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G-BIACK takes food to the orphanages through training in GROW BIOINTENSIVE



Orphanage managers undergoing training on how to grow food

In Kenya, the situation of Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVCs) is an issue of concern. Currently it is estimated that there are over 3 million Orphans in the country, 47% orphaned as a result of HIV and AIDS and many more remain vulnerable due to several other factors. The statistics surrounding the rising population and the immense suffering of these children can be overwhelming. Over 25% of the population live on less than \$1 per day and 12-15% of households in Kenya are headed by an orphan sibling.

Approximately 40,000-42,000 orphans and vulnerable children are living in children's homes also known as orphanages. The primary mission of Orphanages is to provide the orphaned, destitute, outcast, unloved, needy, sick, handicapped and/or dying children, with a home, love, happiness, physical, mental, emotional and spiritual nourishment, the highest level of education possible, and a hope for a bright future. However, most orphanages face enormous challenges that require collecting interventions from stakeholders and well-wishers. One of the major challenges that they face is insufficient healthy food. Most orphanages are donor/well-wishers reliant and so they depend on them to help with the purchase of food and other basic needs. The absence of donors forces the children to the streets due to lack of basic needs.

The GROW BIOINTENSIVE Agriculture Centre of Kenya has embarked on a programme that will assist orphanages to grow their own food. The organization is in the process of training more than 40 orphanage managers by giving them skills and knowledge that will help them grow their own food from their small farms. This will help them become sustainable and thus reduce over reliance from the donors.

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Donations of any amount help us to reach out to vulnerable families.

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