



**Golder Trust  
for Orphans**



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### Name of the Project:

Lewa Children's Home and Baraka Farm

### Type of Project:

Investment Grant Project

### Location:

Eldoret, Kenya

### Number of Orphans Being Supported:

100+

## Overview

Lewa Children's Home and Baraka Farm in Eldoret, Kenya is a collective endeavour that involves a home for orphans, a farm that supports the orphans' home with food and income, and a school that helps educate the orphans and other children in the local community.

Eldoret is located 310 kilometres northwest of Nairobi, the capital city of Kenya.

Lewa Children's Home provides a loving environment, nutritious food, clean water, education and support for abandoned, orphaned or abused children in a family setting. A large, multi-purpose structure, including a dormitory, bathrooms, study and meeting rooms and a small clinic are all included in the new structure.

Currently, Lewa Children's Home cares for over 100 children, who are there because their parents have died or are no longer fit to care for them.

### Baraka Farm

The Baraka Farm is an agricultural development program designed to support Lewa Children's Home with fresh grown grains, vegetables, meats and milk. Thanks to donations from the Golder Trust for Orphans, the farm has expanded to provide support to the children's home through the sale of crops, livestock, milk, cheese, yogurt and sunflower seed oil.

The Farm Manager and staff provide demonstration plots and host "Farm Days" for local

farmers to learn new, innovative and low-tech, farming techniques to improve crop yields for their families while protecting the local environment.

The farm's program also includes agricultural training for orphans of the Lewa Children's Home and employs over 100 people from the local community.

### Kip Keino School

Since January 1999, the Kip Keino School has provided a quality primary school education to hundreds of students from the Eldoret highlands in western Kenya. In December 2005, the school ranked #1 in the District out of 400 primary schools for the Kenya Certificate of Education Exam for Grade 8 students. All Kip Keino School students who sat for the exam passed and were called to placements in secondary school.



*Happy Lewa kids!*

The Kip Keino School is providing a quality education and first class facilities to the orphans from Lewa Children's Home and many other deserving children. More than just top-notch education, the school provides employment to 15 teachers and 37 non-teaching staff from the local region, contributing to the local economy.

### How We Helped this Project

The Golder Trust for Orphans has been supporting Lewa Children's Home and Baraka Farm since 2005. Since this time, the Trust has invested funding into the development of the farm, the dairy and the construction of the boy's home on the farm property.

In 2010, the Trust will invest \$100,000 USD into the expansion of the dairy and the development of the Baraka Farm cheese business. The Trust will also donate funding to help with the construction of a new laundry facility for the children's home.

### Where to Find More Information

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Lewa-Childrens-Home-Eldoret-Kenya/121481920480?v=info>

Recent Photos from Lewa Children's Home and Baraka Farm:



*Clockwise from top left: Two of the Lewa kids, Healthy Lewa beans, Phyllis Keino and Jos Creemers, Entrance to Children's home, One of the Lewa dairy cows, Boy's Dormitory.*

See more photos from this project on flickr!  
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