on the importance of maintaining peace during the elections. This was a volunteer program like no other, the public were shocked to see youth especially from the university of Nairobi taking lead in urging the public to maintain peace during election. This initiative caught the attention of different entities, including the ministry of gender, 1195 GBV Helpline who on boarded these zealous youths in their campaign program to spread awareness on the need to protect women and children during elections.

These campaigns took place in the streets and informal settlements such as Mathare and Kibera slums. These two peace campaigns set the ball rolling for a youth movement that would change the country. Something was stirred up in Petronila as she discovered two aspects of herself. Her ability to mobilize and lead young people to rally behind a worthy cause and her ability to implement the change that she wanted to see in her country. As a peace practitioner and an upcoming sociologist, her path was being shaped by a bold move to volunteer.

After the elections, Petronila and her fellow youth reconvened and one thing was clear, there was a need to do more. A fire had been lit inside these young people. All they knew is that they wanted to serve their country and they expected Petronila to lead them. This was a group like no other, this was a movement of disciplined, courteous, outgoing, outspoken, passionate, professional and educated youth who were determined to make a difference. Soon enough, word went around of the engagement with Peacecop and ministry of gender and organizations began inviting us to be part of their events to assist in volunteer capacity.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY Cont..



The organizations that were amongst the earliest believers in the potential of Enkare Oltau Foundation, way before its legal existence include: The sickle cell society of Kenya, Alzheimer's and Dementia society of Kenya and UNV Kenya. Through these platforms, the volunteers found an opportunity to put the knowledge they had acquired from the university classes to good use. Fundraising, counselling, report writing and social skills development. These skills would later lead to these volunteers landing job opportunities in these organizations.

This platform was not only providing an opportunity for young people to serve their community but also enabling them to nurture their skills but also providing them with possible employment opportunities. As Petronila was graduating university with her double major degree in sociology and peace studies, she knew that her calling in life included her championing for the causes she was passionate about. One of the vehicles that was going to help her implement this change was rallying like-minded young people who believed in a similar cause to support her.

Secondly, she noticed a gap in the job industry in the country that she felt she could address and that was corporate volunteerism as a pathway into active employment. She realized that the idea of volunteerism was undervalued and underdeveloped in the country. There was need to develop the concept of corporate volunteerism in the country and do so in a structured way that volunteers' contribution to development could be counted.



THE REGISTRATION OF ENKARE OLTAU FOUNDATION

By 2019 March this movement of young people changing the narrative had grown beyond Nairobi city. There was need to develop a structured entity that had a solid agenda and vision. Everyone wanted to be a part of the team and there was need to vet the character of the youth who were coming on board. Petronila and the pioneer believers embarked on a journey to formalize the organization.

On 3rd of April 2019, Enkare Oltau Foundation was legally registered and certified by the societies act of Kenya registries office.



WHAT DOES ENKARE OLTAU MEAN

The name of the organization was deliberated and agreed upon by all the volunteers. It is a common identity for all in the organization. Enkare Oltau are Maasai words that we believed are a representation of what we stand for as an organization. Enkare in Maasai means water. To us water represents life, purity and continuity. In all our projects as an organization, we strive to ensure continuity through replicable engagements, in all our activities, we have pure intentions and we put our all in the projects we engage in. Oltau is also a Maasai word that means heart.

All that we do is humane and from our hearts with the intention of reaching and serving another heart. From our hearts flow compassion, empathy and love to all that we touch through our acts of service. Our logo which shows two hands symbolically pouring love through our continuous acts of service from one heart to the next.

Our mantra is the hashtag HUMANIZE. We believe in the sanctity of human life, in all our engagements, we look at the respect and well-being of those we serve before anything else. Seeing the humane aspect of a person as a priority opens one's ability to serve them without bias of their ethnicity, race, economic background, religion etc.



WHAT DOES ENKARE OLTAU FOUNDATION DO

Enkare Oltau is a legally registered non-profit organization that empowers the community through 4 SDG pillars with an aim of providing sustainable and replicable development across the informal and formal sectors but especially the vulnerable in society. We seek to empower young mothers, PLWD, SGBV survivors, orphans, widows and the youth.

Our modus operandi is empowered to empower. In our operation, we believe sustainability is key to development and thus we are pivoted on training manpower with the mission of skills transfer to where it is needed. To date, we are learning and reinventing the use of volunteerism as one of our major tools of service for development.

By promoting volunteerism amongst the youth, we provide a platform for mostly young people (but not limited to) to harness their skills to address their community issues as a way of putting their academic skills and talents to use while we also linking them to corporate volunteer opportunities that enable them to grow economically and career wise.



WHAT WE ADVOCATE FOR

As an organization we focus on implementing these four SDGs that we believe are core to our existence. We believe that these four SDGs are pillars in the development and sustainability of the other 13 SDGs.



SDG 4
Quality Education



SDG 5
Gender Equality



SDG 8
Decent Work
& Economic
growth



SDG 13
Climate Action





PILLAR 1: SDG 4 QUALITY EDUCATION

Globally, we realize that lack of proper education not only among children but also adults is lagging the global development rate behind. Millions are still unable to access education. What we do as an organization is to champion for access to education for both genders, ensure proper childhood development, providing inclusive learning environments for PLWDS, improving learning environments by improving infrastructure and providing access to learning materials to all. Our vision is to see all children regardless of their background achieve quality education.

Our programs in line with this particular SDG include:

1. Mentorship and career guidance programs in schools in marginalized communities
2. Talent development in schools
3. Inclusivity trainings for teachers handling PLWD on children's rights.
4. Linkage to scholarship programs for underprivileged children
5. ICT coding training for students
6. Campaigns for improving school infrastructure and provision of education materials
7. Informal education for those not in school
8. Mental health education awareness to ensure nurturing of wholesome beings
9. Sensitization on drug abuse and sexual reproductive health awareness.

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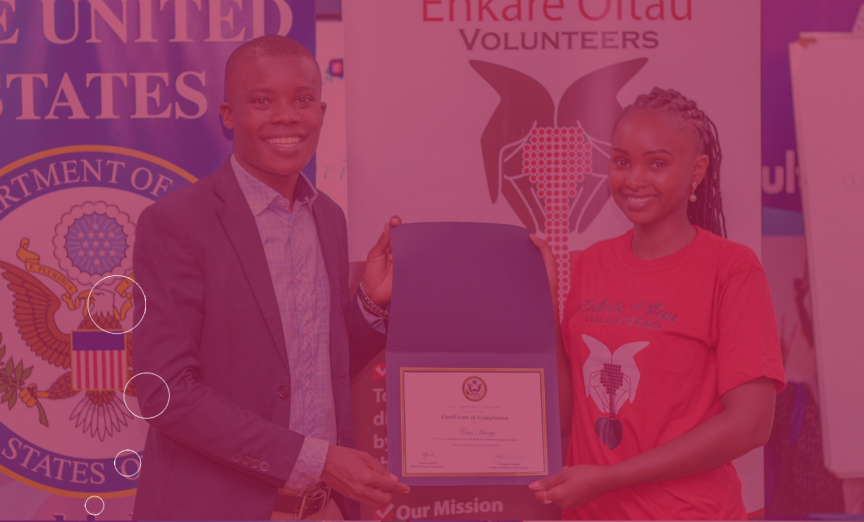


PILLAR 2: SDG 5 GENDER EQUALITY

We realized that there is a need to empower each gender to live out their full potential and abilities. As an organization we believe in gender equity that will lead to equality, on this we have seen that the female gender has lagged behind with regards to development because they have not been availed equal opportunities to their male counterparts. Availing equal opportunities and eliminating vices that drag gender development such as SGBV, Childhood marriage, poor access to menstrual health services, and sidelining of women in policy formation and leadership positions.

Our programs in line with this particular SDG include:

1. Providing menstrual hygiene products to underprivileged girls and hosting menstrual awareness programs to educate them on hygiene
2. Empowering the girl child through trainings on leadership, policies and governance to better equip them to fight for their rights
3. Empowering and linking mothers who have children with disability to finance training and business trainings
4. Creating awareness trainings on the prevention of SGBV against women.
5. Sensitizing boy child on the importance of gender equality through informative and gender inclusive workshops.



PILLAR 3: SDG 8 DECENT WORK & ECONOMIC GROWTH

Globally, unemployment is a pandemic, inability to earn a decent income is the leading cause of poverty, hunger, corruption and inequality. Our mission is to promote inclusive, decent and sustainable employment opportunities for all. Our mission is to ensure economic independence for all the vulnerable. Our programs in alignment with this particular goal are:

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1. Providing self-employment skills to the youth and vulnerable in the informal settlements such as soap making, mat making, hairdressing, phone repairs, baking.
2. Providing finance management training to help the young people and the vulnerable invest and know how to manage their earnings whilst also linking them to funding opportunities.
3. Provide digital marketing training for the youth and women venturing into small scale businesses.
4. Trainings for the volunteers on job market readiness skills such as CV writing, salary bargaining, networking.
5. Equipping the volunteers with hands on skills that give them an upper hand in the job market such as first aid training, IT management skills.
6. Linking the youth to corporate exchange and volunteer programs to expose them to the work environment through job shadow programs and corporate volunteer events.
7. Linking the youth to national policy formulation platforms that enable them to voice their needs and have their opinions heard and included in planning matters governance.



PILLAR 4: SDG 13 CLIMATE ACTION

The world is at a critical stage where we need to take action to save our environment and combat the rampant climate change and impacts. As an organization we realize that we have a responsibility to protect, guard, educate, prevent and mitigate climate action through addressing environmental issues majorly pollution.

Our programs in line with this particular SDG include:

1. Tree planting across the country
2. Clean up of drainage systems
3. Climate action education clubs in educational institutions
4. Championing for climate action policies in national platforms
5. Sensitizing the youth on how they can earn a living through Recycling
6. Promoting the use and manufacture of recyclable menstrual hygiene program
7. Amplifying the voices of youth championing for climate action especially through their talents.

WHAT MAKES US DIFFERENT

We believe that we are a unique organization, right from our composition of volunteers to how we implement our projects. Our organization boasts of a diverse pool of equipped personnel.

1. Our volunteers are vetted through yearly interviews, and so we are fully aware of who we are engaging, giving room for onboarding new talent yearly while releasing polished and resourceful volunteers back into the society ready to serve in their respective capacities.
2. Our personnel pool is all inclusive and diverse with no biasness on education qualification, age, race, tribe, ethnicity. We are an all-inclusive ability focused organization
3. Our personnel are well trained on volunteer ethics and professionalism before engaging in any community outreach program.
4. We are an incubation hub and safe space for youth to develop their talents as we link them to a broad spectrum of mentors to sharpen their skills and develop their talents.
5. Our friendly approach of engagement has given us easy access and smooth rapport with local authorities thus their support in implementing our programs.
6. Our vibrant youthful team bring a fresh face and appeal to the concept of community development through volunteerism
7. Our projects have been realistic and practical to replicate across the country thus no dependence by beneficiaries and high success rate.
8. A safe space and community of like-minded individuals where one feels at home and always supported.



WHO WE HAVE WORKED WITH



NATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL





MILESTONES

1. Awarded UN Youth Volunteer Organization of the Year 2021/2022
2. Awarded Golden Hand Charity Award 2019
3. Empowered 6000 plus young girls across the country through menstrual health management education and distribution of free sanitary products
4. Empowered 8000 plus school going children through mentorship on sexual reproductive health, mental health and drug abuse sensitization.
5. Empowered 300 plus teen mothers from Dandora, Mathare, Kayole, Korogocho and Kibera through informal entrepreneur trainings to enable them earn a living.
6. Empowered 120 young fathers through informal entrepreneur trainings to enable them earn a living.
7. Trained over 700 volunteers countrywide since our inception in 2019 on volunteer ethics, youth employability, entrepreneur skills, environmental management. These skills have enabled them start their NGOs, get employed and even start their own businesses.
8. Provided relief food to over 800 families in various informal settlements for a period of 6 months during the Covid 19 Pandemic courtesy of our well-wishers. In the same light, we have for 3 years in a row managed to provide Christmas food relief kitty to over 400 of our beneficiaries to date.
9. Trained over 250 Boda Boda Motorbike riders on road safety, mental health management, financial investment and gender equality.
10. Empowered 60 PLWDS through training on entrepreneurship and reached thousands through volunteering at free physiotherapy clinics in different informal settlements.
11. Planted over 1200 trees countrywide as a way of mitigating climate change through climate action.
12. Empowered over 500 volunteers countrywide through enabling them to take part in civic education and formulation of youth related policies.
13. Trained 50 teachers on child protection.
14. Awarded 50 female community, gender equality champions on international women's day.

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