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**CHEPs 144<sup>TH</sup> EYE CAMP**  
**LAIKIPIA COUNTY**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> AND 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2023**

## Introduction

Centres for Health and Education Programmes (CHEPs) is a registered Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) in Kenya. Our goal is to empower, promote access and improve quality of health and education for the benefit of under resourced individuals and communities.

It is alarming that 282 million people worldwide have abnormal vision and 14% of these are completely blind. Also of concern is the fact that 90% of visually impaired people live in low-income settings. CHEPs is on a mission to prevent, improve or restore the eyesight of people in remote, marginalised and needy communities. CHEPs identifies the beneficiaries through its presence and wide network among these communities. CHEPs eye camps are organised in collaboration with local communities, leaders, hospitals and health workers. During the eye camps, beneficiaries are screened and provided advice and treatment for a variety of eye conditions. Spectacles are provided for refractive errors to improve their vision. Surgeries are conducted to restore vision among those blind due to cataract.

CHEPs has already conducted 144 eye camps among impoverished communities across Kenya providing services to over 57,156 needy people. Over 44,196 have been provided with various eye medications and over 15,996 supplied with spectacles. Over 8,328 surgeries have been performed restoring vision to the cataract blind. The 144<sup>th</sup> eye camp was held at Segera Mission hospital in Nanyuki, Laikipia County which is located 250km from Nairobi. Narok has a total population of over 500,000 people. Patients came from very distant villages, many of them elderly, weak and malnourished.

The following services were offered free of charge:

- Total number of patients served –250
- Eye drops dispensed to treat various eye diseases – 200
- Reading glasses dispensed- 100
- Cataract blindness diagnosed and operated– 25

## The eye camp.

### Operations in progress





### **Acknowledgement**

We are grateful to Beta Charitable Trust for sponsoring this camp. The support went a long way in providing much needed ophthalmic services to over 250 men, women and children of Laikipia County, thereby treating and restoring their vision and empowering them. We look forward to more collaboration in future.

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