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| 1 | STIPA introduction  (What STIPA is, what STIPA does and projects - mention)  Short sentences. | Support for Tropical Initiatives in Poverty Alleviation (STIPA) is a national non-governmental, non-profit organization registered with the NGOs Coordination Board of Kenya on 25th September 1997. STIPA is based in Kisumu County with a satellite base in Narok County (Transmara West Sub County). STIPA has a presence in 7 counties in Western Kenya namely Bungoma, Busia, Homa Bay, Kisumu, Narok, Siaya, and Vihiga.  STIPA envisions healthy communities driven by its mission statement of empowering communities and organizations to be in control. Anchored on three key pillars (Community Empowerment, Advocacy, and Resource Mobilization for Sustainability), STIPA has vast experience in community development using unique approaches that facilitate communities to address shortcomings in top-down development approaches in conventional development models.  **PROJECTS**  **Community Based Health Financing Project** gears towards empowering communities to access quality and affordable health care services. The project also applies enhanced partnership using the CBHFPlus Model that enables access to health care services through community-based Health Financing and upgrading to Universal Health Coverage, and National Hospital Insurance Fund.  **Western Kenya Peace Initiatives** project is implemented by a consortium of 12 organizations to address political and ethnic violence, that tends to reverse the gains achieved in the various development initiatives, by promoting peaceful, social, political & economic co-existence amongst the communities of Western Kenya.  **Tunza Punda, Inua Jamii Project** seeks to mitigate the impact of challenges facing donkeys and improve the welfare of donkeys and their owners in Kisumu and Siaya Counties.  **Dissemination of the new Bean Varieties Project** aims at strengthening the production of drought-resistant, high-yielding, and nutritious bean varieties among smallholder farmers in Kisumu, Siaya, and Vihiga counties, to reduce the national food deficit and increase household income. |
| 2 | Who we are | We are a regional empowering organization |
| 3 | Mission | To empower communities and organization to be in control |
| 4 | Vision | Healthy Communities |
| 5 | Values | Social justice, Teamwork, Transparency and Accountability, Participatory decision making, Personal development, Professionalism, and Commitment to serving the poor which are encapsulated by the acronym STTIPPP-C |
| 6 | Strategy | * Facilitating communities and development actors to address shortcomings in top-down development using unique approaches that are anchored on the principles of sensitivity to potential gender, ethnic, socio-economic, and political conflicts. * Mainstreaming public-private partnerships through the deliberate promotion of a multisectoral approach to development to improve the quality and relevance of critical services to the resource-poor communities. * Empowering stakeholders to make their voices heard on issues that affect their lives and that of the communities. |
| 7 | Our work | Our niche is the delivery of training, advisory, and mentorship services on an integrated program that focuses on the sectors of health, economic empowerment, livelihoods, adolescents, and youth. Our strengths are in public health, social enterprise (focusing on agribusiness) to enhance the performance and sustainability of projects. We incorporate best practices to achieve desired results that better serve our communities. |
| 8 | Write-ups for the old projects | **Indicator Development Surveillance for Urban Emergencies project** was implemented between 2012 and 2014. It was longitudinal research in the urban informal settlements enabling urban slum dwellers to represent both a highly vulnerable and underserved population. The key indicators compared conditions within the country, both in rural and urban settings. The project enabled organizations working in the area prioritize intervention initiatives.  **Capacity Building Initiatives in Somalia** was implemented from 2006 to 2017 whereSTIPA in partnership with UNICEF Somalia is implemented phase II of the United Nations Joint Programme on Local Governance. The purpose of the project was to strengthen Local Government capacity in community participation in local planning and monitoring to restore confidence and credibility in the states of Somalia. The subsequent project strengthened governance and resilience for improved service delivery to children and families in Somalia (Gedo Region).    **Men Empowerment Project** was implemented from March 2005 to December 2012 in a total of three phases. The overall objective was to promote the productivity of men for poverty reduction through empowerment.    **Community Peace Project** was implemented from August 2009 to 2012 in Kisumu County. It was geared towards enhancing peace and mitigating conflict situations amongst communities of different ethnic backgrounds.  **HIV/AIDS Project** focused on increasingparticipation of the youth in HIV/AIDS prevention care and support initiatives.  **Life and Living HIV/AIDS/TB project** was implemented between 2007-2009 to promote the social integration of people infected and affected by HIV/AIDS and TB.    **Water and Sanitation Project** was implemented from February 2007 to December 2008. The main objective was to improve access to safe water and sanitation facilities at the school level to improve enrolment, retention, and performance of children (especially girls). |