

Corporate Social Investment Report

SECOND QUARTER 2024



KAKUZI

Growing Together

1. Update on Corporate Social Investment (CSI) Plan Implementation

Kakuzi continues to conduct community needs assessment and receive documented requests from the community and other stakeholders to determine situations and identify issues for action, that will shape effective community partnerships.

2. Community Relations

The Company remain relentless in its pursuit of good relationship with the community based on transparent and collaborative conversations, by providing open communication channels and strengthening meaningful community engagements to build sustainable relationships based on trust.

3. Domains

3.1 Good health & Well-being (SDG3)

Investing in health has not only welfare effects but also boosts economic performance. Healthier people have higher efficiency as it directly contributes to labor productivity.

Tabasamu Month

The month of May dubbed “Tabasamu month” in Kakuzi is dedicated towards menstrual health sensitization.

This year’s theme was “Together for a period friendly world”. Trainings on period myths, stigma and taboos were conducted throughout the farm and in local learning institutions to pass correct information about menstruation.

3,000 employees were issued with sanitary towels and an additional over 1,200 learners from Kiambaa, Percy Davis, Thaara primary and Thaara Secondary schools received 752 sanitary towels and 575 bar soaps during the sessions.



Photos 1: Learners during Tabasamu session



Photos 2: Kakuzi employees receiving sanitary towels for their partners and children after a Tabasamu session.

Thika Prison blood drive

Kakuzi sponsored a medical camp and a blood drive initiative organized by Rotaract club of Thika that targeted inmates, prison staff and their families at the Thika prison by donating medication towards the initiative. The exercise benefited 62 members of staff and their households, and 264 inmates.



Photos 3: Members of Rotaract club of Thika receiving medication donated by Kakuzi

3.2 Quality Education (SDG 4)

Education drives the achievement of all the millennium development goals because it equips people with knowledge and skills to break the cycle of poverty and shape their future life chances.

Kakuzi Mentorship Program

Besides supporting deserving students from the local communities with academic scholarships. Kakuzi has developed strategies that promote the wholesome development of these individuals.

During April school holiday, the learners were guided during a mentorship session on "life offer" which covered seeking knowledge correctly, from the right sources and good decision-making skills.



Photos 4: Mentorship session at Kinyangi community center

The Company is committed towards ensuring that the local communities have access to quality education. In addition to investing in school infrastructure Kakuzi is running a mentorship program targeting 3 Primary schools; Kitito, Kinyangi Kakuzi Primary and Gititu Secondary, Schools within the farm.

Within the reporting period 2 forums were conducted engaging head Teachers/Principal and the program mentors to reflect on activities done 2023, planning for 2024 and receive academic updates from the respective schools.



Photos 5; Planning meeting for Kakuzi mentorship forum at Kinyangi community center

Classroom furniture

Classroom furniture plays a significant role in the effectiveness of student learning by encourage a productive learning environment.

To achieve this, Kakuzi donated 218 classroom furniture consisting of learners, teachers' desks, lockers& Chairs, ECDE tables & chairs in 11 learning institutions; Maragua township, Kiangari, Majuu primary schools and Kiri-miri, Muthuru Primary school's special unit section, Peter Kariuki, CCF Wempa ECDE centers among other schools in an effort to enhance learning experience for the pupils.



Photos 6: Teaching staff in Kiangari and Maragua Township schools receiving classroom furniture donated by Kakuzi

Makuyu Boys High School

Kakuzi recognizes the benefits of co-curricular activities for learners in boosting self-confidence, develop social skills and nurturing of talents among other benefits.

In accordance with this the Company participated in the preparation of an extra football field for Makuyu boys high school hosting the regional ball games by donating poles for goal post construction.



Photos 7: Makuyu Boys High School football field

Red Cross Muranga

Kakuzi in partnership with the Kenya Red Cross Muranga branch, sponsored the Humanity power walk and first aid competition for local schools in the subcounty, aimed at collecting funds for the purpose of responding to disaster and offer refresher first aid trainings. The company donated branded T-shirts, water and tents towards the initiative which engaged 35 local Primary/Secondary schools and Michuki technical institute.



Photos 8: Kenyan Red Cross Muranga first aid competition

Day of African Child

The day of the African child is a calendar day that commemorates the bravery and courage of African children in Soweto South Africa who protested about the substandard quality of education they were receiving and demanded to be taught in their own language.

The day is marked on 16th of June, this year's theme reflected on "Education for All Children in Africa, the time is now". In support of the day, Kakuzi donated drinking water, milk and tents.



Photos 9: Pupils performing during Day of African Child event at Matanya Primary school grounds

Student Placement

Kakuzi remains committed to giving students an opportunity to gain skills by way of career related work experience. During the quarter Kakuzi engaged 23 students on industrial placement to attain skills in their different fields of specialization.

3.3 Clean water & Sanitation (SDG 6)

Basic sanitation is directly related to good health. In addition to preventing waterborne diseases, proper sanitation promotes health, improves the quality of the environment and thus, the quality of life in a community.

In line with this construction of 30 ablution blocks in 8 institution; Punda milia primary, Igikiro primary, Kianjiruini secondary school among others is ongoing, on completion the facilities will benefit over 2000 learners schooling in these institutions.



Photos 10: Ongoing Construction of a 4- door sanitation facility

3.4 Decent Work & Economic growth (SDG 8)

Through empowerment communities are equipped to make decisions that affect their lives, have a greater understanding of their needs and challenges, and how to come up with solutions that work for them.

Sponsorship for Vocational training

To achieve this, Kakuzi continues to support 5 youths from the local community with vocational training.

Quarterly follow up visits are conducted in the institution to track progress and offer support to the youth pursuing courses in Motor vehicle mechanics and Masonry at Don Bosco training Centre to acquire skills that match labor market demands.

3.5 Climate Action (SDG 13)

Kakuzi has continued to embrace and adapt knowledge, expertise to develop and implement effective conservation as well as resources efficiency initiatives to promote the well-being of both present and future generations.

The Company recognizes that it takes concerted efforts and collaboration with surrounding communities to ensure a sustainable future.

Training on nursery operations

In line with this the company held a session on nursery operations with 6 youths who are scholarship beneficiaries in an effort to prepare them spear head environmental conservation initiatives in their previous schools and the communities they come from as environmental champions.



Photos 11: Nursery operation session at Managamate

Kakuzi Hills community

Kakuzi partnered with communities from Kakuzi hills led by the area Chief, in an environmental conservation initiative, that involved talks on importance and benefits of environmental conservation to help mitigate challenges the community has been experience resulting from illegal deforestation in the area and aid restitution for the environment. During the exercise the company donated 300 tree seedlings for planting.



Photos 12: Kakuzi hills community during tree planting exercise

World Environment day

World Environment day is marked globally on 5th June every year since 1972 when it was established by the united Nations General Assembly. The day creates awareness and lobby political support for the environment among Governments.

This year's global theme was "accelerating land restoration, drought resilience and desertification progress". Kakuzi donated 200 round neck, 100 Polo shirts and 200 tree seedlings towards the celebrations.



Photos 13: Staff from the department of water, irrigation, environment and natural resources receiving items donated by kakuzi

4. Stakeholder and Community engagement/Collaboration

Kabatini forestry hall

In the spirit on establishing sustainable partnership and increasing interaction with the community. Kakuzi is renovating Kabatini forestry division hall, to create a safe and conducive environment for our employees and the community members during forums conducted in the facility.



Photos 14: Kabatini forestry hall under renovations

Madaraka Day Celebrations

Madaraka day 1st of June is marked to celebrate Kenya attaining internal self-governance from British colonization. Kakuzi supported celebrations in Ithanga/ Kakuzi and Muranga south sub counties by donation of tents, drinking water and other food items.



Photos 15: Madaraka day celebrations

5. Working with local Administration

Access to and provision of basic services to the community remains a priority to Kakuzi. In line with this, Kakuzi donated office furniture (Office desks and chairs) to the newly established Ithanga/ Kakuzi subcounty Directorate of criminal investigations office.



Photos 16: Government officers from Ithanga police station receiving furniture donated by Kakuzi

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