



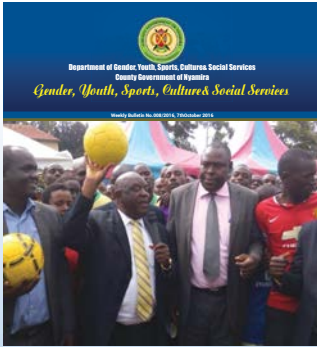
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Message from the Governor

The social aspirations of the people of Nyamira are slowly but surely being realized. Since March 2013 and through the Department of Gender, Youth, Sports, Culture and Social Services we have instituted programmes that have positively impacted on our people.

The establishment of the County stadium facility an Manga, Kitutu Masaba Sub-county has helped us access a training venue for our upcoming sportsmen and women from all corners of the country. The second phase construction will definitely put this facility to completion to allow even more sporting disciplines to be accommodated.

At the same time another stadium an Nyamaiya, Nyamira South sub-county is underway and this will essentially mean similar services nearer to everyone. We are also improving at least one play ground in each of our 20 Wards in our County.

My government has put a Youth Empowerment Policy that has seen a total of 700 youth taken up in the first phase of providing them with various opportunities to engage in community development as well as earn stipend which will make them begin to realize their dreams. This programme will run continuously as it targets to loop in every unemployed youth. The youth will also be exposed to entrepreneurship and life skills training while in this programme. I am glad to say that this programme has received tremendous attention and support and as such I hasten to advise the recruits to spare no chance towards making this a success.



H.E Hon. John Obiero Nyagarama, Governor, Nyamira County

Alongside this, the youth of Nyamira have always been given priority when the county has employment opportunities. They have since particularly secured a lion share of number of positions in the Health and Education sectors in my government.

The Nyamira people as Abagusii value our culture and consider its sustenance our responsibility. We have sponsored various cultural groups in conducting various programmes meant to foster and preserve our culture. A number of programmes have been advanced since 2013 to ensure this.

The establishment of a talent Academy at Ekerubo Kiendege is a sure way of tapping and nurturing talent among our youth. This is another milestone towards empowering our young ones as they are our future. Various competitive sporting activities such as the Governor's Cup, Regional Primary, and Secondary Schools tournaments, etc have been hosted at this Talent Academy.

In my manifesto, I promised to introduce a programme

meant to take care of the vulnerable in our midst. I am proud to inform my people that we have since set aside funds meant to be cash transfer to the poor elderly and severe cases of People Living with Disability. This financial year alone, 1000 poor elderly people and 300 PlwD will benefit under this programme. More funds shall be set aside in subsequent financial years in order to reach as many deserving cases as possible. Necessary legislation has been drafted to anchor this spirit.

The above are just but examples demonstrating that my government is determined to ensure social equity and development, youth empowerment and involvement in governance, cultural promotion and sports development as an alternative pillar of economic success.

I encourage all to positively engage with my government in order to help foster partnership as a civic responsibility for utmost realization of our solidarity in achieving the tenets that are the aspirations of our people.

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Message from the County Executive Committee Member of Gender, Youth, Sports, Culture and Social Services



Youth Empowerment

The County Government of Nyamira has enacted a youth empowerment policy. The Nyamira County Youth Empowerment (Economic Stimulus) Programme targets about 700 youths in the County who will be appreciated with a token of Ksh.7, 000 per month for community services discharged. They will be required to save 15% of this monthly income that will be received at the point of discharge from the programme to enable them to kick-off life with small enterprises.

This is a three-month community service programme (re-newable) subject to distinguished service. The Programme is focused on serving the community and reduce dependence.

The programme activities include but not limited to: opening and maintaining footpaths, county roads and culverts tree planting, County branding, improving school playing grounds, County beautification, digital data capture, volunteer services, storm-water management, and be on-call during

emergency and County functions besides being involved in sports, positive entertainment, public participation, civic education and mentoring.

During the programme it is expected that the engaged youth will directly or indirectly learn and enhance self-employment skills in agribusiness, art and sports, civil works, etc.

The youth participants have been identified through an all-inclusive process and will commence in the month of October 2016. The selected participants can check on the County Website.

Bob ni Swag Sacco

The department has encouraged the youth of Nyamira County to develop a savings culture by establishing common interest groups. One such venture is the Bob ni Swag SACCO that has active members saving online. Such platforms make the youth to engage one another on saving, borrowing and investing in businesses of their choice. The SACCO is in the process of registering a company as an alternative investment to increase their productivity and earnings.

Tano ni Tamu Company

Women of Nyamira County have also organized

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themselves and registered Tano Ni Tamu company Ltd. This will enable them access the 30% of Government procurement opportunities as well as engage in other legal productive businesses to earn income and alleviate poverty.

People Living with Disabilities

Consistently, the County Government has involved people living with disabilities in yearly celebrations of World Day of people living with disabilities where important matters of their concern are raised. The department has made interventions where possible aimed at solutions to their issues.

Enterprise Funds

In organized public platforms the department has been in the forefront in advocating for the youth, people living with disabilities and women to access Youth Enterprise development funds, Uwezo fund and women enterprise fund whose uptake and repayment remains a challenge.

Sports Stadia

Nyamira County started with underdeveloped sports infrastructure, to date the phase one of Manga stadium is done and encroachers who grabbed this land have since been relocated. The 300M long and 120M stadium enclosing 9.5 acres is now available for sporting activities. Tender action for Phase II is on and the first phase of the Nyamaiya stadium will commence

in this financial year. It is worth noting that Gekomoni Technical Secondary school was once a champion in secondary schools soccer boys trained in Nyamaiya stadium. This sporting facilities can be utilized to nurture the young talent in sports.

Talent Academy

The Nyamira County Talent academy at Kiendege has been renovated to accommodate the school going talented students who are undertaking training alongside their o'level studies. The academy is capable of holding four soccer, four volleyball and four netball matches at the same time. The academy is the Nyamira County's secondary schools soccer boy's champions 2016.

The Nyamira County Support for the vulnerable bill, 2016

The Nyamira County Support for the vulnerable bill, 2016 approved by the cabinet is before the County Assembly for discussion. Once passed 1000 households of 70 year old and above who live in abject poverty and 300 households of people living with severe disabilities stand to benefit from a cash transfer programme of ksh. 1,000.00 Per month to meet basic needs.

Thank you

Peter Omwansa

Executive Committee Member of Gender, Youth, Sports, Culture and Social Services.

Message from the county chief officer



The department of Gender, Youth, Sports, and Culture & Social Services is one of the departments whose functions were devolved from the central government mainly to promote welfare services among the people, especially the youth and special groups. In the pursuit of this goal, the department is guided by, among other policy instruments, the National Youth Service Act of 2007, Constitution of Kenya 2010 (e.g. Gender Rule) and the policies developed by and governing each department. The department has five sections: Gender, Youth, Sports, liquor, Culture & Social Services.

The mandate of the department is to develop and empower the youth, promote sports, culture

and also improve the provision of social services whereas ensuring gender is mainstreamed in all its programmes and its vision is geared towards making Nyamira a leading county in social development and having high levels of

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gender parity in all spheres of life. Our core values are Results-oriented; Integrity; Creativity and Innovation; Care and Accountability; and Equity and Gender parity for better life.

The County Government of Nyamira has been undertaking a series of reforms aimed at enhancing quality, efficiency and equity in service delivery in this sector. Among the key reforms include but not limited to embracing Results-Based Management (RBM) for enhanced public sector performance. Our strategic plan seeks to ensure, inter alia;

- (a) Providing services that meet the evolving needs of the County;
- (b) Understanding the pertinent strategic issues and being committed to the attainment of the set objectives;
- (c) Deployment and utilization of resources more efficiently and effectively; and
- (d) Sustaining the ability to adapt and embrace change in rapidly changing circumstances while continuing to carry out our core functions;
- (e) Performance management systems are embraced to maximize effectiveness.

The GYSC&SS has the following key pointers:

- Pursuit of equity and inclusive growth;

- Youth and women empowerment;
- Support and preservation of positive cultural heritage;
- Promotion and development of Arts and Sports;
- Nurturing of reading culture. The social development sector, which is the purview of GYSC&SS, faces a broad range of dynamic challenges, including poverty, youth unemployment, and cultural inertia, breakdown of cultural values, the ramifications of drugs and HIV/Aids as well as crime; against limited resources to address all these multifaceted problems. Finally we welcome all our stakeholders to work with us to move the sector to higher levels of service delivery.

Message from the director culture



Kennedy Nyachoti

Culture is the way of life of the people. The department is mandated with the responsibility of promoting, developing and representing both intangible and tangible cultural heritage for job creation for our people, in areas of comedy, dance, weaving, basketry, poetry, performances, exhibitions, book writing, riddles, traditional art crafts, development of monuments, historical site and development of cultural centers.

We intend to develop parks and nature walk sites for recreational facilities and this will also increase the County's income.

Alcohol Licensing and Control

Another major component in the Gender, Youth, Sports, Culture and Social Services is the licensing of alcohol and control. This is a continuous activity where outlets are given the documents under the Nyamira alcoholic Act 2014.

Women Empowerment

Women have also been empowered in terms sensitization on book keeping, group registration, group dynamics and borrowing

Culture

The department introduced African Medicine day that is celebrated each year in the month of September whereby herbalists are sensitized on preparation and packaging of their products.

Vision:

To be the leading County in Culture and Sport Development.

Mission:

To empower the Community, through Culture and sports, for

sustainable social Economic development.

Mandate:

To develop and empower the community through culture and sports for sustainable development. .

Core functions

- Sports trainings and competitions.
- Development and management of sports facilities
- Promotion of Culture and conservation of heritage
- Public records, preservation and archives management
- Development and management of culture
- Promotion of Kenyan Music and dance.
- Promotion of Artistic skills.
- Provision of Film services
- Establishment and promotion of Library services
- Alcohol licensing and Control.

About our Department

The department has five sectors: Gender, Youth, Sports, and Culture & Social Services.

Gender

The Department's central role is mainstreaming of gender in all the ministry's functions and the entire county. The department will spearhead the implementation of all the gender policies as well as the Constitution 2010 two-thirds gender rule within Nyamira County and beyond.

Youth

The Department seeks to recognise and develop a sense of self-esteem, potential and aspirations of young women and men in the county. To provide services to the youth in line with national policies, the Department mobilizes the youth

in tasks of national development and provides opportunities for the youth to develop relevant life skills, which enable them to become responsible and self-reliant members of the community. It has programmes on youth health; youth employment, training and development; volunteerism and work-camps; rural development; youth gender programmes; a county Youth Resource Directory; a youth participation programme through environmental education and a capacity building programme.

Sports sector

The sector aims at construction of sports facilities, developing healthy and disciplined county residents through sports, promoting unity and harmony within the county and the country at large. The secretariat will initiate working

agreements on sports between Nyamira County and other counties.

Heritage and Culture Sector

The Department's tasked with the establishment of a museum in Nyamira County and the identification and classification and preservation of historical Heritage and cultural sites. It seeks to encourage and nurture the culture of the Abagusii in support of nation building activities. It also encourages mutual respect and understanding for each other's culture. It organizes cultural activities; cultural exchange programmes; cultural training programmes and exhibitions as well as promotion of arts and reading culture.

Social Services Sector

Aims to promote social welfare and development through protection and support of children and vulnerable groups.

Administration

The role of the administration and management function is to coordinate all the ministry's activities and ensure

efficient delivery of services. The delineation of functions between the national and county governments is still blurred in some aspects. The Ministry needs to design strategies to enhance clarity and improve productivity and effectiveness for better service delivery. There is need for recruitment of more staff with requisite skills as well as requisition of various office furniture, vehicles and office equipment.

Alcohol licensing and control

The directorate is charged with the responsibility of licensing alcohol outlets and control which includes sensitization on alcohol and drug abuse issues and rehabilitation of addicts.

Our Development Agenda

The department has the following key agendas:

- Pursuit of equity and inclusive growth;
- Youth and women empowerment;
- Protection and support of children, the aged and other vulnerable groups;
- Support and preservation of positive cultural heritage;
- Conservation of our wildlife heritage;
- Promotion and development of Arts and Sports;
- Promotion and Nurturing of a reading culture.

Our Strategic Issues and Objectives

Goals	Strategic Objectives
To increase Youth engagement in gainful employment and participation in socioeconomic and political development in the County	1:Promote,coordinate and increase the impact of youth development initiatives
	2: To prepare the youth to play an effective role in health issues including HIV and Aids pandemic at the local level.
	3: Increase participation of youth in the conservation of the environment
	4:To participate in reduction of alcohol and drug abuse and related crime by youth
	5 Raise the levels of awareness and knowledge by the youth in the county
	6:To enhance technical and management skills of all officers by 2017
To promote equal gender participation for socio economic development in the County	1:To promote, coordinate and increase equal participation of both gender in development initiatives
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	3. Introduce a programme to address the problems of vulnerable men.
	4. Sensitize communities against gender violence
Mobilize, Sensitize and Provide Direction for County residents to participate in Sports for recreation, good health, and career development	1. Identify and develop 3 sports stadia in the county
	2.1. Introduce competitive sports by establishing cup tournaments
	2.2. Encourage formation of 5 sports clubs
	2.3. Establish a Sports Talent academy to train talented youths on sports
	3. Introduce at least one new sport (e.g. cricket, basketball, hockey)
	4. Train local sports organizations on good governance
5. Work with stakeholders to draft a county sports policy by end plan period.	

Goals	Strategic Objectives
To promote, preserve, revitalize and develop county's diverse cultural heritage for appreciation, national cohesion and sustainable development	1: To work with stakeholders to draft a county cultural policy by 2015.
	2.1. To organize at least five cultural events over the plan period;
	2.2. To facilitate the development of a county cultural centre/theatre
	3.1: To identify, promote, research, preserve, restore, document, and disseminate intangible and tangible cultural heritage throughout the plan period
	3.2. Initiate the development of a county museum by 2015
	4: To identify positive cultural values and promote their adoption among the youth
	5. Identify and encourage the revival of at least two indigenous industries by 2017.
	6.1: Create a county heroes/heroines recognition and awards scheme by 2016.
	6.2. Organize cultural exchange programmes
	7. Facilitate the establishment libraries in the county
	8.1. Conduct 5 sensitization and education seminars the populace on the value of wildlife.
	8.2. Research on the feasibility of establishing a wildlife (bird, animal) sanctuary
To safeguard the rights and welfare of children	1.1. To mobilize resources towards establishing a home for OVCs,
	1.2. Create community awareness on child issues
	1.3 Increase the no. of orphans accessing support.
To safeguard the interests of and empower the aged and persons with disability.	1.1 Sensitize communities on their rights
	1.2. Facilitate construction of social halls
	1.3. Facilitate construction of "Nyumba ya Wazee"
Rampant Female Genital Mutilation	To reduce FGM from 96.1% to 70% by 2017

Departmental Major Achievements in F/Y 2015/2016

- Establishment of Talent academy at Kiendege
- Sports facilities developed at Manga stadium
- We have supported various sports activities e.g Athletics, Football leading to Inter county games competitions
- Registration of sports clubs and Cultural groups
- Establishment of County Sports Council and Cultural Committee
- Establishment of Alcohol Control and licensing Boards.
- Establishment of Manga Museum – Mooting of the Museum Idea in collaboration with National Museum of Kenya.
- Various Cultural Festivals celebrated – Kenya Music and Cultural Festivals.
- Sensitization of youth on entrepreneurial skills.
- Sensitization workshop for PLWDs.
- Sensitization of women on Social Economic Activities.

Development projects status as at 30/6/2016 for the department of gender, youth, sports, culture & social services

S/No.	Project Description	Location	Remarks
1.	County Library Establish And Equip	County Headquarters	The library is in operation
2	Develop and equip A Talent Academy.	Kiendege High School	The Talent Academy is in operation and refurbishment of facility is ongoing.
3	Purchase of sports equipment	20 wards	The equipment have been purchased and distribution on going
4	Participation in sports Activities/Competition.	-County wide & nation wide	To tap, nurture and development.
5	Manga stadium	Manga ward	Construction on going. Perimeter wall and leveling done.
7	Governor's cup	Countywide	Finals done at Kiendege. Some players were picked to the national talent Academy in Nairobi

Sports

Manga Stadium

Manga stadium is located at Manga Sub County. So far there is a perimeter wall in place and the ground has been leveled.



View of Manga Stadium

Objective of Manga stadium

- To provide adequate training facilities to the sports men and women.
- To tap, nurture and develop talents
- Upon the completion of the stadium there will be:
- Increased participation in sports activities.
- Improved standards in sports participation
- Increased income to sportsmen and the locals.



View of Manga Stadium



The CECM Mr. Peter Omwanza flagging off the governor's cup equipment

Objective of Governor's cup

- To tap, nurture and develop talent among the youth.
- To engage youth in positive activities
- To increase youth participation in sports

Participation in athletics

The department is actively involved in improving and nurturing the athletics talents across the county



Athletes at Sironga field during the regional cross country.

Inter-county sports and cultural festivals



Athletics team after receiving their participation certificates in Mombasa during the Mombasa International Marathon on 25th Sept 2016.

Objectives:

- Increase interaction and cohesion among counties through sports and culture
- Increased participation in sports and cultural activities
- Increased appreciation of cultural heritage.

Youth empowerment

Talent academy

The Talent Academy at Kiendege is in operation and refurbishment of facility is ongoing.

Objectives:

- To tap, nurture and develop talents at early age.
- To offer training opportunities to youth

The talent academy is meant to:

- Increase participation in sports activities
- Motivate youth in sports
- Tap, nurture and develop talents



Nyamira county football team at Mangu high school during the inter-county competitions held in Kiambu County.

Library Services

The establishment of the library is meant to encourage a reading culture among our people. It is envisioned that we shall eventually have at least a library in each sub county besides community libraries which will be established by the community for example the Igena Itambe library which is a community facility in the making.

The county has partnered with the Kenya National Library Services (KNLS) to help us in coming up with an operational county library.

The county government is encouraging participation from all stakeholders in mobilization of resources e.g. Donation of reading materials.





The Established and equipped County Library located in Nyamira town

Culture



Otenyo cultural dancers performing during a cultural event



Gusii cultural dance



Otenyo Cultural dancers at the Nairobi National Theatre during Kenya Music and Cultural Festival

Planned Activities	Location	Objectives	Output	Target	Implementation Status	Outcome
Registration of Sports clubs	County wide	To give legal entity to the clubs. To generate revenue. To identify and authenticate the clubs. To instill discipline in clubs	120 clubs registered	300	40%	Increased number of active clubs. Increased revenue to the County. Discipline instilled among clubs.
Support to sports clubs and associations	County wide	To increase participation in sports activities -To motivate youths' participation in sports activities.	Eight clubs participated in different sports activities in and outside the county i.e. special Olympics, Itibo cross country, Nyamira FKF recruitment of players, Kebirigo road race, Deaf marathon, County, regional, National championships in Cross country and athletics.	300	40%	Increased participation in sports activities. Motivated youth.

Planned Activities	Location	Objectives	Output	Target	Implementation Status	Outcome
Youth leaders' meeting and Nyamira youth forum	Nyamira County	To sensitize youth on entrepreneurial skills. To facilitate partnership in development between the Youth and the County government.	One youth leaders meeting held in Guardian Hotel and one County youth forum held at Uhuru Gardens.	One meeting and one forum held	100%	Increased participation of youth in entrepreneurial activities. Sensitized youth. Memorandum presented to the government and development partnership entered.
Women development enterprise fund	Nyamira	To empower them financially.	Number of women who received funds	20 wards	100%	Empowered women financially
Sensitization workshop for PLWDs	Guardian Hotel	To sensitize PLWDs on their rights and obligations	Two hundred PLWDs sensitized	200	100%	Increased awareness among the PLWDs on their rights and obligation.
Sensitization workshop for women	Borabu Inn	To sensitize women social economic activities	120 women sensitized	120	100%	Increased incomes to women
County Alcohol and Control Act	County wide	To provide control and licensing of alcohol activities. To provide guidance on alcohol consumption.	One Act in place	1	100%	Controlled and licensed alcohol activities. Reduced cases of illicit brews.
Establishment of County Sports Council and Cultural Committee	County wide	To assist the department in prudent management of Sports and Cultural activities. To involve all stakeholders in sports and cultural activities.	One council and one committee in place	2	100%	Improved management of Sports and Cultural activities. Stakeholder's involvement in sports and cultural activities.

OUR SERVICE CHARTER

Services offered	Customer	User obligation/ user cost	Timeline
Development and rehabilitation of community sports Facilities, Museum, Library and Archives	Requests to be forwarded to the office for consideration. Must sign an MOU with the facility user/stakeholders	Free	Continuous
Provision of Sports equipment	Requests/ needs must be forwarded to the office for consideration All requests must be channelled through federation/ division offices/organization/ ward rep. or recognized institution Confirmation of registration	Free	Continuous
Facilitate sports men/women and artists to participate in International competitions and festivals	Recommending sports men/ women, artists to the relevant authorities for travel documents Proposal from the federation/organization Budget requirement Copies of personal documents, birth certificate, Id Invitation from abroad Recommendation letter from respective organization/federation Letter from Kenya Sports Council Recommendation letter from the County Sports Council	Free	2 Weeks.
Facilitation of sports men/women, and artists to participate at Local, National and International competitions	Must be selected/recommendation by respective federations/organizations Must have attained the qualifying mark in the respective event	Depends on respective champion/festivals	1 Month
Facilitate peaceful resolution of dispute among sports federations/organizations or players	Must notify the department of dispute in writing	Free	Continuous
Registration of sports clubs, Artists and organizations	Duly filled and certified forms for registration Copies of constitution, copies of minutes	Initial registration Ksh.1000/= Renewal 300/=	Continuous
Registration of Library membership.	Student Id, National ID or Passport and fill a provided form	Children 100/= Adults 200/=	Continuous
Alcohol licensing	Certifying requirement as in the county alcohol Policy		Continuous


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