

HOW WE FINANCE OUR WORK

98% of the PLCC`s work is financed by donations from the USA and Germany. 2% could be made partly by takings from projects owned by the PLCC, partly from donors and parishes within Kenya. As an institution of the KELC the PLCC is subject to all reports valid for the KELC. The budget report is examined by an independent economic agency.

Depending on the educational institution the following costs ensue. They consist of general costs (food, medical supplies, salaries, administration, , looking after children during holidays) and costs regarding schools:

Annual costs for girls	
At primary school	\$ 640
At secondary school	\$ 1250
Vocational training	\$ 1350
At college	\$ 1790

Help so that the girls can laugh again and can happily and confidently go their own way.



School is out - playing at the PLCC operating centre

HOW YOU CAN HELP US

Of your donations 100% will be used for the PLCC

Donations to be send through your parish, church, or by check.



PLCC staff visiting some of our girls at Dr. Aggrey Primary School

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For the street girls in
Nairobi

HISTORY

The Pangani Lutheran Children's Centre (PLCC) was founded in 1994 by women of the Kenya Evangelical Lutheran Church (KELC). Children who were begging in the streets of Nairobi were given tea and bread. Soon it became clear that further support was necessary.

In 1995 Kenya's government appealed to organizations to look after about 30000 urchins living in Nairobi at that time. The women's department of the KELC decided to set up an institution for girls. In 1997 the PLCC was officially acknowledged as a centre for urchins.



Teaching in the Centre

Motivation for our work comes from the clear demonstration of solidarity by Jesus to help those who are in need and who are disadvantaged.

In Matthew 25:40 we read: "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'"

Time and again we experience that our girls among themselves have an eye for other people's misery and say „Ninamhurumia." (I feel sorry for her). This gives us hope that they may be willing to pass on the love and care they experienced at the PLCC.

WHOM WE HELP

The PLCC admits girls who beg in the streets of Nairobi. When admitted the girls are between 5 and 12 years old. They have neither attended school nor any other educational institution.

Most of them live in the slums of Mathare Valley, Kariobangi, Korogocho or Kayole. Sexual harassment, drug abuse prostitution and crime are present everywhere and vulnerable girls cannot defend themselves. The number of AIDS orphans in the PLCC is increasing. However, shelter, clothes, food and medical assistance are not even sufficient in cases when the family is still alive. Therefore it is no surprise that the families cannot afford the costs for schooling.



Mothers to PLCC girls studying small business skills

Since the situation of the girls can only be effectively changed if the family situation improves the PLCC also aims to reach out the parents/guardians of the girls.

WHAT WE DO

- » Rehabilitation through informal teaching in the center, medical assistance, education and building up a stable relationship with the members of the PLCC in the first year after being admitted.
- » Integration into kindergarten, primary and secondary schools, institutions for vocational training and university
- » Coverage of all costs regarding school (school uniforms, teaching materials, desks, food, transport and fees)
- » Tutoring and homework support in the centre
- » Intensive exchange with school and guardians
- » Providing 16 places in the Pangani House for girls who are in special danger
- » Breakfast and lunch in the center
- » Psychological counseling
- » Medical provisions and treatment
- » Information about AIDS and HIV
- » Services, reading the Bible, singing and praying
- » Training of skills for daily life like physical hygiene, washing, cleaning cooking and handiwork
- » Seminars for parents about HIV/AIDS, hygiene, raising children and retail trade
- » Loans to set up small businesses

WHAT WE WANT TO ACHIEVE

- » Self-supporting and responsible citizens of Kenya
- » Integration into a regular school career
- » Educational qualifications at the highest possible level
- » Health regarding body and soul
- » Strengthening the trust in God
- » Increasing the level of education of the guardians
- » Improving the family income
- » To create awareness among the national and international public for the problems of the street urchins