

A VISION OF A PEACEFUL KENYA

AFSC promotes ongoing dialogue to deal with underlying causes of conflict in order to create durable peace in Kenya. Our vision is of a peaceful, harmonious, and prosperous country that plays an important role in conflict resolution and peace building in Africa.

Objectives for AFSC's work

AFSC convenes, facilitates, and supports the work of peace builders in Kenya. We do this by:

- Collaborating with key peace builders and developing cooperative networks.
- Working with peace builders nationwide to influence policies that support peace and conflict transformation.
- Providing youth with training, learning opportunities, and other resources so they can address conflict situations.
- Using community dialogues, cross-cultural exchange visits, and collaborative projects with religious leaders to mobilize communities and create awareness of peaceful alternatives to conflict.
- Using sports and theater to help young people use their talents and passions to build and spread a culture of peace, cohesion, harmony, and reconciliation.



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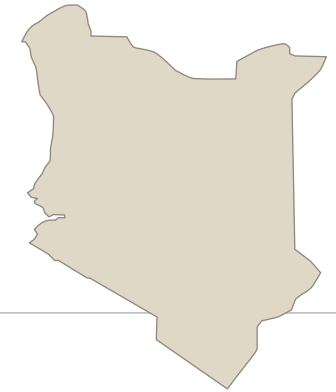
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The American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) is a Quaker organization that includes people of various faiths who are committed to social justice, peace, and humanitarian service. Its work is based on the Quaker belief in the worth of every person and faith in the power of love to overcome violence and injustice.



AFSC strategic priorities in Kenya



From 2015 to 2017, AFSC's priority is to build a durable peace in Kenya by working with youth and existing peace-building groups and networks, among others. Our efforts fall into three key areas:

Coordinate peace building efforts

There are many individuals, groups, and networks building peace in Kenya. Working with them as well as business leaders, the media, and academics, AFSC helps to:

- Improve coordination toward conflict resolution and peace building efforts in Kenya.
- Help peacemakers share the lessons they've learned and promote promising practices.
- Develop networks of peace builders who can reflect on the underlying causes of conflict and propose actions that lead to peaceful coexistence.

Support the development of young champions for peace

Economic security is one of the foundations for peace. To reinforce the peace-building potential of young people, ASFC works to:

- Encourage and support young people as they develop income-generating activities.
- Increase youth access to livelihood opportunities.

Enhance the capacity of youth-based peace groups

AFSC is connecting youth-based peace groups to each other and to local, regional, national, and international peace-building efforts. By doing so, we:

- Create learning opportunities that enhance their effectiveness as peace agencies.
- Open spaces for young people to engage in and lead community peace and reconciliation efforts, conflict transformation, and peace building.

VALUES

The following core values guide our work in Kenya:

- Peace
- Equality
- Simplicity
- Community

Binding these key tenets together is the Quaker belief that there is that of God in each person, leading us to respect the dignity and worth of all people.