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**BERADICAL MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS – EBOOK EDITION**



Supporting Underprivileged Communities Through Education,  
Sustainability & Empowerment

# INTRODUCTION

## BERADICAL FOUNDATION: STORIES OF HOPE, CHANGE, AND IMPACT

Welcome to the first collected edition of the BeRadical Foundation Newsletters — a heartfelt compilation of the work we've done, the lives we've touched, and the milestones we've celebrated together.

Since our founding, BeRadical Foundation UK has been driven by a simple yet powerful mission: to support underprivileged communities through education, sustainability, and empowerment. Over the past months, we've expanded our reach across East Africa — working closely with communities, local partners, and volunteers to deliver meaningful, on-the-ground change.

From supporting the Lea Mwana Children's Centre in Kenya, to empowering communities through Giraffe BioEnergy's clean cooking solutions, every edition of our monthly newsletter has captured the spirit of compassion, resilience, and collective action.

This eBook brings together those stories — month by month — showcasing the events, challenges, and successes that shape our journey. Whether it's celebrating birthdays with the children, launching community gardens, delivering school supplies, or sharing the joy of volunteering, each page reflects our ongoing promise to be radical in our love, action, and support.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed, volunteered, donated, or simply followed our story. Your belief in what we do makes all the difference. We invite you to read, reflect, and relive the journey — and to continue walking this path of hope with us.

With gratitude,

**The BeRadical Foundation Team**

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Welcome to BeRadicalFoundation and since our birth only 7 months ago so much has happened, we are able to celebrate many milestones and have made many memories. Our mission is community, creating a community and maintaining relationships that are beneficial in every aspect to the development and progression of the projects we build and those we are currently proud to be involved in. We are supporting and sending supplies to Lea Mwana orphanage and children's centre, we have supplied 4 bikes and 2 large food deliveries so far.



We had a small party and some of the children enjoyed ice cream for the first time EVER! After some really touching and lovely experiences BeRadicalFoundation decided we needed to be involved in the long term support of the organisation and its members. Some unfortunate circumstances lead to children being forced to stay at the home, lack of ability to pay medical bills and support a family, death or sickness of relatives. Another of our projects is Giraffe Bioenergy, a big biodiversity programme and the largest of its kind in East Africa,

we are very excited to share the latest developments and achievements they are making and want to celebrate and spread awareness around how they are pioneers in their field and what benefits their research and production will have for the communities they serve currently and then the rest of the country and African coastline.





# GIRAFFE BIOENERGY



Having personally visited the project and farm, meeting the staff and the ladies involved the epic journey of turning Cassava into safe and accessible cooking fuel, we are in full support of every aspect of this project. It's such a wonderful product that will be readily available at an affordable price point for Kenyans and eventually the whole of the East coast, taking years of research and development to bring it this far. The biggest project of its kind in East Africa, founded to help assist with the current situation where many people still cook using unsafe, life threatening methods and practices. We want to officially introduce you to Linda who is the CEO of Giraffe Bioenergy and she really is an inspiration, inspiring to us at BRF, her team within the project and on the farm and anyone who has the pleasure to meet her.



# GIRAFFE

## BIOENERGY



It's her mission to train 30 ladies every 15 days to be responsible for the agriculture and production of the Cassava on the farm totalling 200 hectares of land and another 100 hectares of outgrow they will produce enough ethanol from the Cassava to supply Kenya with an alternative cooking fuel to the options available right now. They are doing really well, when we visited over a month ago we celebrated the graduation of 15 ladies, at that count it was 150 women trained and fully educated in the agricultural technology and techniques needed to grow, maintain and sustain the yields necessary to produce enough ethanol to create this change. We are so proud of Linda and super proud to be part of this fantastic project. Stay tuned for more.



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# LEA MWANA

## CHILDREN'S CENTRE MALINDI KENYA

This special and heartwarming centre is currently supporting and caring for around 40 children ranging from 18 months old to 17 years. Doing the absolute best they can to celebrate birthdays and special occasions the head of the centre Agnes is a wonderful and caring soul, we met back in April for the first time and BRF are captivated by the stories of the children and how they came to be at the centre. Not all are orphans, some have living parents who are unable to care for them due to sick family members or illness themselves. Medical care in Kenya is not free and all services like schools are charges for making it almost impossible to provide for a family, maintain school fees and pay for medical care. Often children are abandoned at the hospitals if their care cannot be paid for or if the parents simply cannot afford to support them, a choice that I'm sure is not arrived at easily.

The community are supporting the orphanage by taking tourists to visit and by bringing donations during high tourist seasons, through April to August the season is out and they struggle the most during this time. We at BRF will support and send supplies to the orphanage through the quieter periods and are currently raising money to send all of the children to school for the WHOLE of next year. This comes at a cost of £1500, primary school children are costing about £30 a year to send to school. For most of us £30 is not a lot, the price of a takeaway or a round of drinks in the pub, for these children it will be life changing and will help to support a brighter future with better prospects.

Secondary education is more expensive as they are doing many different activities and courses, exams are also an added cost. It will cost around £90 - £100 a year to educate the older children and we are already on our way having collected fees for at least 3 primary school children so far. We need your support and your help to make this a reality!

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## Wow... We have been so busy!!!

July has been a mammoth month for BRF and our team is growing rapidly over in Malindi supporting Lea Mwana Children's Centre. There has been so many amazing new developments and exciting opportunities for the volunteers who are really driving the productivity forward in the right direction. As we recruit more and more volunteers the opportunities for internal progression continue to materialise and we find ourselves with the support and numbers we need to do bigger and better community projects and help assist the children and adults as much as possible. Taking the opportunity to thank all of our volunteers we know that none of the achievements we have been able to secure would have happened without their efforts!

## Time for some introductions...

We have our group leader Mr Brown, responsible for HR and the management of the group he is dedicated to the local community and has the best interests of the children at heart. He organises all of the group activities and is our first representative in Kenya, trustworthy and friendly, fully reliable and respectful he leads the group with patience and understanding. Buying sweets for the kids and spending most of his time at the centre with them, he is a shining star of our organisation!

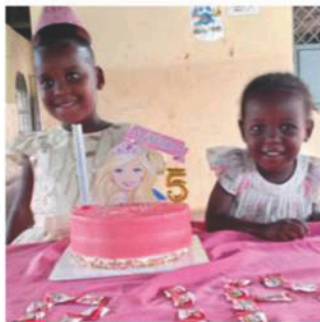
Our operations manager is Steve, showing so much passion and potential right from the start has hit the ground running after his initial application. Steve has shown his commitment to the foundation and its principles by sharing the ethos and values of the foundation with the group and ensuring the standard is always upheld and that the work environment is positive and reflects policy. He works tirelessly to keep our projects on track and maintains the voice of reason and responsibility!

## Thank you to the Team for all your efforts!

We have around 7 volunteers at this stage and are so grateful for the improvements they are facilitating at the centre. It's imperative that we continue to grow and develop ways to add value to this project and the community it serves.







We have had birthday celebrations for some of the children and the arrival of a brand new baby. A 9 day old baby girl called Rahema found abandoned in a goat field, the lady tending the goats luckily found her before it was too late. A few weeks later we had another baby only 3 months old arrive at Lea Mwana, now we have 2 babies under 4 months old to care for and support into childhood.

We have sent over emergency packages containing milk, nappies, clothes and essential items to help ease the stress of this situation and deliver some comfort to the children and relief to the carers. We are so proud to be able to offer support and assistance and are extremely happy that we can provide comfort and stability to these children who are struggling from such an early age. We pledge to continue our support throughout the many stages of childhood and support the nurture and nourishment of their futures.

One of the projects we have ongoing is the development and implementation of the BRF Garden inside Lea Mwana, a nice collection of plants and trees to complement the existing compound area. Our volunteers are currently doing the ground work to accommodate the addition of this new garden and its flora, helping to add some colour and areas of shade to the outside space.

We plan to plant vegetables and fruits so the children will have access to fresh produce and this will reduce the financial strains on the centre itself, plots are being cleared to grow the fruit and vegetables and the volunteers are visiting 3 times a week to get this done before the foundation visit in September. BRF will visit the orphanage and take footage and testimony from the children on how they feel about our garden and the work we have been doing. We continue to raise funds to support the efforts of the volunteers and the development of the children's education so please give generously.

It's a very exciting time here at BeRadicalFoundation and in Kenya we have so much more planned for next month and the rest of the year!

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Summer is here! Well... It is for us in the UK and Europe but for those south of the equator it happens to be winter. Kenya is having its winter and has been suffering with much rain and winds plus some political issues as many of you may have read about or witnessed, it's been a rough time for the residents but things are looking up!

BRF plans to return to Kenya next month to check out the developments at the orphanage and visit the Giraffe Bioenergy farm to see how the children, ladies and teams are getting on. We have had some wonderful donations and are planning on ways in which we can support the young adults as they are released from the orphanage due to age. We are hoping to collaborate with other businesses to offer occupational training and experience within the professional environment. It would be our pleasure to join forces with those who are at liberty to offer support and services in conjunction with us, so please get in contact if you have a connection to or own a business that you think will collaborate well with at **info@beradicalfoundation.com**



It's our pleasure to let you know both babies are doing very well and have benefitted greatly from the care at the orphanage and the support of BRF. We have provided funding for medicines and supplies that are essential for early years development and will continue to do so, we rely on donations from the public and our closer community to keep these projects going so your support is life changing for many of these individuals and we thank you for all donations received to date and ahead of time for any future donations. We are looking forward to meeting the babies in person and finding out more about their stories while planning for a better future, speaking with the children about the last few months and discussing with the team of volunteers how we can assist their efforts and gather more success in the support of other community projects. We will not stop until we have steps in place to Change the World One Step at a Time.



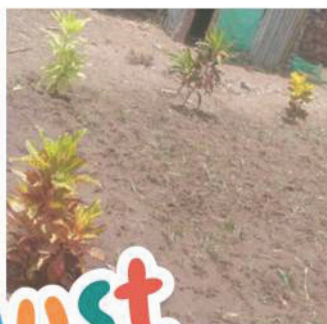
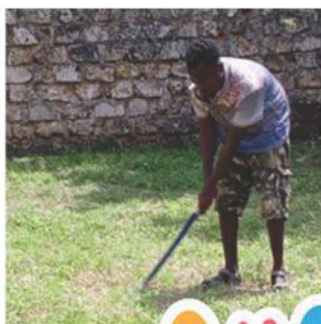


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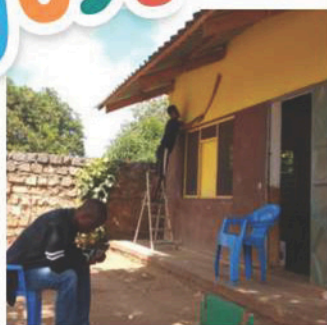
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The Garden is come along very well and when we return to Kenya we will plant a tree and officially name and open the garden. It's such a special and beautiful feature for the children and a wonderful way to celebrate the input of the foundation and its volunteers. We will have a nice event and invite some local business owners and community members to celebrate with us and spread awareness about the efforts of BRF and installation of its new garden.



## August



During this colourful month of August we decided to add to the atmosphere and the environment by painting and doing some maintenance around and inside the buildings on the compound. One of our volunteers is a competent and experienced painter and decorator, we have commissioned him and his team (plus some volunteers) to paint and do reparations to the buildings. Some weathering has occurred due to the heavy and consistent rains falling in Kenya and there is some damage to the walls and plaster, Masha and his team will attack these problem areas and make corrections, they will then paint with bold and bright colours which are extremely popular in Kenya!



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**We Are Back and We Are BIGGER!**

BeRadicalFoundation has landed back in Kenya this Sept' as planned, heading straight to Malindi with almost emergency speed. We arrived and began work meeting the volunteers and checking out the painting and the progress of the garden. Welcomed with warmth and open arms it feels like returning home everytime we visit Lea Mwana, the children smile and cheer offering their hands to shake ours, they skip around with excitement and seem to really enjoy the visits. The joy is infectious, it fills every corner of the compound and the bright new paintwork and shiny polished metal sparkles in the sun!

It's been a good few months and the support we've been organising from the UK has been landing month after month, the food delivery has been consistently arriving during the last week of each month and our goal to begin painting has proceeded as planned, the outbuildings are complete on our arrival and the bedrooms are well on the way to being done by the end of the week, it's looking great. Brighter, fresher, warmer and much more friendly with a welcoming and vibrant contrast to before. Asking the staff and children what they think about the new environment, the improvements etc and being told Asante Sana, Asante Sana. Thank you, Thank you in Swahili...



It feels so nice to be back, since the last physical visit in April so much has changed. The children are taller and bigger than before, even though it was only 5 months ago some children had birthdays and others with birthdays coming up have grown since the last time we saw them. Meeting the small babies that are filling out and looking very healthy with new clothes and the obvious evidence of good care and attention from the team is abundantly clear to see, the babies look happy and well fed and very well looked after.





## The Volunteers

The volunteers are making moves and creating an environment for the children to be proud of and during the visit we were able to sit down and discuss how to move things forward and celebrate the talents of some of our team. We have a talented footballer called David who is developing a sports programme for the children at the home and the talents don't stop there; we have plans with Shariff and Chris to develop a musicianship programme including learning to play instruments and practicing cultural dance. Other team members are developing programmes around hospitality, social care, yoga, basic english for infants and pre school children, basic engineering and mechanics plus so much more...



The development of these programmes and the continued support of Lea Mwana has lead us to a place where we have established an enterprise of strategies and systems that are benefiting the community, we sat down with the team and decided we were ready to officially register as a CBO community based organisation in Malindi Kenya, covering all of Kilifi county. This is now our Youth Empowerment Project and will exist to facilitate positive life experiences with educational elements that help prepare the children for the world of work and encourage self confidence, promoting team building and respect for others. At the social services office the reception was very positive and we soon received the approval of the chief officer in charge and the training was scheduled to begin. The team rallied around and were very excited about the progress and plan of action, establishing roles and responsibilities and offering ideas about how to expand and develop the programmes the team spirit is strong and the morale high.

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It's been our pleasure supporting the orphanage and getting to know the existing working members of the Lea Mwana team...

Mama Agnes is the director and an inspiration to all. Showing love and compassion to the children and staff, her presence is felt everywhere around the compound and the returning members of the team who once lived at the orphanage have only the best things to say about their own experience at the home and the positive influences the institute had for them.

Ezra, Jonathan and Victor are now volunteers on the BRF team but previously lived at the home full time for many years. Helping out in different capacities like cooking, general cleaning and night duties with the new babies, they are assets when it comes to representing the wholesome nature of the home and make us proud by becoming official members of the growing BRF team.



Jostinah is a shining light, everytime we see her she is smiling and radiates enthusiasm for the children and the home. Strong, sensitive and exceptionally kind spirited her every interaction is nurturing and of good nature. Right hand to Mama Agnes, Jostinah does much of the daily running of the home, feeding the babies, organising the office and carrying out administrative duties; we are aware it would not be the same without her.



All now members of the CBO we are welcoming a team of individuals that really understand the way the operation works best and how to nurture the children in a positive and inspirational environment, encouraging growth and the development of skills, creating opportunities with a long lasting impact.





**Youth Empowerment Project @ Lea Mwana**

The Y.E.P is continuing to provide and facilitate the development of key skills and talents of individuals at the home and we are also doing environmental outreach initiatives. Collecting rubbish on the beach in our SafeSands project with volunteers, visiting numerous locations and recycling the rubbish that cannot be used for the art projects or other forms of productivity. Using safe pieces of rubbish after being cleaned and sanitised to build or create interesting artworks that help to create awareness about safer practices with plastics. Eventually we plan to have systems in place so that we can create a recycling infrastructure that provides products from the process of repurposing the materials into quality useful items that can be used over and over again. There are so many initiatives already doing exactly that and we plan to follow in the footsteps of making positive change and helping to clean up the planet and make use of materials that are discarded but have a longer lifespan potentially ahead. We will be educating the children and young people about the effects of environmental pollution and the damaging impacts it can have on nature and society as a whole, included in our environmental awareness programme the children will learn about how to reduce the effects of pollution on future generations and themselves.

Our sports programme is ongoing as is our musicianship and dance programme, woven into all of our programmes are elements of social care, self awareness, respect for others and the importance of teamwork. We have a programme designed specifically to educate the children and facilitate the development of self confidence, self appreciation, strength of character and self respect. We believe it's extremely important to redirect some of the concepts or social aspects of the current system and culture, promoting better equality for the next generation and better outcomes when planning a family or making important life choices. We want the children to thrive through childhood and well into adulthood and believe we can assist with providing positive experiences so they are comfortable and confident in the ability and talents they can offer as assets to any environment, occupation or workplace.

**Giraffe Bioenergy**


Next month we are heading back to the farm and will visit Linda and her team and all the ladies working the lands and tending to the cassava. When we visited Kenya last month we had planned to take a visit to the farm and check on the progress, unfortunately we were so busy at Lea Mwana with the children and volunteers that we didn't make it out to Sabaki. It will be our first point of call when we arrive back next month so expect detailed updates and videos on the socials and in the newsletter.

To enable us to continue our work we really need your continued support. Please donate generously and thank you in advance!


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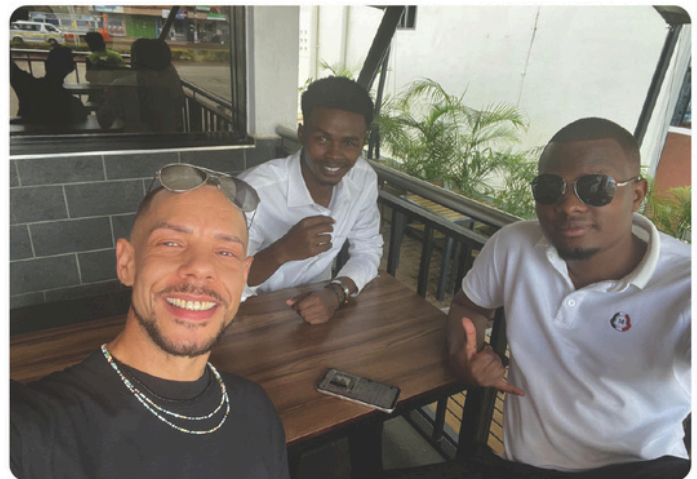
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Time to Party!!! We are back in Kenya... Ready to celebrate a year since the beginning of our journey and also, a very big birthday for the BeRadical founder. So many plans, so little time and so much to do!

Arriving at the very beginning of the month, touching down in Nairobi and staying over for some nights so we can visit friends of the organisation and also Ezra over in Thika. It's about 45 minutes to drive from Nairobi and we take the journey over the following day, it's our first visit to see Ezra at his medical college and we are very excited to see the set up and learn of everything he is achieving. Heading off in the early morning so we can meet him after his first class and have lunch before his afternoon lessons, we planned on arriving just after 11am. We get to the college campus and the road is very busy, people everywhere and cars, buses and motorbikes all around. Campus's on both sides of the road we are unsure where to go, calling Ezra to let him know we have arrived he comes across the road to meet us. He's smiling and looking very smart in his bright white shirt and black trousers, he gets in the car and we greet him and find out where we need to go.



## NOVEMBER

We turn the car around and he directs us towards his hostel, we drive for some minutes and pull up in a very tight and narrowing road. We jump out he directs us between some buildings and up some stairs to a balcony where we find a row of rooms with metal doors, walking to the left and right to end of the balcony and then we reach his place. It's small, very small... six metal bunk beds are angled into the corner and take up both sides of the room, there is a tiny washroom and only enough space for one or two people to stand in the main room. We ask him how many people are staying here and he says only two but they will soon add more people. It's very cramped for even one person but the idea of having six is overwhelming, he's been staying here now about 7 weeks.



It's getting close to lunchtime so we go and get some lunch, chicken and chips we decide so we head to KFC which is about 10mins drive. We get there and order food and wait... Freshly cooked chicken and chips! We chat and he tells us how things have been since moving from Malindi and relocating his life, he misses the family he has come to know and all his brothers and sisters from the orphanage. He's happy, looking forward to his future and is confident that he will make his sponsors and foundation proud, we are very proud of him and remind him that he will soon see everyone at the official launch party of BeRadicalCBO in some weeks at Lea Mwana. The food is ready and we eat, then head back to the college for a tour around the grounds and to meet some of his friends and the staff members. It's a really nice place and he seems very comfortable and happy 😊

Heading to Malindi in the days following our visit with Ezra, unfortunately leaving him behind but he will join us for the CBO launch at the end of the month. We are looking forward to seeing the team and discovering how things have developed since our last visit only seven weeks ago. They have been very busy keeping things on track with our plans since the official registration back in September, we have received the certificate and have been busy creating partnerships with other organisations that can help us achieve our mutual goals. ECOWorld in Watamu and KWS in Malindi and The Red Cross have all been approached and offered collaborations with us, our vision is to join forces with others who are doing similar work and mobilise our team to help support the wider reach of our mission. To learn more about our plans and activities please visit the website for regular updates and more details not found in the newsletter.




Arriving towards the weekend we made plans to take the children to Gede ruins where they have a snake farm, butterfly house and the wild monkeys congregate to be fed with pieces of banana, it's really fun! So on Saturday morning we head to the ruins and then on to Watamu for an afternoon on the beach. It was a beautiful day, we prepared lunch to take with us and packed lots of water... 54 children and 15 or so adults, it's a massive operation but we get it done and have great time.



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We celebrated and shared the performances from the children with the audience and danced with our friends and neighbours. The team have done so well and we look forward to many more memories and good times to come, please help us continue our activities and donate today!

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So plans are going ahead and the children have been on their end of year holidays which run from November to January, unlike the UK they have their summer holidays at the end of the year. Programmes have been successful and the children have been enjoying themselves and it seems so have the team, the volunteers have worked really hard and we are very thankful for the efforts and the wonderful relationships they are developing with children. Like with any family it takes enthusiasm and dedication to make a real impact, the support and stability is very important for the children and for the growth of a happy environment. We are proud of the team and can see the special opportunity that we have been given to really make a difference here at Lea Mwana Children's Home, soon the volunteers will take a break for a couple of weeks and be with their own families over Christmas and until the new year. They deserve the rest and earned the break, the team continues to grow and we look forward to 2025! Ezra is also taking a break from college for Christmas and will return back to Malindi to spend some time with those who he has missed dearly, we are in constant communication with him and he has expressed how eager he is to return and spend time with his brothers and sisters at the orphanage. He has plans to plant some seeds in the garden and do other activities with the children, there are also plans for him to do some shopping for Christmas Day as he knows them better than anyone.



He has been offering social peer counselling to the group and discussing different topics such as hygiene and nutrition, personal health awareness and social support systems. He understands and has the experience that can really help benefit the group, they look up to him and he is proving that he deserves the opportunity as he continues to give back and encourages others to be selfless as he is. He genuinely loves the children home and we often speak about his history there and why he has such a strong interest in being a support system for those children who are struggling just as he did.





We gave out gifts and had a party day for the children on Boxing Day, they had a very nice time on Christmas Day with people from the community coming to Lea Mwana to visit and spend time celebrating together. Ezra had bought food and gifts so decided he would cook for everyone and have another celebration the following day, some toys were bought for the babies and small children, for the ones in school and older he decided to get digital watches for all so they can do calculations, learn to read the time and use the other functions available. He kept us updated throughout the day and EVERYONE had a fantastic time.

Thank you to all who donated towards the Christmas party and the gifts, we continue to support the wellbeing of the children at Lea Mwana and look forward to 2025 and all the blessings it will bring!

Please scan and donate to keep our projects going and join us our journey towards lasting positive impact.

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Happy New Year! Welcome back after what we hope has been a very joyous and fulfilling festive season for you all, the children have had an amazing time together at the orphanage! Thank you to everyone who donated over the festive season, it has made a real difference allowing us to send over presents and food for festive celebrations.

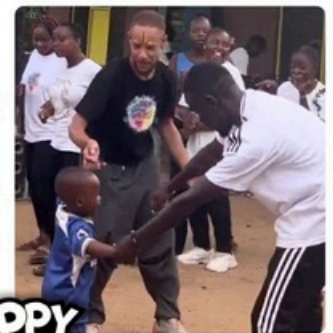
Next year we hope to have members of BeRadicalFoundation UK on the ground in Kenya spending some of December and January in Malindi with the children. Lucky for us Mr Ezra has been around organising so many activities and trips out, shopping trips for gifts and food for home cooked meals plus some added educational experiences and insights into his peer counselling sessions with the children. He's AMAZING!!!

## Education and Expansion

As they head back to school it will be our mission to support them as much as possible, some children struggle with maths and English lessons so we will be doing tutoring with them on weekends.



Small groups will participate in activities throughout the day with tutors that will develop their individual needs and work to support them to improve the areas that they struggle with. Victor, Nancy and Loreen will supervise these sessions and provide the necessary education, guidance and boost their confidence to help them improve step by step. This process will also allow them to get a better knowledge of other more personal needs the children may have that can be developed, our social care provider Loreen will be identifying areas of interest and establishing relationships with the children so she can develop and manage her programme. Running activities and issuing questionnaires to draw information from the children to help assist her in assisting their development, playing games including role plays and challenging them to discuss and approach their own personal needs. We are so excited to have some very competent and professional individuals on our team who work together to create a positive and inclusive environment.



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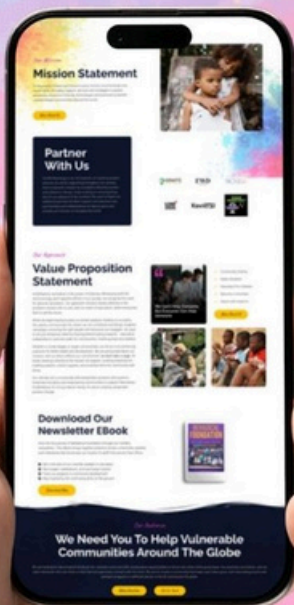


We are very lucky to have some new members who have joined and will be going through the rigorous induction process, learning about the history of the organisation and our values, adapting to our code of conduct and being introduced to all our existing members. After a two week induction they will spend up to four weeks working with the team and getting involved in team building exercises, meeting the children and developing their knowledge and skillset while we work to draw from their strengths and create opportunities for their personal and professional growth.



We believe it's incredibly important to discover and then celebrate the talents and successes of others, so when we recruit new members it's a responsibility we take seriously. This means we are always on the look out for talented, selfless and dedicated individuals who can add extra layers and a new dimension to our enthusiastic and creative team. As we continue to develop programmes for the children we are also aware of the importance to develop internal learning opportunities for our volunteers and those on the management team. It's our current mission to develop an internal education structure that we can pass on and offer to our members, encouraging our team to not only use the skills they have but to also support them to fully understand their own potential and give them opportunities for training and education in areas of interest to them and to us.

We plan to offer first aid training to all members working with children, provide social media training and digital marketing sessions, sessions about community hygiene initiatives and how to manage waste, environmental awareness and sustainability systems and in time much much more.



Ezra will be heading back to Nairobi and then on the Thika for medical school, he misses all the children and being in Malindi when he is away but also really appreciates the opportunity to study. We have set up a WhatsApp group so that all of his sponsors and supporters can stay up to date with his journey and communicate with him while he shares parts of his journey. All members donating directly to his education have the opportunity to be part of this WhatsApp group and share in the ongoing support of his time away from home. He is making friends and is always busy, either studying or working at a local place making chapati, going out with friends or in class right at the front, learning about all things medical. We believe he is a very important member, he embodies all aspects of the culture we as an organisation are trying to establish and his passion for helping others is just what the world needs more of.





## Fundraising and Enterprise

This part of the year we are dedicating to creating opportunities and avenues for income generation and funding, so we can continue to grow and expand with our work it's important for the organisation to have a regular income. We have plans to start our own enterprise initiatives that will allow us to build an infrastructure to help support our activities and our members by offering employment opportunities and further stability with financial support, empowering them and offering helpful services for the community.

Last year we partnered with some organisations in Kenya that will assist us with our initiatives and provide support and solutions for some of the environmental issues faced by many communities across Malindi and Kilifi county. EcoWorld in Watamu will buy recyclable materials from us by weight and repurpose them, our beach clean up days and the other activities we have planned will benefit from this partnership. As this develops and we eventually have our own vehicle we will have a much wider reach and more access to other services and partnerships that will enable us to help more and more people and other communities.

Our team are busy creating and building relationships with businesses and people around Malindi to help move our projects forward and give us extra strength. Together they are patiently preparing proposals for us so we have a clear vision of what our projects will look like for presentation to potential donors or sponsors and also, to make online applications. Pooling together their ideas and resources, making the necessary plans and preparations so we represent all aspects of our journey and plans for the future. It's a process that takes time and dedication, repeat applications and experience in the art of accepting rejection.



We have small teams on the ground going out around Malindi and fundraising on the street, at shopping malls and anywhere that gathers a lot of footfall. Making sure to get permission from the relevant people or authorities before setting up anywhere so we don't become a nuisance. We have been well received so far and our volunteers are happy to let people know exactly what we are up to and how they can help. Getting our name out there is very important and we must make people aware of our equally important causes. Join our team today and learn more about how we access the community, providing security and safety for many.



## Plans and Partnerships

Slowly and steadily, one step at a time we continue to move forward with our plans and we want to welcome new partnerships and with that, the responsibility to help those who are in need. Since April 2024, when we first met some of our now well loved family and friends over in Kenya, it's been a short but enjoyable and extremely rewarding journey. Together we have been able to achieve so much, without these collaborative relationships it would be difficult if not impossible to have hit the ground running with so many achievements. We are blessed to have met the right people and feel confident that because of the already existing organisations supporting us and our own developing culture, we will continue to improve the outreach we can provide and have even more positive lasting impact together as we grow and meet others with the same goal.



Education is the future and we plan to be part of that future, standing at the front and supporting others to become leaders and partners in their own professional development. We plan to work with Giraffe Bioenergy to open a school on the farm land and provide onsite education delivered and directed by the community of ladies working on the project. All activities at Giraffe are 95% female lead and we plan for the school to be the same, allowing the ladies to have full access to better education for their own children and families giving them another opportunity of independence and creating extra job opportunities within the community.

We are hoping to get direction from and possibly partner with another organisation offering support and empowerment through self employed teacher programs. Helping woman become self employed teachers and giving them independence through education and employment opportunities it's the perfect platform for those who want to teach and be in control of their own professional development. We really love this concept and will continue to seek advice and help from this type of emerging support system so that we can grow and offer more support systems of our own.

Join our growing community and help us to help others, the more we join together the wider the reach and the greater the impact. Thank you to all our supporters and donors, all our partners and members for the ongoing efforts and wonderful collaborative work ethic. We really could not be helping as many people as we are or growing as rapidly as we have been without the support and commitment of you all.





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# BE RADICAL FOUNDATION

## CBO Special Edition

Welcome back beautiful people... What a wonderful year we are having so far! Plans are going ahead and we have lots of news to share about the children's progress at the orphanage and all the updates on activities from the CBO. Let's get started...



Before we get into that exciting and prosperous news, we must first share our condolences with you and the family of our late Chairman Mr Hassan. He passed away on the 25th of February, very late at night, after suffering with some medical issues in the weeks before. Up until the last days of his life he continued to support the CBO, giving us his advice and sharing many drops of wisdom with the team. Always available to assist with any operations or challenges, offer guidance and security to the organisation and its members with an energy that made us all feel safe. We will miss him dearly, he was very loved by his family, friends and the team.

We have a special feature about his life and experience with the CBO and a tribute on our website, please check them out for more inspiring insights into the life of Mr Hassan, late Chairman of BeRadicalCBO Kenya, long term driver at Scorpio Cars, Malindi tour guide and a dear trusted friend.

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One thing we have learned along the way is that things often change, sometimes for good and sometimes not. We welcome good change and act swiftly when things happen that are out of our control. Losing good members of the team is always hard but we wish them well as they pursue other avenues of life and if they get the opportunity, so they should!



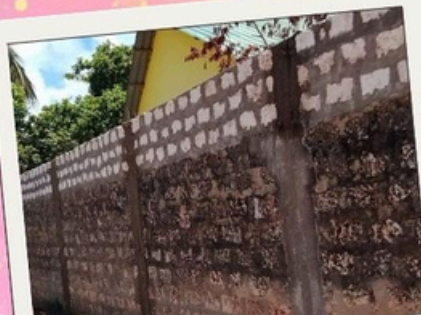
A very well respected member of our team has gone away to the Middle East for a work opportunity, Mr Daniel, our operations manager. He has been the backbone of our progress and the leader of many projects. He will be missed by all the team and by all the children. He has worked very well with the boys doing discussion groups about self-respect, respect for others, responsible parenting and more. Teaching chess, encouraging cognitive development, and social skills—he's made a big impact.

He and Sharif, both original members from the early days of BeRadicalFoundation, have given endless support. Mr Brown, Mr Daniel and Sharif were the first three members and for a time the only volunteers, paving the way for what has become a big team and a rewarding operation. We appreciate them all.



### Boundary Wall Project at Lea Mwana Children's Home

Since December, we've been extending the height of the boundary wall at Lea Mwana Children's Home to improve security. Thanks to a generous supporter, Tanja (from a German organization), we were able to get started. Masha Reiy, a valued volunteer who led the maintenance project last year, is heading this one too. He also teaches acrobatics to the children and performs shows. We aim to empower our team by hiring from within whenever possible.





## Recycling & Rubbish Collection Project

We are excited about our new recycling and rubbish collection project. One of our newer volunteers, Khalfan, who handled security at our CBO launch party, donated a van for this initiative. Although it needs new tires and servicing, it's a huge step forward. We're working with authorities, mechanics, and funders to ensure all documentation and permits are in place.

Mr Brown has been actively pursuing seed funding and connecting with community leaders. The end-of-April deadline is tight, but we're motivated to get everything in place to launch.

## Updates from Lea Mwana

The children are doing very well. Since February, 11 new children have joined. Whether temporary or permanent, our goal is always to welcome them warmly and help them adjust. Our social care expert Loreen is working with the new arrivals.

It can be overwhelming—so many children, sounds, and emotions. The staff and volunteers do a great job of integrating them. Recently, a lost boy (around 5–6 years old) was brought in by the police. He only said “Mama...” and was very weak. Thankfully, his parents were located, and he was safely reunited with them.

## Easter Surprise: Rabbits!

During the Easter break, Mr Ezra brought a surprise gift for the children—four rabbits! He bought them in Thika and traveled 8 hours to Malindi. The children didn't know and were overjoyed. We plan to build a proper home for the rabbits as a fun project for the kids. For now, they're staying with the chickens! Ezra also helped with permissions for the recycling project and has built relationships with supportive businesses. His energy and dedication continue to benefit everyone at the Children's Home and BeRadicalCBO.





## George's 1st Birthday 🎂

Mr George, who was brought to Lea Mwana as a baby last July, just turned one! Ezra picked him up from the police station last year, and now we celebrated his birthday with cake and joy. Ada, who arrived at just nine days old, will be celebrating her 1st birthday soon as well.

📷 **Check our socials for videos and photos!**



## Ongoing Needs and Support

Tourist season is winding down in Kenya, meaning support is more crucial than ever. Last year we started monthly food packages and essential supplies—nappies, toothpaste, bedding, school items, and more. Our count has gone from 52 to 65 children.

We aim to contribute again this year toward education fees, school uniforms, and daily needs. The school year runs from January to November, and we're approaching the end of the first semester.

Please consider donating and sharing this cause. Every bit helps. Let's keep changing the world, one step at a time.

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