



MOMBASA IMPACT REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

Many residents in Mombasa County have faced devastating losses due to recent floods triggered by heavy El nino rains at the end of 2023. Homes have been destroyed, people displaced, and roads rendered impassable. Coastal regions are particularly vulnerable to such calamities, exacerbated by the ongoing effects of climate change, including rising sea levels.

Among the hardest hit are widows and single mothers in Mombasa, who have seen their homes destroyed and possessions washed away, leaving them with nothing to rebuild their lives. Many of these women are the sole providers for their families, yet find themselves unemployed and unable to meet their children's basic needs.

Responding to this urgent situation, SERV, in collaboration with Isagenix, has launched a million-meals campaign aimed at supporting the families enduring these hardships. The initial food distribution event occurred at Deliverance Church Mikindani on February 2, 2024.



IMPACT REPORT

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

250,000

MEALS DISTRIBUTED



856

WIDOWS AND SINGLE
MOTHER'S FED







FOOD DISTRIBUTION

The event kicked off at 8 a.m. with Reverend Robert Ngatia from Deliverance Church Mikindani generously providing breakfast for the women in attendance. With the dedicated support of the church staff and several volunteers, all 856 women present were treated to a hearty meal, ensuring they were well-fed and energized for the day ahead. This act of kindness fostered a warm and inclusive atmosphere, strengthening the sense of community and compassion among everyone involved.

Following breakfast, the women convened for a meeting to discuss the challenges they have been facing, leading to the formation of a support group to provide mutual assistance and encouragement. As the day progressed, the SERV food boxes were brought in from storage, sparking excitement among the women. The distribution commenced, with each woman receiving enough food to sustain them for two weeks. The event concluded at 4 p.m., leaving the women feeling grateful and supported during these challenging times.







STORIES ON THE GROUND

Caroline Wekesa has faced immense hardship since the tragic loss of her husband in 2004, which not only left her widowed but also stripped her of her home and land by her husband's relatives. With no parents or close relatives to turn to, she and her five children have been living in the Ganahola slums of Mikindani, Mombasa.

The recent floods have only compounded Caroline's struggles, washing away her already precarious shelter and leaving her current residence on the brink of collapse. Without a stable home or reliable income, Caroline relies on the kindness of strangers and the meager earnings from small, low-profit businesses like washing clothes and selling firewood to survive. However, there are days when even these sources of income fail to provide enough to put food on the table for Caroline and her children, forcing them to go hungry.

Receiving the SERV food brought a glimmer of hope to Caroline. For the first time in months, she looked forward to providing her children with a nourishing meal. Overwhelmed with gratitude, Caroline eagerly anticipated returning home to feed her family.





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