

# **Mukuru Slums Housing Project**

**Susan Save Lives Organization**

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# Background Information

- Susan Save Lives CBO was founded by Susan Ambiyó – a 17 year teenage girl who was born and brought up in Mukuru slums – Nairobi.
- Since Susan was born and raised in this informal settlement of Mukuru, she has experienced what girls go through and felt the need for coming up with a program that could be able to save their lives.
- At the age of 13, Susan started championing for the rights of the girl-child in the slums.
- She started an informal group of young girls - fighting for the rights of girls.
- The organization was registered in 2021 by the government.

# The Mukuru Slums Housing Project

- Mukuru slums are predominantly a low-income informal settlement
- It consists of 30 villages namely Kwa Njenga, Kwa Reuben, Sinai, Paradise, Jamaica, Kingstone, Mariguini, Fuata Nyayo and Kayaba
- It has a population of over 700,000 people living under 650 acres of land.



- People live in very poor shacks made from cardboard or plastic materials or old corrugated iron sheets of 3m by 3m with very poor sanitation
- There is no space for children to play
- Crime is also very high
- There are also frequent fire outbreaks



# Outputs of the Housing Project

- Formation of community housing selection committee
- Socio-economic Surveys
- Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plans
- Approved County of Nairobi development Plans
- Tenure Documents of Beneficiaries, Letters of Allotment, Leases and Titles
- Land Information System (LIS) platform of the Informal Settlements
- Cadastral Survey Maps with clear wayleaves
- Detailed topographical survey for Engineering Designs

# Project Activities

- Selection and Prioritization of the needy beneficiaries
- Community mobilization
- Preparation of Detailed Engineering Designs and Bidding Documents
- Infrastructure Works Procurement and Implementation
- Handing Over of Infrastructure, and Operation and Maintenance
- Reporting
- Risk Management