

Ann Kiarie: A 20-Year Journey of Empowering Vulnerable Children and Youth



Two decades ago, Ann joined SOS Children's Villages with a passion for making a difference. She began her journey at the Nairobi village located in Buruburu, serving as a Sponsorship Secretary. It was here that she witnessed the transformative power of love, care, and support in the lives of the children under their care.

One of the most rewarding aspects of Ann's role is seeing the children she received at the villages grow into successful adults, capable of independently settling into the community. This fills her heart with joy and a sense of fulfilment. Ann doesn't stop there, she goes above and beyond by leveraging her networks to secure

employment opportunities for the youth.

"I have used my networks to secure jobs for four young people, and I am delighted to see them thriving and contributing as independent members of the community," Ann proudly shares.

Throughout her journey, Ann has witnessed children coming from various backgrounds. Some were abandoned, while others were brought in by relatives who lacked the resources to care for them after the loss of their parents.

As a sponsorship secretary, Ann played a crucial role in ensuring that these children received the love, support, and education they needed to thrive.

Her dedication and hard work led to her promotion to the National Office, where she joined the Sponsorship team for two years. Later, she transitioned to the Fundraising and Communication Department, focusing on engaging local donors. Ann tirelessly secures donations from local corporates, organizations, and individuals. They also encourage workplace giving, allowing corporate employees to contribute alongside their organizations.

These generous donations play a vital role in realizing the mission and vision of SOS Children's Villages in Kenya. To further support their cause, Ann has organized fundraising events such as golf tournaments, Mount Kilimanjaro climbs, children's carnivals, and dinners.

As SOS Children's Villages in Kenya celebrates its 50th anniversary, Ann proudly upholds the vision and mission set by Herman Gmeiner 74 years ago.

If you are inspired to make a difference, Ann is always available to discuss how your donation can positively impact the lives of vulnerable children and young people.